

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ September 11, 2022
Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

1427 West Braddock Road ~ Alexandria, Virginia 22302



my son,
**YOU ARE HERE
WITH ME ALWAYS;
EVERYTHING I
HAVE IS YOURS.**

LUKE 15:31

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. 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**

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

Katherine Chelak, principal

1417 West Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22302

703-998-4170

www.bssva.org

**Blessed Sacrament School PLAYGROUND FUND**

You can help us reach our goal for our new, modern, sturdy, safe, and inclusive play-space and the accompanying landscaping! You can use the **QR code** found on the flyers in the Gathering Space or make a check payable to **Blessed Sacrament SCHOOL**, with **"Playground Fund"** VERY clearly marked on the memo line. **Thank you!**



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 **August 28th** was \$28,663.82. This does include **FaithDirect**. We also collected \$136.00 - **Poor Box**, \$332.00 - **Building Repairs Fund**, and \$495.00 - **Msgr. Quinn School Endowment Fund**.

**A SPECIAL COLLECTION ~ NEXT WEEK ~ September 17th & 18th**

Little Sisters of the Poor ~ Blessed Sacrament has supported the good works of the Little Sisters of the Poor, now at their ministry to the elderly poor at their home in Washington, DC. They will be with us at all Masses to ask for our assistance to support this important mission.

Please drop off donation to the parish office or place a donation in the white basket at the back of the church. Make checks payable to Blessed Sacrament with **"Little Sisters"** on the memo line. **Thank you!**



Corner

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Good People of Blessed Sacrament,

Well summer has now ended and we find ourselves immersed in all the activities of fall. I pray you had a safe and enjoyable summer. It seems to me that the school children just went home last week for summer vacation and now they are back. I am getting old!

All of our parish groups and ministries are gearing up for a busy year. Our women's group, ***Magnificat***, and our ***Men's Group*** are beginning their weekly meetings with new programs and speakers. Another year of ***R.C.I.A.*** classes is under way for those desiring to learn more about our Catholic faith and seeking to enter fully into our church community. The ***Legion of Mary*** and the ***Padre Pio Prayer Group*** are always looking for new members who wish to grow in prayer and the spiritual life. Our ***Religious Education*** classes have begun as well and we are grateful to all those who have come forward to help form the boys and girls who are the future of our church.

Fathers Tom and Peter are in the school classrooms sharing the faith with the future of our church, and Father Carrier has begun a new series of ***Bible Study*** classes about the Scriptures and other areas of the faith. Father Peter is also training a new group of ***Altar Servers***, and we are in the process of having more ***Ushers*** join the ranks of those who greet us at Mass and assist our Sunday worship. The parish ***Choirs*** are always ready to welcome new members who want to praise God in song. So look for ways to be involved this fall and reap the benefits of being an active part in the life of Blessed Sacrament!

Our ***Parish Festival*** is back after a Covid pause. Join us this Friday, September 16th in the back parking lot, from 5:00 until 8:00 p.m. Good food, fun and fellow parish members along with authentic "Oompah" music from The Edelweiss Band! Volunteers are still needed so please consider helping us. Contact the parish office for ways you can help. We will also be blessing the new Blessed Sacrament School playground. A lot of time and effort has gone into this project along with the generous support of our school and parish community. A dream has come true!

The ***Little Sisters of the Poor*** will make their annual visit on September 17th and 18th to share with us their ministry of caring for the elderly poor and seeking our spiritual and financial assistance in carrying out this service of love to our seniors. God reward you for your goodness to the Sisters!

As part of the Diocese of Arlington's 50th anniversary we will be having ***Forty Hours Devotion to the Holy Eucharist***, October 16th through the 18th. We ask all in our parish to set aside time to pray before the Blessed Sacrament here in the church and to grow closer to the Lord. More details on page 5 and on the parish website.

This month of September is dedicated to the ***Seven Dolors*** or ***Sorrows of Our Lady***. Mary was told at the Lord's presentation in the temple by Simeon that her heart would be pierced seven times because of things done to her Son. We also have many sorrows in our own lives. May Our Lady help us through these times of sadness and bring us closer to the Lord who is our King of Glory! I pray you have a good month and God bless and protect you!

Lovingly in Him,

Rev. John Kelly

MASS INTENTIONS**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 - 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30 am ~ **Mary Jane Sabatini+** (Rhodes Family)
 9:00 am ~ **Mass for the People**
 11:00 am ~ **Karen Norman+** (O'Leary Family)
 12:30 pm ~ **Arlen Hamilton+** (Cobb Family)
 2:00 pm ~ **Spec Int - Luis y Alexa Angeles** (Seferina)
 5:00 pm ~ **Maureen Tehan+** (Kristin Williams)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 - The Most Holy Name of Mary

6:30 am ~ **Ralph Braddock+** (Bertha Braddock)
 8:30 am ~ **Oresto Giuseppe+** (Angie Giuseppe)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 - Saint John Chrysostom

6:30 am ~ **Esperanza Coll Godó+** (Susan Kilpatrick)
 8:30 am ~ **Koch Family Deceased+** (Rita Koch)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 - Exaltation of the Holy Cross

6:30 am ~ **Andrew Benson+** (Ed Andrews)
 8:30 am ~ **Pat Lidy+** (Marie Alberts)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 - OUR LADY OF SORROWS

6:30 am ~ **David Spisso** (Family)
 8:30 am ~ **Mary Boyle Buggy+** (Kevin Carroll)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 - Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

6:30 am ~ **James T. Quirk+** (Ed Andrews)
 8:30 am ~ **Firefighter Dennis Smith, FDNY+** (Robert Fiduk)

SATURDAY, September 17 - Saint Robert Bellarmine

8:30 am ~ **Donna Branca+** (Kristin Williams)
 5:00 pm ~ **Adam Casold+** (Pam Gatz & Joe Alfenito)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 - 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 am ~ **Spec Int - Romeo & Elsie Reyes** (Amelia Patterson)
 9:00 am ~ **Margaret (Eileen) Brennan+** (Karen Downey)
 11:00 am ~ **Mass for the People**
 12:30 pm ~ **Payos-Burkey Families Deceased+** (M Payos)
 2:00 pm ~ **Accion de Gracias por favor recibido** (Seferina)
 5:00 pm ~ **Brigid Gorman+** (Cunningham Family)

January 2023 - December 2023 MASS INTENTIONS

On Monday, September 12th at 9:00 a.m., we will begin accepting Mass Intention requests for January - December 2023. That morning, **registered parishioners** may pick up a request form at the parish office. Please limit your list to ten (10) Masses until all requests from this effort have been filled. At this time, we are not accepting any requests for Masses in 2023 in advance of this date or without this form.

Readings for the Week

Sunday, September 11, 24th Ordinary: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19;
 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 or Lk 15:1-10
Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday, September 18, 25th Ordinary: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 or Lk 16:10-13



**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, 09/11 - Rev. Paul A. Berghout
Monday, 09/12 - Rev. Dort A. Bigg
Tuesday, 09/13 - Rev. Joseph P. Biniek, (Ret.)
Wednesday, 09/14 - Rev. Nicholas F. Blank
Thursday, 09/15 - Rev. Vincent P. Bork
Friday, 09/16 - Rev. Edward J. Bresnahan
Saturday, 09/17 - Rev. Philip D. Briggs



**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 notify the parish office know if the chapel is empty
 and you have to leave.)

"BE JOYFUL IN HOPE,
 PATIENT IN AFFLICTION,
 FAITHFUL IN PRAYER."

ROMANS 12:12 (NIV)

REMEMBERING SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

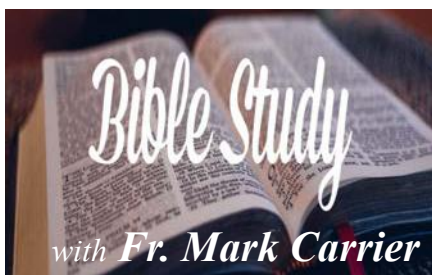
MALCOLM ALLS, MIKE ANDERSON, DON ARNOLD, MARIA JUAREZ ASCENCIO,
IAN BALLUTIS, MIKE BANSCHER, JUDY BOWMAN, J. COLLINS, ELIZABETH GRECZEK,
MICHAEL HART, FRANCES HOLLAND, PATSY LAYER, FRANK McDERMOTT,
JAMES McTAGUE, BRUCE MILLER, MARY MILLER, LAURA OGDEN, LYNN POOLE,
NORMA RAFFAELE, KATHERINE SENIA, TIMOTHY TOBIN, MAUREEN WAHL,
VINCE WHITMORE, BONNIE WOODS (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.)

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, 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, Abby Warden, Thomas Warring.



NEW TOPIC - "The Song of Songs"

Join Fr. Carrier for an in-depth look at this precious jewel at the heart of the Scriptures.

Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. or Wednesday mornings, 9:15 a.m. ~ MEETING ROOM

The Church Fathers taught that the Song of Songs was a love song in the form of a drama enacted between a Bridegroom and his Bride — Jesus Christ and his Church. Over the succeeding centuries, this little book captivated the great spiritual writers of the Church, who read it and wrote on it as a guide to prayer and to union with God.

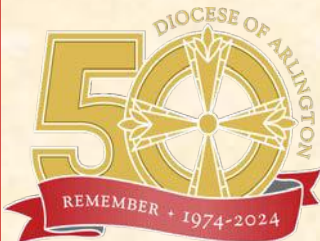
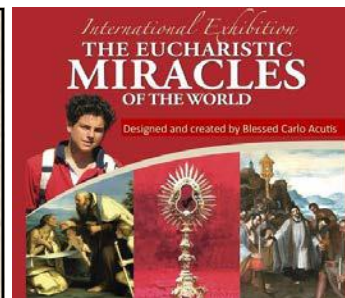
Detailed materials provided, but Bring your Bibles! (Drop-in: No registration necessary) Questions? email: mfcaime@cs.com

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

Eucharistic Miracles

Keep an eye out in the Gathering Space for the next weeks and study the poster displays on extraordinary Eucharistic miracles. The posters are based on the internet presentation created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, who wished to promote devotion to the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist by spreading information about these miracles.

May our devotion increase in learning about these incredible events!



The Forty Hours Devotion

The Forty Hours Devotion is a period of continuous public prayer in the presence of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Christ our Lord is really and substantially present in this great Sacrament, and through our participation in the devotion we enter his presence, remember the salvation he won for us, rejoice in him and become signs of his divine renewal in our world. In remembering our Catholic heritage during the first preparation year leading to the diocesan golden jubilee, each parish in the Diocese of Arlington will celebrate Forty Hours.

Mark your calendar and join us in our 40 Hours Devotion, Sunday, October 16th through Tuesday, October 18th.

We will begin with Exposition at the end of the 5:00 p.m. Sunday Mass, continue Adoration through the night, pause Monday morning at 6:00 a.m. for regularly scheduled daily Masses, continue at 9:00 a.m. throughout the day. At 7:00 p.m. on Monday, we will celebrate Mass and have a talk and Holy Hour. Adoration will then continue again through the night until 6:00 a.m. on Tuesday, pausing again for daily Masses. Devotion will continue on Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. until Benediction at 7:00 p.m. Use this code: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49ACAA2AA6F8C52-diocesan> or visit the parish website for the direct link, or call the parish office to schedule times to pray with our Lord.



Friday ~ September 16th ~ 5:00-8:00 pm ~ Back Lot

The EDELWEISS BAND is back! (OOMPAH!)

Pizza, Hot Dogs, Brats & More! Sodas & Adult Beverages!

Inflatables! Face Painting! Balloons! Games! Free Popcorn!

GaGa Ball Pit! Kids Basketball Tournament!

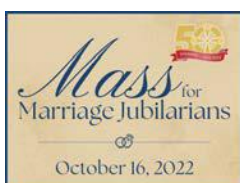
IT WON'T WORK WITHOUT VOLUNTEERS!

Please donate a little of your time to help things run smoothly ~ Service Hours Available! Visit the **SignUp Genius**® link on the website. (or call the Parish Office)

Would you like to be a Cub Scout? Come see all the fun that Cub Scouting has to offer. Pack 614 is open to both boys and girls in Kindergarten through 5th grade.

Many Blessed Sacrament families are members! Scouting is a fun-filled program about developing citizenship & character that involves the whole family. Interested in receiving more information? Please contact

Linda Hill, Cubmaster, at 703-370-6641 / lhill@diabetes.org



Where you married in 1972 or 1997? All married couples celebrating a **silver (25 year)** or **golden (50 year)** anniversary are invited to the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More on October 16, 2022 at 3 p.m. for the

Mass for Marriage Jubilarians, celebrated by the Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington, who will also be the homilist. A light reception will follow.

RSVP required, please contact Seferina in the parish office by Sep. 23rd. (703) 998-6100

Event Explores Why Catholics Should Care for Our Common Home Pope Francis called on Catholics to embrace the urgent challenge to protect the whole human family and all of creation in the encyclical *Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home*. The Diocese of Arlington Peace and Justice Commission will address how to do so at a special Mass and conference **Saturday, September 17**, at the Church of the Nativity, Burke, **"Why should I Care for Our Common Home? Conversion, Prayer, and Action."** The event will launch the Diocese's seven-year effort to teach and implement Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home*. Bishop Michael F. Burbidge will celebrate 5 p.m. Mass, followed by dinner, then a 6:45 p.m. keynote address by Dan Misleh, founder of the Catholic Climate Covenant. A panel of Catholic community leaders will discuss how to implement the encyclical on the integral ecology of God's creation in families, schools, and communities. Register to attend or watch the livestream: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/wsic22/>



Magnificat Women's Group presents

MYSTERY

a study of the mysteries of the Rosary.

Written for and by women, **MYSTERY** encourages us to ponder each of the mysteries of the Rosary and prayerfully examine our lives in relation to vocation, community, home, God, and family. The fall session will explore the Joyful and Luminous mysteries with scripture and conversation.

Let's walk together with our Blessed Mother!

Join us for 10 sessions on Monday mornings or evenings beginning September 26th. Registration on 'Groups' tab of the website or call the parish office. Get an email: MagnificatBSCC@gmail.com



National Migration Week

How -- and why -- does the Church welcome migrants, refugees, and other newcomers to the Diocese of Arlington?

Join Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington during **National Migration Week, Monday, September 19 - Sunday, September 25**, for a series of events throughout the diocese. Events will include opportunities to learn more about the refugee experience, immigration law and citizenship, a job fair, opportunities to volunteer, a soccer tournament, and virtual cooking class for Afghan cuisine. Bishop Michael F. Burbidge will celebrate a Mass for the 108th World Day of Migrants at St. Ann Catholic Church on Sunday, September 25. Learn more at ccda.net/nationalmigrationweek/



Blessed Sacrament Prayer Shawl Knitting & Crochet Ministry

MEETING: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6th ~ 7:00 pm ~ MEETING ROOM / PARISH LIBRARY (weather/storms permitting!)

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)



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): We are single Catholics 40 and over. Meet us for: Thursday lunches (Sept. 8 and 22); picnic (Sept. 4); G. Washington's distillery and gristmill (Sept. 10); walk in Fairfax (Sept. 15); Mass at St. Ann's and breakfast (Sept. 18); dining out (Sept. 25); Nat's baseball game (Oct. 2); Ocean City (Oct. 21-24). For details, visit our website: bit.ly/ptsc. Questions or to RSVP, email Tom at ptscnva@gmail.com. Details, visit: bit.ly/ptsc Questions or RSVP: Tom ptscnva@gmail.com.

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!



The **2022 White House Christmas Ornament** honors Patricia Nixon who began the tradition of White House Gingerbread Houses in 1969.

(Mrs. Nixon's gingerbread recipe & a gingerbread-scented card are included!)

Ornaments will be on sale in October in Quinn Hall and benefit our Sunday Nursery. Pre-orders taken by **Jo Allen ~ (703) 521-7223**



COMMISSIONED BY CHRIST

www.commissionedbychrist.org CBC 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.

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CBC ANNUAL BENEFIT RECEPTION & SILENT AUCTION

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Commissioned by Christ is a Catholic, non-profit missionary ministry partaking in the Works of Mercy at home and abroad for families and adults in the Diocese of Arlington.

Honoring Rev. Monsignor John Cregan

The Paul S. Loverde Missionary Award for Selfless Service

Register at www.cbc-missions.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>

*KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ~ kofc.org/Ukraine



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 Kilkenny 571-296-6969 mary.kilkenny@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 Xiomara Hernandez at xhernandez@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



Are you willing to serve?

We are seeking men & women (16 yrs+) to assist with usher & greeter duties at all our masses on a regular basis. We will train you.

Please contact: Logan O'Shea ~ Lgnoshea@gmail.com | 937-409-0679



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

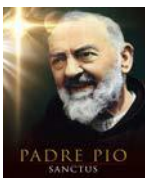
Every Saturday ~ around 9-9:15 am ~ women's clinic at 2839 Duke St (near Bishop Ireton H.S.) ~ Our "turn" to lead is 2nd Saturday of the month.

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

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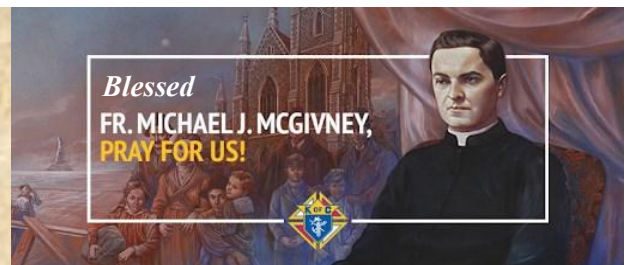
Meets at 2:30 p.m. on the 4th Sunday of every month in the Daily Chapel.

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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.



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.

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