

# MASS INTENTIONS

## Monday, October 23

### *Saint John of Capistrano, Priest*

6:30 Margaret Boyle Savage †

9:00 Robert McOske †

7:30 Margaret Capano †

## Tuesday, October 24

### *Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop*

6:30 Jeffery Hill †

9:00 Foqi Skendi †

## Wednesday, October 25

### *Weekday*

6:30 Thomas Kiernan †

9:00 Helen Libera †

## Thursday, October 26

### *Weekday*

6:30 Souls in Purgatory

9:00 James T. Taaffe †

## Friday, October 27

### *Weekday*

6:30 Ray Biziorek †

9:00 Mary Jane Lock †

## Saturday, October 28

### *Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles*

8:15 Elizabeth Mehrkens †

5:00 Moira Morris †

## Sunday, October 29

### **THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30 General Edward O'Connor †

9:00 Jose and Rosa Pinto †

10:30 People of the Parish

12:00 Dr. John Bruchalski

**THE SCHOOL MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26 AT 9:00 A.M.**

## HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS OCTOBER 2017

**Workers and the Unemployed:** That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

## IN TESTIMONIUM...

This Sunday, the 22nd of October, is the Feast Day of Pope Saint John Paul II. Is that the day he died and went to heaven? Not exactly.

We usually observe a saints' feast days on the day they entered into their eternal reward. Some good parishioners pointed out to me last week that St. Teresa of Avila died either just before midnight on October 4, 1582 or just after midnight on October 15, 1582. I should have known that already. The days October 5 through October 14 never took place in the year 1582. Pope Gregory XIII instituted a correction of the Julian Calendar.

The Julian calendar has 365 days in a year but every fourth day has 366 days. It turns out that it takes the earth a little less than 365.25 days to orbit the sun, approximately 11 minutes and 14 seconds less than three hundred sixty five and a quarter days. The difference accumulated over the centuries since the Julian calendar was devised in the first century **Before Christ**. 674 seconds adds up year after year. In fact, the first day of Spring, which ought to occur on or about March 20, was falling over a million seconds late (the equivalent of ten days) by the 1580s.

The Gregorian calendar corrected the problem by skipping a leap day three times every four hundred years. Years divisible by 100 have a leap year only if they are also divisible by 400. For example, the year 2000 was a leap year but the year 1900 was not. You can check Google Calendar if you are willing to click the left arrow 1412 times so that your mini-calendar month displays February 1900.

With the length of the calendar corrected, the timing of the calendar had to be readjusted. In order for March 20 or 21 to be once again the vernal equinox 10 days had to be skipped. Pope Gregory XIII decreed in the papal bull *Inter Gravissimas*, which unlike Pope Pius XII's *Gravissimum Educationis* is not available on the Vatican website, that Oct. 5 -Oct. 14 be dropped from the calendar in 1582. The new "Gregorian Calendar" took effect in the Catholic world at the stroke of midnight at the end of Monday, October 4 in 1582. England caught up in 1751.

I digress.

Pope John Paul II died on April 2, 2004. But that is not the day we observe as his Feast Day. He was elected pope on the 16th of October. On what would have been called his coronation but by then had become the papal inauguration, Pope John Paul assumed the papal throne and received the obeisance of the College of Cardinals. That day was October 22. It was in effect the beginning of his long white martyrdom.

Pope Saint John Paul II, pray for us.

God bless you.

Fr. Christopher J. Pollard

## THE SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 IS ALL SAINTS DAY A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

The Masses times are 6:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon (Low TLM), 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

### WELCOMING CATHOLICS HOME TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

Welcoming Catholics Home is an apostolate at St. John the Beloved that serves those who are considering returning or returning more fully to the Catholic faith. We meet weekly on Tuesday nights from 7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. in the Teacher's Lounge at St. John Academy. On Tuesday, October 24th we will discuss: *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? For additional information please contact us via email at: [welcome@stjohncatholicmclean.org](mailto:welcome@stjohncatholicmclean.org)

### SJB PERFORMANCE POTLUCK RECITAL SAVE THE DATE: NOVEMBER 11

All parishioners and guests are cordially invited to a parish potluck and evening of music at St. John's on Saturday, November 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Music is provided "by parishioners for parishioners" and will feature a variety of music on the harp, cello, violin, voice, and piano. For more information on performing please email our Director of Music, James Senson at: [jsenson@stjohncatholicmclean.org](mailto:jsenson@stjohncatholicmclean.org).

### 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 SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Save the date for the 38th Annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 18th, from 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. Just as last year, one day only, but filled with live music, great food, and great shopping.

### THRIFT SHOP IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Thrift Shop hours are 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Tues.-Fri, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Saturday. For additional information please call the Thrift Shop during business hours at: 703-356-7420.

## EVENING REFLECTIONS FOR WOMEN

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

*"What Contemplatives can teach us  
about our Catholic Life"*

**THIS MONDAY, OCTOBER 23rd**

Guest speaker: Mary Ellen Bork

7:00pm Social/ 7:30pm Talk  
in the Parish Hall

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

## SENIORS' CLUB MONTHLY GATHERING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

You definitely won't want to miss our next gathering on Monday, November 20. Please join your fellow parishioners and guests in another friendly social setting for a most interesting and informative presentation. Mr. Michael Cannon, Director of Health Policy Studies at the CATO Institute, will be our guest speaker. His topic, *The Future of Health Care for Seniors*, will cover the many concerns we all have about this subject which deeply affects us all. Michael is a widely recognized expert so you do not want to miss this unique opportunity to be informed on a topic of critical importance to every one of us. Please mark your calendars and bring a friend. Lunch will be served in the school auditorium following Mass which will be said at 11:30 a.m. for those who wish to attend. Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule of the Church or call the parish office at 703-356-7916 by Friday, November 17. Those who arrive without reservations 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 call Phil at 703-356-9788.

## SEW & SO FORTHS

*Sew & So Forths* is our parish sewing group and we invite you to join us on Mondays after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. We meet in the Dodi Reagan Room. We will also be glad to accept items you have made for baby layettes if you cannot attend our Monday meetings. Please contact Gladys Brennan at 703-821-2547 for more information. Join us!

## COFFEE & DONUTS

Everyone is invited to Coffee & Donuts following the 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. Masses in the Parish Hall.

**DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON**
**ALL SOULS MASS WITH BISHOP BURBIDGE  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2  
AT FAIRFAX MEMORIAL PARK**

Please join Bishop Burbidge and diocesan priests as they offer a Mass for the dead on the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day), Thursday, November 2, at 12:00 noon in the Garden of the Crucifix at Fairfax Memorial Park, 9900 Braddock Road in Fairfax. Immediately following the Mass, Bishop Burbidge will bless the graves of the clergy. In case of inclement weather, the Mass will be offered at noon at St. Leo the Great Church, 3700 Old Lee Hwy., Fairfax.

**MASS FOR HOMESCHOOL FAMILIES  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3**

Homeschool families are invited to celebrate Mass with Bishop Burbidge and the Office of Catholic Schools on November 3, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Gainesville, VA. Bring a picnic lunch to continue the celebration after Mass. A light reception of beverages and desserts will be provided. Registration is requested to [catholicschools@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:catholicschools@arlingtondiocese.org)

**VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE  
VOTER EDUCATION RESOURCES**

On November 7, Virginians will elect their governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general. To help voters prepare for these elections the Virginia Catholic Conference has compiled three separate side-by-side comparisons of the positions of candidates for state offices. The Conference, which represents Virginia's bishops on public policy matters, neither supports nor opposes candidates for public office. As they consider these races and also local House of Delegates races, voters are encouraged to form their consciences by consulting the Four Principles of Catholic Social Teaching. These materials can be found by visiting our website at: [www.arlingtondiocese.org/2017virginiaelection/](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/2017virginiaelection/).

**ALL SOULS DAY  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2**

**A BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**


A book of remembrance will be placed in the Holy Family Chapel during the month of November for parishioners to record the names of their deceased family and friends.

**ALL SOULS NOVENA**

Your All Souls envelopes with the names of your deceased loved ones will be placed on the altar during the All Souls Novena which begins on All Souls Day Thursday, November 2 at the 6:30 a.m. Mass and continues through Friday, November 10. If you give to the parish electronically, please put the names on a piece of paper in a plain envelope with "All Souls Novena" written on it.

**OUR LADY'S MISSIONARIES OF THE EUCHARIST  
RETREAT: WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 3-5**

Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist (OLME) invites you to a special retreat: *A Time Apart with Jesus to Grow in Your Spiritual Life*. November 3 - 5, 2017, Ave Maria Retreat, Doylestown, PA. Friday Nov. 3, arrive between 5 - 7 p.m.; Sunday Nov. 5, closing at Noon. The retreat is offered by Sister Joan Noreen, Co-Founder of OLME and EWTN Host of "Eucharistic Journey". This retreat includes Daily Eucharist, Eucharistic Adoration, conferences on Catholic Spirituality, Prayer with Sacred Scripture, Liturgy of the Hours, and much more. For additional information contact: Kathy Carroll at 703-241-2582.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
October 22	October 23	October 24	October 25	October 26	October 27	October 28
10:30am CCD	4:30pm CCD 4:30pm Confiteor 7:00pm RCIA 7:00pm Reflections 7:30pm Latin Mass 7:30pm Legion 8:30pm Futsol	7:00pm CCD 7:00pm WCH 8:00pm Hoops	ADORATION 9:30am-7:30pm  Confessions Hourly 10:00am-6:00pm 7:00pm Holy Hour			8:45am Confessions 9:15am Men's Day of Recollection 3:30pm Confessions



# FATIMA FATHERHOOD AND FAMILY

A Day of Recollection for Men in Honor of  
**CHRIST THE KING**



The Nineteenth Annual Men's Day  
of Recollection sponsored by the  
Women's Apostolate to Youth  
for the sake of Christ's little ones.

Director: Rev. Paul D. Scalia  
Date: Saturday, Oct. 28  
Time: 9:15am--1:15pm  
Location: St. John the Beloved  
Catholic Church—  
Beginning in the Parish  
Hall (located in the  
School),  
6420 Linway Terrace,  
McLean, VA 22101  
Cost: \$35 (lunch and materials  
included); pay at the door  
\$45.  
Questions? [robinmaas@verizon.net](mailto:robinmaas@verizon.net)  
To Register: Send a check  
(payable to WAY)  
by Oct. 20  
to:  
Jennifer Lawler  
5464 Mersea Court.  
Burke, VA 22015



## ST. JOHN'S YOUTH MINISTRY

### NO SUNDAY YOUTH NIGHT (10/22)

No Sunday Youth Night tonight due to Diocesan High School Rally event. We will continue next week on Sunday, October 29th.

### CONFITEOR CLASS

Confiteor Class continues this Monday October 23rd. at 4:30 p.m. in the Adult Education Room. Open to all Freshmen and Sophomore High Schoolers.

### RCIA CLASS

RCIA Class continues this Monday, October 23rd at 7:00 p.m. in the Adult Education Room. RCIA classes are open to all Junior and Senior High Schoolers.

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

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## THE STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH



The Virginia Catholic Conference  
which speaks frequently on behalf of  
the Bishops of Virginia  
has published a side-by-side comparison of the positions  
of the candidates for Governor of Virginia.

It is worth your attention. Read it at:

<http://bit.ly/2017VAGovCandidates>

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Carmel Broadfoot	Christopher Katz
Frederick Baumgartner	Dorothy Kottler
Mary Elizabeth Bergen	Sharon LeMaster
Salvatore Calabro	Sue Malone
John Cartelli	Carmella Manetti
John Paul Charles Carver	Patrick McDonough
Virginia Connelly	Diana Meisel
Sheila Corallo	Bonnie Moran
Elke D'Amico	Veronica Nowakowski
Richard DeCorps	Anita Oliveira
William Dunne	Briner Orillo
Joe Elias	Mary Pistorino Reilly
Tara Flanagan-Koenig	Patricia Richer
Susan Glover	Shelby Rogers
Francesca Greco	Thomas Rosa
Paul Griffith	Avery Schaeffer
Edward M. Hallinan III	Merle Shannon
Jack Halpin	Gloribeth Smith
Arnold Harrington	Carolyn Steinhoff
Emily Hazlett	Bill Sullivan
Agnes Henley	Mary Warchot
Mark Johnson	Marie Wysolmerski



## ST. JOHN ACADEMY



### SJA OPEN HOUSE AND TOURS

We enjoyed hosting an open house last week for families who are interested in SJA. It isn't too late to take a tour! Please contact Mrs. Mary Aquino via email at [registrar@stjohnacademy.org](mailto:registrar@stjohnacademy.org), or 703-356-7554 if you would like to arrange for a visit to our wonderful parish school.

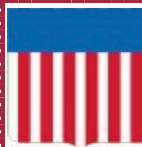
### TRUNK OR TREAT

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

Trunk or Treat will be Thursday October 26<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:00 p.m. Please be aware that St John the Beloved's upper parking lots will be blocked off Thursday evening, for the safety of our young costumed trick-or-treaters, who will enjoy visiting decorated cars parked along the lot.

### USED BOOK SALE WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

Thanks to all who donated books to our SJA Library and used book sale, or who stopped by to shop during the sale. We also extend a special thanks to Captain Ted Smedberg, for giving us the opportunity to include a sale of used DVDs from the now retired Sunday movie club. Unused books and DVDs have gone to a couple different charities, to benefit those who do not have easy access to such luxuries.



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

David Blau  
Jonathan Choo  
Nicholas Galvan  
Harry Griffith  
Bill Jones  
Brendan Murphy  
Lynn Partik

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