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August 2023

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Sisters in Christ,

On Aug 15th, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In her honor see pg. 2 for the Magnificat.

Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center continues to offer many opportunities for us to step away and recharge in the Lord. Fall dates on pgs. 3 and 4.

Also, on pg. 4 is the reminder, a prayer, and link in support of the Parish Year of Eucharist/Eucharistic Revival.

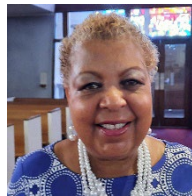
On pgs. 5-6 *the Mother Teresa Institute* has extend us an invitation to attend their upcoming lecture on Sept 7th and her *liturgical feast* day Mass on Sept 9th in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

OLPH has an event in Dec they will fill up fast on pgs. 7 for details. Gabriel Network has a tasty event to support their life affirming mission on pg. 8.

On pg. 9 we're introducing a non-exhaustive 'Upcoming Events' list. CCW-ADW Joyce Miles celebrated the elderly and invitation to our 2nd Annual Meet and Greet on pg. 10.

The Sisters in the Spirit "Triumph of the Cross" Sep 9. See pgs. 11 and 12.

Your Sister in Christ Jesus,



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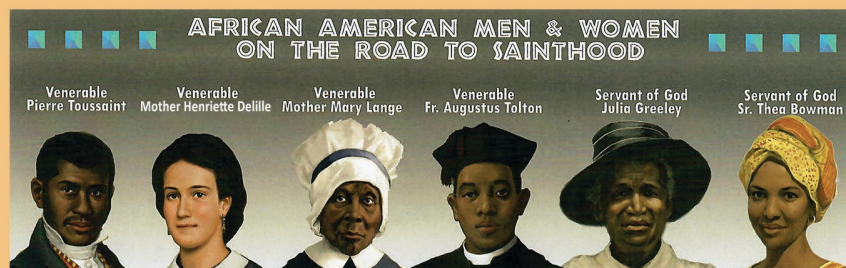
Mary Leibolt

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Michelle Dorsey

Let's keep our six African Americans on the road to sainthood in our daily prayers.



August 15, 2023 – Holy Day of Obligation
In Honor of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



The Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord.
And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
Because he hath regarded the humility of his handmaid;
for behold from henceforth...
all generations shall call me blessed.
Because he that is mighty,
hath done great things to me;
and holy is his name.
And his mercy is from generation unto generations,
to them that fear him.
He hath shewed might in his arm:
he hath scattered the proud in the conceit of their heart.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat,
and hath exalted the humble.
He hath filled the hungry with good things;
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He hath received Israel his servant,
being mindful of his mercy:
As he spoke to our fathers,
to Abraham and to his seed forever.

For more information about the following events, visit www.ourladyofbethesda.org or call 301-365-0212. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.



Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of Bethesda! (Starts again on Aug 18, 2023, see website for full details www.ourladyofbethesda.org)

Come for an hour, for a moment, or stay all day. Visit Our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center. The Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed upon the altar in the chapel each **Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm** (Please Note: any schedule changes will be announced on our website.) All are welcome.



Personal "Retreat" Day (9 a.m. – 4 p.m.)

Fridays AUG 25, 2023; SEP 29, 2023; OCT 13, 2023; NOV 17, 2023; & DEC 15, 2023

Are your days overcrowded, jam-packed, and busy, busy, busy? Take a break this summer and enjoy your very own personal retreat at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center. During your personal retreat, from 9am-4pm, an experienced retreat director will guide you to a place of rest with Christ. The retreat schedule allows for one-on-one spiritual direction (optional), quiet reflection, Mass, Confession and Eucharistic Adoration, plus lunch; so, you will be nourished and cared for while Our Lord speaks to your soul about the depths of His love for you. The cost is \$100 per person. Advance Registration is required.

OUR LADY OF BETHESDA RETREAT CENTER continued



Three to Get Married Marriage Prep

AUG 24-27, 2023; SEP 28-OCT 1, 2023; NOV 16-19, 2023; & DEC 14-17, 2023

The Three to Get Married Marriage Preparation Program is a Catholic Pre-Cana program for seriously dating and engaged couples. This marriage preparation course is an intensive preparation experience true to the teachings of the Catholic Church. Convenient one-weekend schedule. FOCCUS administration is included. \$375 per couple. Space will be limited, and these weekends fill up quickly, so reserve your spot today! Find more information on the website ourladyofbethesda.org. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, Bethesda, MD.

THE YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST – Parish Revival is from 6/11/23 – 7/17/24



Parishes throughout the country will coordinate events for deeper encounters with Christ through Adoration, Mass, and other enrichment opportunities.

PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

Lord Jesus Christ, the Eucharist is your gift to us. As we celebrate your mysteries, the very work of our redemption is accomplished, and we are filled with every grace and blessing. May the liturgy become the pattern of our lives. To find more information use this link National Eucharist Congress website <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>



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"You Did it to Me"
(Matt 25:40):

*Mother Teresa,
Works of Mercy,
and the Heart
of the Gospel*

Dr. Bradley Gregory



Sep. 7, 2023 at 7 p.m.

Caldwell Auditorium, The Catholic University of America

Mother Teresa used to refer to this five-word phrase from the judgment scene in Matthew 25 as "the gospel on five fingers." At least one modern theologian has described it as the heart of Christian ethics. Yet, some Christians today find this scene of judgment on the basis of how we treat the poor to be confusing or even unsettling. Drawing on the rich theological resources of Scripture and the Church's tradition, we will see how this passage relates to the gospel of grace, which calls us into God's work of redeeming and healing the world.

For livestream information, please sign up for our mailing list at <https://motherteresainstitute.org/mti-mailing-list.html>

Dr. Bradley Gregory is an associate professor of biblical studies at The Catholic University of America. His expertise lies in the Deuterocanonical books, sapiential ethics, and the transmission of biblical texts. Dr. Gregory has authored a book on generosity in the Book of Sirach and is currently co-authoring a commentary on Sirach for the International Critical Commentary series.





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Celebration of the Liturgical Feast of Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Sep. 9, 2023 at 2 p.m.



Join us in a solemn commemoration and celebration of the liturgical feast of St. Teresa of Calcutta, a remarkable and inspiring figure known for her unwavering commitment to serving the poor and marginalized.

Organized by the Missionaries of Charity and the Mother Teresa Institute, this special Mass is a testament to her enduring legacy.

**Crypt Church
Basilica of the National Shrine
of the Immaculate Conception
400 Michigan Ave NE, Washington, DC 20017**

If you are unable to attend in person, please sign up to our mailing list to receive livestream details:
<https://motherteresainstitute.org/mti-mailing-list.html>

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church
LADIES OF CHARITY
Present**



Miracle of Christmas

On Stage Musical Play
With Live Animals

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

**Premiering
at the
Sight & Sound
Theatres
Lancaster County, PA**

**BUS LEAVES AT 7:15 AM
CHURCH HALL "PANORAMA ROOM"**

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CATHOLIC CHURCH
1600 MORRIS ROAD, S.E.
WASHINGTON, DC 20020**

DONATION: \$160.00 Adults/Children 12 and Under \$135.00

INCLUDES: TRANSPORTATION VIA COACH BUS,
TICKET TO SHOW, LUNCH AT MILLER'S SMORGASBORD
50/50 RAFFLE, PRIZES, REFRESHMENTS, MUSIC & MOVIES ON BUS

PAYMENT PLAN:

NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT: Adults \$60.00/Children \$45.00 - Due September 1, 2023

2nd Payment: Adults \$50.00/Children \$45.00 - Due October 1, 2023

Final Payment: Adults \$50.00/Children \$45.00 - Due November 1, 2023

NO REFUNDS AFTER November 1st

**SHOWTIME: 11:00 AM ♦ BUFFET: 3:00 PM
BUS ARRIVES DC at 7:15PM**

(CUT HERE AND SEND IN WITH PAYMENT)

SIGHT AND SOUND THEATRES TRIP: Miracle of Christmas

NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____

ADDRESS: _____ **AMOUNT OF PAYMENT:** _____

FOR RESERVATIONS CONTACT:

Monica Price 202-421-1956 ♦ Bernadette Smith 301-567-8044 ♦ Toni Gaines 301-222-7285
or any other Ladies of Charity member

Checks made payable to: Ladies of Charity

All proceeds fund the OLPH FOOD PANTRY



GABRIEL NETWORK'S

*Picnic at the
Vineyard*

9.22.23 



[Visit Our Event Page](#)



Great tasting wine and a beautiful vineyard located in nearby Annapolis? We couldn't think of a better place to join together for a fall event full of friends and fun!

The relaxed evening takes place at Great Frogs Winery in Annapolis, where Gabriel Network supporters will enjoy the private vineyard and all that it entails!

Discover more about our second annual event and help support our life-saving mission by joining the festivities! Tickets are \$60.

CCW-ADW CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS – Suggestions Welcome

August 24-26, 2023, Path of Renewed Encounter, NCCW Convention, Salt Lake City, Utah Thank you to the CCW-ADW members attending – Shelia Parker, Province Director (2021-2023); Anita Coleman, Province Director (2023-2025); Sharon O'Brien, Past President and Bernadette Patrick, President CCW-St. Thomas, VI

September 9, 2023, The Sisters in the Spirit "Triumph of the Cross" event is coming up soon. Sign up now – it fills quickly! (Due Aug 18).

September 22, 2023, Picnic at the Vineyard, Great Frogs Winery, Annapolis, MD 5 – 8 PM info: gabrielnetwork.org/vineyard or 800 264-3565 ext. 302

September 30, 2023, CCW-ADW Annual Meet and Greet – St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church, Camp Springs, MD More to come

OCTOBER Respect for Life Month; Domestic Violence Awareness Month Information and resources: Catholics For Family Peace <http://www.catholicsforfamilypeace.org/>

October 7, 2023, National Mass in Observance Domestic Violence Awareness Month, 4:30 PM Basilica of National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Washington, D.C. Bishop Roy E. Campbell, Jr, Auxiliary Bishop, Archdiocese of Washington, Presider and Homilist

October 15, 2023, Virtual Tea TBD

NOVEMBER Black Catholic History Month – Six Black American Catholics On The Road To Sainthood

Box of Joy, sponsored by Cross Catholic Outreach. Ways to Give Opportunities for individuals, groups, and organizations to bless children with Box of Joy <https://crosscatholic.org/box-of-joy/online/>

November 19, 2023, Virtual Tea TBD

December in person Christmas Card Making

JANUARY Human Trafficking Awareness Month

January 21, 2024: Virtual Tea TBD

January 19, 2024: March for Life, Washington, DC Metro Area

FEBRUARY Black History Month; and National Heart Healthy Month - National **Wear Red Day Feb 3.**

MARCH Women's History Month – Venerable Mother Henriette Delille, **Venerable** Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange, **Servant of God** Julia Greeley, and **Servant of God** Sister Thea Bowman.

March – Pilgrimage – Catholic Southern Maryland; Cathedral in Baltimore; St. Anthony, Ellicott City

FUN FACTS – ITEMS OF NOTE

CCW-ADW member Joyce Miles (right) participated in the Fun Run sponsored by the DC Little Sisters of the Poor during Older Americans Month. Joyce poses with fellow runner Jeydy and a Little Sisters resident celebrating her 100th birthday.



YOU ARE INVITED

Council of Catholic Women – Archdiocese of Washington
2nd Annual “Meet and Greet” Saturday, September 30, 2023
St. Philip the Apostle, Camp Springs, MD 20746



“Connecting Catholic Women”

SEPTEMBER 9, 2023



Sisters In the Spirit - Archdiocese of Washington



Triumph of the Cross
SISTERS BELIEVING IN THE POWER OF THE
CROSS: LIVING LIKE IT MATTERS

Saturday, September 9, 2023 -- 9 AM to 3 PM

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
FATHER ROBERT BOXIE III
CHAPLAIN, HOWARD UNIVERSITY



Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church
2020 St. Joseph Drive Upper Marlboro, MD 20774

Tickets: Adults: \$30 High School/ College Students: \$10 (Includes lunch)

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Gail Carter - garter713@verizon.net / 202-391-5646
Yvette White - ypgoodman49@gmail.com / 240-679-3489

Registration Form

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Email: _____
Church: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Please select your box lunch preference: *Each lunch includes kettle chips and a cookie*

- **TAVERN CLUB MEAL** Honey Baked Ham and Smoked Honey Baked Turkey Breast piled high with bacon, cheddar cheese, lettuce, tomato, mayo and honey mustard on multigrain bread
- **THE HONEYBAKED MEAL** Honey Baked Ham topped with Swiss cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickles, crispy onions, honey mustard, and sweet honey glaze on ciabatta.
- **TURKEY BACON RANCH MEAL** Smoked Honey Baked Turkey Breast, cheddar cheese, bacon, lettuce, tomato, red onion and ranch on multigrain bread
- **ROASTED TOMATOES AND CHEDDAR MEAL** Roasted tomatoes topped with lettuce, pickled red onions, crispy onions, cheddar cheese, honey mustard, and mayo on ciabatta.
- **CLASSIC TUNA MEAL** Creamy Tuna, lettuce, tomato, on sub roll.



Return form with payment before September 1, 2023 to:
Sisters in the Spirit P.O. Box 4373, Capitol Heights. MD 20791-4373
Make checks payable to: Sisters in the Spirit

SPONSOR FORM FOR SEPT 9 EVENT: DUE AUGUST 18



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**Triumph of the Cross
SISTERS BELIEVING IN THE POWER OF THE
CROSS: LIVING LIKE IT MATTERS**

Saturday, September 9, 2023 -- 9 AM to 3 PM

Sponsor Form

(Please type or print)

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

I am requesting that I be listed as a Sponsor for Sisters in the Spirit. I choose:

- Triumph of the Cross \$100.00
- Veneration of the Cross \$50.00
- Glory of the Cross \$30.00
- Way of the Cross \$20.00
- Sign of the Cross \$10.00

Your name as you would like it listed (Please Type or Print)

You also may have a listing for *IN MEMORY OF* for a donation of **\$10.00 per name**. (Please Type or Print)

Total amount enclosed:

Please mail the form and check to:

**Sisters in the Spirit / PO Box 4373 / Capitol Heights, MD 20791-4373
DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2023**

For more information contact:

**Cynthia Morris – 202-271-7253 or Burma Hill – 240-620-4556 or email:
sistersnthespirit@gmail.com**

Thank you for your support!

CCW-ADW Membership

JOIN US TODAY!



Individual Membership

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City _____

State _____ ZIP _____

Parish _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Individual Membership is only \$25.00 per year.

Make check payable to ACCW.
Send to Michelle Dorsey, Treasurer
5757 Gladstone Way
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

Membership Contact:
ArchdioceseCCW@gmail.com



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