FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT April 2, 2017

Sunday, April 2

Monday, April 3

12:00 pm 🕆 Ignacio & Matilde Cabrera

Tuesday, April 4

Wednesday, April 5

12:00 pm ⊕ Rita Horbett Burns

Thursday, April 6

Friday, April 7

12:00 pm Sister Rosalba Perez (Living)

Saturday, April 8

Holy Week Schedule 2017

Palm Sunday, April 9, 2017

Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am and 11:00am (Choir)

Holy Thursday, April 13, 2017

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm (Choir)

No 12:00noon Mass

Good Friday, April 14, 2017

Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord at 12:00noon Stations of the Cross at 3:00pm

Holy Saturday, April 15, 2017

The Easter Vigil Mass at 7:00pm No 5:00pm Mass

Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017

Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am & 11:00am (Brass & Choir)

At the Easter Vigil this year, St. Ann's Parish welcomes into full communion with the Catholic Church the following individuals who have been preparing all year instruction in the Faith: Dr. Ramin Oskoui, Amanda Neal, David Treichler and Rockie and Nissa Wilson.

For more information, visit our website at **stanndc.org**

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Faith Direct provides offertory cards to be used during the collection as a visible sign of your electronic donations. These cards are personalized with your name, church id number and church. These cards indicate your name and the name of your church. You will receive a packet of cards approximately two weeks after we receive your enrollment, and again each year on the anniversary of your enrollment. If you run out of offertory cards, you can request more at any time.

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.

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.

Respect Life News: Planned Parenthood founder and eugenics proponent, Margaret Sanger, [admired by Hitler] in her book, Woman and the New Race, published in 1920, wrote that birth control 'is nothing more or less than the facilitation of the process of weeding out the unfit, of preventing the birth of defectives or of those who will become defectives.' Another book published in 1920 was German law professor Karl Binding and psychiatrist Alfred Hoche's, Allowing the Destruction of Life Unworthy of Living (lebensunwerten Lebens), a book the Nazis used to justify their "Euthanasia" program during which an estimated 250,000-350,000 Germans "unworthy of living" lost their lives. Today as well, many are considered "unworthy of living" or "defective" by abortion advocates and those who resort to that procedure." Among the millions so designated are people with Down syndrome (DS). This syndrome is also known as Trisomy-21 because there is a full or partial extra copy of chromosome 21 in the genetic makeup of DS people resulting in various degrees of intellectual and physical disability and associated medical issues. DS has been a part of the human condition for thousands of years but it was only in 1959 that its major cause, the triplication of Chromosome 21, was discovered independently by the French geneticist and Servant of God, Jerome Lejeune, in Paris and Scottish geneticist, Patricia Jacobs, in the United States. Tragically, many couples, whose unborn children are diagnosed with DS are advised to abort them. It has been estimated that such couples choose abortion 92 % of the time. Despite this devastating situation, DS advocacy and research takes place worldwide. Since 2006, there have been World Down Syndrome Days observed on 3.21, a symbolic date derived from Trisomy 21. On that day in 2012. Ban Ki-moon, the then UN General Secretary, said in part: "...let us reaffirm that persons with Down syndrome are entitled to the full and effective enjoyment of all human rights and fundamental freedoms. Let us each do our parts to enable children and [adults] with Down syndrome to participate fully in the development and life of their societies on an equal basis with others." Regrettably, many have failed to recognize the right to life as the most necessary of the "human rights" Ban Ki-moon spoke of (40 Days for Life 3.21 report; worlddownsyndromeday.org; dshealth.com/trisomy and various related websites, passim).

Office Available at the Franciscan Monastery: The Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land has a 150-square-foot office available for rent to a non-profit or individual. Located at 1400 Quincy St. NE, near Catholic University, the sunny office includes wifi and secure parking. Requested rent is \$1,000/month. Contact Friar John-Sebastian, OFM, at (202) 526-6800 or sebastian@myfranciscan.com.

7 Church Walk: April 8, DCCatholic invites all young adults to the 14th Annual 7 Church Walk! Join young adults (20s and 30s) for our annual Lenten pilgrimage as we continue a Roman tradition in DC! Come on pilgrimage without leaving the city as we will visit seven churches in downtown DC, praying together at each station. Call (301) 853-4559 or Email: DCCatholic@adw.org

Website: http://adw.org/young-adult-ministry

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection: Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.

Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholics, schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians, in these times of crisis; the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the church in the Holy Land. Please be generous.

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday

Archdiocese of Washington Women's Conference: May 20, at 8:30am - 4:00pm. "Occasions of Grace: Encountering God's Grace in Day to Day Family Life." Wondering how you can encounter God's grace in your day to day life? Are you seeking ways to bring grace into your family life? Join women from across the Archdiocese of Washington for the 5th Annual Women's Conference on May 20, 2017 at Catholic University of America (Pryzbyla Center) 620 Michigan Ave., N.E. Washington, DC 20064 301-853-4466 or email mcdonald@adw.org

Tenleytown Main Street: Is again this year celebrating Earth Day by sprucing up the eight blocks of Wisconsin Avenue from Fessenden to Yuma. Volunteers will remove litter, weed and mulch street trees as well as trim plantings in the parks at Fessenden Street and Tenley Circle. Save the date - April 22, from 9:00am to 12:00noon. Come to Fessenden Park to get your supplies (gloves, bags, mulch etc. Visit http://tenleytownmainstreet.org/event/tenleytownearth-day/ or call (202) 215-0156 for more information.

For Sale: The Colonnade, 2801 New Mexico Avenue, NW #808 is a light-filled 2BR, 2 1/2BA unit with treetop and sunset views. Large living room with balcony access; separate dining room; updated kitchen with breakfast nook and bright bay window. Master bedroom has double closet, adjoining dressing area with 2 closets and updated master bath. Second bedroom has double closet and en suite bath. UV coated double-paned windows. Storage unit and garage parking. Contact: Frances Anderson, Long and Foster, 202-364-1300 (o), 202-487-7431

Job Openings: Interested in using your professional experience and education to serve the Church? The Central Pastoral Administration of the Archdiocese of Washington is accepting applications for positions in human resources, catechesis, support staff and other areas. For a current list of job openings please go to http://adw.org/employment-opportunities.

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