

# Ascension Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday through Wednesday  
9:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Office closed 12:30 – 1:00 PM daily

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday – 4:00 PM (Vigil)

Sunday – 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM and  
12:00 Noon

## WEEKDAY MASSES AND DEVOTIONS

Monday to Saturday - 9:00 AM

No daily Mass on Thursdays

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  
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*

1/13/2019	REL. ED. CLASSES	REL. ED. CLASSROOMS	9:45—11:45 AM
1/13—1/20/2019	WARM NIGHTS	REL. ED. CLASSROOMS	9:45—11:45 AM
1/13/2019	FIRST PENANCE/FIRST COMMUNION MTG	BATES HALL	10:00 AM
1/13/2019	KSJ LADIES AUXILIARY MTG	ST. MARY ROOM	1:00 PM
1/14//2019	NEW TESTAMENT BIBLE STUDY	ST. MICHAEL CLASSROOM	7:00 PM
1/15/2019	PRAYER GROUP	CHURCH	2:30 PM
1/15/2019	RCIA	ST. MICHAEL'S ROOM	7:00 PM
1/16/2019	YOUTH GROUP MTG	ST. MICHAEL CLASSROOM	7:00—8:30 PM
1/19/2019	CHOIR PRACTICE	CHURCH	5:00 PM
1/20/2019	REL. ED. CLASSES	REL. ED. CLASSROOMS	9:45—11:45 AM
1/20/2019	CONFIRMATION MTG	ST. MICHAEL CLASSROOM	10:00 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, Lois Kaufman, Briar Smith and Cheryl Hoyt.

*Family & Friends*

Genie Riordan Mulè, Ishell Kellyman, Reed Armstrong, Clifton Williams, Valerie Healy, Mary Murphy, Phyllis Miller, Francis Haislmaier, Michael Simasek, Becky Goodman, Patricia Hodge, and Shirley Mackessy.

**RAFFLE**

**Congratulations!** This weekend's raffle winner is Vanesca McDermott!



**PARISH NEWS**

**New Sunday Mass Time:** As of January 27, 2019, the 8:30 AM Mass at Ascension will be moved to 8:00 AM going forward.

**Senior Club Luncheon and Meeting:** The next Senior Club Luncheon/Meeting will be held at 11:30 AM on Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at First Watch restaurant at the Bowie Town Center, 15471 Excelsior Drive, Bowie, MD 20716. All seniors of the parish are invited.

**Confirmation Meeting:** There is a mandatory Confirmation meeting for parents and students who are preparing for Confirmation on Sunday, January 20 at 10:00 AM in the St. Michael's room. See Greg Rozanski for more info.

**Altar Server Training:** All kids fourth grade and up are invited to become altar servers. Please contact Greg Rozanski to sign up. Training begins Friday, January 25 at 6:00 PM in the Church.

**Fr. Goode's new address:** For those who would like to visit or write to Fr. Goode, his new address is: Marian Assisted Living, 19109 Georgia Avenue, Brookville, MD 20833.

**Fr. Henry Januszkiewicz,** beloved former pastor of Ascension, passed away Saturday, January 5, in Florida where he had retired. Please pray for the repose of his soul and keep his family in your prayers.

**St. Pius Regional School Open House—Sunday, January 27, 2019 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM** Saint Pius X Regional School, a 2016 national Blue Ribbon school, will host an Open House on Sunday, January 27, 2019 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Families are invited to tour the campus, and meet faculty, administration, students and parents. Prospective families will also learn more about the academic program and extracurricular activities. Please visit [stpiusbowie.org](http://stpiusbowie.org) for more information about our school.

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**JANUARY 14—JANUARY 20**

Monday	9:00 AM	+Donald Dietrich and +Bill Buell
Tuesday	9:00 AM	+Mary Schmitt
Wednesday	9:00 AM	+Sherie Mazzei
Friday	9:00 AM	+Private Intention of Priest
Saturday	9:00 AM	+Private Intention of Priest
	4:00 PM	+Genero and Balbina Cordova and +Paul and Francis Collins
		+Elaine Vespy
Sunday	8:30 AM	Parishioners
	10:00 AM	+Michael Mamngum
	12:00 Noon	+Hope Bumgardner

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**Archdiocesan Men's Retreat** On the weekend of February 8-10, the archdiocesan Men's Retreat will be held at Priestfield Pastoral Center in Kearneysville, WV, which is a short drive from the Washington, DC area. The theme of the retreat, directed by Fr. Dave Wells and Fr. Rick Kramer, is "Man's Vocation: Priest, Prophet and King." This retreat will provide you with time away to reconnect and recharge the most important relationship in your life - your relationship with the Lord. There will be Daily Mass, Confessions, and Adoration. The cost is \$235 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, please visit [2019adw-menretreat.eventbrite.com](http://2019adw-menretreat.eventbrite.com). For additional questions, call the archdiocesan Office for Family Life at (301) 853-4546.

**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 1 - 3, 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](http://www.DCPriest.org). For more information, contact the Office of Priest Vocations (202) 636-9020 or [vocations@adw.org](mailto:vocations@adw.org).

**Opening and Closing Mass of the National Prayer Vigil 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 5:30 PM, 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 7:30 AM, with principal celebrant and homilist Bishop Barry C. Knestout of Richmond. Events are open to the public, and no tickets or reservations are required. For more information, please call the Basilica at (202) 526-8300.

**Save the Date - World Youth Day in DC** Join thousands of college students and young adults (ages 18-39) on Saturday, January 26 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 and to register, visit [www.wyddc.org](http://www.wyddc.org) #wydDC

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Annual Celebration** All are invited to the annual archdiocesan Celebration of the Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Saturday, January 19 at 4:30 PM at St. Luke Catholic Church in Washington, DC (4925 East Capitol St.). This celebration of Dr. King's life provides a special occasion of renewed inspiration for courageous conversations that help us build respect and solidarity within our communities, bearing witness to God's boundless love for all the human family. For more information, contact the Office of Cultural Diversity and Outreach at (301) 853 -5335 or [culturaldiversity@adw.org](mailto:culturaldiversity@adw.org).

**Venerate the Heart of Saint John Vianney** From Thursday, January 17 through Sunday, January 20, the incorrupt heart of Saint John Vianney will be available for veneration at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, DC (3900 Harewood Rd., NE). This is part of a national tour of the relic across the USA from November 2018 through May 2019, coordinated by the Knights of Columbus in collaboration with the Shrine of Ars in France. For more information, please call the Shrine at (202) 635-5400.

**Help Our Marriage** Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue...or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced "retro-vi" with a long "i") helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on February 1-3, please visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com), call (443) 400-7017, or email [3015@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3015@retrouvaille.org).

**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 [adwcatholicalschools.org](http://adwcatholicalschools.org).

### Readings for the Week of January 13, 2019

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22  
Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20  
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28  
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39  
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45  
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12  
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13-17  
Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

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