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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

6/9/2019	PARISH FOOD DRIVE	CHURCH	ALL MASSES
6/9/2019	VBS BAKE SALE	OUTSIDE THE CHURCH	AFTER ALL MASSES
6/10/2019	EMHC TRAINING	CHURCH	7:00 PM
6/11/2019	SHARE & CARE MEETING	ST. MARY ROOM	7:00 PM
6/11/2019	ASCENSION FEST WRAP-UP MTG	ST. MICHAEL ROOM	7:00 PM
6/12/2019	YOUTH GROUP NIGHT	ST. MICHAEL'S ROOM	7:00—8:30 PM
6/13/2019	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING	BATES HALL	7:30 PM
6/14/2019	ALTAR SERVER TRAINING	CHURCH	6:00—8:00 PM
6/15/2019	SUNRISE SUMMA MEN'S GROUP	RECTORY BASEMENT	6:30—8:00 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-Kate Turner, Mary Mack, Cathy Tayman, 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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

JUNE 10—JUNE 16

Monday	9:00 AM	Fr. William Goode
Tuesday	9:00 AM	+Mary Alice Bartman
Wednesday	9:00 AM	+Michelle Crook
Friday	9:00 AM	+Florence Simasek
Saturday	9:00 AM	+Frank and Marie Rybka
	4:00 PM	Ladies and Knights of St. John Baltimore Washington Grand
Sunday	8:00 AM	Parishioners
	10:00 AM	Father's Day Novena
	12:00 Noon	Rosemarie Givens

PARISH NEWS

Bake Sale this Sunday, June 9 to benefit Vacation Bible School at Ascension this summer! Stop by for delicious goodies outside of the church after all Masses this Sunday, June 9th! Volunteers will be selling a variety of baked goods to benefit our parish's Vacation Bible School this summer. Stop by to support a good cause and pick up some tasty treats!

Vacation Bible School Update: Registration forms to sign up for Vacation Bible School are now available on the parish website! Vacation Bible School at Ascension will be held this year the week of August 12-16, 2019. The theme will be: "Discovery Mission: Catholic Vocation Bible School!" Open to children in grades K-5, this Vacation Bible School will be all about discovering vocations! Throughout the week, through fun crafts, games, prayer, skits and our special guests, we will learn more about God's call to the priesthood, religious life and marriage! For more information, see the Vacation Bible School tab on the parish website, or email ascensionscheduler@gmail.com. Volunteers are still needed! If you are a teen looking for service hours or an adult who would like to get involved in this fun, impactful week for our kids, please email ascensionscheduler@gmail.com.

Father's Day Novena Cards Father's Day this year is celebrated on Sunday, June 16. If you would like to offer a Spiritual Bouquet of Masses for your living father or deceased father, special Father'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, June 11. The inside card and envelope is for your own use and can be mailed to your father. A novena of Masses will be offered beginning on Father's Day, Sunday, June 16.

Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion On Monday, June 10 at 7:00 PM, there will be a training for all who would like to become Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, and training for anyone interested in ministering to the homebound. Please contact Greg Rozanski at the parish office for more information.

Altar Server Training - All kids who have completed the third grade are invited to become altar servers. There will be training on three Fridays- June 14, June 21, and June 28 from 6:00-8:00 PM. Please contact Greg Rozanski to sign up or for more information.



Congratulations! This week's raffle winner is F.A. Kozak!

Ascension Fest Wrap Up Meeting: Our first annual Ascension Fest this past Sunday was a wonderful day with a great turnout and lots of fun, food and festivities for all! All parishioners are invited to attend our wrap-up meeting to be held Tuesday, June 11 at 7:00 PM in the St. Michael classroom—we will be discussing how the event went and take any suggestions or feedback for future parish picnics. Please join us!

Attention High School Teens! Our Ascension parish youth group will continue to meet in the summer each Wednesday evening from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the St. Michael's classroom of the Religious Education Center. All high schoolers and newly confirmed teens are welcome to join us!

Share Food CO-OP June Food Packages Orders may be placed after all Masses on June 8-9, or by emailing Anne Powell at gpowell6@aol.com by noon on Friday, June 7. Order pickup is Saturday, June 22 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) Buy as many as you'd like! "Fill your freezer with four!" Chicken Wingettes (1.6 lbs.), Maple Smoked Bacon (1 lb.), Turkey Breast Strips (2, 1 lb. packages), Ground Beef (1 lb.), plus 8-12 pounds of the freshest fruits and vegetables we can find for you and your family. Steak Box (\$21) – Six 8 oz. sirloin steaks ready for your marinade. 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.). Pork Roast Box (\$24) – Two 3.85 lb. bone-in pork roasts. Great to smoke or roast whole. Ice Cream Special (\$19) – Halo Top Brand!! Eight 1-pint containers. Peanut Butter Cup. Retail value \$32. Early Summer Produce Box (\$18) – 8-12 lbs. of fresh, seasonal produce from local suppliers. Call Anne Powell at (301) 464-5448 for details or more information.

Save Your Hotel Courtesy Gifts! When you're travelling this summer and spending time in a hotel, please save the "Hotel Courtesy Samples" (shampoo, conditioner, etc.) for our Christmas Season shoebox campaign. These travel sizes are perfect for our shoeboxes.

Need Summer Reading Material? Check out Ascension's "Lending Library" located in the Donut Room. The Library works strictly on the "Honor System." Choose a book or CD to take home, enjoy your selection, and then return to the Library Return Box within a reasonable length of time. If you have Catholic books you would like to donate, see Fr. Larry or leave in the donut room for his approval for inclusion in our library. Thank you.



Reflection for Pentecost Sunday

"God is always more." Have you ever heard that? If we truly believe that He is infinite, then this statement is worth exploring. Today, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit in power upon the early Church. But Pentecost wasn't the first time the disciples received the Holy Spirit. The Gospel actually occurs chronologically before Pentecost. Soon after the Resurrection, Jesus already "came and stood in their [the disciples'] midst... he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"

God is always more. Sometimes we might think the grace of God as one and done. God might break through in people's lives, but it's a one-time event on a retreat or preceding a dramatic conversion of life. But there's always more to come. Even today's Gospel isn't the first time the breath of God stirred. In Genesis, it's God's breath that stirs life into Adam in the garden. Jesus breathes on the Apostles, giving them the Holy Spirit in the quiet and silence. Later, that breath will stir into a "driving wind", and the Spirit will descend with flame...not unlike Moses on Mount Sinai.

God is always more. He has spoken throughout salvation history, and continues to speak into our lives through His Church and through the Holy Spirit alive in our hearts. This Pentecost Sunday, let us come before Him with expectant hearts! Like the disciples in the Gospel and first reading, let us await what "more" God will do.

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AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Quo Vadis Camp- The Office of Priest Vocations annual Quo Vadis Camp for high school aged young men will be held at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary on July 28-31, 2019. For four days, high school aged young men who desire to grow in holiness will have an opportunity for Mass, prayer, and Eucharistic adoration, as well time for fraternity, sports, and reflection. Bus transportation is available. More information is available and registration is open at www.DCpriest.org. Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations (vocations@adw.org or (202) 636-9020) with any questions.

Register Now for 2019 – 2020 SPX CYO Fall Soccer! Visit www.stpiusbowiecyo.com and click Sports Pilot to register. Fees for 14U / 12U / 10U are \$120 per player and \$100 per player for 8U / 7U. Hurry! Registration closes Sunday, June 30, 2019. After June 30th the fees will be an additional \$15 per player! Contact Megan Bogley, Soccer Commissioner at m_bogley@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

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