

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 14, 2018

Sunday, January 14

7:30 am † Ramon Velasco

9:00 am † Tom Lydon

11:00 am † Pro Populo

Monday, January 15

12:00 pm † Marian & Joseph O'Neal

Tuesday, January 16

12:00 pm † Norman & Mary Grace Jarvis

Wednesday, January 17

12:00 pm † Kolesnik Family

Thursday, January 18

12:00 pm † Jane Lydon

Friday, January 19

12:00 pm † Raymond M. Zimmerman

Saturday, January 20

5:00 pm † Rita Horbett Burns

Thank you very much for your generosity to the weekly Collections at Mass: **The Offertory Collection** last weekend was \$6252. **The Second Collection** last weekend for Building Fund was \$3,446. **The Faith Direct Online Collection** for the second half of December was \$13,999. (We report to you the online giving amount twice a month.) Enroll in eGiving through @FaithDirect so you can support St. Ann from anywhere. To enroll, just go to www.faithdirect.net or download the free app and use our **church code: DC811**. God bless and thank you!!

Year-End Contributions: Please remember your generous donations to St. Ann's Church. God bless you for all you do to help the parish to grow and maintain our ministry. At the end of January, after we close out our books, the parish secretary will be sending your 2017 contributions total to you in the mail. Our parish computer system keeps a record of registered parishioners only; therefore, unless you are registered formally, we don't have a clear record of your donation contributions. Please note that the parish office keeps a record of your contributions as long as you indicate your name and address on any correspondence and envelope; cash in the basket without envelope identification does not allow us to include that amount in your annual contributions. For those who use Faith Direct for your automated contributions, Faith Direct is supposed to send you a statement from their office. Should you have any questions, please contact the Parish Secretary, Peter Catama, at his email address: stann@stanndc.org. Thank you very much.

Sick Calls: Please email us at stann@stanndc.org, to notify the Pastor of any sick, homebound or those hospitalized, so that we may arrange to bring them the Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Saint of the week: Felix of Nola died circa 260 (*Feast January 14*). Among 66 saints named Felix, this one was



born near Naples, Italy, the son of a Syrian-born Roman soldier. Felix chose religious over army life and was ordained by St. Maximus of Nola. In persecutions begun by Emperor Decius in 250, Felix was imprisoned and tortured; legends claim an angel freed him and a spider web helped him elude recapture. The people of

Nola wanted Felix to succeed Maximus, but Felix declined, instead doing pastoral work from a small farm. His shrine in Nola became a major pilgrimage center, and he is the patron saint of lost animals and spiders. St. Paulinus of Nola and Venerable Bede preserved his story.

New Parishioners: If you are new in the area, you are encouraged to register with the parish. Registration forms are available at the main entrance of the Church or from the Rectory Office. Completed forms may be returned by dropping them in the Sunday collection basket, mailed, or brought to the Rectory. **Please let us know if you are relocating or moving away** by dropping a note or calling the Rectory Office at (202) 966-6288.

Bulletin: We welcome any information you may wish to share with others in our bulletin each week for the good of all. Please submit your news items or articles of interest in writing to the Parish Office at least two weeks in advance, feel free to contact us via email stann@stanndc.org. If anyone would like to advertise on the back page on the bulletin, contact Bon Venture services at (800) 883-4343.

Cardinal's Appeal: "Seek First the Kingdom of God" (MATTHEW 6:33): Many of our parishioners have received a mailing from Cardinal Wuerl in early January. He has asked that you make a pledge to the 2018 Cardinal's Appeal. The Cardinal's Appeal not only funds the operations of the archdiocese, it funds services that are of great help to the ministries here in our parish. As we seek first the Kingdom of God, we have the capability of helping it to be present in our lives and in the lives of those around us through our works of charity, our works of love, our works of love and compassion. Contributions to the Cardinal's Appeal offers each of us the opportunity to respond to the needs of others by enabling ministries and services that touch thousands of lives. Please prayerfully consider a generous pledge to the 2018 Cardinal's Appeal. The in-pew appeal collection will take place at St. Ann's on the weekend of **Saturday, February 3 and Sunday, February 4 at all the Masses**. Thank you for your generosity.

COFFEE AND DONUT SOCIAL after the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses on Sundays in the Collins Room, located on the lower level of the church. Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus who organize this weekly fellowship for our benefit. If you are interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus, please speak with Mr. Drew Gorman whom you can meet during Coffee and Donuts.

St. Ann's Outreach to the Elderly and Infirm: We want to learn more about the needs of our members, especially the needs of our older parishioners. In addition to this important initiative, the Sovereign Military Order of Malta can facilitate the parish ministry for the sick and imprisoned. Kindly inform Msgr. Watkins at 202-966-6288 of parish members infirm, ill or imprisoned in order that St Ann's Church can extend the ministry of the parish and the Order on their behalf. The idea being that between Deacon Devaney and the cadre of Eucharistic ministers we can get to the homes of the infirm and ill, get a handle on potential maladies for Lourdes, and to be sure we enroll imprisoned parish members in the Malta Prison Ministry.

Respect Life News: "The 2018 March for Life theme is 'Love Saves Lives.' Choosing life is not always easy, but it is the loving, empowering, and self-sacrificial option. Love is universally attractive because it is directed towards others. Love is what we all strive for because deep-down we are all drawn to give of ourselves in this way. Love saves lives in countless ways. The March for Life Rally will take place at noon on Friday, January 19 at 12th St. on the National Mall, in between Madison Drive and Jefferson Drive. Following the Rally, the March will begin on Constitution Avenue between 12th and 14th Streets at approximately 1:00 pm. At 11:30 a.m. there will be a Musical Opening featuring the Christian singer, Plumb. At 12:00 p.m. the Rally Program will begin. At 1:00 p.m. participants will march up Constitution Avenue to the Supreme Court and Capitol Buildings. After the March, Silent No More pro-life testimonies from women who have had abortions will be made outside the U.S. Supreme Court. Then participants will make Advocate for Life visits to their Representatives or Senators." Parishioners are strongly encouraged to participate in the March; those who cannot participate in person, are asked to pray for its success.

Adult and Family Rally and Mass for Life: Friday, January 19, 2018 at 8:30am to 10:00am at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle. Join Bishop Dorsonville, Auxiliary Bishop of Washington, for the Adult and Family Rally and Mass for Life at the Cathedral of St. Matthew, before the March for Life. The Homilist will be Msgr. Robert Panke, Director of Priest Formation at the John Paul II Seminary. Speaker: David Bereit, Pro-Life advocate and founder of "40 Days for Life".

Morning Mass for Life: Hosted by Archdiocese of Washington and DCCatholic-Young Adult Ministry in the Archdiocese of Washington on Friday, January 19. At St Mary Mother of God Parish in Washington DC. The Archdiocese of Washington's Office of Young Adult Ministry and Pro-Life Office are hosting a new event on the occasion of this year's March for Life: Morning Mass for Life. This event is directed toward busy working professionals in the city who want to pray in solidarity with those marching. The event will begin at 7:30am on January 19, following a 7:30am daily mass we will offer adoration, worship music and a reflection given by a Sister of Life! Join us #istand4life

Mother Teresa Vocation Society Annual Day of Recollection: On Saturday, January 20, from 9:30am-2pm, Fr. Mark Ivany, Director of Priest Vocations for the Archdiocese of Washington, will lead a day of recollection at Annunciation Church in Washington, DC (3810 Massachusetts Ave., NW). The day will include Mass, Adoration, Confessions, a reflection, and vocation witness talks. Lunch will be served, and donations are welcomed. It is not required to be an MTSV member to attend this event! For more information, please visit www.dcpriest.org or contact Maris Moriarty at moriartym@adw.org or 202-636-9020.

Catholic University of America (CUA) titled "On the Margins: At the Intersection of Catholic Thought and Migration." Co-sponsored by CUA and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Migration and Refugee Services, this event will highlight the personal stories of migrants who came to the United States as children, the efforts of the Church to engage these populations, and Catholic teaching on migration. Given the tumultuous nature of the migration question today, it is important that all Catholics have a better understanding of this issue and some of the ways in which the Church engages it. January 11 3:00pm to 5:00pm at Columbus School of Law Auditorium (Room 204), The Catholic University of America. Please feel free to reach out with any questions to Todd Scribner at migrationweek@usccb.org.

Help for Marriages in Trouble: Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. It can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy, and heal. For confidential information about or to register for an upcoming program, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com, call 443-400-7017, or email 3015@retrouvaille.org

Men's Discernment Retreat: Friday, February 2 through Sunday, February 4: Men in their 20s, 30s, or 40s who are considering a call to the priesthood are invited to attend a discernment retreat at Saint John Paul II Seminary led by priests of the Archdiocese of Washington. The weekend will offer time away from your daily routine and will provide an opportunity for prayer and reflection to examine God's call. There is no fee to attend. Registration is now open at www.dcpriest.org. Email vocations@adw.org with any questions.

Share the Journey Supporting Refugees and Migrants: Earlier this fall, His Holiness Pope Francis kicked off a two-year "Share the Journey" campaign to encourage Catholics to support refugees and migrants through prayer and action. To announce the campaign, Pope Francis extended his arms in a 'Reach Out' gesture to symbolize meeting migrants, listening to their stories, and sharing their journeys. To show your solidarity with refugees and migrants, snap a photo of you, your friends or your colleagues reaching out and post on social media using #ShareJourney or visit sharejourney.org.