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
Parish Secretary: Soraya Strobach
Custodian: Jimmy Vines
Bookkeeper: Maria Reiss
Director of Music: Bray

Priests in Residence:
Fr Garrett O’Brien

St. Mary Mother of God Church
727 5th Street NW – Washington DC 20001
202 289-7771

The Feast of the Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Redemísti nos, Dómine, in sanguine tuo, ex omni tribu, et línquia, et pópulo, et natióne: et fecísti nos Deo nostro regnúm

Eternal Father, I offer to you all the wounds of your dearly beloved Son, Jesus Christ; the pains and agony of His Sacred Heart and His most Precious Blood, which gushed out from all His wounds, for the reparation of my sins and those of the whole world. Amen. (3 times)

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, July 1st**
9:00am- Franz Hermanutz (D)
10:30am – Thomas and Mildred Carney (D)
1:00pm- Mr. Rick Matherly (D)
7:30pm- Deceased members of Rauer and Reichwein families.

**Monday, July 2nd**
12:00pm – Sister Christina Elizabeth (L)
5:15pm – Brinda Thomas (L)

**Tuesday, July 3rd**
12:00pm – Brinda Thomas (L)

**Wednesday, July 4th**
12:00pm- Brinda Thomas (L)

**Thursday, July 5th**
12:00pm – Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bodson (D)

**Friday, July 6th**
8:00am – J. Donald Reilly (D)
12:00pm – Katherine Hadford (L)

**Saturday, July 7th**
9:00am – Virginia G. Strobach (L)
5:00pm- Thanksgiving for blessings, Ronald and Maria Crump.

Remember to honor your loved ones, alive and deceased, or just for 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 Saint Mary’s for whom the Mass is requested is included upon request.

**Monthly offertory collection: June**
6/3: $3,817.00; 6/10: $3,628.00; 6/24: $4,025.00

**Going on Vacation? Your parish bills don’t take time off.** Please remember to contribute with your Sunday envelopes, or give your envelopes a permanent vacation by enrolling in Faith Direct. Saint Mary will be supported by automated debits from your bank account or charges to your debit/credit card. Sign up at [www.faithdirect.com](http://www.faithdirect.com) Our church code: DC347

It’s officially time for our 2nd annual SUMMER OF SERVICE! The need for volunteers doesn’t take a vacation. Join us to give back to the community. We have 850 positions & 2500 hours available to make a difference!

**Inspiring Hope. Building Futures.** Last year, more than 6,800 volunteers helped us serve our neighbors in need. That’s nearly 8 times the number of full-time employees at Catholic Charities. Our volunteers are the driving force in our ability to serve more than 142,000 men, women, and children each year. We offer a variety of volunteer opportunities to meet the needs of our dynamic and growing volunteer force. Get started below by exploring our upcoming volunteer projects and start making a difference today.
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](http://catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer).

**Who Do We Serve?** Clients at Catholic Charities come from all walks of life – ages, races, religions, and ethnic backgrounds. Many suffer from extreme poverty, and we work closely with them to address its underlying causes: unemployment, addiction, education, domestic abuse, severe health issues, and more. To each man, woman, and child who comes to our doors, we strive to offer the best services possible, meeting their immediate needs while empowering them to take steps towards self-sufficiency. Questions? Please see the FAQ or email [volunteer@cc-dc.org](mailto:volunteer@cc-dc.org).
Save the Date - Mother of Africa Pilgrimage
The archdiocesan Office of Cultural Diversity and Outreach invites you join a special Mother of Africa Pilgrimage on **Sunday, September 16 from 2-4pm** in the Upper Church at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (400 Michigan Ave., NE). For further information contact Sandra Coles Bell at 301-853-4469 or culturaldiversity@adw.org.

Do you want to have some peace in your life? Go to a retreat.
**Directed Retreats:** offer an individual a time for prayer reflection in an atmosphere of silence. Each Retreatant is assigned a Spiritual Director, with whom they meet daily. During their time together, the retreatant and director explore the retreatant’s journey with God. The director will offer insight, encouragement and suggest reading and material for spiritual growth.

**Private Retreats:** offer an individual time to grow in their own relationship with God while enjoying the prayerful silence and serenity of the Retreat House. Private retreatants are invited to join in the daily celebration of the Eucharist as well as the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Dates: July 17 - 25, 2018/ July 31 - August 8, 2018/ September 30 - October 5, 2018/January 7 - 11, 2019
For more information call (301) 392-0801

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](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com), call 443-400-7017, or email 3015@retrouvaille.org.

Attention Homeschooling Families: St. Anne's Academy for Girls, a Catholic Independent education program offering Classical core subject morning classes for Pre-K through 6th Grade homeschooled girls has opening is the Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd and 5th grades. Girls must pass an entrance assessment. For more information and a private tour, contact Mrs. Bentley at 571-441-2663 (near Warrenton, Virginia).

Quo Vadis Camp for Young Men
The Archdiocese of Washington’s annual Quo Vadis Camp, sponsored by the Office of Priest Vocations, is for mature young men in high school who desire to grow in holiness. This year’s four-day camp will take place **from July 15-18** at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmetsburg, MD. It includes daily Mass, prayer, Eucharistic Adoration, recreation, sports, and fraternity. Bus transportation is available, and for more information and registration, visit [www.DCpriest.org](http://www.DCpriest.org). Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations ([vocations@adw.org](mailto:vocations@adw.org) or 202-636-9020) with any questions.

Fiat Camp for Young Women
"Fiat" is Latin for “Let it be done.” This was Mary’s response to the angel Gabriel when she was asked to become the mother of Jesus. Mary was called to live courageously and to give her whole life, and because of her response, she changed the world. At Fiat Camp, young women will be challenged to become fully who they are — to embrace the unique gifts given to them by God and to discover the great dignity of their vocation as a woman. For this year’s camp for young women who are rising 9th-12th Graders, the Archdiocese of Washington is partnering with the Archdiocese of Baltimore. The camp will be held from **July 27-29** at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmetsburg, MD, and it includes prayer, talks, and discussions with religious sisters, games, and sports. Fee is $150 (sibling discounts & scholarships available). Details and registration at [www.quovadisfiat.org](http://www.quovadisfiat.org).

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](http://myfranciscan.org/Syria) or call 202-526-6800, x895.

**Finding God in All Things!** A Summer Day Camp for youth ages 8-14. St. Indigos Youth Camp@ Loyola on the Potomac Daily Snack and Lunch provided **July 16-20, 2018 Fee: $100 a week plus a one-time registration fee of $25**
Register on-line at: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/findingGod18](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/findingGod18)
Hosted by Loyola on the Potomac -- In conjunction with Camp Fire [9270 Loyola Retreat Rd, Faulkner, MD 20632](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/findingGod18).
Catholic Women: Marian Art Tour on Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 10:00am
Join the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women in taking a tour of Marian art at the National Gallery of Art (601 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC). Following the opening of the gallery at 10am, the tour will begin at 10:15am in the Rotunda of the West Building. Look for women wearing blue scarves. The tour is free, but donations to support the Josephite Seminary Service Project will be accepted. The tour group size is limited to 20 people, so RSVP early by calling/texting Cindy Perry at 301-220-3291 or emailing her at cindy.perry@hotmail.com.

Continuing Education Series 2018. CALLED TO LOVE: THEOLOGY OF THE BODY.
One intensive course, July 16-20 – Monday – Friday 9:30am-12:00pm, 1:30-3:00pm
Join us this summer for a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in John Paul II’s Theology of The Body. This short, one-week intensive course studies his “Wednesday catechesis” through and in-depth examination of the text and a discussion of his scriptural, theological and philosophical methodology. It shows how the dual unity of man and woman and their interpersonal communion, even in the body, image divine Trinitarian life.

Sail Away on Loyola on the Potomac’s 60th Anniversary Luncheon Cruise. Spirit of Washington Sunday August 12, 2018
Boarding time: 10:45 am, at 600 Water St, SW, Washington, DC
Cruise time: 11:30 am to 1:30 pm
Cruise Highlights:
Enjoy two-hours cruising on the Potomac River, delighting in the best views of the Washington Monument, National Harbor, Old Town Alexandria and other iconic D.C. sights
Relish a delicious lunch buffet with freshly prepared entrees, salads and desserts and unlimited coffee, hot tea, iced tea and water. Cash Bar. Enjoy onboard entertainment with DJ, dance floor, games (giant jenga, shuffleboard, etc.) Raffle
Early Bird Price: $60.00 extended to July 15, 2018, $75.00 July 16, 2018 and after Contact Alice Case at (301)392-0819 or alice.case@loyolaretreat.org
Tickets must be purchased from Loyola on the Potomac.

2018 Summer Organ Recital Series at the Basilica
The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception invites you to their 2018 Summer Organ Recital Series in the Great Upper Church. A recital will take place every Sunday in the month of July at 6pm. The series features Andrew Vu of Washington, DC (July 1); Charles Boyd Tompkins of Greenville, SC (July 8); Virgil Barkauskas of Melville, NY (July 15), Roland Voit of Hagen, Germany (July 22); and Jonathan William Moyer of Cleveland, OH (July 29). The recitals are 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.

Holy Land Festival
On Saturday, July 14, the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land (1400 Quincy St., NE, Washington, DC) will host the Holy Land Festival from 11am-5pm. Experience the Holy Land in DC with Middle Eastern food and authentic Holy Land vendors. Enjoy a musical performance by the Magnificat School from Jerusalem. Take part in guided tours of the historic church, catacombs, and lush gardens. Great for adults and children alike with presentations by National Geographic, Bethlehem University, Holy Family Hospital, and a special talk by the Franciscan friars on the Franciscans’ 800 years in the Holy Land, along with Arabic writing, face painting, and much more. End the day with the celebration of Mass at 5pm. For more information, call 202-526-6800.

Run or Ride for Vocations!
Registration is open for these two fun opportunities to help support our seminarians and vocations to the priesthood. The “Run for Vocations”/Marine Corp 10K will be held on Sunday, October 28. The “Ride for Vocations”/Southern Maryland Century bicycle ride will be held on Monday, September 3. Visit www.DCpriest.org/promote for more information and to register for either of these events. It is not necessary to be part of a parish team to run or ride. Plan to register soon, as the races fill quickly. All funds raised will support vocation promotion and seminarian formation in the Archdiocese of Washington. RFV@adw.org with any questions.

Monthly Telephone Rosary
On the 4th and 13th of each month at 8pm, join the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women for a Rosary by telephone. On the 4th, call 605-468-8016 and insert code 357090#. On the 13th, call 515-739-1261 and insert code 703993#. Participants pray for an increase in faith, hope, and love, and any personal intentions that callers would like to add. Questions? Contact Sharon O’Brien at 301-651-8190 or archdioceseCCW@gmail.com.