

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 15, 2023
Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

1427 West Braddock Road ~ Alexandria, Virginia 22302

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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

PARISH CLERGY:

Rev. John D. Kelly, Pastor
 Rev. Mark Carrier, Parochial Vicar
 Rev. Andrew Clark, Parochial Vicar
 Rev. Peter St. George, 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.bssva.org

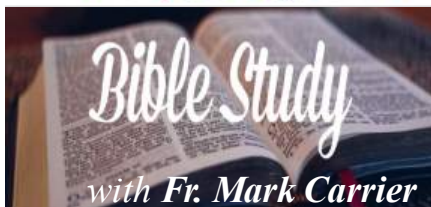
"To create an educated community to serve Christ and one another with integrity and respect."

Katherine Chelak, principal



...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!*



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

Pray for the Sick of the Parish

MARIA JUAREZ ASCENCIO, JUDY BOWMAN,
 J. COLLINS, ZACHARY DOYLE, ANNIE D'SOUZA,
 CONNIE GARDNER, DOLORES GOETZ,
 MICHAEL HART, PATSY LAYER, NOREEN LOPEZ,
 FRANK McDERMOTT, JOHN MILATZO,
 BRUCE & MARY MILLER, DONNA RAFFAELE,
 NORMA RAFFAELE, IRVINE RODRIGUEZ,
 HARRY THOMPSON, Jr., TIMOTHY TOBIN, MAUREEN
 WAHL, VINCE WHITMORE, ANGELA WILSON.

(Please call the parish office with additions & deletions)

MASS INTENTIONS**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15 - 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30 am ~ **Charles Abrams, Sr+** (Mary Ann Aker)
 9:00 am ~ **Jack Steward+** (Kathy Steward)
 11:00 am ~ **Victor Manuel Ascencio+** (Family)
 12:30 pm ~ **Marjorie Moreau+** (Jeannette Stoiber)
 2:00 pm ~ **Carmencita Alvarado+** (Miriam Ayala)
 5:00 pm ~ **Mass for the People**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 - Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque

6:30 am ~ **Liam Crone+** (Michael Fannon)
 8:30 am ~ **John Wenderoth+** (Joanne Kemper)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17 - Saint Ignatius of Antioch

6:30 am ~ **Jean Valenta+** (Michael Fannon)
 8:30 am ~ **For the Welfare & Intentions of Pope Francis**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18 - Saint Luke, Evangelist

6:30 am ~ **Ron Force+** (Pedrick Family)
 8:30 am ~ **Spec Int - Marcella & Mike Hadeed** (M & T Naegele)

THURSDAY, OCT. 19 - Sts. J. de Brebeuf & I. Jogues, et al

6:30 am ~ **Spec Int - Rev Thomas Yehl** (Susan Doyle)
 8:30 am ~ **William H Molloy, Jr+** (Helen A Molloy)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20 - Saint Paul of the Cross

6:30 am ~ **Spec Int - Rev Thomas Yehl** (Susan Doyle)
 8:30 am ~ **Kerry Donley+** (Eva Donley)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21 - Weekday

8:30 am ~ **Spec Int - Scott McAtee** (Shendy McAtee)
 5:00 pm ~ **Mass for the People**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22 - 29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 am ~ **Evelyn Solon+** (Mary Ann Aker)
 9:00 am ~ **Marion Croft+** (William Croft)
 11:00 am ~ **Libby Franko+** (Gary & Jeannette Stoiber)
 12:30 pm ~ **Michael White+** (Irma Cosme)
 2:00 pm ~ **Luz Marina Flores+** (Ivania Gutierrez)
 5:00 pm ~ **Chester Flath+** (John & Elizabeth Chimento)

**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.

Readings for the Week

Sunday, October 15, 28th Ordinary: Is 25:6-10a;
 Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32

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

Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18;
 Lk 10:1-9

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-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 105:6-9, 42-43;
 Lk 12:8-12

Sunday, October 22, 29th Ordinary: Is 45:1, 4-6;
 Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b;
 Mt 22:15-21

**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, 10/15 - Very Rev. Edward C. Hathaway

Mon., 10/16 - Rev. Christopher H. Hayes

Tuesday, 10/17 - Rev. Andrew J. Heintz

Wednesday, 10/18 - Rev. John F. Heisler

Thursday, 10/19 - Rev. John Paul Heisler

Friday, 10/20 - Rev. Msgr. Frank J. Hendrick, (Ret.)

Saturday, 10/21 - Rev. Stephen Holmes

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.)

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, please call Jenny to let her know. **Thank you!**



October

Month of the Rosary

GRATITUDE

Your Parish Community is

GRATEFUL

for your consistent contributions.

Offertory Collection ~ Thank you!Our Offertory Collection without **FaithDirect** of **October 1st** was **\$15,050.00**

We also received \$244.00 - **Poor Box**, \$190.00 - **Building Repairs Fund**,
 \$97.00 - **Quinn School Endowment**, \$84.00 - **Senior Health Ministry**,
 \$264.00 - **Weekly Votive Candles**, \$2,165.00 - **ALIVE!, Inc.**

*Our total parish donation including FaithDirect for **Maui Wildfire Relief** was **\$10,259.00**.*

Thank you for your continued generosity.



www.FaithDirect.net ~ Our church code: **VA 12**.

Your **ONLINE** gifts through **FaithDirect** will help our parish finances throughout the year.

Stewardship Reflection, October 15, 2023, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"My God will fully supply whatever you need..."

~ *Philippians 4:19*

God really does provide for those who are grateful and generous. This is very difficult for people that don't live a stewardship lifestyle to believe. People are skeptical and say it's just coincidence. If you are skeptical, try living a stewardship lifestyle for just one month -- be generous with your gifts of time in prayer, talent in charitable works, and treasure, then see how God provides for your needs.

**DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT**

Saturday, November 4th ~ 10:00 am -1:00 pm ~ Parking Lot

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

(Please, **NO** - newspapers, magazines, cardboard, binders, hard-drives, etc.)



Free will donations gratefully accepted.

**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 years leading to the diocesan golden jubilee, each parish in the Diocese of Arlington celebrates Forty Hours. **Mark your calendar and join us.**

Sunday, October 15th through Tuesday, October 17th.

We will begin with Exposition at the end of the 5 p.m. Sunday Mass, continue Adoration through the night, pause Monday morning at 6 a.m. for regularly scheduled daily Masses, continue at 9 a.m. throughout the day. At 7 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 a.m. on Tuesday, pausing again for daily Masses. Devotion will continue Tuesday from 9 a.m. until Holy Hour at 7 p.m.

Code: **<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49ACAA2AA6F8C52-44338806-the40hours>** use QR, or visit the parish website for the direct link, &/or call the parish office to schedule time(s).





I AM THE
RESURRECTION
AND THE LIFE

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Friday, November 3, 2023, 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 **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart**
performed by the Adult Choir and
The Blessed Sacrament Festival Orchestra.

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

Please join us. All are welcome.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE ~ November 3, 2023 ~ 7:30 p.m.

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 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):

AUTUMN SENIOR & RETIREE

MASS & LUNCHEON

Thursday, October 26th

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

Catered Autumn menu by Alexandria Pastry

RSVP please:

You **MUST** register by Noon, Tuesday, October 24th to attend

Call the parish office (703) 998-6100

or email: mniernberger@bscva.org



Support Holy Land Christians

October 28th & 29th

following all Masses in Quinn Hall

*Bethlehem Carving Group will have
beautifully carved and hand-made olivewood items, fashioned by Holy Land Christians
as a source of income. Because of the volatile political situation, the population of*

*Christians in the Holy Land has dropped from 37% to now less than 1%.
Your purchases of these items will support our brothers and sisters who endure many
hardships because of their faith.*

www.bethlehemcarvings.org



Blessed Sacrament Prayer Shawl Knitting & Crochet Ministry

MEETING: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd ~ 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 on Thursdays.

(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



Fun for Seniors



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)

Calling all moms!

A new group for mothers of young children (including infants) is forming.

Join us to pray the Rosary on Thursday mornings -- kids play, moms pray!

Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. in the Little Marian House (next to parish staff parking, 1601 West Braddock Rd)

Please contact Susan Doyle ~ sdoyle@bscva.org or call the parish office for info.



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!



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

Join us on **Saturday mornings**

Open for hot breakfast @ 6:30 a.m. ~ Program @ 7:00 a.m. ~ QUINN HALL

Questions? bsmensgroup@gmail.com

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



**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!**



DONUT SUNDAY 2nd & 4th Sundays (usually!)

Join us in QUINN HALL after morning Masses for fresh Donuts, Coffee, Juice & Fellowship!

Donations used for our High School Scholarship Fundraising ~ Please be generous!



31st International Week of Prayer and Fasting *MIRACLES of the EUCHARIST*

in collaboration with the LEGION of MARY

October 20th - 28th

Join us for these 9 days of Mass, Prayer, Fasting, Rosary & Adoration ~ GOAL: mobilize all to pray & fast!

Information and to register: www.IWOPF.org email: info@iwopf.com Call: 888-478-PRAY

CLOSING DAY: Saturday, Oct. 28th ~ 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ~ Mass at Noon

Speakers, Confessions, Global Living Rosary, Children's Choir, Procession of the Nations

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, 400 Michigan Av, NE, Washington, DC 200017



"Forming adults and families to serve and partake in the works of mercy."

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!**

Mission Trip for Young Adults ~ The Diocese of Arlington Young Adult Ministry is partnering with CBC to offer a Mission Trip for Young Adults to Piura, Peru. It is often by being sent on Christian service that a person's faith life becomes a much more tangible and important part of who they are. Join other young adults from around the diocese **February 28 - March 2, 2024** on a transforming journey serving the Catholic mission parish Santísimo Sacramento.

For more information and to sign up, visit the website at www.arlingtondiocese.org/young-adult-ministry/mission-trip-for-young-adults/



The CARPENTER'S SHELTER BAG LUNCH PROGRAM

Next Delivery: Sunday, NOVEMBER 12th

Individuals & families are invited to make & donate bag lunches for distribution on the 2nd Sunday of each month to the residents of **The Carpenter's Shelter** in Alexandria. We need a dedicated, monthly crew to insure we have enough to supply the clients lunches for the following week. Items are dropped off on the 2nd Sunday by 10 am to a cart outside Quinn Hall. Each bagged lunch to include - a sandwich (preferably meat and/or cheese with **NO** dressing), a dessert & a piece of fruit. Donations of bulk items are also welcomed.

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



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!**



Mother of Light Center www.motheroflightcenter.com

421 Clifford Ave., Alexandria, Mon.-Sat., 10 am-2 pm. (703) 850-6701 Email: motheroflightcenter@gmail.com



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.com

Interested in volunteering? Sign up online: <https://www.alive-inc.org/we-need-volunteers-alexandria-va/>



Bring Love! Service Opportunities ~ Are you looking for a way to serve your community?

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.ccca.net> for a current listing of opportunities to serve.



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)



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 espanol*. Visit abcwomenshealth.com. This coupon is valid for one free ultrasound. Limit one per client.



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. Information at (703) 841-2530 www.arlingtondiocese.org/Child-Protection/



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



2023 White House Christmas Ornament ~ President Gerald R. Ford & family mementos

In Quinn Hall **TODAY!**

NOW \$25

(Still the Best Price in Town!) Benefits our Sunday Nursery

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

Magnificat
 Women's Group

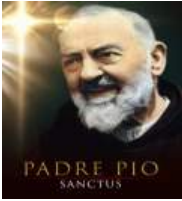


*A scripture study for women on the virtues and how they help us
 draw closer to the Lord in everyday life.*

Began **Monday, Sept. 25th**. Quinn Hall. 9 am - 10:30 am, morning group
 & 7 pm - 8:30 pm for the evening group. The first 15 minutes is social time.

If you have any questions, please email us at

magnificatbscc@gmail.com



SAINT PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP of Northern Virginia

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

Fr. Mark Carrier, Chaplain

Please call the Parish Office for more information. (703) 998-6100



Free the Slaves ~ A call for support for victims of human trafficking in our community **"An open wound on the body of contemporary society."** ~ So says Pope Francis on human trafficking - also known as modern slavery. 50 million people around the world are held in human trafficking, made to work through force, fraud, or coercion. January is national human trafficking prevention month, and the community of Blessed Sacrament can take action to spread the word and raise awareness. Victims of human trafficking in our community need help and support in mental health, shelter, foods, health care and other basic needs.

Free the Slaves has tools to help: <https://freetheslaves.net/take-action/how-to-take-action-2/>

Contact **Free the Slaves** at info@freetheslaves.net to learn how you can help raise awareness in the community this month! See the Arlington diocese's official statement on human trafficking here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nb0JwT0sFh8>

Sign Up For the Diocesan E-Newsletter!

Receive special video messages from our bishop, learn about unique opportunities to get involved, and be the first to know the news about our Diocese - straight to your inbox.

Sign up at: arlingtondiocese.org/email



Gifts for Seminarian Education Endowment Fund (SEEF)

Please support our seminarians and SEEF, a permanent endowment fund established in 2011. SEEF's income provides funding for annual seminarian expenses such as room, board, tuition, health insurance and books, which total almost \$45,000 per seminarian. Please give generously! To donate, make checks payable to: "Foundation for the CDA - SEEF." Mail to: The Foundation, 200 N. Glebe Road, Suite 811, Arlington, VA 22203 Contact John French john.french@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-3819



Find Heaven in Your Home

Did you know that putting your Catholic faith at the heart of family life makes everything else you're worried about come together?

So don't wait any longer! Check out Trinity House Community's free workshop, letters, & other tools for living out your Catholic faith in a well-run & joyful home! Co-Directors Soren & Ever Johnson invite you to learn more by visiting trinityhousecommunity.org.



Our Fruitful Love

Resource for Couples struggling with Infertility. The Diocese of Arlington, through the Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life, has developed a website called Our Fruitful Love to better accompany those suffering infertility and infant loss. To learn more about on-line resources and mentors, or if you would like to share your story, visit: www.ourfruitfullove.com



A Jubilee Journey with Mary ~ Did you know there are 11 churches in the Diocese of Arlington which are named for Our Lady?

During this second year of preparation for the Golden Jubilee of the Diocese in 2024, we are all encouraged to focus upon Mary and her role in pointing us to Jesus. To this end, Bishop Burbidge has invited all of us to visit as many of those 11 churches as possible and spend time in prayer at each!

Visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/jubileejourney/ for more information about this **Jubilee Journey with Mary!**



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.

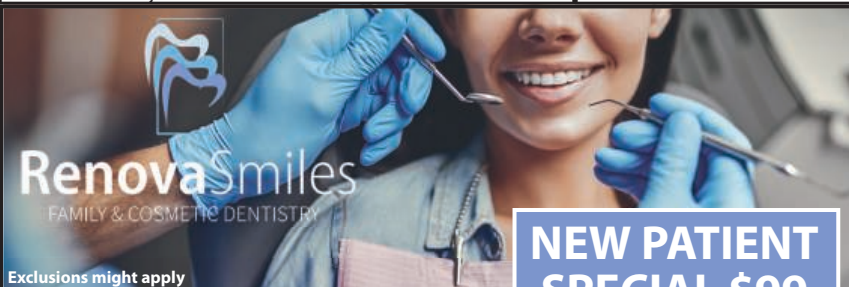
~ **Join** us today, & everyday, along with 130+ petitioners as we pray for the return of fallen-away Catholics;

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