

Our Lady of the Visitation Parish

14139 Seneca Road • Darnestown, Maryland 20874



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

02 July 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.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

July 2023

02 Sun	Mass: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm, Church Healing Mass, 2:00 pm, Church
03 Mon	Mass, 12:00 Noon, Church Adoration, 11:00 am, Church
04 Tue	Mass, 10:00 am No Adoration Office Closed: Independence Day
05 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
06 Thu	Mass, 8:30 am and 12 Noon, Church No Adoration
07 Fri	Mass: 12 Noon and 6:00 pm, Church Adoration: 11 am and 6:30 pm, Church
08 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. Anne's Room Vigil Mass, 5:00 pm, Church
09 Sun	Mass: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm, Church Youth Group Party, 5:30 pm, Fdrs Hall

Liturgical Life

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

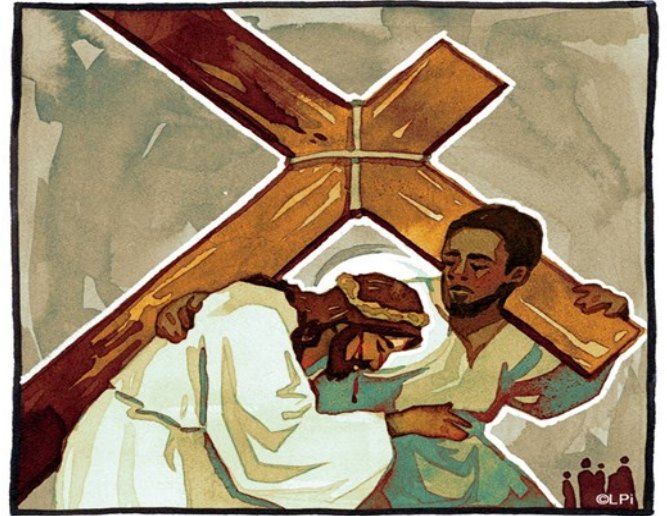
This week, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the church on Monday and Wednesday from 11 am to noon, and on Wednesday and Friday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. There is no Adoration on Tuesday or Thursday.

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.

Parish Life

ECCE QUAM BONUM: Last week, **Caroline Jane Crim** celebrated Baptism.



Readings for the Week of July 2, 2023

Monday:	Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29
Tuesday:	Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday:	Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34
Thursday:	Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Mt 9:1-8
Friday:	Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13
Saturday:	Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17
Sunday:	Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-3

PARISH NECROLOGY: On the anniversary of their death, please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: **Christopher Orsborne** (01 July 1997), **Thomas Aaron** (01 July 2003), **Lee Wayne Roe** (04 July 2016), **Carlos Alberto Galliani** (06 July 2018), **Richard Peter Moran** (07 July 2015), **Lauryn Mary Sutton** (09 July 2014), **Angelo Salvatore Puglise** (10 July 2004), **Ruth Duvall** (17 July 2021), **Carole Jean Fitzgerald Kehoe** (18 July 2011), **Janet Bernice Quinn** (19 July 2008), and **Nicolo J. Canzoneri** (19 July 2015).

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 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).

PASTOR'S PAGE

Happy 4th of July! It makes us proud and inspired as Catholics and Americans to learn about Fr. Emil Kapaun. Fr. Kapaun was an Army chaplain (what Deacon Joe is preparing to be) who served heroically in the Korean War. He was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor by President Obama in 2013. Below are excerpts of the presentation and powerful witness of Fr. Kapaun, "Servant of God".

May you know the peace of Christ,

Fr. Greg

Chaplain Emil J. Kapaun distinguished himself by acts of gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty while serving with the 3rd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division during combat operations against an armed enemy at Unsan, Korea, from November 1st to 2nd, 1950.

On November 1st, as Chinese Communist Forces viciously attacked friendly elements, Chaplain Kapaun calmly walked through withering enemy fire in order to provide comfort and medical aid to his comrades and rescue friendly wounded from no-man's land.

Though the Americans successfully repelled the assault, they found themselves surrounded by the enemy. Facing annihilation, the able-bodied men were ordered to evacuate. However, Chaplain Kapaun, fully aware of his certain capture, elected to stay behind with the wounded.

After the enemy succeeded in breaking through the defense in the early morning hours of November 2nd, Chaplain Kapaun continually made rounds as hand-to-hand combat ensued. As Chinese Communist Forces approached the American position, Chaplain Kapaun noticed an injured Chinese officer amongst the wounded and convinced him to negotiate the safe surrender of the American forces.

Shortly after his capture, Chaplain Kapaun, with complete disregard for his personal safety and unwavering resolve, bravely pushed aside an enemy soldier preparing to execute Sergeant First Class Herbert A. Miller. Not only did Chaplain Kapaun's gallantry save the life of Sergeant Miller, but also his unparalleled courage and leadership inspired all those present, including those who might have otherwise fled in panic to remain and fight the enemy until captured.

Chaplain Kapaun's extraordinary heroism and selflessness above and beyond the call of duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon himself, the 3rd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment, the 1st Cavalry Division and the United States Army. (The Medal of Honor is presented.)

ST. MARY'S CHICKEN DINNER: St. Mary's in Barnesville cordially invites all to join in their 148th Annual Chicken Dinner and Jousting Tournament on Saturday, **July 29th** from Noon to 6 pm, or until sold out. Meals are \$20, available as carry-outs or for outdoor dining. Good food is the focal point of the picnic. There is a Jousting Tournament from 1-4 pm, which is free to spectators. There will also be a snack bar, baked goods, cake-wheel, crafts, country store, white elephant stand, and live music from "Sookey Jump." For more information call 301-972-8660. Please come and enjoy an afternoon in the country.

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 **today**, Sunday, **July 16th** 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.



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!

PARISH BIBLE STUDY: Continuing on **Wednesday, July 5th** 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 (Deaconed@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, Lynn Meister, Josephin, Nino, Olga, Viola Cleo Bradshaw, Cordelia Vogel, Joshua Watson, Christian, and Seowan Park.**

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 on-going. If you would like information about our Faith Formation programs, please email Erin Clegg at eclegg@olvp.org.

OLVP NURSERY COMING SOON: We are thrilled to be opening a nursery that will be operational during the 9 and 11 am Mass times beginning in mid-September. We are seeking VIRTUS trained volunteers to help care for children of all ages starting at 6 months and also gently used toys and nursery items to fill the room. Let Erin Clegg at eclegg@olvp.org know if you can help. Thank you for your generosity of time, talent and treasure!

Social Concerns

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION: Thank you to all those who donated to this Archdiocesan collection.

GABRIEL PROJECT: Want to put your pro-life beliefs into action? You can help a pregnant mother in several ways. Women volunteers (especially bilingual English and Spanish speaking women) are needed to assist client mothers. This includes keeping in touch with them via text, phone, or email during their pregnancy; bringing them needed items such as diapers, baby clothes, etc., that are provided by the project; and praying for them. The average time commitment would be approximately 1-4 hours per month. Men are also needed to set up cribs or to pick up donations once or twice per month. Donations of diapers, formula, baby clothes, children's clothes, and maternity clothes are also appreciated. Please visit our website for more information at www.gpmoco.org or contact Sarah Scherer at schererfamily6@gmail.com.

Human Resources

NEW PARISHIONERS: The following family recently joined our parish: **Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Green.**

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 iTunes®, Google Play™ 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.

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! To receive notification emails of opportunities, please email or call our facilities director, Tony Glander, at tglander@olvp.org or (301) 460-6404.

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: The parish office will be closed on **Tuesday, July 4**, to honor Independence Day. 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.