

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 10, 2021  
*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](http://www.blessedsacramentcc.org)

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

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

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

**DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON:**

[www.arlingtondiocese.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org)

**SUNDAY MASSES:** Church

Vigil Mass on 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:** Monday - Saturday, 8:00 am: Church

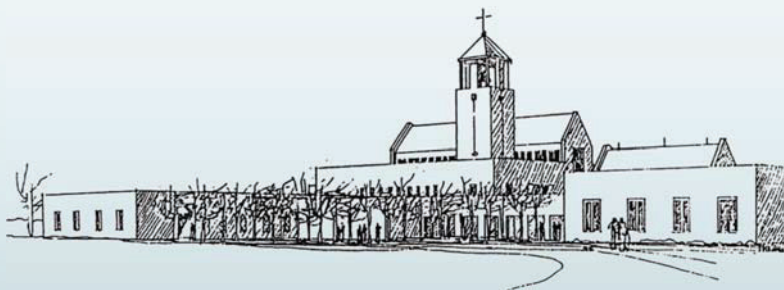
**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Chapel, Friday, 9 am- 5 pm

**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](mailto: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**

*"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.bsscva.org](http://www.bsscva.org)



**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**.

**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.)*

*Need some children's prayer ideas? Contact Susan Doyle in the parish office.*

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

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**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: [jdrivera7@aol.com](mailto:jdrivera7@aol.com) / (202)669-7214



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

As we continue to celebrate the Year of Saint Joseph, please help yourself to "The Dream of Saint Joseph" prayer card to 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, 10/10 - Rev. Paul A. Berghout  
 Monday, 10/11 - Rev. Joseph D. Bergida  
 Tuesday, 10/12 - Rev. Dort A. Bigg  
 Wednesday, 10/13 - Rev. Nicholas F. Blank

Thursday, 10/14 - Rev. Vincent P. Bork  
 Friday, 10/8 - Rev. Edward J. Bresnahan  
 Saturday, 10/9 - Rev. James C. Bruse



**MASS INTENTIONS****SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10 - 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- 7:30 am ~ Zachary D'Souza+ (John & Ginger Harrington)  
 9:00 am ~ Karen Burgett+ (Mark L Piccolo)  
 11:00 am ~ Mass for the People  
 12:30 pm ~ Marylou Iampietro+ (Joe & Perry Iampietro)  
 2:00 pm ~ Andres & Andrea Mayor+ (Familia Delgado)  
 5:00 pm ~ Kathryn & Frank Keegan+ (Giglio Family)

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 11 - Saint John XXIII, Pope**

- 6:30 am ~ Joy Cippoletti+ (Bud & Connie Hart)  
 8:30 am ~ Joseph Caporaletti+ (Angie Giuseppe)

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12 - Weekday**

- 6:30 am ~ For the Welfare & Intentions of Pope Francis  
 8:30 am ~ George Driscoll+ (Bud & Connie Hart)

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13 - Weekday**

- 6:30 am ~ Ganga Stone+ (Ed Andrews)  
 8:30 am ~ Francis Cole, Jr+ (Kathleen Cole+)

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14 - Saint Callistus, Pope & Martyr**

- 6:30 am ~ Br Michel Bettigole, OSF+ (Ed Andrews)  
 8:30 am ~ Rudivico Estoque & Elise Dunham+ (S Dunham & C Estoque)

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15 - Saint Teresa of Jesus, Doctor of the Church**

- 6:30 am ~ Manuel Fernandes+ (Family)  
 8:30 am ~ Spec Int - Eileen Camarinos (William Camarinos)

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16 - Sts. Hedwig; Margaret Mary Alacoque**

- 8:30 am ~ Mary Ann Fischer+ (Ann McCormick McQuillan)  
 5:00 pm ~ Kathleen Cole+ (John & Ellen Farnham)

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17 - 29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- 7:30 am ~ Spec Int - Lucas Liriano (Seferino Del Valle)  
 9:00 am ~ Mary Ann Fischer+ (Ann Wynne)  
 11:00 am ~ Francis Santana+ (Ed Andrews)  
 12:30 pm ~ Mass for the People  
 2:00 pm ~ Souls in Purgatory+  
 5:00 pm ~ Zachary D'Souza+ (Bill & Mary Kennedy)

**Readings for the Week**

**Sunday, 10/10:** Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;  
 Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

**Monday:** Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4;  
 Lk 11:29-32

**Tuesday:** Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 11:37-41

**Wednesday:** Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46

**Thursday:** Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab;  
 Lk 11:47-54

**Friday:** Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7

**Saturday:** Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43;  
 Lk 12:8-12

**Sunday, 10/17:** Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22;  
 Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45



Our Offertory  
 Collection for  
 September 26th was  
 \$31,413.18.

This does include *FaithDirect*. We also received  
 \$184.00 - Poor Box, \$205.00 - Building Fund,  
 \$279.00- Quinn School Endowment,  
 \$20.00 - Haiti Disaster Relief, and \$2,485.00 - Hurricane  
 Ida Disaster Relief. *Thank you.*  
 (For the foreseeable future, our *SHARING* distribution  
 has had to be suspended.)



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



*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 a name on this list.)*

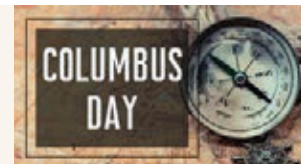
Cole Barry, Ryan Barnett, Michael Bouffard, Jason Brooks, Richard W. Brown, Macine Browning, Joseph R. Byrnes, Cady Byrnes, Tim Byrnes, Nicholas Cale, Adam Conlan, Robert Corso, Analee Cuellar, Nathalia Cuellar, Bradley Cundari, Matthew Cundari, Nuno Cunha, Richard Demarais, Dennis Donley, Maddy Dooley, 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.

**Columbus Day ~ Monday, October 11th**

6:30 am & 8:30 am Mass ~ 7:00 - 8:00 am Confession ~ 8:00 am Rosary

Parish Office is closed Sunday & Monday





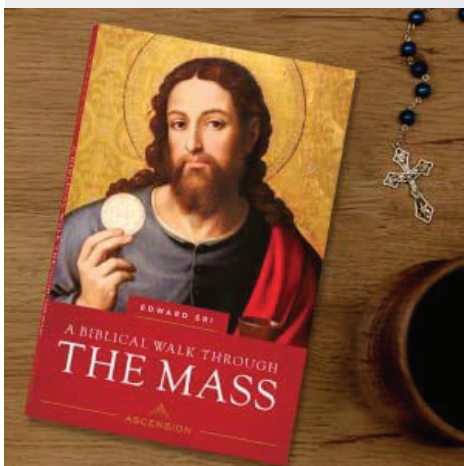


## Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast is BACK!

Pancakes eggs, bacon, sausage, etc.

**TODAY! ~ following morning Masses ~ Quinn Hall**

Dine-in and Carry-out options available



## A Biblical Walk Through THE MASS

The Mass is nothing short of amazing. Through it, we encounter God in the most intimate way possible as we hear him speak to us in the Liturgy of the Word and as we receive him Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist. In his video-based study *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*, Dr. Edward Sri explores the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist. \$20.00 for study guide.

Join us for *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass* beginning **October 21st** at **7:00 p.m.** and continuing every **Thursday evening** for **5 (five)** weeks. For more information, call the parish office or email: [sdoyle@bscva.org](mailto:sdoyle@bscva.org)



## AUTUMN SENIOR & RETIREE MASS & LUNCHEON

**Tuesday, October 26th**

Mass at 11:00 a.m. ~ Lunch follows in Quinn Hall

Catered Autumn menu by Alexandria Pastry

Spacing will be observed & you **MUST** register by **Friday, October 15th** to attend

Call the parish office (703) 998-6100

or email: [mniernberger@bscva.org](mailto:mniernberger@bscva.org)



## DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

Bishop Burbidge invites you to join him to mark this "Year of St. Joseph" at the diocesan Marian pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

**Saturday, October 30th ~ 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

This beautiful family event is free & there is no need to register. For complete details, visit

[www.arlingtondiocese.org/2021/marian-pilgrimage](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/2021/marian-pilgrimage)

## CLASS REUNION THIS WAY



### Are you an Alumni of the "old" Blessed Sacrament School?

As our parish celebrates its 75th anniversary this year, a group of Blessed Sacrament School Alumni from the years 1949 to 1972 have recently started a Facebook page. Want to share stories, pictures, and wisdom learned from the Sisters of the Holy Cross who taught at Blessed Sacrament?

**Blessed Sacrament School Class of 1966 will be holding a 55th reunion**

**Sunday ~ October 17th ~ 2:00 to 5:00 pm ~ ALL Alumni Welcome!**

Blessed Sacrament Parish Center, 1415 West Braddock Road (the old rectory)

See the Facebook page: Blessed Sacrament School Alumni Group Alexandria, VA (1949-1972)

RSVP: Frank Spicer, BS Class of 1966, at [praydailyrosary@gmail.com](mailto:praydailyrosary@gmail.com)



## SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Friday, November 5, 2021, 7:30 p.m.

Through music, scripture, and the reading of names, we come together to honor our departed. Our music is the **Requiem Mass by Camille Saint-Saëns** performed by the Adult Choir and The Blessed Sacrament Festival Orchestra.

I AM THE  
RESURRECTION  
AND THE LIFE

Whether you have suffered a loss or come as companion to one who has, this evening will be inspirational.

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November 5, 2021

7:30 p.m.

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Community  
1427 W. Braddock Road  
Alexandria, Virginia 22302

Enclosed is a memorial donation for \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Please list in the program the following deceased: (optional)  
(Please type or print neatly)

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE (day): \_\_\_\_\_ (evening): \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please mail or deliver this form to the Parish Office no later than **November 3, 2021**

***Please join us. All are welcome.***





### 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

### Listen to CATHOLIC RADIO

WMET 1160 AM

and via the (free) Ave Maria Radio APP!

Visit: [www.grnonline.com](http://www.grnonline.com)

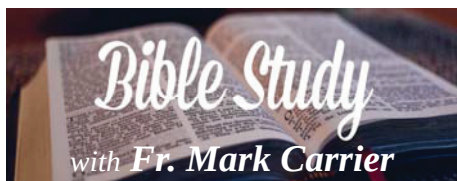


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## Take advantage of the rich resources of **FORMED.ORG**

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)



Tuesday evenings, 7:00 pm or Wed. mornings, 9:15 am ~ MEETING ROOM

"Women of the Bible" & other topics

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

ALSO: Visit Fr. Carrier's blog ~ [sanctiscriptores.blogspot.com](http://sanctiscriptores.blogspot.com)



### Singers Wanted! No experience necessary ~

Just a willingness to make a 'joyful noise' in celebration of the liturgy!

Contemporary Ensemble (typically 9:00 am Sunday Mass) and Adult Choir (typically 11:00 am Sunday Mass)

For information, please contact: John McCrary 703- 998-6100 x103 or [jmccrary@blessedsacramentcc.org](mailto:jmccrary@blessedsacramentcc.org)



### Greeters & Ushers Needed at Sunday Masses:

*Help at the Mass you usually attend!*

We have new baskets & will review offertory procedures at each Mass. If you think you would like to help with this important ministry, please contact Marie in the parish office (703) 998-6100 x. 104 or [mniernberger@bscva.org](mailto:mniernberger@bscva.org)



### Magnificat Women's Group ~ Fall 2021

Join the Blessed Sacrament Magnificat women's program as we "hybrid" small groups, study, prayer & view ~ "A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS" by/with Dr. Edward Sri.

MORNING PROGRAM: Mondays, 9:00-10:30 a.m., October 4 - November 15 (with exception of Oct. 11) Quinn Hall (with social distancing); small groups may scatter about church.

EVENING PROGRAM: Mondays, 7:15-8:30 p.m., October 4 - December 13 (with exception of Oct. 11, Nov. 1, 8, 22) Quinn Hall (social distancing); evenings of Adoration in the Church. To receive information and registration, mail [MagnificatBSCC@gmail.com](mailto:MagnificatBSCC@gmail.com).



### February 26, 2022 ~ 7pm-9pm ~ BSSchool AUCTION!

This year our theme is "Roaring 2020's" ~ so find your long pearls, flapper dresses and top hats and get ready to party!

Raise money for our school! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

There are many ways to volunteer, utilizing a wide variety of skill sets. There's something for everyone! A few specific needs are:

~ Run of Show Coordinator, Mystery Box Coord., Bartenders  
Coffee/Dessert Set Up, Clean Up Start, Clean Up/Takedown.

~ General interest volunteers also wanted where needed.

*Help us make our Roaring 2020's  
Silent Auction a "Roaring" success!*

To volunteer send a note:

[bssroaring2020s@gmail.com](mailto:bssroaring2020s@gmail.com)

## ALTAR SERVER SIGN-UP



Girls & Boys,  
Third Grade thru High  
School, are invited to  
serve at the Altar.

Download a registration  
the form from the parish  
website & drop it by the  
parish office.

Questions?

Call the parish office or

email Fr. Gonzalez at: [frggonzalez@bscva.org](mailto:frggonzalez@bscva.org)



### Blessed Sacrament Prayer Shawl Knitting & Crochet Ministry

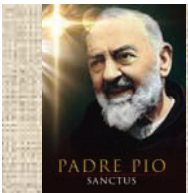
MEETING: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4th ~ 7:00 pm ~ MEETING ROOM / PARISH LIBRARY (weather/storms permitting!)

We can begin to work 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](mailto: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



### 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



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

Thursdays ~ 6:00 pm Meeting Room (Parish Library)

Questions? Call or email the parish office with your contact information. (703) 998-6100 [parish\\_office@bscva.org](mailto:parish_office@bscva.org)



Fun for Seniors

- ◆ **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](mailto:communications@seniorservicesalex.org)

**Blessed Sacrament 39+ Singles** Contact: Tom Palumbo - [tomtal1@verizon.net](mailto:tomtal1@verizon.net) 703-313-8388

**PRIME TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS (PTSC)** serves single Catholics 40 and over. Meet us for: Thursday lunches; Nationals baseball (Sept. 19).

Details, visit: [bit.ly/ptsc](http://bit.ly/ptsc) Questions or RSVP: Tom [ptscnva@gmail.com](mailto:ptscnva@gmail.com).



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

**E-membership in the Knights of Columbus for eligible Catholic men (age 18+) is available.**

Visit <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html> to learn more.

Potential members also can send an email to [gk11947@kofc.org](mailto:gk11947@kofc.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](mailto:bsmensgroup@gmail.com)

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





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/](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Child-Protection/)



## '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 diocesan audio offerings.

Visit: [arlingtondiocese.org](http://arlingtondiocese.org)

## 2 BUSY 2 PRAY?

Try 2 minutes 2 virtue ~ Sign up NOW! [www.arlingtondiocese.org/2minutes2virtue](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/2minutes2virtue)

## Looking for New Team Members!

The Central Administrative Office in Arlington is looking for new team members! Exciting opportunities exist in our Benefits, Communications, Development, and Ministry Offices.

For details, visit: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/human-resources/employment-opportunities/>



**Walking with John Paul II - A Pilgrimage of Faith** ~ Join the Saint John Paul II National Shrine on Saturday, October 16, for a spiritual journey in the footsteps of Saint John Paul II to renew our spirits and deepen our faith during these extraordinary times. This second annual pilgrimage will be a 12-mile spirit-filled walk from Our Lady Queen of Poland Parish in Silver Spring, MD to the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, DC in celebration of the feast day of Saint John Paul II. Come join with your family, friends, school, council, or religious community. The walk will include the recitation of the rosary, songs of praise, and group prayer to create a truly communal pilgrimage experience. & will end with Mass. A fantastic way for young adults and families to spend the day! To register or for more information visit: [jp2shrine.org/pilgrimage](http://jp2shrine.org/pilgrimage)

**Scouts BSA** (formerly Boy Scouts of America) is a year-round program for boys and girls ages 11–17 designed to build character, citizenship and fitness. Scouting is the ultimate form of learning by doing. Scouts explore their interests and improve skills while working toward Scouting's highest rank: Eagle.

**Newly formed Troop 130, an all-girl Troop** with Blessed Sacrament students as founding members, meets biweekly at Westminster Presbyterian Church and will camp each month. Troops 129 and 1515, are all-boy Troops, both with Blessed Sacrament students as members that meet weekly at Westminster Presbyterian and at SSSAS Middle School respectively and venture out camping once a month.

Each Troop participates in BSA summer camps and older Scouts attend BSA's High Adventure camps - hiking in the Rockies, sailing off Florida or in the Virgin Islands and/or canoeing in the Great Lakes. If your family is interested in learning more please reach out. These are fantastic programs and new members are always welcome: [Troop130@wpc-alex.org](mailto:Troop130@wpc-alex.org), [troop129@wpc-alex.org](mailto:troop129@wpc-alex.org) and [bsatroop1515@gmail.com](mailto:bsatroop1515@gmail.com)



## Mark Your Calendar!

**2021 StepALIVE! Walkathon is October 17th!**

Support our neighbors in need. Prizes for team(s) with the most walkers and most money raised, etc.

Register today at: <http://StepALIVEwalk.org>





## RESPECT LIFE

Helpful Resources: <http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/religiousliberty/>  
[www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/](http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/)  
[www.vacatholic.org](http://www.vacatholic.org) (Virginia Catholic Conference)  
 #WhyWeMarch [MarchForLife.org](http://MarchForLife.org)

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

**GABRIEL PROJECT:** Gabriel Project (GP) provides financial & spiritual assistance to pregnant women in need. If you know someone who can benefit from GP services, or if you would like to volunteer, please contact us at (703) 841-3810 or go online at: [www.arlingtondiocese.org/gpavolunteer](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/gpavolunteer)  
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**PROJECT RACHEL:** Share the good news of God's merciful love post abortion. *Project Rachel* can make a confidential referral to a priest and/or counselor: (888) 456-HOPE (4673) or [www.helpafterabortion.org](http://www.helpafterabortion.org)

**DAY OF PRAYER AND HEALING** ~ Post-Abortion Retreat for Women ~ Saturday, September, 25th ~ [info@helpafterabortion.org](mailto:info@helpafterabortion.org) or call (703)841-2504  
 Retreat based on the 'Entering Canaan' model  
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### '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](mailto:respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org)  
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### 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.  
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### 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. **October 12th ~ Bishop Michael Burbidge, presiding.** The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. All are welcome. Watch livestream at: [arlingtondiocese.org/healingandconversion](http://arlingtondiocese.org/healingandconversion)  
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### 40 DAYS for LIFE ~ September 22 - October 31 ~ Vigil Calendar

Please sign up to witness! The link for the campaign vigil calendar can be found at [40daysforlife.com/browse-campaigns/](http://40daysforlife.com/browse-campaigns/)  
 Please invite a friend to go with you!  
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### REGISTER to VOTE !

Register to Vote: This year in Virginia, Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 2. Voters will elect a Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General, and will determine all 100 state House of Delegates seats. As Catholics, we are called to practice faithful citizenship. If you will be 18 or older on November 2, you are encouraged to register to vote, or to update your registration if you have changed your address. To learn more: <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/registration/how-to-register/>  
 The Virginia Catholic Conference will be providing voter education resources in the coming months. Sign up now for VCC alerts and updates at [www.vacatholic.org](http://www.vacatholic.org), so you can receive these materials via email when they are available.

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