

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

Parish Secretary: Soraya Strobach

Custodian: Jimmy Vines

Bookkeeper: Maria Reiss

Priests in Residence:

Fr Garrett O'Brien

# St. Mary Mother of God Church

727 5<sup>th</sup> Street NW – Washington DC 20001

202 289-7771

## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Introit:** EXAUDI, Dómine, vocem meam, qua clamávi ad te: adjútor meus esto, ne derelínquas me, neque despicias me, Deus salutáris meus.

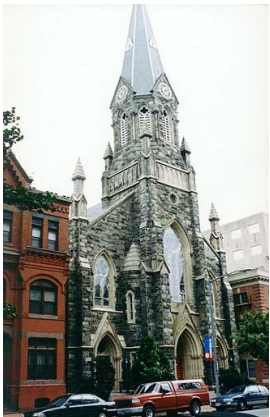


**The Nativity of St John The Baptist.**

**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](mailto: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](mailto:stmarys20001@gmail.com) to make arrangements.

**Baptisms:** Call the Rectory (202) 289-7771 or send an email to [stmarys20001@gmail.com](mailto: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.



The way to financially support your parish. Sign up at [www.faithdirect.com](http://www.faithdirect.com) Our church code: DC347

## Schedule of Masses

### Sunday June 24th

9:00am- Santiago Soutuyo (D)  
10:30am – Fr. Stephen Fields (L)  
1:00pm- Repose of the soul of the deceased members of Rauer and Reichwein families.  
7:30pm- Fr. Alfred J. Harris (L)

### Monday, June 25th

12:00pm – Carlos Perez (D)  
5:15pm – 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of priesthood ordination of Father Alfred J. Harris (L)

### Tuesday, June 26th

12:00pm – Anthony Hadford(L)

### Wednesday, June 27th

12:00pm- Thanksgiving Mass for the birth of their Son: Raval Family.

### Thursday, June 28th

12:00pm – Mrs. Maria Piedad Crump (L)

### Friday, June 29th

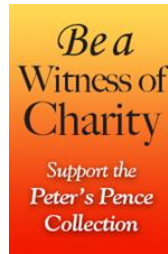
8:00am – Beatrix Szele-Szechenyi (L)  
12:00pm – Rhonda Henson (D)

### Saturday, June 30th

5:00pm – Richard F. Costello (L)



**Remember to honor your loved ones, alive and deceased, or just for 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.



### **Peter's Pence Collection**

**On the weekend of June 23-24,** the Archdiocese of Washington will take up the Peter's Pence second collection. Gifts to this annual collection help the Holy Father support victims of war, oppression, natural disasters, and others most in need of assistance. In responding to those who are suffering,

Our Lord teaches us, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" (Matthew 25:40). Our participation in this collection gives us an opportunity to be a witness of Our Lord's love and mercy for the vulnerable and suffering around the world. Please give generously as you are able.



It's officially time for our 2nd annual SUMMER OF SERVICE! The need for volunteers doesn't take a vacation. Join us to give back to the community. We have 850 positions & 2500 hours available to make a difference!

**Inspiring Hope. Building Futures.** Last year, more than 6,800 volunteers helped us serve our neighbors in need. That's nearly 8 times the number of full-time employees at Catholic Charities. Our volunteers are the driving force in our ability to serve more than 142,000 men, women, and children each year. We offer a variety of volunteer opportunities to meet the needs of our dynamic and growing volunteer force. Get started below by exploring our upcoming volunteer projects and start making a difference today.

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](http://catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer).



**Who Do We Serve?** Clients at Catholic Charities come from all walks of life – ages, races, religions, and ethnic backgrounds. Many suffer from extreme poverty, and we work closely with them to address its underlying causes: unemployment, addiction, education, domestic abuse, severe health issues, and more. To each man, woman, and child who comes to our doors, we strive to offer the best services possible, meeting their immediate needs while empowering them to take steps towards self-sufficiency. Questions? Please see the [FAQ](#) or email [volunteer@cc-dc.org](mailto:volunteer@cc-dc.org).

## **Do you want to have some peace in your life? Go to a retreat.**

Directed Retreats: offer an individual a time for prayer reflection in an atmosphere of silence. Each Retreatant is assigned a Spiritual Director, with whom they meet daily. During their time together, the retreatant and director explore the retreatant's journey with God. The director will offer insight, encouragement and suggest reading and material for spiritual growth.

Private Retreats: offer an individual time to grow in their own relationship with God while enjoying the prayerful silence and serenity of the Retreat House. Private retreatants are invited to join in the daily celebration of the Eucharist as well as the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Upcoming Dates:

July 17 - 25, 2018

July 31 - August 8, 2018

September 30 - October 5, 2018

January 7 - 11, 2019

For more information call (301) 392-0801

## **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](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com), call 443-400-7017, or email [3015@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3015@retrouvaille.org).

## **More effective than IVF, as effective as the Pill, "drug free, device free, effective family planning"**

Natural Family Planning network with women's health: free consults, classes, one on one and online LIVE options. I can travel to you! [www.metroDCfertilitycareRN.com](http://www.metroDCfertilitycareRN.com) to register for free Intro Sessions at Holy Cross Hospital locations, and find list of doctors who collaborate.

Therese Rodriguez, RN, Certified Fertility Care Practitioner. 301-512-7451 call or text welcome.

**JUNE 26th Silver Spring Holy Cross hospital 7-9p free of charge** Intro to the Creighton Model natural family planning for women's health alone &/or for family planning.

Therese Rodriguez, RN. Certified Fertility Care Practitioner. Center Director and presenter

**Attention Homeschooling Families: St. Anne's Academy for Girls**, a *Catholic Independent* education program offering Classical core subject morning classes for Pre-K through 6th Grade homeschooled girls has opening in the Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd and 5th grades. Girls must pass an entrance assessment. For more information and a private tour, contact Mrs. Bentley at 571-441-2663 (near Warrenton, Virginia).



## **Employment Opportunities at Catholic Cemeteries**

As part of the Archdiocese of Washington, Catholic cemetery managers and family counselors consider it a privileged ministry to assist families in a respectful, professional, and ethical way. In his new Apostolic Exhortation *Gaudete et Exsultate*, Pope Francis writes of the beatitude of those who "are unafraid to share in the suffering" and "know how to mourn with others." If you know of someone in your parish who might be interested in the work of the Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Washington, kindly point him or her to the job opportunities section of the CCAW website ([ccaw.org/about\\_employment.html](http://ccaw.org/about_employment.html)).

## **Quo Vadis Camp for Young Men**

The Archdiocese of Washington's annual Quo Vadis Camp, sponsored by the Office of Priest Vocations, is for mature young men in high school who desire to grow in holiness. This year's four-day camp will take place **from July 15-18** at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmetsburg, MD. It includes daily Mass, prayer, Eucharistic Adoration, recreation, sports, and fraternity. Bus transportation is available, and for more information and registration, visit [www.DCpriest.org](http://www.DCpriest.org). Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations ([vocations@adw.org](mailto:vocations@adw.org) or 202-636-9020) with any questions.



## **Fiat Camp for Young Women**

"Fiat" is Latin for "Let it be done." This was Mary's response to the angel Gabriel when she was asked to become the mother of Jesus. Mary was called to live courageously and to give her whole life, and because of her response, she changed the world. At Fiat Camp, young women will be challenged to become fully who they are – to embrace the unique gifts given to them by God and to discover the great dignity of their vocation as a woman. For this year's camp for young women who are rising 9th-12th Graders, the Archdiocese of Washington is partnering with the Archdiocese of Baltimore. The camp will be held from **July 27-29** at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmetsburg, MD, and it includes prayer, talks, and discussions with religious sisters, games, and sports. Fee is \$150 (sibling discounts & scholarships available). Details and registration at [www.quovadisfiat.org](http://www.quovadisfiat.org).

## Make a Difference for Christians in Syria

The Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in Washington, DC 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](http://myfranciscan.org/Syria) or call 202-526-6800, x895.

## John Paul II National Shrine: Weekly Programs

The John Paul II National Shrine in [Washington, DC \(3900 Harewood Road, NE\)](http://www.jp2shrine.org) has launched two new ongoing weekly programs: **Thursday Adoration from 7-8pm**, hosted in collaboration with parishes and groups of the Archdiocese of Washington, and "The Art of Prayer" series on Sundays from 6-7pm, on interior prayer with time for silent meditation followed by a Sunday Vespers service. For more information, please contact Anne-Elisabeth Giuliani at [Anne.Giuliani@jp2shrine.org](mailto:Anne.Giuliani@jp2shrine.org) or 202-635-5428.

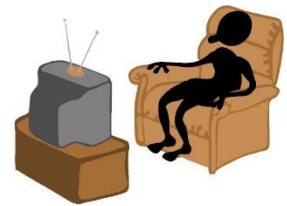
**Finding God in All Things!** A Summer Day Camp for youth ages 8-14 St. Indigos Youth Camp@ Loyola on the Potomac Daily Snack and Lunch provided **July 16-20, 2018 Fee: \$100 a week plus a one-time registration fee of \$25**

Register on-line at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/findingGod18>

**Hosted by Loyola on the Potomac -- In conjunction with Camp Fire**  
**9270 Loyola Retreat Rd. Faulkner, MD 20632-0009**

## 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

## Catholic Women: Marian Art Tour on Wednesday, July 11,

Join the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women in taking a tour of Marian art at the National Gallery of Art ([601 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC](http://www.nga.gov)). Following the opening of the gallery at 10am, the tour will begin at 10:15am in the Rotunda of the West Building. Look for women wearing blue scarves. The tour is free, but donations to support the Josephite Seminary Service Project will be accepted. The tour group size is limited to 20 people, so RSVP early by calling/texting Cindy Perry at 301-220-3291 or emailing her at [cindy.perry@hotmail.com](mailto:cindy.perry@hotmail.com).

## Continuing Education Series 2018.

CALLED TO LOVE: THEOLOGY OF THE BODY.

One intensive course, **July 16-20 – Monday – Friday 9:30am-12:00pm, 1:30-3:00pm**

Join us this summer for a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in John Paul II's *Theology of The Body*. This short, one-week intensive course studies his "Wednesday catechesis" through and in-depth examination of the text and a discussion of his scriptural, theological and philosophical methodology. It shows how the dual unity of man and woman and their interpersonal communion, even in the body, image divine Trinitarian life.



**Sail Away on Loyola on the Potomac's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon Cruise. Spirit of Washington Sunday August 12, 2018**

Boarding time: 10:45 am, at 600 Water St, SW, Washington, DC



**Cruise time: 11:30 am to 1:30 pm**

### Cruise Highlights:

Enjoy two-hours cruising on the Potomac River, delighting in the best views of the Washington Monument, National Harbor, Old Town Alexandria and other iconic D.C. sights  
Relish a delicious lunch buffet with freshly prepared entrees, salads and desserts and unlimited coffee, hot tea, iced tea and water. **Cash Bar**. Enjoy onboard entertainment with DJ, dance floor, games (giant jenga, shuffleboard, etc.) Raffle  
**Early Bird Price: \$60.00 extended to July 15, 2018, \$75.00 July 16, 2018 and after** Contact Alice Case at (301)392-0819 or [alice.case@loyolaretreat.org](mailto:alice.case@loyolaretreat.org)  
Tickets must be purchased from Loyola on the Potomac.