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Little Flower School, Grades Pre-K-8

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CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:15pm or by appointment

ROSARY: Monday: 6:00pm

EUCCHARIST:

Saturday: Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:30am

Daily: 8:00am Tuesday through Friday

Tuesday: 10:00am during school year

Holy Days: As Announced

ADORATION WITH BENEDICTION

First Thursday of the Month

6:00pm

Bulletin Deadline: in Writing by Monday 3:00 pm

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JANUARY 19, 2020



**Knights of Columbus
 Holy Face Council #3849
 PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Sunday, January 26, 2020

7:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

At Little Flower School

FREE!!

ALL YOU CAN EAT

DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED

*In Honor of Catholic Schools Week, All Proceeds
 Benefit Little Flower School*

MENU

**Buttermilk, Blueberry and Chocolate Chip Pancakes,
 French Toast, Cinnamon Raisin French Toast,
 Made-to-Order Omelets, Sausage Gravy and
 Biscuits, Scrambled Eggs, Virginia Ham and Sausage
 Links, Grits, Homefries, Warm Applesauce, Milk,
 Orange and Apple Juice, Coffee and Tea.
 This month's special: Quiche**

Welcome to the Holy Face Catholic Church family.

On behalf of our parishioners, I invite you to tour our website and get acquainted with our growing and vibrant faith community. Better yet, please come visit us in person, worship with us, and make this your spiritual home. If you need more information about our parish, please do not hesitate to call me. May the peace of Christ be with you.

Your brother in Christ,

Rev. Jerry Gamrot

New Parishioners: The parish family of Holy Face welcomes all new parishioners! Please fill out a registration form available on our webpage or in the back of the church and drop it in the collection basket at Sunday Mass. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 301-994-0525. You may also reach our Welcoming Committee at holyface.md@adw.org *Welcome!*

Sacrament of Baptism: Expectant parents must attend our Baptism Preparation Program which is offered monthly. Baptism is the first and most important Sacrament as it introduces us to the Faith. Baptisms are offered on the **First Sunday** of the month at the **11:30am Mass** and immediately following. Call the Parish Office to schedule a baptism and to make arrangements to attend our Baptism Program.

Sacrament of Marriage: Arrangements should be made well in advance of an intended marriage, at least six months and even up to a year prior. Please call the Parish Office to arrange an appointment with the Pastor. Attendance at the Marriage Preparation Program is required.

Sick and Hospital Visits: Please let the Parish Office know if you have a family member who is ill at home or in the hospital so we may add them to our prayer list and arrange, if appropriate, for visits from our Homebound Ministry and the Pastor.

R.C.I.A.: If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or in becoming Catholic, please contact the Parish Office for details about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults or contact the Parish Office at (301)994-0525.

Choir: Practice is held on Wednesday evenings at 7pm in the Church choir loft. New members are always welcome.

Parish and School Websites and email: Visit our Holy Face website at www.holyfacechurch.org for up-to-date information regarding our parish. Questions or concerns may be emailed to: holyface.md@adw.org. You can also visit the Little Flower School website at www.littleflowercatholic.org for additional information regarding our school.

Parish Cemetery Information: Contact Catholic Cemeteries at 301-475-5005 or 301-932-1766.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: All requests to include activities in our weekly bulletin must be received in writing by **3pm on Monday**. Inclusion of the activity is at the discretion of the Pastor and space availability. Information may be emailed to holyface.md@adw.org.

Checking the Roadmap

If you veer off course, you check the map or get directions. If you want to get to your destination, you need to remember where your destination is. It also helps to remember why you are going there, in case you get tired along the way.

St. Paul wrote letters to the Corinthians in Greece because they were getting off course. He reminded them about the basics of the Christian life, and answered a few of their specific questions. Paul had spent a year and a half with this community on his missionary journeys. He stayed at the home of Aquila and Priscilla, who had emigrated there from Rome during the persecution of Claudius. Paul shared faith, ethnicity, and occupation with Aquila: They were tentmakers (Acts 18:1-11).

Now Paul had moved on, but some problems had surfaced with this community after he left. Now he sat down with his friend Sosthenes and wrote a letter to the Corinthians.

He starts with a brief glimpse at the roadmap. He writes the letter “to you who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be holy, with all those everywhere who call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.” There was bickering within the church at Corinth. People complained about everything from liturgy to hair to food. Paul reminded them that they are holy and all who believe in Christ are holy. Whenever any church community veers off course, it’s good to look back at the map.

Mass Intentions for the Week

January 20, 2020 - January 26, 2020

Monday	8:00am - NO MASS
Tuesday	8:00am - Leigh Alvey+
Wednesday	8:00am - Jay Hills+
Thursday	8:00am - John Thomas Cecil+
Friday	8:00am - Doris E. Bean+
Saturday	5:00pm - Darrell Dodds+
Sunday	7:00am - Inez McConnell+
	9:00am - Bob & Mildred Deuel+
	11:30am - Holy Face Parishioners

Morning Mass is cancelled if schools are unexpectedly closed or there is a delayed opening. All cancelled mass dedications are moved to the next available date.

Bulletin Board

Monday	6:00pm Rosary
Wednesday	7:00pm Choir
	7:00pm Bible Study

Weekly Readings

(Mon)	Saint Fabian, Saint Sebastian 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
(Tues)	Saint Agnes 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28
(Wed)	1 Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51/Mk 3:1-6
(Thurs)	Saint Vincent, Saint Marianne Cope 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
(Fri)	Saint Francis deSales 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19
(Sat)	The Conversion of Saint Paul The Apostle Acts 22:3-16/Mk 16:15-18
(Sun)	Is 8:23—9:3 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 Mt 4:12-23

In Our Prayers

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please include the following people, as well as all of our family and friends who are ill in your prayers, especially:

Mike Alvey, Jan Barnes, Beaner Barnett, Ester Mae Battle, Lilly Mae Battle, Shirley Mae Battle, Robert Baumgarten, Nancy Brown, Judy Broyles, John Cardinal, Francis Countiss, Cindy Davis, Rose Daye, Michael Dement, Roger Detrick, Francis Dominique, Kathy Dominique, Joe Eversole, Marjorie Fechtig, Dillon Fiske, Ariana Gennaro, Gail Gennaro, Bruce Genovese, Caleb Getscher, Elizabeth Gray, Tiffany Grey, Jack Grubber, Annie Hills, Jennifer Hills, Maslynn Holmes, Pam Howard, Janice Ivancik, George Izon, Barbara Lamb, Matt Lamb, June Lang, Bie Le, Taylor Love, Janice Lynch, Patricia Madrigal, Joanne McGilloway, Virginia McKeen, Barbara McNary, Norma Miller, Harold Owens, Linda Palchinsky, Gertrude Pirko, Dickie Russell, Robert Russell, Duncan Scott, Margaret Sison, Bea Slaske, Norma Szewczyk, Steve Taylor, Lois Testerman, Anthony Thomas, Cathy Thomas, Mary Thomas, Mark Thomason, Robert Wheeler, John Williams, Charlie Wise, Jr., Kathy Wood, Elizabeth Young.

Call the Parish Office to have names added to or removed from our list.

SERVICE PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers all of our troops and their civilian counterparts serving in war zones as well as all those in service around the world:

LCDR Randy Dodds, US Navy	PFC Jacob A. Gilbert, USMC
LCDR Richard C. Moebius, Jr., US Navy	Lt.Col. Brett A. Shilling, USAF
Airman Steven M. Lamb, USAF	2Lt. Danielle Wilkin, USAF
SSgt Gregory Bergin, USAF	LT Jacob Schmidt, US Navy
SSgt Andrew Unkle, US Army	LT Michael Woehrer, US Navy
SPC Alexander D. Unkle, US Army	LTJG Mark D. Sweet, Jr., US Navy
LT Kevin Peters, USCG	Pvt Gavin Podlaski, US Army
Capt. Clayton Scott, USMC	Capt. Matt Barchick, USMC
Lt Adam Patterson, US Navy	Capt. Steven Beck, USMC
GSgt. Patrick J. Pullman, USMC	

If you would like to add a loved one to our armed forces prayer list, please contact the Parish Office during normal business hours—301-994-0525 (T-F 8am-3pm).



Like Mary and Joseph, families have a mission to welcome Jesus into their homes and lives, to “listen to him, speak with him, take care of him, protect him and grow with him, and in this way improve the world.” -Pope Francis

Sunday Faith Formation serves all parish children. Weekly sessions for Pre-K through 8th Grade meet on Sundays from 10:15am to 11:20am. Two years of faith formation are usually required prior to reception of the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. We always welcome new team members as catechists, substitutes, hall monitors and teen assistants.

Faith Formation Calendar

January 19 - In Session

January 26 - In Session

CLOW Upcoming Meeting Dates

January 19 - No CLOW

January 26

**CLOW (Children's Liturgy of the Word)
is for children ages 3 to 1st Grade only.**

Would you like to help out with this ministry? Materials and training are provided. Please contact Jamie Shuryn at (301)994-1777 or dandjshuryn@yahoo.com.



Are You Thirsting For God?

Are you someone who would like to learn more about your Catholic Faith? Do you know someone not baptized or baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, who is thirsting for what it means to become Catholic?

Do you know someone already Catholic but has not yet received Confirmation & Communion?

Others may be thirsting too...

For each of us faith is a journey marked with moments of conversion along the way...we move from unbelief to initial faith, from sin to repentance, from painful isolation to the joyful experience of a loving community, from fear to love.

Faith, conversion, repentance, celebration and community ---five basic elements that are present in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). The RCIA provides a setting where the journey of faith and moments of conversion can be celebrated within the local Church community.

RCIA is a place to ask questions and seek understanding. Come and See! Invite a friend! All are Welcome! RCIA meets Sunday's at Little Flower School from 10:15 A.M. to 11:15 A.M. For more information, contact the Parish Office at (301)994-0525.



Please join us for a new Bible Study session on Stories of the Old Testament by James P. Campbell. This study takes us through the Old Testament using 100 carefully selected readings. Each reading is meant to be completed in one sitting using dozens of short easy-to-grasp informational pieces to supply background and commentary to understand the Old Testament. Bible study is very informal, yet very educational. Please consider joining our small, friendly group. For more information please call or text Susan Baker at 301-904-7404.

Knights of Columbus



Grand Knight Charles Shilling

301-535-8339

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Nine Days for Life 21-29 Jan

Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, Tuesday, January 21 – Wednesday, January 29. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at www.9daysforlife.com!

Nine Days for Life is a multi-faceted novena for the respect and protection of human life brought to you by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Each day, a different intention is accompanied by a short reflection, suggested actions, and related information

Additionally, on January 22, the Church in the United States observes the annual “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.” This day is set aside to pray for the legal protection of human life and to do penance for the violations to human dignity through abortion. We are called to observe this day through prayer and penance. More information: respectlifeprogram.org/january-22.

The Nine Days for Life Novena will be observed at Holy Face church with a prayer service held at 6PM on week nights 21-29 January.

All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to participate.

January Events:

- 21 RMM
- 24 March For Life
- 26 Pancake Breakfast

CELEBRATING 140 YEARS

The 140th Anniversary Parish Directory has arrived!

If you had your picture taken (or submitted a family photo) your *free* copy is available with your name on it in the Parish Hall. Please pick-up after Mass.

Order Your Copy Today!

There are a limited number of copies available for sale. Order your copy using the Blue Envelopes available in the back of the church.

The 140th Directory is over 80 pages filled with parish history, photos of every group in the parish plus individual family photos & roster contact information.

The 140th Directory is a perfect Christmas gift for yourself or a new friend in the parish.

How to order: Pick up a **Blue order envelope** at the back of the church.

Write your name / telephone # on the envelope

Place \$10 inside

Drop in the collection plate

You will be called with details for pick-up.

Little Flower School



LITTLE FLOWER SCHOOL UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- *Monday, January 20 - School Closed
- *Tuesday, January 21 - Bake Sale (Grade 7)
- *Wednesday, January 22 - All County Schools Mass @ IHM (Grades 3-8)
- *Friday, January 24 - Parent/Student Mass (Grade 7); Parent/Student Lunch (Grade 3)

Ten Reasons to Choose a Catholic Education

1. Catholic tradition and academic excellence in a community grounded in faith
2. Balanced curriculum that includes art, music and fitness
3. Emphasis on moral development, service to others and leadership skills
4. A 99% graduation rate
5. Strong preparation for further education
6. Safe and disciplined environment
7. Exceptional faculty who help students reach their highest potential
8. Individual attention in a caring community
9. Commitment to technology use to enhance education
10. Good stewardship of resources

*Bingo every Wednesday, doors open at 5:30 pm; early bird special starts at 6:45pm. Cash prizes! Food and drink will also be for sale.

*Are you on social media? Don't forget to "like" us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/littleflowercatholic) and "follow" us on Twitter and Instagram (@LFS patriots)!

Flowers—Masses—Lamps

If you would like to have a Mass (\$10), the Sanctuary Lamp (\$5), or Altar Flowers (\$50) dedicated in someone's memory or honor, please call the Rectory at 301-994-0525.



Help Support the Church

OFFERTORY

With the Christmas Season upon us, enrolling in Faith Direct is a great way to ensure your gifts to Holy Face are received even while you are away.

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: MD210.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You,

Father Jerry

December 2019 Financial Report

Offertory	\$30,607.15
Catholic Education	1,372.00
Maintenance	2,410.35
Other	<u>19,234.54</u>
Total Revenue	\$53,624.04
Total Expenses	<u>- 39,121.40</u>
Net	\$14,502.64

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Help Our Marriage

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue, or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped many couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on January 24th - January 26th, 2020, please call (443) 400-7017 or visit: www.HelpOurMarriage.org, or email: 3015@retrouvaille.org.

Marriage Enrichment Series

Take time to invest in your marriage! Make your marriage a priority by seeking out enrichment opportunities together. The Office for Family Life is offering a free Marriage Enrichment series.

Tuesdays January 28, February 4, 11 and 18 from 7:00pm – 9:00pm at St. Aloysius, Leonardtown, MD. To register, go to the following link: <https://mestaloysius.eventbrite.com>.

For more information, please contact the Office for Family Life at visiblesign@adw.org or call (301)853-4526 .

Thank you from the
University of Maryland
Prince George's Hospital Center

"When someone comes to our center for services the first time, they are usually frightened, sad and often bewildered. One of the first things we do is offer them the choice of a new stuffed animal from the three rows of shelves in our office. Sometimes they choose one right away, and sometimes it take a while for them to settle on just the right one. They are really touched that they get to choose something so personal to them and they are really grateful.

Today is Christmas Eve, and a mother came in for services. Since she had young children, she wanted to have a stuffed animal for each of them. So a stuffed animal that you provide went home to find its way under the tree for the kids, whose mother wants only the best for them. Please know that just today you have helped three people.

For many years you have made this commitment, and your donations are appreciated, more than you know!

We know that you have many organizations that you could donate to, and we are honored that you have chose ours. You certainly have been an enormous help to people who are hurting."

Sincerely,
Cheryl Banks
Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Center

Quo Vadis Shadow Day

February 7, 2020 7:15 a.m. – 7:30 p.m., St. John Paul II Seminary and the Catholic University of America

Juniors and seniors in high school are invited to join us for a special Quo Vadis "Shadow Day" at Saint John Paul II Seminary and the Catholic University of America. The day will allow the young men to experience a "day in the life" of a seminarian by joining them for Mass, Adoration, meals, class, sports and just hanging out. It is also a great opportunity to meet other high school students who are considering seminary.

Please register to attend at www.dcpriest.org.
Email vocations@adw.org with any questions.