Darnestown, Maryland 20874

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4139 Seneca Road

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST 11 June 2023

Sacred Liturgy

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

Monday, 12 Noon 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 3:30-4:30 p.m. After Weekday and Sunday Masses 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.

Pastor

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR **June 2023** 11 Sun Mass: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm, Church Corpus Christi Procession, 11:00 am Mass, 12 Noon, Church 12 Mon Adoration, 11:00 am, Church RCIA, 4:00 pm, Founders Hall 13 Tue Mass, 8:30 am, 12:00 Noon Adoration: 11:00 am, Church 14 Wed Mass, 12 Noon and 6:00 pm, Church Adoration, 11:00 am and 6:30 pm, Church Scripture Study, 7:30 pm, Founders Hall 15 Thu Mass, 8:30 am and 12 Noon, Church No Adoration College Student BBQ, 6:30 pm, Rectory Fri Mass: 12 Noon and 6:00 pm, Church 16 Adoration: 11 am and 6:30 pm, Church Holy Hour for Vocations, 11 am, Church 17 Sat Men's Group, 7:30 am, Founders Hall Daily Mass, 9:00 am, Church Women's Group, 9:30 am, Founders Hall AA, 12 Noon, St. Cecelia's Room Vigil Mass, 5:00 pm, Church 18 Sun Mass: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm, Church **Baby Item Collection** St. Martin's Food Pantry Collection

Liturgical Life

Baptism Class, 12:15 am, Founders Hall

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: This week Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take

This week, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the church on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 11 am to noon, and on Wednesday and Friday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. There is no Adoration on Thursday.



HOLY HOUR: We invite all parishioners to join us in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for those to be ordained priests and for an increase in vocations, on Friday, **June 16,** the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, at 11:00 am.

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 resumed when the Easter Season ended, on Monday, May 29th, the day following Pentecost.

MASSTIMES.ORG: While travelling this summer, don't forget to visit www.masstimes.org for Mass times and locations across the country.



Readings for the Week of June 11, 2023

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 5:1-12 Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133,

135/Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9/Mt 5:17-19 Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12,

13-14/Mt 5:20-26

Friday: Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10 (see

17)/1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12//

Lk 2:41-51

Sunday: Ex 19:2-6a/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 (3c)/Rom 5:6-11/

Mt 9:36—10:8

Parish Life

PARISH NECROLOGY: On the anniversary of their death, 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).

QUO VADIS CAMP: High school age men who are discerning God's will in their lives are invited to attend the ADW Quo Vadis Camp at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD on July 23 to July 26. The camp includes Mass, great talks, sports, Eucharistic Adoration, games, food, and time to relax. Register at https://dcpriest.org/2023-quo-vadis-camp.

PASTOR'S PAGE

Happy Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)! As I wrote to you on this Feast last year, we have a few messages above the doors leading into the church. They are gentle reminders of important areas of worship of Jesus in the Eucharist at Mass. Below are explanations of each.

May you know the peace of Christ,

Fr. Greg

EVERY SABBATH

Our first commitment as Catholics every week is to keep holy the Sabbath. The Christian Sabbath is Sunday, and the primary way Catholics honor God on His day is Holy Mass. If we intentionally miss Mass on a Sunday, then we have said no to God and the Eucharist. It's like skipping a major family dinner or a day at work. Just one skip is a serious offense. So, too, missing Sunday Mass intentionally is a mortal sin and needs to be confessed.

HOLY ATTIRE

Apparently, we are known as the parish with the "dress code". I don't mind this euphemism and many of you have said the same. The following guidelines respect the wishes of the Lord (1 Chronicles 16, Psalms 29 and 96): "Worship the Lord in holy attire":

Men – Modest suits, button down or polo shirts; dress pants; dress shoes.

Women – Modest tops, dresses, or skirts; dress pants; dress shoes.

STATE OF GRACE

When I say before Holy Communion at each Mass, 'let all faithful Catholics come receive our Lord', it really means that a person needs to be a Catholic and in a state of Grace in order to receive. This is based in 1 Cor 11:27, 29 which firmly steers people away from receiving the Eucharist "unworthily". If we are conscious of grave sin, we need to go to Confession before receiving Holy Communion.

SAY THANKS

The practice of the saints has been to say a prayer of thanksgiving after Mass. Please stay at least until the final blessing which is when Mass ends. There are tremendous graces in that blessing from the Trinity for you and your family. And, it's better to imitate the saints in staying than it is to be like Judas who left the first Mass early.



YOUTH GROUP: OLVP's High School Youth Group will be hosting parties over the summer! Once a month (July 9, and August 6) following the 5 pm Mass and lasting until 7 pm in Founder's Hall, dinner from restaurants such as Chipotle, Five Guys, Mission BBQ, and Cugini's will be served, along with a variety of desserts. Activities—soccer, 9 Square, volleyball, JustDance, and more will be held. All high schoolers (including 8th grade graduates) are welcome to join in these nights of fun!

NATIONAL CELEBRATE LIFE DAY RALLY: Saturday, June 24th. A new dream for the Pro-Life Generation. The National Celebrate Life Day Rally will start at 10:30 am at the Lincoln Memorial steps. The Gala, at 7:00 PM at The Renaissance Hotel, Washington, D.C., will honor heroes of the Pro-Life movement from 1973 to 2022. We must unite to protect the preborn! For more information, visit: nationalcelebratelifeday.com.

INFANT BAPTISM: Parents presenting their children for Baptism must be registered in our parish and are re-



quired to attend a Baptism Preparation Class prior to scheduling the Baptism. The next class is scheduled for Sunday, **June 18th** at **12:15 pm** 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 14th at 7:30 pm, Fr. Greg will offer the weekly Scripture Study session to discuss the upcoming Sunday's readings.

RCIA: If you are interested in becoming Catholic or if you want to learn more about your Catholic faith, please contact Father at gshaffer@olvp.org.

UPPER ROOM MEN'S GROUP: The Upper Room Men's Group invites all parish men to join "A Call to Faith and Fellowship." The group will explore who we are as people, the basics of faith, and why we have a Church. This is the first part of our annual program to engage men of the parish in building men's fellowship throughout the parish. Each topic stands on its own allowing men to attend as their busy schedule allows. The Upper Room Men's Group meets every Saturday morning between 7:30 am and 8:50 am in Founder's Hall. For more information, please contact Peter Geiling, pgeiling67@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you there!

MATRIMONY POLICY: 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 (gshaffer@olvp.org)/Deacon Ted (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 office to arrange for visitation and Communion.

PRAYER REQUESTS: If you would like to have our community pray for yourself or for someone else, please enter your request on our website: http://www.olvp.org/prayer-request. Please pray for: Linda, for the friend of Jessica Beckwith, Shashini Chameli, Yatague Soro, Lorraine, Margaret and Joe Di Dio Sr, Lynn Meister, Josephin, Nino, Olga, Viola Cleo Bradshaw, Cordelia Vogel and Joshua Watson.

Faith Formation for Life

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION: Information about the 2023-2024 school year will be published in upcoming bulletins. You may also check our website www.olvp.org under the Faith Formation heading for current developments. If you are new to the parish, registration is ongoing. If you would like information about our Faith Formation programs, please email Erin Clegg at eclegg@olvp.org.

Social Concerns

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION: On **June 24—25** 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.

ST. MARTIN'S FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION: Our monthly collection will be taken next weekend, June 18

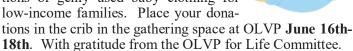


and 19. Needed items include: canned vegetables, dry, unsweetened cereal, pasta sauce, canned fruit, "meals in a can" (stew, canned pasta, chili, etc.), pasta, and canned beans. We also need: *Similac Blue* and *Similac Orange* baby formula, and/or domestic or foreign equiva-

lents/substitutes, *Pediasure*, sizes 4, 5 and 6 diapers, and baby wipes. Also needed are adult unisex pull-ups sizes small, medium and large. Plastic newspaper bags and plastic grocery bags are always needed.

BABY ITEM COLLECTION FOR SHADY GROVE PREGNANCY CETNER: Let's support their parenting program and Material Assistance baby closet by donating the following needed items ... New Baby Items Needed: sleepers for boys & girls (newborn-12 months), onesuies

(3-12 months), summer clothing such as pants, shorts, tops & sets (9-24 months). They also appreciate donations of genly used baby clothing for low-income families. Place your dona-



Human Resources

OLVP DIRECTORY: Our parish directory is available online. To view the directory, go to **members.InstantChurchDirectory.com** and follow the prompts under "Sign In" to "Create a login now." Please remember, you will need to use your email address **as listed in our directory** to create a log-in the first time you use the directory online and via the mobile app. There is also a free mobile app available for download at the Apple® App store in I Tunes®, Google PlayTM store and Amazon Fire App store. Simply search for "**Instant Church Directory**" to get the download. If you need help or would like to submit your family's picture for the directory, please contact Tony Glander: tglander@olvp.org or (301) 460-6404.

LOST & FOUND: Our collection of forgotten items is in a basket near the coat rack at church. Please take a look to see if something might be yours.

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Regular office hours are Monday through Friday between 8 am and 4 pm.

Facilities

PARISH REPAIR: If you see a needed repair around the parish, please call the office at (301) 948-5536 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 grandchildren!

FAITH DIRECT: Many OLVP families are traveling for vacations this summer. During this time, we encourage you to consider eGiving to ensure that your support for our parish remains consistent even when you're away. By setting up eGiving through our parish's online platform, Faith Direct, you can make a meaningful impact on the ministries you care about most, even while you're away. We ask that you sign up today by visiting Faith Direct/MD114, or by texting "ENROLL" to 301-701-3032. You may enroll on-line at www.faithdirect.net or by calling Faith Direct customer service at 866-507-8757. Our Church Code is MD114. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.