

EASTER SUNDAY - SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD APRIL 1, 2018

Sunday, April 1

7:30 am ✠ Ed & Arabella James
9:00 am ✠ Adm. & Mrs. James D. Watkins
11:00 am ✠ Ozzie Muzzatti

Monday, April 2

12:00 pm ✠ Ted Esantis

Tuesday, April 3

12:00 pm ✠ Rose Marie Dunlap

Wednesday, April 4

12:00 pm ✠ Ric Garcia

Thursday, April 5

12:00 pm ✠ Augusto Perez

Friday, April 6

12:00 pm ✠ Maria Petrarca

Saturday, April 7

5:00 pm ✠ Demetrio Garcia

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Thank you very much for your generosity to the parish. Through on-line giving by way of **Faith Direct**, you can provide St. Ann's Church with consistent support and simplify your giving without the envelopes. Thank you for your continued support to our parish family! Please contact our Parish Office at (202) 966-6288 or by way stann@stanndc.org to request cancelation of your St. Ann's Church envelopes. To enroll giving online, visit www.faithdirect.net and use our **church code: DC811**. Many thanks.

We are looking for more volunteers for various ministries here at St. Ann's. If interested in assisting as **Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Usher/Greeter, or Altar Server**, please contact the Pastor. In addition, we are very much in need of faithful parishioners who will be willing to assist in counting the weekly Collections on Monday mornings from 7:30am until 9:00am. We are so very grateful to our money counters; yet, they need extra assistance and are looking for more help. Again, if you are willing, contact Msgr. Watkins.

Happy Easter to all!



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.

At the Easter Vigil, St. Ann's Parish welcomed into full communion with the Catholic Church the following individuals who have been preparing all year for instruction in the Faith: **Travis Price, Laura Madrid, Margaret Pickard, Jessica Johnson, Emilio Hernandez, Justin Schwab, Sean Blue, Chelsey Snyder and Leila Oxley** (child baptism).

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.

Eucharistic Adoration: Join us **this Wednesday, April 4th and every First Wednesday of the month at 6:00pm**. During your busy schedule, take a moment to visit Saint Ann's for Adoration of the Holy Eucharist. If you have been looking for something to enhance your prayer life, spend some quiet time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Church doors open at 5:30pm. Mark your calendar to join us on **Wednesday, April 4 at 6:00pm**. Doors open at 5:30pm.

First Friday of the month: Join us this **Friday, April 6** and every first Friday of the month at **12:00noon for Mass** and the blessing for the sick with the Relic of St. Ann. St. Ann, pray for us. Join us also after every 12:00noon Mass for the Rosary

Lenten Rice Bowl Boxes: Parishioners are encouraged to contribute to Catholic Relief Services by using the cardboard boxes that are available on the tables in the church. The donations can be brought to the church beginning the weekend after Easter.

St. Ann's Ice Cream Social Sunday on April 29: Come celebrate spring and say hello to our pastor, Msgr. Watkins, at the St. Ann's Ice Cream Social on **Sunday April 29 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm in the St. Ann's Gym.** Please stop in for a tasty treat, meet your fellow parishioners and learn about easy ways to serve your parish, including how to become an altar server, a lector or an usher. See you there.

St. Ann's Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee Kickoff Sunday, May 20: Did you know that St. Ann's celebrates its 150th anniversary next year? Please join us on **Sunday, May 20 at 12:15pm** (just after the 11:00am Mass) in the **Undercroft** for the kickoff meeting of St. Ann's Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee. To reach the Undercroft, enter through the gates on Wisconsin Avenue to the left of the church and walk downstairs. We welcome your ideas and participation

Friends & Neighbors Breakfast: May 3, 2018. Friendship Place will hold its 14th annual breakfast on **Thursday, May 3, 2018, from 8:30am to 9:30am, at Washington Hebrew Congregation, 3935 Macomb St., N.W.** Our Parish has been a long-time supporter of Friendship Place - each year, the Youth Group prepares shoe boxes for its consumers and supports its work through the "Souper Bowl" collection. Please join the St. Ann's table so you can learn more about how Friendship Place helps the homeless in our local area - and so we can have a big turnout from St. Ann's! Contact Ted at tedhirt@comcast.net, or Kathy at kcurran@chausa.org, if you are interested in attending this event. Space will be limited. This is a fund-raising event, but whether you contribute or not is voluntary.

Symposium on Race and Homelessness. Friendship Place is hosting this event on April 4, 2018, 7:00pm, at National United Methodist Church, 3401 Nebraska Avenue, NW. The Symposium will be preceded by a reception at 6:15pm. This event will be an opportunity to deepen the conversation about concrete strategies, which organizations like Friendship Place need to leverage to address racial inequities in efforts to prevent and end homelessness. The link to register: <http://bit.ly/2Herzxx>.

World Meeting of Families: Ireland 2018, The Archdiocesan Office for Family Life will participate in the World Meeting of Families 2018 in Dublin, Ireland. The 11-day pilgrimage will be from August 17 to August 27, 2018 and includes: official registration to the World Meeting of Families, visits to Knock Sanctuary, Kylemore Abbey, the Cliffs of Moher, Bunratty Castle, Folk Park, and a cruise on Lough Corrib, with non-stop roundtrip flights from Washington Dulles to Dublin and 9 nights in 3* and 4* hotels. This pilgrimage will be an important and joyful way to prepare for participation in the World Meeting of Families. Please join the pilgrimage and share the news about this exciting opportunity to gather with families from around the world in Ireland. For more information or to register, go to www.adw.org/wmof2018 or call the archdiocesan Events Office at 301-853-4561.

Respect Life News: The United Kingdom's 2018 March for Life will take place in London's Parliament Square on 5 May, a date chosen to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the 1967 Abortion Act's taking effect, which falls on 27 April. The March is making the move to London after 5 years of being held in Birmingham to commemorate the almost 9 million lives lost to abortion since 1968. Inspired by the example of pro-life activists in the UK in the 1970's and 1980's and by the March for Life in America, "March for Life UK" started as a small gathering of participants in a 2012 "40 Days for Life" campaign in Birmingham but now attracts thousands. Its principal aims are, through public witness and education, to raise awareness of the hurt and damage that abortion causes, to foster a sense of community within the pro-life movement by creating unity and coming together as one voice and to inspire people to become actively pro-life. Its central message and motto is "Life from Conception, No Exceptions." This year's march will involve speeches in Parliament Square, as well as a series of events in Westminster Central Hall including pro-life workshops and an exhibition. March organizers said: "The moving of March for Life...to central London is a huge step forward for pro-life activism in the UK.... It demonstrates the rising awareness of the abortion issue by the media and general public and the increasing threats from many quarters to unborn children as well as to those who wish to try to protect them. Because of the significance of this anniversary to the UK pro-life movement, the March's organizers are this year choosing speakers with specific experience of abortion in the UK. Accordingly, one of the keynote speakers at the 2018 March for Life will be Noel Patr n, a psychiatric nurse who assisted in carrying out abortions for a considerable period working as a scrub nurse in obstetrics and gynecology departments in UK hospitals. "There are many abortion stories like mine which are not being heard," he commented, "and the reality of abortion for nurses and doctors and other practitioners is not being discussed in any meaningful way." His testimony sheds a light on the UK abortion industry, including how many women are not there by choice. In his subsequent work in mental health, he added, "he ended up supporting more people with post-abortion syndrome than post-natal depression." (<http://www.marchforlife.co.uk/>; News at SPUC, 3.6.18; Catholicherald.co.uk/news/2018/02/01/uk-march-for-life-moves-to-london/).

Day of Hope and Healing: The Office for Family Life invites all those who are struggling with infertility or have suffered a miscarriage to a prayerful day of hope and healing hosted by Archdiocese of Washington on Saturday, April 14 at 10:00am to 3:30pm at St. Joseph Catholic Parish, 11007 Montgomery Road, Beltsville, MD 20705. Contact the Office for Family Life Archdiocese of Washington or call (301) 937-7183.

Domestic Church Day: Parenting in the Modern World. Join fellow Catholic couples and families for a Domestic Church Day on **May 5th, from 1:00 to 6:00pm** at the **Saint John Paul II National Shrine.** To register call (202) 635-5400 or email: events@jp2shrine.org.