

*Our Lady of the Visitation Parish*

14139 Seneca Road • Darnestown, Maryland 20874



**PENTECOST SUNDAY**  
**05 JUNE 2022**

**Sacred Liturgy**

**Saturday – 5:00 pm**  
**Sunday – 9:00 am, 11:00 am, and 5:00 pm**

**Monday, Wednesday, and Friday**  
**12 Noon and 6:00 pm**  
**Tuesday and Thursday**  
**8:30 am and 12 Noon**  
**Saturday**  
**9:00 am**

**Sacrament of Penance: Saturday from 3:00-4:30 p.m.**  
**After Weekday and Sunday Masses**  
**Mon., Wed., Fri. 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

**Anointing of the Sick / Emergencies**  
In case of an emergency and immediate need of a priest,  
please call **240-463-9960**.

**VISION STATEMENT**

“Guided by the Light of Christ, we are building a vibrant, welcoming community of *fellowship, grace, love* of God and one another.”

**MARY**

We honor Mary as our mother in faith and pattern of holiness in daily life.

**CHARISM**

The name of our parish reminds us to make the corporal and spiritual works of mercy a personal priority.

**STEWARDSHIP**

We accept our responsibility to properly use the time, talent and treasure God has entrusted to us: as graced individuals, as a gifted parish, and as a blessed nation.

**MINISTRY**

We are called by our baptism to worship the Father, to build community in the Spirit, to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, and to serve all those in need.

**TRADITION**

We are proud to live our Christian faith as members of the Roman Catholic Church and as a parish of the Archdiocese of Washington.

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**JUNE 2022**

<b>05 Sun</b>	Mass, 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m. <b>Healing Mass, 2:00 p.m.</b>
06 Mon	Mass, 12 Noon, 6:00 p.m., Church
07 Tue	Mass, 8:30 a.m., Noon, Church
08 Wed	Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance Mass, 12 Noon 6:00 p.m., Church Adoration, 11:00 a.m. Bible Study, 7:30 p.m., Founders Hall
09 Thu	Mass, 8:30 a.m., Noon, Church Adoration, 11:00 a.m. Mother of Young Children, 7:30 p.m. Church Parlor
10 Fri	Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance Adoration, 11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., Church Mass, Noon and 6:00 p.m., Church
11 Sat	Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance Mass, 9:00 a.m., Church Women's Group: 9:30 a.m., Fdrs. Hall Baptism Class, 10:00 a.m., Fdrs. Hall Vigil Mass, 5:00 p.m., Church

*Liturgical Life*

**ORDINARY TIME:** Apart from those seasons having their own distinctive character, there remain in the yearly cycle those weeks (33 or 34) that do not celebrate a specific mystery of Christ. Rather, especially on Sundays, they are devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its fullness. This period is known as Ordinary Time (General Norms, 43). Ordinary Time resumes when the Easter Season ends, on Monday, 6 June 2022, the day following Pentecost.

**PARISH EMBER DAYS:** Responding to the Gospel and following Church tradition, Visitation parishioners are encouraged to voluntarily set aside **Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 8, 10, and 11 June 2022** as special days of fasting, prayer and works of charity.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the church on **weekdays**, Monday through Friday, from 11:00 am to Noon and on Wednesday and Friday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**SUMMER SEMINARIAN:** Our Lady of the Visitation Parish is happy to announce that we will be hosting a seminarian for eight weeks this summer. When you see him, please welcome Colin Snyder.



**Readings for the Week of June 5, 2022**

Monday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87: 1-2, 3 and 6, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 17:7-16/Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 5: 13-16
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 18:20-39/Ps 16:1b-2ab and 8, 11/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	1 Kgs 18:41-46/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13/Mt 5: 20-26
Friday:	1 Kgs 19:9A, 11-16/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9 abc, 13-14/Mt 5: 27-32
Saturday:	Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 98:1, 2-3 Ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Mt 5: 33-37
Sunday:	Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9[2a] Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16: 12-15

*Parish Life*

**PARISH NECROLOGY:** On the anniversary of their deaths, please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: **Gladys Gryncel** (02 June 2002), **Janet Diethrich** (02 June 2013), **Mary Kathleen Jarboe** (03 June 2009), **Ava Michelle Mychajliw** (04 June 2007), **Addison Marie Mychajliw** (04 June 2007), **Nicholas Stephen Nunzio Sr** (06 June 1996), **Emma Rose Glander** (06 June 1999), **John Paul Yagesh** (08 June 2012), **James Keane** (10 June 2005), **Lori J. Mychajliw** (14 June 2008), **Roy Allen O'Dwyer** (14 June 2019), **William J. Lamir Sr.** (15 June 2014), **James Joseph Spates** (17 June 2017), **Mary Elizabeth McManus** (18 June 2002), **Martin S. Nee** (18 June 1998), **Brian Christopher Tauber** (20 June 2014) **John Chester White** (23 June 2003), **Gerard Foley** (23 June 2010), **Karen Duncan** (26 June 2015), and **Thresia John Kollapallil** (29 June 2008).

**PASTOR'S PAGE**

Happy birthday, Church!! Today's feast of Pentecost celebrates the birth day of the Church that Christ founded (see Acts 2). Fr. Antony Kadavil from [vaticannews.va](http://vaticannews.va) reflects on this amazing event of the Holy Spirit being sent upon us and in us. Enjoy the day and live it!

May you know the peace of Christ,

*Fr Greg*

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Introduction: Pentecost literally means 50th. It is a feast celebrated on the 50th day after the Passover feast by the Jews, and it is a feast celebrated on the 50th day after the feast of the Resurrection of Jesus by the Christians. The Jewish Pentecost was originally a post-harvest thanksgiving feast. Later, the Jews included in it the remembrance of God's Covenants with Noah after the Deluge and with Moses at Mt. Sinai. Pentecost (Whitsunday), with Christmas and Easter, ranks among the great feasts of Christianity. On Christmas we celebrate the birthday of Christ in His Physical Body. Today is the birthday of the Church, of all those who have been reborn into His Mystical Body...

... Today's Scripture readings remind us that Pentecost is an event of both the past and the present. The main theme of today's readings is that the gift of the Holy Spirit is something to be shared with others. In other words, the readings remind us that the gift of the Holy Spirit moves its recipients to action and inspires them to share this gift with others...

Role of the Holy Spirit in the life of the believer and of the Church further explained: How beautiful is the thought that the Holy Spirit lives within us! Saint Paul reminds the Corinthian community of this fact when he asks, "Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?" (I Corinthians 3:16). It is the Holy Spirit who develops our intimacy with God. "God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts crying, 'Abba!' ('Father!')" (Gal 4:6)...

Life messages: 1) We need to permit the Holy Spirit to direct our lives...2) We need to cultivate the spirit of forgiveness...3) We need to observe Pentecost every day...

4) We need to be Spirit-filled Christians: Spirit-filled people acknowledge their weaknesses, ask for the strengthening, anointing and guidance of the Holy Spirit every morning, ask for His forgiveness every evening and pass on that forgiveness to those who sin against them. Spirit-filled people are praying people. Paul encourages us, "Pray on every occasion as the Spirit leads. For this reason, keep alert and never give up; pray for all God's people" (Eph 6:18). Spirit-filled people are praying and worshipping God in their families and parishes. They try to grow continually in their Faith, and they seek out every opportunity to discover Christ and what it means to be children of God. Spirit-filled people are people who allow the Spirit to change their lives through their daily reading of the Bible and their frequenting of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist. Spirit-filled people speak words that heal, restore, make people happy and build people up instead of tearing them down. Spirit-filled people pass on the love of God to the people living around them by their acts of kindness, mercy and charity. Hence, let us pray for a spirit of love instead of hate, a spirit of helpfulness instead of non-cooperation, a spirit of generosity instead of greed and a spirit of gentleness instead of ruthlessness. (Fr. Antony Kadavil).

**SAINTS/WINDOWS: Pierre Toussaint, 30 June.** Pierre Toussaint (1766-1853) was born a slave in Haiti (upper panel). Jean and Marie Berard brought him to New York City in 1787, where he became a hairdresser. He attended Mass daily. With St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, he founded one of New York City's first orphanages, and he helped raise funds for the city's first cathedral. In 1990, John Cardinal O'Connor moved his remains to the crypt beneath the high altar of St. Patrick's Cathedral (lower panel).

**SHAWL MINISTRY:** The next meeting of our dedicated knitters is currently scheduled for **Tuesday, June 14th** from 6:45 to 8:00 p.m. in Founders Hall. Contact Cindy Kokinda ([Kokinda@comcast.net](mailto:Kokinda@comcast.net)) if you need more information.

**WOMEN'S GROUP:** All women of the parish, ages 20+, are welcome to enrich our faith and socialize. Our next meeting is on **Saturday** morning, **June 11th** from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in Founders Hall following the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

**INFANT BAPTISM:** Parents presenting their children for Baptism must be registered in our parish and are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Class prior to scheduling the Baptism. The next class is scheduled for Sunday, **June 11th** at 10:00 a.m. in Founders Hall. We encourage Sponsors/Godparents, including parishioners who will be Sponsors/Godparents elsewhere, to attend this Baptism Preparation Class. Attendance during pregnancy is advised. For information and/or to register, call the parish office, (301) 948-5536.

**PARISH BIBLE STUDY:** Continuing on **Wednesday, June 8th at 7:30 pm**, Fr. Greg will offer a weekly Scripture Study session to discuss the upcoming Sunday's readings.

**FLOCKNOTE:** Sign-up today for Flocknote, an easy way to keep up with dates and changes at Our Lady of the Visitation Parish. Flocknote is a tool for OLVP to communicate important information quickly, parish-wide, to our "Flock." You can sign-up for Flocknote by emailing Colleen Enos at [cenos@olvp.org](mailto:cenos@olvp.org).

**MATRIMONY POLICY:** It is Archdiocesan and parish policy that couples seeking to be married in the Church are to make arrangements with a Priest or Deacon a minimum of six months prior to setting a wedding date. **Do not plan the reception until you meet with a Priest/Deacon.** Please email Father Greg Shaffer ([gshaffer@olvp.org](mailto:gshaffer@olvp.org)), or Deacon Ted Dmuchowski ([DeaconTed@olvp.org](mailto:DeaconTed@olvp.org)).

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** If you are planning to undergo major surgery, please notify our parish office. If illness or age prevent you from attending Mass, call the parish office to arrange for visitation and Communion in your home.

**ALL HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES** have Catholic Chaplains to care for Catholic patients and residents. On admission, be sure to notify the staff of your desire to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and/or the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Feel free to call Fr. Greg (240) 463-9960, as well.

### *Faith Formation for Life*

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP:** We will be offering a fun and exciting Vacation Bible Camp from **Monday, June 20th** through and including **Friday, June 24th** from 9 am to noon at OLVP this year! It's going to be a quest to find God's great light on Adventure Island! Interested volunteers can reach out to Erin Clegg at [eclegg@olvp.org](mailto:eclegg@olvp.org) or go



to <https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=c4455041-47fb-4189-a671-9488de9d1490>

**YOUTH FAITH FORMATION:** Information about the 2022-2023 school year will be published in upcoming bulletins. You may also check our website [www.olvp.org](http://www.olvp.org) under the Faith Formation heading for current developments. If you are new to the parish, registration is on-going. If you would like information about our Faith Formation programs, please email Erin Clegg at [eclegg@olvp.org](mailto:eclegg@olvp.org).

**FORMED.ORG:** OLVP provides this service for free to all parishioners. We strongly urge you to take advantage of this resource. Click the [formed.org](http://formed.org) link on the [www.olvp.org](http://www.olvp.org) website and follow the prompts.

### *Social Concerns*

**PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION:** On **June 26th** our archdiocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection which provides the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Through your generosity we can cast the peace of Christ upon the world.



**THANK YOU** to all parishioners who donated to the Catholic Communications and Human Development Collection taken throughout the Archdiocese last weekend.

**THE LORD'S TABLE:** The Lord's Table Soup Kitchen needs extra help! In addition to OLVP's scheduled days to work at The Lord's Table this year, we know that sometimes they are in need of volunteers to assist other groups on additional days. Please contact Peter Geiling ([peter.geiling@verizon.net](mailto:peter.geiling@verizon.net)) if you are able to help in this ministry.

**VOLUNTEERS WELCOME:** If you are interested in sharing your time from one hour to several hours per month or possibly one time a year. Please visit our parish website at [olvp.org](http://olvp.org) then click on Ministries followed by Social Concerns. Scroll down to the bottom of the page to send us your contact information and to see some current opportunities to minister to others. Or you can email Liesel Flaig, [flaig@verizon.net](mailto:flaig@verizon.net).

### *Human Resources*

**HOW TO JOIN OUR PARISH:** A warm welcome to Our Lady of the Visitation Catholic Church! Registration forms are available on the shelf in the vestibule of the church or you may register online at: [www.olvp.org](http://www.olvp.org)

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:** Do you want to get more involved in our parish? There are numerous opportunities to get involved and meet others in this great community! Gardening, cooking, painting, planning events and many more ways to put your talents (aka helpful hands) to work. To receive notification emails of opportunities, please email or call our facilities director, Tony Glander, at [tglander@olvp.org](mailto:tglander@olvp.org) or (301) 460-6404.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Regular office hours are Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

### *Facilities*

**PARISH REPAIR:** If you see a needed repair around the parish, please call the office at (301) 948-5336 and report the problem so that we may get it fixed.

### *Finance*

**BEQUESTS AND WILLS:** Please consider OLVP in your estate planning. A meeting with an estate planning attorney and one sentence in your will can help our parish ministries be there for your children and your grandchildren!

**FAITH DIRECT:** When your summer travels take you away from Sunday services, Faith Direct lets you continue to support Our Lady of the Visitation and the ministries you cherish. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and this will sustain our parish through the busy summer months. Easier than ever, just text **"Enroll"** to **301-701-3032**, or enroll on-line at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net). Our Church Code is **MD114**.