# **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Monday, September 11

#### Weekday

6:30 Samuel Fisseha †

9:00 Stephen Scully †

7:30 Tepeyac Center

#### Tuesday, September 12

#### The Most Holy Name of Mary

6:30 Louis Hargenrader †

9:00 Sister Agnes Vincent Rueshoff, S.C. †

#### Wednesday, September 13

#### Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:30 Bonnie Hughes †

9:00 Mary Lock †

#### Thursday, September 14

#### The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

6:30 Raymond George †

9:00 Hugh James †

#### Friday, September 15

#### Our Lady of Sorrows

6:30 Louis Hargenrader †

9:00 Jane Schneider †

#### Saturday, September 16

#### Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

8:15 John James Rooney, Jr. †

5:00 David Backs †

#### Sunday, September 17

#### TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 Linda Gafa †

9:00 John James Rooney, Jr. †

10:30 People of the Parish

12:00 Sandra Elias †

THE SCHOOL MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 AT 9:00 A.M.

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# HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER 2017

**Parishes:** That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

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# In Testimonium...

Farewell Fr. Alphonse Kabore!



Fr. Alphonse arrived two short months ago and immediately jumped into parish Masses and confessions, Baptisms and Benediction, visiting the sick and the homebound, locking up the church at night and opening the church in the morning.

What a joy his priestly presence is for all of us. If you would like to stay in touch with him, his mailing address is:

Rev. Alphonse Kabore, S.T.D. Grand Séminaire Saint Pierre-Claver de Koumi 01 BP 818 Bobo-Dioulasso 01 BURKINA FASO

Your prayers for him can be sent directly.

May God bless you with every heavenly blessing and give you a safe journey; wherever life leads you, may you may find him there to protect you. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R. Amen

Come back soon, mon père!

God bless you.

Fr. Christopher J. Pollard

#### THE SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

#### LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR WILL BE VISITING THIS WEEKEND

This weekend, September 9/10 a special collection will be taken to help the Little Sisters of the Poor, whose mission provides a home where the neediest elderly of every race and religion are welcomed as Christ and cared for as family since 1874 in the Commonwealth of VA. The Sisters will be present at all the Masses to explain their mission and to ask for your support. They go out to the community to beg for the needs of the Home. They count on your generosity to continue their work of mercy as much as you can count on their grateful prayers for you and your loved ones. For information visit: www.littlesistersofthepoorvirginia.org.

#### THRIFT SHOP IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS THIS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

The Thrift Shop will be open for business on Tuesday, September 12th. Please come in to check out our fantastic end of summer bargains as well as new fall merchandise. Thrift Shop hours are 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Mon-Fri, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Saturday. For additional information please call during business hours at: 703-356-7420

#### SENIORS' CLUB MONTHLY GATHERING **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH**

Please mark your calendar and save the date for our first gathering of the season on Monday, September 18. Our pastor Father Pollard will be our principal speaker. You won't want to miss this special occasion. Lunch will be served in the school auditorium following Mass which will be said at 11:30 a.m. To reserve your space please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule of the Church or call the parish office at 703-356-7916 by Friday, September 15. Those who arrive without having made a reservation are welcome but, unfortunately, we cannot offer them lunch. The suggested donation is \$15.00 per person to be collected at the door. For further information or if you would like a ride to the luncheon please contact Phil Wehle at 703-356-9788.

#### SHARE SUNDAY IS SEPTEMBER 17TH

In addition to our normal requests, please start thinking about Thanksgiving so we can collect canned goods now to be distributed in November. Standard pantry items to consider: toilet paper, grape or strawberry jelly or jam, sugar, rice, mayo, coffee, tea, chunky chicken soup, toothpaste, soap, laundry soap, 100% juice, cereal, tuna, diapers, wipes. Cash or checks payable to St. John with Share in the memo line are greatly appreciated for emergency assistance with rent, medical bills, and utility bills.

# **EVENING REFLECTIONS FOR WOMEN**

Sponsored by
St. John the Beloved Women's Council
2017-18 Series

"Ask and you shall receive"
How Biblical teachings on the Holy Spirit can change the way you pray, think and live

Monday, September 25th
Guest speaker: Robin Maas
7:00pm Social/7:30pm Talk
in the Parish Hall
Please RSVP to: womenscouncilofsjb@gmail.com

#### WEDNESDAY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

To perpetuate receiving the mercy of Christ the priests of St. John the Beloved will continue to hear extra confessions on Wednesdays. At the top of the hour every hour between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. a priest will be in the confessional and stay as long as there are penitents and again for the solid hour from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: NOVEMBER 18

Mark your calendars and save the date for The St. John the Beloved Christmas Bazaar which will be held on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. We are in search of independent CRAFT and FOOD vendors for this event. Please email womenscouncilofsjb@gmail.com if you would like to participate. If you know of other vendors, please forward this information to them. Thank you!

#### ST. JOHN THE BELOVED **VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX PROGRAM**

Sign up for St. John the Beloved's Vocations Crucifix Program! It is a wonderful means to foster prayer and devotion among our parish families. The Crucifix reminds each host family that they share in the responsibility to pray for and encourage vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, consecrated life and marriage. Each family takes the Crucifix home for a week and prays each evening as a family for vocations. Pick up and drop off of the Crucifix are on Sundays following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. If you are interested, please contact Ann Francis by email at annfrancis1986@gmail.com.

#### **ELECTRONIC CONTRIBUTIONS TO ST. JOHN**

For your convenience sign up for the Faith Direct Offertory program. www.faithdirect.net our code: VA77



St. John the Beloved's annual Fall Festival will be the weekend of September 22 & 23 with the same food and fun as always. Please mark your calendars and email **jeff.davis8309@gmail.com** if you would like to get involved with planning or volunteer at this family fun awesome St. John tradition.

#### ST. JOHN THE BELOVED PRAYER CHAIN

You are invited to become a member of the St. John Prayer Chain. It is an e-mail group of several hundred souls dedicated to praying for the intentions of parish and school families and their loved ones. Prayer requests are sent by the coordinator via email, sometimes several times a day, as they are received along with suggested prayers for each intention. If you would like to pray with us for the intentions of others, please send your email address to StjohnPrayerChain@StJohnCatholicMcLean.org.

#### THE CHOIR OF OUR LADY OF EPHESUS

All 7-12th grade girls of the parish are cordially invited to audition for the Choir of Our Lady of Ephesus. The Choir of Our Lady of Ephesus is a schola for 7th-12th grade girls that rehearses every Sunday morning 9:15-10:20 a.m. and sings twice a month for the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Prior musical experience is encouraged and an audition is required. If you are interested, please email: elizabethblack3@yahoo.com.

### St. John Religious Education

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES RESUME THIS WEEK

Religious Education for the 2017-2018 school year resume this week. Please note dates below:

- **-Sunday, September 10th** morning classes for Pre-K & Kindergarten begin at 10:30 a.m.
- -Monday, September 11th afternoon classes for grades 1-3 begin at 4:30 p.m.
- -Tuesday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m. there is an open house for parents of students attending Tuesday evening classes. Father Pollard will be speaking to parents in the cafeteria/Parish Hall; after which they may go to their children's classrooms to pick up books and schedules from CCD teachers.
- **-Tuesday, September 19th** CCD for Tuesday evening students begin at 7:00 p.m.

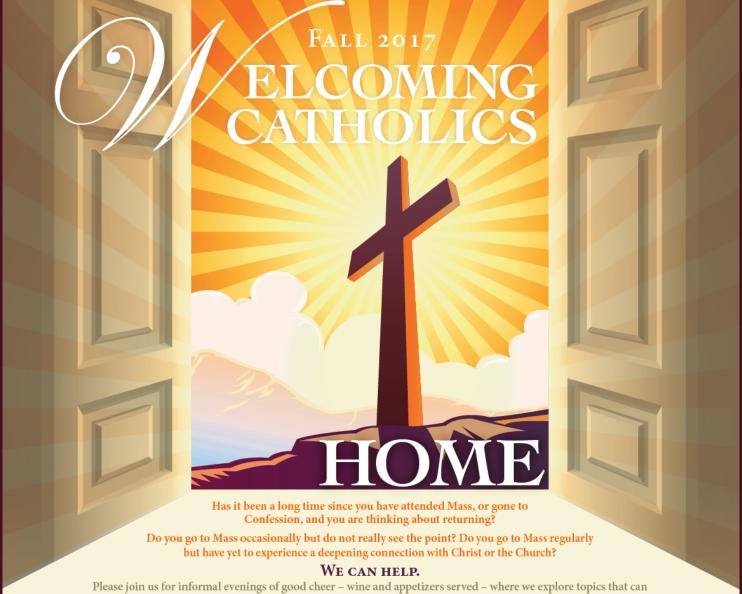
For additional information, please contact the Religious Education registrar, Kathleen Johnson by email at: **kmj@stjohncatholicmclean.org**, or call the Religious Education Office at 703-356-5275.

**Attention High School students!** We have openings on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for aides in Kindergarten & Pre-K and CCD classes on Monday and Tuesday evenings beginning in mid-September. If you would like to participate, please contact the Religious Education Office at 703-356-5275. This is a great way to gain service hours.

#### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Reminder! To those preparing to enter the Catholic Church and adult Catholics preparing for Confirmation, RCIA classes (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) will begin on **Monday, September 11**, from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the Adult Education Room. Please call the Religious Education Office at 703-356-5275 or email the director at: **lpennefather@stjohncatholicmclean.org** to register and to receive the syllabus.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
September 10	September 11	September 12	September 13	September 14	September 15	September 16
			ADORATION 9:30am-7:30pm			8:45am Confessions
10:30am <b>CCD</b>	4:30pm CCD 4:30pm Confiteor					
	7:00pm RCIA 7:30pm Latin Mass 7:30pm Legion	7:00pm CCD Parents Open House	Confessions Hourly 10:00am – 6:00pm			3:30pm Confessions
	8:30pm <b>Futsol</b>	8:00pm <b>Hoops</b>	7:00pm <b>Holy Hour</b>			



Please join us for informal evenings of good cheer – wine and appetizers served – where we explore topics that can help reignite your faith and bring you closer to the truth and goodness of Jesus Christ and the Church.

Sept. 19 – Mass at 6:15 pm and Catholic Trivia Night – Please join us with your CCD children in the Church at 6:15 for a Mass for Welcoming Catholics Home followed by a night of friendly competition where teams will vie to be the first to correctly answer questions about the Catholic faith - referred by Father Thompson.

Sept. 26 – Being in Full Communion with the Catholic Faith Before Receiving Holy Communion and the Other Sacraments – What does it mean to be in full communion with the Catholic Church and why does the Church ask this of those who present themselves to receive Holy Communion? What does the Church ask of us before receiving the other six sacraments?

Oct. 3 – Refresher on Fatima – Celebrating Our Lady's Appearance at Fatima, Portugal 100 Years Ago on October 13, 1917 – Fatima expert, Frank Spicer, will join us again and bring to life the remarkable events of 100 years ago and the relevance of Our Lady's messages at Fatima for us today. Oct. 10 – Contraception and Reproductive Technologies St. John's Pastor, Father Pollard, will present the talk he gives to Pre-Cana couples about the Catholic Church's teaching on contraception and reproductive technologies. A night not to be missed!

Oct. 17 – Informal Gathering and Fellowship
There is no presentation. Returning Catholics and CCD
parents are invited to gather in St. John's Teachers' Lounge
to socialize. Please make yourselves at home and enjoy.

Oct. 24 – All Saints Day and All Souls Day – Why does the Catholic Church celebrate the lives of the saints on November 1 every year? Why does the Catholic Church pray for all departed souls on November 2 every year?

Oct. 31 - No CCD and No Gathering - All Hallows Eve

Nov. 7 - No CCD and No Gathering - Election Day

Nov. 14 – The Catholic Church's Powerful Influence on Western Culture and Institutions – Joe Cardenas, teacher at The Heights School, will provide us a journey through the foundational Catholic beliefs and ideas that have shaped Western art, history, institutions, law and culture.

Nov. 21 – Advent Review – For the four weeks preceding the Feast of Christmas, the Church provides the liturgical season of Advent as a time of preparation for the great celebration of Christ's Incarnation. What are the spiritual practices and customs that the Church asks us to undertake to help us prepare?

Nov. 28 - No CCD and No Gathering

Dec. 5 – The Sacrament of Confession – We will consider more fully and more deeply the sacrament of confession where Christ and His mercy meet us in the most difficult and painful places in our lives.

Dec. 12 – Informal Gathering and Fellowship
There is no presentation. Returning Catholics and
CCD parents are invited to gather in St. John's Teachers' Lounge to socialize. Please make yourselves at
home and enjoy.

Join us Tuesday evenings 7–8 PM Teachers' Lounge at St. John Academy • Questions? Contact us at welcome@stjohncatholicmclean.org
St. John the Beloved Catholic Church, 6420 Linway Terrace, McLean, VA 22101 • www.stjohncatholicmclean.org

#### St. John's Youth Ministry

#### KICK-OFF!

Our Sunday Youth Night Kick-Off will be next Sunday, September 17th from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m (please note time change). Please come join us for an evening of fun, faith, and food and find out what will be happening over the course of the year!

#### REGISTRATION FORM

A registration/permission form is needed for all teens in 7th - 12th grade wishing to participate in our Youth Ministry's Sunday Youth Nights (and other events). The form can be found on the Parish Website or by contacting James Clement.

#### FALL FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of youth in 7th - 12th grade to help with the Fall Festival, the weekend of September 22-23. Please contact James Clement if you're interested in helping.

#### **CONFITEOR CLASS BEGINS SEPTEMBER 11**

Freshmen and Sophomore aged students are welcome to attend the Confiteor Classes starting this Monday, September 11th from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Adult Education Room. The topic of this theology class for teens will be "Papal Controversies." Classes are taught by Fr. Pollard and his merry band of Dominican Friars. Please contact Fr. Pollard for more details.

#### ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are still looking for adult volunteers to help with the Youth Ministry for the upcoming school year! Volunteers are essential to the life, mission, and success of youth ministry. Come and be part of a our highly dynamic and fruitful ministry! There are a variety of capacities in which you can help: Bible Study leader, food prep, food donations, administrative support, fundraisers, Workcamp, prayer warrior, Ski Trip coordinator, etc. If you or someone you know is interested in helping out the St. John Beloved's Youth Ministry, please contact James Clement. Thank you in advance and thank you to all who have helped out in the past!

**James Clement** 703-356-7916 / jclement@stjohncatholicmclean.org

## ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

† Leona Schwarzmann †

† Betty Wendelin † (beloved mother of Jane Wendelin)

#### THE STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH



The deadline to register to vote in Virginia for the November 7 election is October 16

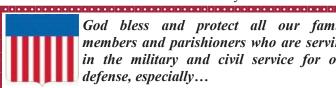
You can register online at http://elections.virginia.gov/voter-outreach/

You can register in person at Fairfax County Office of Elections 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 323 Fairfax, Virginia

#### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Carmel Broadfoot Frederick Baumgartner Mary Elizabeth Bergen Salvatore Calabro John Cartelli John Paul Charles Carver Virginia Connelly Sheila Corallo Elke D'Amico Richard DeCorps William Dunne Joe Elias Tara Flanagan-Koenig Marie Gillespie Susan Glover Francesca Greco Paul Griffith Gayle Grinstead Edward M. Hallinan III Helen Hargenrader Arnold Harrington Emily Hazlett Agnes Henley Mark Johnson Andrew Katson

Christopher Katz Dorothy Kottler Sharon LeMaster Msgr. Frank Mahler Pat Malloy Sue Malone Carmella Manetti Patrick McDonough John F. McLaughlin Diana Meisel Bonnie Moran Anna Maria Mullins Veronica Nowakowski Anita Oliveira Briner Orillo Mary Pistorino Reilly Patricia Richer Shelby Rogers Thomas Rosa Merle Shannon Gloribeth Smith Carolyn Steinhoff Bill Sullivan Mary Warchot Marie Wysolmerski



God bless and protect all our family members and parishioners who are serving in the military and civil service for our defense, especially...

Jonathan Choo Nicholas Galvan Harry Griffith Bill Jones Brendan Murphy Lynn Partik Greg Redmann

Michael Shipley Kimberly Templer Michael Templer Jesus Toledanes Alex Trujillo Justin White Dr. Paul White