



Archdiocese of Baltimore

DEAF MINISTRY

January 2023



Mass in ASL with Fr. Mike is held every Sunday at 10 am at St. Ignatius Country Church, 8817 Urbana Church Rd., Urbana, MD.

Mass in ASL is held **at St. Isaac Jogues Chapel**, 9215 Old Harford Rd., Balto. at **4:30 pm on the first Saturday** of the month (the next Mass is Saturday, February 3).

The Christmas Season is over, winter is here, and Lent will be here soon. This year Lent begins earlier than usual on **February 14**, **Ash Wednesday**.



Fr. Mike Depcik will have **Mass in ASL on Ash Wednesday** at the St. Ignatius Country Church at 7 pm. **Adoration of the Eucharist and Lenten Bible Study** will begin on February 15. A **Lenten Day of Reflection** will be held in Emmitsburg on Saturday, March 16. See below for details.

Upcoming Events – Save the Dates

Sunday, January 21 – Children's Mass

Our first Children's Mass was on January 21. Future Children's Masses are planned for February 25, March 17, and April 28. Children will do one of the readings, lead the Prayer of the Faithful and/or a song after Communion.

Beginning January 21 – RCIA

Want to Become Catholic? Have You Not Received Confirmation? Just Want to Learn More About the Catholic Church and Our Faith?



Fr. Mike Depcik will start a series of sessions to prepare individuals to be received into the Church or to become a full member of the Catholic Faith. Anyone is welcome to attend just to learn more about the Catholic Faith. The first organizational session was held **January 21**, **2024**. Classes are planned for twice each month following Sunday Mass in a classroom at the big church. Future classes will be held on February

4, 18, March 3, 17, April 7, 21, May 5, 19, June 2.

February 14 – Ash Wednesday – Lent Begins

Mass in ASL with Fr. Mike Depcik and the Distribution of Ashes will take place at St. Ignatius Country Church in Urbana at 7 pm on Ash Wednesday, February 14.



Beginning February 15 - Adoration and Bible Study Planned for Lent



Fr. Mike Depcik is planning to have Eucharistic Adoration followed by a Bible Study class on the Thursday evenings during Lent. On **Feb. 15**, **Feb. 22**, **March 7**, **March 14 and March 21**, Adoration will be from 5:30 – 6:30 pm at the Country Church. Bible Study will follow at 7 pm at St. Ignatius parish center. All are welcome.



March 16 - Lenten Day of Reflection

Fr. Mike Depcik will hold a Lenten Day of Reflection at the **Seton Shrine**, **Emmitsburg**, **MD on March 16**. The program includes a **talk by Fr. Mike**, a **tour of the Shrine**, a **free lunch**, opportunity for **Confession**, and **Mass**. Please plan to attend. **See flier below**.

Fish Fry available at St. Ignatius on Fridays for Lent

The Knights of Columbus at St. Ignatius in Ijamsville will hold a **Fish Fry on each Friday in Lent** beginning February 9. Members of the Deaf Community are welcome to attend. There **will be a fee** for each meal.

Palm Sunday

We will celebrate Palm Sunday at the St. Ignatius Country Church on **March 24 at 10 am**. We will remember Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem and we will receive palm branches. We will also read the story of the Lord's Passion.

Chrism Mass on March 25 in Baltimore

Each year the Archdiocese of Baltimore has a Chrism Mass where the Archbishop consecrates the chrism and holy oils used in the sacraments throughout the archdiocese. At this same Mass, all of the priests renew their vows as priests in the Archdiocese of Baltimore. Almost all of the priests and all of the bishops of the archdiocese will be there for this special Mass. Fr. Mike Depcik would like for many members of our Catholic Deaf Community to be present for this Mass. It is important to show Archbishop Lori, the other bishops, and all of the priests that we are part of the archdiocese and appreciate the support of the archdiocese for ministry with the Deaf. The Chrism Mass will take place on Monday, March 25 at 7:30 pm at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen, 5200 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21210. Please plan to arrive early. It will be crowded and it may become challenging to find parking.

Mass of the Lord's Supper - Holy Thursday

Fr. Mike Depcik will celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper on **Holy Thursday**, **March 28 at 7 pm at the St. Ignatius Country Church**, 8817 Urbana Church Road, Urbana, MD. This is a special Liturgy when we remember the night of the Last Supper of Jesus with his Apostles and the Institution of the Eucharist and the priesthood. It is also the Liturgy when the priest washes the feet of representatives of the community.

Stations of the Cross

We will have the Stations of the Cross at St. Ignatius Country Church, 8817 Urbana Church Road, Urbana on Good Friday, **March 29 at 5:45 pm**.

Good Friday Service

We will have a Good Friday service on **March 29 at 7 pm** at St. Ignatius Country Church, 8817 Urbana Church Road, Urbana.



Easter Vigil Mass

Fr. Mike Depcik will celebrate the **Easter Vigil Mass at 7:00 pm March 30** at St. Ignatius Country Church, 8817 Urbana Church Road, Urbana. This Liturgy is the climax of the Church year when we celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead.

May 19 - First Holy Communion

The children who have been prepared will receive their First Holy Communion on May 19. The children will take variious parts in the Liturgy.



June 20 - 23, 2024 - National Deaf Cursillo retreat

There will be a National Deaf Cursillo weekend retreat at the O'Dwyer Retreat House in Sparks, MD from June 20 – 23. Sue Smith is the local coordinator. Contact Sue for details at Mdcursillo68@gmail.com for more information.

Jesus' Deaf CREW

This **Catholic Religious Enrichment Week** is in Michigan, August 4-9. See information below.

December 2023	Attendance			Collection		
	Balto.	Urbana	Total	Balto.	Urbana	Total
December 2-3	17	43	60	\$54.00	\$207.00	\$261.00
December 8 Immaculate Conception		26	26			\$ -
December 10		50	50		\$252.00	\$252.00
December 17		48	48		\$220.00	\$220.00
December 24		40	40		\$207.00	\$207.00
Christmas Eve		78	78		\$459.00	\$459.00
December 31		34	34		\$125.00	\$125.00
Total					\$1,470.00	\$1,524.00
Average Weekend Amount	17	45.6	48	\$54.00	\$215.08	\$217.56

LENT WITH MOTHER SETON



FR. MIKE DEPCIK WILL TALK ABOUT THE LIFE OF
ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON, THE FIRST AMERICAN SAINT, AND
HOW WE CAN LEARN FROM HER EXAMPLES, ESPECIALLY
DURING HER TIME OF HARDSHIPS.

WHEN: MARCH 16, 2024

WHERE: NATIONAL SHRINE OF ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON
339 SOUTH SETON AVENUE EMMITSBURG, MD

COST: FREE

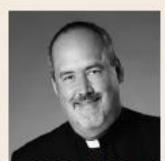
FOR THE DEAF CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

SCHEDULE:

9:00 AM - ARRIVAL & BREAKFAST (AT NO COST)
10:00 AM - SPIRITUAL TALK
12 PM - LUNCH (AT NO COST)
1:30 - 3:30 - CONFESSION & TOUR OF THE SHRINE
4:00 PM MASS

IF INTERESTED, PLEASE RSVP BY MARCH 2 BY EMAILING VIKA PAVLOVSKAYA AT VIKAPAVLOVSKAYA@GMAIL.COM

IF YOU HAVE DIETARY REQUIREMENTS, MOBILITY ISSUES OR REQUIRE OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS, PLEASE EMAIL VIKA AT VIKAPAVLOVSKAYA@GMAIL.COM WITH DETAILS.



PRESENTER: FR. MIKE DEPCIK



Deaf/ Hard of Hearing adults who use ASL, who desire a deep understanding of their faith and to be empowered to live and share their faith. This is an opportunity to encounter Jesus, and become a disciple – Jesus' Deaf Crew!

Interested?

to complete a form to show your interest or email JesusDeafCrew@gmail.com

Catholic Religious Eurichment Week

is a two-year program in the summer. Participants will have the opportunity for morning classes, Mass and times of prayer while enjoying time to socialize and enjoy the beauty of a 214- acre lakefront woodland surrounding Vineyard Lake in Brooklyn, Michigan.

The program is limited to 24 participants.



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