

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT March 5, 2017

Sunday, March 5

7:30 am † Souls in Purgatory
9:00 am † Robert Graves
11:00 am † June Noll

Monday, March 6

12:00 pm † Rita Hornett Burns

Tuesday, March 7

12:00 pm † Brewer Family

Wednesday, March 8

12:00 pm † Leoncio Ancheta

Thursday, March 9

12:00 pm † Soul in Purgatory

Friday, March 10

12:00 pm † Hotka Family

Saturday, March 11

5:00 pm † Hotka Family

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

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.

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.

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/>

LENT

Confession & Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesday during Lent from 7:00pm – 8:00pm
Station of the Cross: Fridays at 11:30am & 7:00pm

Here are the church regulations for fasting and abstinence during Lent:

- * Everyone 14 years of age or older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.
- * Everyone 18 or older, and under 59 years of age, is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- * On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
- * Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.

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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.

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 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.

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.

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.

Respect Life News: The recent history and current status of the District's so called "Death with Dignity" Act is as follows: On Monday evening, February 13, the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee voted 22 to 14 in favor of a Resolution of Disapproval of that Act, which legalizes physician assisted suicide in the District of Columbia. Representative Jason Chaffetz, (R-Utah), chairman of the Committee rightly sees the law as a moral issue "and thinks that Congress should intervene, no matter what form that action takes." Under the Home Rule Act of 1973, Congress has authority to nullify a bill, if a joint resolution of disapproval is enacted into law during a thirty legislative day review period after the resolution is introduced in Congress. Unfortunately, the review period, expired on Friday, February 17 without the resolution's becoming law and the "Death with Dignity Act" took effect the next day. A House floor vote was prevented after the markup, non-voting District Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton, said "by calling out the 24 House Republicans, including two members of House leadership, who are from the six states where" physician assisted suicide is legal. The struggle, however, is not over. It will take several months before the law can be implemented and the city needs the money to "create a way for doctors to document requests for" lethal drugs "and for the city's medical examiner to create a classification for reporting deaths that ensue." Congress still has the option to block it by introducing an amendment to that effect in the annual appropriations bill. House Appropriations Committee Member Andy Harris (R-MD) has "said that he was confident the assisted suicide law could be effectively stifled through the appropriations process and that he would 'absolutely' pursue such an amendment." Parishioners are urgently requested to pray for the success of these Congressional efforts and to ask for the support of members of the House Appropriations Committee. For names of the Committee members and their contact information, open house.gov or call the Capitol switchboard at (202) 224-3121. (Washington Post, 2.14, p. B 1, B 5; 2.16, p. B1, B5. 2017; "Congresswoman Norton's enewsletter," 2.20, 2017)

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
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. Catholic Date RSVP at DCCatholic.eventbrite.com.

The Sunday TV Mass: Do you know someone who can't get to Mass? Since 1952, the Archdiocese of Washington has produced a weekly televised Mass for those who are homebound, broadcast from the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. It is a wonderful ministry for those members of our Catholic family who are unable to be physically present with a local worshipping community for the Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy. Interested parties please email communications@adw.org

ACCW Sponsored Pilgrimage: The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) invites you to join them on Saturday, March 11, 2017 for a pilgrimage to America's First Cathedral in Baltimore, the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The historic Baltimore Basilica, built from 1806-1821, was the first great metropolitan cathedral constructed in the United States after the adoption of the Constitution. Benjamin Henry Latrobe, father of American architecture, architect of the national Capitol, designed the Cathedral. Carpools will leave from the Church of the Resurrection in Burtonsville, MD at 9:30am. Local carpools can be arranged. Guided tour is scheduled for 11:00am. Rosary and Mass at 12:00noon then a trip to Baltimore's inner harbor for lunch and sightseeing. Call Questions? Sonia D. Bobis: sondbobis119@gmail.com; or call (240) 264-1821.

Spring Theology on Tap: Whole 40: A Lenten Spiritual Detox, starting March 14. Looking for a spiritual re-set? Ever looked for spiritual guidance at a bar? Join other young professionals for our 4-week Theology on Tap series: Whole 40: A Lenten Spiritual Detox as we focus on four healthy and essential ingredients for the spiritual life: prayer, fasting, almsgiving, and confession. Learn how these practices can help you reconnect with God and yourself this Lent. All young adults (21-late 30s) are invited to Buffalo Billiards in Dupont Circle on Tuesday evenings from March 14 - April 4. Meet other YA Catholics and invite friends for Happy Hour specials from 6:00 – 7:00pm with a talk and Q/A. Learn more about the speakers and series at: www.facebook.com/DCCatholic/events or email Jonathan at DCCatholic@adw.org

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 Please contact Deb McDonald, Executive Director of Parish Pastoral Planning at 301-853-4466 or email mcdonald@adw.org

A Day for Hope and Healing: 10:00am - 4:00pm. *A Day for Hope and Healing for Those Struggling with Infertility or Have Suffered a Miscarriage.* Saturday, March 25, 2017.
10:00am to 11:30am Holy Mass
12:00pm to 12:45pm Lunch
1:00pm to 2:30pm Panel with Q&A
2:30pm to 4:00pm Praise and Worship during Adoration with Confession. Free admission! Free lunch! Free on-site parking! The event is free of charge but advance registration is encouraged for planning purposes. Nevertheless, walk-ins are welcome. For more information or to register, visit: dayforhope.eventbrite.com. Email: flm@adw.org.