

**Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 30, 2025**

# *Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church*

*1427 West Braddock Road ~ Alexandria, Virginia 22302*



## **LENTEN SCHEDULE**

(March 6th - April 16th)

### **\*DAILY MASSES**

**Monday – Thursday:** 6:30 & 8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

**Friday:** 6:30 & 8:30 a.m. (No evening Mass)

**Saturday:** 8:30 a.m.

### **\*CONFESSIONS**

**Monday - Thursday Morning:** 7:00 - 8:00 a.m.

**Wednesday Evening:** 7:30 p.m. (following Mass)

**Friday Morning:** 7 - 8:00 a.m. (No evening confession)

**Saturday Afternoon:** 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

### **\*STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Friday:** 2:30 p.m. (with school),

7:00 pm, 8:00 p.m. in Spanish

### **\*EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**Fridays:** 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### **\*ROSARY**

**Monday - Saturday:** 8:00 a.m.



**SUNDAY MASSES:** (Church) **Saturday Vigil:** 5 pm; **Sundays:** 7:30, 9:00\*, 11:00\*am, 12:30 pm, 5pm

**Sunday in Spanish:** 2:00 pm

**\*NURSERY:** At ECC through main school entrance

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** (Church) Monday - Friday, 6:30 & 8:30 am; Saturday, 8:30 am only

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** (Chapel) Monday thru Friday, 7am - 8 am; Saturday, 3:30 - 4:30 pm  
(except Holy Saturday - Check Holy Day/Seasonal Schedules)

Spanish Community, Sundays, 1:15-1:45 pm

**ROSARY:** (Church) Monday - Saturday, 8:00 am

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** (Chapel) Fridays, 9 am- 5 pm

**PARISH OFFICE:** 703-998-6100

**Office Hours:** Monday - Thursday., 8:30 am - Noon, 1 pm - 7 pm; **Fridays,** 8:30 am - Noon, 1 pm - 5 pm. (No evening hours)  
**Sunday,** 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.

The church BUILDING closes at 9:00 pm, Monday - Friday & following 5:00 pm Masses on Saturday & Sunday

**PARISH WEB SITE:** [www.blessedsacramentcc.org](http://www.blessedsacramentcc.org)

**PARISH E-MAIL:** [parish\\_office@bscva.org](mailto:parish_office@bscva.org)

**FACEBOOK:** <https://www.facebook.com/Blessed-Sacrament-Catholic-Church-210791706782/>

**INSTAGRAM:** @blessed\_sacrament\_youth

**DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON:** [www.arlingtondiocese.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org)

**PARISH CLERGY:**

Rev. John D. Kelly, Pastor  
 Rev. Mark Carrier, Parochial Vicar  
 Rev. Andrew Clark, Parochial Vicar  
 Rev. Peter St. George, Parochial Vicar

**PARISH STAFF:**

William Lucardi, Director of Music  
 Susan Doyle, Director of Religious Education  
 Marie Niernberger, Bulletin Editor / Liturgical Environment

**YOUTH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD):** (September - May)**Grades Pre-K-8**

See the **FAITH FORMATION** page of the parish website for further information.

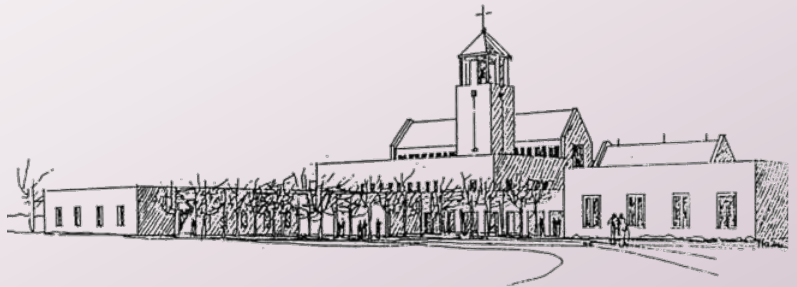
**BAPTISM OF CHILDREN:** Celebrations are held on one Saturday per month. A parent and godparent preparation program is required. Arrangements should be made at least 3 months prior to the baby's due date. Call the parish office.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** The preparation program must begin *not less than* six (6) months in advance. For weddings celebrated in this church, we cannot confirm a wedding date until after the first appointment with a priest. Call the parish office.

**CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):** Questions? Call parish office or email: [sdoyle@bscva.org](mailto:sdoyle@bscva.org)

**PRAYERS AT MASS FOR THE SICK OR RECENTLY DECEASED:** Call the parish office for mention at (2) Sunday Masses.

**MASS CARDS:** Available, in person, at the parish office during regular hours.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL & EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER**

1417 West Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22302

703-998-4170 [www.bssva.org](http://www.bssva.org)

*"To create an educated community to serve Christ and one another with integrity and respect."*

Katherine Chelak, principal



PALM SUNDAY  
**BAKE  
 SALE**

**April 12th & 13th**

*After ALL Morning Masses ~ Quinn Hall*

**\*BUYERS NEEDED...**

**...No Cookie Left Behind !!**

Buy delicious goodies to support our school

**\*BAKERS needed too !!**

**DONATIONS of BAKED GOODS Welcome! Pick up a form at the Parish office for a list of WHAT to bake...**

**PLEASE** ~ clearly label items, noting any special ingredients (ie., nuts, egg-free or gluten-free).

Please deliver donated baked goods to the school office on Friday, April 11th during school hours, or deliver them to Quinn Hall on Saturday, April 12th, between 1:30 & 4:30 pm.

Thanks from the Class of 2025!

*Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish*

MARIA JUAREZ ASCENCIO, JUDY BOWMAN, J. COLLINS,  
 A.J. HANILAND, SAM HODUS, MICHAEL HART,  
 FRANK McDERMOTT, JOHN MILATZO, BRUCE & MARY MILLER,  
 SR. JEAN NOWAK, OP, LUCRECIA PALLO, DONNA RAFFAELE,  
 NORMA RAFFAELE, IRVINE RODRIGUEZ, JIM SHERWOOD,  
 HARRY THOMPSON, Jr., TIMOTHY TOBIN,  
 MAUREEN WAHL, CHRISTIE WALTON, VINCE WHITMORE.

*(Please call the parish office with additions & deletions)*

**Please join us in prayer as we ask for God's guidance & protection of troops, law enforcement, EMT's, firefighters, healthcare workers, or anyone serving in harm's way.**

Ryan Barnett, Michael Bouffard, Macine Browning, Joseph R. Byrns, Nicholas Cale, Adam Conlan, Robert Corso, Analee Cuellar, Nathalia Cuellar, Bradley Cundari, Matthew Cundari, Nuno Cunha, Ryan Cunha, Richard Demarais, Dennis Donley, Maddy Dooley, George C. Fletcher, Nicholas Fletcher, Tommy Gadell, Victor Gaetan, Liz Hummelt, Joshua Hindenburg, Faith Holman, David Jordan, Jonathan Jordan, Matthew Kitzerow, Steven Kitzerow, James Kunder, Allison Landsman, Joseph Lim, Christopher Love, Brian Lynch, Alexa Mastrostefano, Grace McCaffery, Lisa Mullaney, Hanna Porterfield, Gray Posey, Thomas Rands, Jamie Reynolds, Erik Rogers, Mary Severs, Bryce Simpson, Ryan Stancik, Jared Steen, Travis A. Stoffer, Kyle Thomas, Josh Truman, Michael Voigt, Abby Warden.



**MASS INTENTIONS****SUNDAY, MARCH 30th - Fourth Sunday of Lent**

- 7:30 am ~ **Natividad Granados+** (Rodolfo & Malu Granados)  
 9:00 am ~ **Mary Ondo+** (Ann Wynne)  
 11:00 am ~ **Rosemary Anne Keegan+** (Mike & Eileen Giglio)  
 12:30 pm ~ **William Frederick Lockhart+** (Barney & Linda Skladany)  
 2:00 pm ~ **Sp Int - Gustavo Del Valle** (Seferina Del Valle)  
 5:00 pm ~ **Mass for the People**

**MONDAY, MARCH 31 - Lenten Weekday**

- 6:30 am ~ **Sp Int - Philip Irwin** (Christi Seminack)  
 8:30 am ~ **Irma Cosme+** (Reynolds Family)  
 7:00 pm ~ **Sonny Gamo & Josephine Gonzalez+** (Jean Alam)

**TUESDAY, APRIL 1 - Lenten Weekday**

- 6:30 am ~ **Frieda Toner+** (Jannic Driscoll)  
 8:30 am ~ **Sp Int - Alexandria Food Pantry Volunteers** (M Rodriguez)  
 7:00 pm ~ **Soto Family Deceased+** (Bertha Braddock)

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 - Lenten Weekday**

- 6:30 am ~ **Sp Int - Timothy Martinez** (Tyler & Mary Ellen Martinez)  
 8:30 am ~ **Ed Joines+** (Reynolds Family)  
 7:00 pm ~ **Sp Int - Pope Francis** (April Garcia)

**THURSDAY, APRIL 3 - Lenten Weekday**

- 6:30 am ~ **Souls in Purgatory+** (Lana Sarrantonio)  
 8:30 am ~ **John Torres+** (Blessed Sacrament School)  
 7:00 pm ~ **Nicholas R Colucia+** (Mary Doyle)

**FRIDAY, APRIL 4 - Lenten Weekday**

- 6:30 am ~ **Irma Cosme+** (Harrington Family)  
 8:30 am ~ **Jason McDuffee+** (Laura McDuffee)

**SATURDAY, APRIL 5 - Lenten Weekday**

- 8:30 am ~ **Pacifico & Lydia Gamo+** (Jean Alam)  
 5:00 pm ~ **Mass for the People**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 6 - Fifth Sunday of Lent**

- 7:30 am ~ **Charles Sciamia, Jr+** (Keith Moore)  
 9:00 am ~ **Maggie Herzing+** (Zel Pafenberg)  
 11:00 am ~ **Joe Braddock+** (Bertha Braddock)  
 12:30 pm ~ **William & Bridget Landers+** (Denise Landers)  
 2:00 pm ~ **Amado Benedicto Alberto** (Leonor Lopez De Alberto)  
 5:00 pm ~ **Rodney Mitchell+** (Randy)



**Saint Joseph,**  
**Pray for Us and Pray for Our Priests**

Pray for the defense,  
 advocacy & protection of priests.

Let us pray each day for a priest of the diocese ~

**Sunday, 3/30** - Rev. Francis De Rosa  
**Monday, 3/31** - Rev. Paul F. Deladurantaye  
**Tuesday, 4/1** - Rev. Robert J. Demartino  
**Wednesday, 4/2** - Rev. Alexander Diaz  
**Thursday, 4/3** - Rev. Denis M. Donahue  
**Friday, 4/4** - Rev. Jeb S. Donelan  
**Saturday, 4/5** - Rev. Alexander R. Drummond



## FRIDAY EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Visit with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament on **Fridays**.

Come to pray any time, but mid-day & afternoon visits are most needed. Call the parish

office to be put on a list of regular visitors. 703-998-6100

The **Daily Chapel** is open from **Exposition at 9:00 a.m.** until **Benediction & Reposition at 5:00 p.m.**

(Please notify the parish office if the chapel is empty and you have to leave.)

Please prayerfully consider spending **just one hour** in prayer.

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 Looking for a nearby evening or overnight Adoration time?  
 A few of our neighboring parishes might have a time that fits your needs... all of their websites have detailed information.

Saint Rita, Alexandria - [stritaalexandria.com](http://stritaalexandria.com)

Basilica of Saint Mary, Old Town - [stmaryoldtown.org](http://stmaryoldtown.org)

Saint Joseph, Old Town - [stjosephva.org](http://stjosephva.org)

Saint Anthony of Padua, Falls Church - [stanthonyparish.org](http://stanthonyparish.org)

Queen of Apostles, Franconia - [queenofapostles.org](http://queenofapostles.org)

Saint Louis, Alexandria (Richmond Highway) - [saintlouisparrish.org](http://saintlouisparrish.org)

## Readings for the Week:

### Sunday, March 30th, 4th Lent:

Jos 5:9a, 10-12  
 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  
 2 Cor 5:17-21  
 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Monday:** Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9  
 Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18  
 Jn 5:17-30

**Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23  
 Jn 5:31-47

**Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12  
 Jn 7:40-53

### Sunday, April 6th, 5th Lent:

Is 43:16-21  
 Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6.  
 Phil 3:8-14  
 Jn 8:1-11

## Offertory Collection

Our Offertory Collection, with FaithDirect for **March 16th** was \$33,840.00

We also collected \$293.00 - **Poor Box**, \$716.00 - **Building Repairs Fund**,  
\$150.00 - **Quinn School Endowment**, \$610.00 - **Votive Candles**, \$24.00 - **Arlington Catholic Herald**,  
\$835.00 - **The Church in Central & Eastern Europe** (Ash Wednesday),  
\$50.00 - **Black, Indian & Native Missions**.



[www.FaithDirect.net](http://www.FaithDirect.net) ~ Our church code: **VA 12**.  
Your **ONLINE** gifts through **FaithDirect** will help  
our parish finances throughout the year.

Abounding <sup>IN</sup> Hope



your gifts with the 40+ ministries and programs funded by the BLA truly impacts the lives of  
thousands across our diocese.

You can make a gift at: [www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA) or scan the QR code:

## 2025 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL

This year's theme is: **"Abounding in Hope."**  
After reflecting upon the blessings God has given  
you, please prayerfully consider a pledge. Sharing



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## Second Collection ~ TODAY! Catholic Relief Services (CRS) "Reveal Christ's Love"

Your support for this collection aids victims of persecution and natural disasters,  
provides legal services to poor immigrants, and advocates for the powerless. Through your generosity,  
six Catholic agencies **reveal Christ's love** to the vulnerable refugee, immigrant family, and those  
who are poor and marginalized. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

## Holy Week 2025: TRIDUUM SCHEDULE:

### HOLY THURSDAY: April 17th

8:30 am ~ Morning Prayer (Church)

4:00 - 6:00 pm ~ **CONFESSION** (Daily Chapel)

7:30 pm ~ **MASS of the LORD'S SUPPER**

(Vigil of Prayer follows in Daily Chapel & Adoration ends at 12 am)

### GOOD FRIDAY: April 18th

8:30 am ~ Morning Prayer (Church)

12:00 noon ~ Midday Prayer (Church)

3:00 pm ~ **CELEBRATION of the LORD'S PASSION**

(Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion)

5:00 - 6:00 pm ~ **CONFESSION** (Daily Chapel)

{Final Opportunity}

7:00 pm ~ **VIERNES SANTO (VIA DOLOROSA) SPANISH** (Church)

### HOLY SATURDAY: April 19th ~ NO CONFESSION ~

8:30 am ~ Morning Prayer (Church)

12:30 pm ~ **BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD** (Church)

(Bring foods, wine, candles, linens, etc. for use at your Easter dinner)

## EASTER MASS SCHEDULE



### VIGIL - SATURDAY EVENING, April 19th:

9:00 pm {2+ hours}

### DAY - SUNDAY, APRIL 20th:

7:00 am (Church) **\*NOTE TIME CHANGE**

9:00 am (Church) and

9:05 am (Gym)

11:00 am (Church) and

11:05 am (Gym)

12:45 pm (Church) **\*NOTE TIME CHANGE**

2:30 pm ~ Spanish **\*NOTE TIME CHANGE**

**No 5:00 p.m. Mass on Easter.**

Parish Office reopens on Tuesday, April 22nd



*Enhance your Lenten journey  
at our Wednesday Evening Series ~*

# The Art of Sanctity

*Next Two Wednesdays ~*

**April 2nd & April 9th**

7:30 p.m. (following Mass)  
Quinn Hall



## FISH DINNER!

**Friday, April 4th 5:00 - 6:30 pm**

**RESERVATIONS PLEASE! (703)998-6100**

(So we can plan!)

\$15 Adult / \$7 kids / \$30 Family

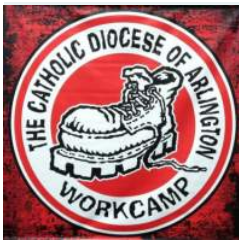
Cash, Card, Venmo, Paypal!

Carry-out available



Bring the family for a simple, meatless meal of  
fresh, fried or baked fish entrees, fries,  
mac-n-cheese, coleslaw, veggies, rolls, salad, etc.

**Teens - Great opportunity to earn some service hours by helping out!**



## WorkCamp 2025

Our Blessed Sacrament Team of ten teens and three adult chaperones are looking forward to very excited for **WorkCamp 2025** where we will provide necessary home repairs for the less

fortunate, strengthen our faith, and grow as a Christian community. We are appealing to you so that you may join us in helping others to ask for help as we serve those in need.

We will be spending from **June 21st to June 27th** working with other youth and adults from the Diocese reaching out to join hundreds of other teens from across the Diocese of Arlington to care for families in the Shenandoah area of Virginia. We need your help so that **WorkCamp2025** will be a success. First, success depends on prayer. Please pray for us. Second, we would appreciate donations to support **WorkCamp2025**. These donations will cover the expenses of meals, worksite supplies, retreat expenses, professional contractor assistance (where necessary) and other needs to support **WorkCamp2025**.

Please use the **QR code** or make **checks** payable to **Blessed Sacrament Youth ("WorkCamp"** in the memo line) and please return to Blessed Sacrament Parish Office.



**THANK YOU  
FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**LENT**

# Morning of Recollection

**SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025**  
**8:30 MASS-1:00 PM**  
**HOLY HOUR**  
**TALKS**

**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST  
& LUNCH INCLUDED**  
**PLEASE RSVP!**

## ...Parish Groups...



### **Blessed Sacrament Prayer Shawl Knitting & Crochet Ministry...** **...is coming to DAYTIME too!**

Join us on the 3rd Thursday of the month, beginning **April 17th** at 9:15 a.m. (following Mass) in the **Meeting Room / Parish Library**. Bring your knitting, crocheting, needlepoint or any other kind of stitchery to work and fellowship.

Questions? Call or email Marie (703)998-6100 or [mniernberger@bscva.org](mailto:mniernberger@bscva.org)



### **Blessed Sacrament Prayer Shawl Knitting & Crochet Ministry**

**EVENING MEETING** (first Thursday of the month): **THURSDAY, APRIL 3rd ~ 7:00 pm ~ MEETING ROOM / PARISH LIBRARY**

**Our dedicated Knitters, Crocheters & Stitchers produced over 293 items for babies & our neighbors in 2024!**

We continue our work on lap blankets, baby blankets, & prayer shawls. Thanks to our anonymous crafters!

We have yarn if you need it. Drop-off your hand-made donations at the parish office any time.

Questions? Call Lana at 703-299-8389 (or email Marie at [mniernberger@bscva.org](mailto:mniernberger@bscva.org))



### **Calling all moms!**

A group for mothers of young children (including infants) has formed.

**Join us to pray the Rosary on Thursday mornings -- kids play, moms pray!**

**Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. in the Little Marian House**  
(next to parish staff parking, 1601 West Braddock Rd)

Please contact Susan Doyle ~ [sdoyle@bscva.org](mailto:sdoyle@bscva.org)  
or call the parish office for info.



### **BLESSED SACRAMENT 39+ SINGLES:**

Contact: Tom Palumbo -  
[tomtal1@verizon.net](mailto:tomtal1@verizon.net) 703-313-8388

### **PRIME TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS (PTSC):**

We are a social group, mostly 60 and over.

Meet us for: Lunch on Thursdays and many more activities.

**(40 to 59? Ask about our free associate-member group.)**

For details, visit our website: [bit.ly/ptsc](http://bit.ly/ptsc)

Questions or to RSVP, email Tom at [ptscnva@gmail.com](mailto:ptscnva@gmail.com)



**BRIDGE on TUESDAYS at the PARISH CENTER ~ 12 Noon to 3 pm**  
Contact Ann Corro for more information (703) 370-3664

**LINE DANCING on MONDAYS in QUINN HALL ~ 1:30 p.m., no experience necessary!**

**SAINT MARTIN de PORRES SENIOR CENTER ~ 4650 Taney Avenue, Alexandria 22304. All Alexandria residents, 60+ years old are welcome! Daily activities & lunch. Transportation will be provided, but you must RSVP ~ Call 703-751-2766**

**SENIOR SERVICES of ALEXANDRIA (SSA) ~ Join "SSA Connection" to get a weekly email with the latest videos, information on activities & services, TED Talks, recipes & much, much more for Seniors in Alexandria!**  
Email to: [communications@seniorservicesalex.org](mailto:communications@seniorservicesalex.org)



### **Are you interested in playing Mah Jong ?**



We're looking for people to play this fascinating, ancient game here at Blessed Sacrament, during the day, on a regular basis.

Please call **Lana Sarrantonio** (703) 299-8389 for information on the game and when players will meet.



**MEN'S GROUP ~ All men of the parish are welcome! Come & Join us in Quinn Hall next Saturday!**

~ Open for hot breakfast @ 6:30 a.m. ~ Program @ 7:00 a.m. Questions? [bsmensgroup@gmail.com](mailto:bsmensgroup@gmail.com)

Join us when you can to grow in faith, fraternity & fellowship!



**Expectant moms (and dads):** How can we help you? **Visitation Ministry** serves mothers for the first 40 days after birth by bringing meals, running errands, babysitting older children, etc. Contact Maureen Tovey at (734)

395-0862 or [tovey.maureen@gmail.com](mailto:tovey.maureen@gmail.com)

OR...are you someone who would like to serve in our **Visitation Ministry?** Contact us!



## ...Community Outreach...

**Holy Year ~ Pilgrims of Hope ~ 2025 Tour of Churches ~** As we joyfully celebrate this Holy Year 2025, Bishop Burbidge invites you to embark on a spiritual journey by participating in a special Holy Year Tour of eight designated holy sites within our diocese. This church tour offers the faithful a unique opportunity to pray throughout our diocese and receive a plenary indulgence by meeting certain conditions, such as prayer, reception of the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Holy Year Tour is a chance for personal renewal, deeper faith, and communal celebration. To inspire participation, Bishop Michael F. Burbidge will offer a special memento for the first 50 participants who complete the tour. This keepsake will serve as a lasting reminder of your faith journey of hope during this extraordinary year. For more details on the sacred sites, plenary indulgences, and the Holy Year 2025, contact each parish office or visit <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/holy-year-2025>.



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Questions? Email our Blessed Sacrament rep: [BSCCAlive@gmail.com](mailto:BSCCAlive@gmail.com)

Interested in volunteering? Sign up online: <https://www.alive-inc.org/we-need-volunteers-alexandria-va/>

### **The CARPENTER'S SHELTER BAG LUNCH PROGRAM ~ Next Delivery: APRIL 13th**



Individuals & families are invited to make & donate bag lunches for distribution on the 2nd Sunday of each month to the residents of **The Carpenter's Shelter** in Alexandria. We need a dedicated, monthly crew to insure we have enough to supply the clients lunches for the following week. Items are dropped off on the 2nd Sunday by 10 am to a cart outside Quinn Hall. Each bagged lunch to include - a sandwich (preferably meat and/or cheese with **NO** dressing), a dessert & a piece of fruit. Donations of bulk items are also welcomed. **Thanks!**

Questions? Marie at 703-998-6100 x.104 or [mniernberger@bscva.org](mailto:mniernberger@bscva.org)



### **Blessed Sacrament Carpenter's Shelter Monthly Dinner Program**

Blessed Sacrament parishioners provide dinner for the residents of **The Carpenter's Shelter** on the third Monday of every month. A menu is set and a sign up genius request is emailed asking for volunteers to cook or buy the food and drop it off at the Shelter. Volunteers to help serve the dinner are also needed.

If you are interested in volunteering please send your email address to [mblersani@outlook.com](mailto:mblersani@outlook.com) You will receive a monthly request where you can sign up to provide food and or be a server. Any questions please contact **Maribeth** at 703-346-5778. **Thank you!**



### **Mother of Light Center** [www.motheroflightcenter.com](http://www.motheroflightcenter.com)

**\*\*\*NOW CFC eligible!**

421 Clifford Ave., Alexandria, Mon.-Sat., 10 am-2 pm. (703) 307-5902 Email: [motheroflightcenter@gmail.com](mailto:motheroflightcenter@gmail.com)



**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**E-membership in the Knights of Columbus for eligible Catholic men (age 18+) is available.** Visit: <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html>

to learn more. Potential members also can send an email to [gk11947@vakofc.org](mailto:gk11947@vakofc.org) or call the Parish Office and leave a message. A Knight will return your call. **Vivat Jesus!**



### **OUR NEXT DONUT SUNDAY is April 13th**

(after 7:30, 9 & 11 a.m. Mass)

Join us in QUINN HALL for Donuts, Coffee, Juice & Fellowship!

### **Did you know that the majority of our parish Poor Box funds help those in need locally?**

The Knights of Blessed Sacrament, Council 11947, will be matching the funds received in the weekly collections for the parish Poor Box. (March and April, up to \$1,000.00).

We invite members of the parish to join us in donating to the Poor Box, as we work to assist our neighbors who are struggling.



## ...Respect Life, etc...



Helpful Resources: [www.arlingtondiocese.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org)  
[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) (~search~) "religious liberty"  
[www.vacatholic.org](http://www.vacatholic.org) (Virginia Catholic Conference)  
#WhyWeMarch MarchForLife.org

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE ~ 40DaysForLife.com** [www.PrayForLife.org](http://www.PrayForLife.org)

**GABRIEL PROJECT:** Gabriel Project (GP) provides financial & spiritual assistance to pregnant women in need. If you know someone who can benefit from GP services, or if you would like to volunteer, please contact us at (703) 841-3810 or go online at: [www.arlingtondiocese.org/gpavolunteer](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/gpavolunteer)

**PROJECT RACHEL:** Share the good news of God's merciful love post abortion.  
*Project Rachel* can make a confidential referral to a priest and/or counselor: (888) 456-HOPE (4673) or [www.helpafterabortion.org](http://www.helpafterabortion.org)

### 'FIRST SATURDAY' Rosary Team

*Did you know that the 'no-show' rate can go up by 70% when there are people peacefully praying outside an abortion facility?* Please join the prayer team **every First Saturday** to pray the rosary at 10:30 am at Falls Church facility at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA. For inquiries, Amy McInerney at (703) 841-3817 or [respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org)

### ROSARY for LIFE

**Every Saturday** ~ around 9-9:15 am ~ women's clinic at 2839 Duke Street. (near Bishop Ireton H.S.) Our "turn" to lead is 2nd Sat. of the month.

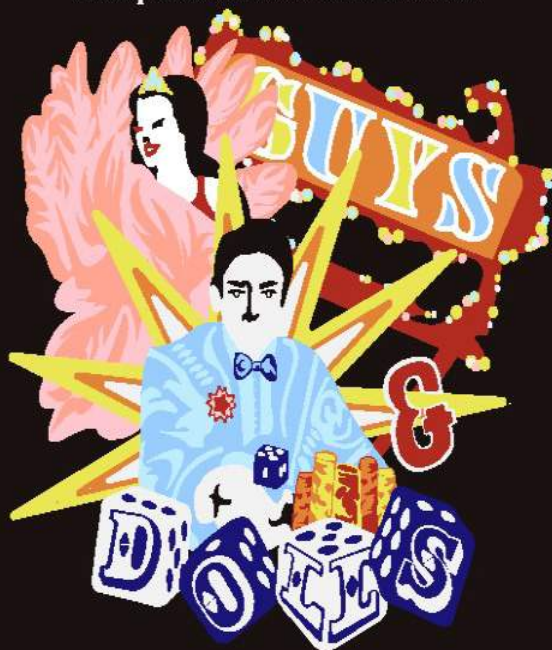
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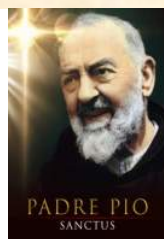
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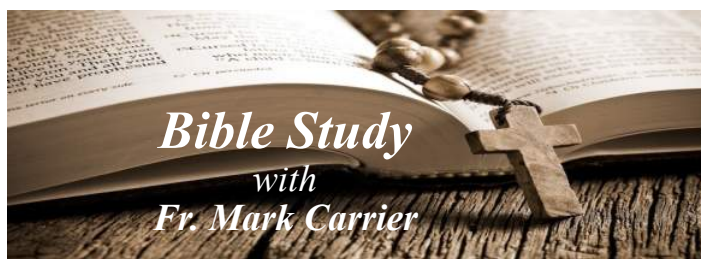


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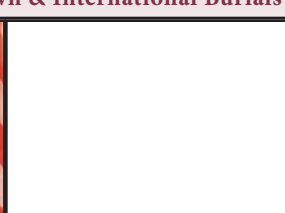
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