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Office Hours: Monday through Thursday

9:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Office closed 12:30 – 1:00 PM daily, & on Fridays

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday – 4:00 PM (Vigil)

Sunday – 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM (Folk Choir) and

12:00 Noon (Traditional Choir)

WEEKDAY MASSES AND DEVOTIONS

Monday to Saturday - 9:00 AM

Rosary: before daily Masses at 8:30 AM

Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal:

After Monday 9:00 AM Mass

First Saturday Holy Hour: After 9:00 AM Mass

HOLY DAY MASSES

Eve of Holy Day – 7:30 PM

Holy Day – 9:00 AM, 7:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday – 3:00 to 3:30 PM and by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance of the wedding.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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SICK

Contact the Parish Office.

CARE OF THE SICK, SHUT-INS, ELDERLY

The sick, the shut-ins and the elderly are valued members of our parish. Please contact the Parish Office for Communion calls.

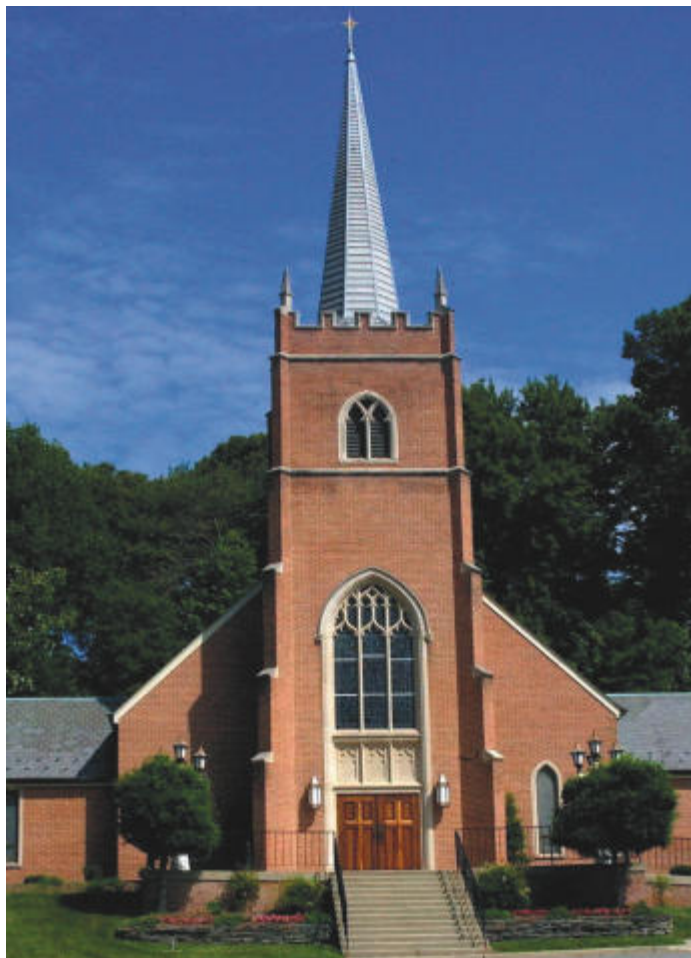
PERPETUAL ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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FINANCE COUNCIL

Chair: Ed Leyden



PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K to 5 and 6 to 8 and Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC)

Sundays from 9:45 to 11:45 AM

Contact Greg Rozanski, DRE, at (301) 262-2227

RCIA is for the non-Catholic who is considering joining the Catholic Church and the baptized Catholic who needs to complete the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

Contact Greg Rozanski at the Parish Office.

YOUTH MINISTRY is for the youth of our parish in grades 9-12. Contact Kristen Bryant, Coordinator of Youth Ministry and Parish Events, at ascensionbowieyg@gmail.com, or Emma Bigony, Youth Ministry Intern, at Ekbigony@aol.com.

ST. PIUS X REGIONAL SCHOOL

Ascension is one of four parishes supporting St. Pius X Regional School. For more information about enrolling children in grades K-8, please call: (301) 262-0203.

Weekly Calendar of Community Events

10/21/2018	RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES	CLASSROOMS	9:45—11:45 AM
10/21/2018	HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACTULAR DANCE	BATES HALL	3:00—6:00 PM
10/23/2018	SENIORS CLUB LUNCHEON	BOB EVANS, 4308 CRAIN HWY	11:30 AM
10/23/2018	PRAYER GROUP	CHURCH	2:30 PM
10/23/2018	RCIA	DONUT ROOM	7:00 PM
10/24/2018	YOUTH GROUP MTG	ST. MICHAEL CLASSROOM	7:00—8:30 PM
10/24/2018	TRADITIONAL CHOIR PRACTICE	CHURCH	6:30—8:00 PM
10/25/2018	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MTG	BATES HALL	7:30 PM
10/28/2018	RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES	CLASSROOMS	9:45—11:45 AM

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Parishioners

Ronald Tayman, Beverlee Lee, Terrence O’Brien Sr., Terrence O’Brien, Jr., Mary Burton, Bob & Norma Raffaele, Catherine Dean, Mary Alice Bartman, George Bartman, Mary-Kate Turner, Mary Mack, Cathy Tayman, Mary Barrett, Alethea Patten, Francis Barnes, Michole Moore, Jolly Verghese, Joy Moore, Ina Devine, Pat & Pete Chambers, Mary Ann Boyer, Earl Perry, Sylvia and Joe Palmer, and Lois Kaufman.

Family & Friends

Genie Riordan Mulè, Ishell Kellyman, Reed Armstrong, Clifton Williams, Valerie Healy, Mary Murphy, Phyllis Miller, Francis Haislmaier, Michael Simasek, Becky Goodman, and Fr. Jim McDonald.

Mass Intentions for the Week

OCTOBER 22—OCTOBER 28

Monday	9:00 AM	+Jean Bunge
Tuesday	9:00 AM	+Richard Lee
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Francis Kelly
Thursday	9:00 AM	Marie Jeannette
Friday	9:00 AM	+Oliver Carter
Saturday	9:00 AM	+Richard Lee
	4:00 PM	+John McNamara
Sunday	8:30 AM	Parishioners
	10:00 AM	+Maureen Fisher
	12:00 Noon	The Bates Family

PARISH NEWS



Attention all Kids and Teens—You are Invited to our Halloween Spooktacular Dance! This Sunday, October 21 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM at Ascension’s Bates Hall, the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Halloween Spooktacular Dance for all kids and teens of the parish!! Cost is \$5 per person or \$10 for a family of four. Costume required! DJ and light snacks will be provided. For more information, please contact Karl Caton, Grand Knight, at (301) 832-0837; Radames Mendoza, Deputy Grand Knight, at (301) 237-8491; Tom Torrell, Past Grand Knight, at (301) 262-8062; or William Green, Jr., Warden, at (301) 938-1673.

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Attention all Seniors! You are invited to our next Seniors Club Luncheon on Tuesday, September 23 at 11:30 AM. We will be meeting at Bob Evans Restaurant, 4308 Crain Highway, Bowie, Maryland 20716. If you have any questions, please email Charles Aquilina at claquilina@verizon.net.



SHOEBOXES and CASH Donations NEEDED During the holidays, S.O.M.E. (So Others Might Eat) distributes Shoebox Gifts to the homeless and the poor. Last year our parish

assembled 212 boxes. Our Share and Care Ministry will begin collecting items in November, but in the meantime, we want to remind you that we need LOTS of shoeboxes. Please drop them in the large brown chest in the church vestibule. If you don’t have time to shop, but would like to donate towards filling a shoebox, cash or check donations are encouraged. Cash should be put in an envelope marked “S.O.M.E.”; checks should be made out to Ascension Catholic Church. Please drop in Sunday Collection Basket and annotate donation for “SHOEBOXES for S.O.M.E.”

There are still spots available to travel to Sight and Sound Theater with the Ascension Ladies Auxiliary #109: Come and travel with us to Lancaster, Pennsylvania to the Sight and Sound Theater on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 to see the musical play Jesus. The cost is \$140 for adults, and \$70 for children 12 and under. Price includes bus transportation, admission to the play, and a buffet dinner at Hershey Farm Restaurant. Refreshments, music and movies will be available on the bus going up and back. We will leave Ascension at 7:30 AM, the play will begin at 11:00 AM, dinner buffet will be at 2:15 PM, and we will return to Ascension at 6:30 PM. Cost is \$140; please make checks payable to Ascension Ladies Auxiliary #109. No refunds after November 12. For more information or if you have any questions, contact Jackie Bates at (301) 794-8640 or Ann Laverne Johnson at (301) 464-8920.

Announcing the Summa Men's Group at Ascension Catholic Church

The Summa Men's Group at Ascension are men who want to strengthen their faith and reason through the study of St. Thomas Aquinas' Summa Theologica and develop friendships with other faithful Catholics through conversation, breaking bread, and prayer.

Where/when: We meet on the first and third Saturday of each month from 6:30 – 8:00 AM, in the basement of the rectory at Ascension. Our first meeting is November 3, 2018.

What to expect: Each meeting we'll read out loud and discuss a section of the Summa together. There's no set schedule, and reading ahead of time is not required. Breakfast and coffee are provided.

How to join: Email Daniel Coleman at danielcoleman@pm.me to join our mailing list. Let Daniel know if you plan on attending: we need a solid head count in order to provide food.

Also, pick up a copy of *A Summa of the Summa*, which is an abridged version of the *Summa* edited by Catholic philosopher Peter Kreeft. A free digital copy of the book for Kindle, phones, tablets, etc., is available for download. We also have a couple of spare print copies on hand for visitors.

Contact: Questions? Contact Daniel Coleman at danielcoleman@pm.me or (443) 758-6385.

All Souls Remembrance Envelopes are now available in the back vestibule of the church. Would you like to add the name of your deceased loved one(s) to the list of those remembered in all the daily Masses in November? Please drop the Mass Intention Envelopes in the collection basket or give them to the ushers at the end of Mass.

Thursday, November 1, Solemnity of All Saints Masses for the Solemnity of All Saints, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be on Wednesday, October 31 at 7:30 PM (Vigil Mass), and Thursday, November 1 at 9:00 AM and 7:30 PM. Please note that the parish office will be closed on Thursday, November 1, in honor of this holy day.

RAFFLE Congratulations! This weekend's raffle winner is Sherman Weatherspoon!



Reflection for the Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"What do you wish me to do for you?" Jesus asks a similar question in different Gospel passages, but the request of James and John is not repeated on any other occasion. "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." They ask not for knowledge of God, not for crooked limbs to be straightened nor for the blind to see. They ask for power and authority. Jesus' response should trouble them. "You do not know what you are asking."

"Can you drink the cup that I drink?" Jesus asks. "They said to him, 'We can.'" But what is Christ's cup? Could James and John have possibly known it or understood it here at the height of Jesus' ministry? Jesus' cup is the cup of trial, of difficulty, of public ridicule. His final, thirsting sip occurs as he hangs on the cross. In Christ's kingdom, drinking his cup and participating in his life are not the sharing of power the way we are accustomed. Jesus flips their paradigm. "Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all."

The cup of Jesus is the cup of giving oneself. "The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." As Christians, how easy it can be to want the acclaim of good deeds, the gratitude for volunteering, the attention for donating to the church. "It shall not be so among you." If you are overlooked, offer thanks to God for imitating Jesus, rather than bitter complaint at someone else's oversight. Look for opportunities to do good needs unnoticed. This week, consider one way you can drink the cup of Jesus!

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Readings for the Week of October 21, 2018

- Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/ Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
- Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5 [3b]/Lk 12:13-21
- Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22/Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9]/Lk 12:35-38
- Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [cf. 3]/Lk 12:39-48
- Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19 [5b]/Lk 12:49-53
- Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 12:54-59
- Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [1]/Lk 13:1-9
- Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

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