



# THE PARISH MESSENGER

August 4-18, 2019  
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**An Oasis in the City. A diverse, welcoming Catholic community. Dedicated to beautiful worship, spiritual growth, and caring. Serving Foggy Bottom and the West End since 1867.**



**Father Bill Ryan will be with us to preach all the Masses the weekend of August 17-18th.**

Father Bill, as you may remember, returned to Togo, his Peace Corps assignment before entering the seminary. He works with subsistent farmers in several villages and numerous groupings. The people were walking a mile to fetch water from a muddy stream, slowly destroying their internal organs. Father drilled eleven wells and a water distribution tower. Everybody has fresh water now! During Monsignor's visit to Togo, the Tribal Chief said "For us I is too late, but you are educating our children, giving them a future!" Father Bill has created seven schools, now teaching 1,100 students. Students typically pay \$7 for a year worth of schooling, including room and board and three meals a day, plus snacks. Some cannot afford this yearly fee and are on scholarships. Father bill also created a cassava flour project, to significantly increase the income of farmers who, in the past, could only sell the tubers for little profit. Palm trees are abundant, so he gave more people work in a palm oil project and palm soap project, thus also supplying cooking oil to the villagers. He created a clinic to serve the area, which cares for the sick and a birthing room, which delivers about 50 babies a year - no longer born on the floors of mud huts. His TEAK TREE PROJECT people an opportunity to spend one dollar for the planting and maintenance of a teak tree, which, after ten years or more, can be sold at considerable profit to keep all the mission activities going. Father has also built a large church in the main village and smaller chapels throughout his vast parish, Our Lady of Guadalupe. The Archbishop has sent religious sisters to teach in the school and run the clinic; as well as a newly ordained priest to assist Father Ryan. Father is now building a "lycee" to continue the education of his graduates at a higher level.



## National Second Collection

On this weekend of **August 3/4, 2019**, the Archdiocese of Washington will take up the **Catholic Communications and Human Development** second collection. Funds for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) support organizations, both locally and other parts of the country, that serve the poor and disenfranchised.

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**August 15, 2019**

Holy Day of Obligation

Masses are: **12:10 PM , 5:30 PM, and 7:00 PM**



**Monsignor Paul returns from vacation on August 13, 2019**



## INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH ?

- To learn more about our beliefs and way of life?
- To bring spiritual unity to your family?
- To learn more about the Faith of a future spouse?
- To prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation?
- To discover spirituality in a secular world?
- To review your Catholic faith as an adult?

**No obligation. Class open to all. Thursdays from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Classes begin on October 3rd**  
If you are interested, please mention this to one of the priests or give Fr. Sirianni a call at **202-785-0982**.

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Friday: 9:30am-5:30pm

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm  
 Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm  
 Mon/Wed/Friday 6:30am & 12:10pm  
 Tuesday/Thursday 12:10pm & 5:30pm  
 Saturday 12:10pm

**CONFESSION**

Monday-Friday 11:30am--12:00pm  
 Saturday 4:30pm--5:15pm

**CLERGY**

Rev. Msgr. Paul M. Dudziak, D. Min. *Pastor*  
 msgrpaul@gmail.com  
 Rev. Klaus J. Sirianni *Parochial Vicar & GW Hospital Chaplain*  
 Deacon John Liu: *Permanent Deacon, Stephen Ministry Coordinator,  
 Nursing Home & GW Hospital Chaplain*

**STAFF**

Jocelyn Funes *Office Manager & Event Manager*  
 David Brake *Accountant*  
 Raphael Kadio *Facilities & Maintenance*  
 Neil Weston *Director of Music*

**Cantor:** Grace Srinivasan

**EL SHADDAI CHARISMATIC GROUP**

Castor Gonzales: 301-448-9747.....*Coordinator*  
 Jun Panlaqui .....*Asst. Coordinator*  
 Cely Almendras.....*Secretary*  
 Rosie Plata.....*Treasurer*

**SANT'EGIDIO** International Lay Group, which meets here:  
 www.santegidiousa.org/communities/washington-dc

**GW CATHOLICS**—240-544-7585

Rev. Martino Choi, Chaplain chaplain@gwcatholic.com  
 Ms. Julie Cilano, Campus Minister: julie@gwcatholic.com

Item	
Offertory	\$3,964.00
Daily Masses & Misc.	\$4,469.29
Poor Box	\$58.00
Concert Donor	\$0.00
Friend of the Music Ministry	\$342.00
Pakistan	\$40.00
Maintenance Fund	\$120.00
Baptism Heap	\$50.00

**TOTAL: \$9,043.29**



One of the best ways to ensure that the parish receives the support needed is “egiving” through Faith Direct. www.faithdirect.net or 1-866-507-8757. **Parish code is DC576**

**Prayer with Sant'Egidio**  
 Every Tuesday at 6:00 pm  
**El Shaddai Prayer Meeting**  
 Every Sunday 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm.  
**Prayer Group Every Monday 3-4pm (GALLERY)**



**Visit the Crystal Room at Foggy Bottom**  
 Available for Rent!!!  
 rentals@crystalroomdc.com  
 www.crystalroomdc.com

**Father George Daniels Remarks**

Dear brother and sisters,  
 I am grateful for the invitation given to me to come, stay and celebrate Our Faith together. I stand humbled and I see it as a privileged opportunity and a sacred time to be with you.  
 I am here to thank you all on behalf of all those individuals and families benefiting from the goodness of St. Stephen Martyr's Scholarship fund: You may not ever see them. I thank you for your close collaboration and support to uplift the marginalized, down trodden, neglected, suffering and presented brothers and sisters of yours.  
 It is a big responsibility assumed by St. Stephen Martyr Catholic Church out of love for the Lord concretized by your actions of love, generosity, and support. . So far the scholarship fund has been able to give new hope and secured future to a small number of individuals and families but it is a sure sign that it will set free our people who are held captives by oppression, injustice, hate, and persecution.  
 I thank you for standing with us in need and I strongly believe that we are co-workers in the kingdom of God. Thank you for sharing the core of God without reservation and without limitation with us.

Fr. George Daniel.



**2019 BETHANY BEACH WEEKEND/WEEK RETREAT**

**FOR SINGLE and YOUNG ADULT CATHOLICS-** 21st Annual **Bethany Beach Retreat/Vacation** in Delaware, Labor Day weekend/week **Aug. 30/31, 2019 -Sept 6/7**, Very low prices (weekend or whole week): **\$280 men; \$250 women (payment by 8/15/2019)- +\$20** after. All meals included. Space is limited. Mass daily with Fr. T. Morrow. Holy Hour available daily. Send payments to St. Catherine Society, **1590 Kimblewick Rd., Rockville, MD 20854**. For more information call Roxanna **240-893-0571**. For more detail go on <https://www.facebook.com/events/416663952263577/>. Pay on line at <http://slsociety.org/bethany/>.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, August 5****The Dedication of the Basilica of  
St. Mary Major**

6:30am	+Msgr. Kenneth Roeltgen	Fr. Sirianni
11:30am	Confession	
12:10pm	+Lilian de Leon	Fr. Daniel

**Tuesday, August 6****The Transfiguration of the Lord**

11:30am	Confession	
12:10pm	Thanksgiving	Fr. Sirianni
5:30pm	+Jennifer Jover	Fr. Daniel

**Wednesday, August 7****St. Sixtus II, Pope & Companions, Martyrs;  
St. Cajetan, Priest**

6:30am		Fr. Sirianni
11:30am	Confession	
12:10pm	John Davis	Fr. Daniel

**Thursday, August 8****St. Dominic, Priest**

11:30am	Confession	
12:10pm	+Luis Nazareno Poblete	Fr. Daniel
5:30pm	+Leon Valencia	Fr. Kemp

**Friday, August 9****St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross,  
Virgin & Martyr**

6:30am	Thanksgiving	Fr. Sirianni
11:30am	Confession	
12:10pm	Stewart & Theresa Ick	Fr. Daniel

**Saturday, August 10****St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr**

12:10pm	Ofelia Vitek	Fr. Daniel
4:30pm	Confession	
5:30pm		Fr. Sirianni

**Vigil Mass for the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time****Sunday, August 11****Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00am	Pro Populo	Fr. Sirianni
11:00am	Jassiem Cole	Fr. Daniel
5:30pm	+John Timothy Corrigan	Fr. Sirianni

**Monday, August 12****St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious**

6:30am		Fr. Sirianni
11:30am	Confession	
12:10pm	+Benjamin Oliveira	

**Tuesday, August 13****Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus,  
Priest, Martyrs**

11:30am	Confession	
12:10pm		Fr. Sirianni
5:30pm	+Msgr. Kenneth Roeltgen	

**Wednesday, August 14****St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr**

6:30am		Fr. Sirianni
11:30am	Confession	
12:10pm	+Jose Sanchez	Msgr. Dudziak

**Thursday, August 15****The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

11:30am	Confession	
12:10pm	+Mia Lahovari	Fr. Sirianni
5:30pm	+Adela Valencia	Fr. Kemp
7:00pm	+Asuncion Morales	Fr. Sirianni

**Friday, August 16****St. Stephen of Hungary**

6:30am		
11:30am	Confession	
12:10pm		

**Saturday, August 17**

12:10pm	Confession	
4:30pm		
5:30pm		

**Vigil Mass for the Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time****Sunday, August 18****Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00am	Pro Populo	
11:00am	+Joseph Corrigan	
5:30pm	Msgr. Paul Langsfeld	

**The Memorial Mass for Father Vincent R. Capodanno,  
MM,**

It will take place at **6:30 p.m.** on Wednesday, **4 September 2019**, in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, 400 Michigan Avenue, Northeast, Washington, D.C. His Excellency, the Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, Archbishop for the United States Military Services, will be the main celebrant. This annual Mass is celebrated in memory of Father Capodanno, killed in Vietnam on 4 September 1967, as he aided embattled Marines. Father Capodanno posthumously received the Medal of Honor, and in May 2006 the Catholic Church officially proclaimed him a Servant of God, formally initiating his cause for beatification. The Father Vincent Capodanno Guild is the only official organization established to promote the cause for canonization of Father Capodanno.

For more information, visit [www.CapodannoGuild.org](http://www.CapodannoGuild.org). All are invited to attend the Memorial Mass on the 52<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of his death. There will be open seating, so please plan to arrive early. If special parking is necessary, contact email Mary Preece at **202-719-3642** or at [mpreece@milarch.org](mailto:mpreece@milarch.org).

Military members are encouraged to wear uniform of the day, and business attire is appropriate for civilians.

**Faith Day at Nationals Park** is coming on **Saturday, September 28**. Watch the Washington Nationals play the Cleveland Indians, and enjoy a postgame celebration of faith. For every ticket sold, \$5 will be donated to benefit The House DC. To purchase tickets and learn more, please visit [www.Nationals.com/Faith](http://www.Nationals.com/Faith). To purchase tickets for a group of 13 or more, please contact Chris Murphy at **202.640.7687** or [chris.murphy@nationals.com](mailto:chris.murphy@nationals.com).

**ELEVENTH ANNUAL MASS & BENEFIT  
DINNER**

The Eleventh Annual Mass & Benefit Dinner, scheduled for **November 9, 2019**, supports the Franciscan and the Holy Land Friars' mission here and in the Holy Land.

Sponsorship opportunities available in August.

**Tickets sales begin in September.**

For more information or pledges, please email Margherita Ligorio at [margherita@Myfranciscan.com](mailto:margherita@Myfranciscan.com) or call 202 526 6800 Ext. 895.

**Calling all physicians and healthcare  
professionals!**

Save the date to join the Washington DC Catholic Medical Association for our annual half-day retreat on **Saturday, November 23rd, 2019**. The CMA is a group of Catholic physicians, nurses, and other healthcare professionals who are committed to living the Catholic faith in the science and practice of medicine. To learn more, join our mailing list by sending a message to [dc.cma.guild@gmail.com](mailto:dc.cma.guild@gmail.com).





We Invite you to go to [www.togomissionparish.org](http://www.togomissionparish.org) learn more about Father Ryan's exemplary work, see a video of the recent of FOCCUS (University graduates who volunteer two years to work with the Catholic campus ministries around the country) missionaries to Our Lady of Guadalupe, and watch a video interview of Father Ryan broadcast on the Eternal Word Television Network. We can assist the poor directly with no intervening organization or bureaucracy.