

# MASS INTENTIONS

## Monday, May 18

### Easter Weekday

- 6:30 Miriam Crawford †  
 9:00 Mothers' Day Novena  
 7:30 Andrew Murray

## Tuesday, May 19

### Easter Weekday

- 6:30 Barbara Taylor Berneburg †  
 9:00 Pat Bilodeau & Son Tom †

## Wednesday, May 20

### Easter Weekday

- 6:30 Marie Shaughnessy †  
 9:00 Socorro G. Gotidoc †

## Thursday, May 21

### Easter Weekday

- 6:30 Leonard Brothers †  
 9:00 Marguerite Albert †

## Friday, May 22

### Easter Weekday

- 6:30 Special Intention  
 9:00 Mary Jane Ballard †

## Saturday, May 23

### Easter Weekday

- 8:15 Pro-Life: Terminally Ill  
 5:00 Donna & William Moraca

## Sunday, May 24

### Pentecost Sunday

- 7:30 William Foster, Jr. †  
 9:00 Pat Bilodeau & Son Tom †  
 10:30 People of the Parish  
 12:00 Fr. Gregory Thompson

**THE SCHOOL MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON  
 FRIDAY, MAY 22, AT 9:00 A.M.**

## HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

**MAY 2015**

**Care for the suffering:** That, rejecting the culture of indifference, we may care for our neighbors who suffer, especially the sick and the poor.

**Openness to mission:** That Mary's intercession may help Christians in secularized cultures be ready to proclaim Jesus.

## IN TESTIMONIUM...

Let's read about the Ascension from all four Gospels together:

### The Commission

<sup>16</sup> Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup> And when they saw him they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

Matthew 28,16-20

### The Ascension

<sup>50</sup> Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. <sup>51</sup> While he blessed them, he parted from them, and was carried up into heaven.

Luke 24,50-51

<sup>19</sup> So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God.

Mark ,19

<sup>9</sup> And when he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.

Acts 1,9b

### Angels

<sup>10</sup> And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, <sup>11</sup> and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Acts 1,10-11

### Return to Jerusalem

<sup>12</sup> Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away;

Acts 1,12

<sup>52</sup> And they returned to Jerusalem with great joy,

Luke 24,52

### Praying in the Temple

<sup>53</sup> and were continually in the temple blessing God.

Luke 24,53

### Apostle's Witness

<sup>24</sup> This is the disciple who is bearing witness to these things, and who has written these things; and we know that his testimony is true. <sup>25</sup> But there are also many other things which Jesus did; were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.

John 21,24-25

May the Lord also make us His witnesses to the world!

God bless you.

Rev. Christopher J. Pollard

## TODAY IS SHARE SUNDAY

A vehicle is available after all Sunday Masses to receive your donated goods. Pantry items most needed this month are: 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.

## SENIORS' CLUB MONTHLY LUNCHEON MONDAY, MAY 18

Join us for our final monthly luncheon of the season on this Monday, May 18. Our guest speaker will be Mr. Kyle Duncan, a fellow parishioner and a distinguished lawyer. Lunch will be served in the school auditorium following Mass which will be said at 11:30 a.m. If you forgot to RSVP, contact Phil Wehle this weekend at 703-356-9788 to reserve your place for lunch. **Those who arrive without reservations are welcome but, unfortunately, we cannot offer them lunch.** The suggested donation is \$15.00 per person which will be collected at the luncheon.

## THE DIVINE COMEDY LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES SATURDAY, MAY 30

Mrs. Nora Hamerman, local art historian and Dante expert, will begin St. John the Beloved celebration of the 750<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Dante's birth. This lecture and discussion series, entitled *The Divine Comedy: Inferno, Purgatorio and Paradiso* will be held on four Saturday mornings in the Adult Ed Room from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. The series continues on May 30 and June 13 & 27. Mrs. Hamerman speaks Italian fluently having lived in Italy as a Fulbright Scholar. These mornings will be informative and entertaining. Refreshments will be provided. For additional information and to RSVP, please contact Laura Pennefather at 703-356-5275.

## FATHER CHARLES SHONK MASS OF THANKGIVING AND RECEPTION NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 24

Fr. Charles Shonk will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. John the Beloved next Sunday, May 24 at 10:30 a.m. All are invited to a reception that will follow in the Parish Hall to celebrate this joyous occasion and to receive "first blessings" from this newly ordained priest.

## WELCOMING CATHOLICS HOME: MAY 19

Try to imagine the world without the presence of Catholicism, i.e. the presence and impact of Christ and His Church for the past 20 Centuries. Please encourage your friends and family who may be pondering this step in their lives to join us for wine and appetizers on Tuesday, May 19. This evening will be our last gathering until Fall 2015.

## EVENING REFLECTIONS FOR WOMEN

*Sponsored by  
St. John the Beloved Women's Council  
2014-15 Series*

*"Friends of God... Begin Heaven on Earth  
with a Life Rich in Prayer"*

**Monday, May 18, 2015**

***Silence... The Prelude to Prayer***

by:

Fr. Franklyn McAfee

7:00 p.m. Social

7:30 p.m. Talk in the Parish Hall

RSVP to: [womenseveningsofreflection@gmail.com](mailto:womenseveningsofreflection@gmail.com)

## ST. JOHN THE BELOVED DOOR-TO-DOOR MISSION OUTREACH SATURDAYS: MAY 23, AND 30

St. John's is engaged in an ongoing outreach to its neighbors, extending friendly invitations to visit our parish and participate in its activities, events and services. On Saturday mornings, May 23, and 30, a group of parishioners will go door to door to residences within our parish boundaries giving a friendly greeting to whoever answers and leaving flyers at the door. This is a wonderful opportunity for parishioners to participate in this gentle form of evangelization. You are invited to join us. Parent and children teams are especially welcome. Come after the 8:15 a.m. Mass to the parish hall for a prayer, TRAINING, general instructions and distribution of materials. Plan to spend two hours and return by 12:00 noon. For further information and to volunteer, please call Dave Scully at 703-356-0785, or email [davyscul@cox.net](mailto:davyscul@cox.net).

## DIRECTOR OF SENIOR SERVICES IS HERE ON THURSDAYS

Gracie Ortiz, Director of Senior Services for Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington will be available to meet with parishioners all day on Thursdays following the 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Conference Room in Parish Office. If you would like to schedule an appointment you may reach Gracie Ortiz at 571-970-8734 or at [gortiz@ccda.net](mailto:gortiz@ccda.net).

## HEARTFELT THANK YOU FROM ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S OUNCIL

The St. John the Beloved Women's Council would like to thank all the generous families who contributed to our Mother's Day Baby Shower. We raised \$4,000.00 for Mary's Shelter. What a generous parish we have!



## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

### SUNDAY YOUTH NIGHT

Sunday Youth Night tonight from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. No Youth Night next week due to Memorial Day Weekend.

### RCIA CLASSES

Classes have ended for the year.

### LASERTAG

Our annual LaserTag trip will be moved back to July. Stayed tuned for our summer schedule.

### WORKCAMP CARWASH FUNDRAISER

Come out and help support our High School WorkCampers this year by participating in our Carwash! WorkCampers will be in front of the school after the 9:00, 10:30, and 12:00 o'clock masses on Sunday, May 31st. All donations will go to help offset the costs of WorkCamp.

#### Contact Information:

Kevin Cocoran  
703-356-7916

[kcocoran@stjohncatholicmclean.org](mailto:kcocoran@stjohncatholicmclean.org)

### COFFEE & DONUTS

After the 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. Masses members of St. John's Mothers Group will host Coffee & Donuts. Thanks to the members of St. John's CURSILLO for hosting Coffee & Donuts last Sunday.



### SJA SPRING BOOK FAIR RAISES MONEY FOR LIBRARY

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the Spring Book Fair, May 4 - 8, a success. Good literature has the power to provoke thought, spark imagination, and shape character. All money earned (25% of the profits) goes toward purchasing new library books.

### ST. JOHN ACADEMY STUDENT PLACES IN ART CONTEST



St. John Academy 8<sup>th</sup> grader Schuyler Workmaster won a \$200 award for her submission to the Saint John Paul II 2015 Legacy Art Contest. She won in the student category and her poster was drawn free hand. Congratulations Schyuler!

### SJA STUDENT PLACES IN CHESS TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to Jack Gharib for his stellar performance in the Chess Tournament at St. Rita School on Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Jack placed 6<sup>th</sup> overall in the age group of 9 and 10 year-olds. There were 19 participants in his age group from different schools in the Northern Virginia area. Well done Jack!

### CONFRATERNITY OF THE HOLY ROSARY MONTHLY MEETING: SAT., JUNE 6TH

Katie will host the next meeting of the Confraternity of the Holy Rosary: at her home in Ashburn on Saturday, June 6th. We will meet to pray at 6:00 p.m. at Katie's house and then enjoy a potluck dinner and fellowship. Please RSVP to [ksuddart@yahoo.com](mailto:ksuddart@yahoo.com) by Thursday, June 4th and let her know what you can bring. New faces are always welcome, so bring a friend!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20	May 21	May 22	May 23
	9:45am Sew & So Forth 11:30am Sr. Mass Sr. Luncheon 7:00pm Reflections 7:30pm Latin Mass 7:30pm Legion 8:30pm Futsol	7:00pm WCH 8:00pm Hoops	ADORATION 9:30am - 7:30pm  6:30pm Confessions 7:30pm Holy Hour			8:45am Confessions 8:45am Door to Door 9:00am Lecture 3:30pm Confessions  <b>HOLY SPIRIT NOVENA CONCLUDES</b> 

# SAINT JOHN THE BELOVED

## The Week of Graces Summer Program: OPENING THE DOOR TO FAITH

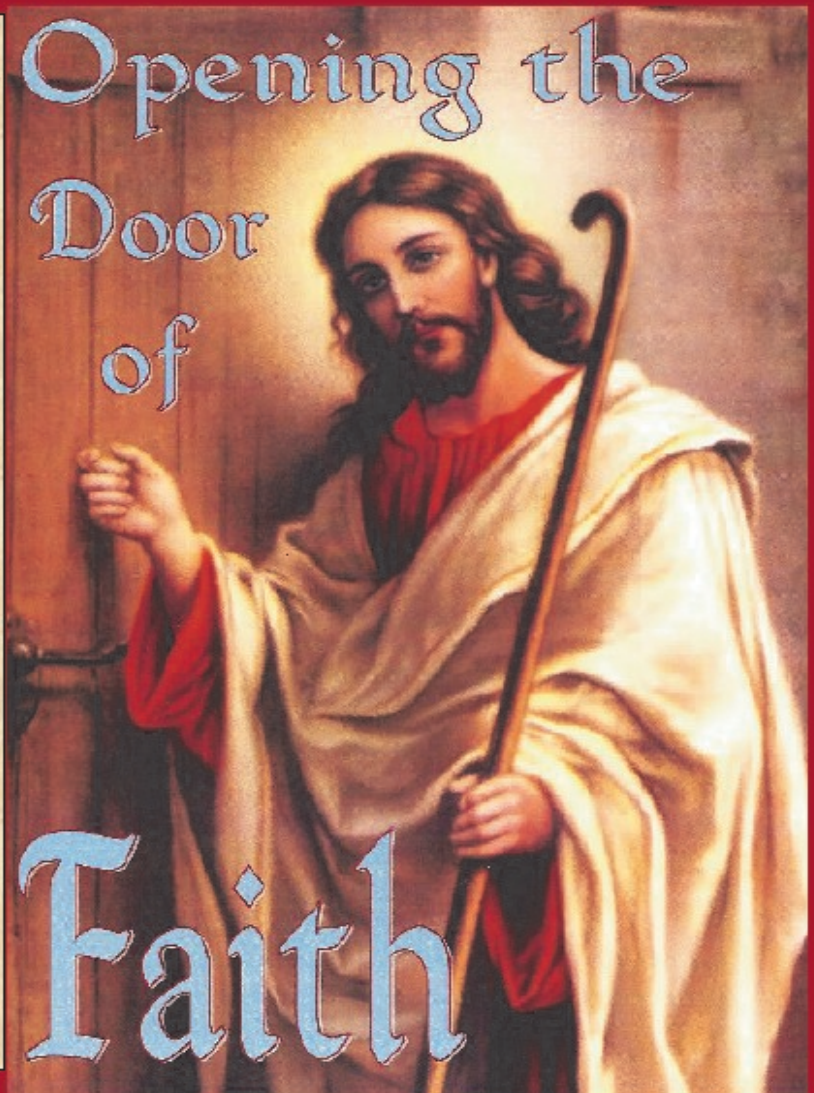
**Save the Dates:**  
**June 22 - 26, 2015**

Information:  
Laura Pennefather  
Kathleen Johnson  
kmj@stjohncatholic  
mclean.org, or call:  
703-356-5275

*Note: Young people  
preparing for the  
Sacrament of  
Confirmation will earn  
service hours by  
volunteering for the week.*

Opening the  
Door  
of

Faith



Children ages 5-12 are invited to share in a blessed week of crafts, songs, skits, prayers, graces, and special experiences designed to help them to better appreciate, and grow in the knowledge of their Faith.

## INSTITUTE OF CATHOLIC CULTURE



**The Meaning of Marriage:  
Understanding the Mystery of Faithful Love**

Prof. Alice von Hildebrand, Ph.D.  
Sunday, May 17 @ 7:00 p.m.  
Our Lady of Hope Church Hall  
46639 Algonkian Parkway, Potomac Falls, VA 20165

**St. Albert the Great:  
Reclaiming Science for God**

Brother Thomas Davenport, O.P.  
Tuesday, May 19 @ 7:30 p.m.  
St. Mary of Sorrows Church Hall  
5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax, VA 22032

**The Great Plague:  
How Black Death Changed the Face of Christendom**

Rev. Andrew Fisher  
Thursdays, May 21 and 28 @ 7:30 p.m.  
Holy Spirit Church Hall  
8800 Braddock Road, Annandale, VA 22003

**Pange Lingua:  
Celebrating the Feast of Corpus Christi**

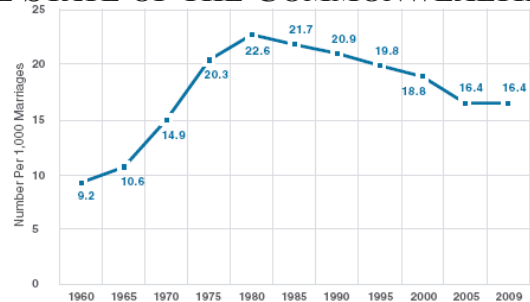
Rev. Paul Scalia  
Sunday, June 7 @ 6:00 p.m. *Dinner included;  
lecture to begin @ 7:00 p.m. No RSVP required.*  
Our Lady of Hope Church Hall  
46639 Algonkian Parkway, Potomac Falls, VA 20165

**Unworthy of Christ:  
A Biblical Defense of Catholic Communion**

Rev. Msgr. Charles Pope  
Thursdays, June 11 and 18 @ 7:30 p.m.  
St. Agnes Church Hall  
1910 North Randolph Street, Arlington, VA 22207

<http://www.instituteofcatholicculture.org/>

## THE STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH



The divorce rate has steadily declined since its peak in the early 1980s, by which time it had doubled since the 1960s.

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Anita Oliveira	Pierre Bretault
Salvatore Calabro	David Johnson
John Paul Charles Carver	Mark Johnson
Virginia Connelly	Andrew Katson
Sheila Corallo	Paul Kemp
Antonio Castro	Sharon LeMaster
Lastenia Cortavarria	Jennifer Lyons
Edward Cotter	Pat Malloy
Richard DeCorps	Carmella Manetti
Edward Diberto	Diana Meisel
William Dunne	Bonnie Moran
Joe Elias	Shimaayi Muntemba
Sandra Elias	Veronica Nowakowski
Marie Gillespie	Mary O'Bryan
Francesca Greco	Briner Orillo
Fran Green	Maureen O'Toole
Paul Griffith	Mary Pistorino
Gayle Grinstead	Patricia Richer
Matthew Grinstead	Shelby Rogers
Edward M. Hallinan III	Mary Rouse
Helen Hargenrader	Kathleen Scully
Emily Hazlett	Carolyn Steinhoff
Agnes Henley	Bill Sullivan
Soledad Ibar	Mary Warchot
Karen Jezierski	Faith Zavilla



*God bless and protect all our military and civilian service personnel whose duty puts them in harm's way. Please pray for all those serving our country, especially from among our family members and parishioners:*

Harry Griffith	Kimberley Templar
Bill Jones	Michael Templar
Richard Kazunas	Jesus Toledanes
Brendan Murphy	Justin White
Lynn Partik	Donald Yamamoto
Michael Shipley	