

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## April 22, 2018

### Monday, April 22

7:30 am † Don McMullin

9:00 am † Anne Furey

11:00 am † *Pro Populo*

### Monday, April 23

12:00 pm † Rene Marasigan

### Tuesday, April 24

12:00 pm † Philip Dignan

### Wednesday, April 25

12:00 pm Remy Aydalla (*Living*)

### Thursday, April 26

12:00 pm † Pedro Aydalla

### Friday, April 27

12:00 pm † Poblito Arrega

### Saturday, April 28

5:00 pm † Lilyan Plumb

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Thank you very much for your generosity to the weekly Collections at Mass: **The Offertory Collection** last weekend was \$6,548. **The Faith Direct Online Collection** for the second half of March was \$14,524. (We report to you the online giving amount twice a month.) Enroll in eGiving through @FaithDirect so you can support St. Ann from anywhere. To enroll, just go to [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) or download the free app and use our church **code: DC811**. God bless and thank you!

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visit our website at [stanndc.org](http://stanndc.org)**

**Sick Calls:** Please email us at [stann@stanndc.org](mailto: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 at [stann@stanndc.org](mailto:stann@stanndc.org).

**Saint of the Week:** Fidelis of Sigmaringen 1577 – 1622.

(*Feast April 24*). Born in Sigmaringen (Germany), Mark Roy studied philosophy and law at the University of Freiburg in Breisgau. After tutoring young aristocrats and traveling Europe with them, he began practicing law in Alsace, where he quickly became “the poor person’s lawyer.”



But, disillusioned over other lawyers’ behavior, he gave up the law to follow a vocation in religious life. As an ordained Capuchin named Fidelis, he was renowned for his holiness, preaching and leadership. He was superior at several houses before being invited to eastern Switzerland to call Protestants back to Catholicism. This mission, complicated by the politics of the time and hatred of the Catholic Habsburgs, became increasingly dangerous and led to his murder by opponents. He was canonized in 1746.

**St. Ann’s Ice Cream Social Sunday on April 29:** Come celebrate spring and say hello to our pastor, Msgr. Watkins, at the St. Ann’s Ice Cream Social on **Sunday April 29 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm in the St. Ann’s Gym**. Please stop in for a tasty treat, meet your fellow parishioners and learn about easy ways to serve your parish, including how to become an altar server, a lector or an usher. See you there.

**St. Ann’s Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee Kickoff Sunday, May 20:** Did you know that St. Ann’s celebrates its 150th anniversary next year? Please join us on **Sunday, May 20 at 12:15pm** (just after the 11:00am Mass) in the Undercroft for the kickoff meeting of St. Ann’s Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee. To reach the Undercroft, enter through the gates on Wisconsin Avenue to the left of the church and walk downstairs. We welcome your ideas and participation.

**St. Ann’s Center for Children, Youth and Families:** Annual Benefit on **Wednesday, May 2 from 6:00 to 8:00pm**, **St. Ann’s Center for Children, Youth and Families** will host its annual benefit reception and awards ceremony at Columbia Country Club in Chevy Chase, MD. St. Ann’s Center has a 158-year history committed to lifting at-risk children, mothers, and families out of poverty and homelessness. Mr. Chuck Short will be presented with the Michele Heidenberger Volunteer Award and The Honorable Marielsa Bernard will be presented with the Mary McGrory Advocacy Award. For more information, contact 301-559-5500 or [events@stanns.org](mailto:events@stanns.org).

**Saint John Paul II National Shrine**, invites everyone to sign-up for **weekly Thursday Adoration**. The Saint John Paul II National Shrine holds a weekly hour of Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00pm in the Redemptory Hominis Church. Each week of the year, the prayer service will be led by a different parish, group, or movement in the Archdiocese of Washington. The initiative will highlight and celebrate the diversity and richness of our local communities of faith. It will also foster the sharing of inspiration and ways of worshiping in a spirit of communion. To learn more contact, Anne-Elisabeth Giuliani at [Anne.Giuliani@jp2shrine.org](mailto:Anne.Giuliani@jp2shrine.org) or 202-635-5428.

**Respect Life News:** St. John Paul II has said that laws alone will not solve society's problems. Ultimately, he affirmed, a change in culture will be more effective and lasting. Just laws, however, can help. Often ignorance and deception are involved, in creating societal ills. It is therefore encouraging that a number of state legislatures continue to introduce and pass pro-life laws, since "the law is a teacher" as the maxim has it. Among such states, we note that on April 3, the Missouri House of Representatives gave final approval to H.B.1266 which would protect unborn babies from abortion who are 20 weeks and older, a developmental point by which the baby would feel pain during the abortion. Pro-choice advocates, of course, maintain that the unborn experience pain later in pregnancy. The bill, allows exceptions when a woman's life is endangered or she is at "serious risk of substantial and irreversible physical impairment of a major bodily function, not including psychological or emotional conditions." Of particular importance is the exclusion of "psychological or emotional conditions" since after Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton, such conditions were used to justify almost unlimited abortions through all three trimesters of pregnancy. The bill now moves to the state Senate. In another encouraging development, The AP reported that Governor Pete Ricketts (R) of Nebraska signed a two-year \$8.8 billion state budget into law on April 4 with a measure that prohibits tax dollars to groups that promote or provide abortions, "Today, I signed new pro-life budget language into law. This provision ensures that Title X taxpayer dollars do not fund abortion services, including abortion referrals, at any clinic in Nebraska," the Governor said. The budget prohibits Title X family planning funds from going to any group that "performs, assists with the performance of, provides directive counseling in favor of, or refers for abortion." The provision allows Planned Parenthood and other abortion groups to qualify for the funding if they stop aborting unborn babies or encouraging abortions. Groups also may qualify if they completely separate their abortion practices from their health care services. It also would require health clinics to demonstrate physical, financial and legal separation from abortion providers. Planned Parenthood, the nation's biggest abortion provider, predictably, "criticized Nebraska lawmakers for the defunding measure and vowed to keep fighting." We also note that "Mississippi Governor, Phil Bryant (R) on" March 19 "signed the nation's tightest abortion restrictions into law. The new law "bans most abortions after 15 weeks of gestation" Abortion advocates say the law is unconstitutional and the owner of the state's only abortion facility "has pledged to sue" (Washington Post, 3.20.18: A 2; nationalrighttolifenews.org, 4.4.18; lifenews.com, 4.4.18; USCCB, Pro-Life Secretariat, 7.16.10).

**Quo Vadis Camp:** The Office of Priest Vocation's annual Quo Vadis Camp for high school aged young men will be held at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD from July 15 to 18. The four-day camp includes daily Mass, prayer, talks, sports, and much more. Bus transportation is available. More information please contact the Office of Priest Vocations at Email: vocations@adw.org or call 202-636-9020.

**Friends & Neighbors Breakfast:** Friendship Place will hold its 14th annual breakfast on **Thursday, May 3, 2018, from 8:30am to 9:30am, at Washington Hebrew Congregation**, 3935 Macomb St., N.W. Our Parish has been a long-time supporter of Friendship Place - each year, the Youth Group prepares shoe boxes for its consumers and supports its work through the "Souper Bowl" collection. Please join the St. Ann's table so you can learn more about how Friendship Place helps the homeless in our local area - and so we can have a big turnout from St. Ann's! Contact Ted Hirt at tedhirt@comcast.net, or Kathy Curran at kcurran@chausa.org, if you are interested in attending this event. Space will be limited. This is a fund-raising event, but whether you contribute or not is voluntary.

**Supporting Josephite Seminarians:** For over 140 years, the Josephites have long been a key to the vibrant black Catholic presence in the Washington and Baltimore area. St. Joseph's Seminary in Washington, DC, located just blocks from the Basilica, has formed Josephite priests and brothers for serving the African-American community through the proclamation of the Gospel and personal witness. The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) invites you to join them in support of Josephite seminarians. Since most of the seminarians are far from home, the Council has decided to support each of them with a monetary gift. To donate, send a check by June 1, made payable to ACCW, to Sonia Bobis, ACCW Treasurer, 13901 Belle Chasse Blvd., #311, Laurel, MD 20707. Questions? Contact Carol-Ann Parker, ACCW Service Commission Chair, at 904-287-7862 or carolannparker1965@gmail.com.

**Domestic Church Day:** Parenting in the Modern World. Join fellow Catholic couples and families for a Domestic Church Day on May 5th, from 1:00 to 6:00pm at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. This half-day family retreat will feature a talk by licensed clinical psychologist Dr. Lisa Klewicki, on "Balancing Bonding and Boundaries: Parenting in the Modern World." The family event will include food, fun catechesis for children and teens, and the opportunity to pray together as a family. To register call (202) 635-5400 or email: events@jp2shrine.org.

**Memorial Mass for the Military Services:** On **Sunday, May 20**, the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Memorial Mass will be held to honor those who have served and are serving in our nation's armed forces. The Mass will take place at 4:30pm at **the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception**. The principal celebrant and homilist will be **Archbishop Timothy Broglio** of the Archdiocese for the Military Services. Military personnel are encouraged to be in uniform, and civilians should wear business attire. Parking is limited, and carpooling is advised. To request seating or to obtain additional information, please visit [www.milarch.org/memorialmass/laity-registration](http://www.milarch.org/memorialmass/laity-registration). If you have questions, contact Jo Ann Redmond at [administration@milarch.org](mailto:administration@milarch.org) or 202-719-3600.

**Coffee and Donut Social** after the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses on Sundays in the Collins Room, on lower level of the church. Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus.