

Our Lady of the Visitation Parish

14139 Seneca Road • Darnestown, Maryland 20874



The Ascension of the Lord

02 June 2019

Sacred Liturgy

Saturday • 5:00 p.m.

Sunday • 9:00 a.m. • 11:00 a.m.

14139 Seneca Road • Darnestown

M/ T/ W/ F • 9:15 a.m.

Thomas More Chapel • Parish Barn • 14135 Seneca Road

Sacrament of Penance • Saturday • 4:00—4:30 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

At-Large Member

Vacant

Principal of Parish School

Michael Friel, (301) 869-0940

Pastor

The Rev. Raymond L. Fecteau, S.T.B., D.Min.
rfecteau@olvp.org

Stewardship Council

Vice-Chair

Stephen Staton, CPA, (240) 988-7818

Human Resources Committee

John Feeny, (301) 762-2116

Facilities Committee

Tony Glander, (301) 460-6404

Fiscal Management Committee

Nick Serenyi, (301) 556-2320

Parish Manager

Colleen Enos, (301) 948-5536

Director of Faith Formation

Michele Olewack, (301) 948-5536

Deacons

Robert Fischer, (301) 948-5536
Thaddeus Dmuchowski, (240) 678-3466

Weekend Help

The Dominican Fathers (O.P.) of Nigeria

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JUNE 2019

- 02 Sun Solemnity of *The Ascension of the Lord*
Mortgage Collection
Sodality Luncheon, Noon-2:30 p.m.,
Founders Hall
- 04 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 08 Sat Baptism Prep. Class, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 09 Sun Solemnity of *Pentecost* - Wear Red
- 11 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 12 Wed Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance
Mary of Nazareth-Last Day Mass at
9:30 a.m., Church
- 14 Fri Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance
- 15 Sat Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance
- 16 Sun Father's Day
- 18 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 23 Sun Corpus Christi Procession with The
Blessed Sacrament at 9:00 a.m.
Collection for the Holy Father
- 24 Mon Vacation Bible Camp, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- 25 Tue Vacation Bible Camp, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 26 Wed Vacation Bible Camp, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- 27 Thu Vacation Bible Camp, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- 28 Fri Vacation Bible Camp, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

JULY 2019

- 02 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn

Social Concerns

PETER'S PENCE: On 23 June 2019 our diocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection which provides the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Through your generosity we can cast the peace of Christ upon the world.

WOMEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Gabriel Project Cluster of Montgomery County assists needy women and women in crisis pregnancies. Volunteers (especially bilingual Spanish-speaking women) are needed to keep in touch with clients via phone or email during their pregnancy, to bring them needed items such as diapers, baby clothes, etc. that are provided by the Gabriel Project, and to pray for them. The average time commitment would 1 to 4 hours (or less) per month. Men are also needed to pick up donations once or twice per month. Please check out the website at www.gmoco.org. For more information, please call or text Toni Wohleber (240-882-9893).



Liturgical Life

EASTER SEASON: The fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better, as one "Great Sunday" (Athanasius, *Epist. Fest.*). These, above all others, are the days for the singing of the *Alleluia* (General Norms, 22). The days of the Easter Octave form the "early hours" of this "Great Sunday." with accounts of the Lord who rose early in the morning, and the early preaching of the disciples who were witnesses to His resurrection.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: On Sunday 09 June 2019 parishioners are encouraged to wear something red. Pentecost celebrates the birth of the Catholic Church and the conclusion of the Easter Season.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: 09 June 2019, PRESIDERS:

- 5:00 p.m. Fr. Raymond Fecteau
- 9:00 a.m. Fr. Raymond Fecteau
- 11:00 a.m. Dominican Priest

QUEEN OF HEAVEN REJOICE: The Marian antiphon, *Regina Coeli*, is sung during the Easter Season. The text has inspired our Marian hymns in English. It was used as the *Magnificat* antiphon for the Octave of Easter in Rome as early as 1200. At Visitation Parish, we use it as a processional chant during the presentation of the gifts.

Readings for the Week of 02 June 2019

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| Monday: | Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/Jn 16:29-33 |
| Tuesday: | Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a |
| Wednesday: | Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19 |
| Thursday: | Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26 |
| Friday: | Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19 |
| Saturday: | Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [cf.7b]/Jn 21:20-25 |
| Sunday: | Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26 |

Parish Life

PARISH NECROLOGY: On the anniversary of their deaths, please keep the following parishioners and others in your prayers: **Gladys Gryncel** (02 June 2002), **Janet Diethrich** (02 June 2013), **Mary Kathleen Jarboe** (03 June 2009), **Ava Michelle Mychajliw** (04 June 2007), **Addison Marie Mychajliw** (04 June 2007), **Nicholas Stephen Nunzio Sr.**, (06 June 1996), **Emma Rose Glander** (06 June 1999), **John Paul Yagesh** (08 June 2012), **James Keane** (10 June 2005), **Lori J. Mychajliw** (14 June 2008), **William J. Lamir Sr.** (15 June 2014), **James Joseph Spates** (17 June 2017), **Mary Elizabeth McManus** (18 June 2002), **Martin S. Nee** (18 June 1998), **Brian Christopher Tauber** (20 June 2014) **John Chester White** (23 June 2003), **Gerard Foley** (23 June 2010), **Karen Duncan** (26 June 2015), and **Thresia John Kollapalil** (29 June 2008).

“THE SPIRITUAL EXERCISES”: The Spiritual Exercises are an opportunity to retreat from the hectic, noisy world and experience a personal encounter with Jesus Christ. These retreats touch on so many important aspects of the spiritual life. The central principles are self-knowledge, discernment of God’s will for your life, and the decision to follow Christ our Lord more closely. Upcoming dates for **men** are **16-18 August** with a cost of \$250.00 per person. Upcoming dates for **women** are **31 May—02 June** with a cost of \$250.00 per person and **20-27 June** with a cost of \$600.00 per person. Registration is required. Contact Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817 and on the website www.ourladyofbethesda.org.

QUO VADIS CAMP: The Office of Priest Vocations annual Quo Vadis Camp for high school aged young men will be held at Mount Saint Mary’s Seminary **28-31 July 2019**. For four days, high school aged young men who desire to grow in holiness will have an opportunity for Mass, prayer, and Eucharistic Adoration, as well as time for fraternity, sports, and reflection. Bus transportation is available. 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.

PARISH EMBER DAYS: Responding to the Gospel and following Church tradition, Visitation parishioners are encouraged to voluntarily set aside **Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 12, 14 and 15 June 2019** as special days of fasting, prayer and works of charity.

LADIES OF THE PARISH: All women of the parish are invited to the annual Spring Sodality Luncheon scheduled **today, Sunday 02 June 2019** from 12:00 Noon to 2:30 p.m. in Founder’s Hall. For information about purchasing tickets, please RSVP to Barb Moschella (240) 988-1633, barbwm18@gmail.com.

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 08 June 2019** 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.

ROSARIES: Thank you to the parishioners who donated rosaries to our basket in May. We are grateful for your thoughtfulness.

FIRST EUCHARIST INTERVIEWS: Before scheduling an interview, the sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation must have been celebrated, the parental letter of request must be received, and the books must be completed and dropped off at the Parish Barn.

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, Con-

firmation 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), Deacon Ted Dmuchowski (thaddeus.dmuchowski@gmail.com) or Deacon Robert Fischer (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.

Faith Formation for Life

VACATION BIBLE CAMP: Our summer Vacation Bible Camp is scheduled for **Monday 24 June** through **Friday 28 June 2019**. Camp is for children from age 3 1/2 years (by 01 June 2019) to 5th Grade. For more information email Michele Olewack, molewack@olvp.org or go to www.cokesburyvbs.com/olvpvbc2019.



SCRIPTURE STUDY: A study of the readings for the Solemnity of Pentecost will be held on **Tuesday 04 June 2019** at 10:00 a.m. in the Barn.

Finance

ReServe\$ 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: "ReServe\$ Fund" on the memo line.

WHY FAITH DIRECT?: May is the month for planning. We plan our Memorial Day cookout menus; we plan our children's activities; we plan our summer travel. But have you planned your giving to Our Lady of the Visitation Parish? By enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct you can plan your giving through the summer so your gifts will reach the parish even when you cannot, and our ministries can continue uninterrupted. Signing up is easy! Enroll online at www.faithdirect.net. Our Church Code is **MD114**.

Human Resources

NEW PARISHIONERS: The following family has recently joined our parish: **Mr. & Mrs. Francisco Pazzini**.

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

FIND A MASS NEAR YOU: It can be difficult for Catholics to find a Mass when traveling or when it is not practical to attend their regular parishes. Go to www.masstimes.org to search for a Mass wherever you may travel this summer.

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.

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 fix it.