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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

4/28/2019	RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES	CLASSROOMS	9:45—11:45 AM
4/30/2019	PRAYER GROUP	CHURCH	2:30 PM
5/1/2019	YOUTH GROUP NIGHT	ST. MICHAEL'S ROOM	7:00—8:30 PM
5/3/2019	ASCENSION HOME-SCHOOL CO-OP	CLASSROOMS; BATES HALL	9:45—11:30 AM
5/4/2019	SUNRISE SUMMA MEN'S GROUP	RECTORY BASEMENT	6:30—8:00 AM
5/5/2019	FIRST COMMUNION/REL. ED. END OF YEAR MASS	CHURCH	10:00 AM

PARISH NEWS

Mass Intentions for the Week
APRIL 29—MAY 5

Monday	9:00 AM	+Jackie Vacheresse
Tuesday	9:00 AM	Private Intention of Priest
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Private Intention of Priest
Friday	9:00 AM	Private Intention of Priest
Saturday	9:00 AM	+Rosa Esperanza Cubillo
	4:00 PM	+Kevin Morinec
Sunday	8:00 AM	Parishioners
	10:00 AM	+Clara Battista
	12:00 Noon	Sodality

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, 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, Monica Brady, Paul Buckley, Bill Deso and Mary Corwin.

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, Bruce Landry and Rev. William Brailsford.

Mother's Day Luncheon "Be Still and know that I am God," Psalm 46:10. Please join the Ascension Ladies' Auxiliary #109 Knights of Saint John International for our Mother's Day Luncheon on Saturday, May 11, 2019 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM in Bates Hall. All ladies of the parish are welcome. Our keynote speaker will be Charlotte James speaking on "Be Still." There will also be a Creative Hat Fashion Show, door prizes and other activities! Enjoy a continental breakfast and lunch and fellowship with others. A donation of \$10.00 per person (paid at door) is requested to defray costs. Please respond by May 4, 2019. RSVP to: Barbara Lyles via phone at (301) 805-8492 or email at edwardina36@gmail.com.

Mother's Day Novena Cards Mother's Day this year is celebrated on Sunday, May 12. If you would like to offer a Spiritual Bouquet of Masses for your living mother or deceased mother, special Mother's Day cards are available in the back vestibule of the church. Please return the outside envelope with your offering by placing it in the collection basket or giving it to the usher at the end of Mass. You may also drop it off at the office by Tuesday, May 7. The inside card and envelope is for your own use and can be mailed to your mother. A novena of Masses will be offered beginning on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12.

Mass Intentions Available! Have you ever thought of having a Mass offered for a loved one, living or deceased? There are Mass intentions available for the month of May and beyond. If you are interested, please call Sharon at the parish office at (301) 262-2227.

Outdoor Parish Drop Box: Did you know Ascension now has a parish drop box set up on the wall of the porch outside the donut room? If it is after office hours and you would like to drop something off for the parish, please leave your envelope in the designated Inbox next to the donut room doors. Items left in the mailbox next to the front door run the risk of being taken by the mail carrier before the office staff can get to it.



Congratulations! This week's raffle winner is Mr. Bernard Heilig Jr.!

Share Food CO-OP May Food Packages Orders may be placed after all Masses on May 4 and 5, or by emailing Anne Powell at gpowell6@aol.com by noon on Friday, May 3. Order pickup is Saturday, May 18 from 8:00-9:00 AM in Bates Hall. Value Pack (\$22) healthy, seasonal food. Buy as much as you'd like! Family Pack of Chicken Drums (3.5 lbs.), Beef Strips (1 lb.), Ham Steak (1 lb.), Tilapia Filets (1 lb.), plus 8-12 pounds of the freshest fruits and vegetables we can find for you and your family. Mixed Grill (\$23) – The first of the season with an exciting lineup: Beef Burgers (8), Hot Dogs (16), Bratwurst (4), Pork Loin (1.8 lbs.), and Turkey Breast Filet (.9 lbs.). Breakfast Box (\$28) – Bacon (2 lbs.), Pork Sausage (2 lbs.), Blackberries (1 lb.), Waffles (16), Mango (1 lb.), Pancakes (20), and Hash Browns (4 lbs.). Call Anne Powell at (301) 464-5448 for details or more information.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Men's Discernment Dinner A Men's Discernment Dinner will be held at Saint John Paul II Seminary on Sunday, May 19, 2019 from 5:00 PM to 8:30 PM. The evening will include Mass, dinner, and a chance to discuss the priesthood with priests, seminarians, and other young men from the Washington D.C. area. Participants should be single men, college age and up, who are practicing Catholics. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Mark Ivany, Director of Priest Vocations, at (202) 636-9020 or vocations@adw.org. Register online at www.DCpriest.org.

DC Padres First Game of 2019! All are invited to come out on Sunday, May 12 at the Regency Furniture Stadium in Waldorf, Maryland for a double header starting at 2:05 PM! After the first game between the Southern Maryland Blue Crabs and the New Britain Bees, the DC Padres will be playing the St. Mary's Ryken Knights! Tickets are \$4 each (with flyer) at the stadium; cost covers both Blue Crabs and DC Padres games. See www.dcpadres.com or DC Padres Facebook page for details. Visit sacredheartlaplata.org for more information. Mark your calendars and tell your friends. Let's fill the stadium in support of our priests and seminarians!

Domestic Church Day: Man and Woman He Created Them Join fellow Catholic couples and families for a Domestic Church Day on Saturday, May 4 from 1:30 PM to 6:30 PM at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. The day will include engaging catechesis for adults, teens, and children, the opportunity to pray together as a family, and fun family activities. This will be the first part in a three-part series on The Theology of the Body. For information or to register, visit www.domesticchurchday.eventbrite.com. If you have any questions about the event, please email events@jp2shrine.org. The Facebook Event listing for this Domestic Church Day can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/events/372808313446962/>. The keynote adult talk will be given by Dr. Andrew J. Sodergren, a Catholic psychologist and director of psychological services for Ruah Woods, a Theology of the Body ministry in Cincinnati, OH. He earned his Masters and Doctoral degrees in Clinical Psychology from Divine Mercy University's Institute for the Psychological Sciences, and also holds a Masters degree in Theology from the John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family in DC. He and his wife Ellie have been married 19 years and five children. The talk he will give is entitled, "Man and Woman He Created Them: The Origin of Our Love." This talk will explain the importance of Theology of the Body for marriage in the context of Saint John Paul II's exegesis of Genesis 1 and 2. It will reflect upon how love is a gift received from God that is lived for and with others. It will then discuss how the body is revelatory of the way of married love and an authentic understanding of sexual complementarity. It will conclude with practical tips on how to identify obstacles and overcome challenges in living this vocation, and thus foster loving communion in our marriages.

Reflection for the 2nd Sunday of Easter

He has you in mind. Do we think about that much? The God of the universe has us in mind, individually as persons and together as one human family. We hear this truth in today's Gospel story of Thomas. His doubt is likely familiar to us by now. "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Jesus is God. He could have risen any way he wanted. He could have risen perfectly healed, as a further sign of his power over death and suffering. But when Thomas encounters him, we see what Jesus chose. "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." In resurrecting his body, Jesus already has Thomas in mind. Jesus retains his wounds for Thomas, for the disciples, and for all who would doubt the sacrificial power of love. This intentional love of Jesus is echoed by John and his disciples, who authored this Gospel. "Jesus did many other signs...these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ...and that through this belief you may have life in his name."

From its earliest beginnings, the Church knew the power of sign and story. When they wrote the Gospels, they had us in mind. We are all Thomas from time to time. We need to see the mercy of God lived and real in our lives. This can happen throughout the circumstances of our daily comings and goings. It can also happen through meditating on the Scripture, through placing ourselves in the stories and listening to God's voice speaking. We don't get to see what the disciples got to see, but we know, through them, that God always has us in mind. As he reminds the disciples, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."
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Readings for the Week of April 28, 2019

Sunday:	Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/ Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31
Monday:	Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/ Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday:	Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/ Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday:	Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/ Jn 3:16-21
St. Joseph the Worker:	Gn 1:26--2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14 and 16 [cf.17b]/Mt 13:54-58
Thursday:	Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36
Friday:	1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Jn 14:6-14
Saturday:	Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/ Jn 6:16-21
Next Sunday:	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

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