

Shrine of THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT



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Mass Times ~ Presider Schedule

Saturday Vigil, October 21

5:30 p.m. ~ Father Alec

Sunday, October 22

7:30 a.m. ~ Father Bill 9:00 a.m.* ~ Father Regis 10:30 a.m. (Church) ~ Father Alec 10:30 a.m. (Church) ~ Father Regis 10:30 a.m. (Gym) ~ Father D'Silva 10:30 a.m. (Gym) ~ Father Bill 12:30 p.m. ~ Father Bill

5:30 p.m. ~ Father O

Saturday Vigil, October 28 5:30 p.m. ~ Father O

Sunday, October 29

7:30 a.m. ~ Father Alec 9:00 a.m.* ~ Father D'Silva

12:30 p.m. ~ Father Alec 5:30 p.m. ~ Father Bill

*American Sign Language interpreted Mass

Weekday & Saturday Masses

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m. Saturday: 8 a.m., 11 a.m.

Filipino Mass in Tagalog every 4th Sunday at 3:30 p.m.

Holy Day Masses

Eve of the Feast: 5:30 p.m.

Day of the Feast: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

Adoration Of The Blessed Sacrament*

Exposition: Monday-Friday, 3-5:15 p.m., in the church

Thursday before first Friday of each month, 6-8 p.m., with Holy Hour from 7-8 p.m.

*No adoration on federal holidays

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MASS & ADORATION SCHEDULE THE SECOND WEEK OF NOVEMBER

Because of the Bi-Annual Archdiocese of Washington Priest Convocation and the observation of the Veteran's Day Holiday, Blessed Sacrament will have the following Mass schedule from November 6-11:

Monday, November 6: Regular Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, November 7, 8, & 9: Daily Masses at 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Only

Friday, November 10 (Veteran's Day, Observed): Daily Masses at 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Only. Parish Offices Closed

Saturday, November 11: Regular Mass Schedule

There will be no Adoration November 6-10.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to on-going roof repairs, Adoration will be in the chapel. 5:30 pm Mass will continue to be in the Church. There will be no Adoration November 6-10.

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism • Baptismal classes are required of all parents prior to baptism. We recommend taking classes before the child is born. Group baptisms are offered every 2nd Saturday at noon in the chapel and 4th Sunday at 2 p.m. in the main church. For more info visit: www.blessedsacramentdc.org/sacraments-rites Matrimony • All couples who are to be married at Blessed Sacrament must complete our parish marriage preparation program. Please contact one of the parish priests six months in advance of your marriage date. Reconciliation • Friday and Saturday after the 11 a.m. Mass (if no funeral); Saturday, 4 - 5 p.m. and after the 5:30 p.m. Mass, or anytime by appointment. Altar Server Program: altarservers@blessedsacramentdc.org Eucharistic Minister Volunteers: worshipministry@blessedsacramentdc.org

PARISH SERVICES & INFORMATION

Care Of The Sick & Homebound • If you or someone you know is hospitalized or homebound and would like a priest to visit, contact the parish office at 202.966.6575.

New Parishioners • Welcome! To register as new parishioners, visit www. blessedsacramentdc.org/new-parishioners. Hard copies of the registration form are available at the parish office or contact Rick Perry: 202.449.3982. Bulletin Announcements • Hard Deadline: Mondays @ 9 a.m. Send to: bulletin@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Newsletter Content • newsletter@blessedsacramentdc.org

Website Postings • website@blessedsacramentdc.org

Facebook Postings • dbyers4@verizon.net

Church Bulletin Boards • The parish secretary maintains the church bulletin boards. Please drop off any flyers for posting to Joan Ward in the parish office, Duffy parish center.

Inclement Weather Policy • The parish center/office follows Montgomery County Schools for delays and closings. All evening activities are cancelled those days the schools are closed.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Dear Parish Family:

Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.

(Matthew 22:21)

These words of Jesus have been used frequently to assert the strict separation of Church and State—a foundational principle of our own Constitution. They were, however, never intended to imply that the expression of faith and moral principles must be restricted to the privacy of the home or Church building. The Greek word for "image" is "icon." This word describes far more than a simple re-presentation or photograph. An "icon" is the product of profound prayer and exudes a "presence" of the person whose image is represented. If we are made in the "image and likeness of God" and "redeemed by the blood of the Lamb," are we not then meant to be "icons" of God's presence? If that is true, the boundary between the political and the moral is necessarily obscured. Christians have an obligation to advocate for the helpless and the persecuted of all ages, races, religions, and ethnic backgrounds. The "right to life" extends far beyond the confines of sexual morality or the issue of euthanasia to all whose lives are threatened by unjust and oppressive policies. What are those forces that mitigate against family life and peace? Evil emerges from within the human soul and from outside; but let us take consolation in the confidence reflected in these words of St. Paul:

For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and [with] much conviction.

(1 Thessalonians 1:5)

Yours in Christ,
Father Bill Foley



The Sodality **Bazaar** Blessed Sacrament is coming on November 11th to a parish near you: YOURS! Please support us by donating gently used clothing, shoes, handbags, costume jewelry, toys, and small household items-no books, cushions/ stuffed toys, or furniture. We especially need childrens' clothes in good condition! Your

cast-offs make a big difference to our customers and have enabled us to contribute thousands of dollars to charities and church for over 70 years!

Donations may be dropped off at the Parish Center from the parking lot. And don't forget to come to the Bazaar for vendors, kids' activities and more!

Drop Off Times:

Wednesday, November 8: 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Thursday, November 9: 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Friday, November 10: 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

If you have an unusually large amount of clothes or items or your clothes are of exceptionally high quality, please contact Cathy Lincoln at cplincoln@yahoo.com to arrange for pick-up or drop-off at other times.



COME SEE WHAT SETS US APART!!! Blessed Sacrament School Open House dates:

October 24, 2017 9am Kindergarten

November 14, 2017 9am K-8

January 10, 2018 7pm K-8

Register for an Open House at www.bsstoday.org. Each Open House begins with refreshments and a brief social period, followed by our program, featuring remarks by students, the principal, parents and the admissions director. Tours follow the program, and there is a short Q&A for interested parents after the tours.

Questions? please email Nancy: nryan@ blessedsacramentdc.org



MONDAY, OCT 30 Kenwood Country Club 12:30pm shotgun start BSSGOLF.ORG

Golfers of ALL abilities and skill levels are encouraged to play! There will be a post-round happy hour and great giveaways for all participants, so start putting together your foursome! If you aren't able to participate, please consider sponsoring this event. All proceeds benefit the Monsignor Thomas G Smyth Endowment Fund and are used for the support and aid of the school. See the website for registration and sponsorship information. For more information, please contact Chris Connolly at chris.connolly@bfsaulco.com or Javier Aguirre at javier_e_aguirre@yahoo.com.

Be a BSS Event All Star! Your chance to Sponsor the Smyth Fund Golf Classic, Spring Benefit, and Bulldog 5K in one transaction is NOW! Interested? Contact Director of Development, Amanda Loveland, at aloveland@blessedsacramentdc.org.

PLEASE INCLUDE OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS THAT THEY MAY EXPERIENCE HEALING AND COMFORT

Ana Maria Arce Amanda Brignola Evelyn Childs Mary Anne Corr James Curran Ann Marie Duggan Ted Efantis
Meredith Gonyea
Bart Hayft
Alexa Hughes
Marian Middendorf
Patrick Adams Murphy

Fredy H. Ortega Daniel Ortman Maria Stechschlte Linda Tavenner Nelly Turner John Welsh

Youth Ministry

Leadership Positions Open Now!

We need leaders to help with all aspects of the Youth Ministry program! Students can receive service hours for filling a leadership role. To sign up or apply, go to the youth ministry page of the parish website:

- -High School Peer Leaders
- -Faith & Service Leadership Team
- -Adult CORE Team Members

High School

NEW! The High School SOR program: Sunday nights **6:30-8pm.** Study series this year features renowned Catholic speakers including Fr. Mike Schmitz and Leah Darrow. Curriculum includes service activities and guest speakers. Register online at the School of Religion page!

High School Youth Nights are every Wednesday night, 7-9pm. What do Alessia Cara, P!nk, and the Psalms have in common? What does the Church say about gender identity? Who is Jesus, and how do I pray? Topics include all these and more! This year includes service outings, fall retreat, ice skating, paintball, and more!

Middle School

Faith & Service nights have begun! We meet on the first Friday of every month. Meet at the 5:30 Mass, followed in the Auditorium 6pm-8pm. Includes dinner, games, a talk, and a service project. All middle school students are welcome! Seeking adult and high school leaders.

For more information and to register for these events, please contact Blessed Sacrament's Youth Minister, Casey Esser: cesser@blessedsacramentdc.org | 202.449.3985



All Soul's Mass

Our Annual Solemn Mass in Honor of All Souls will take place on **Thursday, November 2nd** at 7 p.m. in the church. Gabriel Faure's setting of the Requiem Mass will be performed by our Sanctuary Choir and orchestra. If you would like to include the name of a deceased loved one in the program, send names to jayrader@blessedsacramentdc.org by 5 p.m., **October 30th**.

RECENT BAPTISMS

Rose Carmody Brant Devin Charles Brinsfield Helen Marie Olson



Mark your calendars for a Gathering of all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. This event is designed for all those ministers who currently distribute Holy Communion at Mass or to the Sick and for those who are interested in doing so. Every Ministers of Holy Communion is expected to participate. Please choose the date most convenient for you!

Saturday, November 4, 9-11 a.m.

OR

Thursday, November 16, 7-9 p.m.

Please RSVP to Jay Rader at jayrader@blessedsacramentdc.org

Field of Remembrance Bulb Planting

Everyone is invited to come together on **Saturday, November 11th**, from 11am-3pm to plant tulip bulbs to replenish the Field of Remembrance on the Patterson Street side of the Field of Dreams. The bulbs are being donated by Marc Duffy in memory of Marianne and Caroline Duffy. Please bring a digging tool if you have one. Contact Marc Duffy at duffymr@verizon.net for more information. High schoolers and confirmation candidates can earn service hours too!

BLESSED SACRAMENT FACILITIES UPDATE

Parish Projects:

Church Roof – Our roof restoration project for the Church is under way. Please be attentive to the construction areas which are off limits to pedestrians for safety reasons. Scaffolding has been erected and more scaffolding is scheduled to go up very soon. The project will be gaining traction as weather permits. As previously noted, during the week there may be delivery trucks on Quesada Street or one or two pick-up trucks parked there. Also, sidewalk areas may be temporarily blocked periodically for safety reasons, but all church entrances should remain open.

Church Chimes – Note that we will not be ringing the chimes until after the roof project is complete.

School Projects:

Field Wall – The poured concrete portion of the wall is complete and the brick work should be starting this week.

If you have any additional questions about these projects, please contact jnavolio@blessedsacramentdc.org

Poor Box Donations

Poor Box donations in **October** will benefit the Washington English Center, which offers English as a Second Language (ESL), citizenship preparation, and basic computer classes to low-income adult immigrants. Contributions will go toward scholarships for those students who cannot afford the school's minimal fees.



Our men's spirituality program, **That Man Is You**, which meets at the awful hour of 6:30 a.m. Saturday mornings, features 13 sessions per semester. We're approaching session 7 this coming **Saturday, October 28**. If you're thinking, "Well, too late for that," not so. You can try out TMIY anytime and come as often as you want. Stop by for a hot breakfast, a video and small-group discussion.



Revelation Video and Discussion Series

Revelation—The Kingdom Yet to Come is an 11-week video and discussion series that demonstrates how the Church on earth is connected to the Kingdom of Heaven. This study is offered in the school auditorium on **Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m.** until December. Register online at ascensionpress.com and your registration includes the student materials, as well as the ability to stream the study videos online at your convenience. For more info, contact Ceil Malphrus at ceilmalphrus@verizon.net.



Bread, Book and Brethren

A favorite Georgetown Theology professor, Dr. Tony Tambasco, will speak to the Wednesday morning Bible study on **October 25**. Come by at 9 a.m. to the Parish Center main level for coffee and structured group discussion or come for the lecture at 10 a.m. on the gospel of John. All welcomed by Bread, Book and Brethren.

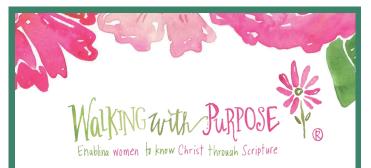
SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank **Borger Management**, **Inc.** for placing an ad in our weekly bulletin.

Thought for the Week From Pope Francis



Our relationship with [Muslims] has taken on great importance, since they are now significantly present in many traditionally Christian countries.... The sacred writings of Islam have retained some Christian teachings; Jesus and Mary receive profound veneration and it is admirable to see how Muslims ... make time for daily prayer and faithfully take part in religious services. Many of them also have a deep conviction that their life, in its entirety, is from God and for God. They also acknowledge the need to respond to God with an ethical commitment and with mercy towards those most in need (Joy of the Gospel, 252).



Walking with Purpose invites women of all ages to a Connect Coffee talk about

Keeping in Balance **Getting a Grip in Our Relationships**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 8:45-10:30 a.m. **Duffy Parish Center**

No obligation to register for the course. Free babysitting.

For more info, contact: Pam Kelly: 202.320.3340 | pamelagkelly@gmail.com

Join Cub Scout Pack 90!

Calling all 1st through 5th grade boys! Cub Scout Pack 90 is starting up for another action-packed year. Come join one of the oldest Cub Scout troops in the city with a long history of connection and service to the Blessed Sacrament parish community. We have monthly pack and den meetings and our highlights include an overnight campout, the pinewood derby, rocket launching, hikes, and the Blue and Gold Dinner. We are also very involved in a number of regular parish activities. Learn leadership, citizenship, teamwork, and sportsmanship skills. Any questions, please contact John F. Schulz at 202.341.0291 or jschulz@sqfi.com.

THE ADULT CENTER

All parishioners, "39 and holding," are invited to gather in Apt. 1 in the Chevy Chase apartment building next to the church for fellowship after the 11 a.m. weekday Mass. Bring a sandwich and join the activities. For more information or for transportation, call Rita Killian at 202.363.5069.

Out To Lunch Bunch - Join us as we explore Monday

> neighborhood restaurants. This week Bread and Chocolate - leaving from the Adult Center at Noon.

Strong Seniors Strength & Balance Exercise Class Tuesday Wednesday Art Class with Dick Swartz

Thursday Bridge for Bridge Lovers Friday Closed

Kids 'n Seniors HALLOWEEN PARTY at the Adult Center. Please join us for lunch and all the fun on Monday, October 30 at 12 noon. The costumed children from Blessed Sacrament Young Families Ministry will entertain us with scary fun. Please call Rita Killian 202.363.5069 for reservations.



Your SHARE @ Blessed Sacrament food co-op has lined up a savory selection at bargain prices for your Thanksgiving celebration:

\$34 Thanksgiving Dinner: 10-15 lb Butterball turkey, sweet potato patties, frozen corn and mixed vegetables, macaroni and cheese, and apple pie

\$22 Value Package: 5 lb roasting chicken, pork sausage, Tilapia fillets, mashed potatoes, elbow macaroni, fresh sweet potatoes and 8-10 lbs of fresh seasonal produce

\$44 Turkey and Value Package Combo: Includes the Value Package dinner plus a 10-15 lb Butterball turkey

\$16 Harvest Produce Box: An array of 8 fresh nutritional items

To order, visit the parish web site: www.blessedsacramentdc. org. Ordering deadline is Monday, November 6, at 5 p.m. Pick up your food on Friday afternoon, November 17, 3-6 p.m. For more information, leave a message in the SHARE Voice Mailbox: 202.449.4611 or email SHARE@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Gift and Donation Idea: SHARE packages make great "Thank You" or "Thinking about you" gifts for a friend or someone who has helped you. Make yourself and others happy with nutritious food from SHARE @ BS! And we always appreciate donations so we can provide those in need with holiday meals. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE: DECEMBER 2!! Greg Gannon Canned Food Drive Www.ggcfd.org

FROM THE COMMUNITY

Help the Hungry and Homeless at SOME's 16th Annual Thanksgiving Day Trot for Hunger

SOME (So Others Might Eat) invites you to join us Thanksgiving morning (November 23) for SOMEs 16th Annual Thanksgiving Day Trot for Hunger. The only Turkey Trot in the District, the Trot for Hunger is a tradition for thousands of area residents and a meaningful way to remember people in need on Thanksgiving Day. Proceeds from the 5K benefit thousands of homeless families and Please visit www.some.org to register and learn more, or contact Rebecca Potts-Dupre at trotforhunger@some.org or 202.797.8806 ext. 1031 for additional information.

Men's Discernment Mass and Dinner

On **Sunday, October 29**, the Office of Priest Vocations will hold a Men's Discernment Mass and Dinner at St. Peter's on Capitol Hill. Mass with Cardinal Wuerl will begin at 4 p.m. followed by dinner and a discussion of the priesthood with priests, seminarians, and other men from the D.C. area. Men must register to attend. Please visit www.DCpriest.org and select "Events" to register. Please call the Office of Priest Vocations at 202.636.9020 or email Fr. Mark Ivany at vocations@adw.org with any questions.

Esprit de Noel

Please join the Georgetown Visitation community for our annual Christmas market **Friday, November 3**, 11 a.m.-9 p.m. and **Saturday, November 4**, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Come stroll around a music-filled Christmas wonderland in the heart of Georgetown, get an early start on your shopping at 70 boutiques and our silent auction, enjoy homemade baked goods, and taste fare from some of DC's finest food trucks. Esprit is free and open to the public, with free on-campus parking.

Academy of the Holy Cross' Open House

The Academy of the Holy Cross invites you to attend our Open House on **Sunday, November 5th** from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. In addition to student-led tours and opportunities to meet our faculty and administration, you will receive information about our Honors, AP, IB, and STEM programs, our Marymount University Dual Credit/ Dual Enrollment initiative, as well as our conference-winning athletics and renowned performing and fine arts programs. Mass will be offered at 9 a.m. Call the Admissions Office at 301.929.6442 for more information.

CHIMES CHATTER

"A Large Mallet"...

percussion instrument; in fact, our type of tower chimes are the world's largest mallet percussion instrument ever made. The word "percussion" is likely from the Latin "percussio", derived from the verb "percutere" meaning to strike forcibly (from "per-" or through plus "quatere" or to shake or strike). Among percussion instruments (those that are struck) are included drums, cymbals, marimbas, tambourines, xylophones and of course, chimes.



Photo by Joe Bozik

xylophones and of course, chimes. Our John C. Deagan Company's tower chimes are "struck" electromechanically by actuating rawhide-tipped hammers hitting each of our sixteen bronze tubes. Deagan's chimes and his other percussion inventions are featured in the Percussion Arts Society's (PAS) archive pages (www.PAS.org). Founded in 1961, PAS is world's largest percussion organization, and operates as a networking source for percussionists, out of Indianapolis, IN. Its mission is to promote percussion education, research, performance and appreciation. Two bi-monthly publications, "Percussive Notes" and "Percussion News", provide features about current news and upcoming conferences.

Who knew?: Although the Deagan Company's manufacturing facility was in Chicago, Deagan in his later years lived in Hermosa Beach, CA where he died in 1934 (one year before our chimes were installed). By the time of his death, Deagan managed installation of over 340 tower chimes instruments. The Company's manufacturing continued under the leadership of Deagan's son and daughter-in-law, and then grandson, Jack Deagan, until operations ceased in the early 1970's.

Chime in with your story: 1RetroJoe@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN FAMILY MOVEMENT MINISTRY

There have been 521 mass shootings (four or more injured or killed in the same incident) in the past 16 months since the shooting in Orlando where 49 died and many were wounded. There has been no action by Congress (*New York Times*, 10/3/17).

A Prayer For Help In Ending Violence

Loving and faithful God, through the years the people of our archdiocese have prayed in times of war, disaster and illness. We come to you Father and ask you to help us in the battle of today against violence, murder and racism.

We implore you to give us your wisdom that we may build a community founded on the values of Jesus, which give respect to the life and dignity of all people.

Bless parents that they may form their children in faith. Bless and protect our youth that they may be the peacemakers of our time. Give consolation to those who have lost loved ones through violence.

Hear our prayer and give us the perseverance to be a voice for life and human dignity in our community.

We ask you this through Christ our Lord.