

# MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, March 27**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 6:30 Joseph Laffey †
- 9:00 Benedicto Camacho †
- 7:30 Teresa Ezzell and Family

**Tuesday, March 28**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 6:30 Kevin Clark †
- 9:00 Carmen Lomeli †

**Wednesday, March 29**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 6:30 Polly Cedar †
- 9:00 Molly McCormick

**Thursday, March 30**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 6:30 Mark Ulrickson †
- 9:00 William D. Smith †

**Friday, March 31**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 6:30 Mary Breed
- 9:00 Donald Ferrer †

**First Saturday, April 1**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 8:15 William Harvey †
- 5:00 Margret Kim

**Sunday, April 2**

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

- 7:30 Siegfried Wolf †
- 9:00 Anthony Gatta †
- 10:30 People of the Parish
- 12:00 Marilyn Gagliardo

**THE SCHOOL MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON  
FRIDAY, MARCH 31 AT 9:00 A.M.**

## HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

**MARCH 2017**

**Support for Persecuted Christians:** That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

## IN TESTIMONIUM...



**Transfiguration of Christ  
icon, 12th Century**

**THE SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND  
IS FOR CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES**

**CONFESSION SCHEDULE CHANGE  
FOR THIS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29**

Fr. Pollard and Fr. Sina will be unable to hear confessions during the day this Wednesday, March 29 due to a mandatory diocesan priest meeting. Confessions will resume at 5:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. thru 8:00 p.m.

**FIRST SATURDAY ADORATION**

This Saturday, April 1 the 8:15 am. Mass will be followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, devotions and Benediction. Come and pray for peace and Respect for Life through Our Lady of Fatima.

**WELCOMING CATHOLICS HOME  
TUESDAY, MARCH 28**

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, March 28th we will discuss: *Building A Spiritual Plan Of Life*. Well-known lecturer, spiritual director and former head-mistress of Oakcrest School, Barbara Falk, will speak about the importance of a spiritual plan of life as one returns to living the Catholic faith. For information please contact us at: [welcome@stjohncatholicmclean.org](mailto:welcome@stjohncatholicmclean.org)

**ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT  
THIS SATURDAY, APRIL 1**

Mark your calendars for this Saturday, April 1st. The Women's Council, along with Fr. Pollard, will be hosting a morning Lenten retreat. There will be Mass at 8:15 a.m., Confession, full breakfast and social time, talk by Fr. Pollard, coffee break/rosary, second talk followed by Benediction. The event will end around noon. This is a wonderful opportunity for **ALL the women of the parish** to come together and get a little spiritual boost along their Lenten journey! No cost but RSVP's will be required. **RSVP LINK:** <https://goo.gl/forms/RzV0E9fmprVCKvZD2>

**THE CONFRATERNITY OF THE HOLY ROSARY  
SATURDAY, APRIL 22**

The Confraternity of the Holy Rosary's April rosary potluck dinner will be on Saturday, April 22 at Kirsten's place in Old Town Alexandria. We will meet in front of St. Mary's after the 5:00 vigil Mass and walk/drive up the street to Kirsten's condo. Please RSVP by Thursday, April 20 to [kirstenobadal@hotmail.com](mailto:kirstenobadal@hotmail.com) and let her know what you can bring. New faces are always welcome so please come and please bring a friend!

**ST. JOHN THE BELOVED  
SUNDAY SPIRITUAL CONFERENCE**

**“PRAYER AND FRIENDSHIP”**

Featuring: Fr. Carleton Jones, O.P.

**Sunday the 30th of April**

**4:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall**

Admission is free of charge

**LENTEN SOUP SUPPER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Lenten Soup Suppers bring together St. John the Beloved parishioners and friends from 6:00 to 7:20 p.m. on each of the six Fridays of Lent March 3 thru April 7. Volunteers are needed to prepare soup, set-up, serve soup and bread and clean up. Suppers are followed at 7:30 p.m. by Stations of the Cross. To volunteer please call the Parish Office or email: [soupsupper@stjohncatholicmclean.org](mailto:soupsupper@stjohncatholicmclean.org).

**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 beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room in the 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). She will be helping with Elder Care and Caregiver Support. Gracie will be able to offer grief counseling.

**CORPUS CHRISTI CELEBRATION**

Plans are in the works for a very special Corpus Christi celebration to take place on **Sunday, June 18, 2017**. There will be a Mass at 5:00 p.m. followed by a procession of the Blessed Sacrament to an outdoor altar in the lower parking lot and then returning to the Church. All parish organizations, SJA students, parish choir and all St. John parishioners are invited to participate. Following the procession, there will be a reception/ cookout provided by the Women's Council and the Knights of Columbus. For additional information or to volunteer please contact Pat Molineaux at: [Pmolineaux@aol.com](mailto:Pmolineaux@aol.com)

**COFFEE & DONUTS**

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

**ST. JOHN THE BELOVED  
LENT 2017**



**Friday Soup Suppers**

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Friday Evenings

**Friday Stations of the Cross**

2:15 p.m. Friday Afternoon

“Stations of the Cross for St. John Academy”

7:30 p.m. Friday Evening

“Way of the Cross” with Text from Sacred Scripture

**JOIN THE LANDING PARTY!**

Fr. Pollard is seeking twelve households to join a new initiative to welcome newly registered parishioners. Each family will host one social per year so that each month there will be a gathering for the new members of our parish community. If you are interested, please contact Fr. CJP at [Fr.Pollard@StJohnCatholicMcLean.org](mailto:Fr.Pollard@StJohnCatholicMcLean.org) and keep this new apostolate in your prayers.

**GIFTS FOR THE SEMINARIAN  
EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND (SEEF)**

Please support our seminarians and SEEF, a permanent endowment fund established in 2011. SEEF’s income provides funding for annual seminarian expenses such as room, board, tuition, health insurance, and books; which total almost \$40,000 per seminarian. Please give generously! To donate, make checks to: *Foundation for the CDA – SEEF*. Mail to: The Foundation, 200 N. Glebe Road, Suite 811, Arlington, VA 22203. Contact Bob Mueller at 703-841-2545 or [r.mueller@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:r.mueller@arlingtondiocese.org).

**ST. JOHN’S YOUTH MINISTRY**

**DIOCESAN BASH**

Calling all 6th - 8th graders. St. John's Youth Ministry is going to Diocesan BASH and you and your friends are invited! It'll be a fun filled day with food, ice cream, inflatables, talks, confession and Mass with other Junior High teens from around the Diocese. The event will take place from 2:00 - 10:00 p.m. on Saturday April 29th at St. John Paul the Great High School. The cost is \$10 and permission form is needed (see parish website). Adult leaders are needed to help drive and chaperone. Please contact James Clement to sign up today. Deadline to sign up is April 9th.

**SUNDAY YOUTH NIGHT**

Sunday Youth Nights continue tonight March 26th from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. Open to all 7th - 12th graders. Meet in the Adult Ed. Room. Food, snacks and drinks are provided!

**CONFITEOR CLASSES**

Confiteor class continues tomorrow, Monday March 27th at 4:30 p.m. in the Adult Ed. Room. Open to all Freshmen and Sophomore aged students.

**RCIA CLASSES**

Juniors and Seniors are welcome to audit RCIA classes in the Adult Ed. Room this Monday March 27th from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES**

A friendly reminder that deadlines are coming up for some amazing week-long, Catholic, summer opportunities: Experience Christendom Summer Program, CUA's Light the World!, Quo Vadis and Fiat Camps. and Camp Veritas. Contact James Clement for more information.

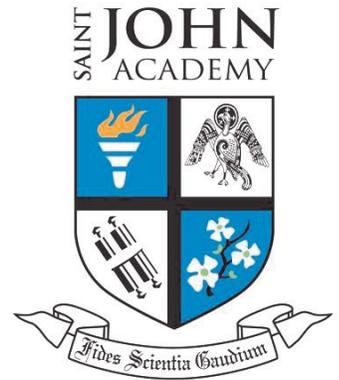
**James Clement**

703-356-7916 / [jclement@stjohncatholicmclean.org](mailto:jclement@stjohncatholicmclean.org)

| SUNDAY                                | MONDAY   | TUESDAY                                  | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY  |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|---|----------|--|---|
| March 26                              | March 27   | March 28                                 | March 29  | March 30 | March 31   | April 1   |
| 10:30am CCD<br><br>6:00pm Youth Night | 4:30pm CCD<br>4:30 Confiteor<br>7:00pm RCIA<br>7:30pm Latin Mass<br>7:30pm Legion<br>8:30pm Futsal | 7:00pm CCD<br>7:00pm WCH<br>8:00pm Hoops | ADORATION<br>9:30am–7:30pm<br><br><br>Confessions Hourly<br>10:00am – 6:00pm<br>7:00pm Holy Hour |          | 2:15pm Stations<br>6:00pm Soup Supper<br>7:30pm Stations | <b>FIRST SATURDAY</b><br><br><br>8:15am Lenten Retreat<br>8:45am Confessions<br>3:30pm Confessions |

# SAINT JOHN ACADEMY

March 26, 2017



Dear St. John the Beloved Parishioners,

Saint John Academy is proud to announce the high school acceptances and placements of its current 8<sup>th</sup> grade class: Bishop O'Connell High School, Bishop Ireton High School, Connelly School of the Holy Child, Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School, Gonzaga College High School, Holton-Arms School, Oakcrest School, St. John Paul the Great High School and Stone Ridge School of the Sacred Heart.

In addition to these schools, over the past three years, SJA graduates have also been accepted at The Academy of the Holy Cross, Georgetown Preparatory School, The Heights School, Madeira, St. John's College High School and Trinity School at Meadowview.

It is because of our competent, caring and professional faculty and staff, in partnership with our dedicated and supportive families, that we are able to prepare our students well for the rigors of the next four years of their academic life and beyond.

We also must give thanks to you, the parishioners of St. John the Beloved, who either choose a Saint John Academy education for your child or who pray for our faithfulness to the Gospel and for our overall success as a school. Without your ongoing support, we would not be able to thrive as a school. Our mission at Saint John Academy is to provide a solid Catholic education with a "faith first" focus and a total commitment to a challenging, academic and differentiated curriculum. At SJA, we want each student to rise to the challenges that face him/her each day. We are beside them to help with each step along the way.

Please spread the word that Saint John Academy is now accepting applications in all grades. We would be happy to set up a personal tour for interested families. We are also hosting a Kindergarten Presentation and Preschool – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Information Session on Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. It is our goal to provide for the needs of our parish families, so we hope you will call us if we can help you in any way.

In Christ,

*Michael Busekrus*

Michael Busekrus  
Headmaster, Saint John Academy

## DIocese OF ARLINGTON



### ROPES COURSE VOCATIONS EVENTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

For any high school students open to the idea of a priestly or religious vocation, don't miss the Quo Vadis Ropes Course & Zipline (for boys) on Saturday, April 22 or the FIAT Ropes Course & Zipline (for girls) on Saturday, April 29. These are great opportunities to challenge yourself, enjoy the great outdoors and get to know men and women who are following God's call as a priest, seminarian or religious sister. For more information and to register, contact the Office of Vocations at [vocations@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:vocations@arlingtondiocese.org) or 703-852-2514.

### RACE FOR SEMINARIANS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Running the Marine Corps Marathon or 10K? Your training, prayer and sacrifice can benefit the future priests of the Arlington Diocese! Runners and walkers of all experience levels are welcome. The marathon's registration lottery runs from March 22-29, so be sure to enter if you want to run. 10K registration opens April 27, and last year filled up quickly. For more information on joining or sponsoring the Race for Seminarians team, visit [ArlingtonVocations.org](http://ArlingtonVocations.org) under Support Vocations.

### BISHOP BURBIDGE'S HOMILIES ONLINE

Want to hear relevant, pastoral inspiration from our Shepherd? He records homilies posted weekly on our YouTube page. Look at : [youtube.com/arlingtondiocese](https://www.youtube.com/arlingtondiocese).

### CATHOLIC ADVANCE MEDICAL DIRECTIVE

Do you have a Catholic Advance Medical Directive (AMD)? The Diocese of Arlington has a simple 2-part document which allows you legally to declare your medical healthcare advocate or agent and includes an optional organ donation authorization, which can be used by all adults. Avoid being caught unprepared for you and your loved ones to make those tough medical decisions. To obtain a copy of the Catholic Advance Medical Directive please contact the Arlington Respect Life Office at 703-841-3817 or visit website [respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org) . Copies may also be filled out on-line and downloaded at: [www.arlingtondiocese.org/Family-Life/End-of-Life-Medical-Directives/](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Family-Life/End-of-Life-Medical-Directives/)

### PRIME TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS (PTSC)

Prime Time Single Catholics (PTSC) is a Washington-area social group of single Catholics 40 and over. Delight in Christian fellowship with us! For additional information please contact John McBride by email at [jfmcbride\\_526@hotmail.com](mailto:jfmcbride_526@hotmail.com) or at 703-820-9196.

## THE STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH



Are you familiar with the term "Blaine Amendment"?

Read this:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Blaine\\_Amendment](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Blaine_Amendment)

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Carmel Broadfoot         | Christopher Katz      |
| Frederick Baumgartner    | Dorothy Kottler       |
| Salvatore Calabro        | Sharon LeMaster       |
| John Cartelli            | Pat Malloy            |
| John Paul Charles Carver | Sue Malone            |
| Virginia Connelly        | Carmella Manetti      |
| Sheila Corallo           | Patrick McDonough     |
| Lastenia Cortavarria     | Diana Meisel          |
| Edward Cotter            | Bonnie Moran          |
| Elke D'Amico             | Anna Maria Mullins    |
| Richard DeCorps          | Veronica Nowakowski   |
| William Dunne            | Anita Oliveira        |
| Joe Elias                | Briner Orillo         |
| Sandra Elias             | Maureen O'Toole       |
| Marie Gillespie          | Mary Pistorino Reilly |
| Francesca Greco          | Patricia Richer       |
| Paul Griffith            | Shelby Rogers         |
| Gayle Grinstead          | Connie Seymour        |
| Edward M. Hallinan III   | Merle Shannon         |
| Helen Hargenrader        | Gloribeth Smith       |
| Arnold Harrington        | Carolyn Steinhoff     |
| Emily Hazlett            | Rita Steininger       |
| Agnes Henley             | Bill Sullivan         |
| Mark Johnson             | Mary Warchot          |
| Andrew Katson            | 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...*

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|-----------------|------------------|
| Robert Ayala    | Michael Shipley  |
| Jonathan Choo   | Kimberly Templer |
| Nicholas Galvan | Michael Templer  |
| Harry Griffith  | Jesus Toledanes  |
| Bill Jones      | Alex Trujillo    |
| Brendan Murphy  | Justin White     |
| Lynn Partik     |                  |