

## ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI, DERWOOD

# Mass Intentions

**May 30 - June 6, 2022**

<b>Monday, 5/30</b>	9:00 a.m.	Deceased Veterans
<b>Tuesday, 5/31</b>	9:00 a.m.	Rosalina F. Ruiz
<b>Wednesday, 6/1</b>	9:00 a.m.	Gaby & Rod O'Connor
	7:30 p.m.	Claire Louise Dangler
<b>Thursday, 6/2</b>	9:00 a.m.	Alexander O'Connor
<b>Friday, 6/3</b>	9:00 a.m.	Barbara Lynn Beall
	7:30 p.m.	Gerry Madden
<b>Saturday, 6/4</b>	5:00 p.m.	Richard & Patricia Hunt
<b>Sunday, 6/5</b>	8:00 a.m.	Robert D. Ruiz
	9:30 a.m.	Homebound Parishioners (L)
	11:15 a.m.	<i>Pro populo</i>
	5:00 p.m.	All 2022 Graduates (L)

### + In Memoriam Aeternam +

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of Emma Striley, mother of Flor Thomas, Isabel Weeks, wife of John Weeks, Mickey Babish.

**Please pray for the sick...** Fr. William Brailsford, Debra Price, Barbara Schmidt, Mary Cutting, Angelica Santos, Allison Brauer, Frank Knorr, Allan Degen, Bob Jones, William Komlo, Sandra Kimball, Ed Dudenhoeffer, Jackie Roebuck King, Jeni Stepanek. (Names will remain on this list for four consecutive weeks, but can be repeated by calling the Office.)

### Readings for the Week of May 29, 2022

<b>Sunday:</b>	Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/ Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/ Lk 24:46-53 Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/ Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26
<b>Monday:</b>	Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/ Jn 16:29-33
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/ Jn 17:11b-19
<b>Thursday:</b>	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26
<b>Friday:</b>	Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/ Jn 21:15-19
<b>Saturday:</b>	Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/ Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

### *THE MUSINGS OF THE PASTOR*

Last week I talked about five of the ten blessed who were canonized by Pope Francis on May 15, 2022. Today we will look at the other five recently canonized saints.

Saint Anna Maria Rubatto was born in 1844 in Italy. After both of her parent had died by the time she was nineteen, she moved to Turin where she became the friend of noblewoman Marianna Scoffone. Rubatto helped Scoffone with teaching catechism and visiting the poor and the sick. Scoffone died in 1882. One morning after Mass a stone fell from the construction site and struck a worker. Rubatto helped the worker, and the sisters of a convent close to the incident noticed what had happened. The sisters took it as a sign that Rubatto was the person they needed to lead them. They convinced a local priest to convince her to join them. Rubatto did so. After she had entered the community, the bishop appointed her as the superior of the convent. The community became known in time as the Capuchin Sisters of Mother Rubatto. She and her sisters traveled to Uruguay in 1982 and engaged in missionary work there and in Argentina. Mother Rubatto contracted cancer while in Montevideo, Uruguay, died there in 1904, and was buried there in accordance with her wishes. Pope Saint John Paul II beatified her on October 10, 1993.

Saint Maria Domenica Mantovani was born in Italy in 1862. While she was still a teenager her pastor and spiritual director encouraged her to visit the sick and teach catechism. In time she became the co-founder and first superior general of the Little Sisters of the Holy Family. She led the congregations for a total of four decades. She died in 1934 because of complications from influenza. She was beatified on April 27, 2003 by Pope Saint John Paul II.

Saint Titus Brandsma was born in the Netherlands in 1881 and entered the Carmelites in 1908. Ordained in 1905, he was sent to Rome for further studies and while in Rome he became the correspondent for several Dutch newspapers and magazines. When he returned home he was an educator and founded the magazine Karmelrozen. In 1935 he was named chaplain to the Dutch Catholic journalists' association. During World War II, he was arrested and sent to the concentration camp at Dachau for treason because he had defended Jews and encouraged Catholic newspapers not to print Nazi propaganda. He was killed with a lethal injection at the camp in 1942 at the age of 61 and cremated at the camp. He was beatified on November 3, 1985 by Pope Saint John Paul II.

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## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

*How do I sense the presence and effects of the Holy Spirit on my life?*

### PARISH COUNCIL HEARS HEALTHY FINANCIAL REPORT AT MEETING ON MAY 19

Fr. John Dillon reported to the Parish Pastoral Council at its meeting May 19 that the parish is 74 percent of the way toward meeting its goal in the Annual Appeal – a threshold that places us in line with Montgomery County churches in the deanery. He also reported on further talks that suggested St. Francis may establish a Spanish Mass in coming months. In other business, the council heard reports from the Communications Ministry, Religious Education, the Knights of Columbus Council 2323, St. Jude Regional School, the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning committee, the New Neighbor Interfaith Alliance, the Ad-hoc Committee on Racism, and the Spanish Ministry. Please see minutes from past meetings of the Parish Pastoral Council at <https://www.sfadw.org/pastoral-council-meeting-minutes>. For more information, contact the Parish Pastoral Council at [asktheppc@gmail.com](mailto:asktheppc@gmail.com).

### THE MUSINGS OF THE PASTOR (continued)

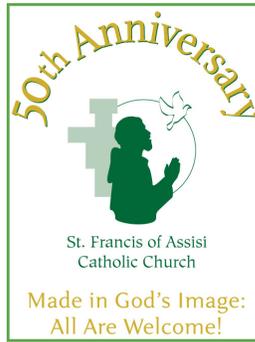
Saint Anne-Marie Rivier was born in France in 1768. Just before the French Revolution she established a school only to see it confiscated shortly afterward. The end of the revolution allowed her to resume her educational activities and to establish the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary to care for the education of orphans and other children who needed education. She died in 1838. The beatification process for her began in 1853 by Blessed Pius IX who referred to her as the Woman-Apostle, while naming her a Servant of God. She was beatified on May 23, 1982 by Pope Saint John Paul II.

Saint Carolina Santocanale was born in Italy in 1852. When she was nineteen she was called to the side of her ailing grandfather who died shortly after she arrived. She became the target of marriage proposals but turned these down. She was torn between entering a contemplative community and one involved in working with the poor and sick. She solved by becoming a Secular Franciscan. In time she established the Capuchin Sisters of the Immaculata of Lourdes on December 8, 1909. Carolina died a week after her order had been approved by the Archbishop of Palermo. She was beatified by Angelo Cardinal Amato on June 12, 2016.

May our newly canonized saints pray for all of us!

Until next week,

**Fr. John**



## OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY MASSES ARE HERE!

As we begin the liturgical celebrations of our parish's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this weekend, we hope our entire faith community will celebrate this joyous milestone in the history of our church. Join us during the 11:15 am Mass on Sunday, May 29, when Cardinal Wilton D. Gregory celebrates with us; a reception in the Gathering Space will

follow the liturgy. Then, please return to the 11:15 am Mass Sunday, June 5, when Fr. John Dillon celebrates our Anniversary Mass alongside former clergy. After the Mass on June 5, the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning Committee has planned a Parish Festival including a catered lunch, games, Moon bounces, and a DJ on the parish grounds. By May 30, please RSVP with how many adults and children will join us for lunch either at <https://sfaderwood.flocknote.com/signup/91272> or on the flyers in the Gathering Space.

There is also just one more week left to purchase tickets for our parish's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary raffle fundraiser. Tickets cost \$20 apiece, with the drawing to take place on June 5. The ticket request form with your check can be returned to the Parish Office. Read more about the raffle at <https://d2y1pz2y630308.cloudfront.net/15904/documents/2022/4/50TH%20Festival%20Raffle.pdf>.

### 50TH ANNIVERSARY PRAYER CARDS

Thank you to the Religious Education students who helped design our St. Francis 50th Anniversary Prayer Cards. They will be available at both 50th celebration masses (May 29th with Cardinal Gregory and June 5th during our Parish Celebration):

#### Kindergarten

Matthew Federico	Clare Robine
Catherine Huon	Christopher Saballos
Khloe Massis	

#### Grade 1

Andrea Mae Gacuma	Audrey Stein
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#### Grade 2

Abby Lopez	
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#### Grade 3

Bethany Stein	
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#### Grade 4

Joaquin Ancheta	Sahana Theodore
Gianni Blanco	Marina Zara
Leo Jimenez	



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM NEWS

### REGISTRATION FOR 2022-23

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES IS OPEN!

Registration forms and additional information can be found on the parish website at: <https://sfadw.org/children-grades-pre-k-8>. Save \$25 on registration fees by returning your registration forms by Aug. 15. We look forward to the continuing participation of all of our families in our parish religious education program!

As we look ahead to next year's Religious Education program, please consider whether you can serve as a catechist for our children and young people. If you would like to learn more about this important ministry, please contact Susan Anderson, Director of Religious Education, at 301-258-9193.

### Spotlight on St. Jude Regional Catholic School *We are...St. Jude*

[www.StJudeRockville.org](http://www.StJudeRockville.org)  
<http://www.facebook.com/stjuderockville>  
Instagram: [stjuderockville](https://www.instagram.com/stjuderockville)

#### Congratulation!

Congratulations Mrs. Katharine Balog, 4th grade teacher and Assistant Principal on winning an Archdiocese of Washington 2022 Golden Apple Award. The award is presented annually to ten teachers selected for their excellence in teaching and commitment to a quality Catholic education. Thank you, Mrs. Balog, for or your dedication to our school! We are so blessed to have you!

#### 8th Grade Graduation

Please keep our 8<sup>th</sup> Graders in your prayers as they graduate on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 in the Shrine of St. Jude.

### FORMED

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FORMED is available 24/7 for you to grow in your faith. St. Francis has purchased this gift for parish use.



## Vacation Bible Camp 2022

Register today for **Vacation Bible Camp 2022** — **MONUMENTAL! Celebrating God's Greatness** – an epic desert adventure filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences! Daily art projects, team-building games, cool Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. At MONUMENTAL! VBC, kids explore the vastness of God's power and the depth of his love for each of them. Our program runs June 27-July 1 from 9:00 am to 12:15 pm in the Parish Center, and includes a family program on Thursday evening, June 30.

Information and registration form for VBC 2022 can be found on our parish website: <http://sfadw.org/vbc>. Please feel free to share the flyer enclosed with potential campers and volunteers (teens and adults).

Spaces fill quickly! Be sure to return your registration form and payment as soon as possible to secure your child's place at VBC. Registrations will be processed in the order received. To allow time to order t-shirts and supplies, registration will close on June 1, 2022.

### ADULTS CAN SHARE THE FUN AS WELL AS VBC VOLUNTEERS!

*All teen volunteer positions have been filled and Teen Volunteer Applications are no longer being accepted.*

Adults interested in volunteering for VBC, please contact Susan Anderson, Director of Religious Education: (301) 258-

### TEACHERS NEEDED AT MOTHER OF GOD SCHOOL

Mother of God School is an Independent Catholic School, affiliated with the Archdiocese of Washington and is located in Gaithersburg, Maryland. Mother of God is Authentically Catholic and Academically Excellent! For the 2022-2023 school year, Mother of God is looking to fill several positions:

- First Grade Teacher
- Second Grade Teacher
- Middle School Science and Math
- Para-educators (part-time options)
- Aftercare employees (part-time)

For more information, please call the school or email the principal Melissa Sloan at [principal@mogschool.com](mailto:principal@mogschool.com) (301) 990-2088 ext. 30.

**Annual Memorial Day Mass  
ALL SOULS CEMETERY**

**Monday, May 30, 2022 at 10:00 A.M.**

**Celebrant:**

**Bishop Mario E. Dorsonville**

**Inclement Weather:**

**Mass will be held under a tent at All Souls  
Cemetery in the event of rain.**

**GABRIEL PROJECT**

The Gabriel Project Cluster of Montgomery County serves mothers and their families in crisis pregnancies. **Please help us provide spring and summer clothing for our client families.** New or gently used clothing is greatly appreciated, or go to our website, [www.gpmoco.org](http://www.gpmoco.org). Click on our Amazon wish-list and choose from any number of spring and summer items. We also need women volunteers to serve as Angel Friends. *Please pray about joining our team of over 70 Angel Friends.* We especially need bi-lingual Angel Friends. If you have any questions, please contact Natalie Ray at [natalieanneray@gmail.com](mailto:natalieanneray@gmail.com).

**YOU DON'T DESERVE TO BE ABUSED**

Domestic violence refers to a pattern of violent and coercive behavior by one adult over another in an intimate relationship. It can consist of repeated severe beatings or subtle forms of abuse, including threats and control. If you experience any form of abuse, please know that there is help. Call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233. For additional information or to learn more about domestic violence, please visit [www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/familypeace](http://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/familypeace).

**AMAZONSMILE ENABLES ST. FRANCIS  
TO INCREASE FUNDRAISING  
THROUGH ONLINE SHOPPING**

St. Francis parishioners can support our church whenever they're shopping online at Amazon.com. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church is a recipient of AmazonSmile, which enables the church to receive 0.5 percent of the price of eligible AmazonSmile purchases you make. **Go to our Home Page, Give, Give Now** and start shopping!

**MOVING/CHANGE OF ADDRESS/E-MAIL**

Please notify our Parish Office, 301-840-1407 or [sfparishoffice@sfadw.org](mailto:sfparishoffice@sfadw.org), of any changes in your address, phone number or e-mail address. Thank you for helping to keep our database up-to-date.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - COUNCIL 2323**

The Knights of Columbus are looking for new, transferring or readmitted members to share in their Charity, Fraternity, Unity and Patriotism activities. Council 2323 supports many St. Francis activities and has many social events. The KofC offers life and long term care insurance opportunities as well as annuities. A new opportunity: join as an Online Member between now and June 30, 2022 and receive a year free Online Membership; go to [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) and click on "Join Us". If you wish you can join the Council later for only \$15. If interested in learning more, contact Gary Palmer (301-948-6494 or email [gtdbpalmer@verizon.net](mailto:gtdbpalmer@verizon.net)).

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
MONTGOMERY COUNCIL, 2323**

Cuddy Hall 17001 Overhill Rd. Derwood MD. 20855

**Live Auction and Fun & Games,  
June 18<sup>th</sup> 12:00 – 3:00 PM**

**Open to All!**

Visit Father Cuddy Hall for Live Auction, an Afternoon of Fun, Games, Food and Beverages  
All Proceeds Benefit

**Tunnels to Towers Honoring America's First Responders,  
Veterans and their Families**

Food and Beverages available  
Admission \$8.00, 5 and under free  
Brother Joe Forsha event director

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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2323, ALL WELCOME!**  
Join the Knights of Columbus Council 2323 for its **Fifth Sunday Rosary** at 7 pm Sunday, May 29, at St. Francis of Assisi Church. Start the week off right with a Rosary led by Fr. John Dillon. The Fifth Sunday Rosary has been a long tradition for the Knights as we come together to pray. Please join us because our country and the world need our prayers now, more than ever.

**CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS AND  
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COLLECTION**

This national collection, scheduled for this weekend makes it possible for people worldwide to watch papal programs and view papal documents online. Locally it supports the broadcast of Sunday Mass for the homebound and the website for The Catholic Standard. Please be generous according to your means.

## THE HISTORY OF THE ST. FRANCIS OUTDOOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Imagine that the mulched area where you are standing was overgrown with trees, weeds and poison ivy. In the late 1990s, that's what this patch of land looked like when parishioner Don Smith approached our then-pastor Fr. Don Worch to see about building an Outdoor Stations of the Cross at the parish.

The Stations of the Cross are a series of 14 images depicting Jesus Christ on the day of his crucifixion. In each of the 14 wooden boxes encircling this space, there is an iconic moment from Jesus' journey to Calvary. Worshippers following the Way of the Cross move from station to station, reciting a reflection and prayers before moving to the next one. Christians of many faith traditions, including Catholics, Lutherans, Anglicans and Methodists, observe the Stations of the Cross as a way to make a spiritual pilgrimage by contemplating the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, often during Lent.

As a member of the Knights of Columbus, Council 2323, Don actually approached two other parishes – St. Mary's Parish and St. Martin's Parish – to locate the Outdoor Stations of the Cross there, but pastors at those churches turned him down. Initially, so did Fr. Don. But Fr. Don and the archdiocese eventually gave the Knights permission to use this land for Don's vision and the plan was set in motion.

Over several years, Don and his wife, Peg, cleared this land with others' help. They visited other Outdoor Stations at Mount St. Mary's in Emmitsburg and St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Rockville for inspiration. In 2001, Don enlisted two other Knights of Columbus, Bill Hoyle and Mark Lynch, for this project. Bill had a woodworking shop at his house and the group built the 14 boxes out of finished plywood, surrounding the copper images of the Stations. They stained the boxes, each of the 14 posts and dug all the post holes. They laid out the Stations in a circle, because it was the best layout for the site.

On April 13, 2001, the Outdoor Stations of the Cross was dedicated, a labor of love and service from the Knights of Columbus. If you examine each station, you'll see a plaque from the individual or family who sponsored the cost of each station as a memorial gift. Many are sponsored by families of the Knights.

You'll notice that the Outdoor Stations includes seven concrete benches, which were added to the site shortly after it was dedicated. A statue of a Resurrection Jesus was added in memory of parishioner Karin Kohler, a vibrant woman and mother of young children who died of breast cancer in 2001.

When I asked Bill Hoyle about what his hope for the Outdoor Stations was at the time it was built, he said he hoped it would be a place where people could go and listen to nature. It is used for that purpose and much more. Fr. Don and his parochial vicar, Fr. Marty Gerber, used to do their Morning Prayers here. Individuals, couples and families walk this site and gather here to pray. And on Palm Sunday, parishioners gather to pray St. Pope John Paul II's Ecological Stations of the Cross and reflect on Jesus' journey on Good Friday.

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## Saint Jude All Class Reunion

Hosted by the  
class of  
1982

Sat. 4<sup>th</sup>  
June  
7pm-close

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please contact Mary Beck  
@ pepperjellylady@gmail.com



### 2022 PILGRIMAGE & RETREAT TO THE HOLY LAND DECEMBER 4-15

Saint Patrick's, Rockville is sponsoring this pilgrimage and retreat. All-inclusive trip includes: All lodging and meals. Visits to the places associated with the Mysteries of Jesus' Life, Death and Resurrection, with local tour guide. Led retreat, using the Gospel passages in the actual locations they describe, with daily Mass and Meditations. Cost \$2,860 per person (double occupancy) includes: airfare and lodging in Israel, all fees, taxes, all meals, transport, and most tips. \$700 deposit required at registration, balance due October 4, 2022. Registration deadline: August 4, 2022. Contact Melanie Baker for registration info (Melanie.Baker@stpatrickdw.org)

### THE HISTORY OF THE ST. FRANCIS OUTDOOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS (continued)

Bill Hoyle shared that Fr. Don hoped the Outdoor Stations would be a gathering space for the parish and the community. Today, our parish's Garden Care Ministry maintains the area, having planted daffodils and ferns and adding those two blue pots to add color to the site. Last month, ninth graders from The Academy of the Holy Cross spread mulch to make it accessible to worshippers. So, 21 years after its dedication, the Outdoor Stations do remain a site for pilgrims to gather, pray and reflect.