

Reverend Alfred J. Harris
Pastor



Schedule of masses

Monday

11:30 novena and 12:05pm Mass

5:15pm – Mass.

No evening Mass and Novena on holidays.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

12:05 pm – English Mass

Friday

8:00 am – Tridentine Mass

12:05 pm – English Mass

Saturday

First Saturdays: 9:00 am Tridentine Mass

5:00 pm – Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday

9:00 am – **Tridentine Mass**

Second Sundays - 5:00pm- High Mass

(not during the months of July and August)

10:30 am (English)

11:30 am – (Cantonese)

1:00 pm – English

7:30 pm – (English)

Staff

Director of Music: William Parsons

Parish Secretary: Soraya Strobach

Bookkeeper: Maria Reiss

Custodian: Jimmy Vines

Priests in Residence:

Fr Garrett O'Brien

St. Mary Mother of God Church

727 5th Street NW – Washington DC 20001

(202) 289-7771

Third Sunday After Epiphany

Introit : ADORATE Deum, omnes Angeli ejus: audívit, et lætáta est Sion: et exsultavérunt filiaè Judæ.



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

New Parishioners We welcome new members to our parish community. Please register by filling out a Census Form available at the Rectory office or at the back of the church. Or send us an email at stmarys20001@gmail.com and we will assist you.

Visitors: You are welcome here at historic Old St Mary's!!! Please feel free to visit and stop by for some coffee and donuts in the Parish Hall, every Sunday!! After the 9:00 am Mass.

Our Lady Of China Pastoral Mission: Celebrate Mass in Cantonese and Mandarin each Sunday at 11:30 am – Sacrament of Reconciliation before Mass. For more information contact Fr John Ming Ruan (301) 738-2459 or Clare Tang (301) 251-7831 The Mission Center is at 1001 Grandin Ave. Rockville, Md 20851

Sacraments at Saint Mary Mother of God Catholic Church

Marriages: Preparations require arrangements be made at least 6 months before the date of the wedding. Please call the Rectory or send an email stmarys20001@gmail.com to make arrangements.

Baptisms: Call the Rectory (202) 289-7771 or send an email to stmarys20001@gmail.com to make arrangements.

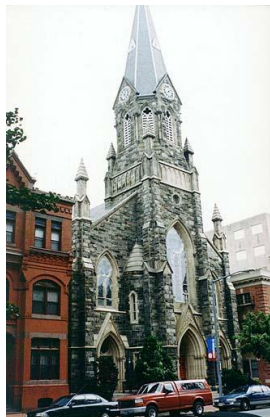
Sacraments of Penance:

Weekdays at 11:30 am before the 12:05 pm Mass.

Saturdays at 4:30pm before the Sunday Vigil Mass at 5:00 pm Mass.

Sundays at 8:30 am before the 9:00 am Mass and Sundays at 7:00pm before the 7:30 pm Mass.

Sacrament of The Sick: Please contact the Rectory concerning parishioners who are ill.



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Mass intentions for the week.

Sunday, January 21st

9:00am – Vincent Gaudiosi (L)
10:30am – Susan M. Pawlukiwicz (L)
1:00pm – John Metz (L)
7:30pm: PRO POPULO

Monday, January 22nd

12:05pm – Mary Sipe (L)
5:15pm: Mrs. Ann Marja Lamborn Balan (L)

Tuesday, January 23rd

12:05pm – Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, January 24th

12:05pm – Carlos Perez (D)

Thursday, January 25th

12:05pm- Eric S. Strobach (L)

Friday, January 26th

8:00am – Sophia Paulitz (L)
12:05pm – Health of Father Thomas Power(L)

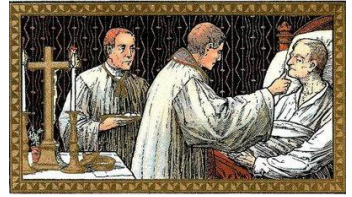
Saturday, January 27th

5:00pm – PRO POPULO

Some spots still available for the Month of February.

Request Masses for your loved ones, alive and deceased, or anniversary, birthdates or any special occasion. They

will be grateful to you for all eternity. Fill out the provided envelopes in the church and put it in the collection basket. A beautiful card of Saint Mary's for whom the Mass is requested is included upon request.



Music of Spain's Greatest Composers

**Saint Mary Mother of God Catholic Church.
RENAISSANCE VESPERS - Sunday January 28, 3:00pm**

Guerrero Vesper Psalms

Morales Magnificat Quarti toni

Victoria, Guerrero, Morales Marian antiphons



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Founder and Music Director

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Free parking. Near Metro. Brookland/CUA Metro and H6 bus toward Fort Lincoln.

Brother Simon's Valentines

Come see Brother Simon's Valentines! For 20 years, Br. Simon handcrafted beautiful 3-dimensional valentines for his mother. These special gifts for mom – some made more than 50 years ago - are on display through Feb. 17, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily,



Music at the Monastery

Music to uplift your soul! Enjoy Music at the Monastery on Sunday, Feb. 11, 4 p.m., with organist Samantha Scheff. This monthly series is cosponsored with the DC Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. A light reception follows; free-will offering. For information, visit myfranciscan.org or call [202-526-6800](tel:202-526-6800). Brookland/CUA Metro and H6 bus toward Fort Lincoln.

Student Lenten Pilgrimages to the Franciscan Monastery

Students – with their family or school group – are invited on Lenten pilgrimage at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land. Take a guided tour of the church, Tomb of Christ and catacombs, and pray the Stations of the Cross (indoors or in the gardens). Each student receives a certificate of participation with a blessing. Reservations are required for these pilgrimages. The monastery is the US home of the friars who have cared for the sacred shrines and Christians in the Holy Land for 800 years. Visit myfranciscan.org or call [202-526-6800](tel:202-526-6800).

See “Tomb of Christ” in Lent

This Lent, journey virtually to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the place of the crucifixion and burial of Christ. “The Tomb of Christ” at the National Geographic Museum (near St. Matthew’s Cathedral, Washington, DC) is an immersive, 3-D exhibit based on the historic 2016 restoration of Jesus’ tomb. See the cave walls of Jesus' tomb, hidden for centuries, and test technology used in the restoration. Get details and group discount information at nationalgeographic.org/dc/exhibitions/tomb-of-christ.

Make a Difference for Christians in Syria

The Monastery is part of the Franciscan Custody (province) that has served the people and shrines in the Holy Land for 800 years. Please keep the Franciscan friars and parishioners in Syria in your prayers as they struggle to keep our Catholic faith alive in the midst of the war that has engulfed this second cradle of Christianity, the place of St. Paul’s conversion. Learn more at myfranciscan.org/Syria or call [202-526-6800](tel:202-526-6800), x895.

Catholic Charities DC encourages you to give back to the community 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.



Monthly Telephone Rosary

Join the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) to pray the Rosary **on the 4th of each month at 8pm**. Everyone is welcome to pray as a community by calling [605-468-8016](tel:605-468-8016) and inserting access code: 357090#. Questions? Contact Carol Monaco, ACCW's Spirituality Chairperson, at csmonaco@verizon.net.

Day Retreat for Women

The Church of Jesus the Divine Word in [Huntingtown, MD \(885 Cox Rd.\)](http://Huntingtown, MD (885 Cox Rd.)) is hosting award-winning Catholic author/speaker/blogger/talk-show-host/mother-of-eight, Danielle Bean, on **Saturday, January 27 from 9am-3pm**. In the *You're Worth It! Day Retreat for Women*, Danielle invites women to find their worth by seeking a deeper relationship with Jesus. Tickets are \$30 per person if purchased in advance through the parish office, and \$40 at the door. The day begins with Mass and offers talks, guided meditation, private prayer/Adoration, music, breakfast, lunch, and more. For more information, contact Karen Burns at [410-414-8304](tel:410-414-8304) or religioused@jesusdivineword.org.

Is God Calling You to the Diaconate? Come and See!

The Office of Permanent Diaconate Formation of the Archdiocese of Washington will begin a new cycle of recruitment and preparation of men for the diaconate. The initial selection process for the next aspirancy class will be preceded with six opportunities to "Come and See" about the permanent diaconate. These events will be held at various locations around the Archdiocese in **January-March 2018**. To learn more about the specific dates and locations, please contact Diane Biggs in the Office of the Permanent Diaconate at [301-853-5345](tel:301-853-5345) or biggsd@adw.org. The mailing address is: Office of Permanent Diaconate Formation, P.O. Box 29260, Washington, D.C. 20017. Additional information is available at adw.org/permanent-deacons.

Men's Discernment Retreat

Friday, February 2 through Sunday, February 4: Men in their 20s, 30s, or 40s who are considering a call to the priesthood are invited to attend a discernment retreat at Saint John Paul II Seminary led by priests of the Archdiocese of Washington. The weekend will offer time away from your daily routine and will provide an opportunity for prayer and reflection to examine God's call. There is no fee to attend. Registration is now open at www.depriest.org. Email vocations@adw.org with any questions.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING WORKSHOP.

More effective than IVF, as effective as the Pill, "drug free, device free, effective family planning" Natural Family Planning networked with women's health: free consults, classes, one on one and Online LIVE options. I can travel to you! www.metroDCfertilitycareRN.com Find our free Intro Sessions at Holy Cross Hospital locations, and doctors who collaborate.

Tuesdays February 27th or April 24th 2018

Holy Cross Germantown Hospital -19801 Observation Drive. Germantown MD 20876 – Time: 7-9pm
Therese Rodriguez, RN , Certified FertilityCare Practitioner - [301-512-7451](tel:301-512-7451) call or text welcome.

The Sunday TV Mass

Do you know someone who can't get to Mass? Since 1952, the Archdiocese of Washington has produced a weekly televised Mass for those who are homebound, broadcast from the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. It is a wonderful ministry for those members of our Catholic family who are unable to be physically present with a local worshipping community for the Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy.

The Mass airs every Sunday at 10:30am on WDCW-50:

- No cable; Dish or DIRECTV subscribers: Ch. 50
- Comcast: Ch. 23 in Washington, DC and Montgomery County; Ch. 3 in Prince George's County and Southern Maryland
- RCN: Ch 15
- Verizon: Ch. 3



Help for Marriages in Trouble

Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. It can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy, and heal. For confidential information about or to register for an upcoming program, please visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com, call 443-400-7017, or email 3015@retrouvaille.org

World Meeting of Families: Ireland 2018

The archdiocesan Office for Family Life will participate in the World Meeting of Families 2018 in Dublin, Ireland. The 11-day pilgrimage will be from **August 17 to August 27, 2018** and includes: official registration to the World Meeting of Families, visits to Knock Sanctuary, Kylemore Abbey, the Cliffs of Moher, Bunratty Castle, Folk Park, and a cruise on Lough Corrib, with non-stop roundtrip flights from Washington Dulles to Dublin and 9 nights in 3* and 4* hotels. This pilgrimage will be an important and joyful way to prepare for participation in the World Meeting of Families. Please join the pilgrimage and share the news about this exciting opportunity to gather with families from around the world in Ireland. For more information or to register, go to www.adw.org/wmof2018 or call the archdiocesan Events Office at [301-853-4561](tel:301-853-4561).



Save the Date: First Archdiocesan Intercultural Conference

On Saturday, April 21, 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](tel:301-853-5335) or email culturaldiversity@adw.org.

Men's Retreat: Actively Engaged in the Spiritual Life

On the weekend of February 9-11, join men from around the Archdiocese of Washington for a retreat directed by Fr. Dave Wells and Fr. Rick Kramer, who will lead talks on keys for men to actively engage in the spiritual life. They will celebrate Mass and offer opportunities for Confession and to spend quiet time with our Lord in Adoration. A retreat is a time away to reconnect and recharge the most important relationship in your life - your relationship with the Lord. The Men's Retreat will be held at Priestfield Pastoral Center in Kearneysville, WV. It is a short drive from the Washington D.C. area and provides space for quiet reflection away from all the distractions. The cost of the retreat is \$230 for the weekend, covering a double occupancy room (two double beds and a private bath) and meals including dinner Friday night; breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday; and breakfast and lunch on Sunday. To register, visit www.2018adwmn.eventbrite.com or call [301-853-5337](tel:301-853-5337).

Quo Vadis "Shadow Day"

On Friday, January 26, young men who are juniors or seniors in high school are invited to join the Office of Priest Vocations for a special *Quo Vadis* "Shadow Day" at Saint John Paul II Seminary and The Catholic University of America. You will be able to experience a "day in the life" of a seminarian by joining them for Mass, Adoration, meals, class, sports, and just hanging out. This day is a great opportunity to come and see what a day in the life of a seminarian is like. Please register to attend at www.dcpriest.org, and please email vocations@adw.org with any questions.

Domestic violence refers to a pattern of violent and coercive behavior by one adult over another in an intimate relationship.

It can consist of repeated severe beatings or subtle forms of abuse, including threats and control. If you experience any form of abuse, please know that there is help. Call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at [1-800-799-7233](tel:1-800-799-7233). To learn more about domestic violence, please visit www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/familypeace.