

First Sunday in Lent ~ February 21, 2021

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

1427 West Braddock Road ~ Alexandria, Virginia 22302

The dispensation of the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is still in place.

If you have any concerns about your safety, or feel uncomfortable in public, please stay home, watch Mass on television or on the internet, and pray a Spiritual Communion.

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We are grateful that we can have even a limited number of our parishioners attend Sunday Mass.

Here is what YOU can do to help us accomplish this new way of worship safely and equitably:

PLEASE use the **SignUp Genius**® link on the website or call the Parish Office, (703) 998-6100, to reserve a place at **SUNDAY MASS**. No 'Walk-ins'!

- * *PLEASE* arrive early so you can choose a place to sit that is 'at least 6 feet apart' & safely distanced.
- * *PLEASE* wear a MASK or FACE COVERING over both your nose & mouth & minimize side gaps.
- * *PLEASE* do not sit or stand in the Gathering Space (or Reservation Chapel) during Mass.
(Parent emergencies with small children are the exception)

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

PARISH OFFICE: 703-998-6100 **Hours:** Mon-Fri, 9:00 am - Noon, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm; Sun, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm
The church building CLOSSES at 8:00 pm, Monday - Friday & following 5:00 pm Masses on Saturdays & Sundays.

PARISH WEB SITE: www.blessedsacramentcc.org

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 on **Saturday:** 5:00 pm

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

Sunday in Spanish: 2:00 pm

***NURSERY:** *Suspended until further notice*

WEEKDAY MASSES: Church

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

Saturday, 8:30 am only

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Daily 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
 Last Sunday of the month, 10:30 am: Daily Chapel

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 K-8 classes to be offered VIRTUALLY this year!

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 Sunday Masses.

MASS CARDS: Available, in person, at the parish office during regular hours.



*Spiritual
 Communion*

*My Jesus,
 I believe that You
 are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
 I love You above all things,
 and I desire to receive You into my soul.
 Since I cannot at this moment
 receive You sacramentally,
 come at least spiritually into my heart.
 I embrace You as if You were already there and
 unite myself wholly to You.
 Never permit me to be separated from You.
 Amen.*

**BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL &
 EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER**

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

Valerie Garcia, principal

1417 West Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22302

703-998-4170 www.bssva.org

"All are Welcome"



Corner

The First Sunday of Lent

Dear Good People of Blessed Sacrament,

As a family of faith we have now entered into the penitential season of Lent. For the next forty days we are called to fast, pray and give alms in commemoration of the Lord's forty days in the desert fasting and praying before He began His public ministry of announcing the Good News of salvation. We are called to prepare to celebrate the mysteries of our salvation – the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Our Savior. Let us pray for one another that these graced days of mercy will help us to conform our lives more closely to that of Jesus so that on Easter Sunday we may rejoice and sing Alleluia!

I encourage you to see our weekly bulletin which has many resources to help us grow spiritually during Lent. Each day we have Masses celebrated at 6:30 and 8:30 a.m. and at 7 p.m. Confessions are heard each morning from 7 until 8 a.m., and immediately after the 7 p.m. evening Masses. We will pray the Stations of the Cross each Friday evening at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. in Spanish. The church is always open for private prayer during the day, and we continue to have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays in the church. Our book rack has numerous selections with a Lenten theme to help us grow spiritually. May we truly grow in God's grace in these weeks to come.

With great sadness I announce that our Blessed Sacrament School Principal, Mrs. Valerie Garcia, will be retiring at the end of this 2020-2021 academic year. Valerie has been here at Blessed Sacrament for the past twenty-four years and has done so much to move our school forward to be the vital academically excellent school that it is today. Twice during her time as principal we have received the Blue Ribbon of Excellence from the United States Department of Education. We will miss her, but wish her well as she plans to spend more time with her family. A search committee will be moving forward to interview and hire a new principal to carry on the phenomenal work that Valerie Garcia has begun among us. Thank you, Valerie, and God bless and protect you!

I thank you for your prayers and concern for my Mom. She accidentally twisted her new hip out of socket but they were quickly able to place it back in place. We look forward to a full recovery. I was able to receive my first Covid-19 vaccine the week before last and look forward to receiving the second vaccine in the near future. Most of you know that I am extremely challenged when it comes to technology. I don't know how to text, email, etc., and I still use a flip-top phone. Thus, I was sent to the "dummy table" to enter all my information at the vaccine site into a little tablet. It took me forever, but I was blessed to have a very kind and patient helper who guided me through the process. I told her I was probably the stupidest person that had tried to complete this, but she assured me that there were a few that were even more simple than me! She was definitely my angel that day.

I am always touched by those of you who venture out to attend Mass when the weather is bad. God protect you. Please continue to wear your face masks and keep a safe space between yourself and others. Your using the **SignUp Genius**© or calling the office for space reservations is such a help to us and ensures the safety of others. Thank you for your cooperation.

I pray it is a good week for you. God bless our Lenten journey and hold us in His loving care!

Rev. John Kelly

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21 - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

- 7:30 am ~ Mass for the People
- 9:00 am ~ Spec Int - Margaret Keegan (Denise Landers)
- 11:00 am ~ Josephine & Dennis Freeman+ (Denise Landers)
- 12:30 pm ~ Spec Int - Theodora Brennan (Fr John D Kelly)
- 2:00 pm ~ Luis Hernan Prado Duarte+ (Lisa Prado)
- 5:00 pm ~ Souls in Purgatory+ (Lana Sarrantonio)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22 - The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

- 6:30 am ~ Spec Int - Rev Charles Pavlick (Susan Doyle)
- 8:30 am ~ Mary Terlep+ (Margaret Horne)
- 7:00 pm ~ Jose Rivas Bertolo+ (Ana Rivas Beck)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23 - Saint Polycarp

- 6:30 am ~ Roger Regelbrugge+ (Susan Doyle)
- 8:30 am ~ Spec Int - Igel Perdomo (Seferina)
- 7:00 pm ~ Spec Int - Paul Huebsch (Julie Huebsch)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - Lenten Weekday

- 6:30 am ~ Anthony Joseph Gabriel, Sr+ (Robert Rosado)
- 8:30 am ~ Nestora Machado & Ventura Maresna+ (Anely Lambertt)
- 7:00 pm ~ Josefa Portos+ (Ana Rivas Beck)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25 - Lenten Weekday

- 6:30 am ~ Joe Ferrino+ (Josefine Soutuyo)
- 8:30 am ~ Maria Veronica Lambertt+ (Anely Lambertt)
- 7:00 pm ~ For the Welfare and Intentions of Pope Francis

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - Lenten Weekday (Abstinence)

- 6:30 am ~ Spec Int - Theodora Brennan (Fr John D Kelly)
- 8:30 am ~ Patrick & Marie Walsh+ (Family)
- 7:00 pm ~ Stations of the Cross
- 8:00 pm ~ Las Estaciones de la Cruz (en español)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27 - Lenten Weekday

- 8:30 am ~ Anthony Giuseppe+ (Angie Giuseppe)
- 5:00 pm ~ Harmer Family Deceased+ (Ellen & John Farnham)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28 - SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

- 7:30 am ~ Rev Tony Casey+
- 9:00 am ~ Mass for the People
- 11:00 am ~ Juan Romero+ (Roxana Cunha)
- 12:30 pm ~ Jack & Mae de Marrais+ (Denise Landers)
- 2:00 pm ~ Spec Int - Carmen, Hernandez, Jimenez & Flachs Families (E Hernandez)
- 5:00 pm ~ For the Welfare and Intentions of Pope Francis



Monday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:13-19
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10



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 **Worship Space** is open from **Exposition at 9:00 am** until **Benediction & Reposition at 6:30 pm** (during Lent).

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



FAST & ABSTINENCE

Everyone, age 14 and over, is bound to obey the law of **abstinence from eating meat**. Abstinence is to be observed on all **Fridays** within the season of Lent. On **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday**, everyone over 18 and up to the beginning of their 60th year is also bound to observe the law of **fast**. On these two days only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, therefore, are the only days of both fast and abstinence.

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, Brandon Bert, Michael Bouffard, Jason Brooks, Richard W. Brown, Macine Browning, Joseph R. Byrns, Cady Byrnes, Tim Byrnes, Andrew Berrigan, 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 Kitzrow, Steven Kitzrow, Allison Landsman, Christopher Love, Grace McCaffery, Patrick McGee, 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.





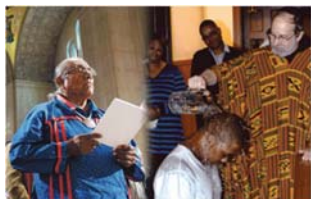
building OUR FUTURE together.

Weekly Offerings

Weekly Offertory Collection

Our Offertory Collection for *February 7th* was \$28,186.07. This does include *FaithDirect*. We received \$2,432.00 - Poor Box, \$2,050.00 - Building Fund, \$255.00 - Quinn School Endowment, \$115.00 - The Church in Latin America, and \$2,690.00 - Arlington Catholic Herald.

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



Our Second Collection *TODAY, February 20 & 21,*

supports the work of Black & Indian Missions

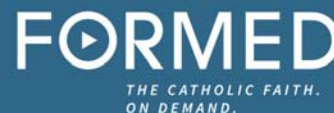
This collection exists to help dioceses build up the Church in African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities.

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.

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)



***DAILY MASSES** (beginning Feb. 18th)

Monday – Thursday: 6:30 & 8:30 am & 7:00 pm

Friday: 6:30 & 8:30 am (No evening Mass, only Stations of the Cross)

Saturday: 8:30 am

***ROSARY**

Monday - Saturday: 8:00 am

***CONFESSIONS**

Monday - Thursday: 7:00 - 8:00 am & 7:30 pm

Friday: 7:00 - 8:00 am (No evening confession)

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 pm

***EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Fridays: 9:00 am - 6:30 pm (thru March 26th)

***STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

All Fridays (February 19th thru March 26th): 7:00 pm

Spanish: 8:00 pm

In Lent it is suggested:

All **FRIDAYS** be observed as ~

Days of Eucharistic Adoration

(9:00 am to 6:30 pm, Worship Space);

of fast; of good works;

and celebration of The Way of the Cross

(Stations at 7:00 pm & 8:00 pm in Spanish, Worship Space)

All **SATURDAYS** be observed as ~

Days of the Rosary

(all are welcome at 8:00 am in the Worship Space)

ADDITIONAL LENTEN RESOURCES:

“Pray More Lenten Retreat”

PrayMoreNovenas.com

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“Live for Heaven” Email Series (Daughters of St. Paul)

[pauline.ipages.co/memento-mori-lent](http://pauline.ipages.co/memento-mori-lent)

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#40 Days 40 Ways

Join Catholics Across the Diocese this Lenten Season in **40 Days 40 Ways**. Sign up to receive daily reflections and challenges to be sent directly to your inbox, crafted to help you and your family make this your best Lent yet!

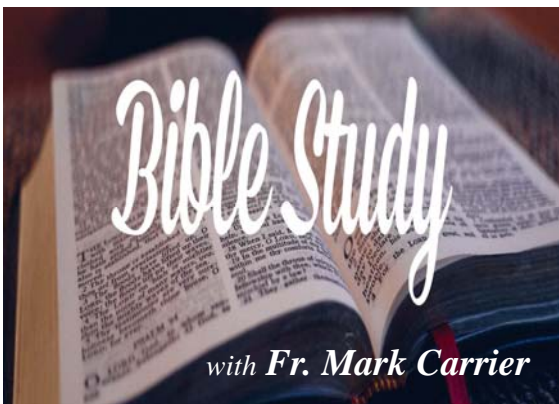
arlingtondiocese.org/40days40ways



Women of Blessed Sacrament Parish gather and explore topics in the faith, scripture, and prayer. Pursue holiness through St. Therese's "Little Way" and through the Holy Spirit Semester has begun! Email us if you'd like to join...

- ◆ Mondays, 7:30-8:45 p.m., February 8 – May 10 (skipping federal and school holidays)
- ◆ Main Church (with masks & social distancing)
- ◆ Adoration and Reflection Weekly reflections will stem from "The Way of Trust and Love" then "In the School of the Holy Spirit" by Fr. Jacques Philippe, which will be for sale.

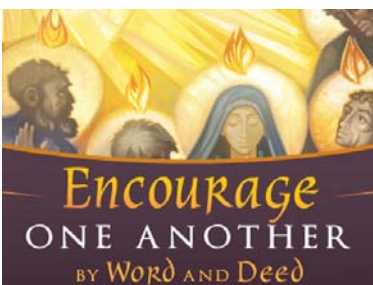
To receive information and registration, email: MagnificatBSCC@gmail.com



Tuesday evenings, 7:00 pm, or Wednesday mornings, 9:15 am ~
Bring your Bible (& face mask) to socially-distanced QUINN HALL
"Overcoming the Seven Deadly Sins"
In the weeks after New Year's Resolutions & leading up to Ash Wednesday, we will explore what the Bible teaches about the *Seven Deadly Sins* & how to recognize & overcome them.
(Drop-in: No registration necessary) ????: mfcaime@cs.com
ALSO: Visit *Fr. Carrier's* blog ~ sanctiscriptores.blogspot.com

43rd Annual Gaelic Mass

Please join us on **Monday, March 15th**, at 7:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More for the **43rd Annual Gaelic Mass** in honor of St. Patrick.
Organized by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Col. John Fitzgerald Division.
Contact Alex Wilson, 703-969-7703 or ajwilzn@gmail.com for more information.
Capacity limitations.



2021 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL

The theme this year is *"Encourage One Another by Word and Deed."* After reflecting upon the blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this important appeal that funds many programs and ministries that serve thousands of people in our diocese. Together, through the BLA, let us renew our personal commitment to furthering the Mission of our Lord Jesus throughout our diocese.

Safely donate directly to the BLA:

Option 1 ~ IN-PEW PLEDGE CARDS

Use the in-pew pledge card you will find in each pew. Fill out the card and drop it in the basket at the back of the church. (You may also use the pledge form you have recently received. Please use the envelope and mail this directly.)

Option 2 ~ QR CODES

QR CODES are printed on the BLA posters around the church, on the in-pew pledge cards, on the tabloid insert in this week's bulletin, and on the link on our website. You can scan the QR code and be directed to the BLA webpage and enter your pledge/donation data.

Option 3 ~ TEXT "BLA" to 703-260-9800

Text "BLA" to 703-260-9800 and receive a link to be directed to the BLA giving page and enter pledge/donation data.

Please visit our website for a link to a short video with a profile of one of the many BLA funded ministries.



CHRIST HOUSE ~ 131 S. West Street

You can help serve the vulnerable from this Alexandria-based facility.

Contact: Sister Annie Juan - aniliza.juan@ccda.net



ALIVE!, Inc. NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS! (*AL*exandrians *IN*volved *EC*umenically!)

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

Any individual interested in volunteering must register via **Volunteer Alexandria**

<https://www.volunteerallexandria.org/>

Information on other ALIVE! food programs can be found: <https://www.alive-inc.org/we-need-volunteers-alexandria-va>
Monetary donations are greatly needed & gratefully accepted. Please visit the website for more information on how to help.

Mass and Lenten Reflection for Men

Thy Kingdom Come:

Restoring All Things in Christ The King

Saturday, March 6th

Victory Christian Ministries International, Woodbridge, VA,
8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

Featuring: Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers & Dr. Edward Sri.

This can only come about if Catholics, men in particular, are willing to surrender everything to Christ, beginning with themselves.

Register at arlingtondiocese.org/men

A few spaces still available — act now!

Mass and Lenten Reflection for Women

Chosen From All Eternity

For This Moment In Time

Featuring: Dr. Mary Healy - Biblical scholar, & Sr. Gaudia Skass, OLM

Saturday, March 13 from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Sign-in begins at 7:30 am with coffee and pastries.

Mass by Bishop Michael Burbidge at 11:15 a.m.

VENUE: Victory Christian Ministries International

14015 Minnieville Road, Woodbridge, VA 22193

COST: \$50

REGISTER: arlingtondiocese.org/women

Filling Up Fast - Don't wait too long!



Free Prayer Cards: Pray for Our Priests

Free prayer cards to encourage faithful to pray for our priests, perfect for parish groups, schools, etc. Prayer cards are now available with the name of each of our Diocesan priests, one priest per card.

To request FREE cards, call (703) 841-2550 or email familylife@arlingtondiocese.org.



Weekly Diocesan TV Mass

10:30 & 11:00 am every Sunday 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



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DETAILS SOON!

Knights of Columbus Council 11947 Scholarship Fund

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FRIDAY FISH DINNERS!

See the website & fliers for more information





Blessed Sacrament Prayer Shawl Knitting & Crochet Ministry

MEETING: Thu., MARCH 4th ~7:00 pm ~ QUINN HALL (so we can social distance) **WEATHER PERMITTING**
 We continue to work on lap blankets, baby blankets & prayer shawls & are starting hats and scarves for the winter. We have yarn if you need it. Drop-off your hand-made donations at the parish office any time. **Thanks!**

Questions? Call Lana at 703-299-8389 (or email Marie at mniernberger@bscva.org)



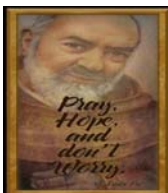
St. Monica, diamond of unwavering faith, pray for us! It is estimated that 20 million Americans consider themselves to be lapsed Catholics. More than likely, we all know someone within each of our own families who simply no longer practices the faith or has not yet come to know Jesus. St. Monica is patroness & 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



Blessed Sacrament 39+ Singles Contact: Tom Palumbo - tomtal1@verizon.net 703-313-8388

PRIME-TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS

PTSC serves single Catholics 40 and over. **Meet us for:** Lunch (every Thursday); For details, see our website: bit.ly/ptsc For questions or to RSVP, email Tom at ptscnva@gmail.com



The SAINT PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP of Northern Virginia

"Meets" at 2:30 p.m. on the 4th Sunday of every month. Now virtual, please call or email: Art at 571-236-6080 or sanpio@comcast.net for more information.



SENIORS & RETIREES!

- ◆ **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! Send your email to: communications@seniorservicesalex.org



USHERS & Greeters at Sunday Masses:

With current guidelines for attending Mass at this time, Ushers & Greeters are needed to assure all parishioners can attend our Masses safely & comfortably.

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 (If you are already helping, please also contact. Thank you!)



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 FREE until June 30.

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 or call the Parish Office and leave a message. A Knight will return your call. **Vivat Jesus!**



All men of the parish are welcome!

Saturdays ~ 7:00 - 8:30 am ~ QUINN HALL

Questions? timothygoobic@gmail.com

Join us whenever you can!

2 BUSY 2 PRAY? Try 2 minutes 2 virtue Sign up NOW! www.arlingtondiocese.org/2minutes2virtue



RESPECT LIFE

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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE ~ 40DaysForLife.com www.PrayForLife.org
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**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.arlingdiocese.org/gpavolunteer](http://www.arlingdiocese.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
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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 McInerney at (703) 841-3817 or [respectlife@arlingdiocese.org](mailto:respectlife@arlingdiocese.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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## DAY of PRAYER and HEALING

**Saturday, March 20, 2021.** The abortion recovery retreats are confidential group healing events open to any woman who has experienced abortion trauma and grief. Lead by a specially trained team, they are held on a Saturday in a private and peaceful setting. During the day, there is an opportunity to hear from a past participant, and additional testimonials from those attending the retreat. In addition, there is time after lunch for more sharing, prayer, quiet reflection and Mass.

To learn more, please call our helpline at 703-841-2504 or email [info@helpafterabortion.org](mailto:info@helpafterabortion.org)  
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MASS in THANKSGIVING for the GIFT of HUMAN LIFE

Join us for *Mass in Thanksgiving for the Gift of Human Life* with Bishop Burbidge as celebrant on **Saturday, February 27, 2021** at 8:30 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church in Falls Church. Rosary to follow outside at the abortion facility on 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church.

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.arlingdiocese.org/Child-Protection/



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