FALL LECTURE SERIES FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH



What do the words of the Nicene Creed, the faith we profess at Mass on Sundays, mean? What do the truths expressed in the articles of the Creed mean for how we live our lives? This series will explore the answers to these questions.

Week 1 --- The History of the Creed Wed. October 2 or Thu. October 3 Rev. Berard Marthaler, OFM Conv (author, The Creed: The Apostolic Faith in Contemporary Theology)

Week 2 --- *God the Father* Wed. October 9 or Thu. October 10 **Ms. Sara Blauvelt** (Director, Office for Catechesis, Archdiocese of Washington)

Week 3 --- *Jesus Christ* Wed. October 16 or Thu. October 17 **Rev. Frank Donio, SAC** (Director, Catholic Apostolate Center)

Week 4 --- *The Holy Spirit* Wed. October 23 or Thu. October 24 **Rev. Kevin Nadolski, OSFS** (Director, Development & Communications, Wilmington-Philadelphia Province, Oblates of St. Francis de Sales)

Week 5 --- *The Church* Thu. October 31 (THIS LECTURE WILL BE THURSDAY ONLY.) **Donald Cardinal Wuerl** (author, *Faith That Transforms Us: Reflections on the Creed*)

> Wednesday lectures: 12:45 to 1:45pm Thursday lectures: 7 to 8pm

All lectures except Thu. October 31 will be given in the North Conference Room. The Thu. October 31 lecture will be given in the Cathedral.

ONGOING EVENTS

Breaking Open the Word – Weekly discussion and reflection on upcoming Sunday readings meets at 7pm on Wednesdays in the West Conference Room.

Faith Formation Committee (Chair: Jeff Collmann) – Interested parishioners are invited to attend committee meetings on the third Tuesday of each month from 6:45 to 8pm in the East Conference Room.

The committee always welcomes new members. We also are currently seeking a coordinator for our parish book club and a coordinator of vocations awareness. Inquire with Director of Faith Formation.

ARCHDIOCESAN OPPORTUNITIES

The Archdiocese of Washington offers a variety of online catechetical programming, including **Faith Foundations**, which presents the teachings of the faith in an interactive video format that draws heavily from Scripture. Using a mix of personal stories, prayers and discussion questions, this course makes it easy to learn and understand the Church's teaching about topics such as the Bible, Mary, Prayer, the Mass and the Sacraments. For more information, go to http://www.mycatholicfaithdelivered.com/adw

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Please see the parish bulletin and/or website for further details or notice of changes.



Metro: Red Line, Farragut North (L Street exit) or Dupont Circle (South exit) Parking: Limited metered street parking in front of Cathedral (free after 6:30pm); public garage next to Cathedral (\$10/hour-\$16 daily max, \$5 flat fee after 4pm and on weekends)

FAITH FORMATION

CATHEDRAL OF ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE

FALL 2013

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PARISH MISSION

PRAYING WITH THE BODY OF CHRIST

with Jesuit Father Gerard Stockhausen

Sat. September 21 – Tue. September 24

*Preaching at weekend Masses (except 1pm on Sunday)

*Evening prayer and reflections at 7:30pm on Sunday and at 7pm on Monday in the Cathedral with hospitality following in the North Conference Room on Monday

*Celebration of the Eucharist at 7pm on Tuesday in the Cathedral with hospitality following in the North Conference Room

Sunday – Jesus: The Word Made Flesh Monday – Contemplating the Body of Christ Tuesday – Being the Body of Christ

<u>Anima Christi</u>

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus, hear me. Within your wounds hide me. Permit me not to be separated from you. From the wicked foe, defend me. At the hour of my death, call me and bid me come to you That with your saints I may praise you For ever and ever. Amen.

www.ignatianspirituality.com

Sun. September 8 9:45-11am – **Children's Religious Education Parent-Teacher Orientation Meeting** (West Conference Room)

Sun. September 15 9:45-11am – **First Day of Children's Religious Education Classes** (Education Center, 1726 N Street NW)

Sun. October 27 5:30pm Mass – **RCIA Rite of Acceptance & Welcoming** (Cathedral)

Sat. November 2 10:30-11:45am – **Bible Study: Gospel of John** with Father Jack Hurley (East Conference Room)

Sat. November 9 10:30-11:45am – **Bible Study: Gospel of John** with Father Jack Hurley (East Conference Room)

Sat. November 16 10:30-11:45am – **Bible Study: Gospel of John** with Father Jack Hurley (East Conference Room)

SERIE DE REFLEXIONES (en español) "ESTA ES NUETRA FE"

7:00 de la tarde Salón de conferencias del Oeste

Martes 10 de septiembre – *La Vida en Cristo. Dignidad del ser humano* – Padre Juan Puigbo, Parroquia Todos los Santos

Martes 8 de octubre – *Amarás a tu prójimo como a ti mismo. Responsabilidad social del Cristiano* – Padre Agustin Mateo Ayala, Parroquia de San Gabriel

Martes 5 de noviembre – **Mensaje de las Iecturas: El Reinado de Dios** – Padre Mariano Vicchi, Instituto del Verbo Encarnado

Martes 10 de diciembre – **Reflexión de Adviento** – Padre Joseph Goldsmith, Diócesis de Richmond

Stay tuned for announcements about small faith-sharing group opportunities coming this fall.

ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION "LIVING THE BEATITUDES"

Rev. Michael Murray, OSFS (*Executive Director, De Sales Spirituality Center*)

Sat. December 14 9am to 4pm – Great Hall of the Rectory

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For adults interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and/or becoming Catholic,

Inquiry meets on the second Wednesday of the month (September through May) from 6:30 to 7:30pm in the East Conference Room. A brief overview of the entire adult initiation process – RCIA – can be presented after Inquiry for those who are interested.

Adult Confirmation Preparation

Each spring during the Easter season, St. Matthew's offers **adult Confirmation preparation for active**, **baptized Catholics who already have received their First Eucharist**. Preparation includes four Thursday evenings and one Saturday retreat. The celebration of adult Confirmation in 2014 will occur at a special Mass on Ascension Sunday, *June 1*. Registration forms will be available in the Cathedral rectory and on the parish website beginning in mid-January.

Children's Religious Education

St. Matthew's offers sacramental preparation and ongoing religious education for school-age children.

INQUIRE WITH DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION ON ANY OF ABOVE.

Infant Baptism Preparation

Parents who wish to have their child baptized at the Cathedral should write<u>at least six (6) months in</u> <u>advance of a desired baptism date</u> to baptism@stmatthewscathedral.org to begin the preparation process. Parents and godparents must attend a baptism preparation session and obtain the necessary documents before a baptism date will be set.