

## OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION, DARNESTOWN

### Liturgical Life

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:  
17-18 SEPTEMBER, PRESIDERS:**

**5:00 p.m.** Fr. Mathew Punchayil  
**9:00 a.m.** Fr. Raymond Fecteau  
**11:00 a.m.** Fr. Mathew Punchayil

### Readings for the Week of September 11, 2011

Sunday: Sir 27:30-28:9/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35  
Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 7:1-10  
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Lk 7:11-17  
Wednesday: Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17  
Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35  
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3  
Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15  
Next Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a



**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.

**ROMAN MISSAL REVISED:** The third edition of the Roman Missal will be inaugurated on the First Sunday of Advent 2011. Our current English translation dates to 1973. The new translation will use language that is more biblical and more in keeping with the translation of the Revised Lectionary. Also, the new English translation adheres more closely to the original texts in Latin.

**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 resumes when the Easter season ends, that is, on Monday, 13 June, the day following Pentecost.

**SALVE REGINA:** The Marian antiphon, *Salve Regina*, is sung from Trinity Sunday to the First Sunday of Advent. It was used as a processional chant at Cluny as early as 1135. The text of the antiphon is the familiar prayer, "Hail, Holy Queen." At Visitation Parish we use it as a processional chant during the presentation of the gifts.

### Parish Life

**PARISH NECROLOGY:** On the anniversary of their death, please remember the following parishioners in your prayers: **Agnes F. Kelly** (2 September 2002), **Harry T. Lackey, Jr.** (10 September 2002), **Vincent Burns** (10 September 1994), and **Andrew Garde** (22 September 1994).

**ECCE QUAM BONUM:** Last weekend, **Lily Catherine Gesiskie** and **Thomas John Loftus** celebrated **First Eucharist**.

**SAINTS/WINDOWS:** **9 September, Peter Claver** (1581 - 1654) was born to a poor farming family in Spain. He became a Jesuit missionary (upper panel) and, at his ordination to the priesthood, Peter vowed to become "a slave to the slaves." As slave ships (lower panel) arrived in Cartagena (Columbia, South America) he boarded the ships with food, drink and medicine. With the help of interpreters, and despite open opposition and ridicule, Peter Claver instructed and baptized almost four hundred thousand people. His feast is listed in the United States liturgical calendar.

**SODALITY:** The Women's Sodality will hold its annual Membership Tea in Founders Hall on Sunday, 2 October from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. All women of the parish are welcome. For information, please email Sheila Bouley, [wbouley@comcast.net](mailto:wbouley@comcast.net).

**SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST PARENT MEETING** for the parents of those parishioners who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Reconciliation in 2012 will be on Sunday, 25 September at 3:00 p.m. in Founders Hall. This meeting is for **parents only**. For more information, please call Michele Olewack, 301-948-5536 ext. 107.

**PARISH EMBER DAYS:** Responding to the Gospel and following Church tradition, Visitation parishioners are encouraged to voluntarily set aside Wednesday, 21 September, Friday, 23 September and Saturday, 24

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September as special days of fasting, prayer and works of charity.

**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**. Sponsors are also welcome to attend. Attendance during pregnancy is encouraged. For further information, call the parish office, (301) 948-5536 x 105.

**MARRIAGE PLANNING:** It is Archdiocesan and parish policy that couples seeking to be married in the Church are to make arrangements with a priest or deacon a minimum of six months prior to setting a wedding date.

**CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER:** Catholic Engaged Encounter is an experiential weekend that calls engaged couples to a sacramental way of life through the vocation of matrimony. For further information go to [www.dcengagedencounter.org](http://www.dcengagedencounter.org) and register for a weekend.

**RETREAT DAY:** Come and restore your desire to be a healing presence of kindness by attending a day-long retreat guided by Joyce Rupp, SM, at Bon Secours Spiritual Center in Marriottsville, MD on Saturday, 24 September from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For information or to register, please call (410) 442-1320.

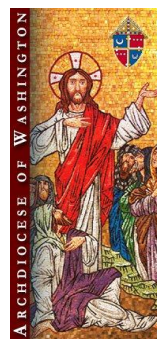
**LITURGY OF THE HOURS:** Morning Prayer is prayed every morning before the 9:15 a.m. daily liturgy. Morning Prayer begins at 8:45 a.m. in the Thomas More Chapel.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** If you would like to have a special intention remembered in our prayers, please email [parishoffice@olvp.org](mailto:parishoffice@olvp.org) or call the parish office at (301) 948-5536, ext. 103.

### *Faith Formation for Life*

**SCRIPTURE STUDY:** A study of the readings for the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time will be on Tuesday, 13 September, 10:00 a.m., in the Barn.

**CATECHISTS AND ASSISTANTS NEEDED FOR 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR:** Assistants are still needed for a few positions in Grades K through 8 in order for us to begin the school year. If you are interested in sharing your faith with our parish children, please call Michele Olewack (301) 948-5536 ext 107 or email [molewack@olvp.org](mailto:molewack@olvp.org).



**HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION:** *Scripture and Snacks with Fr. Ray* begins on Sunday, 2 October from 6:30 – 7:45 p.m. in the rectory for grades 9 – 12. Registration forms are being mailed to all students; please return registration forms by **Friday, 2 September**.

**FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUTH IN GRADES 6 – 8: NEW DATE AND TIME:** All youth in grades 6 to 8 will meet for Faith Formation sessions on Sunday evenings from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. in Founders Hall beginning 02 October. We ask that all students **be registered by Friday, 2 September**. We currently have team teachers for all grades and parents are being asked to assist in the classroom for one session per family during the school year. Sign-ups will be in Founders Hall at the first sessions on Sunday, 2 October. Please **plan to sign up**.

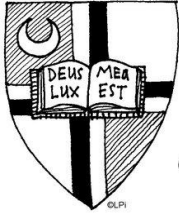
**FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES K – 5:** Sessions for grades K – 5 begin Tuesday/Wednesday 4/5 October. We ask that all students **be registered by Friday, 2 September** so we have enough catechists/aides and time to order books and materials. Grades K-5 will meet from 4:45 – 6:00 p.m. Registration forms are being mailed to all children currently enrolled in our Faith Formation program. If you are a new parishioner, would like more information about our program, or would like to enroll your children, please call (301) 948-5536, ext. 107.

**DANCE AND ETIQUETTE LESSONS:** Mary of Nazareth Catholic School offers five evenings of dance and etiquette instruction for eighth grade students that begin on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and are held at the school. The program fee is \$175.00 per student. Please contact Heather Long (301) 869-0940, ext. 6, for additional information or to register.

### *Social Concerns*

**URGENT NEED IN SOMALIA:** The Holy Father has asked that Catholics throughout the world respond generously to the desperate needs of the people of East

Africa. *Catholic Relief Services* (CRS), as our official international relief agency, is experienced in navigating difficult situations like in Somalia. Please send any contributions **as soon as possible**, to CRS, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21203-7090, marked for **Africa Drought Response**.



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**CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY COLLECTION:** Today's second collection is for The Catholic University of America, the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. CUA provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. Every dollar we give directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including ours. Please be generous.

**ADOPTED FAMILY COLLECTION:** Our parish will be providing school clothing for our adopted Head Start families. Donated items will be collected the weekend of 17 and 18 September. For information, please call Jane Stenson (301) 977-9094.

**THE LORD'S TABLE SOUP KITCHEN:** Volunteers are needed to help serve dinner at the soup kitchen on Thursday, 29 September. If you are able to help, please call Jocelyn Keyes (301) 948-2576.

### *Human Resources*

**HELP NEEDED:** Many new resources have arrived for the Media Center/St. Joseph's Room in Founders Hall. We need help sorting, labeling, and arranging these materials so that they may be used by our teachers/parents throughout the year. If you have some time to give, please call Michele Olewack, 301-948-5536 ext. 107.

**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) by noon on Wednesday.

### *Facilities*

**PARISH SIGN:** The parish sign on Route 28 has been replaced. Check it out.

**PARISH REPAIR:** If you see a needed repair around the parish, please call the parish office at (301) 948-5536 ext. 103 and report the problem so we can get it fixed.

### *Finance*

**THANK YOU** to the many parishioners who have recently joined Faith Direct and to those who have increased their weekly and monthly contributions. Your financial commitment to Our Lady of the Visitation parish is both needed and **greatly appreciated**. If you would like to join the many parishioners who have already enrolled in Faith Direct for automated giving to Our Lady of the Visitation parish, sign up today by visiting [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) or by calling (866) 507-8757. Our parish code is MD114. You may pick up an enrollment form from the presider/deacon after mass or from the parish office (301) 948-5536 x108.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

#### September

- 13 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 18 Sun Catechetical Sunday  
Adopted Family Collection
- 20 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 21 Wed Ember Day
- 23 Fri Ember Day
- 24 Sat Ember Day
- 25 Sun First Eucharist/Reconciliation Parent Mtg.,  
3:00 p.m., Founders Hall
- 27 Tue Scripture Study, 1000 a.m., Barn
- 29 Thu The Lord's Table

#### October

- 02 Sun Mortgage Reduction Collection  
Sodality Tea, 3:00 p.m., Founders Hall  
Faith Formation, 6:30 – 7:45 p.m.  
Grades 6, 7, 8, Lower Church  
High School, Rectory
- 04 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn  
Faith Formation, 4:45 – 6:00 p.m.  
K - 5, Lower Church
- 05 Wed Faith Formation, 4:45 – 6:00 p.m.  
K - 5, Lower Church
- 06 Thu Holy Hour, 7:00 p.m., Barn
- 09 Sun Holy Name, 10:00 a.m., Founders Hall
- 11 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn

### SAVE THE DATE

#### May 2012

- 06 Sun Confirmation, 2:00 P.M.

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