



MARCH FOR LIFE

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception welcomes the faithful to the National Prayer Vigil for Life. On **Thursday, January 17 at 5:30pm**, the Opening Mass will be held in the Great Upper Church of the Basilica. The principal celebrant and homilist will be Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City, Chairman-Elect of the U.S Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities. Also in the Great Upper Church, the Closing Mass will be held on **Friday, January 18 at 7:30am**, with principal celebrant and homilist Bishop Barry C. Knestout of Richmond. Events are open to the public, and no tickets or reservations are required. The Basilica offers free parking and is conveniently located within walking distance of the Brookland-CUA Station of Metro's Red Line. For more information, please call the Basilica at 202-526-8300.

For those interested in attending the March for Life, a parish group will leave Our Lady of Lourdes after the 12 Noon Mass on Friday, January 18th, and travel downtown by Metro.

Collection for Church Missions Within the United States:

On the weekend of January 12th-13th, the Archdiocese of Washington will take up a second collection for Church Missions within the United States. This collection supports mission dioceses in this country that are unable to offer their people the basic pastoral ministries of word, worship, and service without outside help. It may also give grants to other dioceses in the U.S. for particular projects, and to organizations and religious communities engaged in missionary work. Second, it provides vulnerable Black and Native American communities with funds for supporting and strengthening evangelization programs that would otherwise be in danger of disappearing among these communities. Thank you for your generosity.

Masses for the Week

Monday, January 14th (Gospel reading: Mk: 1: 14-20)		
7:00 AM	+ Onyioza Maris Asuku	Fr. Barbieri
8:00 AM	+ Fr. Walter Lawrence	Fr. Barbieri
12 NOON	+ Msgr. James Beattie	Msgr. Filardi
Tuesday, January 15th (Gospel reading: Mk. 1: 21-28)		
7:00 AM	+ Onyioza Maris Asuku	Msgr. Filardi
8:00 AM	+ Al & Margaret Delacroix	Msgr. Filardi
12 NOON	+ Bernadette Conlan	Fr. Barbieri
Wednesday, January 16th (G. reading: Mk. 1: 29-39)		
7:00 AM	+ Onyioza Maris Asuku	Fr. Barbieri
8:00 AM	Int. Clare Monte	Fr. Barbieri
12 NOON	+ Tyler & Frances Williams	Msgr. Filardi
Thursday, January 17th (Gospel reading: Mk.1: 40-45)		
7:00 AM	+ Onyioza Maris Asuku	Msgr. Filardi
8:00AM	+ Mr. & Mrs. McInerny	Msgr. Filardi
12 NOON	+ Msgr. Adam Kostick	Fr. Barbieri
Friday, January 18th (Gospel reading: Mk. 2: 1-12)		
7:00 AM	+ Joseph Can Ngoc Pham	Fr. Barbieri
8:00 AM	+ Onyioza Maris Asuku	Msgr. Filardi
12 NOON	+ Ellen Wycoski	Msgr. Filardi
Saturday, January 19th (Gospel reading: Mk. 2: 13-17)		
8:00 AM	+ Joseph Can Ngoc Pham	Fr. Barbieri
11:00-11:55 AM	Confessions	Msgr. Filardi
12 NOON	+ Mary Ellen Ashton	Fr. Barbieri
4:00-4:45 PM	Confessions	Fr. Barbieri
5:00 PM	+ Colonel Thomas Royals	Msgr. Filardi
Sunday, January 20th (Gospel reading: Jn. 2: 1-11)		
7:30 AM	People of the Parish	Fr. Barbieri
9:00 AM	Priest's Intentions	Msgr. Filardi
10:30 AM	Priest's Intentions	Fr. Barbieri
12 NOON	Priest's Intentions	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.



FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Office of Religious Education 301-654-5954 *Baptism of The Lord*

In the "Fruits of the Holy Spirit" (Galatians 5: 22-23) the world can see what becomes of people who let themselves be adopted, led, and completely formed by God; it shows that God really plays a role in the Life of Christians (Youcat No. 311). Yet, truly amazing are the catechists/staff, the families and the children who continue to give their time and talents to the Church and Religious Education. The readings, the **Lessons**, from Creation to Revelation; and the sweet voices of the **Carols** echoed throughout the halls. Cheers to our talented musicians: Mary Gresock, soprano; Greg Gannon, piano; Danny Gannon, trumpet; Isabel Castro, *Joy To The World* – piano; and Nola Hyland, *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* in French. BRAVO!

As the Wisemen were overjoyed in seeing the Star, many parishioners were surprised to see 20 students from Our Lady of Lourdes School and CCD Religious Education during the pageant pantomime at the 5:00 PM Vigil Mass of Christmas:

- **Joseph*, Mark Harmon, gave us the account of the birth of Jesus (Saint Luke 2).
- **The Angel of the Lord*, Nola Hyland gave the account of the angels first Christmas hymn to the shepherds (Luke 2) and sang *Angels We Had Heard On High* in French.
- **The Shepherd*, Diego Orrego read to us that the shepherds went in haste to find Mary, Joseph, and the infant (Luke 2).
- **One of the Magi*, Mark Cummings, read that they were overjoyed to see the Star over the child, which they had been following. They offered Jesus their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph pray for all our students and their families.

Friday, January 18: 46th Annual "March For Life"

Attention High-schoolers and Young and Older adults alike:

An exceptional film, *The Sexual Revolution: 50 Years since Humanae Vitae* is scheduled to be shown the evening of **January 17th, 2019** at Saint Raphael Catholic Church located at 1513 Dunster Road, Rockville, MD 20854. Please arrive in the church at 7:15pm and the film will start at 7:30pm. Guest speakers include: Rev. Thomas G. Morrow, author and Priest Moderator, and Therese Rodriguez, R.N., Certified NFP Instructor, who will be present to encourage dialogue. Admission is free but a free will offering will be collected. For additional information contact Sandy Shamburek at sshamburek@straphaels.org or leave a message for Sandy at 301-762-2143.



This is to encourage men to try out That Man Is You (TMIIY), which has been running at Lourdes for 4 years. This program strengthens marriages with deeper relationships between the spouses and fosters children's development. TMIIY is an interactive men's program at Lourdes which:

- Utilizes brain and social science, scriptures, the teachings of the church, and the wisdom of the saints to examine and enrich your faith life.
- Engages men in challenging and occasionally highly amusing discussion with peers, to share practical methods and develop understanding of the true challenges and achievements of their lives.
- Explores the harmony of faith and science
- Helps each man develop a systematic, yet uniquely personal plan, no matter where you are in your spiritual life.

That Man is You will be conducted at Lourdes on Saturday mornings **resuming January 12th, 2019 until about Easter from 6:45-8:00am**. Please contact Paul Bizot at pbizotpe@aol.com or 301-648-5945, or just show up. More information at: www.paradisusdei.org/that-man-is-you/.



Evenings with the Merciful Jesus:

On the 22nd of every month from 7:00-10:00pm, the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, DC (3900 Harewood Rd., NE) hosts a gathering for young adults and the young at heart, featuring a talk, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with praise and worship music, Confession, refreshments, and a time for fellowship. Please contact events@jp2shrine.org or visit: jp2shrine.org.



Montgomery County Christian Unity Service on January 27th:

All are welcome to join with Catholic, Protestant and Orthodox churches in observance of the annual worldwide Week of Prayer for Christian Unity on **Sunday, January 27th at 3:00pm** at North Bethesda United Methodist Church at 10100 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD. The theme of the 2019 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is: *Justice, Only Justice, You Shall Pursue* (Deuteronomy 16:20). Host Pastor Jeff Jones will preside, and Msgr. John Macfarlane will preach. Special music will be provided by a combined choir of the participating churches and the Trinity Lutheran Church Handbell Choir. A reception and fellowship will follow the service. All are welcome to join in our 25th annual celebration of song, scripture, and prayer in fulfillment of the Lord's will "that all may be one."

For further information please contact Joseph Weiss at thattheyallmaybeone@gmail.com or (301) 942-4183.

FertilityCare for Natural Family Planning and Women's Health:

Please join us for a free introductory lecture on FertilityCare. Therese Rodriguez, RN, FCP, FertilityCare Practitioner will present a lecture on the basics of FertilityCare for natural women's health and family planning. FertilityCare is a method of holistic fertility awareness that can benefit women from teens through the menopausal years. Couples are encouraged to attend together. Information will be provided about private follow up sessions and materials for purchase. The next lecture will take place on **Wednesday, February 13th, 2019 from 7:00-9:00pm.** To register, call 301-754-8800 or visit: HolyCrossHealth.org.

Seminarian Support Knights of Columbus Cash Bingo and Dinner on Friday, February 8th:

Germantown's Mother Seton Parish Center doors open at 5:00pm for Dinner, Bingo starts at 7:00pm. Over \$1000 in cash prizes! Admission is \$25/ player with free Bingo dauber if paid by February 3rd, \$30/ player after February 3 (if not sold out). Admission includes door prize raffle, regular bingo games, snacks, dinner, dessert, water/soft drinks and fun. Must be 18 or older to attend and no alcohol is allowed. For more information and to register, including seating requests for up to 8, please mail checks made out to "KOC #11024" with name, email address and seating request in an envelope addressed to KOC Bingo at Mother Seton Parish 19951 Father Hurley Blvd. Germantown, MD 20874. Tables for groups of 8 to be reserved on first registered, first served basis. Paid players will receive an email confirmation. Proceeds will support Mt. St. Mary's Seminarians. If February 8th does not fit your schedule or Bingo is not your thing, donations are also welcome.



Clases de Planificación Familiar en Español:

La Oficina de Vida Familiar está auspiciando clase de Planificación Familiar en español para parejas en el 2019 (Ver volante adjunto). Las clases se dan en la Misión San Andres localizada en el 12247 de la Avenida Georgia, Silver Spring, MD 20902- Salón 301. Las clases serán el **sábado 9 de marzo y sábado 13 de abril y el sábado 4 de mayo y sábado 1ro de junio.** La pareja debe de asistir ambos sábados para aprender el método. El costo es de \$40 por el pago de materiales. Para inscribirse por favor envíe un correo electrónico a la Oficina de Vida Familiar: signovisible@adw.org o llámenos al 301-853-4546.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend:

Bring the Holy Spirit into your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are on **February 8th-10th, 2019** in Gaithersburg, MD and **October 25th-27th, 2019** also in Gaithersburg, MD. Go to moments4marriage.org to sign-up or call 301-541-7007. It's not too early to sign-up! Early registration is highly recommended.

Catholic School Open Houses:

Are you interested in finding the right Catholic school for you? Catholic schools instill a life-long love of learning in a safe and faith-filled environment. Take the first step by visiting an open house near you. Learn more at: adwcatholicsschools.org.

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

Parental and Spousal Bereavement Support Group:

St. Elizabeth Bereavement Ministry will offer an eight-week bereavement support group series for adults who have experienced the death of a parent, spouse or significant other. The Winter series will meet on **Wednesday mornings from 10:00-11:30am, from January 16th-March 6th**. There is no fee but **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**. To register contact Deacon Kevin Byrne at kevin_byrne@verizon.net or Claudia McAuliffe at 301-881-1457.

Men's Discernment Retreat:

St. John Paul II Seminary invites men in their 20's – 40's who are interested in learning more about the priesthood to attend a discernment retreat led by priests of the Archdiocese of Washington. The retreat will be held **the weekend of February 1st-3rd, 2019** at Saint John Paul II Seminary in Washington, D.C. The weekend will be an opportunity to pray and reflect on God's call, meet priests and seminarians, hear their stories, and learn more about the seminary and priesthood. Registration is now open at: www.DCPriest.org. For more information, contact the Office of Priest Vocations at 202-636-9020 or vocations@adw.org.



OUR LADY of BETHESDA RETREAT CENTER

Healing Your Love: Tools for Overcoming Obstacles in Marriage:

A Christ-Centered Marriage Renewal Workshop for couples looking to reconnect, repair, and re-energize their marriage.

Date: Saturday, March 9th- Sunday, March 10th
(Not Overnight)

Details:

- A Christ-centered weekend retreat designed to nurture emotional closeness in your marriage. The workshop will offer a road-map for addressing sensitive issues, encourage healthy conversations framed in faith and guide you and your spouse toward forgiveness and re-bonding. You will not have to "share" with anyone except your spouse.
- Opportunities for confession, celebration of the mass, and renewal of Marriage Vows are all included in the schedule.

Cost: \$600 per couple

Register: <https://ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/marriage/three-stay-married-marriage-enrichment>.

MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT WEEKEND

Friday through Sunday, February 1-3, 2019



Altar Flowers:



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, Jeff Goldshine, and Cristina Ayala.**

Deceased in Our Parish:

Please pray for our deceased brothers and sisters especially **Florence Crisafulli and Patricia (Polly) McConnell.**

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:

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.

Finance & Administration:

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



Third Sunday of Advent 2018
Offertory: \$10,493

Fourth Sunday of Advent 2018 Offertory: \$17,309

Feast of the Holy Family 2018 Offertory: \$7,360

Christmas Collection 2018: \$80,133

Second Collection for January 20th, 2019: Building Fund

Our January Poor Box will be going to the Father McKenna Center. It serves as a food pantry, hypothermia center, and a safe and drug-free environment for the poor. The center is primarily funded by private donations in order to continue to offer its many services. We sincerely appreciate your generosity and support.

Bulletin Deadline:

Please have your printed notices at the Rectory office or emailed to office@lourdesbethesda.net by **Monday at 3:00 PM.**

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.

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!

Noticias en Español –Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor – Enero 13, 2018

"Tu eres mi Hijo, el predilecto, en ti me complazco"



Hoy celebramos el bautismo del Señor. El día en que Jesús dejó su casa y se fue al río Jordán para ser bautizado por Juan el Bautista, en un bautismo general.

El primer día de su vida pública y de su ministerio.

En su bautismo Jesús descubrió quién era. Tuvo la experiencia cumbre, la de sentirse amado por Dios.

"Los cielos se abrieron y el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre él y se oyó una voz del cielo que decía: Eres mi hijo amado, el predilecto."

Aquel día, Jesús descubrió quién era, su identidad y su misión.

Aquel día su vida tenía un nuevo significado, una nueva dirección, un nuevo centro y una nueva finalidad.

Su Padre habló y él oyó su voz. A partir de aquel día tenía una nueva causa por la que luchar y un nuevo Padre con el que conversar. En manos de su Padre tenía que servir al reino del amor.

El bautismo fue el giro copernicano en su vida. Dejó todo atrás y comenzó una vida nueva.

Nosotros tenemos un certificado de bautismo, pero ¿tenemos las obras del bautismo?

Nuestro bautismo fue un comienzo no un final.

Nuestro bautismo fue una promesa no una realización.

El bautismo está llamado a un crecimiento en comunión con todos los bautizados, los iluminados por el mismo Espíritu.

El bautismo es un regalo porque se da a los que nada tienen.

El bautismo es una gracia porque se da incluso a los pecadores y entierra el pecado.

El bautismo es una iluminación porque irradia la luz divina.

El bautismo es un vestido que cubre nuestra vergüenza.

El bautismo es baño que nos purifica.

El bautismo es sello que nos guarda y signo del señorío de Dios sobre nuestras vidas.

Nosotros, como Jesús, tenemos un nuevo Padre. Tenemos una nueva misión en la vida: amar a Dios y al prójimo.

Somos los hijos amados y predilectos de Dios.

¿Puedes oír su voz? Abre el oído. Te dice: "Tú eres mi hijo amado, mi predilecto, en ti me complazco".



Avisos:

- **El Domingo 2 de Diciembre se inició 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.**
- **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: _____

DIRECION: _____ APTO: _____ CIUDAD: _____

CODIGO POSTAL: _____ TELEFONO: _____ CORREO ELECTRONICO: _____