



Masses for the Week		
Monday, November 26th (Gospel reading: Lk. 21: 1-4)		
7:00 AM	Holy Souls	Fr. Barbieri
8:00 AM	+ Dorothy Delacroix	Fr. Barbieri
12 NOON	Thanksgiving	Msgr. Filardi
Tuesday, November 27th (G. reading: Lk. 21: 5-11)		
7:00 AM	+ Onyioza Maris Asuku	Msgr. Filardi
8:00 AM	Holy Souls	Msgr. Filardi
12 NOON	+ Jose Hernandez	Fr. Barbieri
Wednesday, November 28th (G. reading: Lk. 21: 12-19)		
7:00 AM	+ Onyioza Maris Asuku	Fr. Barbieri
8:00 AM	Holy Souls	Fr. Barbieri
12 NOON	+ Gloria Bruce	Msgr. Filardi
Thursday, November 29th (G. reading: Lk. 21: 20-28)		
7:00 AM	+ Onyioza Maris Asuku	Msgr. Filardi
8:00AM	Holy Souls	Msgr. Filardi
12 NOON	Holy Souls	Fr. Barbieri
Friday, November 30th (Gospel reading: Mt. 4: 18-22)		
7:00 AM	+ Joseph Can Ngoc Pham	Fr. Barbieri
8:00 AM	+ Jack Townsend	Fr. Barbieri
12 NOON	Holy Souls	Msgr. Filardi
Saturday, December 1st (Gospel reading: Lk. 21: 34-36)		
8:00 AM	+ Joseph Can Ngoc Pham	Fr. Barbieri
11:00-11:55 AM	AM Confessions	Msgr. Filardi
12 NOON	+ Jaime Acevedo-Navas	Fr. Barbieri
4:00-4:45 PM	Confessions	Fr. Barbieri
5:00 PM	+ Kate Truax	Msgr. Filardi
Sunday, December 2nd (G. reading: Lk. 21:25-28,34-36)		
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.



Please note that Saturday, December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, is a Holy Day of Obligation.

There will be a Vigil Mass on Friday, December 7th at 6:30pm.

The Masses on December 8th will be at 8:00am and 12:00 Noon.

Save the Date - World Youth Day in DC:

Join thousands of college students and young adults (ages 18-39) on **Saturday, January 26th, 2019** for a one-day Catholic festival at The Catholic University of America. Experience World Youth Day in Panama, including world-renowned speakers, live music, simultaneous streaming of Pope Francis in Panama, and authentic Panamanian culture! For more information visit: www.wyddc.org

Walk with Mary

On **Saturday, December 1st, 2018**, the Archdiocese of Washington will be celebrating the Annual Walk with Mary Pilgrimage and Liturgy commemorating the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The celebration will begin at 11:30 with a procession from the Shrine of the Sacred Heart to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. There will be the parade of flags and the portrayal of San Juan Diego followed by Mass at the Shrine at 2:30pm. For more information please visit: adw.org/events/walk-with-mary.

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

The Solemnity of Christ the King marks the end of the season of Ordinary Time. In one week the Church begins the Advent season when we wait *prayerfully* and *penitentially* for the coming of Christ at Christmas.

The great Spanish mystic, Saint John of the Cross (1542-1591), taught that in the twilight of our lives, all that matters is that we have loved. According to love, we will be judged. But there can be no love without justice. The shepherd in the Gospel of Matthew (27: 31-46) is good too because he judges justly. At the moment of death, souls are condemned to hell, rewarded with the blessings of heaven or given a time a purgation.

We can be merciful because God has already shown this gift to us. We who are asked to feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty are satisfied ourselves in the Holy Eucharist by the Bread of Life and the cup of eternal salvation. We who are asked to welcome the stranger have already be welcomed ourselves in the Church. We who are asked to clothe the naked have already been clothed ourselves in Christ at Baptism. We who are asked to care for the ill and visit the imprisoned are healed of our spiritual maladies by the medicine of forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance. There, too, we are released from the prison of our shame and freed to live as we ought—as the adopted sons and daughters of God.

It was Saint Pope Paul VI (1963-1978) who advised that if we want peace, we should work for justice. A corollary to this wise saying might be: If we want justice, we should practice mercy. In Saint Matthew's account of the *Beatitudes*, the favor of God is extended to those who are merciful (Matt. 5:7). A little later in the same gospel, the evangelist reports Jesus telling the disciples that as they judged, God will judge them. The measure they employed in the judgment of others will be fitted to then by God (Matt. 7: 2).

The inspiration and strength to fulfill our responsibilities in the Body of Christ are found in the Holy Eucharist; here we are cared for and our needs are ministered by Christ, the Head of the Body. Word and Sacrament are the Lord's mercy to us now. May we act in accord with these gifts so that the Just Judge will reward us with eternal life.

(Taken from: Homiletic & Pastoral Review © Ignatius Press 1999; homilies on the liturgy by Rev. Robert J. Batule)

As We Move Into the Next Stage of the Season of Healing:

We recognize that the healing continues for all survivors of abuse. Therefore, on

December 1st from 8:30am–5:30pm the

Archdiocese of Washington is offering a one day retreat for survivors. For more information, please contact Deborah McDonald at: mcdonald@adw.org or 301-853-4466.



Jingle & Mingle at the 38th Annual Gonzaga Gala:

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, December 1st, 2018**, to Jingle & Mingle at the 38th Annual Gonzaga Gala, our biggest social event and fundraiser of the year! The success of the Gala depends on the support of the entire Gonzaga community. Proceeds from the Gala are used directly to support Gonzaga's educational programs, service projects and need-based student aid. The Gala plays a significant role in Gonzaga's mission of educating its students in the Jesuit tradition of Men for Others.

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.gonzaga.org/page/parents/gonzaga-mothers-club/gmc-gala>.

Advent Day Retreat December 1st: "Live with St. Elizabeth of the Trinity:"

Please come to an Advent Day Retreat: "Live with St. Elizabeth of the Trinity" on **Saturday, December 1st**, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Emmitsburg. This day of recollection and prayer will be led by Father Ted Trinko, IVE, a priest from the contemplative branch of the Institute of the Incarnate Word who is currently serving at the Basilica and at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in Emmitsburg. Beginning with Mass at 9:00am in the Basilica, the day will include two conferences by Father Ted on the life, spirituality and legacy of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, and before each one we will hear selected readings from the writings of the Saint herself. "You must build a little cell within your soul as I do. Remember that God is there and enter it from time to time; when you feel nervous or you're unhappy, quickly seek refuge there and tell the Master all about it." You will experience the prayer of recollection, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. The day ends at 4:00pm. The cost is \$5. Please come, bring your own lunch, and invite your family and friends to share this Advent Day Retreat. Organized by the Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites, Frederick, Maryland. For more information call Ken Vaughan at 301-473-5112.

Through the month of November, we will remember your deceased loved ones in our daily Masses and prayers. Please list the names of your beloved deceased in the monthly envelopes provided by your monthly mailings or at the entrances to the church so we can place their names on the altar and lift them in prayer to God. Please put these envelopes in the collection baskets.



Altar Flowers:



The altar flowers this week have been generously donated by **Veronica Kidd** in loving memory of **Robert and Peter Kidd**.

If you would like to donate the Altar Flowers for a special intention, a special occasion, or in memory of a loved one, please call the parish office or email: sgolden@lourdesbethesda.net or ctoms@lourdesbethesda.net. The donation for the flowers is \$150.00.

Sick in Our Parish:

Please pray for our sick brothers and sisters, especially **Bob Stephan, Ryan Christian, Regina Ratino, and Cristina Ayala**.

Ministry to the Elderly and Homebound:

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

**The 21st Annual Resurrection
Winterfest Holiday Craft Fair:**

Taking place **Friday, November 30th from 3:00-9:00 pm** and on **Saturday, December 1st from 9:00-3:00pm!**



Resurrection is located at 3315 Greencastle Road in Burtonsville - the corner of Greencastle Road and Old Columbia Pike. Winterfest features over 75 crafters and vendors, a Silent Auction, Bake Sale, Santa's Treasure Chest, food prepared by the Knights of Columbus #9808, a hand-made quilt raffle, and so much more! For 21 years, this has been an event not to miss! For more information, contact the parish office at 301-236-5200 or at: www.resurrectionadw.org.

The Dignity Mandate:

An organization, called *The Dignity Mandate*, has recently been formed in Maryland to educate the public about the dangers of legalizing Physician Assisted Suicide (PAS). They have created a short video, "*Shining the Light on Physician... Assisted Suicide*," which includes interviews with medical professionals, disability rights advocates, and chronically-ill patients. It can be viewed at: thedignitymandate.org/documentary. The video is scheduled to be shown at Our Lady of the Fields Catholic Church (1070 Cecil Avenue, Millersville) on **November 28th at 7:00 pm** with a Q&A following the presentation. It also will be discussed on a forthcoming segment of EWTN's weekly pro-life show. For more information, contact Laura Jones at 410-224-4807 or tomhj@prodigy.net.

Finance & Administration:

"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?"
(Psalm 116:12)



**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
2018 Offertory: Figures Unavailable due to early deadline.**

Second Collection for December 2, 2018: School Support

Our December Poor Box will be going to the DC Diaper Bank. This program empowers families in need throughout DC, Maryland, and Virginia, by providing a reliable source for basic baby needs and personal hygiene products. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Please remember that using your weekly contribution envelopes or dropping your Faith Direct card into the collection basket, shows that you are attending Mass regularly, are an active parishioner, and are eligible for Godparent and Confirmation sponsorship certificates and other parish services.

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

Takes place every Sunday in the school cafeteria. If you would like to volunteer, please sign up at: <http://vols.pt/3XNY26> or send an email to OLOLHomelessDinner@gmail.com. Please bring food to the cafeteria from 4:15-4:45 on Sundays (use the blue door to the left of the school's main entrance).

Volunteers also operate a "clothes closet" where our guests can obtain donated clothing. (Please note we are only accepting men's clothing at this time.) Bring donations 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.

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!

“Mi reino no es de este mundo”



Jesús es Rey, pero su reino no es de este mundo. Él no nos trata como a siervos, sino que nos ha llamado amigos, dándonos a conocer cuánto ha escuchado de su Padre (ver Jn 15,15). En su reino la justicia tiene entrañas de misericordia, no hay lugar a la violencia ni a la venganza y cuando uno recibe una bofetada pone con mansedumbre la otra mejilla. Él, que es Rey, nos dice que ha venido a nosotros no a ser servido sino a servir y ha llegado al extremo de dar su vida en rescate por la nuestra. La humildad, en el Reino de Cristo, es una joya de altísimo valor engastada en su corona: «Aprendan de Mí que soy manso y humilde de corazón». Nuestro Rey ha sido exaltado en una Cruz y nos ha enseñado que es obediente al Padre porque su amor es infinito y que lo ama infinitamente obedeciendo a su encargo. En su

Reino, en fin, la ley fundamental es el amor, y un amor llevado al extremo. Y cuando hay amor, aunque haya pobreza se puede ser feliz; aunque haya llanto y sufrimiento se puede ser dichoso, aunque se sufra persecución por su Nombre se puede ser ¿Cómo ser “ciudadano” de este reino? ¿Qué tenemos que hacer para ser contados entre los amigos de este Rey? Ya lo somos pues antes que elegirlo

nosotros a Él, Él nos ha elegido a nosotros. En las aguas de nuestro Bautismo hemos sido hechos partícipes de Cristo, hemos pasado a formar parte de su Cuerpo. Hemos sido recibidos como ciudadanos de su reino al recibir el don de la fe. ¡Don gratuito que manifiesta el inmenso amor de Dios por cada uno de nosotros!

En nuestra vida cristiana ese don de la fe que hemos recibido tiene que ir creciendo, desarrollándose, la fe transforma nuestro corazón y nos hace partícipes de los mismos sentimientos de Cristo. La fe nos impulsa a poner por obra las enseñanzas de Jesús y colaborar así con la extensión de su reino en el mundo. Recordemos lo que pedimos cada vez que rezamos: “venga a nosotros tu Reino y hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el Cielo”.

El reino de Cristo, reino de luz, de amor, de verdad y humildad, sufre violencia. “Mi reino no es de este mundo” nos está diciendo de alguna manera que en este mundo está establecido otro reino: el de las tinieblas, del odio, la mentira y la soberbia. Y el primer campo de batalla donde se libra la guerra es nuestro propio corazón. Nuestra naturaleza, es bueno recordarlo, está debilitada por las consecuencias del pecado y éstas nos llaman a un combate espiritual. Este combate lo debemos luchar «juntamente con Jesús, sin orgullo ni presunción, sino más bien utilizando las armas de la fe, es decir, la oración, la escucha de la Palabra de Dios y la penitencia» (Benedicto XVI), y con la total confianza de saber que Jesús, el Señor y nuestro Rey, ya ha vencido: «en el mundo tendrán tribulación. Pero ¡ánimo!: Yo he vencido al mundo» (Jn 16,33).

El apostolado, que empieza siempre por la propia conversión, es llevar esa Buena Nueva de Jesús al corazón de nuestros hermanos (pensemos especialmente en aquellos que se han alejado de la fe), es iluminar y transformar toda la realidad humana con los valores del reino de Cristo, es poner cuanto esté de nuestra parte para que el Señor Jesús reine en nuestra vida, en nuestra familia y en todos los ámbitos de la sociedad.

Avisos:

- **El Domingo 2 de Diciembre se iniciará un grupo para niños mayores de 8 años que no hayan recibido el Sacramento del Bautizo. Las clases serán los domingos de 11:45 a 1:15 y termina con la Misa en español. Mayor información: Lourdes Baeza 301-412-5259 y María Virginia Rodríguez 301-602-4626.**
- **El sábado 15 de Diciembre tendremos el Retiro de Adviento de 8:30 a 12:30, ¡vayamos preparando nuestra agenda para participar en este hermoso retiro!**
- **Dios sigue llamando hoy a más hermanos cristianos para encomendarles la tarea de catequizar, es decir, anunciar con su vida a Cristo. Nuestra Comunidad Hispana abre las inscripciones para todos los que sientan el llamado a catequizar y compartir su experiencia de Fe. Mayor información: Lourdes Baeza 301-412-5259 y María Virginia Rodríguez 301-602-4626.**
- **Todos los domingos de 11:45am a 1:15pm en la cafetería de la escuela: tenemos charlas, temas diversos, oración, Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento y confesiones el 1er y 3er domingo del mes. Mayor información con el Padre Rafael Barbieri, José Miguel Mejía y Margarita Rodezno.**

Por favor actualice su información - Recorte el siguiente formato de inscripción y entréguelo en la Misa junto con colecta. Recuerde que los datos que usted nos suministre son confidenciales.

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

NOMBRE: _____

DIRECCION: _____ APTO: _____ CIUDAD: _____

CODIGO POSTAL: _____ TELEFONO: _____ CORREO ELECTRONICO: _____