

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 5, 2017

Sunday, February 5

7:30 am † Souls in Purgatory

9:00 am † Daniel Cooper

11:00 am † Hotka Deceased Family Members

Monday, February 6

12:00 pm † Rita Horbett Burns

Tuesday, February 7

12:00 pm † All Souls

Wednesday, February 8

12:00 pm † All Souls

Thursday, February 9

12:00 pm † All Souls

Friday, February 10

12:00 pm † Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, February 11

5:00 pm † Angeline Miranda Planta

**Our new website is up!!!
please visit us: stanndc.org**

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 2017 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 2017 Cardinal's Appeal.

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.

Faith Direct Online Giving (Parish Code: DC811)

How does Faith Direct work? This secure program works directly with your bank, credit, or debit card in the same way as other electronic funds transfer payments you may already conduct (such as utility bills or your mortgage payment). All transactions are processed electronically, debiting your bank account or charging your credit\debit card automatically for the amounts you designate.

Can any additional funds be taken from my account other than what I have authorized? No! We process only the amount you designate for your church, and only you can change the amount of money that may be processed on a monthly basis. We send an email each month with the details of your upcoming donations so there will be no surprises!

When will my account(s) be debited? When you enroll in the Faith Direct program you can choose to have your monthly donations processed on the 4th, 15th, or both 4th and 15th. Your donations will be processed in one transaction for the total offertory, campaign and/or second collection donation amounts you have designated. Your church will receive your donations within five business days.

Can I stop, increase or decrease my payment at any time? Yes, you can make changes to your account anytime by accessing your account online, by contacting our customer service team at (866) 507-8757, by sending us an email or even by chatting with a customer service representative online. There is no minimum donation amount or financial penalty if you cancel.

I would feel uncomfortable not being able to participate in the collection using an envelope or check. What should I do? 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

Annual Motherhood Conference: Saturday, February 11, Women's leadership organization, Yuma Center, is hosting its annual Motherhood Conference on Saturday, February 11 from 9:00am to 1:00pm. This half-day conference brings mothers of all ages together to hear inspiring lectures and to have an opportunity to share the adventure and challenge of motherhood. Keynote talk will be given by professional coach Dr. Stacy Kim on "The Four Myths that Hold Moms Back". Cost before February 1: \$40.00, includes breakfast. Nursing babies welcome. Yuma Center's programs are inspired by the thought and work of St. Josemaria Escriva, the founder of Opus Dei, and the teachings of the Catholic Church. Yuma Center is located behind St. Ann's Church at 4101 Yuma St. Washington, DC 20016. Please visit www.yumadc.org/motherhood for registration or email regina.bethencourt@yumadc.org for more information.

St. Ann's Youth Group: The St. Ann's Youth Group is again participating in the national "Souper Bowl of Caring" on Super Bowl weekend (February 4th/5th). Members of the Youth Group will be at the doors after Mass holding soup pots. Your generous help will send needed funds to Friendship Place, a local organization that helps many people each day. Thank you, parishioners, for supporting this project for the 13th year! Every dollar really does make a difference!

Marriage Preparation Program: In Gaithersburg, February 11, 9:00am to 5:00pm. The Sacramental Preparation for Marriage program is designed to complement the preparation you are receiving from the priest or deacon that will witness your marriage. It is only one piece, albeit a very important one, of the six-month preparation required by the Archdiocese of Washington. We encourage you to look into taking a pre-marital assessment tool (such as the FOCCUS or Prepare/Enrich tools) and/or to request a mentor couple in your parish to meet with and discuss your up-coming marriage. Because marriage is a vocation, a call to holiness, our purpose and goal is to offer you some important information you will need regarding your upcoming marriage in the Catholic Church. Two consecutive Saturdays, 9:00am to 5:00pm (February 11 and 18, 2017). To Register: Please contact the Religious Formation Office at 301-977-7990 or mjoseph@saintjohnneumann.org

Theology on Tap: March 7, 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Join young adults at Buffalo Billiards in Dupont Circle for our 4 week TOT series. Join us Tuesday evenings. All young adults (21-late 30s) are invited for Happy Hour specials from 6:00pm to 7:00pm with a talk and Q/A to follow from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Must have valid 21+ ID to enter. Theology on Tap features:

- * Dynamic talk on the topic of faith
- * Catholic Community
- * Free Pool/Darts
- * Happy Hour Specials from 6:00pm to 7:00pm
- * Food and Drink Specials all night!

Learn more at www.facebook.com/DCCatholic
www.adw.org/tot or email Jonathan Lewis at DCCatholic@adw.org or call (301) 853-4559
Website: <http://adw.org/young-adult-ministry/>

Marriage Enrichment Day: Saturday, February 11, 2017
A day-long Marriage Enrichment Retreat will be held on Saturday, February 11, 2017 at St. Michael the Archangel Parish, in Silver Spring, MD. Entertaining and engaging speakers will present topics such as communication, understanding your spouse's needs, building intimacy in your marriage, and fostering forgiveness. Enjoy quiet reflection with your spouse and take the opportunity to renew your wedding vows during the closing mass. Sponsored by St. Michael the Archangel Parish and Our Lady of Bethesda's Center for Family Development. The day will begin at 8:30am and conclude with the parish 4:00pm Vigil Mass. Cost is \$50 per couple, which includes lunch and materials. Spanish translation services will be available. Space is limited and RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. To register or for more information please send an email to smacc.marriage@gmail.com

Respect Life News: Among the many issues, many very worthy, that were addressed in the January 21 "Women's March on Washington," so-called "reproductive rights," i.e., abortion "rights," however, loomed very large. The *Washington Post* reported before the march, that its "biggest sponsor" was Planned Parenthood. Planned Parenthood is also, as is well known, the nation's "biggest" abortion provider, responsible for some 333,000 abortions a year. Its president, Cecile Richards, was one of the platform speakers. The march's website described that group as one of the "premier" partners in its long list of partners. Other pro-choice partners included NARAL ((National Abortion Rights Action League) Pro-Choice America; "Emily's List," whose mission is to support pro-choice Democratic women running for office and whose website titles one section: "I will Defend *Roe. V. Wade*," the Catholic Church condemned "Catholics for Choice"; the "Center for Reproductive Rights" and #VOTEPROCHOICE. On the other hand, an article in *The Atlantic Magazine* about the march announced that a Texas based pro-life group, "New Wave Feminists" was one of the march's partners. January 16, the same day the magazine appeared, "New Wave Feminists" was removed from the list of the march's partners. Also removed were the former Planned Parenthood facility employee, Abby Johnson's group, "And Then There Were None"; "Stanton Health Care," which provides no abortions or contraception products; Students for Life of America and "*Life Matters Journal*." Individual members of such groups, however, braved the opposition of pro-choice participants and marched nevertheless (*Washington Post*, 1.19.17; 1.20.17; 1.21.17; "2017 Women's March," *Wikipedia* ; websites of "New Wave Feminists" and "Women's March on Washington").

Natural Family Planning Center of Washington, D.C.: Introductory class on the Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Family Planning will be offered Tuesday February 21, 2017 in the Media Library of Our Lady of Lourdes School, 7500 Pearl Street, Bethesda, MD 20814. Parking is available in the church lot across from the school. Enter via the handicap walk to the right of the Rectory entrance. There is no fee for this class but donation is welcome. Follow-up appointments are arranged individually and are available as long as needed to understand and follow the Billings Method. Email hannaklaus@gmail.com or call (301) 897-9323 or o reserve a place.

Catholic Date Night: March 25, 2017
6:00 to 7:00pm. A night out for engaged & married couples
6:00 to 6:30pm – Wine & Cheese
6:30 to 7:00pm – Relationship Talk & Discussion
Begin your date night with fellowship, free wine and cheese, prayer, and an inspiring talk on growing together in love. Join us monthly on Saturday night's from 6:00pm to 7:00pm at Our Lady of Lourdes in downtown Bethesda: February 25, March 25, April 22, and May 13.
Co-hosted by the Office of Young Adult Ministry and Office of Family Life of the Archdiocese of Washington. For more information contact the Office for Family Life: flm@adw.org