

*Our Lady of the Visitation Parish*

14139 Seneca Road • Darnestown, Maryland 20874



# Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

09 September 2018

## Sacred Liturgy

Saturday • 5:00 p.m.

Sunday • 9:00 a.m. • 11:00 a.m.

14139 Seneca Road • Darnestown

Monday - Friday • 9:15 a.m.

Thomas More Chapel • Parish Barn • 14135 Seneca Road

**Sacrament of Penance • Saturday • 4:00 p.m. • Or by request**

### VISION STATEMENT

“Guided by the Light of Christ, we are building a vibrant, welcoming community of *fellowship, grace, love* of God and one another.”

### MARY

We honor Mary as our mother in faith and pattern of holiness in daily life.

### CHARISM

The name of our parish reminds us to make the corporal and spiritual works of mercy a personal priority.

### STEWARDSHIP

We accept our responsibility to properly use the time, talent and treasure God has entrusted to us: as graced individuals, as a gifted parish, and as a blessed nation.

### MINISTRY

We are called by our baptism to worship the Father, to build community in the Spirit, to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, and to serve all those in need.

### TRADITION

We are proud to live our Christian faith as members of the Roman Catholic Church and as a parish of the Archdiocese of Washington.

### Pastoral Council

#### Vice-Chair

Deacon Thaddeus Dmuchowski

#### Liturgical Life Committee

Anita Stiger, (301) 869-8154

#### Parish Life Committee

Joseph Young, (301) 219-6897

#### Faith Formation For Life Committee

Robert McDonald, Ph.D. (301) 869-3366

#### Social Concerns Committee

Kathryn Sutton, (202) 739-5738

#### At-Large Member

William Bouley (240) 848-0532

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Vacant

#### Principal of Parish School

Michael Friel (301) 869-0940

#### Pastor, Ext. 109

The Rev. Raymond L. Fecteau, S.T.B., D.Min.  
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### Stewardship Council

#### Vice-Chair

Stephen Staton, CPA, (240) 988-7818

#### Human Resources Committee

John Feeney, (301) 762-2116

#### Facilities Committee

Tony Glander, (301) 460-6404

#### Fiscal Management Committee

Nick Serenyi, (301) 556-2320

#### Parish Manager, Ext. 103

Colleen Enos (301) 948-5536

#### Director of Faith Formation, Ext. 107

Michele Olewack, (301) 948-5536

#### Deacons

Robert Fischer, (301) 948-5536  
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#### Parochial Vicar, Ext. 101

The Rev. Mathew PUNCHAYIL, Ph.D.  
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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**OCTOBER 2018**

- 09 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn  
Faith Formation:  
Grades K-5. 4:45 p.m., Founders Hall
- 08 Mon **Columbus Day: Office Closes at Noon**
- 07 Sun **Mortgage Collection**  
**Grades 6 & 7, 11:00 a.m. Mass-Church**  
**Refreshments in Founders Hall**
- 06 Sat **Blessing of the Animals, 9:00 a.m. Lower**  
**Church Parking Lot, Rain or Shine**
- 04 Thu Sodality Rosary, 7:00 p.m., Barn
- 02 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn  
Faith Formation:  
Grades K-5. 4:45 p.m., Founders Hall

**SEPTEMBER 2018**

- 30 Sun Church School, 9:00 a.m.  
Faith Formation:  
Grades 6, 7, 8, 6:30 p.m. Founders Hall
- 29 Sat **Baptism Class, 10:00 a.m., Barn**
- 25 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn  
**St. Michael's Mass, Noon, Church**  
Faith Formation:  
Grades K-5. 4:45 p.m., Founders Hall
- 23 Sun Church School, 9:00 a.m.  
**Adopted Family Collection**  
Faith Formation:  
**High School F.F., 6:30 p.m., Rectory**  
Grades 6, 7, 8, 6:30 p.m. Founders Hall
- 22 Sat Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance  
**Washington Nationals Game, 4:00 p.m.**  
**Car Pool from Parking Lot at 2:00 p.m.**
- 21 Fri Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance
- 19 Wed Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance  
**Parents Only -Confirmation Meeting,**  
**Grades 6, 7, 8, 6:30 p.m., Church**
- 18 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn  
Faith Formation:  
Grades K-5, 4:45 p.m., Founders Hall
- 16 Sun Church School, 9:00 a.m.  
Faith Formation:  
Grades 6, 7, 8, 6:30 p.m. Founders Hall
- 11 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 09 Sun **Catholic University Collection**  
**Sodality Mass and Meeting, 9:00 a.m.**  
**Men's Club Mass and Meeting, 9:00 a.m.**

***Faith Formation for Life***

**HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION:** Youth in grades 9 through 12 will meet in the rectory at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday 23 September 2018 for *Scripture and Snacks*. For more information and to enroll, please email Michele Olewack at [molewack@olvp.org](mailto:molewack@olvp.org).

**2018-2019 FAITH FORMATION:** Faith Formation sessions will begin on Sunday 16 September 2018 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for Grades 6, 7, and 8. Sessions for **Grades Kindergarten** (you must be 5



years of age by 01 September 2018) through **Grade 5** will begin on **Tuesday 18 September 2018 from 4:45 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** Registration is open. Contact Michele Olewack for information and to register ([molewack@olvp.org](mailto:molewack@olvp.org)).

**CHURCH SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER:** This year we welcome our 3 year olds, 4 year olds and Pre-K children to Sunday Church School during the 9:00 a.m. Mass beginning on **Sunday 16 September 2018.** To register, email [molewack@olvp.org](mailto:molewack@olvp.org).

**SCRIPTURE STUDY:** A study of the readings for the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time will be held on **Tuesday 11 September 2018,** at 10:00 a.m. in the Barn.

***Social Concerns***

**RUN FOR VOCATIONS:** Run for Vocations registration is open! The Marine Corps 10K will be held on **Sunday 28 October 2018,** but plan to register soon, as the race fills quickly. Register at [www.dcpriest.org](http://www.dcpriest.org) for both the 10K and Run for Vocations. It is not necessary to be part of a parish team to run.

**ADOPTED FAMILY COLLECTION:** If you would like to donate to the Fall Adopted Family Collection, please email or call Marianne Beattie at [olvspocialconcerns@gmail.com](mailto:olvspocialconcerns@gmail.com) or (301) 869-6898. The Sign-Up Genius link to view and choose new items to give will be sent to you. The donations should be placed in the alcove of the church after the Masses on **22-23 September 2018.** This vital parish program will be conducted primarily online. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY COLLECTION:** This Archdiocesan collection will be taken today, **08/09 September 2018**. CUA provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. More than 4,000 students, including many from our archdiocese, receive scholarship aid directly from this collection. Please give according to your means.

*Liturgical Life*

**ST. MICHAEL'S MASS:** All parishioners and all available police officers are invited to pray for our local law enforcement personnel by attending our annual St. Michael's Mass on **Tuesday 25 September 2018 at 12 noon** in our church. The Knights of Columbus Fatima Council #6901 will serve a light lunch in Founders Hall after Mass.



**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 15 – 16 September 2018, PRESIDERS:**

**5:00 p.m. Fr. Visitor / Deacon Ted**  
**9:00 a.m. Fr. Mathew PUNCHAYIL**  
**11:00 a.m. Fr. Visitor / Deacon Ted**

**Readings for the Week of 09 September 2018**

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5, 5-6, 7, 12 [9]/Lk 6:6-11  
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4]/Lk 6:12-19  
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17 [11]/Lk 6:20-26  
 Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24 [24b]/Lk 6:27-38  
 Friday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17  
 Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18 [17]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35  
 Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

**ORDINARY TIME:** Apart from those seasons having their own distinctive character, there remain 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 resumed when the Easter Season ended, on Monday, 21 May 2018, the day following Pentecost.

**SALVE REGINA:** The Marian antiphon, *Salve Regina*, is sung from Trinity Sunday to the First Sunday of Advent. The text of the antiphon is the familiar pray

er, "Hail Holy Queen." It was used as a processional chant at Cluny as early as 1135. At Visitation Parish we use it as a processional chant during the Presentation of the Gifts.

*Parish Life*

**ECCE QUAM BONUM:** Last week, **Matthew James Burns** celebrated Baptism.

**PARISH NECROLOGY:** On the anniversaries of their death, please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: **Agnes F. Kelly** (2 September 2002), **Richard J. Gordon** (03 September 2012), **Harry T. Lackey, Jr.** (10 September 2002), **Vincent Burns** (10 September 1994), **Andrew Garde** (22 September 1994), and **Mabel Rebecca Offutt** (30 September 2015).

**INFANT BAPTISM CLASS:** 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. The next class is scheduled on **Saturday 29 September 2018** at 10:00 a.m. in the Barn. We encourage Sponsors/Godparents, including parishioners who will be Sponsors/Godparents elsewhere, to attend this Baptism Preparation Class. Attendance during pregnancy is advised. For information and/or to register, call the parish office, (301) 948-5536.

**5TH ANNUAL OLVP DAY AT THE WASHINGTON NATIONALS!** Please join us on **Saturday 22 September 2018** for a fun-filled afternoon at the ballpark. We will meet in the church parking lot at 2:00 p.m. and car pool to the game. Game time is at 4:00 p.m. All seats are \$30.00. For tickets and information contact John Theis (301) 908-5315 or [Jotheis@verizon.net](mailto:Jotheis@verizon.net). by **Sunday 16 September 2018**.



**PARISH EMBER DAYS:** Responding to the Gospel and following Church tradition, Visitation parishioners are encouraged to voluntarily set aside **Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 19, 21, and 22 September 2018** as special days of fasting, prayer and works of charity.

**CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION & INFORMATION MEETING:** Parents of 6th, 7th and 8th graders will have a **mandatory** meeting on **Wednesday 19 September 2018 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Church to discuss the Confirmation Preparation Program for each grade and to provide an opportunity to register for the sacrament.

**OUR LADY OF SORROWS MASS AND ROSARY:** Since the earliest days of the Church, believers have found consolation and hope in the companionship of Our Lady in prayer at the cemetery. Gather at All Souls Cemetery on **Saturday 15 September 2018** at 9:00 a.m. For more information, call All Souls Cemetery at (301) 428-1995.



**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.

**CATHOLIC SINGLES OF GREATER WASHINGTON (CSGW):** Catholic Singles of Greater Washington is an organization for single Catholics enjoying each other’s company in a wide variety of social, religious, and cultural settings. Ages 21 to 65-plus; most members are 45 and older. To learn more about the organization, go to <http://CatholicSinglesOfGreaterWashington.org> or call Tricia at (301) 460-9195.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION:** Following the policy of Donald Cardinal Wuerl, the Sacramental Programs for Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist and Penance are parish and family based. For youth, Confirmation is a three-year program that begins in the sixth grade; Eucharist/Penance is a two-year program that begins in the first grade. Throughout this period of preparation, children are to be participating in a formal religious education program in our parish or in a Catholic school. Registration in our parish Faith Formation Program is separate from registration in our Sacramental Preparation Program. For information, call the parish office, (301) 948-5536.

**MATRIMONY POLICY:** 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. **Do not plan the reception until you meet with the Priest/Deacon.** Please email Father Raymond Fecteau ([rfecteau@olvp.org](mailto:rfecteau@olvp.org)), Father Mathew Punchayil ([matpunchayil@yahoo.com](mailto:matpunchayil@yahoo.com)), Deacon Ted Dmuchowski ([thaddeus.dmuchowski@gmail.com](mailto:thaddeus.dmuchowski@gmail.com)) or Deacon Robert Fischer ([olvpdeacon@gmail.com](mailto:olvpdeacon@gmail.com)).

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

**ALL HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES** have Catholic Chaplains to care for Catholic patients and residents. On admission, be sure to notify the staff of your desire to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and/or the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

**DO YOU WANT TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?** If you have heard the call of God to become a Catholic, please call the parish office (301) 948-5536.

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

### *Facilities*

**PARISH REPAIRS:** If you see a needed repair around the parish, please call the office at (301) 948-5536 and report the problem so that we may have it fixed.

### *Finance*

**Re\$erve\$ FUND:** To address the ongoing repairs and replacements needed for the church (e.g. update security), the barn (e.g. new phone system), and the rectory (e.g. update heat/AC system), a much needed budget line item has been added. For now and for the future, please make checks payable to OLVP, and please note: “Re\$erve\$ Fund” on the memo line.

**WHY FAITH DIRECT?:** As you prepare for the start of a busy autumn, consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot. Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: **MD114**.

### *Human Resources*

**NEW CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED:** If you are looking to share your musical talent, the 9:00 a.m. Sunday choir would be happy to hear from you. Contact Diana Hurley at [hurley05@verizon.net](mailto:hurley05@verizon.net) for details.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, **10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**DEPRESSED?** If you or someone you know needs help, call **1-800-273-8255 (TALK)**. The number is staffed 24 hours a day. You can also text HOME to 741-741 for free, 24-hour support from the Crisis Text Line.