

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

1427 West Braddock Road ~ Alexandria, Virginia 22302

PARISH OFFICE: 703-998-6100

Hours: Mon-Fri, 9 am-5 pm (closed 12-1), 7-9 pm; Sun, 9 am -12 pm

SUNDAY MASSES: Main Worship Space

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

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

Sunday in Spanish: 2:00 pm

***NURSERY:** During 9 & 11 am Sunday Masses;
Walking to age 6. Early Childhood Center (ECC) of School

WEEKDAY MASSES: Main Worship Space

Monday - Friday, 6:30 & 8:30 am

Wednesday, 7:00 pm

Saturday, 8:30 am only

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Daily Chapel

Monday thru Friday, 7am - 8 am

Wednesday, 7:30 pm until the last penitent leaves

Saturday, 3:30 - 4:30 pm

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

ROSARY: Main Worship Space ~ Monday - Saturday, 8:00 am

Main Worship Space ~ Fifth Sunday of the month, 10:30 am

PARISH WEB SITE: www.blessedsacramentcc.org

E-MAIL: parish_office@blessedsacramentcc.org

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

TWITTER: <http://twitter.com/BlessedSacVA>

BLOG: <http://blessedsacramentva.blogspot.com>

ARLINGTON DIOCESE INFORMATION: www.arlingtondiocese.org

PARISH CLERGY: Rev. John D. Kelly, Pastor

Rev. Mark Carrier, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Kevin Dansereau, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Joseph Rampino, Parochial Vicar

PARISH STAFF:

John McCrary, Director of Music/Coordinator of Liturgy

Susan Doyle, Director of Religious Education

Garrick Suemith, Director of Youth Ministry

Marie Niemberger, Bulletin Editor/Liturgical Environment

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: Celebrations are held on one Saturday per month and at certain Sunday Masses. 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.

CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD): (September - May)

Grades K-8 classes on Sunday am or Wednesday evening;

Grades 1 & 2 on Monday afternoon. Preschool class Sunday am.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Questions?

Call parish office or email: sdoyle@blessedsacramentcc.org

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 8, 2018

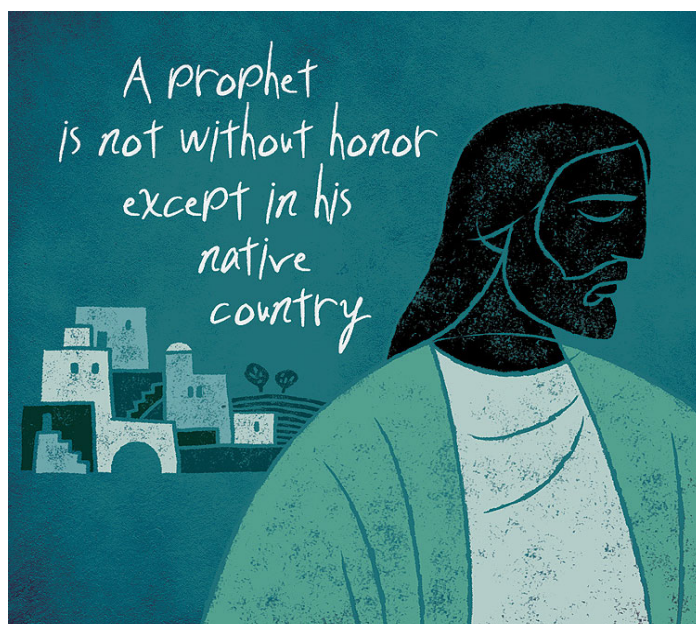
First Reading — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5).

Psalm — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (Psalm 123).

Second Reading — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

Gospel — The people said: "Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" (Mark 6:1-6).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.



PRAYERS AT MASS FOR THE SICK OR RECENTLY DECEASED:

Call the parish office for mention at Sunday Masses.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AND ADORATION: Daily Chapel

Every **FRIDAY, 9:00 am - 8:30 pm** (unless otherwise noted);

Benediction & Reposition begins at 8:30 pm.

Please, come and sit in prayer with our Lord for at least an hour.

ALTAR SERVERS: Any boy or girl, 4th grade through college age, who has received First Communion, is welcome to serve at the altar.

For information, please call the parish office or

Email: parish_office@blessedsacramentcc.org

**BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL
and EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER**

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and one another with integrity and respect."*

1417 West Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22302

703-998-4170

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Valerie Garcia, principal

ALTAR LINENS for July 9: *Cecilia Kockler*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, JULY 8 - FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:30 am ~ Patrick & Marie Walsh (Family)
- 9:00 am ~ Mass for the People
- 11:00 am ~ Joseph & Emma Connelly (Arlene & Joseph Connelly)
- 12:30 pm ~ Leo Drobnic (Laura Clerici)
- 2:00 pm ~ Priest's Intention
- 5:00 pm ~ For the Welfare & Intentions of Pope Francis

MONDAY, JULY 9 - Saint Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions

- 6:30 am ~ Camille Baker (Her Loving Sons)
- 8:30 am ~ Anna Talomie (Angie Giuseppe)

TUESDAY, JULY 10 - Weekday

- 6:30 am ~ Marianne Doyle Jurich (Patricia Collins)
- 8:30 am ~ Maria Giuseppe (Angie Giuseppe)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11 - Saint Benedict

- 6:30 am ~ Stephen Halladay (Patricia Toole)
- 8:30 am ~ Henry Friderich (Carolyn Held)
- 7:00 pm ~ Patrick Convey Brigid Gorman)

THURSDAY, JULY 12 - Weekday

- 6:30 am ~ Special Intentions of Carter Long
- 8:30 am ~ Vivian Fazio (Barnes Family)

FRIDAY, JULY 13 - Saint Henry

- 6:30 am ~ James W Oleck (Hoffman Family)
- 8:30 am ~ Spec Int of Fr John Kelly (Blessed Sacrament School)

SATURDAY, JULY 14 - Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

- 8:30 am ~ Carmen Held (Carolyn Held)
- 5:00 pm ~ Joan Bryant (Matt Duman)

SUNDAY, JULY 15 - FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7:30 am ~ Helen Gilleran (Joseph Manfredi)
- 9:00 am ~ Kathleen Dugan (Major Family)
- 11:00 am ~ Mass for the People
- 12:30 pm ~ William & Dolores Hickey (John Hickey)
- 2:00 pm ~ Gaston Campos (Patricia Campos)
- 5:00 pm ~ John Joseph Gorman (Brigid Gorman)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-9; Mt 9:18-26
- Tuesday:** Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-10; Mt 9:32-38
- Wednesday:** Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-7; Mt 10:1-7
- Thursday:** Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15
- Friday:** Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17; Mt 10:16-23
- Saturday:** Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33
- Sunday:** Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-14; Eph 1:3-14 [3-10]; Mk 6:7-13



"Be present to the One who is present."

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Add a visit with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament on **Fridays**. Come to pray any time, but **mid-day & afternoon hours visits are most needed**. The Daily Chapel is open from Exposition at **9:00 am** until Benediction & Reposition at **8:30 pm**.

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



Our **Offertory Collection** for **June 24th** was \$32,512.18. This **DOES** include 474 participants in **FaithDirect**. We also collected \$190.00 - Poor Box, \$100.00 - Building Repairs, and \$506.00 - School Endowment.

Our **SHARING** recipient for **June 24th - MARIAN HOMES, INC., Fairfax Station, VA** - Administered &



founded by Knights of Columbus Council 8600 of St. Mary of Sorrows parish, Marian Homes provides 5 group homes for persons with intellectual Disabilities seeking independent living opportunities. A 6th home is seeking a location. (www.marianhomes.org) \$1,788.17



OBSTACLES

The prophet Ezekiel, Saint Paul, and the Lord Jesus share something in common in today's scripture readings. They all experience obstacles to their ministry. Ezekiel is summoned to prophesy to the Israelites, who are "[h]ard of face and obstinate of heart" (Ezekiel 2:4). Saint Paul recounts how he has been given a "thorn in the flesh" (2 Corinthians 12:7). The Lord Jesus is unable to perform many signs in his native place. The Gospel tells us that "[he] was amazed at their lack of faith" (Mark 6:6). We too sometimes encounter obstacles as we travel along the journey of faith. So often we experience weakness on this journey. Let the words of the Lord to Saint Paul encourage us today: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9).

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

- Cole Barry, Joshua Bates, Ryan Barnett, Michael Bouffard, Richard W. Brown, Cady Byrnes, Timothy Byrnes, Nicholas Cale, Kevin Carroll, Kim Colloton, Adam Conlan, Robert Corso, Analee Cuellar, Nathalia Cuellar, Bradley Cundari, Matthew Cundari, Richard Demarais, Dennis Donley, George C. Fletcher, Tommy Gadell, Victor Gaetan, Cheryl Hess, Joshua Hindenburg, David Jordan, Jonathan Jordan, Matthew Kitzerow, Steven Kitzerow, Allison Landsman, Christopher LeFon, Christopher Love, Patrick McGee, Mateo McGrath, Sam Mills, Timothy Mills, Matthew Mourning, Lisa Mullaney, Hanna Porterfield, Gray Posey, Thomas Rands, Jamie Reynolds, Mary Severs, David M. Steele, Travis A. Stoffer, Kyle Thomas, Josh Truman, Michael Voigt, Christopher Wallace, Thomas Warring.*
- (If you have a name to be added to this list, please call the parish office)**



ATTENTION!

**MONDAY, JULY 16th
through FRIDAY, JULY 20th**

All Blessed Sacrament PARKING LOTS
are scheduled to be milled and re-paved.

Please plan to be flexible when coming to the church for daily Mass or on business at the parish office on these days.

We will try to minimize disruption, but there will be times when the church and parking lots will be inaccessible in order for the work to be completed.

*Thank you for your patience
and understanding.*



All are welcome!

**Pray the Rosary
Sunday ~ July 29th**

10:30 am ~ Worship Space

Sing (and Ring) to the Lord a New Song!

Summer is a great time to join one of our music ministries ~

Singers are wanted for **The Choir** (usually sings at the 11 am Mass; rehearsals on Thursday evenings)

and/or **The Contemporary Choir** (usually sings at the 9 am Mass; rehearsals on Tuesday evenings)

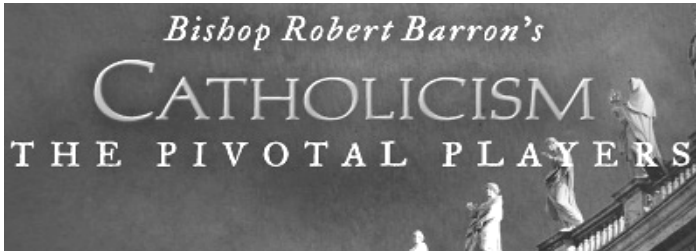
... and...

The Bells of Blessed Sacrament Hand Bell Choir

is seeking willing & enthusiastic new ringers!
Consider learning more about this fun & rewarding ministry.
No experience necessary, but the ability to read music is helpful. (Rehearsals on Tuesdays, 5:30-6:45 pm)

Questions?

Contact: John McCrary 703-998-6100 x103 or
jmccrary@blessedsacramentcc.org



Join our informal **Summer Inquiry** to watch Bishop Robert Barron's "Pivotal Players" series! See Catholicism through the lens of six people who fell in love with it and changed the world.
Quinn Hall on Wednesdays at 7:30 pm

No registration; just drop by!

REVISED SCHEDULE

July 11: Blessed John Henry Newman, the **Convert**

July 18: GK Chesterton, the **Convert**

July 25: Michaelangelo, the **Artist**

Questions? sdoyle@blessedsacramentcc.org



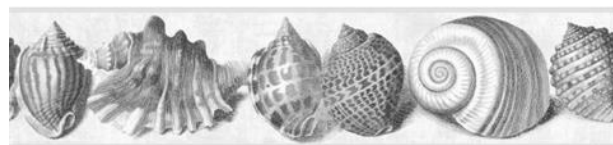
Piano Music Concert

John McCrary, Piano

- ◆ **Bach:** Italian Concerto
- ◆ **Beethoven:** Grande Sonate Pathétique, Op. 13
- ◆ **Ravel:** Le Tambeau de Couperin

Friday - July 27th - 8:00 pm

Refreshing Libations Served at Intermission!



CCD REGISTRATION



Forms for the **2018-2019** school year are now available at the parish office or on-line at www.blessedsacramentcc.org.

(Classes begin 9/16, 9/17 & 9/19)

- ◆ **Pre-school** program '**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**' (age 3 to kindergarten, potty trained) - Sundays, 10:30-11:45 am
- ◆ **Kindergarten thru 8th grade** - Sundays, 10:30-11:45 am
- ◆ **Kindergarten thru 8th grade** - Wednesdays, **7:00-8:15 pm**
- ◆ **Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd grade** - Mondays, 4:15-5:30 pm

Please register early to insure a place in a class for your child(ren) & so we can plan accordingly.

IF YOU WISH TO PAY YOUR FEES THROUGH FaithDirect, PLEASE MAKE A NOTE ON YOUR ENROLLMENT FORM & YOU WILL BE SENT THE LINK & INSTRUCTIONS.



Terrible beasts, fearsome dragons, mysterious numbers, and gleaming cities fill the pages of the Book of Revelation. But what does it all mean?

Come and join Fr. Mark Carrier in a multipart reading and thorough exploration of this ancient text. Each session is about an hour and handouts will be provided.

Tuesday evenings, 7 pm, or Wednesday mornings, 9:15 am

Bring your Bible to the Parish Center Holy Trinity Room! Drop-in: No registration necessary. Questions? Fr. Carrier: mfcaime@cs.com



Visit Fr. Carrier's blog on the **First Letter of St. John**. Come to the web and explore this careful and devout examination of the Word of God.

sanctiscriptores.blogspot.com



Summer Story Time at St. Paul Books & Media!

Join us for faith-filled summer fun for little ones!

1025 King Street, Old Town Alexandria

Every-other-Thursday, beginning on

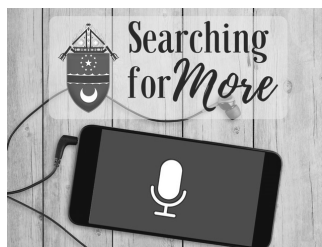
THURSDAY, July 12th

Includes: Songs, stories, crafts & is geared to 3 -to-5-year-olds accompanied parent or guardian (& siblings are welcome.)

Free, but RSVP appreciated - call: 703-549-3806

Or email: alexandria@paulinemediamedia.com

NEW Podcast



'Searching for More' features interviews and discussions on a range of topics affecting Catholics in today's world. Guests include clergy, local Catholics, doctors, technology experts, Catholic news anchors, and even Hollywood actors starring in epic biblical dramas. In addition to interviews, some podcasts will emanate from inspiring talks, speeches, homilies, and lectures given throughout the Diocese.

The podcast is dedicated to the patronage of our diocesan saint, St. Thomas More. 'Searching for More' joins the 'Walk Humbly' and 'Catholic Herald' podcasts as diocesan audio offerings. Visit: **arlingtondiocese.org**

RESPECT LIFE

RespectLifeBSCC@gmail.com

Helpful Resources:

<http://www.arlingdiocese.org.religiousliberty/>

www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/

www.vacatholic.org (Virginia Catholic Conference)

www.nchla.org (National Committee for a Human Life Amendment)

<http://womenspeakforthemselves.com>

#WhyWeMarch MarchForLife.org



Rosary for Life: Each Saturday ~ 9 am *

Meet in the Gathering Space ~ Pray in the Daily Chapel

*2nd Saturday of the month ~ following 8:30 am Mass -

Meet at clinic - 2839 Duke St near Ireton H.S. (approx. 9:15 a.m.)



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:

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief &

sorrow of past abortion? Share the good news of God's

merciful love. **Project Rachel** can make a confidential referral to a priest and/or counselor:

(888) 456-HOPE (4673) or www.helpafterabortion.org

GET THE LATEST:

blessedsacramentcc.org/youth

OR ask Garrick:

gsumith

@blessedsacramentcc.org

(703)998-6100 x110



SUNDAY OPEN GYM

Most Sundays after 5:00 pm Mass @ BS School Gym. Come by and play a pick-up game or two.

SUNDAY NURSERY

... at the 9:00 am & 11:00 am Masses on

most Sundays, we sponsor a **NURSERY**

for children, walking age to age 6 in the

Blessed Sacrament School Early Childhood Center!

Fully staffed by loving, caring people, it's a calm, safe

place for your children to enjoy while you attend Mass.

Come by & see us - very small fee, very great peace of mind!





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Visit: www.alive-inc.org 703-837-9300

ALEXANDRIANS HELPING ALEXANDRIANS!
5 OF 7 PROGRAMS ENTIRELY STAFFED BY VOLUNTEERS

Assist needy families at

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Saturday ~ JULY 28th

8:30-11:00 am

Church of the Resurrection - 2280 N. Beauregard Street



Pack grocery bags, assist clients, carry groceries to cars, etc. Teens, adults, accompanied children & families are welcome to help!

FURNITURE DISTRIBUTION

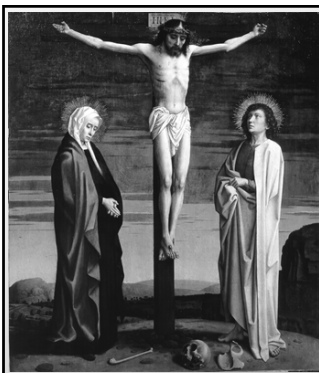


Able-bodied volunteers needed to help pick up & deliver furniture to families in need. Meet on SATURDAYS at 8:00 am at **ALIVE!** trucks at First Christian Church, 2723 King Street.

Contact: furniture@alive-inc.org



◆ Questions?
Visit the parish website or
◆ Our **VIMEO** page:
<https://vimeo.com/user5847138>
or search "Men's Group of Blessed Sacrament"



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

Please come to our meeting to find out about how, with the help of the Holy Spirit, you can help Jesus and Mary!

The Legion of Mary
Thursdays ~ 7:15 pm ~ Meeting Room (Parish Library)

SENIORS ~ LINE DANCING ~ All are Welcome!

Low impact - we'll teach you the steps! Join us on Mondays, 1:30-2:30 pm, Quinn Hall. Call parish office for info.

At the Parish Center ~ TUESDAYS

CANASTA 10 am -12:30 pm **BRIDGE** 12 - 3 pm

Contact: Stella Perry (703)751-8429 or Ann Corro (703)370-3664



Blessed Sacrament Prayer Shawl Knitting & Crochet Ministry

... thank you to everyone

who continues to knit, crochet ...

and pray over the items we craft & distribute.

Questions about our work? Call Lana at 703-299-8389.

MEETING: Thursday, August 2nd, 7-8 pm, Parish Center
(moved forward one week due to 4th of July holiday)

ONGOING PROJECT: We are working on baby blankets. We also have yarn if you need it. Drop-off your hand-made donations at the parish office any time. **Thank you!**



Want to go deeper in your marriage & your faith?

'Teams of Our Lady'

What is 'Teams'? Marriage is a challenge!

Whether a couple is newly wed, raising a family, or "empty nesting," the call to grow together in love is ever present.

To support each other in this call, A 'Team' is a group of couples who meet monthly to find support in their efforts to live out Gospel lives through the vocation of marriage. **Questions?** Contact Andrew & Maria Bremberg at 703-216-1207 or mariabremberg@gmail.com



ALL Moms* (& Kids) are welcome!

*new, "old" (experienced!) or soon-to-be!!

◆ **Weekly Faith Sharing** - Contact Val Trask for more info! (505)280-5573 or trask.val@gmail.com



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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Have questions about our Knights of Columbus Council?

Email gk11947@vakofc.org or

call the parish office, 703-998-6100,

leave contact information & a Knight will return your call.

For more information about the Knights of Columbus visit **KofC.org**



Haven of Northern Virginia

4606 Ravensworth Road, Annandale, VA 22003

Call 703-941-7000 or email: havenofnova@verizon.net or www.havenofnova.org

Haven of Northern Virginia is committed to offering support, compassion, information, resources to the bereaved, seriously ill, the dying, and their family and friends. Volunteers offer comfort and support while helping people cope with feelings of fear, loneliness and a host of other emotions associated with grief.

SUMMER WORKSHOP: "Journey through Grief" - Sat., July 28th, 2-4 pm

Focus on understanding grief, how to cope, how to take care of yourself & how to remember a special life. Register at above # or email address.



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CBC offers local one-day & weeklong international mission trips for adults & families who are called to partake in the Church's mission life. Serve others in the corporal & spiritual works of mercy!




Come meet us at our complimentary Open House Hospitality Party on July 22!
For details, see our website: bit.ly/ptsc,
Or contact Patricia Hutteman
at pava1319@gmail.com.

PRIME-TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS (PTSC)
PTSC is a club organized to serve the needs of single Catholics, age 40 & over, who are free to marry by Catholic standards. Share in Christian fellowship through our fun & Interesting religious, social & recreational activities! For more information, please contact Patricia Hutteman (703)527-3455 or email: pava1319@gmail.com or John McBride 703-820-9196 or email: jfmcbride_526@hotmail.com

Blessed Sacrament 39+ Singles
Contact: Mary Terlep 703-820-4058 maryterlep@aol.com



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Weekly Diocesan TV Mass to the Homebound
At 10:30 am every Sunday on **Channel 50 (WDCW)**, this Mass airs for members of our Catholic family unable to be physically present for Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy.



Pray for Our Priests: Free Prayer Cards
Special prayer cards are now available with the name of each of our Diocesan priests, one priest per card. To request free cards, just contact the Office for Family Life, (703) 841-2550 or familylife@arlingtondiocese.org



The Victim Assistance Ministry is a program of outreach to victims/survivors of childhood sexual abuse by clergy, religious or lay employees of the Catholic Church, as well as those abused through incest, by acquaintances, or through violent attack. Visit our website: www.arlingtondiocese.org **All Calls are confidential**


You may also contact the Victim Assistance Coordinators:
~ Rosa Colello, MA, 703-841-2530 r.colello@arlingtondiocese.org
~ Analiz Sipe, LPC, 703-841-2530 a.sipe@arlingtondiocese.org
CONFIDENTIAL INTAKE LINE: 703-841-2530

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Bishop Michael Burbidge



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Sign up at ~ <http://bit.ly/CDAsignup>




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!**
Info? Greg Golubin 202-437-1274 or Nancy Pease 757-846-7104.




Bishop Burbidge's Homilies Online
Want to hear relevant, pastoral inspiration from our Shepherd? Homilies are posted weekly on the diocesan YouTube page.
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**THE WALK
HUMBLY
PODCAST**
WITH BISHOP BURBIDGE

**"My grace is sufficient for you,
for power is made perfect in weakness."**



If you think you may be called to serve Jesus as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, trust in His grace working in you.

Call Fr. Michael Isenberg at (703) 841-2514
or write: m.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org