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Mass Times ~ Presider Schedule

Saturday, October 8
5:30 p.m. ~ Father O

Saturday, October 15
~ Father Ron

Sunday, October 9
7:30 a.m. ~ Father Ron
9 a.m.* ~ Father Witczak
10:30 a.m. ~ Father O (Church)**
10:30 a.m. ~ Father Ron (Gym)**
12:30 p.m. ~ Father D'Silva
5:30 p.m. ~ Father D'Silva

Sunday, October 16
~ Father O
~ Father Armstrong
~ Father Ron
~ Father D'Silva
~ Father D'Silva
~ Father Ron

*American Sign Language interpreted Mass

**Nursery services, kindergarten room under the school gym

Weekday & Saturday Masses

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m., 11 a.m.

Filipino Mass in Tagalog every 4th Sunday at 4 p.m.

Holy Day Masses

Eve of the Feast: 5:30 p.m.

Day of the Feast: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

Holy Hour

Thursday before first Friday of each month: 9 - 10 p.m.

Exposition: Monday - Friday, 3 - 5:15 p.m., in the church

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Centennial Event



faith on Tap

The Church

Do You Need It to Know God?

October 13 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

PRESENTER: Father William Byrne

Blessed Sacrament School Auditorium
www.blessedsacramentdc.org

Wine, beer, and appetizers will be served.
Childcare available (ages 3+; please RSVP)

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Sacraments

Baptism — Baptismal preparation is required of all parents prior to the celebration of baptism. We recommend that this take place before the child is born. Contact the Religious Education Office at 202.449.3989 for more information.

Matrimony — Please contact one of the parish priests six months in advance. All couples who are to be married at Blessed Sacrament must complete our parish marriage preparation program.

Reconciliation — Friday and Saturday after the 11 a.m. Mass (if no funeral); Saturday 4 - 5 p.m. and after the 5:30 p.m. Mass, or anytime by appointment.

Parish Services & Information

Care Of The Sick & Homebound — If you or someone you know is hospitalized and would like a priest to visit, or if you know of anyone who is homebound who could benefit from a regular visit, please contact the parish office at 202.966.6575.

New Parishioners — Welcome to Blessed Sacrament! Please register for parish membership by stopping in at the Duffy Parish Center and filling out a registration form. Forms also available in the pamphlet rack inside the Quesada Street entrance to the church and on the parish Web site.

Bulletin Announcements — Please send all announcements to bulletin@blessedsacramentdc.org. Deadline: Mondays @ 10 a.m.

Newsletter Content — Please send articles, photos and other content to newsletter@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Web Site Postings — Please send requests for postings for the Blessed Sacrament Parish Web site to website@blessedsacramentdc.org.



Pastor's Column

In today's reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, we find a very rich image used by him. First and foremost, the prophet describes "that day" which will see the fulfillment of the work of salvation accomplished by God. To describe that day, the prophet uses images suggested by royal celebrations that he had witnessed or heard recounted. That day will be like a great banquet, not only organized by God but actually prepared by Him. A banquet of all peoples gathered on the mountain that is the place of God's presence. A feast prepared by God that is incomparably more sumptuous than wedding meals, sacred meals at the Temple, and those planned by kings to display their greatness. What is more, this great banquet is only an image describing the immense joy of the just, admitted that day to His table, into His presence, and into His community of life. It will be the end of all bereavements, humiliations: all that one will have endured will vanish including death. That day, in which hope will be fulfilled, will be the time of endless thanksgiving—that is the kingdom of heaven.

We read from the conclusion of the St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians. Paul thanks them for the material help they have thoughtfully sent to him while in prison, remembering the very gospel he preached to them. He voluntarily renounced his right to their help by not demanding that the communities he was evangelizing provide for his needs. He has chosen rather to work with his hands making tents to meet his daily necessities. He has not acted out of pride, in order not to owe anything to anybody, but to remain totally free in the exercise of his mission. This absolute unselfishness has often reduced him to poverty, and he has known hunger. He understood the words of Jesus and remained unattached to material things when he set out on his missionary journeys. But let no one be mistaken; he is not to be taken for a Stoic. If he can endure everything, it is with the one who grants him strength—Christ.

In Matthew's Gospel we find the parable of the wedding banquet. The king sends his servants to the streets to assemble those passing by that they may replace those who have failed to answer his invitation. The banquet hall is filled very quickly with good and bad guests. The celebration is open to all without condition. The king enters "to meet the guests." This is no informal greeting but an inspection of the guests. He catches sight of a man not wearing the proper nuptial garment, "How is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?" We would be tempted to answer in the guest's place, "Your servants hurried me, I really did not have a chance to change into it." What is surprising is that the others were able to get their festive clothing. Is it really that important? But the man who is questioned remains silent. Therefore, he is conscious of having failed his duty and he is an intruder. The parable gives no explanation; it records only the king's sentence and the order given to the servants to cast out the guest immediately. We are reminded by this reaction that the first response to the Lord's invitation is of no value if it does not translate into action. The man who does not have the wedding garment evokes those who have not been faithful to Christ and have born no fruit in their lives.

God bless all of you.

Father Ron

Youth Corner

Question For The Week — What lessons do you take away from this dramatic story in today's Gospel? Who do you think will be invited to be part of God's family? Who will not be invited? (Source: www.harcourtreligion.com)



2012 Confirmation Reminder

All parish students, 8th grade or higher, who have not registered or had their initial interview in preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Mark McCaffrey at mmccaffrey@blessedsacramentdc.org for instructions.

Open Gym For High School Youth Group

Sunday, **October 9th**, after the 5:30 p.m. Mass (6:30 to 8 p.m.). Please register via the parish website.

Open Gym For 7th & 8th Grade Youth Group

Sunday, **October 23rd**, after the 5:30 p.m. Mass (6:30 to 8 p.m.). Please register via the parish website.

Keep an eye out for the Haunted Forest Trip, coming soon!!!!

Faith Formation

School Of Religion

Registration Is On-going — To register your child for School of Religion classes, contact Rosalie Days at 202.449.3973 or rdays@blessedsacramentdc.org. Our program welcomes all children including children with special needs, and older children who have not received first communion, for sacramental preparation.

Still Need Catechists & Teacher Aides for Religious Education

Sunday Session:
8:45 - 10 a.m.

5th grade: 1 Aide
8th grade: 2 Aides

Tuesday Session:
4:10 - 5:25 p.m.

6th grade: 1 Aide

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting — Wednesday, **October 26**, 7:30 p.m. in the church. This meeting is for all parents of children who will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in January.

RCIA — Are you interested in the Catholic Faith? We invite you to learn what the Church teaches, and be introduced to some of our parish members. These gatherings are also opportunities for you to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church and are open to people who are unbaptized, as well as those who are baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds. For more info, contact Therese at 202.449.3989.

Hearts Aflame: Christian Prayer — 7 to 9 p.m., Thursdays, **October 20 & 27 and November 3 & 10**. Cost: \$20. Contact Rosalie Days at 202.449.3973 or rdays@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Did You Know??

That our Church is structured to accommodate our friends and parishioners who have mobility issues by providing a cutout in the front pews, which allows additional space for walkers and wheelchairs. Those pews have a handicapped designation on the sides, both on the main aisle as well as in the transept, and are considered reserved. For more information about how Blessed Sacrament is becoming a more inclusive community, contact Emma Voelzke, Special Needs Program Coordinator, at 202.449.3990 or at evolzke@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Increasing The Hours For Eucharistic Adoration — As a parish dedicated to the Most Blessed Sacrament, we are committed to providing time so that each person in the parish can spend time in quiet, personal prayer and worship of our Lord through Eucharistic Adoration. This time of silence before the Eucharist is an opportunity for us to enter more deeply into what God is doing in our hearts and in our lives and to put before him our joys, sorrows and concerns. Blessed Mother Teresa stated "When we look at the cross, we know how much Jesus loved us. When we look at the tabernacle, we know how much Jesus loves us now." To this end, Blessed Sacrament is expanding the Thursday before the First Friday Holy Hour to include Adoration from 6 p.m. (after the 5:30 Mass) until 9 p.m. We invite parishioners to come to the Chapel to spend a few minutes, or an hour, in quiet time with Christ. Children are welcome...on the way home, after dinner, or for night prayer. From 9 to 10 p.m. there will be a Holy Hour of prayer and reflection, ending with Benediction. This added time each month is in addition to the daily Adoration from 3 to 5:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, in the church. The next Thursday before the First Friday is Thursday, **November 3**, from 6 to 10 p.m. All are welcome.

CYO Basketball Registration — Registration is now open for for all boys and girls of the parish in the 4th through 8th grades. To register, visit www.blessedsacramentdc.org and click on CYO Athletics under the Youth tab. If you have any questions or are interested in becoming a coach in the Blessed Sacrament CYO program, contact Kathy Gillespie at kgillespie@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Poor Box Donations in October will benefit the Spanish Catholic Center's Pre-Apprenticeship Green Construction Training Program. The sixteen-week program teaches the basics of carpentry, plumbing, electrical, HVAC and job-site skills to prepare students for apprenticeships in the construction field. The class is taught primarily in Spanish with a curriculum that includes the latest in green building technology.

Blessed Sacrament Nights At Ledo Pizza — Monday, **October 17**, and Tuesday, **October 18**, 5 p.m. until closing. Dine in or take out from Ledo Pizza on River Road (near Whole Foods) to support Blessed Sacrament School. Ledo's will give our school 20 percent of all dine-in sales and 20 percent of takeout sales by those who mention Blessed Sacrament. Call Ledo Pizza at 301.656.5336. (Sponsored by the Home and School Association)



Respect Life month is observed each year in October. This year's theme is "I came so that all might have life and have it to the full." Please pray for respect for life from conception to natural death.

Newly Baptized

Malcolm George Hickey
Christopher Paul Okuliar
Claire Marie Winchell

Please include our sick in your prayers that they may experience healing and comfort

Joan Baker	Christine Warner McDaniel
Sara Baron	Judy Szot
Peter Kiss	Betsy Toland
Stella Kloc	

Visit Your Parish Library

What are the magazines saying?

'Catholics and Muslims,' special issue, St. Anthony Messenger, September, 2011. The articles on this subject include '10 Things to Know About Islam', 'Franciscans and Muslims: Eight Centuries of Seeking God', and 'A Deacon's Journey Through Islam' (www.americancatholic.org/samo/backissues) The overriding theme is that the communities of different faiths are ignorant about each other and that a search for common ground is rewarding and necessary.

'Letter to Bishops on Economic Situation,' by Archbishop Timothy Dolan, Origins, September 29, 2011, 251-253. The president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops writes that the recent figures showing that millions of people, including 16 million children, are living in poverty result from 'fundamental institutional and systemic elements that have either been ignored or made worse by political and economic behaviors which have undermined trust and confidence.' He continues: 'Our conference will continue to urge our leaders to assist and protect the poor and jobless as they seek to promote economic growth and fiscal responsibility.'

'A New Relationship,' by Cardinal Donald Wuerl, America, September 26, 2011, 11-13 (www.americamagazine.org) The Cardinal, acknowledging the pervasive elements of materialism and 'pervasive relativism' that are part of our society, asks us to look to the future: he notes that 'the surge of interest in enduring values and a yearning for meaning... particularly among young people... are convincing signs that for many the church stands at a cultural crossroad.' A new evangelization requires the collaboration of bishops, teachers, catechists and theologians to ensure accuracy and dynamic in communicating the 'saving message of the Gospel.'

For copies of these articles as well as books on the same subjects, visit or call the library, 202.449.3974.

Save The Date For Blessed Sacrament's Book Fair/Sale

School Book Fair — Thursday, **October 20** (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.); Friday, **October 21** (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.); and, Sunday, **October 23** (8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.). There will be a fantastic selection of books including mystery, adventure, science, religion and history. Stop by and start your Christmas shopping early.

Parish Library Book Sale — Please note the new date...weekend of **October 22-23!** In addition, do you own books, DVDs and CDs which you no longer wish to keep? Please donate them for this biennial event, a major fund-raiser for the library. Please bring your donations to the library on the second floor of the parish center.

Blessed Sacrament A Cappella Singers — It's time for the Chapel Singers to get back together for its Christmas season. This is an all volunteer a cappella group that sings at various senior residences and hospitals including: Chevy Chase House, Ingleside, Sibley and Blessed Sacrament's own Adult Center. Rehearsals will take place from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Monday nights starting **October 24** in the chapel. Join the group for the holiday season and spread a little musical cheer to our seniors. For more info, contact Ginny Curtin at GUCurtin@gmail.com.

THE ADULT CENTER

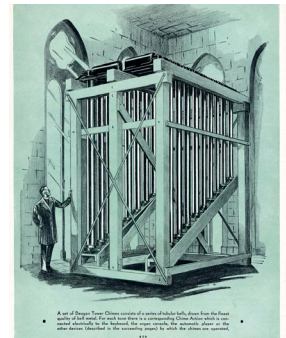
All parishioners, 39 and holding, are invited to gather in apartment 1 in the Chevy Chase apartment building next to the church for fellowship after the 11 a.m. weekday Mass. Bring a sandwich (beverages and desserts provided) and join the activities. For more info or for transportation, call Rita Killian at 202.363.5069.

- Monday** 2nd & 4th Monday Club Meeting
- Tuesday** Scripture Reading and Reflection
- Wednesday** Art Class With Dick Swartz
- Thursday** Bridge for Bridge Lovers
- Friday** Closed

Blessed Sacrament Adult Center: Focus on **Monday** activities... a variety of opportunities. The 2nd and 4th Monday Club meets at the center and offers a diversity of events: parties, speakers, trips and scenic drives. The alternate Mondays (1st and 3rd) are filled with fun activities such as bingo, movie/book revues or focused discussions. Questions? Contact Rita Killian at r.killian@verizon.net or 202.363.5069.

Chimes Chatter

During this weekend of centennial celebrations, and during this 75th year of our chimes' ringing, the Chimes Committee takes this opportunity to thank the hundreds of original benefactors and now their families of Blessed Sacrament parish for their donations to purchase, install and dedicate the Deagan chimes tubular system on November 3, 1935, a sacrifice in the midst of the 1930's Great Depression.



Now the 1950's decade continued... In 1956 the Williams Memorial Chapel was dedicated (at the College of the Ozarks, Branson, MO) with the largest Deagan set ever made to date. It is a 96-bell carillon (three sets of 32 tones) playing concerts from the Hyer Bell Tower during set times daily. Not to be outdone, Jack Deagan, grandson of founder John C. Deagan, mustered the company to produce one last system, that would have to be larger than the Branson assembly. At Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center in White Springs, FL, on the banks of the legendary Suwannee River, honoring the memory of the American composer who wrote "Old Folks At Home," a 97-tubular system was erected. Using three sets of 32 tones plus a fourth treble tube, all rung synchronously though each set can be turned on/off, Deagan broke the previous record of 96-tubes. From newspaper accounts, it was wonderful dedication ceremonies in 1958, when in attendance were employees of the Chicago Deagan factory, and June Albright Howard actually played a concert on the keyboard. Today, this system, the final tubular system ever made, stands as one of the testaments to the genius of Deagan, as it still plays tunes on the original paper roll, tape player daily on the hours between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., being reprogrammed only once every two weeks.

Questions about your chimes? 202.244.4833.

The Third Edition Of The Roman Missal

So what, exactly, are the changes to the Mass?

You've heard and read about the reasons and methods employed in the new translation of the Roman Missal. So what precisely, are the changes? Today we begin by examining the Penitential Rite and Gloria of the Mass. The changes to the texts are in bold. These texts below represent the new texts we will begin to use on **November 27**, the First Sunday of Advent.

Penitential Rite (Form A – Confiteor and Absolution)

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have **greatly** sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I done and in what I have failed to do, **through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault, therefore** I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Or Form B (rarely used)

Priest: **Have mercy on us, O Lord.**

People: **For we have sinned against you.**

Priest: **Show us, O Lord, your mercy.**

People: And grant us your salvation.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and **on earth peace to people of good will.**

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, **Only Begotten Son,**

Lord God, Lamb of God, **Son of the Father,**

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, **have mercy on us.**

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.



Sanctuary Sodality Fall Dinner Meeting This Week —

Wednesday, **October 12**, following the 5:30 Mass. The dinner is being hosted by Mother of Grace and Sancta Maria. Please remember to RSVP. There will be a guest speaker. In addition, the sacramental books that were restored by the sodality as a centennial gift will be presented. Don't forget to bring canned food to help the parish reach its 100,000 can goal for 100 years!

Missing Sodality Tablecloths — This summer many of our tablecloths were borrowed and not returned. If you have them or know of someone who might have borrowed them, please contact Liz Leary at 240.344.0376 or lizleary@comcast.net. We need them for our dinner on **October 12**.

Sodality Holiday Bazaar — A hallmark of the Christmas season, this annual fundraising event will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, **November 12**. This fabulous day will be filled with fun for all ages! This year's bazaar is a not-to-miss event that will include unique vendors, a delicious lunch and baked goods for sale, children's activities and the ever popular white elephant sale. This community and parish event helps enrich the spirit of giving each year. Proceeds raised by the event benefit nearly 20 local charities and enable the Sodality to contribute financial support to important parish projects. Please start collecting your items for the white elephant sale now!! Drop off gently used women's and children's clothing, home goods, and hangers between **November 7 and November 11** at the Duffy Parish Center, main level. Questions? Contact Karen Gletner, 301.652.7824 or theglets@verizon.net.

Calling On Santa's Little Bakers — Break out the ginger and nutmeg and help support the bazaar bake sale! Please bring your freshly baked donations to the Blessed Sacrament School auditorium the day of the bazaar, Saturday, **November 12**, from 8:30-11:30 a.m. All baked goods should be pre-wrapped and labeled if they contain nuts, dairy or other allergens. Questions? Contact Monica Ludwig, 202.258.8797.

MOMS Family Service Project — Please join the Blessed Sacrament Ministry of Mothers Sharing (MOMS) group for its annual fall family service project, next Sunday, **October 16**, at 4 p.m. They will be participating in Project Night Night by collecting new baby blankets and stuffed animals to distribute to children at a local family shelter. All parish families are welcome to join in collecting and organizing these comfort items for kids. Please contact Debbie Glynn or Brooke Thomas at brookeLthomas@mac.com for details on what to bring and to RSVP.

Blessed Sacrament School Open House Dates — The first and most important step in the admissions process for Blessed Sacrament's 2012/13 school year is to attend one of the open house events.

Open House for Kindergarten: Thursday, **November 10**, 9 to 11 a.m. in the school auditorium.

Open House for Middle School: Tuesday, **November 8**, 9 to 11 a.m. in the school auditorium.

Open House for Grades 1-5: Tuesday, **November 8**, 9 to 11 a.m. in the Duffy Parish Center.

Open House for Grades K-7: Thursday, **January 5**, 9 to 11 a.m. in the school auditorium.

Questions? Contact Colleen Ryan, Director of Admissions, at cryan@blessedsacramentdc.org or 202.449.4614.

Fall Hearty Selections & Savings From SHARE — October offerings from SHARE @ Blessed Sacrament include a Value Package consisting of ham steak, chicken drumsticks, Italian meatballs, rice, cranberry streusel cake and a selection of fresh fruit and grocery items for just \$20. Plus, the October Fall Meat Combo, only \$18, has BBQ chicken wings, cherry wood smoked Turkey Breast, and a Pork Sirloin Roast. To place an order, fill out an order form at www.blessedsacramentdc.org. Ordering deadline is Monday, **October 10**, at 5 p.m. Food distribution is Friday afternoon, October 21. Questions? 202.449.4611 or SHARE@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Life After The White House — Parishioner Mary Kay Cooney, a historian and docent at the Woodrow Wilson House, will speak about the Woodrow Wilson presidency and his life after the White House on Monday, **October 10**, immediately following the 11 a.m. Mass. This talk is sponsored by the 2nd and 4th Monday Club and will take place in the Msgr Corbett Center (formerly Ray Manning Center). All are welcome. For more information contact Rita Killian r.killian@verizon.net or 202.363.5069.

Outreach

Bilingual Volunteers Needed For Blessed Sacrament's Christmas Giving Tree Program — For years this program has provided Christmas gifts for hundreds of underprivileged children through the Spanish Catholic Center in D.C. This year, the center needs volunteers fluent in Spanish to interview families and enroll children in the program. Volunteers are needed in October on Mondays, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesdays, 8:30 a.m. to noon. Questions? Chris and Rebecca Anzidei, 301.229.2866 or chrisanzidei@anzideilaw.com; Matt & Cindy Dowd at mdowd@wileyrein.com.

LANDINGS: Help Make This Advent Really Special For Someone — There are many inactive members of our Catholic family out there. Let's help them come home by inviting them to take another look at their church. One way to explore a more active return is by participating in the LANDINGS Program here at Blessed Sacrament. The program will begin this Thursday, **October 13**. Note: this is a new start date. To find out more about joining our LANDINGS group, contact Karen Vittone at 301.585.0592 or karen@vittone.com. LANDINGS flyers are at the church entrances.

Glean With Blessed Sacrament On Saturday, October 15 — Join your Blessed Sacrament neighbors from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, **October 15**, to gather unharvested produce from Maryland farm fields and renew a Blessed Sacrament tradition started by Greg Gannon. The Environmental Action Ministry with the School of Religion will cosponsor a family service activity to share food resources with our neighbors in need by restocking local food banks. Visit the parish website for more information; register your interest by sending an e-mail to SBSGlean@gmail.com.

Flu Shots Available Next Sunday — MedStar Health Visiting Nurse Association will hold an onsite flu vaccination clinic in the Duffy Parish Center, lower level, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., next Sunday, **October 16**. Questions? Contact Pat Kavanaugh, pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org or 202.449.3987.

Parish Mini-Walk, Sunday, October 23 — In honor of our former pastor and new Catholic Charities CEO, Msgr. John Enzler, the annual Blessed Sacrament Parish Mini-Walk will raise funds for Mt. Carmel House, a Catholic Charities family homeless shelter. The Mini-Walk is one block in distance. The route begins on the kindergarten playground on Chevy Chase Parkway then continues to Nevada and Quesada Streets. After the walk, refreshments will be served on the main level of the Duffy Parish Center. It is not a long walk, but it is a wonderful opportunity to actualize the social justice dimension of Catholicism. The cost is \$30/adult and \$20/youth. If you cannot walk, you can still contribute and a Mt. Carmel House resident will walk in your place. This year you have the option to register for the walk on-line and make a tax-deductible contribution using a credit card. Log on to: www.helpthehomelessdc.org/miniwalks. Click on "Register To Walk," then on "Mini-Walk Registration Form," type in Mini-Walk name—Blessed Sacrament Parish—and click on "Search." Find the walk and click on "Join" and fill in the information as required. Questions? Contact Pat Kavanaugh, pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org, 202.449.3987 or Eileen Dombo, eileen@eileendombo.com.

Not Too Late To Enroll In JustFaith — Just Faith provides opportunities for parishioners to study Catholic social teaching on justice found in Scripture and Church tradition. Participants gather weekly for prayer, book discussions, speakers etc. The group meets for several months so there is a time commitment, but if you wish to be more challenged in your faith, this course is for you. Course begins the week of **October 24**. To enroll, or if you have questions, contact Pat Kavanaugh, 202.449.3987 or pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org.

Outreach Sunday Volunteer Collectors Needed — Volunteers are occasionally needed to help take up the Outreach collection before and after Mass on the first Sunday of each month. It involves a commitment of only about 20 or 30 minutes a month. Parishioners confirmation-age and older or younger children with an adult are welcome to help with this important job which benefits the Blessed Sacrament Soup Kitchen Ministry and other outreach efforts. For more information, contact Pat Kavanaugh in the Social Concerns Office at 202.449.3987 or pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org.

From The Community

"The Problems & Possibilities In Pursuing Restorative Justice" — A course that will explore a few of the many criminal justice issues with which our society is wrestling at both the local and global level. Classes meet from 7:30 to 9 p.m., with dinner available from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. in Chadsey Hall (\$7/adult; \$3/children 3-10; children under 2 eat free) at Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, One Chevy Chase Circle, NW on **October 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10**. The speakers on the five successive Thursday evenings of the series will be Phil Mendelson (At-Large D.C. Councilman); Courtney Stewart (returning resident leader); Stefan LoBuglio (Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Montgomery County); Rev. Elenora Giddings Ivory (former Presbyterian Church, U.S.A, Washington Office and World Council of Churches leader); and Rev. James Atwood (anti-gun violence analyst and activist). For more information and/or to RSVP for the course and/or dinner, contact Rev. Lynn Jostes at 202.363.2202 ext. 22 or lynn@chevychasepc.org.

Radio For The Soul — The Metropolitan Washington area now has an all Catholic, radio station, WMET 1160 AM. Its programming is quite varied, very informative and thought-provoking. Great for listening while driving, walking, exercising, cooking, gardening, etc. For more info and a schedule, visit www.grnonline.com.

Protecting The Unborn — Join the Shady Grove Pregnancy Center at their fundraising brunch next Sunday, **October 16**, at the Bethesda Marriott Hotel. Come hear about life saving programs and client testimonies. Olivia Gans, director of American Victims of Abortion, is the guest speaker. She has appeared on Nightline, CNN and Hannity & Colmes. Reservations required. Contact Mary Anne at 301.963.6223 or development@pregnancy-options.org.

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