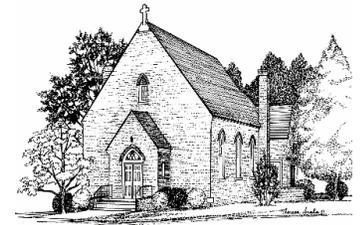




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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 7, 2021

Dear family:

Our Men's Bible study is just beginning a classic work called "The Soul of the Apostolate" by Dom Jean-Baptiste Chautard, O.C.S.O. We meet two Saturdays a month after the 8am Mass to discuss the reading assignment for that day.

So far, we have reflected on texts that are specifically biblical commentaries (most recently during Advent and Christmas, Pope Benedict's book "Jesus, the Infancy Narratives") and other texts which deepen our grasp of the teaching of the Church.

The Soul of the Apostolate is taking us into an understanding of how the Gospel forms us and the culture through us in our apostolates. An apostolate is a specific area of work within evangelization to which one is called by the Holy Spirit. The corporal and spiritual works of mercy (shelter the homeless, instruct the ignorant, etc.) are examples of apostolic work. These external works are manifestations of the love of God working through his body the Church.

In his depiction of the last Judgment in Matthew, Jesus indicates the importance of good works in determining our eternal salvation. "The king will say to those on his right, *Come you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.*"

By the title of the book, *The Soul of the Apostolate*, one can expect that the author is focusing on what animates our good works. In Latin, "anima" means soul. Since everything that is good comes from God, as Jesus taught us, it is the Holy Spirit at work within our souls Who is the animator of our apostolates. The Holy Spirit calls us to help our neighbor in their bodily and spiritual needs. When we respond, He develops an apostolate with those who are sensitive to his movements. And so, we see the importance of attending to our interior life with God.

If you know any men who would like to join us – let me know!

May the love of God embrace you, Fr. Flum



St. Joseph Consecration Starts February 15th

Fr. Donald Calloway, a Marian Father with an incredible conversion story, was inspired to put together a 33 day Consecration to St. Joseph. This is a beautiful way to grow closer to Jesus by walking to Him in the company of St. Joseph. We are now in the Year of

St. Joseph, so what better time to make your consecration? The book is available as a softcover or an ebook. If you want to make your consecration, and are just now ordering your book, email Joanna at joanna@stmichaelbaden.org and she will send you the prayers/reflections for the first week. Buy your copy of the book at:

<https://www.consecrationtostjoseph.org/index.html>

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS – Jan. 31, 2021

St. Michael Offertory Collection \$3,438.00
St. Dominic Offertory Collection \$ 680.00
May God reward your generosity!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	02/06/21	5 PM	Deacon James A. Somerville +
Sunday	02/07/21	8 AM	PARISHIONERS
Sunday	02/07/21	10 AM	Msgr Francis G Kazista +
Sunday	02/07/21	11:30 AM	Steven & Dana Patterson
Monday	02/08/21	7 AM	Deacon Don E. Cummins +
Tuesday	02/09/21	8 AM	Francis Garland Proctor +
Wednesday	02/10/21	7 AM	Frances Brooks +
Thursday	02/11/21	8 AM	Clara Mae Thomas +
Friday	02/12/21	7 AM	Alexander Schad +
Saturday	02/13/21	8 AM	Donna Cranford +



FOOD PANTRY AND CLOTHES CLOSET

The food pantry will be open next Saturday 2/13/21 from 9am to 11am. The clothes closet will be open from 9am to 1pm.

ASH WEDNESDAY – February 17th

Masses will be celebrated on Ash Wednesday at 8am and again at 7pm, both at St. Michael's.



SEEKING CHRIST

"EVERYONE IS LOOKING FOR YOU"
Mark 1:37

Archdiocese of Washington

2021 ANNUAL APPEAL

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February 07, 2021

Dear Friends in Christ,

As you know, this weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2021 Annual Appeal. Thank you for supporting the ministries of our Archdiocese, which in many ways benefit our own parish community.

Your giving to the Annual Appeal also strengthens our local Church. Jesus lived in a particular place at a particular time, as did His apostles and their successors, as do we and all Christians. Our particular place is the Church of Washington, and, in this place, we are called to live and preach the Gospel to those within our reach. We extend that reach when we sustain and support the charitable works of our Archdiocese.

This year, you are encouraged to make your Annual Appeal gift online using the website give.adw.org. You may also scan the adjoining QR code with your phone's camera to access the donation page.



Your gift will be credited toward our parish goal. Thank you in advance for helping us to meet this year's goal. Please also pray for the success of the Annual Appeal that it may fulfill its mission to strengthen our local Church.

May God bless your generosity as a manifestation of His own sacrificial love.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,
Cardinal Wilton Gregory

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Ways to Give

Online: give.adw.org

Text: "Give" to (301) 231-1816

Envelope: Available upon request

Scan below



THANK YOU

for your 2021 Annual Appeal gift which will be credited to our parish!



43%	VOCATIONS, CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS SUPPORT \$4,982,000
11%	CATHOLIC EDUCATION AND CATECHESIS \$1,259,000
11%	COLLEGE, HOSPITAL AND PRISON MINISTRIES \$1,239,000
11%	PRO-LIFE AND EVANGELIZATION MINISTRIES \$1,218,000
9%	PASTORAL AND SOCIAL MINISTRIES \$975,000
8%	COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH \$882,000
7%	CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE ADW \$845,000

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTABILITY

100% of your donation to the Annual Appeal is restricted to the programs and ministries that are a part of the Annual Appeal and will not be used for any other purpose.

Local ministries supported by your Annual Appeal gift

Catholic Schools Office • RCIA • RCIC • Religious Education • CYO Administration • St. Francis Community for the Deaf • Ministry for the Disabled • Ministry for Those with Special Needs • Young Adult Ministry • Ministry Training & Resources • Life Issues Advocacy • Pro-Life Ministry • Project Rachel • Youth Rally and Mass for Life • St. Ann's Center for Children and Families • Cultural Diversity and Outreach Office • Family Ministry Office • Prison Ministry • Hospital Ministry • Communications Office • Catholic Standard • TV Mass • Catholic Information Center • Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese • Consecrated Life • Saint John Paul II Seminary • Permanent Diaconate Office

Looking for the Lord in your life?

Jesus can be found in the Holy Eucharist where He remains hidden to those without Faith. Perhaps you will consider making a weekly commitment to adoration? These hours are not yet committed to:

Jesus went off
to a deserted place,



where He prayed

Thursdays: 5-6 PM
Saturdays: 9-10 AM, 1-2 PM, 6-7 PM
Sunday: 4-5 PM, 5-6 PM

Please consider having one family member in the Church adoring Jesus for one hour each week. If you would like to be on our **substitute list**, call the office (240) 681-3551.

Please PRAY for our SICK

For those who suffer from chronic illness, especially Christopher Becker, Eddie Bond, Arlene Bloom, Arlene Bonds, Madison Brady, Keith Brown & Family, Ann Canter, Aldrin Castillo, Charlene Cardwell, Tom Cardwell, Joyce Chambers, Thomas Chambers, Greg Connick, Mary Connick, Leah Danielson, Diane DiSandro, John DiSandro, Leo Dixon, Marysa Dixon, Dorothy Dunston, Angela Farmer, Kathy Fisher, Mabel Hamilton, Barbara Harding, Florence Henderson, Crystal Johnson, Bernice Kirby, Marie Knobel, Wanda Langley, Betty Lindsay, Kenny Lindsay, Adam Lumpkins, Mr. Maida, John Martone II, Rita Miller, Michael Mohun, Claire Mason, Ralph and Regina Nasatka, Fannie Newman, Vaughn Newman, Yvette Parker, Carolyn Parson, Michael Proctor, Joyce Pickeral, Rev. Robert Pittman, Betty Proctor, Garland Proctor, Gary Reinhardt, Marsha Reinhardt, Shawn Reinhardt, Traci Renner, Dawn Russo, Mary Savoy, Frances N. Sewell, Blanche Simms, Dee Smith, Geraldine Stewart, Savannah Stuart, George Thomas, Marion Walzel, Shirley Watson, Juanita Wilson, Ken Wilson, Terry Wilson, Belinda Windsor, Beverly Windsor, Caroline Yashinski, Carmelita, Cheryl Young, Lewis Young. Jesus, heal and console us!



No matter what you have done,
no matter how long you have been away,

Jesus

waits for you in the Sacrament of Confession.

Sincere contrition leads to "Forgiven"

Thank you to all who came to pray and witness to the sanctity of ALL human life, born and unborn, on January 29th. It was a beautiful and powerful experience to stand up together for the vulnerable in a public and prayerful way. Especially as we prayed the entire rosary- an unbeatable weapon against the wickedness and snares of the devil and his deceits. **Let's do it more often!**



RULES OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence from meat for Catholics. In addition, all of the other Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence from meat. Mark your calendars!

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection. For more information go to: <https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year-and-calendar/lent/catholic-information-on-lenten-fast-and-abstinence>

*O Glorious Saint Blaise,
who by thy martyrdom
has left to the Church a precious witness to the faith,
obtain for us the grace to
preserve within ourselves this divine gift,
and to defend, without human respect,
both by word and example,
the truth of that same faith,
which is so wickedly attacked
and slandered in these our times.
You who miraculously cured
a little child when it was at the point of death
by reason of an affliction of the throat,
grant us your powerful protection in like misfortunes;
and, above all, obtain for us
the grace of repentance,
together with a faithful observance of our Church,
and avoidance from offending Almighty God.
Amen.*