

Reverend Alfred J. Harris
Pastor



Schedule of masses

Monday

11:30 novena and 12:05pm Mass

5:15pm – Mass.

No evening Mass and Novena on holidays.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

12:05 pm – English Mass

Friday

8:00 am – Tridentine Mass

12:05 pm – English Mass

Saturday

First Saturdays: 9:00 am Tridentine Mass

5:00 pm – Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday

9:00 am – **Tridentine Mass**

Second Sundays - 5:00pm- High Mass

(not during the months of July and August)

10:30 am (English)

11:30 am – (Cantonese)

1:00 pm – English

7:30 pm – (English)

Staff

Director of Music: William Parsons

Parish Secretary: Soraya Strobach

Bookkeeper: Maria Reiss

Custodian: Jimmy Vines

Priests in Residence:

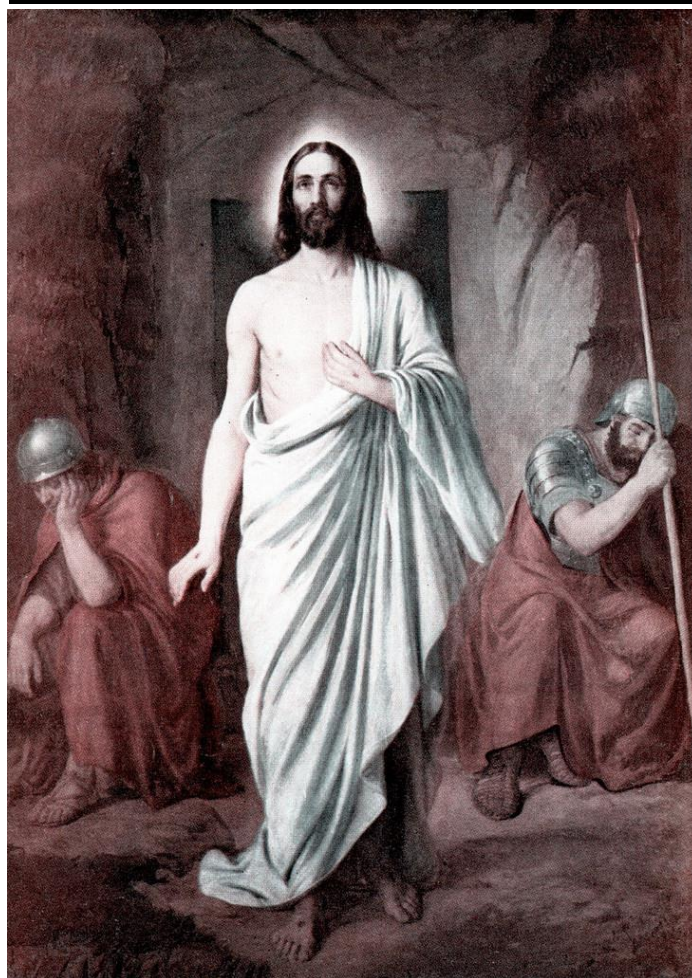
Fr Garrett O'Brien

St. Mary Mother of God Church

727 5th Street NW – Washington DC 20001

202 289-7771

EASTER SUNDAY



New Parishioners We welcome new members to our parish community. Please register by filling out a Census Form available at the Rectory office or at the back of the church. Or send us an email at stmarys20001@gmail.com and we will assist you.

Visitors: You are welcome here at historic Old St Mary's!!! Please feel free to visit and stop by for some coffee and donuts in the Parish Hall, every Sunday!! After the 9:00 am Mass.

Our Lady Of China Pastoral Mission: Celebrate Mass in Cantonese and Mandarin each Sunday at 11:30 am – Sacrament of Reconciliation before Mass. For more information contact Fr John Ming Ruan (301) 738-2459 or Clare Tang (301) 251-7831 The Mission Center is at 1001 Grandin Ave. Rockville, Md 20851

Sacraments at Saint Mary Mother of God Catholic Church

Marriages: Preparations require arrangements be made at least 6 months before the date of the wedding. Please call the Rectory or send an email stmarys20001@gmail.com to make arrangements.

Baptisms: Call the Rectory (202) 289-7771 or send an email to stmarys20001@gmail.com to make arrangements.

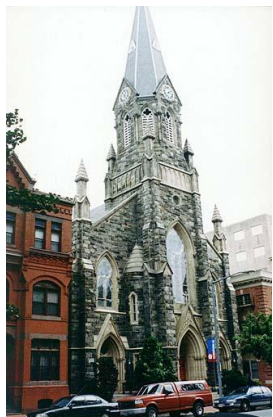
Sacraments of Penance:

Weekdays at 11:30 am before the 12:05 pm Mass.

Saturdays at 4:30pm before the Sunday Vigil Mass at 5:00 pm Mass.

Sundays at 8:30 am before the 9:00 am Mass and Sundays at 7:00pm before the 7:30 pm Mass.

Sacrament of The Sick: Please contact the Rectory concerning parishioners who are ill.



The way to financially support your parish. Sign up at www.faithdirect.com Our church code: DC347

Schedule of Masses

Sunday April 1st – Easter Sunday

9:00am- Phil and Louise Beudet (D)
10:30am James Donald Reilly (D)
1:00pm- Holy Souls in Purgatory

Monday, April 2nd

12:00pm – Mary Pritchard (D)
5:15pm -- Preston Taylor III, who is very ill (L)

Tuesday, April 3rd

12:00pm -Jan Crooch (D)

Wednesday April 4th

12:00pm- Louis J. Link (D)

Thursday, April 5th

12:00pm -Msgr. John Dressel (D)

Friday, April 6th

8:00am – Delores Butler (D)
12:00pm – Dr. Aldo R. Giusti (D)

Saturday, April 7th

9:00am – Grace Songalia (D)
5:00pm – Father Anthony Tran Nghi Luc (D)



Saint Mary's for whom the Mass is requested is included upon request.

Request Masses for your loved

ones, alive and deceased, or anniversary, birthdates or any special occasion. They will be grateful to you for all eternity. Fill out the provided envelopes in the church and put it in the collection basket. A beautiful card of

Tax Letters: Send us an email:

stmarys20001@gmail.com or give us a phone call: 202 289-7771 and we will mail it to you. Please leave us a message if you're unable to reach during business hours. Thank you very much for your financial contribution to Saint Mary Mother of God Catholic Church



A note from your Pastor

Dear Parishioners

This will be my last celebration of Easter at Saint Mary as your Pastor. May you and your family be blessed as you celebrate the true meaning of Easter. Our Lord sacrificed His life for His love He has for us,, and on this day He has resurrected. May the joy of Easter remains in our lives today and always. Yours in Christ, *Rev. Alfred J. Harris*

Memorial Mass for the Military Services

On Sunday, May 20, the 24th Annual Memorial Mass will be held to honor those who have served and are serving in our nation's armed forces. The Mass will take place at 4:30pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception ([400 Michigan Ave., NE](http://www.nsn.org)). The principal celebrant and homilist will be Archbishop Timothy Broglio of the Archdiocese for the Military Services. Military personnel are encouraged to be in uniform, and civilians should wear business attire. Parking is limited and carpooling is advised. To request seating or to obtain additional information, please visit www.milarch.org/memorialmass/laity-registration. If you have questions, contact Jo Ann Redmond at administration@milarch.org or [202-719-3600](tel:202-719-3600)



Quo Vadis Hiking Trip. On **Sunday, April 15**, all high school aged men who are interested in learning more about the priesthood are invited to go on a *Quo Vadis* hiking trip in Montgomery County. 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 is 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](tel:202-636-9020)) with any questions.

Called to Leadership: Spirituality for Catholic Women. On **Saturday, April 21** at the Church of the Resurrection in Burtonsville, MD, women are invited to discover how to enhance their spirituality to be a faith-filled leader in the home, parish, workplace, and community. Keynoter Dr. Susan Timoney, archdiocesan Secretary for Pastoral Ministry and Social Concerns, will speak on women's unique leadership gifts. After lunch, Shelia Parker, President of the Archdiocesan Sodality Union, will speak on how to be a better leader by being a better follower of Jesus. The third speaker, Desi Balla, will share leadership experiences in her amazing pro-life apostolate. The conference starts at 8:30am (check-in at 8am) and will conclude at 3pm. Open to 70 people, registration can be accessed at www.facebook.com/washaccw and is \$50 per person. archdioceseCCW@gmail.com

Day of hope and healing for those struggling with infertility or miscarriage.

The Office for Family Life is organizing a Day of Hope and Healing for those struggling with infertility or have suffered a miscarriage. **Saturday April 14th** from 10:00am-3:30pm at Saint Joseph Parish, 11007 Montgomery Road, Beltsville MD 20705. Holy Mass, Panel with Q&A. Praise and Worship during Adoration and Confessions. This is a free event. To register please go to <https://Dayofhopeandhealing2018.eventbrite.com> or call 301-853-4499 or visiblesign@adw.org

First Archdiocesan Intercultural Conference

On Saturday, April 21 from 9am-5pm, the Archdiocese of Washington will host the First Archdiocesan Intercultural Conference at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. The diversity in our local Church provides new and exciting opportunities to strengthen our evangelization efforts, as well as new opportunities for encounter and accompaniment. This conference, sponsored by the Office of Cultural Diversity and Outreach, will help participants grow in the knowledge of the role of culture in the process of faith transmission. Additional information will be provided in the coming weeks. If you have any questions, call [301-853-5335](tel:301-853-5335) or email culturaldiversity@adw.org.



Monthly Telephone Rosary

Join the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) to pray the Rosary on the 4th of each month at 8pm. Everyone is welcome to pray as a community by calling [605-468-8016](tel:605-468-8016) and inserting access code: 357090#. Questions? Contact Carol Monaco, ACCW's Spirituality Chairperson, at csmonaco@verizon.net.

Make a Difference for Christians in Syria

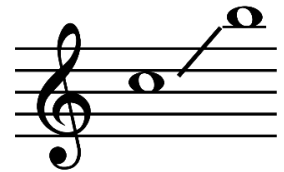
The Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in Washington, DC is part of the Franciscan Custody (province) that has served the people and shrines in the Holy Land for 800 years. Please keep the Franciscan friars and parishioners in Syria in your prayers as they struggle to keep our Catholic faith alive in the midst of the war that has engulfed this second cradle of Christianity, the place of St. Paul's conversion. Learn more at myfranciscan.org/Syria or call [202-526-6800](tel:202-526-6800), x895.

John Paul II National Shrine: Weekly Programs

The John Paul II National Shrine in [Washington, DC \(3900 Harewood Road, NE\)](http://www.jp2shrine.org) has launched two new ongoing weekly programs: Thursday Adoration from 7-8pm, hosted in collaboration with parishes and groups of the Archdiocese of Washington, and "The Art of Prayer" series on Sundays from 6-7pm, on interior prayer with time for silent meditation followed by a Sunday Vespers service. On Sunday, April 29, "The Art of Prayer" will be led by two Brothers of Taize, Brothers Emile and John, who will lead a Taize Evening Prayer Service. For more information, please contact Anne-Elisabeth Giuliani at Anne.Giuliani@jp2shrine.org or [202-635-5428](tel:202-635-5428).

Easter Octave Concert

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception invites you to attend the annual Easter Octave Organ Recital on **Sunday, April 8 at 6pm** in the Great Upper Church. The organist for this recital will be Axel Flierl of Dillingen an der Donau, Germany. This event is free and open to the public and no tickets or reservations are required. The Basilica offers free parking and is conveniently located within walking distance of the Brookland-CUA Station of Metro's Red Line. For more information, please call the Basilica at [202-526-8300](tel:202-526-8300).



St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families: Annual Benefit

On Wednesday, May 2 from 6-8pm, St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families will host its annual benefit reception and awards ceremony at Columbia Country Club in Chevy Chase, MD. St. Ann's Center has a 158-year history committed to lifting at-risk children, mothers, and families out of poverty and homelessness. Mr. Chuck Short will be presented with the Michele Heidenberger Volunteer Award and The Honorable Marielsa Bernard will be presented with the Mary McGrory Advocacy Award. To purchase tickets, visit www.eventbrite.com/e/hope-blossoms-tickets-42530343402. For more information, contact [301-559-5500](tel:301-559-5500) or events@stanns.org.

Catholic Women: Visit to the Museum of the Bible

On Saturday, May 19, women are invited to join the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women to visit the Museum of the Bible. For tickets, go to www.museumofthebible.org/tickets. Suggested donation is \$15. Choose the 1:15pm or nearby entry time. The museum is located at [400 4th St. SW, Washington, DC](http://www.museumofthebible.org). Contact [301-651-8190](tel:301-651-8190) or archdioceseCCW@gmail.com for more information.

Pilgrimage: The Saints of England

Paulist Father Thomas A. Kane will be leading a 10-day pilgrimage to England from June 3-14. Learn about the inspiring lives of St. Thomas Becket, St. Thomas More, Elizabethan martyrs, and the builders of the great monasteries. The itinerary includes London, Canterbury, Lindisfarne (Holy Island), Hexham, Durham, and York. Fr. Thomas has personally organized this journey, gathering the finest guides to enhance the pilgrim experience. For more information, including the full itinerary, call Fr. Thomas at 617-793-7360 or visit www.paulist.org/pilgrimages.

24th Annual Archdiocesan Vocations Mass for 8th Graders

The 24th Annual Archdiocesan Vocations Mass for 8th Graders will be held on Tuesday, April 24 at 10:30am in the Upper Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. Mass will include a homily by an archdiocesan priest and a talk by a religious sister. After Mass, students will be given the opportunity to visit and speak with seminarians, priests, and consecrated religious women and men. For more information, please contact the Office of Priest Vocations at vocations@adw.org or 202-636-9020.



Help for Marriages in Trouble

Is your marriage going down the right road or is it a little off track? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. It can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy, and heal. For confidential information about or to register for an upcoming program, please visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com, call 443-400-7017, or email 3015@retrouvaille.org.

Give the Gift of Service

Catholic Charities DC encourages you to give back by taking advantage of a variety of volunteer opportunities available in Washington, DC and southern Maryland. For more information on volunteering with Catholic Charities, or to register to volunteer, visit catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer.

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You Don't Deserve to Be Abused

Domestic violence refers to a pattern of violent and coercive behavior by one adult over another in an intimate relationship. It can consist of repeated severe beatings or subtle forms of abuse, including threats and control. If you experience any form of abuse, please know that there is help. Call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233. To learn more about domestic violence, please visit www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/familypeace.

World Meeting of Families: Ireland 2018

The archdiocesan Office for Family Life will participate in the World Meeting of Families 2018 in Dublin, Ireland. The 11-day pilgrimage will be from August 17 to August 27, 2018 and includes: official registration to the World Meeting of Families, visits to Knock Sanctuary, Kylemore Abbey, the Cliffs of Moher, Bunratty Castle, Folk Park, and a cruise on Lough Corrib, with non-stop roundtrip flights from Washington Dulles to Dublin and 9 nights in 3* and 4* hotels. This pilgrimage will be an important and joyful way to prepare for participation in the World Meeting of Families. Please join the pilgrimage and share the news about this exciting opportunity to gather with families from around the world in Ireland. For more information or to register, go to www.adw.org/wmof2018 or call the archdiocesan Events Office at 301-853-4561.

