

# Ascension Catholic Church

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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 and  
12:00 Noon

## WEEKDAY MASSES AND DEVOTIONS

Tuesday to Saturday - 9:00 AM

Rosary: before daily Masses at 8:30 AM

Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal:

After Tuesday 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

## SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office.

## CARE OF THE SICK, SHUT-INS, ELDERLY

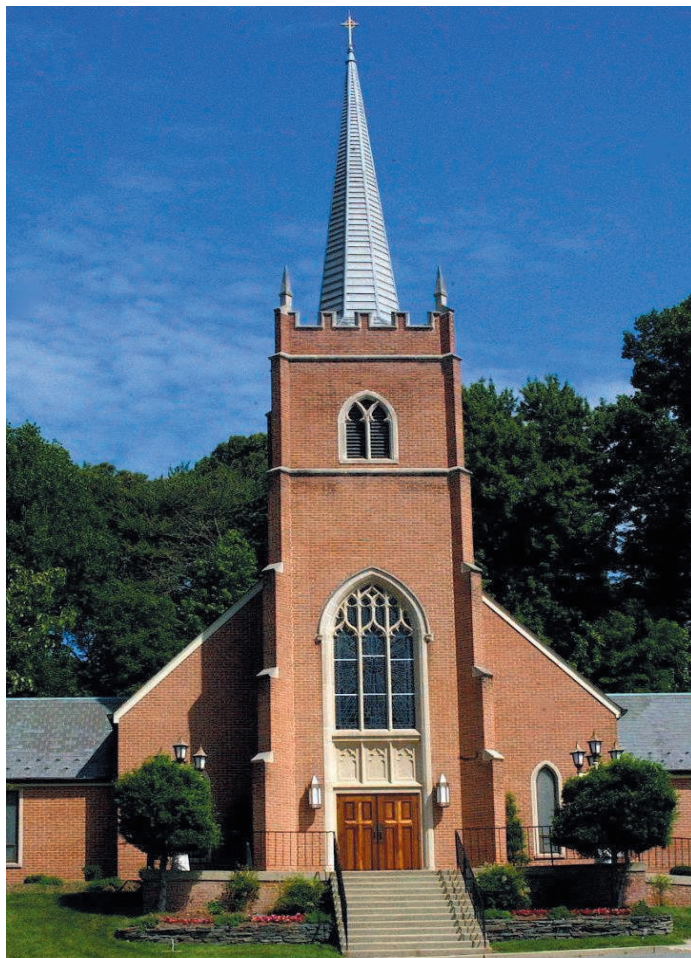
The sick, the shut-ins and the elderly are valued members of our parish. Please contact the Parish Office for Communion calls.

## PERPETUAL ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
Chapel of Our Lady of Czestochowa

## 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](mailto:ascensionbowieyg@gmail.com), or Emma Bigony, Youth Ministry Intern, at [Ekbigony@aol.com](mailto: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**

11/26/2018	WRAP SHOEBOXES FOR S.O.M.E.	BATES HALL	1:00—3:00 PM 6:00—8:00 PM
11/27/2018	ASSEMBLE SHOEBOXES FOR S.O.M.E.	BATES HALL	1:00—3:00 PM 6:00—8:00 PM
11/27/2018	PRAYER GROUP	CHURCH	2:30 PM
11/27/2018	RCIA	ST. MICHAEL CLASSROOM	7:00 PM
11/28/2018	YOUTH GROUP MEETING	ST. MICHAEL CLASSROOM	7:00—8:30 PM
12/1/2018	CHOIR PRACTICE	CHURCH	5:00 PM
12/2/2018	RELIGIOUS ED. MASS	CHURCH	10:00 AM
12/2/2018	RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES	CLASSROOMS	11:00—11:45 AM
12/2/2018	CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT ASCENSION	RECTORY	1:00 PM

**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**

**NOVEMBER 27—DECEMBER 2**

Tuesday	9:00 AM	+All Souls
Wednesday	9:00 AM	+All Souls
Thursday	9:00 AM	+All Souls
Friday	9:00 AM	+All Souls
Saturday	9:00 AM	+Oliver Carter
	4:00 PM	+Joseph and Margaret Mitchell
Sunday	8:30 AM	Parishioners
	10:00 AM	Fay, Shegogue, Buck, Bell, Welchel, Pagana and Giordano families
	12:00 Noon	Sodality

**PARISH NEWS**

**Christmas Lunch at Ascension  
December 2, 2018—1:00 to 4:00 PM**



All parishioners are invited to the parish rectory on Sunday, December 2, 2018 after the 12:00 Noon Mass for a Christmas Lunch! Come join us for holiday fellowship and a delicious spread of soup, salad, and sandwiches provided by Wegmans Catering. If you and your family would like to attend, please RSVP by Tuesday, November 27, 2018 by emailing us at this new email address: [event.ascension@gmail.com](mailto:event.ascension@gmail.com). In your email, please let us know how many people will be attending. If you do not have access to a computer, you may also call the parish office to let us know you will be joining us. We hope to see many of you there!



**Reminder: Holiday Shoebox Campaign**

**for the Homeless** We have been accepting shoebox donations and now we need help sorting the donations and filling the shoeboxes.

Come help us sort items and assemble the boxes in Bates Hall.

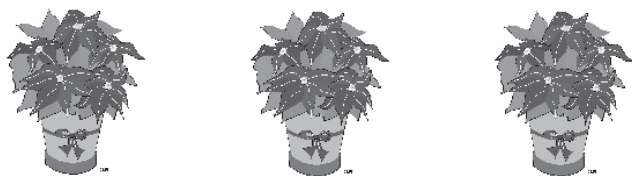
	Date	Time	Time
Wrap Boxes	Monday, 11/26	1pm - 3pm	6pm - 8pm
Assemble	Tuesday, 11/27	1pm - 3pm	6pm - 8pm

For more information, please contact Mary Rapczynski at (301) 464-0588 or Jacqueline Murray at (301) 523-1683. Thank you for your generous support to brighten the day of those in need.

**Readings for the Week of November 25, 2018**

Sunday:	Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/ Jn 18:33b-37
Monday:	Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday:	Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday:	Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9 [Rv 15:3b]/ Lk 21:12-19
Thursday:	Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [Rv 19:9a]/Lk 21:20-28
Friday:	Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10 or Jn 6:63]/Mt 4:18-22
Saturday:	Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab [1 Cor 16:22b; cf Rv 22:20c]/Lk 21:34-36
Next Sunday:	Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/ Thes 3:12--4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36





*Christmas Memorial Flowers*

Ascension Church invites all parishioners to consider a memorial flower contribution for Christmas. A listing of names will be placed in the bulletin and all will be remembered in the Christmas Masses. If you would like to participate, please fill out the form below, cut it out, put it in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket. An offering of twenty dollars (\$20.00) will assist in decorating the sanctuary and church for Christmas.

**I wish to make a contribution to the Christmas Memorial Flower Fund.**

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

In order for names to appear in the Christmas bulletin, this form must be returned no later than DECEMBER 14, 2018.

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.**

**Share Food CO-OP December Food Packages** Orders may be placed after all Masses on December 1 and 2, or by emailing Anne Powell at [gpowell6@aol.com](mailto:gpowell6@aol.com) by 12:00 Noon on Friday, November 30. Order pickup is Saturday, December 15 from 8:00—9:00 AM in Bates Hall. If you're not interested in a package for yourself, feel free to purchase one and we will donate to a needy family. Value pack (\$22) Festive, seasonal and nutritious! Whole Roasting Chicken (5 lb. avg), Ground Pork Sausage (1 lb.), Fish Fillets (1 lb.), plus a generous selection of fresh seasonal produce such as sweet potatoes, white potatoes, celery, onions, apples and oranges. Holiday Dinner (\$36) – 10 lb. Honeysuckle Turkey with exciting frozen sides: Collard Greens, Green Beans, Macaroni & Cheese, Mixed Vegetables, Sweet Potato Casserole, Mashed Potatoes w/chives, Dinner rolls, and a Holiday Dessert. Holiday Pantry (\$24) – Stuffing Mix, Cranberry Sauce, Buttermilk Biscuit Mix, Cornbread Mix, Pineapple, Cream of Mushroom Soup, French Fried Onions, Vegetable Oil, Heinz Turkey Gravy, Elbow Macaroni, Brownie Mix, fragrant Holiday Baking Spices and seasoned Turkey rub. Spiral Ham (\$20) – Smoked, Honey and Brown Sugar Spiral Cut Ham (9 lb. avg.). Give the Gift of Nutrition with Value plus Turkey (\$40) -Whole chicken, fish, sausage, fruits, veggies and a Honeysuckle Turkey. Call Anne Powell @ (301)464-5448 for details or more information.

**AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE**

**Rosary Rally at Sacred Heart:** Join the parishioners of Sacred Heart on Saturday, December 1 at noon for a public reciting of the rosary in front of our church. The Season of Advent begins the following day and our praying will remind people to “Keep Christ in Christmas”. Questions: call Barbara Franklin (240) 997-0152 or [greg-barb91@yahoo.com](mailto:greg-barb91@yahoo.com).

**Chipotle Fundraiser for St. Pius X Regional School CYO:** St. Pius CYO will be hosting a fundraiser at Chipotle on Wednesday, December 5 from 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM at Bowie Market Place, 15475 Annapolis Rd. Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support SPX CYO. Tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to SPX CYO.

**The 21st annual Resurrection Winterfest Holiday Craft Fair** will take place Friday, November 30 from 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM and on Saturday, December 1 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM! 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 cash and a parishioner 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 [www.resurrectionadw.org](http://www.resurrectionadw.org).

**The Visit of Saint Nicholas** Saint Nicholas visits the Saint John Paul II National Shrine on Saturday, December 8! Bring your children to meet him. He is eager to tell them about his special friendship with Jesus and to help them prepare for a holy Christmas. This event is free, but please register by December 6 at [visitofsaintnicholas.eventbrite.com](http://visitofsaintnicholas.eventbrite.com) so that there will be ample supplies for food, games, and activities. For more information, contact (202) 635-5400 or [events@jp2shrine.org](mailto:events@jp2shrine.org).

**Vespers at the National Shrine** During the season of Advent, The Basilica of the National Shrine invites you to join in praying Vespers. This service of evening prayer in the Divine Office will be held every Sunday in Advent at 4:00 PM in the Great Upper Church. This event is free and open to the public.

**Vigil of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe** On Tuesday, December 11 at 6:30 PM, the Saint John Paul II National Shrine (3900 Harewood Rd., NE) will celebrate the Vigil of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The principal celebrant and homilist of the 7:00 PM bilingual Mass is Bishop Mario Dorsonville. A prelude serenade to Our Lady by Jorge Zurita will begin at 6:30 PM. For more information, contact (202) 635-5400 or [events@jp2shrine.org](mailto:events@jp2shrine.org).



**Congratulations!** This weekend's raffle winner is Dennis and Carol Martin!

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