

# *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**

7/14/2019	KSJ LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING	BATES HALL	11:00 AM—12:00 NOON
7/14/2019	ENDOW WOMEN'S GROUP	FACILITATOR'S HOME	8:00 PM—9:30 PM
7/16/2019	FALL FEST PLANNING MEETING	ST. MICHAEL'S CLASSROOM	7:00 PM
7/17/2019	YOUTH GROUP NIGHT	ST. MICHAEL'S ROOM	7:00—8:30 PM
7/20/2019	SUNRISE SUMMA MEN'S GROUP	RECTORY BASEMENT	6:30—8:00 AM
7/21/2019	AHG BAKE SALE AND CAR WASH	OUTSIDE OF CHURCH	9:00 AM—1:30 PM
7/21/2019	ENDOW WOMEN'S GROUP	FACILITATOR'S HOME	8:00 PM—9:30 PM

**PARISH NEWS**

**Bake Sale and Free Car Wash Next Weekend!!!** On Sunday, July 21, from 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM, Ascension's American Heritage Girls Troop MD0340 will be sponsoring a Car Wash fundraiser after all Masses. Pull up to the Religious Education Building to get your car washed before heading home from Mass! Donations accepted to benefit our Troop. We will also be offering baked goods and cold drinks for sale. Thank you for supporting our Troop!

**"A Christmas to Remember" - Ascension Ladies' Auxiliary #109 is sponsoring a trip to Lancaster, Pennsylvania to The Bird in Hand Dinner Theater** on Tuesday, December 10, 2019. If you are looking for a low-key, gentle story about the meaning of Christmas, you might want to see the musical play, "A Christmas to Remember." As Christmas Day approaches and uncertainty reigns in the beautiful village of Paradise, Matthew and Mary, the new owners of a thrift store, face seemingly insurmountable challenges, including a parent with dementia, a sister with control issues, some *very* nosy and noisy neighbors, and a painting of unknown value – all of which make for a few "bumps in the road" during the most wonderful time of the year. Will the holidays bring heartache or be filled with healing? And what is the artwork worth? Join us and find out! All parishioners are invited. The cost is \$115.00 Adults – Children 12 and under \$70.00. Price includes coach bus transportation, admission to the play, and buffet on the bus - Refreshments, Music, and Movies. Please make checks payable to Ascension Ladies Auxiliary #109. For more information, please contact Jacqueline Bates at (301) 794-8640 or Ann Laverne Johnson at (301) 464-8920. The bus leaves at 7:30 AM and will return to Ascension Church at approximately 6:30 PM. Come join us!

**Share Food CO-OP July Food Packages** Orders may be placed after all Masses this weekend, July 13-14, or by emailing Anne Powell at [gpowell6@aol.com](mailto:gpowell6@aol.com) by noon on Friday, July 12th. Order Pickup is Saturday, July 27 from 8:00 to 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) - Healthy, seasonal food. Buy as many as you'd like! Family Pack of Split Chicken Breasts (4 lbs.), Turkey Fillets (1 lb.), Italian Sausage (1 lb.), Surimi Imitation Crab Meat (1 lb.), plus 10 -14 pounds of the freshest fruits and vegetables we can find for you and your family. Breaded Chicken (\$24) – Heat and Serve in 2 lb. bags. Three bags each of Tenders and Nuggets. Pepperoni Pizza Special (\$22) – Twenty, 5" Personal Pepperoni Pizzas. Breakfast Sandwiches (\$15) – 14 Ham, Egg, and Cheese Sandwiches on English Muffin. Turkey Burger Special (\$22) – 24 individually wrapped 1/3 lb. Burgers, 8 lbs. total. Ready to hit the Grill. Call Anne Powell @ (301) 464-5448 for details or more information.

**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, Mary Corwin and Cynthia Graham.

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**

**JULY 15—JULY 21**

Monday	9:00 AM	+Lindsay Ruland
Tuesday	9:00 AM	+Lindsay Ruland
Wednesday	9:00 AM	+John Schmitt
Friday	9:00 AM	+Lindsay Ruland
Saturday	9:00 AM	+Lindsay Ruland
	4:00 PM	+Sarah Casunk
Sunday	8:00 AM	+Lindsay Ruland
	10:00 AM	Parishioners
	12:00 Noon	+Cathy and Ron Tayman



**Congratulations!** This week's raffle winner is Janice Smith!

**The Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matara will be coming to Ascension the weekend of July 20/21!** The Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matara ([www.servidoras.org](http://www.servidoras.org) or [www.ssvmissions.org](http://www.ssvmissions.org)), a missionary Institute of religious sisters, are happy to be given the opportunity to speak at Ascension for a mission appeal on July 20/21. From our beginnings in San Rafael, Argentina in 1988 we have grown to over 1200 sisters missioning in almost 40 different countries throughout the world. We strive to go where the presence of religious sisters is most needed. Although we are an international community, we have been blessed with many vocations from the United States a bit over 100 at present. This appeal gives us a chance to share with all of you about our missions and our missionaries. We have established missions in over 35 different countries, due to the fact, that, by the grace of God, many young women have answered the call to our missionary life, but before they go on mission, they need to prepare. We will speak to you about the main place of preparation for our future missionaries. After the novitiate year and two years of formation in our local Juniorate houses, here in the US these two houses are in the Archdiocese of Washington the capital of our dear country, our sisters complete their last year of preparation in Italy. This time in Italy is very important for our sisters as it not only brings them into contact with the universal Church and the vicar of Christ, but also enriches them in our Institute's charism by exposing them to many different cultures, therefore preparing them to mission anywhere in the world where the Church may need them. Up to 90 sisters live in this house, and come from many countries, not only the United States but also: Egypt, Philippines, Taiwan, Tanzania, Argentina, Belgium, Lithuania, etc. We will ask not only for your prayers, which are the most important help you can give us, but also material assistance so that we can continue to prepare young women to bring the good news to the ends of the earth. Please know that your help with this most important mission, means that you are helping to send missionaries to some of the most difficult places in the world at present like: Palestine, Egypt, Syria, Papua New Guinea, the slums of Manila and San Paolo, etc. We are grateful to Fr. Larry, for giving us this opportunity to speak at Ascension and share with you about our International Juniorate in Italy. As we daily strive to help those in need, we are most grateful to all of you for your prayers, contributions and generosity, truly a grace from God and a consolation for our missionary sisters. Please be assured of our prayers for all of you as well!

**Sign up for Vacation Bible School today!** 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 info, see the Vacation Bible School tab on the parish website, or email [ascensionscheduler@gmail.com](mailto:ascensionscheduler@gmail.com).

**Planning Meeting for Ascension's Fall Fest this Tuesday—volunteers needed!** Volunteers are needed to assist in planning Ascension's Fall Fest 2019. Bring your ideas, energy and passion to the next planning meeting to be held in the St. Michael's room on Tuesday, July 16th at 7:00 PM. The more parishioners who participate, the better! We hope to see you there.

**Religious Education Catechists and Catechetical Assistants needed!** As we approach the 2019-2020 school year, we are seeking volunteers for our Religious Education program. We are in need of both catechists and catechetical assistants. If you feel you may be called to participate in this ministry for our parish's children, please contact DRE Greg Rozanski or our pastor Fr. Larry.

**Religious Education Registration is now open on the parish website!** It is time for registered parishioners to register for our 2019-2020 Religious Education program! Our online registration system makes the process quick and easy—go to our parish website at [www.ascensionbowie.com](http://www.ascensionbowie.com) to sign up your children and download the calendar now. Please contact Greg Rozanski at the parish office if you have any questions.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**Domestic Church Day: Man and Woman He Redeemed Them** All married or engaged couples and families with children are invited to a half-day retreat on Saturday, July 27 from 1:30 PM to 6:30 PM at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. The day will include a presentation on The Theology of the Body for adults, engaging catechesis for teens and children, the opportunity to pray together as a family, and fun family activities. Refreshments included. For more information or to register, visit [www.domesticchurchday.eventbrite.com](http://www.domesticchurchday.eventbrite.com). If you have any questions about the event, please email [events@jp2shrine.org](mailto:events@jp2shrine.org).

**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 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](http://www.DCpriest.org). Contact the Office of Priest Vocations ([vocations@adw.org](mailto:vocations@adw.org) or 202-636-9020) with any questions.

**The Academy of St. Matthias the Apostle**, 9473 Annapolis Rd., Lanham, Maryland currently has openings in our new Pre-K three year old class (must be three before Sept. 1, 2019 and potty trained) and in our 4 year old class (must be 4 by Sept. 1, 2019). If you are interested in either program, we currently have several seats available in each. For a tour of our school and to receive application information, please contact Mrs. Ann O'Hare at (301) 577-9412 ext 216 or [aohare@stmatthias.org](mailto:aohare@stmatthias.org).

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