



## This Week in our Parish

**Sunday, April 7 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**Monday, April 8 - Women's Bible Study 7pm**

Tuesday, April 9

**Wednesday, April 10 – Rosary Group 8:30am**

- Adoration 5:30-6:30pm

Thursday, April 11

**Friday, April 12 – Adoration 6:30pm**

- Stations of the Cross 7pm - Fr. Begg

**Saturday, April 13**

*Memorial service for Svato Schutzner*

**Vigil Mass 5:30pm**

Servers: S. Lucas

Lector: A. Kongs, L. Mengelkamp and E. Andretta

EMoHC: S. Lucas and J. Jean-Pierre

**Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday**

**8:30 am Mass** Servers: J. Dew and L. Slater

Lector: S. Oursler, C. Gonzalez and R. Nolan

EMoHC: J. Drew, C. & T. Hunkins, D. Hogan, K. Clay and

D. Poole-Marks

**10:30 am Mass – Incense at this Mass**

Server: F. D'Antuono, S. Williams and L. Rodhe

Lector: J. Jones, K. Johnson and M. Bonilla

EMoHC: F. D'Antuono, A. Abraham, C. Burke, L. Javarone,

S. Ojikutu and S. Williams

**Coffee Hour after the 10:30 Mass: Wagner**

**Noon Mass** Server: G. Youbara

Lector: P. Roehm, K. Pereira and S. Koons

EMoHC: B. Krieger and J. Blessingame

The schedule can always be found on  
our website: [www.st-josephs.org](http://www.st-josephs.org)

## Sacramental Congratulations!

**Baptisms** – Rita Rose DeFlaviis on 3.23.19

and Francis Thomas Carlson on 3.24.19

## Opportunities for Service

**McKenna's Wagon:** Contact Dn. Gary Bockweg at (202) 544-3767 to sign up for a 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month afternoon shift.

**Project Rachel:** Are you or someone you love suffering from a past abortion? Call Project Rachel for confidential help at (202) 269-HOPE [ProjectRachel@adw.org](mailto:ProjectRachel@adw.org)

**Knights of Columbus:** For information please contact [kofc11302@gmail.com](mailto:kofc11302@gmail.com)

**Vocations - CHECK IT OUT:** For you or a friend! For everyone! Become a promoter! Answer the call! Visit [www.dcpriest.org](http://www.dcpriest.org), call (202) 636-9020, or email [jp2seminary@adw.org](mailto:jp2seminary@adw.org)

## Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners,

As we come close to Easter, I want to encourage you to spiritually energize your Lent with Confession or Eucharistic Adoration. Drop in before Mass to get that healing power of forgiveness or Come to Adoration on Wednesday night from 5:30-6:30 pm. Even a few minutes of silence at the end of the day can make a big difference. I know you just want to get home, but I think you will be pleasantly surprised if you avail yourself of sacred time in Jesus' presence. He doesn't ask much and He gives the world.

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Gurnee

## Parish Announcements

Congratulations to *Jac Crowell, Aimee Crozat, Nicholas Crozat, Annika Heywood, Dominic Heywood, Clare Anna House, Grace Lally, Mitali Mirchandani, Luciana Rufael, Gabriel Salunga & Madeleine Salunga* on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation today at the 10:30am Mass. Through Jesus, they received the seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit;

- **Wisdom** (helps us recognize the importance of others and the importance of keeping God central in our lives.)
- **Understanding** (is the ability to comprehend the meaning of God's message.)
- **Knowledge** (is the ability to think about and explore God's revelation, and also to recognize there are mysteries of faith beyond us.)
- **Counsel** (is the ability to see the best way to follow God's plan when we have choices that relate to him.)
- **Fortitude** (is the courage to do what one knows is right.)
- **Piety** (helps us pray to God in true devotion.)
- **Fear of the Lord** (is the feeling of amazement before God, who is all-present, and whose friendship we do not want to lose.)

**Have you been married for 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or more years?**

Come to the annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married for 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or more years on June 16<sup>th</sup> at 2pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please pick up a registration form in the back of the church or contact the rectory at [hanlon@st-josephs.org](mailto:hanlon@st-josephs.org) to register. The deadline is April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019.



**Women's Bible Study** group meets Mondays, at 7pm in the St. Thomas More Center. The first book of study is "A Father Who Keeps His Promises: God's Covenant Love in Scripture" by Scott Hahn. Please contact Chris at [hunkfam@yahoo.com](mailto:hunkfam@yahoo.com) or 334-868-9091 if you are interested or have questions.

**News from St. Peter School - Student Families** A major goal of St. Peter School education is to establish in students the Catholic ethic of concern for and service to others. Students regularly engage in service activities designed to foster social awareness. These activities are carried out by the Student Families and the Student Council. All students are a member of a Student Family which is led by an eighth grade student and includes students from each grade, pre-kindergarten through eighth. On Friday April 12, the St. Peter School student families

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

will be making Easter baskets for our neighbors at the Capitol Hill Group Ministry. We could use contributions from families to fill baskets. Needed supplies: Easter candy (foil-wrapped and ready to go!); plastic eggs (already filled with candy, if you can); small toys/games (mini-stuffed animals, small books, bubbles, stickers, crayons, springtime coloring books); seeds – really anything you'd put in your Easter baskets at home. No candy/snacks with peanuts, please! Donations can be dropped off in the school front office. **Second Grade Parents Give Teachers a Taste of Spring** - March was second grade's opportunity to show SPS teachers and staff their "teacher appreciation" and they did so by turning on the sweetness with an ice cream sundae bar set up at our school by Jubilee. Teachers and staff appreciated the taste of warmer days to come! Thanks, Second Grade! **SPS Students Participated in DC STEM Fair** -Congratulations to the Middle School students who participated in the DC STEM Fair and to Ms. Hinkson for preparing them! **Congratulations to the Advanced Band!** - They performed at the Archdiocesan Band Festival on Sunday, March 17 at Bishop McNamara High School. They received a rating of "Excellent," which is the second highest possible rating, and a trophy! Their next performance will be at the Spring Concert on May 23.

**Bible Study** class with Fr. Begg is now in recess. We will resume after Easter.

## Archdiocese Announcements

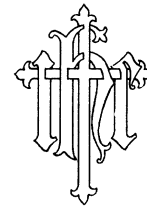
**"Mercy Me! Healing Broken Relationships" Monthly Mini-Retreats for Women** Discover "The Art of Relationships: The Masterpiece God is Making of Our Lives". Join the Women of Regnum Christi and our guest speaker, Dr. Lisa Klewicki, licensed clinical psychologist, as we prayerfully explore God's word on relationships. April's topic is "[Mercy Me! Healing Broken Relationships](#)". Evening retreat **Wednesday, April 10 7pm-9:45pm**. Morning retreat **Thursday, April 11 9:45am-12noon**. This special session includes: Mass, practical talk, personal reflection, and an individual exercise led by Dr. Lisa Klewicki. Also opportunities for Confession, a meal and fellowship. **Advance Registration Requested** [www.ourladyofbethesda.org](http://www.ourladyofbethesda.org)

For the faithful at home or in healthcare settings, the **Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass** brings spiritual comfort and the blessings of joy-filled hope in our Risen Savior. WMDE ch. 36 at 8:00 a.m. & WJAL channel 68 (LATV) at 9:00 a.m. Is someone you love unable to join us at church during this holy time of Lent and Easter? Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in Catholic Mass on TV or watch online anytime on Sundays at [www.HeartoftheNation.org](http://www.HeartoftheNation.org).

**Did You or Your Child Attend St. Raphael Nursery School?** St. Raphael Nursery School in Rockville is celebrating its 50th anniversary and is looking for photos and memorabilia—and wants to spread the word about its celebration for all on June 1. Details at [www.srnsmid.org](http://www.srnsmid.org) or call 301-762-2143. Tell your friends!

**Unplug on a Personal Retreat Day at Our Lady of Bethesda: May 24** Are your days overcrowded, jam-packed, and busy, busy, busy? Jesus tells us to "Come away with me," ... to Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center where your very own

personal retreat awaits. In the short, focused, weekday hours from 8:30am - 4pm, an experienced retreat master will guide you to a place of rest with Christ. With time for one-on-one spiritual direction, quiet reflection, Mass, Confessions, and Eucharistic Adoration, plus continental breakfast and lunch, you will be nourished and cared for while Our Lord speaks to your soul about the depths of His love for you. May 24. \$120 per person. Registration [www.ourladyofbethesda.org](http://www.ourladyofbethesda.org). Our Lady of Bethesda Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817



## Mass Intentions

### Monday, April 8

*Lenten Weekday*

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 Jn 8:12-20  
8:00 † Svato Schutzner  
12:10 For the Intentions of the Hollis Family

### Tuesday, April 9

*Lenten Weekday*

Nm 21:4-9 Jn 8:21-30  
8:00 † Emily Caplis Slocum  
12:10 † Theodore Slocum

### Wednesday, April 10

*Lenten Weekday*

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Jn 8:31-42  
8:00 † David Graham  
12:10 For the Intentions of Eugene Brady

### Thursday, April 11

*Lenten Weekday*

*St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr*

Gn 17:3-9 Jn 8:51-59  
8:00 † Timothy Patrick Granger  
12:10 † Bella & Tom Caplis

### Friday, April 12

*Lenten Weekday*

Jer 20:10-13 Jn 10:31-42  
8:00 † Eloisa Branch  
12:10 † Irmgard Remer-Lincoln

### Saturday, April 13

*Lenten Weekday*

*St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr*

Ez 37: 21-28 Jn 11: 45-56  
5:30 For the Intentions of Kelly & Brian Hanlon

### Sunday, April 14

*Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*

Lk 19:28-40 Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11 Lk 22:14-23:56  
8:30 † David Grahams  
10:30 For the Intentions of the Granger Family  
12:00 Pro Populo