

# 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 – 8:00 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

## 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 Fr. Larry Young for more information.

## 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*

3/9— 3/10/2019	CONFESSIONS	CHURCH	AFTER ALL MASSES
3/10/2019	REL. ED. CLASSES	REL. ED. CLASSROOMS	9:45— 11:45 AM
3/10/2019	KSJ LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING	BATES HALL	11:00 AM
3/11/2019	NEW TESTAMENT BIBLE STUDY	ST. MICHAEL CLASSROOM	7:00 PM
3/12/2019	PRAYER GROUP	CHURCH	2:30 PM
3/12/2019	RCIA	ST. MICHAEL'S ROOM	7:00 PM
3/12/2019	SHARE & CARE MEETING	ST. MARY ROOM	7:00 PM
3/13/2019	YOUTH GROUP NIGHT	ST. MICHAEL'S ROOM	7:00 PM
3/14/2019	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING	BATES HALL	7:00 PM
3/15/2019	CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF CROSS	CHURCH	5:00 PM
3/15/2019	SOUP AND SALAD SUPPER	BATES HALL	5:15 PM— 7:00 PM
3/15/2019	STATIONS OF THE CROSS	CHURCH	7:00 PM
3/16/2019	SUNRISE SUMMA MEN'S GROUP	RECTORY BASEMENT	6:30 AM
3/16/2019	CHOIR PRACTICE	CHURCH	5:00 PM
3/17/2019	REL. ED. CLASSES	REL. ED. 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, Lois Kaufman, Briar Smith, Cheryl Hoyt Harry Givens, Monica Brady, Paul Moore and Paul Buckley.

*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, Shirley Mackessy, Janet Doty, Eleanor Pearson and Bruce Landry.

**PARISH NEWS**

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**MARCH 11—MARCH 17**

Monday	9:00 AM	+Alice Newton
Tuesday	9:00 AM	+Alice Newton
Wednesday	9:00 AM	+Alice Newton
Friday	9:00 AM	+Alice Newton
Saturday	9:00 AM	+Alice Newton
	4:00 PM	+Deanna Perucci
Sunday	8:00 AM	+Catalino and +Mercedes O. Martinez
	10:00 AM	Parishioners
	12:00 Noon	+Gloria Cortez

**Lenten Soup & Salad Suppers and Stations of the Cross**  
Join your parish family for a delicious homemade meal every Friday during Lent, March 8 through April 12. Each Friday from 5:15 to 7:00 PM in Bates Hall, the meal will be prepared by one of the ministries of Ascension. Admission is free, but donations are appreciated. Stations of the Cross for adults and families will follow from 7:00 to 7:30 PM. For those with small children, we will also be offering a Stations of the Cross especially geared toward young children to be held in the church from 5:00 to 5:15 PM *before* the Lenten Suppers.

**Easter Egg Hunt at Ascension!** On Saturday, April 20, 2019 at 10:30 AM to 12:00 Noon, the ministries of the parish will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt for children ages 10 and under! It is open to children of the parish as well as our local community. Three different egg hunts will be held according to the following age groups: 3 and under, 4-7 years old, and 8-10 years old. The event will include music, games and lots of fun! Children who are participating should bring their own basket. This event is free, but donations of non-perishable canned food items and diapers to Share & Care will be accepted. These donations will benefit local families in need in our community. Sign up now so that we know how many eggs to prepare! A sign up sheet is set up in the back vestibule of the church.

**Vocations Tree this Lent:** Ascension is again participating in the Vocations Tree project during Lent. If you have not already done so, please select a seminarian card from the tree in the vestibule and pray for him each day during Lent. This is a wonderful way to support our seminarians with prayer during the holy season.

**2019 Annual Jubilarian Mass** The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years will be held Sunday, June 23, 2019 at 2:00 PM at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office to register. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office by Friday, April 26.

**Lenten Rice Bowls may once again be picked up at Ascension!** Join our faith community — and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States — in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the back vestibule of the church. During the 40 days of Lent, we will encounter the needs of the world. And don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app! In this first week of Lent, we encounter Norma in Guatemala, who as a young mother supports her family and shares her skills with her community. Reflect on the importance of family in your life. How can you contribute to support families in your community? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

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### RAFFLE

**Congratulations!** This weekend's raffle winner is John and Mary Cece!

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**Revival at St. Peter Claver** St. Peter Claver (SPC) in St. Inigoes, MD will be hosting its annual Revival on Monday, March 11, 2019 through Wednesday, March 13, 2019 led by Fr. Larry Swink, Pastor of Sacred Heart in La Plata, Maryland. The theme of the Revival is "Thou art dust, but don't worry! God loves you." The SPC choirs will be ministering in song each night. Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM and the talk will begin at 7:00 PM after which confessions will be heard. All are invited!

**AOH St. Patrick's Day Vigil Irish Mass and Simple Social** The Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division #2, Bowie, Maryland invites you to our St. Patrick's Day Vigil Irish Mass and Simple Social on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 6:30 PM in Sacred Heart Chapel, Annapolis Rd (Rt. 450), Bowie, Maryland. Following Mass, please join us in Carroll Hall for some Irish music, Irish Dancers, a wee bit of Irish literature, a 50/50 & other raffles along with lots of fun! Requested donation is \$5.00 at the door. Admission includes light refreshments including a taste of corned beef, potato leek soup, Irish soda bread and assorted pastries. \*Soda, Beer and wine available for additional cost. This year it is not a full meal but light refreshments. Our focus is share our (and possibly, your) Irish Heritage with the local community, have fun, and as a fundraiser that helps our Division continue to support our many Charities. Come out to help others and have a Grand Irish time! By the way, if you're Irish and a practicing Catholic who likes to socialize with like-minded people, provide service to your community and support vocations, the AOH and LAOH have a place for you. Come join us! Call Division 2's Organizer, Bob April, (301) 526-8451 for more information.

**Lenten Devotions at the Basilica** The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception invites the faithful to join in special devotions offered throughout the Lenten Season. Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Saturday during Lent in the Crypt Church following the 12:10 PM Mass. Lenten Vespers will be sung by the Choir of the Basilica each Sunday at 4:00 PM in the Great Upper Church. 40 Hours Devotion will be observed from Thursday, March 28 beginning with an Opening Mass at 5:15 PM in the Crypt Church and will close on Saturday, March 30 with Mass and Benediction at 5:15 PM in the Great Upper Church. Continuous Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be available throughout, including overnight hours. No tickets or reservations are required. For more information, please visit [www.nationalshrine.org](http://www.nationalshrine.org) or call (202) 526-8300.

**Project Rachel Ministry** Are you having unresolved feelings about your abortion experience? Feelings of guilt, shame, or you just don't feel forgiven? Project Rachel Ministry is offering an event of Entering -Canaan Day of Prayer and Healing on Saturday, March 23, 2019. Location is confidential due to the personal nature of this experience. All calls are confidential. For more information, please call (301) 982-2008. Please see flyer.

**Quo Vadis Hiking Trip on Sunday, March 31, 2019 from 10:00 AM to 5:15 PM** All high school aged men who are interested in the priesthood are invited to go on a Quo Vadis hiking trip. The day will include Mass, lunch, Eucharistic Adoration, dinner, and the opportunity to spend time with priests, seminarians, and other high school aged men who are open to the priesthood. Bus transportation will be available from throughout the archdiocese. More information is available and registration is open at [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.

**The Way Retreat for Survivors of Abuse:** As the Church continues to minister to all survivors of abuse, the Archdiocese of Washington is sponsoring retreats for survivors. The Archdiocese will offer a men's retreat on April 5-7, 2019 for survivors. These retreats are an occasion for survivors to reflect on God's plan for their lives and for healing through prayer and the sacraments. For more information and to register, go to <https://adw.org/the-way/retreat/> or call Deborah McDonald at (301) 853-4466.

**The Ark Encounter & Creation Museum** The Ark Encounter & Creation Museum is being presented by The Daughters of Isabella. The incredible price includes \$604 for 5 days an nights, May 6-10, 2019. Price includes meal and admission to three museums, your lodging, a visit to a casino and much more. For more information and reservations contact Janice Williams at (202) 263-9098 and Debbie Baker at (202) 584-1130.



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