### **MASS INTENTIONS**

### Monday, March 2

6:30 Joseph Wynne †

9:00 Mark Penter †

7:30 Christopher Marshall †

### Tuesday, March 3

### St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin

6:30 Kristen Keating †

9:00 Edward Archer †

### Wednesday, March 4

### St. Casimir

6:30 Donna Moraca †

9:00 Sue Malone

### Thursday, March 5

6:30 James Taaffe †

9:00 Janice Poch †

### Friday, March 6

6:30 Amir Khazei †

9:00 Pat Bilodeau and son Tom †

### Saturday, March 7

### Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs

8:15 Eileen McDonough †

5:00 Manorama Richard †

### Sunday, March 8

### Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 Barbara Riordan †

9:00 Carlos Manuel Vieira †

10:30 People of the Parish

12:00 Joseph Wolterine †

12:00 Diana Whitehead †

THE SCHOOL MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON FRIDAY, MARCH 6 AT 9:00 A.M.

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# HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS MARCH 2015

Scientific Research: That those involved in scientific research may serve the well-being of the whole human person.

Women in the Church: That the unique contribution of women to the life of the Church may be recognized always.

### IN TESTIMONIUM...

The storyline of *Come Rack! Come Rope!* revolves around our hero and heroine, who are growing up in recusant England. "Recusant England" refers to the years between 1593 and 1650 during which time it was legal to be Catholic in the realm but heavy penalties were imposed on those who did not attend Sunday services of the Church of England. This was something of an uneasy truce after the war. Catholics were being killed for their fidelity to the ancient Christian faith on British soil earlier than the beheadings of St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More in 1535 on June 22 and July 5 respectively. The Carthusian monks of the London Charterhouse were slaughtered on May 2 of that same year. Over three hundred other Catholic martyrs shed their blood subsequently. After 1650 the worse of the laws discriminating against Catholicism were repealed but priests and were not safe, especially in Ireland. Such would remain the case until Roman Catholic Relief Act of 1829.

What precipitated this outpouring of terror? It all began with prominent Catholics refusing to acknowledge the illegitimate marriage of King Henry VIII to Anne Boleyn. Declining to acknowledge the king's claim to supremacy over the Church in England would result in the same end. Eventually all it would take to merit martyrdom was a failure to renounce the Holy Father in Rome.

Remember that St. John the Baptist lost his life because he dared to declare that Herod Antipas was not married legitimately. He had divorced his first wife Phasaelis to be able to take Herodias as his wife, she who had been married to Herod's brother Philip I (*Matthew* 14,1-12)

Isn't it ironic that the sexual revolution, which sought freedom from laws and even rejected the normative value of law, would now utilize the legal system in order to force society to approve of libertinism?

The federal courts' inevitable mandate that all States grant marriage licenses to same-sex couples will not change the lives of these individuals as much as it promises to change the lives of everyone else. For how many decades have Americans been free to pursue whatever romantic life with the adult they desire without fear of legal reprisal? The ones who are going to feel the threat of law are we who stand with St. John the Baptist and St. John Fisher.

They did not choose their places in history but they did choose how to respond to the crisis of their times. Our fellow Catholics who do not yet care soon will. This journey is not over.

God bless you.

Fr. Christopher J. Pollard

### FIRST FRIDAY & FIRST SATURDAY ADORATION

Adoration begins following the 9:00 am. Mass on Friday, March 6 and continues through the night into Saturday. Please come spend an hour in the presence of Our Eucharistic Lord. A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule to assure adorers are present every hour. Saturday's 8:15 a.m. 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.

### SENIORS' CLUB MONTHLY GATHERING

Our next get together will be on Monday, March 16. We are pleased to announce that our guest will be J.D. Crouch II, President and Chief Executive Officer of the United Service Organizations (USO). J.D. will speak to us about the extraordinary support the USO provides to U.S. service members and their families around the world. You won't want to miss this informative account of how the USO "lifts the spirits" of our troops and is "Always by their Side" serving them wherever they serve. Please mark your calendars and bring a friend. Lunch will be served in the school auditorium following 11:30 a.m. Mass. Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule of the Church or call the parish office at 703-356-7916 by Friday, March 13. 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 703-356-9788.

### ST. JOHN'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS THURSDAY, MARCH 5

The St. John's Council of the Knights of Columbus will hold its next regular monthly meeting on Thursday, March 5, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in the adult education room. We are actively recruiting new members. If you would like information about joining the Knights, please contact the Council at KofC@StJohnCatholicMcLean.org or Ed McFadden at ed.mcfadden@me.com or 703-402-5036. Please see brochures in the vestibule of the Church.

### WELCOMING CATHOLICS HOME **TUESDAY, MARCH 3**

Welcoming Catholics Home is an apostolate at St. John the Beloved to assist those who are considering returning to practicing their faith as members of the Catholic Church. We hold weekly gatherings on Tuesday evenings from 7-8 p.m. in the Teachers' Lounge at St. John Academy to discuss topics we hope will be helpful to this journey back to the Church. We begin our Spring 2015 Series on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and will gather to view and discuss a DVD "Catholicism – The Mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist." (topic was canceled on Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> due to snow.)

### ST. JOHN THE BELOVED LENT 2015



### **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"

### **Wednesday Confessions**

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evenings

### Wednesday Holy Hours with Homily

7:30 – 8:30 p.m. Wednesday Evenings

### **40 Hours Devotion**

Sunday, March 1 to Tuesday, March 3 with Rev. Gerald E. Murray JCD, Pastor of Holy Family Catholic Church in Manhattan

### **Daily Lenten Reading**

Sign up for a daily email with passages from I Believe in Love by Rev. Jean C. J. d'Elbée For details to sign up to receive emails visit: www.stjohncatholicmclean.org

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, March 16, 2015
As one of these little ones... A Glance of Love
by: Fr. Dominic Legge, OP
7:00 p.m. Social -7:30 p.m. Talk
in the Parish Hall

RSVP to: womenseveningsofreflection@gmail.com

St. John the Beloved Lenten Retreat Schedule

# "To Know Christ Jesus"

## 40 Hours Devotion

WITH REV. GERALD E. MURRAY JCD

Pastor of Holy Family Catholic Church in Manhattan Contributor to EWTN, Fox News, MSNBC, Radio Maria, Relevant Radio and the Voice of America



SUNDAY, MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

12:00 Noon

Solemn High Traditional Mass

Rev. Franklyn McAfee, homilist

2:00 p.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

3:00 p.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

7:00 p.m.

Solemn Evening Prayer

Rev. Gerald Murray, homilist

8:00 p.m.

Confessions

9:00 p.m.

Night Prayer

### MONDAY, MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup>

### ST. KATHERINE DREXEL

6:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

> 6:30 a.m. Holy Mass

9:00 a.m. Holy Mass

Rev. Gerald Murray, homilist

10:00 a.m. Rosary and Confessions

> 12:00 Noon Angelus

3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet

7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer Rev. Gerald Murray, homilist

> 8:00 p.m. Confessions

9:00 p.m. Night Prayer TUESDAY, MARCH 3RD

6:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

> 6:30 a.m. Holy Mass

9:00 a.m.

Holy Mass Rev. Gerald Murray, homilist

> 10:00 a.m. **Eucharistic Procession** Benediction



Please find in the vestibule the hourly sign-up posters for Adorers.

www.StJohnCatholicMcLean.org 6420 Linway Terrace, McLean, VA @StJohnMcLean

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
March 1	March 2	March 3	March 4	March 5	March 6	March 7
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### **REGISTRATION OPEN FOR 2015 -2016**

Registration for enrollment in the 2015-2016 school year is now open. For more information or a tour, call St. John Academy at 703-356-7554, or go to the school website at <a href="http://saintjohnacademy.org/">http://saintjohnacademy.org/</a>.

### ST. JOHN ACADEMY GIVES BACK

SJA families and friends donated 60 coats to Christ House and Catholic Charities. They were very happy to have a large donation of coats, just as it is getting colder again. In addition to the coat drive, so far this school year SJA has donated over \$7,000 to the Priest Retirement Home; collected almost \$3,000 from the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Baby Bottle Campaign for two pregnancy support centers; collected pre-Thanksgiving grocery store gift cards and cash for SHARE; and boxes of Toys for the Christmas Toys For Tots campaign (thanks to the Girl Scouts).

### ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST A SUCCESS

Thank you to all who worked hard to make St. John Academy's annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Breakfast a success. Students, their families, faculty, and staff enjoyed a breakfast feast before Lent begins. Proceeds from the breakfast will benefit SJA families in need.

### CAR RAFFLE UPDATE

Car raffle tickets have been mailed to each family. If you have not received the tickets, you should receive them soon! Like previous years, we are participating with All Saints, so each purchaser has a chance to win five 2015 cars and/or \$20,000 in cash prizes! Once you receive your tickets, please return any purchased or unpurchased tickets asap. You can mail the tickets back, drop the tickets in the collection basket at Church over the weekend, or drop the tickets off at the Parish office. If you have any questions, please contact: Patrick Quest at pquest@stjohnacademy.org

### **COFFEE & DONUTS**

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

### ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

† Dede Kazunas † † Mary Hart †



### **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY**

### **SUNDAY YOUTH NIGHT**

Bible Study from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. followed by our activity from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

### THEOLOGY CLASSES FOR TEENAGERS

This Thursday, March 5th from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Adult Ed Room for High School Freshmen and Sophomores.

### RCIA CLASSES

Upcoming topics for the Monday night RCIA classes from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., open to Juniors and Seniors, are:

Mar. 2: Act of Faith & Examination of Conscience

**Mar. 9:** Review of the Life of Christ: Introduction to the Rosary & Meditation

### WORKCAMP MEETING

Our next meeting will be Sunday, March 8th at 5:15 p.m. in the school.

### MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY

Our monthly trip will be next Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> from 7:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please bring a permission form and money for lunch. Limited seats available.

### JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

Our next meeting will be on Friday, March 13th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. We'll be having a game night on campus because of Stations of the Cross.

### RETREAT

Our annual retreat will be from March 27 - 29th, returning to Camp St. Charles in Newburg, MD. We'll leave by 5:00 p.m. on Friday and return by 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Cost is \$85 and is due with permission form by Mar. 15th. Retreat includes a ropes course, meals, talks, mass, prayer time, group games, and down time.

### **Contact Information:**

Kevin Corcoran 703-356-7916 kcorcoran@stjohncatholicmclean.org

### **DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON**

### 2015 WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

Join Pope Francis and families from throughout the world on Sep. 22-27, 2015, in Philadelphia. This gathering will underscore the family's importance and its positive impact on society. The 2015 theme is "Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive." The days will be filled with Mass, Exposition, and dynamic speakers. During the evenings, there will be film festivals, concerts, and the like. There will also be an Exhibition/ Marketplace area, as well as a youth track and day care. For more information and to register visit: www.worldmeeting2015.org.

## 2015 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: MARCH 28 "TRANSFORMING SUFFERING INTO JOY"

All women of the Diocese are encouraged to attend the annual Women's Conference at Foxchase Manor in Manassas on March 28 with Kerri Caviezel and the founder of Mary's Shelter, Kathleen Wilson. The conference will focus on Transforming Suffering into Joy. It will begin with Mass celebrated by Bishop Loverde at 8:45 a.m. Confessions will be offered from 7:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. Online registration is now open! No registration at the door. Please visit <a href="www.arlingtondiocese.org/women">www.arlingtondiocese.org/women</a> for more details & to register.



THE DOMINICAN FRIARS
OF THE PROVINCE OF ST. JOSEPH
Joyfully Announce the Ordination of their Brothers

Clement Dickie, O.P.
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Dominic Mary Verner, O.P.
Raymund Snyder, O.P.
Joseph-Anthony Kress, O.P.
Michael Mary Weibley, O.P.
Patrick Mary Briscoe, O.P.
Louis Bertrand Mary Lemoine, O.P.
John Sica, O.P.
Gregory Maria Pine, O.P.
Athanasius Murphy, O.P.

to the Order of Deacons through the Imposition of Hands and Prayer of Ordination by

> The Most Reverend Roger Foys Bishop of Covington

Saturday, March 14, 2015 at 9:00AM

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception 400 Michigan Avenue, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20017

### THE STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH

"Dialogue of the Carmelites"
Washington National Opera
Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
Washington, DC
21 February - 10 March 2015

Libretto by the composer Francis Poulenc (1957) after a play by Georges Bernanos about an order of Carmelite nuns who refuse to renounce the Faith during the French Revolution.

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Anita Oliveira Salvatore Calabro Polly Cedar John Paul Charles Carver Virginia Connelly Sheila Corallo Antonio Castro Lastenia Cortavarria **Edward Cotter** Richard DeCorps William Dunne Joe Elias Sandra Elias Marie Gillespie Franccesca Greco Fran Green Paul Griffith Gayle Grinstead Edward M. Hallinan III Helen Hargenrader **Emily Hazlett** Agnes Henley Soledad Ibar Karen Jezierski

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David Johnson



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:

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