

Fifth Sunday of Easter ~ May 15, 2022

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

1427 West Braddock Road ~ Alexandria, Virginia 22302



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PARISH OFFICE: 703-998-6100

Hours: Mon. - Fri., 9:00 am - Noon, 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm,
7:00 - 9:00 pm; **Sunday**, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

*The church BUILDING closes at 9:00 pm, Mon. - Fri.
& following 5:00 pm Masses on Sat. & Sun.*

PARISH WEB SITE:

www.blessedsacramentcc.org

PARISH E-MAIL: *parish_office@bscva.org*

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

INSTAGRAM: *@blessed_sacrament_youth*

DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON:

www.arlingtondiocese.org

SUNDAY MASSES: Church

Vigil Mass **Saturday:** 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00*, 11:00*, 12:30 pm, 5:00 pm

**NURSERY: At ECC through main school entrance*

Sunday in Spanish: 2:00 pm

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)

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

ROSARY: Church, Monday - Saturday, 8:00 am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Chapel, Fridays, 9 am- 5 pm

PARISH CLERGY:

Rev. John D. Kelly, Pastor
 Rev. Mark Carrier, Parochial Vicar
 Rev. Guillermo Gonzalez, Parochial Vicar
 Rev. Thomas Yehl, Y.A., Parochial Vicar

PARISH STAFF:

John McCrary, Director of Music/Coordinator of Liturgy
 Susan Doyle, Director of Religious Education
 Marie Niernberger, Bulletin Editor / Liturgical Environment

**YOUTH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD):** (September - May)**Grades Pre-K-8 Parishioner Registration NOW OPEN!**

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

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

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

**BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL & EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER**

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Katherine Chelak, principal

1417 West Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22302

703-998-4170

www.bssva.org



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

Offertory Collection ~

Our Offertory Collection for *May 1st* was **\$18,299.50**.

This does **NOT** include **FaithDirect**. We also collected \$360.00 - **Poor Box**,
 \$387.00 - **Building Repairs Fund**, \$42.00 - **School Endowment Fund**,
 \$370.00 - additional **Easter**, and \$377.00 - **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**.

It's not too late! 2022 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL (BLA)

"Do this in remembrance of me."

Thank you to everyone who has made a pledge for our parish. **We have reached 90% of our parish goal.** Please join the 33% of households that have already made a pledge. Prayerfully consider the inspiration of the BLA theme and let us remember the tender nature of Christ as together we give of ourselves to others.

You make a gift at: www.arlingtondiocese.org or scan the QR code.





Corner

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Dear Good People of Blessed Sacrament,

Please God this finds you well and enjoying these beautiful days of springtime. I got a bit off-track with my monthly letter, but I am back with lots to share with you! During this month of May we honor Our Blessed Lady and especially give attention to reciting the Holy Rosary to grow in God's grace and favor. The Blessed Sacrament School children had their annual **May Crowning** of the Blessed Virgin at the school Mass this past Thursday. It is a beautiful tribute to the Mother of God.

I hope all of you are enjoying these days of Easter. As a family of God we rejoice in Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection, by which we are saved and given a place in the life of Heaven. Our Holy Week services and Easter Sunday Masses were well attended and I am so grateful to those who decorated our church so beautifully and for our music ministry for their magnificent sharing of their talents to help us praise the Risen Savior! These fifty days of Easter call us to reflect on our own baptism and how we strive to imitate the Lord in our daily lives.

Thanks to all of you, we are now at 90% of our parish goal for the **Bishop's Lenten Appeal**. I have no doubt that we will reach this goal, as we always do, thanks to your continued goodness and support. I also thank you for your generosity to our new school playground through the annual **Special Parish Needs Collection**. As you may have heard, our old wooden playground had begun to rot and could not be repaired. The new playground structures are durable and weatherproof and should last for many years to come.

Over the Easter week break we used some funds that were a dividend from the Diocese to make a few repairs to our physical plant. The back porch of the Rectory had become rotten and has now been replaced with a new structure and windows that are weather resistant. We also had the entire parish office wing painted and had the carpet replaced. This effort replaced paint and carpet that was original to the 1988 completion of the church. I guess we got good use out of our thirty-four year investment! How long will the new carpet last?

We congratulate our second grade boys and girls of the Blessed Sacrament School and Religious Education Program who made their **First Holy Communion** earlier this month. They were radiant angels and we are so proud of them and so happy that they now share the Holy Eucharist with us at Mass!

On April 28th we held our **"Parish Listening Session"** in preparation for the universal synod of the Church throughout the world. We had a nice turnout and are grateful to all of you who came and shared your opinions, ideas and support. I am especially grateful to our moderator, Art Bennett, our recorder, Susan Doyle, and our "sound man," John Farnham for conducting such a great evening of sharing and information. Our minutes will be sent to the Chancery office and will be joined with those of all the parishes throughout the Diocese of Arlington.

We are sad to announce that there have been a number of recent changes to our parish office staff. Denise Dauray, Marsha Milatzo and Barbara O'Keefe have all retired this Spring. Barbara and Marsha were our long-time receptionist and parish secretary, and Denise was our office manager and book-keeper. The three of them had served Blessed Sacrament for a combined total of over 70 years! We will miss them terribly, but wish them well in their new adventures. God bless them and reward them for all their faithful service and care to us.

I am at the end of my page so had better bring this to a close. We are all so thankful to be a part of such a wonderful parish family. Thank you for who you are, and please, pray for us as we do for you. Have a good month of May and may the joy of Easter continue to fill your heart with gladness. God love and keep you!

Fondly yours in Him,

Rev. John Kelly

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MAY 15 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30 am ~ Elvino DeSouza+ (Family)
 9:00 am ~ Mass for the People
 11:00 am ~ Aurora Chieda+ (Benito & Clelia Isaja)
 12:30 pm ~ Anna Horne+ (Peg Horne)
 2:00 pm ~ Rosa y Raul Rodriguez (Alma Cordova)
 5:00 pm ~ Kay McDonald+ (Peg Horne)

MONDAY, MAY 16 - Easter Weekday

6:30 am ~ Patrick & Marie Walsh+ (Family)
 8:30 am ~ Robert J Laprade+ (Meghan Duke)

TUESDAY, MAY 17 - Easter Weekday

6:30 am ~ Richard Paul Bertocchi+ (Gregory Smith)
 8:30 am ~ John Snyder+ (Natoli Family)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18 - Saint John I, Pope & Martyr

6:30 am ~ Spec Int - Eric Heubel (Valerie Hernandez)
 8:30 am ~ Pat Carrigan+ (Denise Katz)

THURSDAY, MAY 19 - Easter Weekday

6:30 am ~ Joshua F Ruiz+ (Ed Andrews)
 8:30 am ~ Carlos Perez+ (Josephine Soutuyo)

FRIDAY, MAY 20 - Saint Bernardine of Siena

6:30 am ~ For the Welfare & Intentions of Pope Francis
 8:30 am ~ Stella Fox+ (Greg Fox & Family)

SATURDAY, MAY 21 - St. Christopher Magallanes & Companions

8:30 am ~ Mel Ed Gerly+ (Natoli Family)
 5:00 pm ~ Mary Ann Schuchart+ (Benito & Clelia Isaja)

SUNDAY, MAY 22 - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30 am ~ Sidney Poitier+ (Gerald Moore)
 9:00 am ~ Nancy Lent+ (R E Aarhus)
 11:00 am ~ Mass for the People
 12:30 pm ~ Mark Flaherty+ (Giglio Family)
 2:00 pm ~ Teresa y Raul Cordova+ (Alma Cordova)
 5:00 pm ~ Ann Kimes+ (Nancy Toni)

Readings for the Week

Sunday, May 15: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday, May 22: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29



Saint Joseph, Pray for Us and Pray for Our Priests

**Pray for the defense,
advocacy and protection of priests.**

**Let us pray each day
for a priest of the diocese
(listed in alphabetical order):**

Sunday, 05/15 - Rev. Joseph W. Farrell

Monday, 05/16 - Rev. Jerome W. Fasano, (Ret.)

Tuesday, 05/17 - Rev. Thomas P. Ferguson

Wednesday, 05/18 - Rev. Jonathan R. Fioramonti

Thursday, 05/19 - Very Rev. Andrew J. Fisher, VF

Friday, 05/20 - Rev. Michael J. Folmar

Saturday, 05/21 - Rev. Daniel N. Gee



FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Visit with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament on **Fridays**. Come to pray any time, but mid-day & afternoon visits are most needed. The **Daily Chapel** is open from **Exposition at 9:00 am** until **Benediction & Reposition at 5:00 pm**.

(Please let someone in the parish office know if there is no one else in the chapel and you have to leave.)

Please prayerfully consider scheduling an hour in prayer at Adoration on Fridays. We would like to maintain a list & schedule to assure that there is always someone at prayer with our Lord.

Please contact Jenny Grover ~ Email or Call: jdriver7@aol.com / (202)669-7214

CHILDREN'S HOLY HOUR Weekly ~ 2:00 - 3:00 pm **Parents are welcome to bring young children to adore our Lord.**

(Please know that the Chapel may be noisier than usual during this time.) Children's prayer ideas? Contact Susan Doyle in the parish office.



MALCOLM ALLS
DON ARNOLD
MARIA JUAREZ ASCENCIO
AIDA BALDERRAMA
IAN BALLUTIS
FR. MICHAEL J. BAZAN
DOLORES GOETZ
MICHAEL HART
FRANCES HOLLAND
PATSY LAYER
FRANK McDERMOTT
JAMES McTAGUE

BRUCE MILLER
MARY MILLER
MARILYN NIERNBERGER
JACKIE NIEZER
NORMA RAFFAELE
ANA RAMOS
KATHERINE SENIA
TIMOTHY TOBIN
MAUREEN WAHL
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.

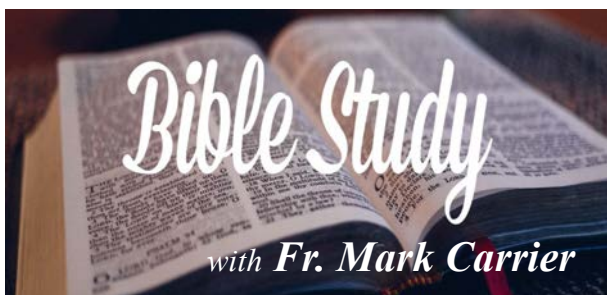
(Please call the parish office to include or delete a name on this list.)

Cole Barry, Ryan Barnett, Michael Bouffard, Jason Brooks, Macine Browning, Joseph R. Byrnes, Cady Byrnes, Tim Byrnes, Nicholas Cale, Adam Conlan, Robert Corso, Analee Cuellar, Nathalia Cuellar, Bradley Cundari, Matthew Cundari, Nuno Cunha, Richard Demarais, Dennis Donley, Maddy Dooley, George C. Fletcher, Nicholas Fletcher, Tommy Gadell, Victor Gaetan, Joshua Hindenburg, Faith Holman, David Jordan, Jonathan Jordan, Matthew Kitzerow, Steven Kitzerow, James Kunder, Allison Landsman, Christopher Love, Grace McCaffery, Mateo McGrath, Sam Mills, Timothy Mills, Lisa Mullaney, Hanna Porterfield, Gray Posey, Thomas Rands, Jamie Reynolds, Erik Rogers, Mary Severs, Ryan Stancik, Jared Steen, Travis A. Stoffer, Kyle Thomas, Josh Truman, Michael Voigt, Christopher Wallace, Abby Warden, Thomas Warring.

Prayer Warriors: Pray for those Suffering from Addiction

Do you know someone who is struggling with addiction or incarcerated and needs our prayers? Please send your prayer intention to hopenotopioids@ccda.net for inclusion in Catholic Charities' monthly Prayer Warriors newsletter.

For more information on the Prayer Warriors ministry or to sign up to receive this free email newsletter, please visit <https://www.ccda.net/need-help/prayer-warriors/>.



THIS MONTH'S TOPIC: The History of the Bible

We will look at what the Bible is (and isn't), how the books in it were written and by whom, what it means that the books of the Bible are divinely inspired, how certain ancient books chosen for the canon of the Scriptures and why were other books left out, and many other topics. ALSO: How the books were transmitted in written form: papyrus scrolls, parchment manuscripts & paper pages.

May 17 & 18- 'Divine Inspiration'; May 24 & 25- 'The Writing of Biblical Books'; May 31 & June 1- 'The Formation of the Canon'

Join us ~ Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. or Wednesday mornings, 9:15 a.m. ~ MEETING ROOM ~ Bring your Bibles!

(Drop-in: No registration necessary) Questions? email: mfcaime@cs.com

ALSO: Visit Fr. Carrier's blog ~ sanctiscriptores.blogspot.com



As you know, we are currently in the first of three preparation years for the **Golden Jubilee** of our Diocese. Our theme this year is "**Remember**," which we are focusing both on the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, and the history of the founding of the Diocese. With this in mind, Bishop Burbidge will lead a pilgrimage to Philadelphia, PA, visiting the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and Shrine of St. Katherine Drexel, the Shrine of St. John Neumann, and St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, on **Saturday, June 25th**. Bus transport will leave and return from Bishop O'Connell High School. There is no cost for the trip, for bus or lunch and dinner, but you **MUST** register by **Friday, May 27th**. Please contact Marie Niernberger in the parish office if you are interested. mniernberger@bscva.org or call (703)998-6100 x104

DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT



Saturday, May 21st

10:00 am -1:00 pm

Front Parking Lot

Bring your old documents, cancelled checks, paper, manila folders, window envelopes, etc.

(Please, **NO** - newspapers, magazines, cardboard, metals, binders, hard-drives, disks or tapes, etc.)

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to the Needy

St. Lucy Mobile Response Center

A Catholic Charities ministry that provides personal hygiene, baby diapers & wipes & household cleaning supplies to pantries & poverty-stricken communities within our Diocese – especially to remote areas of Woodstock & Spotsylvania.

Please help our Knights of Columbus Council
Fill the pantry shelves with these needed items:

(STANDARD SIZE, please)

Personal Hygiene:

- Shampoo
- Bar soap
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Razors
- Adult Incontinence products
- Feminine products

Household Cleaning Supplies:

- Laundry detergent (30-50 oz.)
- Dish soap

Baby/Toddler:

- Diapers (mostly size 5 & 6)
- Wipes

DROP OFF to bins/carts in the
Gathering Space by

Saturday, May 21st



Knights of Columbus Information BBQ

Saturday, May 21st, 6 pm (following 5 pm Mass)
Back Parking Lot

Men - Join Council 11947 for good food, beverages & fellowship and to learn more about our Knights of Columbus council and the unique opportunities for men to enhance their faith, fellowship and dynamic service to the church and wider community.

Questions/RSVP ~ gk11947@vakofc.org



Blessed Sacrament's **Vacation Bible School '22** Registration is now **OPEN!**
Theme: **"Radical Ride"**

Join us from **Monday, July 11 - Friday, July 15, 9 AM - 12 Noon**
PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING BEFORE REGISTERING.

Our **campers** are aged **rising Kindergarten** through **rising 4th grade**.
"Captains" are older students, **rising 7th grade and older**, who
will be given leadership roles during VBS. We hope to be able to include kids aged rising 5th and rising 6th in summer 2023!

PRIORITY is given to **parishioners**, but non-parishioners are welcome to register on the **WaitList**.
As space permits, **WaitList** registrants will be moved to regular registration after May 31, and families will be contacted to confirm that full registration has been made.

*Parishioners are asked to register relatives and friends who live out of bounds on the **WAITLIST**.*
Register on the **"FAITH FORMATION"** page of the parish website blessedsacramentcc.org

Want to know some of the best ways to help in Ukraine?

Direct giving through these organization(s) will provide much needed assistance.

*CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES ~ <https://www.crs.org>

*CARITAS INTERNATIONAL ~ <https://www.caritas.org>

*CATHOLIC NEWS SERVICE ~ <https://www.catholicnews.com/update-where-to-give-to-help-ukraine/>



Blessed Sacrament Prayer Shawl Knitting & Crochet Ministry

MEETING: THURSDAY, JUNE 2nd ~ 7:00 pm ~ MEETING ROOM / PARISH LIBRARY (weather/storms permitting!)

We are working on hats & scarves in addition to our 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)



St. Monica, diamond of unwavering faith, pray for us! It is estimated that 20 million Americans consider themselves to be lapsed Catholics. More than likely, we all know someone within each of our own families who simply no longer practices the faith or has not yet come to know Jesus. St. Monica is patroness & powerful intercessor. ~ **Join** us today, & everyday, along with 130+ petitioners as we pray for the return of fallen-away Catholics; ~ **Unite** your loved ones into our daily prayers through our prayer list found in the Sacred Heart Chapel (specify 'St. Monica prayers'); ~ **Pray!** Greg Golubin 202-437-1274



Have you ever thought that you would like to do a little more for God?

You, with God's Holy Spirit, may help Jesus, Mary, and yourself with Spiritual Works of Mercy!

THE LEGION OF MARY

Meeting day & time: Wednesdays at 7:30 pm in the Meeting Room / Parish Library

Questions? Call or email the parish office with your contact information. (703) 998-6100 parish_office@bscva.org



♦ **BRIDGE is BACK on TUESDAYS at the PARISH CENTER!** ~ 12 Noon to 3 pm

Contact Ann Corro for more information (703) 370-3664

♦ **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

Blessed Sacrament 39+ Singles Contact: Tom Palumbo - tomtal1@verizon.net 703-313-8388

PRIME TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS (PTSC) serves diocesan single Catholics 40 and over.

Meet us for: Thursday lunches and Much more!

Details, visit: bit.ly/ptsc Questions or RSVP: Tom ptscnva@gmail.com.



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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 or call the Parish Office and leave a message. A Knight will return your call. **Vivat Jesus!**

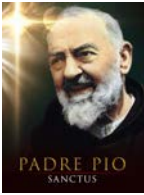
MEN'S GROUP ~ All men of the parish are welcome!

Saturdays ~ 7:00 - 8:30 am ~ QUINN HALL

Questions? bsmensgroup@gmail.com

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





The SAINT PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP of Northern Virginia

Meets at 2:30 p.m. on the 4th Sunday of every month in the Daily Chapel.
Please call the Parish Office for more information. (703) 998-6100



Weekly Diocesan TV Mass

10:30 & 11:00 am Sundays on Channel 50 (WDCW)

Other Masses on Cable & Satellite stations:

6:30 am on UPTV (Passionist Fathers)

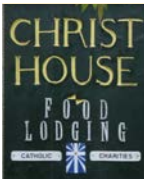
& 8:00 am, Noon & 7:00 pm on EWTN

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CHRIST HOUSE ~ 131 S. West Street, Old Town

You can help serve the vulnerable from this Alexandria-based facility.

Contact: Sister Annie Juan - aniliza.juan@ccda.net

Blessed Sacrament parish provides dinner casseroles & serving help (Covid-Safe!) to **Christ House Alexandria** on the first Wednesday of every month! Volunteer casserole preparers &/or helpers are needed—discover the best way you can help.

Families, & teens needing service hours are especially welcome! Contact: Mary Kilkeny 571-296-6969 mary.kilkeny@yahoo.com



ALIVE!, Inc. NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS!

www.alive-inc.org

703-837-9300

Monetary donations are greatly needed & gratefully accepted. Please visit the website for more information on how to help.

Interested in **volunteering**? Contact Liz Feiler at lfeiler@alive-inc.org



Mother of Light Center ~ www.motheroflightcenter.com

421 Clifford Ave., Alexandria, Monday-Saturday, 10 am-2 pm. (703) 850-6701 Volunteers greatly accepted!

Email: motheroflightcenter@gmail.com



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How You Can Help Recently Arrived Afghan SIV Holders

As events in Afghanistan continue to unfold, Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services welcomes Afghan SIV holders (*individuals who assisted US operations in Afghanistan*) to Northern Virginia. If you are interested in assisting, please email: lourdes.iglesias@ccda.net or visit:

www.ccda.net/give-help/donate-goods-and-transportation/help-immigrants-and-refugees/



The CARPENTER'S SHELTER BAG LUNCH PROGRAM ~ We need lunches!

Next Distribution: **Sunday, JUNE 12th**

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.

Please call to sign up or with questions - Lana at 703-299-8389 **Thank you!**





RESPECT LIFE

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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE ~ 40DaysForLife.com 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

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

'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 the Falls Church facility located at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA. For inquiries, contact Amy McNerny at (703) 841-3817 or respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org

ROSARY for LIFE

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

PRAISE and WORSHIP HOLY HOUR

Join us for prayer, praise and worship on the **2nd Tuesday of each month**, at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Fairfax from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Prayer along with music. Special intention will be for the conversion & healing in families. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. All are welcome. Watch livestream at: arlingtondiocese.org/healingandconversion

FREE Ultrasound Exam COUPON

Pregnant (or think you might be) and considering abortion? Please call or text 703-946-3077 to schedule your free ultrasound today with **ABC Women's Health and Ultrasound Center**. If you need a ride we can help with transportation. *Se habla espanol*. Visit abcwomenshealth.com. This coupon is valid for one free ultrasound. Limit one per client.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP & REGISTRATION:

It is important that you are *registered* in our parish so that we may respond appropriately to your various needs.

All parishes within the Diocese of Arlington have set, geographical boundaries. These boundaries are used to calculate an accurate census of the faithful in our diocese, to establish the most equitable eligibility for school enrollment, and to assure that our clergy are able to respond to your pastoral needs in a timely manner.

Registration is also necessary for you to receive offertory envelopes and for certifications of eligibility. For example, to be **married in the church**, to be a **godparent**, or to be a **sponsor for confirmation**. You must also be registered if you require a reference, or wish to enroll in our school or in our CCD program. *Registration Forms are available at the Parish Office, or on the parish website.*

Adult children over 21 years old should register on their own if they still reside within our boundaries.

Please also notify the parish office of family status changes or if you move.

Join the Father McGivney Guild

Fr. Michael J. McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus was beatified in October 2020. The Knights of Columbus invite all Catholics and followers of Christ to join the **Fr. McGivney Guild**. The Guild prays and assists advocates in furthering the Vatican path to sainthood. Free membership includes a quarterly newsletter containing uplifting spiritual stories and updates on efforts to raise Fr. McGivney to full sainthood. Pick up a hard copy brochure outside the parish office or **Visit:** <https://fathermcgivney.org>

Father McGivney, protector of the poor and widowed, Pray for us.



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