MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 27

St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

- 6:30 Justice Antonin Scalia †
 - 9:00 Mickey Corcoran †
- 7:30 Christopher Marshall †

Tuesday, June 28

- St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr
 - 6:30 Eileen Gray †
 - 9:00 Albina Skendi †

Wednesday, June 29 SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

- 6:30 Dr. Carolyn Gerster †
- 9:00 Brad & Kathleen Johnson

Thursday, June 30

 The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

 6:30
 Paul Martin †

 0:00
 Coorgo Dorbu †

9:00 George Denby †

First Friday, July 1

Blessed Junipero Serra, Priest

- 6:30 William Winter †
- 9:00 W. Sydney Albrittan †

First Saturday, July 2

Weekday

- 8:15 Joseph G. Crnkovich, Sr. †
- 5:00 Leonor Arquesa †

Sunday, July 3

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

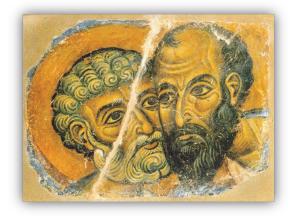
- 7:30 Mark Moraca †
- 9:00 Jose Ludubina Esteves †
- 10:30 People of the Parish
- 12:00 Joseph Calderazzo †

JUNE 2016

Human Solidarity: That the aged, marginalized, and those who have no one may find–even within the huge cities of the world–opportunities for encounter and solidarity.

Seminarians and Novices: That seminarians and men and women entering religious life may have mentors who live the joy of the Gospel and prepare them wisely for their mission.

IN TESTIMONIUM...



After the many admonitions in the New Testament by St. Paul and St. Peter to greet one another with a holy kiss, the earliest instance of such a gesture being mentioned as taking place in the Sacred Liturgy was only a few decades later. St. Justin Martyr in the *First Apology*, a letter written in the year 155 to the Roman Emperor Antoninus Pius. Since non-Christians were not permitted to attend the Sacred Liturgy there were lots of rumors floating about what happened when Christians were consuming the Body and Blood of Christ. You can imagine ancient nonbelievers were accusing Christians of cannibalism. Can you imagine what nonsense modern nonbelievers make of St. Peter and St. Paul kissing? I digress.

St. Justin goes into great detail about the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. In chapter sixty-five of that letter to the Emperor, St. Justin provides a summary of the Mass:

But we, after we have thus washed him who has been convinced and has assented to our teaching, bring him to the place where those who are called brethren are assembled, in order that we may offer hearty prayers in common for ourselves and for the baptized person, and for all others in every place, that we may be counted worthy, now that we have learned the truth, by our works also to be found good citizens and keepers of the commandments, so that we may be saved with an everlasting salvation. Having ended the prayers, we salute one another with a kiss. There is then brought to the president of the brethren bread and a cup of wine mixed with water; and he taking them, gives praise and glory to the Father of the universe, through the name of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, and offers thanks at considerable length for our being counted worthy to receive these things at His hands. And when he has concluded the prayers and thanksgivings, all the people present express their assent by saying Amen.

Peace be with you all that are in Christ Jesus. Amen!

Rev. Christopher J. Pollard

FROM THE DESK OF THE SEMINARIAN ...

She was a young Mohawk girl when she made the request, although dangerously unpopular among her native people, to the Jesuit missionaries that she be taught the Catholic Faith and receive the Sacrament of Baptism. Compelled then to flee her own tribe because of their hostility towards Christians, she travelled to the nearby Jesuit missions in order to practice her new faith freely. Unspectacularly, she died at the age of twenty-four—not as a martyr for the Catholic Faith, but as a simple victim to the smallpox which had left her badly scarred and blind since childhood. Kateri Tekakwitha was declared a saint by Pope Benedict XVI in 2012.

He was the sickly child of parents who would both die before he reached the age of twelve. After unsuccessfully attempting trade and factory work, he was invited to consider religious life. With his particular religious congregation, he was assigned as doorkeeper for a boys' college. In the context of this lowly appointment, he was beloved by many for the kindness, generosity and sincerity with which he greeted visitors. He served humbly as doorkeeper until his death at ninety-one years old; Brother André Bessette was declared a saint by Pope Benedict XVI in 2010.

There is little that is conspicuous in the lives of these two persons; indeed, their simple biographies reveal persons almost scandalously naked of spectacular deeds of holiness and heroism, persons seemingly undeserving of the tremendous dignity of being declared canonized saints. For what reason are these simple souls raised to the public platform of canonized saints?

Lumen Gentium, a document promulgated by the Church following Vatican Council II, repeated the timeless teaching of the Church when it declared: "All the faithful, whatever their condition or state, are called by the Lord, each in his own way, to that perfect holiness whereby the Father Himself is perfect." The vocation to holiness is the *primary vocation* of each and every baptized Christian: achieving holiness can be daunting when viewed distantly and abstractly, but this universal call—as these saints witness—is perhaps shockingly accessible to us. One thing is certain: God is inviting you to live holiness today, right now, in your own simple way.

Put simply, but not too simply, I think: Kateri is a saint because she lived the Faith despite cultural and family pressure to give it up. André is a saint because he introduced people to God's own love through his joyful presence as a doorkeeper. Why will you be a saint?

St. Kateri Tekakwitha . . . pray for us.

St. André Bessette . . . pray for us.

Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto thine.

Pax et Bonum, Nicholas Blank, Seminarian

THE 2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR HOLY FATHER PETERS PENCE

FIRST FRIDAY & FIRST SATURDAY ADORATION

Adoration begins following the 9:00 am. Mass on Friday, July 1st 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 Investiture with the Miraculous Medal, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary and Benediction.

THE CONFRATERNITY OF THE HOLY ROSARY MONTHLY GATHERING: JULY 17

The Confraternity of the Holy Rosary will host an ice cream social at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, July 17 at Megan's house in McLean. We will pray then enjoy some frozen treats and fellowship to beat the summer heat! Snacks, drinks or toppings are welcome but not required. Please RSVP to Megan at <u>meganjm621@gmail.com</u> by Friday, July 15 if you plan on attending. Please bring a friend.

ADDITIONAL CONFESSIONS TIMES ON WEDNESDAYS DURING THE YEAR OF MERCY

Pope Francis has designated this Liturgical year as "*The Year of Mercy*". To perpetuate receiving the mercy of Christ the priests of St. John the Beloved will be hearing 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.

SAVE THE DATES: SEPTEMBER 23 & 24 FOR ST. JOHN'S ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL

The annual Parish Fall Festival, celebrating our 103rd Anniversary, will kick off on Friday evening September 23 with an authentic Louisiana Shrimp Boil with Jambalaya, a live Zydeco band, and a beer and wine garden. Saturday's family activities include extraordinary kids' games, crafts and rides, Fr. Pollard's famous BBQ brisket, ribs and pulled pork, hot dogs and hamburgers and excellent sides.

DIRECTOR OF SENIOR SERVICES IS HERE ON THURSDAYS

Gracie Ortiz, Director of Senior Services for Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington is available to meet with parishioners all day on Thursdays after 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.

COFFEE & DONUTS

There will be no Coffee & Donuts this Sunday.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY ON THE EPISTLES OF ST. PAUL

Today, St. Paul's epistles continue to be vital roots of the theology, worship, and pastoral life in the Christian traditions. St. Paul's influence on Christian thought and practice has been characterized as being as "profound as it is pervasive."



This Monday through Friday June 27 - July 1

Fr. Sina and Fr. Pollard will be teaching a Summer Bible Study on the Epistles of St. Paul.

The accompanying reading text will be:

Saint Paul by: Pope Benedict XVI

Each day this week the same class will be offered

both in the morning, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and in the evening, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Parishioners of all ages are welcome to attend. The class will meet in the Adult Ed Room.

Please bring your own Bible. Reading St. Paul's epistles ahead of time would be a good idea.

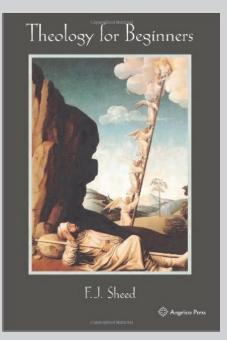
For more information please contact the Parish Office at 703-356-7916

Copies of the book will be available in "The Word" bookstore and at class.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
June 26	June 27	June 28	June 29	June 30	July 1	July 2
Inquiry Class 4:00pm	Bible Study 10:00am-11:30am 7:00pm-8:30pm	Bible Study 10:00am-11:30am 7:00pm-8:30pm	ADORATION 9:30am – 7:30pm Bible Study 10:00am-11:30am 7:00pm-8:30pm	Bible Study 10:00am-11:30am 7:00pm-8:30pm	FIRST FRIDAY Bible Study 10:00am-11:30am 7:00pm-8:30pm	FIRST SATURDAY
	7:30pm Latin Mass 7:30pm Legion 8:30pm Futsol	8:00pm Hoops	Confessions Hourly 10:00am – 6:00pm 7:00pm Holy Hour			3:30pm Confessions

Summer Inquiry Class into the Catholic Faith

Have you ever wondered why Catholics believe what they believe? Are you thinking about becoming a Catholic? Has it been a long time since you read a book about Christianity?



Begins this Sunday, June 26

Join Seminarian Nicholas Blank in reading

Theology for Beginners by: Frank Sheed

Sunday afternoons 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

June 26, July 3, & July 10 in the Adult Education Room

For more information , please contact: Laura Pennefather Director of Religious Education <u>lpennefather@stjohncatholicmclean.org</u> or Tel. 703-356-5275

Copies of the book are on sale in "The Word" bookstore and at class.

ST. JOHN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

2016/2017 CCD REGISTRATION

In May CCD Pre-registration forms were emailed to all current families. Thanks to all families that have already returned forms and checks. Please fill out the form with all requested contact and registration information and return it with your check to the CCD office at your earliest convenience. You will receive a rate reduction if you register before June 30, 2016. We will do our best to accommodate your wishes as to class session. Once the class is full however, we may have to put your child into a different session. You have greater choice when you register early. Registration forms are also available in the RE Office, the vestibule of the church and in the parish office. If you have any questions, or need information, email kmj@stjohncatholicmclean.org or call 703-356-5275.

CCD TEACHERS NEEDED FOR 2016/2017 SCHOOL YEAR

The St. John Religious Education Office is looking for enthusiastic, well-formed catechists and aides for the 2016/2017 school year. If you enjoy working with children and are excited about passing on the Faith, please call Laura Pennefather at 703-356-5275 or email her at <u>lpennefather@stjohncatholicmclean.org</u>. God bless you for your generous response.

ST. JOHN'S YOUTH MINISTRY

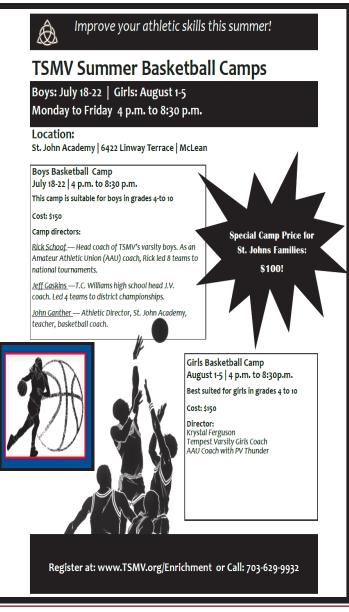
NO SUNDAY YOUTH NIGHT

Sunday Youth Nights have concluded for the Year. Stay tuned for when we resume in September.

WORKCAMP!

Please keep the following in your prayers as they attend this year's Diocesan WorkCamp this Saturday, the 25th, through July 1st. Ed Hambleton, Kathleen Hambleton, James Hambleton, Caitlin Mea, Daniel Glover, Micah Hoernig, Aidan Graffam, Mateo Cube, Theresa Crnkovich, Regina Czerewko, Cecelia Haislmaier, Margaret Haislmaier, Anthony Gagliardo, Gabriel Gagliardo, Ellie Kreeb, Ben Davis, Grace Davis, Caroline Raymond, Kevin Corcoran, Bill Corcoran, Peter Hailsmaier, Seminarian Tony Bennett, Patty Maggio, Kelly Maggio, Gabriel Milano, Fr. Thompson, and the residents we are blessed to serve! Thank you!

> Contact Information: Kevin Corcoran 703-356-7916 kcorcoran@stjohncatholicmclean.org



SENIORS CLUB BROWN-BAG LUNCH AND MOVIE

Join the St. John Seniors for a special summer get-together for a movie and brown-bag lunch on **Monday**, July 18 at 12:00 noon in the Adult Education Room. We will show a one-hour movie, "*Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message.*" This Knights of Columbus-produced film paints a comprehensive and inspiring picture of the history, facts and legacy of the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. <u>Bring</u> <u>your own lunch</u>; drinks will be provided. All parishioners and friends are welcome! There is a signup sheet in the vestibule or RSVP by July 17 to Freddie 703-356-5706 or Phil 703-356-9788.

THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEER THANK YOU

The Thrift Shop is now closed for the summer and will reopen in September. A special thank you to Sue Clemente and all our Thrift Shop volunteers, whose countless hours of time and talents enable the Thrift Shop to be the success it is. May God reward their generosity.

THE STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH

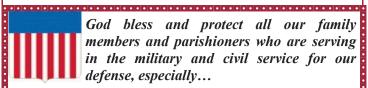


Keep away from your enemies, and be on guard with your friends. Faithful friends are a sturdy shelter: whoever finds one has found a treasure. Faithful friends are beyond price; no amount can balance their worth. Sirach 6,13-15

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Carmel Broadfoot Salvatore Calabro John Paul Charles Carver Antonio Castro Virginia Connelly Sheila Corallo Lastenia Cortavarria Edward Cotter Elke D'Amico Richard DeCorps William Dunne Joe Elias Sandra Elias Marie Gillespie Francesca Greco Paul Griffith Gavle Grinstead Matthew Grinstead Edward M. Hallinan III Helen Hargenrader Arnold Harrington **Emily Hazlett** Agnes Henley Mark Johnson Andrew Katson

Paul Kemp Dorothy Kottler Sharon LeMaster Pat Mallov Sue Malone Carmella Manetti Patrick McDonough Marilyn McNemar Diana Meisel **Bonnie** Moran Veronica Nowakowski Anita Oliveira Briner Orillo Maureen O'Toole Mary Pistorino Reilly Patricia Richer Shelby Rogers **Stephanie Salinas** Connie Sevmour Merle Shannon Gloribeth Smith Carolyn Steinhoff Bill Sullivan Mary Warchot Marie Wysolmerski



Nicholas Galvan Harry Griffith Bill Jones Brendan Murphy Lynn Partik Michael Shipley Kimberley Templer Michael Templer Jesus Toledanes Justin White Amb. Donald Yamamoto