

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
November 21, 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.

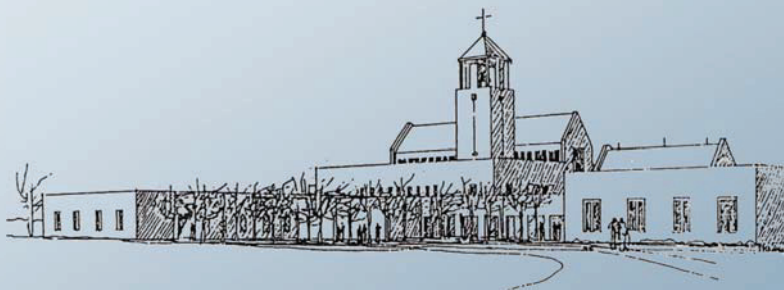
**BAPTISM OF CHILDREN:** Celebrations are held on one Saturday per month. A parent and godparent preparation program is required. Arrangements should be made at least 3 months prior to the baby's due date. Call the parish office.

**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.bssva.org](http://www.bssva.org)



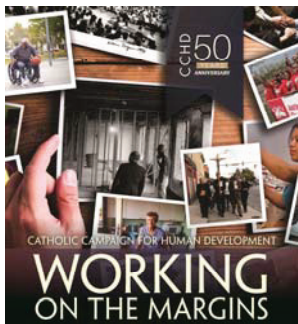
[www.FaithDirect.net](http://www.FaithDirect.net) ~ Our church code: VA 12.  
 Your **ONLINE** gifts through *FaithDirect* will help  
 our parish finances throughout the year.

## *Offertory Collection*

Our Offertory Collection for *November 7th* was \$35,938.77 which includes *FaithDirect*.

We also collected \$339.00 - Poor Box, \$50.00 - Building Fund, \$290.00 - Quinn School Endowment,  
 \$80.00 World Missions, \$200.00 - ALIVE!, and \$5,012.00 - All Saints.

*(For the foreseeable future, our SHARING distribution has had to be suspended.)*



**SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY ~ November 20th & 21st**

## **CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**

CCHD helps the poor in our Diocese move out of poverty and support their families with dignity. Your contributions fund projects right here in the Diocese of Arlington that help people start businesses and gain job skills. Last year your generosity enabled us to give \$120,000 in grants to support projects in our Diocese that assist our neighbors in need. Bishop Burbidge personally approves all grant awards to ensure compliance with Catholic moral and social teaching. Please use your envelope, drop off or send your donation to the parish office, and/or place a donation in the white basket at the back of the church that weekend.

Make checks payable to Blessed Sacrament with "CCHD" on the memo line. *Thank you!*



**MASS INTENTIONS****SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21 - JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE**

- 7:30 am ~ Patrick & Marie Walsh+ (Family)  
 9:00 am ~ Mary Jane McBrady+  
 11:00 am ~ Mass for the People  
 12:30 pm ~ Kenneth Garlock+ (Armstrong Family)  
 2:00 pm ~ Juan Jose De La Torre Bederra+ (Seferina Del Valle)  
 5:00 pm ~ Mayme Hilz+ (Adrian & Ed Hilz)

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22 - Saint Cecilia, Martyr**

- 6:30 am ~ Jane Dischner+ (Karen Downey)  
 8:30 am ~ Joe Braddock+ (Bertha Braddock)

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23 - Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro, Martyr**

- 6:30 am ~ For the Welfare & Intentions of Pope Francis  
 8:30 am ~ Anthony Grimaldi+ (Angie Giuseppe)

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24 - St. Andrew D ng Lac & Companions**

- 6:30 am ~ Helene C. Dixon+ (Fr. John Kelly)  
 8:30 am ~ Stella Perry+ (Blessed Sacrament Bridge Group)

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25 - Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Martyr  
THANKSGIVING DAY**

- 8:30 am ~ Marie Mangan+ (Angie Giuseppe)

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26 - Weekday**

- 6:30 am ~ Lineberry Family Deceased+ (J.R. Lineberry)  
 8:30 am ~ Philip Carone+ (Angie Giuseppe)

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27 - Weekday**

- 8:30 am ~ Gertrude Cole+ (Kathleen Cole+)  
 5:00 pm ~ William & Teje Etchemendy+ (Art & Lorraine Bennett)

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28 - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

- 7:30 am ~ Deceased Legionaries of Mary+ (Legion of Mary)  
 9:00 am ~ Mary Dolbow+ (Giglio Family)  
 11:00 am ~ Juan Romero+ (Roxane Cunha)  
 12:30 pm ~ Mass for the People  
 2:00 pm ~ Jacobo Orellana Urqu a+ (Seferina Del Valle)  
 5:00 pm ~ William Spencer+ (Josephine Soutuyo)

***The Book of the Names of the Dead  
 will be open for the month of November  
 at the entrance to the Main Worship Space.***

**Readings for the Week**

**Sunday, 11/21:** Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5; Rv 1:5-8;  
 Jn 18:33b-37

**Monday:** Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Lk 21:1-4

**Tuesday:** Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61; Lk 21:5-11

**Wednesday:** Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62, 63, 64,  
 65, 66, 67; Lk 21:12-19

**Thursday:** Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74;  
 Lk 21:20-28

**Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:** Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-3,  
 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

**Friday:** Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81;  
 Lk 21:29-33

**Saturday:** Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87;  
 Lk 21:34-36

**Sunday, 11/28:** Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14;  
 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Advent candle  
 sets and candle  
 holders for  
 wreaths are  
 available for  
 purchase in the  
 Gathering  
 Space.



Resources are also available on the Book Rack  
 in the hall near the parish office.

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Join a self-paced Advent retreat with speakers, video & audio  
 presentations, transcripts & a study guide. Participate wherever  
 you are and whenever you have the time.

<https://praymoreretreat.org/>



**Due to the THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY, there will be NO Adoration on FRIDAY, November 26th.**

**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: [jdriver7@aol.com](mailto:jdriver7@aol.com) / (202)669-7214



MALCOLM ALLS  
MARIA JUAREZ ASCENCIO  
AIDA BALDERRAMA  
IAN BALLUTIS  
FR. MICHAEL J. BAZAN  
MICHAEL HART  
FRANCES HOLLAND  
FRANK MCDERMOTT  
JAMES MCTAGUE  
BRUCE MILLER  
MARY MILLER

MARILYN NIERNBERGER  
NORMA RAFFAELE  
ANA RAMOS  
BENNY ROBLES  
KATHERINE SENIA  
JOHN W. STEELE  
TIM TOBIN  
MAUREEN WALL  
VINCE WHITMORE

(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.)



Cole Barry, Ryan Barnett, Michael Bouffard, Jason Brooks, Macine Browning, Joseph R. Byrns, 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.



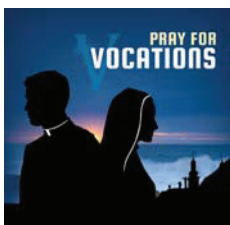
### Saint Joseph, Pray for Us and Pray for Our Priests

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):

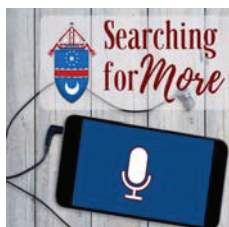
Sunday, 11/14 - Rev. Joseph W. Farrell  
Monday, 11/15 - Rev. Jerome W. Fasano (Ret.)  
Tuesday, 11/16 - Rev. Thomas P. Ferguson  
Wednesday, 11/17 - Rev. Jonathan R. Fioramonti

Thursday, 11/18 - Very Rev. Andrew J. Fisher, VF  
Friday, 11/19 - Rev. Michael J. Folmar  
Saturday, 11/20 - Rev. Daniel N. Gee



Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of vocation.

Coming to Blessed Sacrament... "Travelling Vocation Crucifix" Program ~ Take home a special crucifix and prayer resources for a week. Join your prayers with others to pray for anyone seeking to recognize the gift of a vocation, and to serve God and the Church. **Full details very soon!**



'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)

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## 2 BUSY 2 PRAY?

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





## Thanksgiving Day (November 25th)

NO 6:30 am Mass & NO Confessions

8:00 am Rosary & 8:30 am Mass only

Free-will monetary offering baskets at this Mass will benefit **ALIVE!** and **The Carpenter's Shelter**.

Bring non-perishable food donations to be given to **The Mother of Light Center**.

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On **Friday, Nov. 26th**, there will be 6:30 am Mass, Confessions & 8:30 am Mass, but **NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

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The Parish Office will close at **Noon** on **Wed., Nov. 24th** and will re-open at **9:00 am** on **Monday, November 29th**.



For the service agencies to distribute effectively to their clients, our "Giving Tree" Holiday Sharing has to start early this year!

### GIFT CARD Drive

Help **LOCAL** children, families & seniors experience the joy of Christmas & have basic necessities for the winter!

Benefits: Alexandria Social Services, Catholic Charities (CCDA), Mother of Light Center (MOLC) & The Missionaries of Charity, DC.

Donate **\$25 GIFT CARDS** from

~ Giant, Safeway, Aldi, Harris Teeter;

~ Target, Walmart or Amazon;

~ Gas/Fuel Station.

Take a card from the display in the Gathering Space or...

... Choose one of many ways to donate this year ...

♦ **DROP-OFF** or **MAIL** purchased cards to the Parish Office or place in Sunday offertory collection baskets.

♦ **WRITE A CHECK** with "Giving Tree" on memo line.

We'll get the needed cards.

♦ **FAITH DIRECT** donation to "Holiday Sharing/Giving Tree."

Please, return all donations by

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28th. Thank you!**



## Seniors & Retirees Christmas Luncheon

Faith ~ Food ~ Fellowship!

Wednesday ~ December 8th (Feast of the Immaculate Conception)

Mass at 12 Noon in the Worship Space

Lunch follows in Quinn Hall (approx. 12:45 pm)

Reservations **REQUIRED** for lunch by Monday, December 6th.

Call the parish office or email: [mniernberger@bscva.org](mailto:mniernberger@bscva.org)



Give a **Gift for Life** Take a card from the tree in the Gathering Space!

Please give a **Gift for Life** this season to help **Gabriel Project** fund a mother's maternity care. An expectant mother wrote: "I learned I was pregnant and knew that I needed support and prayer. **Gabriel Project** helped me with rent, my 'Angels' helped me with items for the baby and rides...They also provided me with much needed, support, encouragement and prayer."

For more information and/or to donate: [www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife)



## Support Holy Land Christians

**November 27th & November 28th**

following all Masses ~ 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](http://www.bethlehemcarvings.org)





### 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

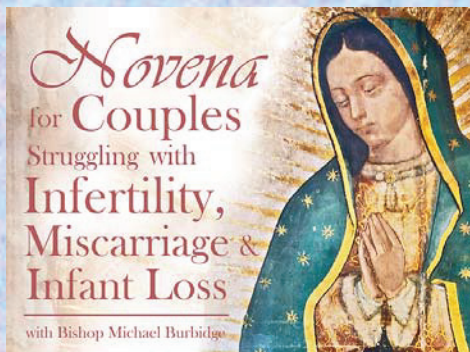
and via the (free) Ave Maria Radio APP!

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



### Our Fruitful Love

**NEW** 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](http://www.ourfruitfullove.com)



## NOVENA: December 4th - 12th

Bishop Burbidge will pray the novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe and celebrate Mass in his private chapel for these intentions.

Send your intentions to our Bishop and find the Novena prayers: [OurFruitfulLove.com](http://OurFruitfulLove.com)

## ALTAR SERVERS

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)



### 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)



### Our Sunday Nursery is OPEN ... at 9:00 am & 11:00 am Masses

Walking age to age 6 welcome! (Don't need to be potty-trained, just walking.) Located in the Early Childhood Center rooms of the school, access at the main school doors. No charge. In accordance with CDC guidelines, staff will wear masks.

Questions? Contact Susan Doyle in parish office.



### February 26, 2022 ~ 7 pm - 9 pm ~ Blessed Sacrament School AUCTION!

Volunteering for the BSS Roaring 2020's Silent Auction is the bee's knees! And yes, old sport, we still 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 Coordinator ~ Bartenders & Coffee/Dessert Set Up  
~ Clean Up Start (Day of) ~ Clean Up/Takedown (Next Day) ~ General interest also.

To volunteer send a note: [bssroaring2020s@gmail.com](mailto:bssroaring2020s@gmail.com)



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

**New Topic!**

*We will discuss the person, the character, the life and the mission of Saint Joseph*

(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)





### Blessed Sacrament Prayer Shawl Knitting & Crochet Ministry

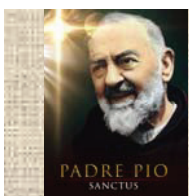
MEETING: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2nd ~ 7:00 pm ~ MEETING ROOM / PARISH LIBRARY (weather/storms permitting!)

We are working 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 diocesan single Catholics 40 and over.

Meet us for: Thursday lunches and Much more!

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



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**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/)



### How You Can Help Recently Arrived Afghan SIV Holders

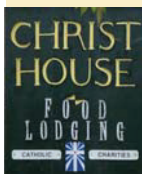
As events in Afghanistan continue to unfold, Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services welcomes Afghan SIV holders (*individuals who assisted US operations in Afghanistan*) to Northern Virginia. If you are interested in assisting, please email: [lourdes.iglesias@ccda.net](mailto:lourdes.iglesias@ccda.net) or visit:

[www.ccda.net/give-help/donate-goods-and-transportation/help-immigrants-and-refugees/](http://www.ccda.net/give-help/donate-goods-and-transportation/help-immigrants-and-refugees/)



### Give a child the gift of a Catholic education and receive most of your donation back in federal and state tax savings!

The Virginia Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credit Program will award a 65% state tax credit for donations made to the *Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation*, which will, in turn, provide scholarships for new students wishing to attend our diocesan Catholic Schools. **You do not have to itemize in order to receive the 65% tax credit!** Donations must be preauthorized in advance. Please see the flyer or call Jeanne Combos at 703/841-2764 (or email [DASF@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:DASF@arlingtondiocese.org)).



### 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](mailto: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 [ary.kilkenny@yahoo.com](mailto:ary.kilkenny@yahoo.com)



### ALIVE!, Inc. NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS!

[www.alive-inc.org](http://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.

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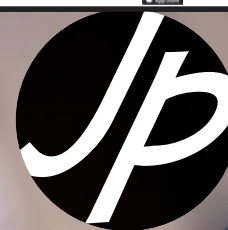
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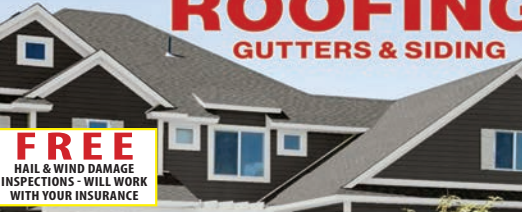
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