

## OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION, DARNESTOWN

### Liturgical Life



**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 28 - 29 January, PRESIDERS:**

**5:00 p.m. Fr. Raymond Fecteau**  
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**11:00 a.m. Fr. Mathew Puchayil**

#### Readings for the Week of January 22, 2012

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20  
Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30  
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mk 3:31-35  
Wednesday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18  
Thursday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Tit 1:1-5/Mk 4:21-25  
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mk 4:26-34  
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41  
Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

**LITURGICAL LIFE CHANGE:** Anita Stiger has been appointed to the Pastoral Council as the Liturgical Life Chair. She will serve in this capacity until the First Sunday of Advent.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER:** Parishioners are not obliged to physically attend Sunday Mass if dangerous travel or road conditions exist. Those who cannot safely attend Mass in person are encouraged to watch the Sunday TV Mass, which airs at 10:30 a.m. on CW50.

**ORDINARY TIME:** Apart from those seasons having their own distinctive character, there remains in the yearly cycle those weeks (33 or 34) that do not celebrate a specific mystery of Christ. Rather, especially on Sundays, they are devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its fullness. This period is known as Ordinary Time (General Norms 43). Ordinary Time begins on Tuesday, 10 January, and continues through Tuesday, 21 February, the day before Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Lenten season. It will resume when the Easter season ends, that is on Monday, 28 May, the day following Pentecost.

**HAIL, QUEEN OF HEAVEN:** The Marian antiphon, *Ave Regina Coelorum*, is sung from the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord until Holy Thursday. At Visitation parish, a traditional Marian antiphon is sung during the presentation of the gifts.

**IN/OUT OF FLU SEASON** – No one is ever under an obligation to shake hands during the Sign of Peace (a statement of peace, bow or other gesture is appropriate) or to receive from the chalice. Christ is fully present in each species when the bread and wine have been consecrated into His Body and Blood. Anyone who is ill, or suspects he or she is ill, should refrain from receiving from the chalice out of good will. Also, he or she may wish to receive the host in the hand rather than by the mouth. Common sense dictates that you remain at home, if feeling unwell.

### Parish Life

**PARISH NECROLOGY:** On the anniversary of their death, please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: **Frances DeSales Zobel** (01 January 2002), **Virginia Crim** (10 January 2006), **Edward Gubish** (10 January 2007), **Jane Gordon** (12 January 2010), **Audrey Lazzari** (15 January 1996), **James R. Schillinger** (16 January 2008), **Sheila DiDuca** (18 January 2002), **David B. Anderson** (21 January 1995), and **Josephine Marini** (21 January 2000).

**FIRST PENANCE:** First Penance and Reconciliation Service for parish children will be held on Saturday, 28 January at 9:00 a.m. A reception for children and their families will follow in Founders Hall. Two **volunteers** (not parents of second graders) **are needed** from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and two volunteers are needed from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., to help set up, monitor, and clean up. Call Michele Olewack (301) 948-5536 ext. 107, if you are able to help.

**OLVP MEN'S BRUNCH:** Men and teenage sons are invited to come to the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, 29 January followed by a brunch at the newly renovated Gaithersburg Holiday Inn. For more information, contact Brian O'Sullivan (240) 477-5717.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SUPER BOWL SUBS:** The Our Lady of Fatima Council of the Knights of Columbus are selling subs. They include three kinds of meat as well as cheese, lettuce, tomato, and dressing, all for only \$5.00. Veggie Subs are available by special request. Order by 29 January and pick up 5 February after mass. To order, call Donald Patti at (866) 478-8080.

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**VERA BRADLEY BINGO:** Mother Seton Parish in Germantown is sponsoring a Vera Bradley Bingo on Friday, 3 February (snow date 10 February). Doors open at 6:00 p.m., Bingo starts at 7:00 p.m. There will be door prizes and a raffle. Supper will be provided. Admission is \$25.00. For information, call Fran Skillman (301) 335-5789.

**MEN'S VOCATION RETREAT:** Cardinal Wuerl is sponsoring a Men's Vocation Retreat for men in their 20's-40's who are considering a call to the priesthood. The retreat will begin on Friday evening, 10 February and end on Sunday, 12 February and will be held at the Blessed John Paul II Seminary. To register or for more information, contact Father Carter Griffin at (301) 853-4580 or [vocations@adw.org](mailto:vocations@adw.org).

**INFANT BAPTISMS:** Parents presenting their children for Baptism must be registered in our parish and are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Class **prior to scheduling the Baptism**. Attendance during pregnancy is encouraged. For further information, call the parish office, (301) 948-5536 x 105.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** If you are planning to undergo major surgery, please notify our parish office. If illness or age prevents you from attending mass, call the parish office to arrange for visitation and Communion in your home.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** If you would like to have a special intention remembered in our prayers please call the parish office (301) 948-5536, ext. 108.

### *Faith Formation for Life*

**CONGRATULATIONS:** At the January meeting of the Board of Directors of Mary of Nazareth Catholic Elementary School, parishioner **Stephen Staton** was elected Vice Chair of our Board.

**SCRIPTURE STUDY:** A study of the readings for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time will be on Tuesday, 24 January, 10:00 a.m., in the Barn.

**YOUTH RALLY AND MASS FOR LIFE: 23 January 2012:** The Youth Rally and Mass for Life will be held at the Verizon Center (7:00 a.m.) and at the DC Armory (6:30 a.m.). Mass will begin at 10:00 a.m. with departure for the National March for Life at 11:30 a.m. OLVP has eight tickets available for youth from this parish. Please contact Michele Olewack (301) 948-5536 ext. 107 or visit [www.facebook.com/youthrallyandmassforlife](http://www.facebook.com/youthrallyandmassforlife).

**RADIO FOR LIFE:** tune in to WMET 1160 AM, Metropolitan Washington's Catholic Radio Station for live coverage of the March for Life on 23 January 2012! WMET will be broadcasting live from different locations throughout the March for Life. Special interviews throughout the day will include Helen Aalvare, Fr. Robert Barron, and others. Visit [www.gmonline.com](http://www.gmonline.com).

**MARY OF NAZARETH OPEN HOUSE:** Please come visit Mary of Nazareth Elementary School, our interparish Catholic elementary school, for an Open House on Sunday, January 29, 2012 between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. For information, please contact Mrs. Maryellen Weir at [mweir@maryofnazareth.org](mailto:mweir@maryofnazareth.org) or visit the school's website at [www.maryofnazareth.org](http://www.maryofnazareth.org).

**MARY OF NAZARETH PASTORAL RECOMMENDATIONS:** Visitation Parish families who are registering to attend Mary of Nazareth School, both new and returning families, are asked to **mail their pastoral recommendation forms to the parish office** at least one week before the due date. Please mail them to: Attn.: Pastoral Form, 14135 Seneca Road, Darnestown, MD 20874. Complete all parts of the form and include a family picture. The office will process and deliver the forms directly to Mary of Nazareth School.



**VACATION BIBLE CAMP REGISTRATION:** Our summer Vacation Bible Camp, "SKY," is just around the corner. At "SKY", faith and imagination soar as kids discover that everything is possible with God. "SKY" is for children from age 3 ½ years (by 01 June 2012) to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, and will run from 25 to 29 June, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Registration will be held in Founders Hall on Sunday, 5 February after the 9:00 a.m. mass. Cost is \$100.00 per camper. Financial assistance is available. For additional information, please email [molewack@olvp.org](mailto:molewack@olvp.org).

### *Social Concerns*

**2012 CARDINAL'S APPEAL:** This year, the theme of the Appeal is, "Seek first the kingdom of God." We have the capability of helping the kingdom of God to be present in our lives and in the lives of those around us through our works of charity, love and compassion. Contributions to

the Cardinal's Appeal offer each of us the opportunity to respond to the needs of others by enabling ministries and services that touch thousands of lives. Please prayerfully consider a generous pledge to the 2012 Cardinal's Appeal

**MARYLAND LOBBY NIGHT:** In preparation for Lobby Night (20 February), the Archdiocesan Department for Charity and Justice will host a Legislative Briefing at St. Matthias School Cafeteria in Lanham, MD on Saturday, 28 January, from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Please RSVP to [abosnick@adw.org](mailto:abosnick@adw.org) or call (301) 853-5340.

**Human Resources**

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**BULLETIN / FLYERS DEADLINE:** If you wish to submit a bulletin article or a separate insert/flyer in the bulletin, please submit the information by calling (301) 948-5536, ext. 103 or email [cenos@olvp.org](mailto:cenos@olvp.org).

**Facilities**



**CHURCH PAINTING:** Our beautiful church is currently being painted. The cost will be taken from our reserves. Some parishioners have already contributed to this effort. If you would like to help so that we can maintain our reserves, please call Fr. Ray at (301) 948-5536 ext. 109

**FACILITIES CHAIR:** Tony Glander has been appointed to the Pastoral Council as the Facilities Committee Chair. He will serve in this capacity through December 2014.

**Finance**

**FAITH DIRECT:** Do you often find yourself without your checkbook or envelope on Sunday morning? Join the many parishioners who have already enrolled in Faith Direct for automated giving to Our Lady of the Visitation Parish Faith Direct is secure and convenient, and will provide you with an offertory card to place in the basket during the collections. There is no cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our parish. Sign up today by visiting [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net). Our parish code is MD114. You can also pick up an enrollment form at the parish office or call Faith Direct's toll-free number, (866) 507-8757 for more information.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR	
<b>January</b>	
24 Tue	Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn Faith Formation, 4:45 – 6:00 p.m.
25 Wed	Faith Formation, 4:45 – 6:00 p.m.
28 Sat	First Reconciliation/Reception, 9:00 a.m. Church/Hall; Catholic School Students Wear Uniforms to 5:00 p.m. Liturgy
29 Sun	Men's Brunch Mary of Nazareth School Open House
31 Tue	Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
<b>February</b>	
02 Thu	Holy Hour, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., Chapel
05 Sun	Faith Formation, 6:30 – 7:45 p.m. 6, 7, 8 Grades, Founders Hall
07 Tue	Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn Faith Formation, 4:45 – 6:00 p.m.
08 Wed	Faith Formation, 4:45 – 6:00 p.m.
10 Fri	Volunteer Appreciation Dinner/Dance, 7:30 – 10:30 p.m., Founders Hall
12 Sun	Family Bingo, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m., Fdrs. Hall Faith Formation, 6:30 – 7:45 p.m. High School, Rectory 6, 7, 8 Grades, Founders Hall
14 Tue	Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn Faith Formation, 4:45 – 6:00 p.m.
15 Wed	Faith Formation, 4:45 - 6:00 p.m.
19 Sun	No Faith Formation
20 Mon	Office Closed
21 Tue	Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
22 Wed	<i>Ash Wednesday</i> Liturgies: 6:00 a.m., noon, 6:00 p.m.
<b>SAVE THE DATE</b>	
<b>May 2012</b>	
06 Sun	Confirmation

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