

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 18, 2018

Sunday, March 18

7:30 am † Ted Esantis

9:00 am † Charlie Baumgardner

11:00 am † *Pro Populo*

Monday, March 19

12:00 pm † Lourdes Aguilar

Tuesday, March 20

12:00 pm Michael Spillane (*Living*)

Wednesday, March 21

12:00 pm Ann Lally (*Living*)

Thursday, March 22

12:00 pm Mark Spillane (*Living*)

Friday, March 23

12:00 pm † Victor Almazan

Saturday, March 24

5:00pm † Maria Petrarca

Saint Ann's Mass Schedule Holy Week & Easter

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion: Mar. 24/25

5:00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, March 24

Sunday Masses at

7:30am, 9:00am (Cantor) & 11:00am (Choir)

Monday of Holy Week - Mass at 12:00noon

Tuesday of Holy Week - Mass at 12:00noon

Wednesday of Holy Week - Mass at 12:00noon

Holy Thursday, March 29

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm (Choir)

No 12:00noon Mass today

Good Friday, March 30

Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord at 12:00noon

Stations of the Cross at 3:00pm

Holy Saturday, March 31

The Easter Vigil Mass at 7:00pm (Choir)

No 5:00pm Mass today

Easter Sunday, April 1

Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am (Cantor)

and 11:00am (Strings, Brass & Choir)

LENT

Confessions & Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesdays during Lent from 7:00pm to 8:00pm

Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 11:30am & 7:00pm

Easter Flowers: Remember your loved ones at Easter with an Easter Flower Memorial offering by using the envelopes located on the church tables or in your mailing. The names of the deceased will be remembered at Easter and listed in our bulletin.

Give to Our Parish Online **Code DC811**

Thank you very much for your generosity to the weekly Collections at Mass: The **Offertory Collection** last weekend was \$5,632. The **Faith Direct Online Collection** for the first half of February was \$1,289. (We report to you the online giving amount twice a month.) Enroll in eGiving through @FaithDirect so you can support St. Ann from anywhere. To enroll, just go to www.faithdirect.net or download the free app and use our **church code: DC811**. God bless and thank you!

We are looking for more volunteers for various ministries here at St. Ann's. If interested in assisting as **Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Usher/Greeter, or Altar Server**, please contact the Pastor. In addition, we are very much in need of faithful parishioners who will be willing to assist in counting the weekly Collections on Monday mornings from 7:30am until 9:00am. We are so very grateful to our money counters; yet, they need extra assistance and are looking for more help. Again, if you are willing, contact Msgr. Watkins.

At the Easter Vigil this year, **St. Ann's Parish welcomes into full communion with the Catholic Church** the following individuals who have been preparing all year instruction in the Faith: Travis Price, Laura Madrid, Margaret Pickard, Jessica Johnson, Emilio Hernandez, Justin Schwab, Sean Blue, Chelsey Snyder and Leila Oxley (child baptism).

Parish School of Religion News: The (PSR) Parish School of Religion is already looking forward to next year and has an invitation for you. We would like to add another teacher and/or adult aide to our staff. If you love your Catholic faith and would like to share it with young people, here is the perfect opportunity. No prior teaching experience is needed - we will help you prepare. Our PSR has classes for students in grades K to 8, including First Communion and Confirmation preparation. We meet each Sunday after the 9:00am Mass. In classes that are team taught, the teachers share the teaching responsibilities. Please contact Mrs. Schaeffer at dre@stanndc.org for more information. **Upcoming PSR Events**, we invite you to celebrate with us. All School Mass, 9:00am Mass, Sunday, March 25, Palm Sunday. First Communion, 9:00am Mass, Sunday, May 13, Mothers' Day.

Lenten Rice Bowl Dinner: The Outreach Committee thanks those parishioners who attended the recent Lenten Rice Bowl Dinner. Almost \$ 200 was raised to support the charitable work of Catholic Relief Services.

Seven-Church Walk for Young Adults: DCCatholic invites all young adults (20s and 30s) to the 15th Annual 7 Church Walk! On Saturday, March 24 at 10:00am to 5:00pm. Join hundreds of young adults for our annual Lenten pilgrimage as we continue a Roman tradition in DC. Meet: 10:00am, Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Shaw. Bring: Comfortable shoes (we'll walk 3 miles!), rosary, bag lunch or lunch money. Learn more about young adult events across the DC area: Call DCCatholic.org at 301-853-4559.

Camp St. Charles: Boys and Girls Catholic Overnight Summer Camp – OPEN HOUSE – March 25 or April 8, 2018 11:00am to 3:00pm. Attend our open house to learn more about Camp St. Charles. Join us for lunch, a tour, a ride on the giant swing and an opportunity to meet the staff of Camp St. Charles. For over 60 years, thousands of children have been making friends, learning to work together and developing an appreciation for Creation while camping out, riding horses, working their way through a challenge course, trying archery, paddling on the river, making art projects and lots of other activities in beautiful Southern Maryland. Fully Accredited with the American Camp Association and certified by the State of Maryland, Camp St. Charles has been run by the Salvatorian Fathers and Brothers and Lay Salvatorians for over 60 years. New families may save on tuition by registering at our open house. For more information, directions and to sign up for an open house, see our web site: www.campstcharles.org or call us at 301-934-8799.

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, for more information, email archdioceseCCW@gmail.com.

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. Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations via email vocations@adw.org or call 202-636-9020) with any questions.

Respect Life News: "On January 26, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) published in the Federal Register (Vol. 83, pp. 3880 et seq.) a proposed rule to enforce 25 existing statutory conscience protections for Americans involved in HHS-funded programs, which protect people from being coerced into participating in activities that violate their consciences, such as abortion, sterilization, or assisted suicide. Among the 25 conscience laws are the Church, Coats-Snowe, and Weldon Amendments. Though these laws were passed on a bipartisan basis and have been on the books for years, certain legislators and abortion activists are becoming more emboldened to violate them, and the previous administration did not fully enforce them. This proposed rule seeks to ensure that these laws are enforced. As HHS noted in its press release, "The proposed rule provides practical protections for Americans' conscience rights and is modeled on existing regulations for other civil rights laws." The proposed rule also includes a public comment period of 60 days, which ends on March 27. Parishioners may make such a comment by opening www.humanlifeaction.org/take-action?vvsrc=%2fCampaigns%2f57365%2fRespond.

Human Life Action (HLA) suggests the following comment or one like it: "I strongly commend the Department for publishing these proposed regulations and urge their adoption. For over four decades, through enactments such as the Church Amendment, Congress has sought to ensure that health care institutions and medical professionals will not have to choose between abandoning medicine and violating their conscience, particularly with respect to abortion and sterilization. The proposed regulations will implement these longstanding federal laws and help ensure that no one is forced to participate in abortion or abortion coverage." HLA is a project of the National Committee for a Human Life Amendment (NCHLA) to the Constitution. HLA works closely with the Pro-Life Secretariat of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Parishioners are strongly encouraged to submit comments.

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. For more information, please contact the Office of Priest Vocations at vocations@adw.org or 202-636-9020.

New Parishioners: If you are new in the area, you are encouraged to register with the parish. Registration forms are available at the main entrance of the Church or from the Rectory Office. Completed forms may be returned by dropping them in the Sunday collection basket, mailed, or brought to the Rectory. Please let us know if you are relocating or moving away by dropping a note or calling the Rectory Office at (202) 966-6288.

Bulletin: We welcome any information you may wish to share with others in our bulletin each week for the good of all. **Contact us via email at stann@stanndc.org.**