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September 2023

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Sisters in Christ,
Fall is shaping up to be very busy.

Please join us on September 30th for our second annual **Meet & Greet** at St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church. See pg. 2 for details and to reserve a seat. We hope to see you there. Remember, you can join every night to pray the Rosary by calling 605-468-8016, access code 357090#. See pg. 3

This is National Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15-Oct.15). This year’s theme is 'Vive tu cultura.' Celebrate and embrace Hispanic culture and heritage.

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. 4 and 5.

Also, on pg. 5 is the reminder, a prayer, and link in support of the Parish Year of Eucharist/Eucharistic Revival.

You’re invited to a picnic. Gabriel Network hosting this tasty event to support their life affirming mission. More information on pg. 6.

If your parish celebrates World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, please send photos to the Archdiocese. See pg. 7 for details.

The Shrine of St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church is celebrating the Feast of St. Lorenzo Ruiz on Sept. 23rd. More information available on pg. 8

On pg. 9 we’re introducing a non-exhaustive ‘Upcoming Events’ list.

Your Sister in Christ Jesus,



Cheryl Holley, President

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



***The Council of Catholic Women
Archdiocese of Washington***

Invites you to our 2nd Annual Meet and Greet



**Let's come together to give God the Praise, and
*“Keep the Fires Burning”!!***

Saturday, September 30, 2023 (9am -1pm)

**Beginning with Mass & Installation of Officers -
Followed by the Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, and
Luncheon & Fellowship**

St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church

5416 Henderson Way

Camp Springs, MD 20746

***(Cap Beltway exit 7 Branch Ave. Rt 5 Camp Springs
Green line Metro Station Branch Ave)***

To reserve your seat, click the link below

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/701819810947?aff=oddtcreator> Questions email us:

archdiocesecw@gmail.com

CCW-ADW NIGHTLY ROSARY



**Call in at 8:00 p.m. 7 days a week
605-468-8016, code 357090#**

Since September 2018, the Council of Catholic Women has been hosting a nightly Rosary call for the healing of the Church and for participants' personal intentions.

We believe that prayer is the foundation of action.

Therefore, let us heed Mary's call to pray the Rosary. Like the saints and blessed who came before us, we too can help spread the dew of divine grace. Should we have doubts, consider Mary's 15 promises¹ for all Christians who recite this powerful prayer devoutly:

- 1) Whoever shall faithfully serve me by the recitation of the Rosary, shall receive signal graces.
- 2) I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who shall recite the Rosary.
- 3) The Rosary shall be a powerful armor against hell, it will destroy vice, decrease sin, and defeat heresies.
- 4) It will cause virtue and good works to flourish; it will obtain for souls the abundant mercy of God; it will withdraw the hearts of men from the love of the world and its vanities and will lift them to the desire of eternal things. Oh, that souls would sanctify themselves by this means.
- 5) The soul which recommends itself to me by the recitation of the Rosary, shall not perish.
- 6) Whoever shall recite the Rosary devoutly, applying [themselves] to the consideration of its sacred mysteries shall never be conquered by misfortune. God will not chastise [her] in His justice, [she] shall not perish by an unprovided death; if [she] be just [she] shall remain in the grace of God and become worthy of eternal life.
- 7) Whoever shall have a true devotion for the Rosary shall not die without the Sacraments of the Church.
- 8) Those who are faithful to recite the Rosary shall have during their life and at their death the light of God and the plenitude of His graces; at the moment of death they shall participate in the merits of the saints in paradise.
- 9) I will deliver very promptly from purgatory those who have been devoted to the Rosary.
- 10) The faithful children of the Rosary shall merit a high degree of glory in heaven.
- 11) You shall obtain all you ask of me by the recitation of the Rosary.
- 12) All those who propagate the Holy Rosary shall be aided by me in all their necessities.
- 13) I have obtained from my Divine Son that all the advocates of the Rosary shall have for intercessors the entire celestial court during their life and at the hour of their death.
- 14) Those who recite the Rosary faithfully are all my beloved children, the brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ.
- 15) Devotion to my Rosary is a great sign of predestination.

¹ The Rosary "The Little Summa", Robert Feeney, Aquinas Press, 2003, pg. 202, 203

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! (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 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 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

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/>

YOU ARE INVITED



GABRIEL NETWORK'S

Picnic at the Vineyard

Friday September 22nd, 5-8pm

Great Frogs Winery | 3218 Harness Creek Road, Annapolis, MD

Register Online at gabrielnetwork.org/vineyard

or call Laura Best at (800) 264-3565 ext.302

Pack a picnic | Food trucks | Kona Ice

Bring your own picnic or choose from a selection of food trucks we will have available!

Join us for a family friendly evening out!

Evening includes two complimentary glasses of wine, live music, private vineyard open to Gabriel Network supporters, 50/50 raffle, kids activities, and more!

TICKETS

\$60 per person or \$100 for two (kids are free)

Your support allows Gabriel Network to live out its life saving mission and to serve expectant moms!



Celebrating and Visiting the Elderly in your Community

Pope Francis' wish is for young people to go out and visit their grandparents or the elderly, especially those who are alone and may feel lonely. Below are a few ideas that young people can do for visiting those who may be alone:

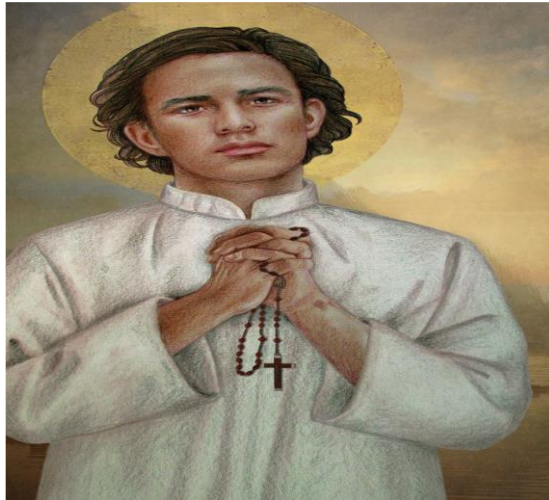
- Have young people and their parents accompany parishioners who visit the sick and homebound; consider bringing a small gift such as a flower and pray a prayer together.
- Encourage young people to visit their neighbors who are elderly or do a form of service for them: mow the lawn, take their trash cans to the curb and back, weed their flower beds, wash their car, etc.
- Invite an elderly neighbor or grandparents to your home for a meal and have the children help make and serve the meal.
- Have children make cards for their elderly neighbor – look on social media for creative ideas – and have them bring them to their neighbors.
 - Bake some cookies or other special treat and bring it to their elderly neighbor to share and talk with them.
- Visit the older person a couple of times, asking them questions about their life, and then write a story or draw a picture of their experiences that they shared and give the story to the person.



If your parish celebrates World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly during September, please send, or have your families send pictures using the link below. The Archdiocese would like to create a video of all the different ways that parishes and families celebrate their grandparents and the elderly in the Archdiocese.

adw.org/grandparents-parish-submission-form





Mass to Commemorate
the Feast of Saint Lorenzo Ruiz
Celebration of Faith and Culture

Saturday, September 23, 2023

10:00 a.m. ET Procession & Rosary

10:30 a.m. ET Mass

12:00 p.m. ET Fellowship



Bishop Evelio Menjívar-Ayala

Auxiliary Bishop of Washington

Principal Celebrant

The Shrine of Saint Jude Thaddeus
Catholic Church

12701 Veirs Mill Rd., Rockville, MD 20853

For more information, contact DC Filipino Catholic at DCFilipinoCatholic@gmail.com or the Office of Cultural Diversity and Outreach at (301) 853-5335 or culturaldiversity@adw.org.

CCW-ADW CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS -- Suggestions Welcome

OCTOBER 1, Come to Mass to Commemorate **National Hispanic Heritage Month** at St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church in Hyattsville, Md. (Flyer attached, pg. 10)

October 2-4, mark your calendar for the **East of The River Revival**, In-person and virtual. (Flyer attached, pg. 11)

October 7, 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 (Flyer attached, pg. 12) Respect for Life Month; Domestic Violence Awareness Month Information and resources: Catholics For Family Peace <http://www.catholicsforfamilypeace.org/>.

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 TBD

December 12, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Ladies of Charity is presenting *Miracle of Christmas*. See pg. 13 for details.

JANUARY Human Trafficking Awareness Month TBD

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

January 21, 2024: Virtual Tea TBD

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

MISA EN CONMEMORACIÓN DEL MES NACIONAL DE LA HERENCIA HISPANA “Compartir, aprender y celebrar”

**Domingo, 1 de octubre de 2023
12:00 p.m. ET**

Iglesia Católica San Marcos Evangelista

7501 Adelphi Rd, Hyattsville, MD 20783

Celebrante principal

Monseñor Evelio Menjívar

Obispo Auxiliar de Washington



Obra de arte por Santiago Savi

Para interpretación ASL, favor escribir a deafcatholic@adw.org
con dos semanas de antelación.

Para obtener más información contactar la
Oficina de Diversidad Cultural y Enlace al (301) 853-5335 o
escribir a culturaldiversity@adw.org



Mark your calendar for the East of The River Revival
October 2nd -4th 2023
In-person and virtual

Southeast Deanery and Partnering Churches Present the 34th Annual

EAST OF THE RIVER REVIVAL

“Hold on, Help is on the Way”

**OCTOBER 2 - 4, 2023
7 PM NIGHTLY**

**HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH
2210 CALLAWAY STREET
HILLCREST HEIGHTS, MD 20748**



**Revivalist: Rev. Anthony Bozeman, SSJ
Academic Dean, St. Joseph Seminary**

Holy Family Live Stream

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqghBE_IAPVBDEJ7OQKeR45A

Support the Revival

Mail checks to payable to ERRC to:
ERRC / Holy Family Catholic Church
2210 Callaway Street
Hillcrest Heights, MD 20748
or submit electronically via

<https://www.holyfamilyparishmd.org/contribution-fundraising>

please enter **ERRC** at Comments field.

Follow the East of the River Revival on Social Media at:

Facebook: Southeast Deanery Revival

Instagram: @eastoftheriverrevival

Twitter: errc_dc

Contact us: Email: errcommittee.sedc@outlook.com



Saturday, October 7, 2023; 4:30 p.m.

The National Catholic Domestic Violence Awareness Partners invite you to a vigil Mass for the 7th Annual Observance of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

CELEBRANT

Bishop Roy Edward Campbell, Jr.

Auxiliary Bishop, Archdiocese of Washington

LOCATION

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (Great Upper Church)

400 Michigan Avenue, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20017. Free parking is available.

Registration for Reserved Seating is Requested.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/national-mass-for-domestic-violence-awareness-tickets-696060103507?aff=oddtcreator>

This Mass is hosted by a subcommittee of the National Catholic DVAM Partners that is coordinated by **Catholics for Family Peace** and the **USCCB Secretariat of Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth**, in collaboration with the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. **We need greeters for the Mass.** To volunteer and for more information, email catholicfamilypeace@gmail.com.

**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

Council of Catholic Women -Archdiocese of Washington

Individual Membership Form



Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Parish _____

**Individual Membership is only
\$25.00 per year**

**Make checks payable to ACCW
Send to Elizabeth Mariani, Treasurer
15008 Sunflower Ct
Rockville MD 20853**

Membership Contact

Anita Coleman, Chair

ArchdioceseCCW@gmail.com

Our website is:

<https://www.councilofcatholicwomen-adw.com/>



**Join us and respond to the needs
of the Church and society
by focusing on spirituality,
leadership, and service**

Membership Benefits

Putting faith into action by:

- ❖ Learn about issues facing the Church today.
- ❖ Participate in Service projects.
- ❖ Visit to sacred sites.
- ❖ Receive the Monthly e-newsletter with upcoming events.
- ❖ Attend Monthly Teas.
- ❖ Gain access to NCCW resources
- ❖ Vote in board elections.
- ❖ Vote on the programs to be offered.
- ❖ Receive discounts on ACCW sponsored events.
- ❖ Publicize events in our monthly newsletter to over 500+people.

Join the **National Council of Catholic Women**

For more information contact our
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