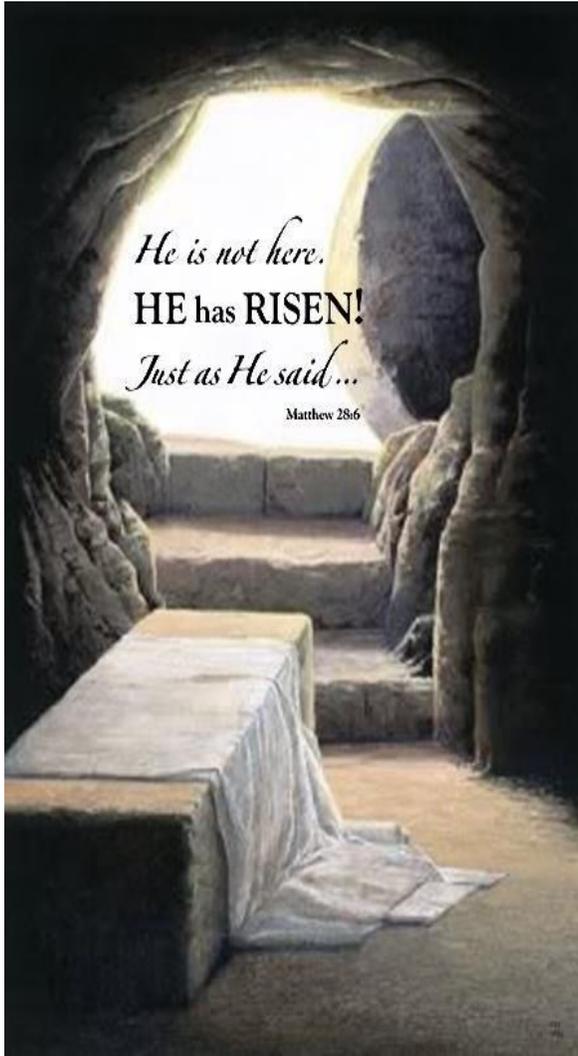


A Letter from the Pastor

May the promises of Our Lord's resurrection inspire us to dedicate our lives faithfully to Him. A Happy and Blessed Easter to all of our parishioners from Msgr. Filardi, Msgr. Beattie, Fr. Barbieri, and the Parish Staff.



Save the Date for the First Archdiocesan Intercultural Conference: On Saturday, April 21st from 9:00am-5:00pm, the Archdiocese of Washington will host the First Archdiocesan Intercultural Conference at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. The diversity in our local Church provides new and exciting opportunities to strengthen our evangelization efforts, as well as new opportunities for encounter and accompaniment. This conference, sponsored by the Office of Cultural Diversity and Outreach, will help participants grow in the knowledge of the role of culture in the process of faith transmission. Additional information will be provided in the coming weeks. If you have any questions, call 301-853-5335 or email culturaldiversity@adw.org.

Masses for the Week

Monday, April 2nd (Gospel reading: Mt. 28: 8-15)		
7:00 AM	Int. Onyioza Maris Asuku	Fr. Barbieri
8:00 AM	+ William & Patricia Abell	Fr. Barbieri
12 NOON	Int. Thomas O. Magnetti	Msgr. Filardi
Tuesday, April 3rd (Gospel reading: Jn. 20: 11-18)		
7:00 AM	Int. Onyioza Maris Asuku	Msgr. Filardi
8:00 AM	+ Albert & Marguerite Schuelke	Msgr. Filardi
12 NOON	+ Angelesio Fabella Tugado	Fr. Barbieri
Wednesday, April 4th (Gospel reading: Lk. 24: 13-35)		
7:00 AM	Int. Onyioza Maris Asuku	Fr. Barbieri
8:00 AM	+ Ellen Wycoski	Fr. Barbieri
12 NOON	+ Charlie & Bessie Luby	Msgr. Filardi
Thursday, April 5th (Gospel reading: Lk. 24:35-48)		
7:00 AM	Int. Onyioza Maris Asuku	Msgr. Filardi
8:00AM	+ Juana Cuetara	Msgr. Filardi
12 NOON	+ Joseph Can Ngoc Pham	Fr. Barbieri
Friday, April 6th (Gospel reading: Jn. 21: 1-14)		
7:00 AM	Int. Onyioza Maris Asuku	Fr. Barbieri
8:00 AM	+ George Bridge	Fr. Barbieri
12 NOON	Int. Sr. Mauree Patrice O'Keeffe	Msgr. Filardi
Saturday, April 7th (Gospel reading: Mk. 16: 9-15)		
8:00 AM	+ Mary A. Sheehan	Msgr. Filardi
11:00-11:55 AM	Confessions	Msgr. Filardi
12 NOON	+ Charles Eason	Fr. Barbieri
4:00-4:45 PM	Confessions	Fr. Barbieri
5:00 PM	+ Joseph Can Ngoc Pham	Msgr. Filardi
Sunday, April 8th (Gospel reading: Jn. 20: 19-31)		
7:30 AM	Priest's Intentions	Fr. Barbieri
9:00 AM	Priest's Intentions	Msgr. Filardi
10:30 AM	Priest's Intentions	Fr. Barbieri
12 NOON	People of the Parish	Msgr. Filardi
1:30 PM	Priest's Intentions	Fr. Barbieri

The Priests' schedule is subject to change without notice. Because of printing deadlines, Mass intentions requested less than two weeks ahead might not appear in the bulletin. Masses are offered for the names/intentions written in the parish intention book. The graces of each Mass are applied to the persons listed in the book regardless of whether they appear in the bulletin or are mentioned during the Mass.

Called to Leadership: Spirituality for Catholic Women:

On Saturday, April 21st at the Church of the Resurrection in Burtonsville, MD, women are invited to discover how to enhance their spirituality to be a faith-filled leader in the home, parish, workplace, and community. Keynoter Dr. Susan Timoney, archdiocesan Secretary for Pastoral Ministry and Social Concerns, will speak on women's unique leadership gifts. After lunch, Shelia Parker, President of the Archdiocesan Sodality Union, will speak on how to be a better leader by being a better follower of Jesus. The third speaker, Desi Balla, will share leadership experiences in her amazing pro-life apostolate. The conference starts at 8:30am (check-in at 8:00am) and will conclude at 3:00pm. Open to 70 people, registration can be accessed at www.facebook.com/washaccw and is \$50 per person. For more information, email archdioceseCCW@gmail.com.

EASTER SUNDAY

Office of Religious Education

301-654-5954

Glorious Easter Sunday

As winter yields to spring, the breezes, flowers and longer days witness to the perennial triumph of light over darkness. The empty sanctuary of God Friday, surrenders to the repeated "Alleluias," joined by the unsilenced organ to lead the assembly's joyful noise replacing the sober silence of Lent. *It is the astonishing truth that Jesus Christ has conquered death forever, in His own person; and, that He offers the Resurrection as a gift outright to those who hear and keep His word—as a disciple—in this life, and as a saint in the next.* The signs of this Easter faith in our life are found in our serious Church life: *as we attend the Eucharist to "break bread" of the Lord's Passover; *in our fidelity to the apostolic teaching of the Church on matters of faith and morals; *in our joyous proclamation of the Gospel to a skeptical age; and *in giving and receiving of forgiveness through the power of the Holy Spirit.

(Homiletic & Pastoral Review; Homilies for April 2014 by Father John J. Conley, S.J.; Ignatius Press © 2014)

In this Season of Grace, let us, like Mary Magdalene who the Lord sends to go and to evangelize the disciples, take the opportunity to invite others to come to Jesus and His Church. Do not be afraid! Jesus waits for them as He waits for you and me.

Sunday April 8:
Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday
The Sacrament of Marriage of catechist
Dominic Nathan and Lynnette Allison.
Pray that they may have a Blessed and Holy Marriage.

"Today Christ Is Yours, yet Each Day He Rises Again For You." Saint Ambrose

Happy Glorious Easter To All! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

News from our Blue Ribbon School:

Our Lady of Lourdes Alumni & Parents:

We have a wonderful opportunity to share with you! Help support OLOL and you could win 4 tickets to Hamilton on the date and location of your choice. These tickets are good for any date at the Kennedy Center in D.C. or the Richard Rodgers Theater in New York! Along with these amazing tickets, the winner receives a \$1000 gift card and a Hamilton script. Tickets are \$200 each and we will ONLY sell 200 tickets. All proceeds go toward outfitting and renovating our new Science Lab. Go here to buy your raffle ticket: <https://www.trailblz.info/ourladyoflourdes/EventComplete.aspx?eventid=3>. The winner will be drawn at the 10th Annual Lions' Roar Kate Truax 5K/1K on April 28th. You do not need to be present to win, but we would love to have you there with us! If you would like more information about registering or sponsoring the Lions' Roar please visit our website at www.bethesda-lourdes.org.

Save the date for the 9th Annual Our Lady of Lourdes Lions' Roar Kate Truax 5K/1K on Saturday, April 28, 2018!

The family-friendly festivities begin on Friday, April 27th with the Pre-Race Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by Ledo's Pizza. The event begins with the race/walk on Saturday morning at 9:00am. After the race/walk, we will host a picnic with delicious breakfast and lunch food, enjoy music from a DJ, award prizes for top race finishers in each age category, select the winners of our raffle baskets, enjoy moon bounces and more! All proceeds from the event will benefit the Our Lady of Lourdes Annual Fund. The Annual Fund is used for structural improvements to our building, professional development for our teachers and tuition assistance for families who would not otherwise be able to afford a Lourdes Blue Ribbon education. The entire Lourdes community is invited to attend this fun event and to celebrate the life of our wonderful teacher, Ms. Kate Truax! Visit our school website at bethesda-lourdes.org for event details, to register for the 5K/1K and for information about becoming a Lions' Roar Sponsor! We hope to see you on the weekend of April 27-28! Thank you for supporting Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School.



Infertility? Miscarriage? - Day of Hope and Healing:

The archdiocesan Office for Family Life is organizing a Day of Hope and Healing for those struggling with infertility or who have suffered a miscarriage. It will be held on Saturday, April 14th from 10:00am–3:30pm at St. Joseph Church in [Beltville, MD \(11007 Montgomery Rd.\)](http://www.beltville.org). There will be Holy Mass, a panel with Q&A, and praise and worship during Adoration and Confessions. To register for this free event, visit dayofhopeandhealing2018.eventbrite.com. Simultaneous Spanish Translation Available. For more information, please call [301-853-4499](tel:301-853-4499) or email visiblesign@adw.org.

2018 Annual Jubilarian Mass:

Cardinal Donald Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years on Sunday, June 17, 2018 at 2:00pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please use the sign-up forms in the back of the church to register. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office Monday, April 16.

Pilgrimage: The Saints of England:

Paulist Father Thomas A. Kane will be leading a 10-day pilgrimage to England from June 3-14. Learn about the inspiring lives of St. Thomas Becket, St. Thomas More, Elizabethan martyrs, and the builders of the great monasteries. The itinerary includes London, Canterbury, Lindisfarne (Holy Island), Hexham, Durham, and York. Fr. Thomas has personally organized this journey, gathering the finest guides to enhance the pilgrim experience. For more information, including the full itinerary, call Fr. Thomas at [617-793-7360](tel:617-793-7360) or visit www.paulist.org/pilgrimages.

St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families:

Annual Benefit: On Wednesday, May 2nd from 6:00-8:00pm, St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families will host its annual benefit reception and awards ceremony at Columbia Country Club in Chevy Chase, MD. St. Ann's Center has a 158-year history committed to lifting at-risk children, mothers, and families out of poverty and homelessness. Mr. Chuck Short will be presented with the Michele Heidenberger Volunteer Award and The Honorable Marielsa Bernard will be presented with the Mary McGrory Advocacy Award. To purchase tickets, visit www.eventbrite.com/e/hope-blossoms-tickets-42530343402. For more information, contact [301-559-5500](tel:301-559-5500) or events@stanns.org.

Moving In, Out or Within the Parish?

Please help us keep our records up-to-date by filling out this form and dropping it in the collection basket or rectory mail slot. Thank you.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

- I/we am/are new to the parish. Welcome!
- Change of address within the parish. Thank you!
- I/we am/are moving out of the parish. God be with you!

Finance & Administration:

March 17/18 2018 Offertory: \$9,812

March 24/25 2018 Offertory: Unavailable due to early deadline.

Second Collection for April 8, 2018: School Support

Our April Poor Box will be going to Saint Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families. It is a nonprofit organization providing house and support programs, committed to lifting vulnerable children, mothers and families out of poverty and homelessness.

Our Lady of Lourdes 2017 Tax Letters were mailed in January. Please call the rectory office if you did not receive your letter or if there are any discrepancies.

Social Responsibility:

Ministry to the Elderly & Homebound: If a parishioner is ill or unable to attend church and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call our coordinator, Margaret Carroll at 301-325-6398.

Give the Gift of Service:

Catholic Charities DC encourages you to give back by taking advantage of a variety of volunteer opportunities available in Washington, DC and southern Maryland. For more information on volunteering with Catholic Charities, or to register to volunteer, visit catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer.

The Our Lady of Lourdes Sunday Meal for the Poor and Homeless:

Feeds 30-40 people every Sunday in the school cafeteria. If you would like to volunteer to help serve the meal, please sign up at <http://vols.pt/3XNY26> or send an email to OLOLHomelessDinner@gmail.com. The online sign up process is mandatory – you MUST sign up online before showing up to volunteer. (We do this to make sure we don't have more volunteers than we need.) Various churches and synagogues in the area take turns providing food each week, but if OLOL parishioners want to provide food too on an ad-hoc basis, they're more than welcome. The food should be ready to eat, although food can be reheated on site if necessary. Bring the food to the cafeteria from 4:15-4:45 on Sundays (use the blue door on Pearl Street to the left of the school's main entrance).

In conjunction with the Sunday meal, volunteers also operate a "clothes closet" where our guests can obtain donated clothing. If you have non-dressy adult clothes you don't wear any more, please consider donating them to our clothes closet. Bring donations to the clothes closet (located down the long hallway opposite the main entrance to the cafeteria) from 4:30 to 5:30 on Sundays, or contact Dan Keen at 301-564-0077 to arrange a pick-up at your home. Please, nothing stained or torn. Clothes don't have to be in season.

Noticias en Español – Domingo de Pascua de La Resurrección del Señor – Abril 1 , 2018

¡Jesucristo Resucitó!



Resucitó el Señor, ¡aleluya! La resurrección de Cristo es un hecho singular en la historia y, al mismo tiempo, un misterio de fe. Con la solemnidad de hoy, el año litúrgico llega a su culmen.

La resurrección de Cristo es el centro de la vida cristiana y es el fundamento y la clave de nuestra fe. El signo del sepulcro vacío es anuncio del misterio de la resurrección. Y se convierte para los apóstoles en una verdad absoluta que anunciarán con firmeza a todos (1 Lect.). Se trata de un mensaje que no deja indiferente, envuelve la vida del creyente y conlleva una vida nueva (2 Lect.).

Por eso no estes con la mirada en el sepulcro y que tu vida no siga siendo un sepulcro porque el sepulcro es signo de silencio, de estar encerrados y de espera; cuando Cristo entra a tu vida da Vida y te invita a salir y anunciar que la fuerza del que ama es mas grande.

Hoy debe arder tu corazon y la llama ya que es la esperanza, pues la persona que tiene esperanza logra salir de si y abrirse a los demas. Tu tambien tenes que anunciar que Cristo vive porque hoy tenemos gente que sigue con la cara larga y sin saber que hacer. Tu no estes triste, que este dia no sea un dia mas... porque **Cristo a resucitado. ¡Felices Pascuas!**



Anuncios:

El Sabado 14 de Abril tendremos el retiro de Ninos de Primer y Tercer Grado de 10:00am - 2.30pm.

El Domingo 15 de Abril tendremos el Repaso General de todos los Grados de Catequisis.

Si es nuevo o ha cambiado su información – Por favor recorte el siguiente formato de inscripción y entréguelo en la Misa junto con la colecta. Recuerde que los datos que usted nos suministre son confidenciales.

- Soy (somos) nuevo(s) en la Parroquia. **Queremos inscribimoso.**
- Llevo (tenemos) ya tiempo asistiendo a esta parroquia y **queremos inscribimoso.**
- Estoy (estamos) inscritos y **esta es la nueva dirección.**
- Ya no podré volver a esta parroquia. **Favor eliminar mi nombre de la listao.**

Por favor marque con una según corresponda

NOMBRE: _____

DIRECION: _____ APTO: _____ CIUDAD: _____

CODIGO POSTAL: _____ TELEFONO: _____ CORREO ELECTRONICO: _____