

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March 17, 2019

Sunday, March 17

7:30 am ✝ Kvaka Family
9:00 am ✝ Leslie Williams
11:00 am ✝ *Pro Populo*
7:00 pm ✝ Christopher Paul Nofal

Monday, March 18

12:00 pm ✝ Kalesnik Family

Tuesday, March 19

12:00 pm ✝ Donald Mohr

Wednesday, March 20

12:00 pm ✝ Nestor Rubio

Thursday, March 21

12:00 pm ✝ Littel Wilson

Friday, March 22

12:00 pm ✝ Ricardo Cotera

Saturday, March 23

5:00 pm ✝ Wilfredo Dadia, Sr.

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Thank you very much for your generosity to the weekly Collections at Mass: **The Offertory Collection** last weekend was \$5,622. **The Faith Direct Online Collection** (includes Offertory, 2nd Collections, and Donations) for the second half of February was \$2,944. (We report to you the online giving amount twice a month). Your online gift to our parish helps to sustain our ministry and outreach efforts, as well as ongoing repairs and maintenance to our beautiful church building. Thank you so much for your generosity and kindness; please tell your friends about St. Ann's! Go to our website: stanndc.org and use our St. Ann's Church CODE: DC811

Thank you for your continued support!

New Parishioners: If you are new in the area, you are encouraged to register with the parish. Registration forms are available at the main entrance of the Church or from the Rectory Office. Completed forms may be returned by dropping them in the Sunday collection basket, mailed, or brought to the Rectory. Please let us know if you are relocating or moving away by dropping a note or calling the Rectory Office at (202) 966-6288.

Sick Calls: Please email us at stann@stanndc.org, to notify the Pastor of any sick, homebound or those hospitalized, so that we may arrange to bring them the Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick.

LENT

Confessions & Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesdays during Lent from 7:00pm to 8:00pm

Stations of the Cross:
Fridays at 11:30am & 7:00pm

Stations of the Cross: Every Fridays 11:30am and 7:00pm during Lent. The Stations of the Cross is a Lenten devotion that offers witness to Jesus' Passion and Death. At each station we use our senses and our imagination to reflect prayerfully upon Jesus' suffering, Death, and Resurrection, and to simply experience the visual images to reflect on Christ's love for us.

Easter Flowers: Remember your loved ones at Easter with an Easter Flower Memorial offering by using the envelopes located on the church tables or in your mailing. The names of the deceased will be remembered at Easter and listed in our bulletin.

Saint of the week: Saint Joseph, First Century (*Feast March 19*). The husband of Mary, the mother of Jesus, and the legal father of Jesus according to Jewish law, Joseph is a model of humility and obedience to God's will. He



followed God's instructions, given by angels in dreams, and took the pregnant Mary into his home as his wife, protected her and Jesus from the child's birth in Bethlehem through the family's sojourn in Egypt and provided for them as a carpenter in Nazareth. This feast, which was celebrated locally as early as the ninth century, became a universal feast in the 16th century. Pope Pius IX named Joseph patron of the universal church in 1870; he is also the patron saint of carpenters, the dying and workers.

Did you know? While Jesuits from Georgetown's Holy Trinity Parish began mission work to Catholics in Tennallytown (now called "Tenleytown") in 1866, St. Ann's Parish was canonically established in 1869. We will celebrate our 150th anniversary in 2019. The present church is the third church building which was constructed, together with the rectory building, in 1947, fifty years ago.

Evenings with the Merciful Jesus: On the 22nd of every month from 7:00pm to 10:00pm, the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, DC (3900 Harewood Rd., NE) hosts a gathering for young adults and the young at heart, featuring a talk, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with praise and worship music, Confession, refreshments, and a time for fellowship. Contact events@jp2shrine.org or visit jp2shrine.org for more information.

Lenten Rice Bowl Boxes. During Lent, parishioners are encouraged to contribute to Catholic Relief Services by using the cardboard boxes that are available on the tables in the church. The donations can be brought to the church beginning the week after Easter.

Dodgeball Tournament for Youth in Grades 7 to 12:

Join teens from St. Ann to play dodgeball against other youth groups at parishes from throughout the Archdiocese of Washington! That's hundreds of teens! The annual High School Dodgeball Tournament takes place Sunday, March 24 at 3:00pm at St. Patrick's, 4101 Norbeck Rd., Rockville, MD 20853. All participants are invited to attend Mass at 7:00pm following the tournament. Sign up to play or chaperone by **March 19** by sending an emailing to Natalie at director@stanndc.org for the forms to fill out! Carpooling from St. Ann's will be available.

Volunteer to Pack and Deliver Meals to IONA Seniors:

Youth in grades 7 to 12 and their parents/guardians and siblings are invited to join us to pack meals at IONA Senior Services and deliver them to their local residents in need on Saturday, March 30 at 9:15am. After packing and delivering meals for seniors at IONA, we will share lunch together in the Collins Room of our parish. During lunch, we will fill Easter eggs for kids to find after Easter weekend Masses! We should wrap up by 1:00pm. To sign up to volunteer at IONA, email Natalie at director@stanndc.org, noting: How many adults are in your party? How many teens or children are in your party? Do you have a car available to deliver meals locally (less than 3 miles)?

Quo Vadis Hiking Trip: Sunday, March 31, 2019 10:00am to 5:15pm. All high school aged men who are interested in the priesthood are invited to go on a Quo Vadis hiking trip. The day will include Mass, lunch, Eucharistic Adoration, dinner, and the opportunity to spend time with priests, seminarians, and other high school aged men who are open to the priesthood. Bus transportation will be available from throughout the archdiocese. More information is available, and registration is open at www.DCpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations (vocations@adw.org or 202-636-9020) with any questions.

Lenten Devotions at the Basilica: The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception invites the faithful to join in special devotions offered throughout the Lenten Season. Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Saturday during Lent in the Crypt Church following the 12:10pm Mass. Lenten Vespers will be sung by the Choir of the Basilica each Sunday at 4:00pm in the Great Upper Church. 40 Hours Devotion will be observed from Thursday, March 28 beginning with an Opening Mass at 5:15pm in the Crypt Church and will close on Saturday, March 30 with Mass and Benediction at 5:15pm in the Great Upper Church. Continuous Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be available throughout, including overnight hours. No tickets or reservations are required. For more information, please visit www.nationalshrine.org or call 202-526-8300.

Behold! Adoration and Confession: Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday evening from 7:00pm to 8:00pm at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, DC (3900 Harewood Rd., NE). During this time, there is Adoration with prayerful music, silence, and Confession. Visit: jp2shrine.org.

Respect Life News: Maryland pro-life advocates, especially Maryland Right to Life members, enjoyed a significant success recently with regard to an effort of "pro-choice" legislators to pass another extreme abortion law. On Saturday, February 23rd, Maryland House Speaker Michael Busch announced withdrawal of his bill, HB 1031, which threatened to enshrine unrestricted abortion on demand in the Maryland state constitution. This bill would have placed on the 2020 election ballot an amendment to the Maryland Constitution "that would guarantee the right to abortion." If the bill had passed, no legislation could have been introduced in the Maryland General Assembly that would "regulate abortion." Regarding such extreme legislative efforts, particularly when "pro-choice" Catholic lawmakers support such measures, Archbishop Joseph Naumann, Archbishop of Kansas City, Kansas and current Chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities, released a strong warning on February 18. It reads in part: "Recent efforts to perpetuate and expand abortion in state laws have illuminated the deplorable actions of some Catholic public officials and advocates. Their efforts to support and even celebrate such legislation will result in killing many more unborn children, as well as the spiritual and emotional wounding of their mothers and fathers. Advocating for intrinsically evil acts, like abortion, is a serious immoral act – one that involves grave matter, the prerequisite for the commission of a mortal sin. While we can object to the actions of these public officials, we are not able to judge their souls. At the same time, we know there will be a Judgment Day. Conscientious and unrepentant mortal sin endangers our eternal souls and places ourselves on a path to Hell. To receive our Eucharistic Lord, while in a state of mortal sin only further jeopardizes the eternal fate of our souls. Sincere repentance, a conversion of heart, and a genuine effort to make amends for the harm caused by our sin, are essential to be able to receive God's mercy." ("Life Issues Forum, Special Edition: A Concern for Catholics in Public Life," USCCB.org/about/pro-life-activities, Feb. 26, 2019; lifeneews.com, March 1, 2019).

Help Our Marriage: Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced "retro-vi" with a long "i") helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on February 1-3, please visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com, call 443-400-7017, or email 3015@retrouvaille.org.

150th Parish Anniversary Organ Concert Recitals in 2019 at St. Ann Church: Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at 7:00pm with Vincent Dubois, Organist titular of Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris France. **Sunday, April 28, 2019 at 3:00pm** with Nathan Laube, Organist. **Sunday, November 17, 2019 at 3:00pm** with Oliver Latry, Organist of Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris, France.