

AUGUST 12 & 13, 2017

Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
	10:00 a.m.
	12:00 noon

Monday-Friday	7:30 a.m.
Saturday	8:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday	4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
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HOLY REDEEMER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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301-474-3920
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WEBSITE: parish.holy-redeemer.org
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CLERGY:

Rev. Mark Smith, Pastor
Rev. Matthew Fish, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Charles F. Smarsh
Rev. Michael Hall, OSB

PARISH STAFF:

Mrs. Marie Winterson
Parish Secretary
Virtus Child Protection Coordinator

Mrs. Kathie Bernitt
Bookkeeper

Mrs. Bethany Berard
Director of Religious Education
Adult, Youth, & Child Faith Formation and
Sacramental Preparation

Mrs. Maria Balducci
Director of Music

Mr. James Brosnihan
Facilities Maintenance

HOLY REDEEMER SCHOOL

301-474-3993
EMAIL: school@holy-redeemer.org
WEBSITE: school.holy-redeemer.org
FACEBOOK: facebook.com/HRSCollegePark
Mrs. Maria C. Bovich, Principal
Pre-Kindergarten through 8th Grade
Beforecare & Aftercare Available
Tuition Assistance Available

MATRIMONY

Please call the Parish Office at least six months in advance to speak with a priest and to schedule Pre-Cana Formation and a wedding date.

BAPTISM

Baptisms are typically held the fourth Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Please call the parish office for information and to schedule Baptism Preparation Formation and a Baptism date.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



"Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was, he became frightened." How can we describe Peter? At once faithful and fearful, his jumbled responses remind us that he was no spiritual superman, well intentioned though he may have been. Peter wanted to believe, and in fact showed a great deal of confidence in Christ, but the temptation to doubt was strong enough to knock him off his feet, literally.

"O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" Jesus reprimanded Peter. The words seem harsh. After all, Peter was the only one who had enough faith to even try something as ludicrous as stepping out of the boat onto the water in the first place. But perhaps Jesus wanted to emphasize that our faith needs to be strong enough to weather the storm, so to speak.

If we only believe in Jesus when the wind is calm and the waves are gone, is that truly having faith in him? Is that actually trusting in his supreme power over the forces of the universe? Peter began to sink as soon as a challenge appeared. Jesus called him, and he calls us, to stay on our feet even when the winds begin to blow.

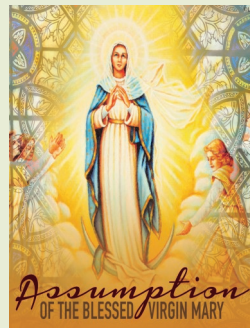
So, what are the winds that threaten our faith? What kinds of gusts are blowing today? Whatever it might be - health problems, financial concerns, relational struggles - none of it is too much for Jesus to handle. But we must step out in faith and trust him! And we need to keep our eyes on him as we do so, instead of getting distracted by the force of the challenges we face. Jesus is bigger than any problem. We have nothing to fear as long as we are walking towards him.



Holy Redeemer Young Adults

are reading
The Great Divorce
by C.S. Lewis

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.
St. Maria Goretti Room



The Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses for the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary will be celebrated this Tuesday, August 15th at 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., & 7:30 p.m.



Holy Redeemer
PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME
October 6-14, 2017

Important Date - Mark Your Calendar!
Orientation Meeting for Pilgrims:
Sunday, September 24th, 5:30 p.m., Library

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

JOIN THE CHOIR AT HOLY REDEEMER!



Have you ever thought about joining the Holy Redeemer Choir? Our Director of Music, Maria Balducci, invites those who enjoy sacred music and love to sing to prayerfully consider becoming a member of one of our choirs this upcoming fall. The skill levels and time commitments vary among groups, so there is a wide variety of options. Anyone is welcome to contact Maria at any time with questions, or to meet individually to sing and discuss opportunities. A welcoming choir awaits your presence!

SCHOOL OF RELIGION VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR 2017-2018



We are still looking for one adult from our parish to prayerfully consider becoming a volunteer School of Religion Catechist for the 2017-2018 School of Religion year.

In particular, we are in need of a volunteer catechist for our **5th/6th grade class**. Adults who serve as catechists will need to complete the Virtus Child Protection Training. Don't worry if you haven't taught before or if it has been a few years since you've volunteered in this capacity - all training and preparation to teach will be provided.

Our School of Religion program teaches the faith to children from our parish who are in Preschool through 8th grade on Sunday mornings. It is a beautiful gift that we can pass along to these children by teaching them about our faith and how to have a friendship with Jesus.

If you are interested, please contact Beth Berard at bberard@holy-redeemer.org or by calling the parish office at 301-474-3920. Thank you!

SCHOOL OF RELIGION TEEN AIDES NEEDED!

Attention high school teens! Your help is needed! We are in need of teens who can volunteer their time in being a high school aide for our School of Religion classes. These hours may be able to fulfill your service hours needed for school this upcoming year! You will earn 1 ½ hours of service per week. We meet on **most Sunday mornings from mid-September to mid-May**, and you would be expected to commit to show up every Sunday that School of Religion is in session.

If you are able to help in these areas, please contact Mrs. Berard in the parish office or via e-mail at bberard@holy-redeemer.org. Thank you!

SCHOOL OF RELIGION REGISTRATION



Registration for the 2017-2018 School of Religion year is still open! Registration forms are due to the parish office by **next Sunday, August 20th**. Please stop by the Mezzanine to pick up a registration form or visit our parish website to complete the online registration form. The first day of School of Religion classes will be **Sunday, September 10th**. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Berard at 301-474-3920 or bberard@holy-redeemer.org.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

If you've been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. Or, maybe you have attended Mass a few times but still have questions about the faith. Our parish will soon begin a set of sessions to share with others the truths of the Catholic faith and the fellowship of our Church family. We invite you to learn what Catholics believe in an opening and welcoming environment. These sessions also are opportunities for you to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church.

Our first session will be held on **Monday, September 18th from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the St. Maria Goretti Room**. Please give the parish office a call or e-mail Beth Berard at bberard@holy-redeemer.org if you have questions or would like further information about the inquiry sessions.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN

Will your child be in 3rd grade or higher and you would like them to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, and First Eucharist? Was your child baptized in the Catholic Church as an infant but did not receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation or First Eucharist in 2nd grade? Was your child baptized into another Christian denomination and would now like to join the Catholic Church and receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist? Is your child in 8th to 12th Grade, but has not yet been confirmed and would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then we invite you to join us in our Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC) program this Fall! To find out more information and register, please contact Mrs. Berard at bberard@holy-redeemer.org or 301-474-3920. A detailed schedule of preparation will be provided upon registering.

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FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

The School Office is now open for regular office hours, Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

Register today at the school website under the Admissions tab. Openings remain in select grades for the 2017-2018 school year, particularly in the Pre-Kindergarten, Second and Sixth Grade classes. Come see why families have been sending their children to Holy Redeemer School for generations! The school lives out its motto of Excellence in Education with the Power of Faith.

TUITION RATES

The tuition rates for the 2017-2018 school year are now posted. Please find the tuition rates posted on our website under Admissions at <http://school.holy-redeemer.org/admissions>

TUITION ASSISTANCE

We at Holy Redeemer believe every child should have the opportunity to receive an excellent Catholic education. If you are interested in enrolling, but are concerned about the financial commitment, please contact the school office at 301-474-3993 or school@holy-redeemer.org. We are committed to providing an affordable Catholic education, and we will assist parents in meeting the financial obligation of school tuition.

SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST & UNIFORM INFORMATION

The School Supply List & Uniform Information for the 2017-2018 school year is posted on the home page of the school website at <http://school.holy-redeemer.org/>

NEW SCHOOL PARENT ORIENTATION

New Parent Orientation will be held on Thursday, August 24th at 6:30 p.m. for PK and K families and 7:00 p.m. for all new families. A used uniform sale will also take place, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

SCHOOL PACKET PICKUP

The pick up of the new school year packet will take place Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday August 22nd through 24th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The packet includes mandatory forms that need to be completed, the new Parent Handbook and important informational flyers. School supplies that are available from the school will also be available for purchase at that time.

ATTENTION, HRS PARENTS: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for Pizza Tuesday and Chick Fil-A Thursday volunteers for the upcoming school year. If you are interested in volunteering for this position, which would fulfill the volunteer hours for the year, please contact the school office.

IMPORTANT SCHOOL DATES

1st Day of School: Tuesday, August 29th
Christmas Break: December 21st - January 1st
Easter Break: March 29th - April 6th
Last Day of School: Friday, June 8th

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 13, 2017

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9-14/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33
Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10-12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-6/Mt 18:21--19:1
Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15
Next Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

CAN YOU HELP? PLEASE VOLUNTEER!

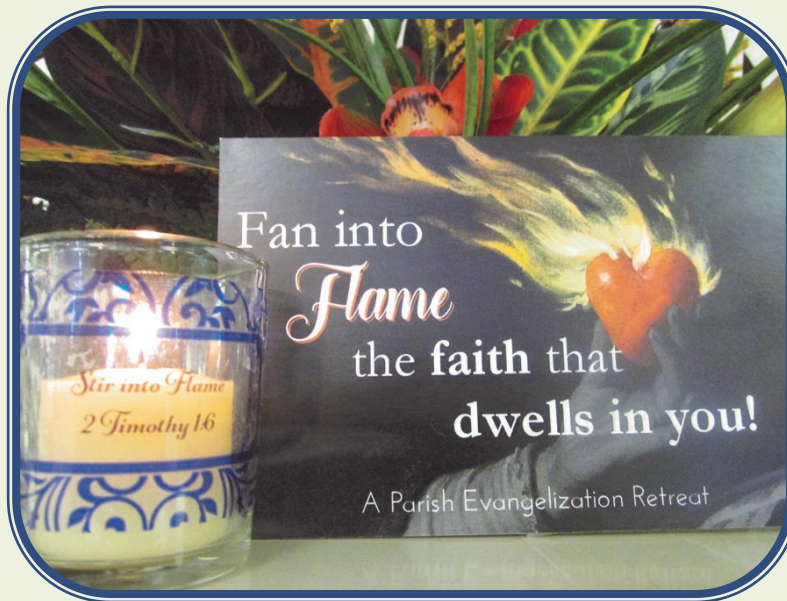
Holy Redeemer has a wonderful group of Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers (3rd - 12th Grades), and Ministers of Hospitality, but we are in real need of additional folks to add to our ranks!

In particular, we are in real need of **additional Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, and Ministers of Hospitality** for all Masses. (We are okay with Lectors right now, but if you are interested, please let us know, too!)

We are also looking for parishioners who are interested in helping with the **Bereavement Ministry (funerals) and helping with the Altar Flowers**. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help!

“FAN INTO FLAME”

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH RETREATS



Are you looking for an opportunity to enrich your faith, to deepen your friendship with Jesus Christ – to fan into the flame the gift of God?

Holy Redeemer is developing weekend retreats, led by Father Mark and Father Matt with others in the parish, centered on witness talks, small group discussions, and time for silent reflection and prayer. Encounter Jesus in a new way, and grow in your relationship with Him and His Church! To learn more, contact Bob Wassmann at bob.wassmann@verizon.net or at 301-345-7098.

Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.


2 Timothy 1: 6-7

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WEEKLY PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

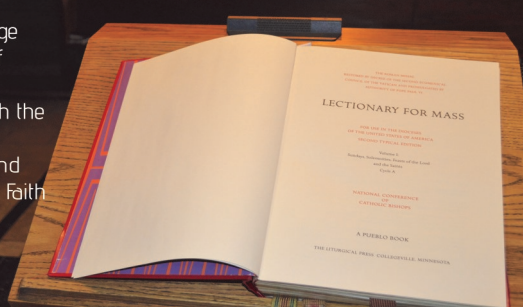
Let not your heart be troubled. You believe in God, believe also in me. John 14:1

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
6:30-7:30pm
Holy Redeemer, College Park
Wednesdays



Lectio Divina
Saturdays, 9 AM

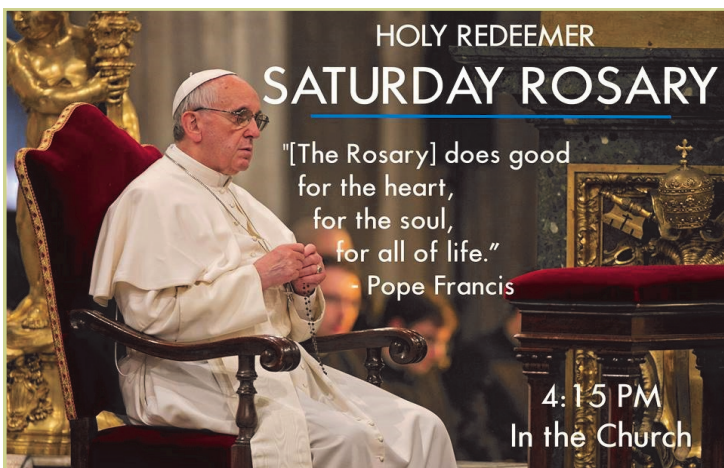
- Grow in Knowledge and Appreciation of Sunday Readings
- Learn to Pray with the Bible
- Encouragement and Support of a Small Faith Group



HOLY REDEEMER SATURDAY ROSARY

"[The Rosary] does good for the heart, for the soul, for all of life."
- Pope Francis

4:15 PM
In the Church



Please join us for community rosary and devotional prayers, **every Saturday at Holy Redeemer at 4:15 p.m.** as we offer prayers for Pro-Life Intentions and for the conversion of the hearts of abortion practitioners. All are welcome, please bring family and friends. Please contact Katherine Hunter for any help at (240) 444-3390 or safl.bh.md@gmail.com.

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 13, 2017

Saturday, August 12, 2017

8:30 a.m. Rev. Matthew Thompson, RIP
requested by Roy & Anne Nelson

5:00 p.m. All Parishioners

Sunday, August 13, 2017

8:00 a.m. Jason Wines, RIP
requested by the Wines Family

10:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the DeFranco & Williams Families, RIP

requested by Wayne & Ginny Williams

12:00 noon Philip E. Krug, Jr., RIP
requested by the Krug Family

Monday, August 14, 2017

7:30 a.m. Maria Evola, RIP
requested by Sal Evola

Tuesday, August 15, 2017 (*Assumption of Mary*)

7:30 a.m. Lin Mack, RIP
requested by Jane Mack

12:10 p.m. Special Intentions of Maggie Haynes
requested by Laura Donnelly

7:30 p.m. Sr. Kathleen Mary Gay, RIP
(former HRS Principal)
requested by the Holy Redeemer Parish & School Communities

Wednesday, August 16, 2017

7:30 a.m. Annie Laura Carmen, RIP
requested by the Murray Family

Thursday, August 17, 2017

7:30 a.m. Leon Klosky, RIP
requested by His Family

Friday, August 18, 2017

7:30 a.m. Thomas Gorman, RIP
requested by Iris Gorman

Saturday, August 19, 2017

8:30 a.m. Al & Sara Walukonis, RIP
requested by the Walukonis Family

5:00 p.m. P. "Ed" Krug, Sr., RIP
requested by the Krug Family

Sunday, August 20, 2017

8:00 a.m. All Parishioners

10:00 a.m. Josephine Goff, RIP
requested by Roy & Anne Nelson

12:00 noon Deceased Members of the Daly Family, RIP
requested by Alice Daly

STEWARDSHIP

COLLECTIONS

*Offertory figures are not available this week.
Thank you!*