

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ July 2, 2023

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

1427 West Braddock Road ~ Alexandria, Virginia 22302



Now the Lord is the
Spirit, and where the
Spirit of the Lord
is there is freedom.

2 COR 3:17

Independence Day BLESSINGS

SUNDAY MASSES: Church

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

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00*, 11:00*am, 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 OFFICE: 703-998-6100

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday., 9 am - Noon, 1 pm - 5 pm, 7 - 9 pm.

Fridays, 9 am - Noon, 1 pm - 5 pm. (No evening hours)

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

Tuesday, July 4th ~ 8:30 a.m. Mass only

(No 6:30 a.m. Mass, No Confessions) ~ Parish Office Closed
Church building will **CLOSE** following Mass (by 9:30 a.m.)



PARISH CLERGY:

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

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 (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.bsscva.org

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

Katherine Chelak, principal

JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN



...and so does our NURSERY!

*Sundays, during the 9 & 11 a.m. Masses
 in the ECC of the school. Adult supervision of your children.
 They play so you can pray! Come & give us a try!*

*Pray for the
 Sick of the Parish*

MARIA JUAREZ ASCENCIO, JUDY BOWMAN,
 J. COLLINS, ZACHARY DOYLE, DOLORES GOETZ,
 MICHAEL HART, KRISTENE JHONSON,
 PATSY LAYER, NOREEN LOPEZ,
 FRANK McDERMOTT, BRUCE & MARY MILLER,
 DONNA RAFFAELE, NORMA RAFFAELE,
 IRVINE RODRIGUEZ, HARRY THOMPSON, Jr.,
 TIMOTHY TOBIN, MAUREEN WAHL,
 VINCE WHITMORE, ANGELA WILSON,
 BONNIE WOODS.

(Please call the parish office with additions & deletions)



If you have ever wanted to read the Bible all the way through, join us every week! We will read for an hour straight each session, and Fr. Carrier

will remain afterwards to answer questions - the goal is to read the Holy Scriptures in a year. We will use the Revised Standard Version (RSV) Catholic Edition for the reading, but bring whatever bible you have and read along.

**Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. PARISH CENTER or
 Wednesday mornings, 9:15 a.m. DAILY CHAPEL**
(Drop-in: No registration)

Detailed materials provided, but **Bring your Bibles!**
 Questions? email: mfcaime@cs.com

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



Corner

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Good People of Blessed Sacrament,

I hope this finds you well and ready to celebrate the Fourth of July holiday. What a wonderful country we are blessed to live in and how fortunate we are to be able to worship God as we choose. Enjoy a fun and safe fourth!

This is also the month of the Precious Blood. We know our Lord shed his blood upon the cross of Calvary in order that each of us could be saved and one day enjoy the life of Heaven. May we always be conscious of and grateful for the unconditional love of our God.

I had the great honor of being able to celebrate the Nuptial Mass for one of my nieces on June 24th at Saint Cecilia Church in Cincinnati, Ohio. It was a beautiful wedding and was such a gift to be with all of my family. Seems like only yesterday that I baptized this now married niece!

Our Blessed Sacrament ***Vacation Bible School*** will be held July 10th through the 14th here at the parish. We welcome all the boys and girls who will join us and hope you have a fun and rewarding time together. I am grateful to Susan Doyle and all our volunteers for making this possible for our young people.

The Red Cross blood drive we hosted earlier this week was a great success and I am grateful to all of you who came and shared the gift of life. We never fully know how our gift can help someone in need.

With great sadness ***we bid fond farewell to Father Tom Yehl***. We were so blessed to have his happy countenance and ever-present smile with us these past four years. I will especially miss him. We wish him all the best as he goes to care for the college students at Virginia Tech. God bless you Father Tom!

But with joy ***we welcome newly ordained Father Andrew Clark*** to Blessed Sacrament. Father Clark is anxious to meet all of you and to begin his priestly ministry among us. I know you will greet and welcome him with great warmth and enthusiasm. Welcome Father Clark!

Registration for ***Religious Education*** and our ***R.C.I.A.*** program has begun. Please make sure we have your school aged children as part of our program of faith formation. We also encourage those who might be interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church to join our R.C.I.A. journey. We are always looking for friendly faces to help us with Religious Education. If you feel God is calling you to share your faith with others please contact Susan Doyle through the office number. Thank you!

Just a gentle reminder to those who attend the 8:30 a.m. Mass on weekdays, please do not park in the five reserved spaces marked "Staff" on the office side of the building. As our staff arrives to begin their day they often find the spaces taken by Mass attendees. Thank you for your understanding!

I pray you have a great week and enjoy these beautiful days of summer. Know you are daily in my prayers and I am so grateful for yours. God bless and fill you with His grace!

Lovingly yours in the Lord,

Rev. John Kelly

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JULY 2 - 13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 am ~ Patrick Marie Walsh+ (Family)
 9:00 am ~ Mass for the People
 11:00 am ~ Herman Seidler+ (Linda Council)
 12:30 pm ~ Mary Ward Abrams+ (Mary Ann Aker)
 2:00 pm ~ Carmen Fornis Laurido+ (Josefina)
 5:00 pm ~ Spec Int - Bruce & Lynn Mrowca (Paolo Rosales)

MONDAY, JULY 3 - Saint Thomas, Apostle

6:30 am ~ Jean Bronson+ (Family Friends)
 8:30 am ~ Spec Int - Bruce & Lynn Mrowca (Paolo Rosales)

TUESDAY, JULY 4 - Independence Day

No 6:30 am Mass, No Confessions, Parish Office Closed
 8:30 am ~ Benjamin de los Reyes+ (Patterson Family)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5 - Saint Elizabeth of Portugal

6:30 am ~ Ned Heath+ (Rosalie Gilroy)
 8:30 am ~ Sue Kulesher+ (Bud & Connie Hart)

THURSDAY, JULY 6 - Saint Maria Goretti

6:30 am ~ Gail Arata Cronan+ (Meghan Adler)
 8:30 am ~ For the Welfare & Intentions of Pope Francis

FRIDAY, JULY 7 - Weekday

6:30 am ~ Patrick Catena+ (Mary Rose Catena)
 8:00 am ~ Daniel Talomie (Angie Giuseppe)

SATURDAY, JULY 8 - Weekday

8:30 am ~ Marguerite Fox+ (Greg Fox & Family)
 5:00 pm ~ Adam Kasold+ (Pam Gatz & Joe Alfenito)

SUNDAY, JULY 9 - 14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 am ~ Anna Talomie+ (Angie Giuseppe)
 9:00 am ~ Dennis Wynne+ (Ann Wynne)
 11:00 am ~ Mass for the People
 12:30 pm ~ Aaron Clark+ (Claudia Knize)
 2:00 pm ~ Bernardo Segura-Giron+ (Frances Segura)
 5:00 pm ~ Carmen McGraine (Sandra Page)

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.)



Ryan Barnett, Michael Bouffard, Jason Brooks, Macine Browning, Joseph R. Byrns, 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, Joseph Lim, Christopher Love, Alexa Mastrostefano, Grace McCaffery, 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, Abby Warden, Thomas Warring.

Sunday, July 2, 13th Ordinary: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

Monday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29

Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12; Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 8:28-34

Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:14-17;

Sunday, July 9, 14th Ordinary: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30



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, 07/02 - Very Rev. Lee R. Roos, VF

Monday, 07/03 - Rev. Robert L. Ruskamp

Tuesday, 07/04 - Very Rev. William P. Saunders

Wednesday, 07/05 - Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia

Thursday, 07/06 - Rev. William B. Schardt

Friday, 07/07 - Rev. Nicholas J. Schierer

Saturday, 07/08 - Rev. William B. Schierer

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.

The **Daily Chapel** is open from

Exposition at 9 a.m. until

Benediction & Reposition at 5 p.m.

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



NOW THAT SUMMER IS HERE & MORE PEOPLE ARE VACATIONING, WE ARE IN NEED OF ADORERS.

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

Please **CALL Jenny Grover (202) 669-7214** to choose a time,

and/or see the sign-up sheet outside the Daily Chapel

Also... if you are a regular adorer, and know you will be gone at any time this summer, please call Jenny to let her know. **Thank you!**

GRATITUDE

Your Parish Community is

GRATEFUL

for your consistent contributions.

Offertory Collection ~ Thank you!

Our Offertory Collection including **FaithDirect** of *June 18th* was \$32,333.63.

We also received \$294.00 - **Poor Box**, \$912.00 - **Building Repairs Fund**, \$150.00 - **Msgr. Quinn School Endowment**, and \$320.00 - **Diocesan Retired Priests**.



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

Stewardship Reflection, July 2, 2023, 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"...whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." Matthew 10:38
Pope Benedict XVI said "The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness". "Comfort" puts me first. "Picking up your cross and following Jesus" puts God and others first. Why settle for comfort when you can achieve greatness! Pick up your cross, ask Jesus for guidance on using your gifts and live the life God intended for you!



Blessed Sacrament School is seeking a **full-time School Nurse** to provide clinic assistance to the school community for the safety and well-being of the students. This is an 11 month position (August-June), Monday-Friday from 7:30am-3:30pm. The ideal candidate is a practicing Catholic with a joyful, hardworking personality that is able to handle the daily rigors of a school day. Please inquire for specific areas of responsibility & duties. Send email with cover letter & resume, etc., to Principal Katherine Chelak at **kchelak@bssva.org**

Summer Gleaning

"**Gleaning**" is the traditional biblical practice of gathering crops that would otherwise be left in the fields to rot, or be plowed under after harvest (*Leviticus 23:22*). Help Catholic Charities to support pantries within our Diocese receive fresh foods through your support.



Saturday, July 15 and Saturday, August 19,
8-11 a.m. in the Northern Neck at Parker Farms,
1647 Kings Hwy, Colonial Beach, VA 22443
and/or 1-3 p.m. at the Manassas Warehouse
8426 Kao Circle, Manassas, VA 20110. For info,
please contact Volunteer Coordinator,
maria.rodriquez@ccda.net

Heaven is endless...but summer is not!
Religious Education Registration
 for the coming school year is open.
 Please see the website to register!
www.blessedsacramentcc.org



Interested in becoming Catholic?
Want to learn more about your faith?

RCIA could be the program for you.
 Please contact **Susan Doyle** ~ sdoyle@bscva.org

Take advantage of the rich resources of FORMED.ORG
 You can enjoy all the offerings available without creating an account. **Formed** is now accessible to every parishioner by simply using our custom URL:
<https://blessedsacramentcc.formed.org> (code: nr1029)



LOOKING FOR SOME FUN MORNINGS IN JULY?

Join us at Blessed Sacrament VBS!!

July 10-14th

Join us for our

"Wilderness Adventure!"

Registration now OPEN on the parish website.

We need Adult volunteers - Can you help?

(We're offering child care for children too young to participate...)

Looking for some good Summer reading?

Visit our "Book Rack" in the parish office hallway... but if you don't find all you need ... **Pauline Books & Media** is the place to visit!

Ask **Sister Julia** ~ she is ready with recommendations with a wide range of options and genres.

1025 King Street, Old Town

Hours: Mondays: 12:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. ~ Tuesday-Saturdays: 10:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. (703) 549-3806 paulinestore.org



Summer Storytime @ Pauline Books
Stories, Activities & Songs!

For **3 to 5 year olds** with parent/guardian; siblings welcome!

11 to 11:30 a.m. ~ **Thursdays: July 13th ~ July 27th ~ August 10th**

(RSVP welcome, but not required)



2023 White House Christmas Ornament

President Gerald R. Ford & family mementos

Pre-sale NOW \$25 (Still the Best Price in Town!) Benefits our Sunday Nursery

Questions? Orders taken by Jo Allen (703) 521-7223



Blessed Sacrament Prayer Shawl Knitting & Crochet Ministry

MEETING: THURSDAY, JULY 6th ~ 7:00 pm ~ MEETING ROOM / PARISH LIBRARY

We continue our work on lap blankets, baby blankets, prayer shawls, hats & scarves. 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)



BLESSED SACRAMENT 39+ SINGLES: Contact: Tom Palumbo - tomtal1@verizon.net 703-313-8388

PRIME TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS (PTSC): We are a social group, mostly 60 and over. Meet us for: lunch in Ashburn (July 4); tour of historic Blenheim House (July 8); outdoor concert in McLean (July 9); Thursday lunches (July 13 and 27); walk in Fairfax City (July 15); Mass at Holy Spirit & lunch (July 23); dinner & jazz concert in Annandale (July 28); Hot Dog & Apple Pie Social at Lake Accotink (Aug. 2); Nationals baseball game (Aug. 13). **(40 to 59? Ask about our free associate-member group.)**

For details, visit our website: bit.ly/ptsc Questions or to RSVP, email Tom at 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



Blessed Sacrament Seniors Health Ministry

Join us & learn ways to improve your **BALANCE, STRENGTH & FLEXIBILITY**

Safe Exercise, Low (No) Impact, Certified Instructor

Wednesdays ~ 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Quinn Hall

Come anytime you can ~ **Continuous Instruction ~ No Cost (donations gratefully accepted)**

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!



Expectant moms (and dads): How can we help you?

We are forming a **Visitation Ministry** to serve 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

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



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

**Congratulations to the
Blessed Sacrament
Knights of Columbus
Council Officers
for the Fraternal Year
2023-24**

Grand Knight: Aaron Davila
Deputy Grand Knight: Dennis Friel
Financial Secretary: Kevin Harr
Chancellor: Chris Schulman
Recorder: John Iekel
Treasurer: Nick Slabinski
Advocate: Barry Sillito

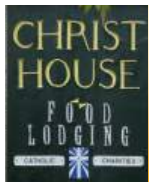
Warden: Daniel Cotter
Inside Guard: Steve Hand
1-Year Trustee: John Boyd
2-Year Trustee: Kelly Niernberger
3-Year Trustee: Christopher Foley
Chaplain: Fr. John Kelly

Authentic Catholic Mission Trips - Where will your faith take you in 2023?**Kenya**, July 6-15 with Fr. Joseph Moschetto; **Peru**, Aug. 3-12 with Fr. Rich Miserendino;**Vietnam**, Oct. 25 – Nov. 4 with Fr. Vincent Dinh. More info & register: www.cbc-missions.org**AUTHENTIC CATHOLIC MISSION TRIP for ADULTS in FREDERICK COUNTY, VA ~ JUNE 24-27th****Serve the poor in our local communities!** CBC is partnering with the **Diocese of Arlington Office of Youth, Campus, and Young Adult Ministries** for a post-**WorkCamp** mission trip to help diocesan contractors with remaining construction projects and clean-up at worksites. Open to adults ages 18 and up.*"Forming adults and families to serve and partake in the works of mercy."***COMMISSIONED BY CHRIST**www.commissionedbychrist.orgCBC is a ministry within the Catholic Diocese of Arlington that organizes **LOCAL & OVERSEAS & VIRTUAL** mission trips for families and adults.**VIRTUAL EVENTS NOW!** Visit the website for info.**The CARPENTER'S SHELTER BAG LUNCH PROGRAM****Next Delivery: Sunday, JULY 9th**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!**Blessed Sacrament Carpenter's Shelter Monthly Dinner Program**Blessed Sacrament parishioners provide dinner for the residents of **The Carpenter's Shelter** 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 mbbersani@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!****ALIVE!, Inc. NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS! www.alive-inc.org 703-837-9300**Follow ALIVE! on Facebook and Instagram: [@alive4alexandria](https://www.facebook.com/alive4alexandria) and Twitter: [@ALIVE4AlexVA](https://twitter.com/ALIVE4AlexVA)Questions? Email our Blessed Sacrament rep: BSCCAlive@gmail.comInterested in volunteering? Sign up online: <https://www.alive-inc.org/we-need-volunteers-alexandria-va/>**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**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.netBlessed 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.kilkenny@yahoo.com**Bring Love! Service Opportunities** ~ Are you looking for a way to serve your community during Lent, and beyond? Join us in our mission to serve the needy in our diocese. We are seeking volunteers to help with feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, caring for the sick and welcoming the newcomer. Visit <https://volunteer.ccda.net> for a current listing of opportunities to serve.



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 Falls Church facility at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA. For inquiries, Amy McInerney 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 español*. Visit abcwomenshealth.com. This coupon is valid for one free ultrasound. Limit one per client.



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

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**



Listen to **CATHOLIC RADIO WMET 1160 AM** and via the (free) **Ave Maria Radio APP!** Visit: www.grnonline.com

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



2 BUSY 2 PRAY? Try 2 minutes 2 virtue

Sign up NOW! www.arlingtondiocese.org/2minutes2virtue



Victim Assistance Program for Those Sexually Abused as a Minor ~ The Catholic Diocese of Arlington provides comprehensive assistance to anyone who as a minor was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, teacher, employee or representative of the diocese. Parents, guardians, children and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, who will provide support, consultation, referrals. The Catholic Diocese of Arlington is committed to assisting victims/survivors throughout the healing process.

For further information, call (703) 841-2530 Or visit: www.arlingtondiocese.org/Child-Protection/

The Laughter of a Child is the Light of the Home
Saint Anthony's Day School
All Day Education and Quality Childcare
 703-836-9123
 321 First Street, Alexandria, VA 22314
 Accredited by the NAEYC • Infants to 5 Years Old



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