

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 5

6:30 Lillian Mehan †
 9:00 Michel Struelens †
 7:30 Marianne Duffy

Tuesday, October 6

St. Bruno, Priest & Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

6:30 Raymond Ryabik †
 9:00 Raymond Larroca †

Wednesday, October 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

6:30 Kai Morris
 9:00 Anthony Gatta †

Thursday, October 8

6:30 Members of the St. John Prayer Chain
 9:00 Abraham Pishevar †

Friday, October 9

St. Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs

6:30 Michael Barnes †
 9:00 Peggy McKeown †

Saturday, October 10

8:15 Antonio Antunes †
 5:00 Jack & Dale Russo

Sunday, October 11

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 Arthur Bertapelle †
 9:00 Kenneth & Josephine Shelper †
 10:30 People of the Parish
 12:00 Fr. Lester DeMott †

**THE SCHOOL MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON
 FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2 AT 9:00 A.M.**

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS OCTOBER

Human trafficking: That human trafficking, the modern form of slavery, may be eradicated.

Mission in Asia: That with a missionary spirit the Christian communities of Asia may announce the Gospel to those who are still awaiting it.

IN TESTIMONIUM...

There were many highlights from the Holy Father's visit worthy of repeating. Here are just a few:

"Mr. President, together with their fellow citizens, American Catholics are committed to building a society which is truly tolerant and inclusive, to safeguarding the rights of individuals and communities, and to rejecting every form of unjust discrimination. With countless other people of good will, they are likewise concerned that efforts to build a just and wisely ordered society respect their deepest concerns and their right to religious liberty. That freedom remains one of America's most precious possessions. And, as my brothers, the United States Bishops, have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizens, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that would threaten or compromise it."

The White House, 23 September 2015

"The innocent victim of abortion, children who die of hunger or from bombings, immigrants who drown in the search for a better tomorrow, the elderly or the sick who are considered a burden, the victims of terrorism, wars, violence and drug trafficking, the environment devastated by man's predatory relationship with nature – at stake in all of this is the gift of God, of which we are noble stewards but not masters. It is wrong, then, to look the other way or to remain silent."

St. Matthew's Cathedral, 23 September 2015

"I cannot hide my concern for the family, which is threatened, perhaps as never before, from within and without. Fundamental relationships are being called into question, as is the very basis of marriage and the family. I can only reiterate the importance and, above all, the richness and the beauty of family life.... At the risk of oversimplifying, we might say that we live in a culture which pressures young people not to start a family, because they lack possibilities for the future. Yet this same culture presents others with so many options that they too are dissuaded from starting a family."

The United States Congress, 24 September 2015

"We must avoid every temptation to fall into a declarationist nominalism which would assuage our consciences.

"Without the recognition of certain incontestable natural ethical limits and without the immediate implementation of those pillars of integral human development, the ideal of "saving succeeding generations from the scourge of war" (*Charter of the United Nations*, Preamble), and "promoting social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom" (*ibid.*), risks becoming an unattainable illusion, or, even worse, idle chatter which serves as a cover for all kinds of abuse and corruption, or for carrying out an ideological colonization by the imposition of anomalous models and lifestyles which are alien to people's identity and, in the end, irresponsible."

The United Nations, 25 September 2015

WELCOMING CATHOLICS HOME TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6– 7:00-8:00 PM

Do you know someone in your family or neighborhood that is thinking about returning to the Catholic Church? Do you or someone you know go to Mass but do not really see the point? Do you or someone you know go to Mass but do not experience intimacy with Christ? **St. John's apostolate, Welcoming Catholics Home, can help.** We are meeting from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the St. John Academy Teacher's Lounge on Tuesdays this fall. Our gatherings include time to get to know one another over wine and appetizers. Then we consider a topic we hope will be of interest. On October 6, one of our volunteers will be speaking about *The Family*. What is the Catholic Church's teaching on the family? How does God's vision for the family, marriage and human sexuality, as expressed in our human nature, differ from the Supreme Court's decision on marriage? Please join us or suggest a friend or loved one join us. For additional information or questions please contact us at welcome@stjohncatholicmclean.org.

SENIORS' CLUB MONTHLY GATHERING MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

At our next gathering on Monday, October 19, a panel of four experts will introduce us to a wide range of services available to seniors in our community. Speakers include Pam and Dave Ballard, Senior Real Estate Specialists; Jessica Pannell, an Estate Planning Attorney with Conway & Pannell in McLean; and Steve Gurney, founder of *Guide to Retirement Living Sourcebook Magazine*. 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. Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule of the Church or call the parish office at 703-356-7916 by Friday, October 16. If you forget to RSVP, please contact Phil Wehle over that 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 to be collected at the door. For further information or if you would like a ride to the luncheon please call Phil.

THRIFT SHOP IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Please come in to check out our fantastic new fall merchandise. We have a wonderful selection of Halloween decorations and costumes. Thrift Shop hours are 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Mon-Fri, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Saturday. For questions or more information please call: 703-356-7420

COFFEE & DONUTS

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

ST. JOHN THE BELOVED 2015-16 SUNDAY LECTURES SERIES

A Panel Discussion on: XVI ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SYNOD OF BISHOP: VOCATION & MISSION OF THE FAMILY

Featuring Rev. Thomas Joseph White, O.P.
Moderated by Fr. Pollard

Sunday the 18th of October
4:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

THE CONFRATERNITY OF THE HOLY ROSARY MONTHLY GATHERING: OCTOBER 11

The Confraternity of the Holy Rosary will meet to pray the rosary on Sunday, October 11 at St. John the Beloved Church at 5:00 p.m. We will then carpool over to Megan's house for a potluck dinner and fellowship. Please RSVP to Megan and let her know what you can bring by Friday, October 9 at meganjm621@gmail.com. New faces are always welcome so bring a friend.

LORD TEACH ME TO PRAY MEN'S GROUP

Lord, Teach Me To Pray is a prayer series based on Ignatian Spirituality. Part 1, "Praying Christian Virtues", helps deepen prayer life, and discover what to do for dryness and obstacles in prayer. It also introduces the different methods of Ignatian prayer, meditation, contemplation and Consciousness Examen. A small group will meet with 2 trained facilitators for 1 - 2 hours once a week for 12 weeks to pray and faith share.

Pt. 1 for Men begins Tuesday, October 13. Carlin Hall, St. John the Beloved Church, 7:30 p.m.-9:30 pm.

To register or if you have questions, please contact Tom Mehigan at 703-994-5268 or tjmehigan@aol.com.

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 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. She is able to help with Elder Care, Caregiver Support, and grief counseling.



Lecture celebrating launch of new book:
Rejoicing in the Truth

LECTURE & BOOK SIGNING

“Old Books Against New Slavery: Newman’s Ideal Today”

In his Homily for the Beatification of John Henry Cardinal Newman, Benedict XVI praised Newman’s Idea of a University for defending “an ideal from which all those engaged in academic formation can continue to learn,” an ideal according to which “intellectual training, moral discipline and religious commitment would come together.” Today, our educational systems, both Catholic and public, are finding it difficult to form men and women for lives of practical wisdom and moral virtue. In addition to the legal obstacles to successful education posed by an aggressive secular faction, arguably more serious are the cognitive and moral deficiencies of our common culture. Today’s youth are all too often unable to express themselves accurately, to make or even to follow sustained arguments, or to assess the rival accounts of the human person with which they are assaulted in the media. These deficiencies threaten the very exercise of moral reasoning and, accordingly, attack the pursuit of the common good at its roots. In the face of this threat, which constitutes a kind of cultural slavery, Newman’s ideal is arguably more important than ever.

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Christendom College’s guest lectures offer students expanded opportunities to gain greater insights and depth of understanding in important issues, and to interact personally with a wide range of men and women who are shapers and critics of our society.

Christopher O. Blum, Ph.D.


Thursday, October 8, following 6 p.m. Mass at St. John the Beloved, McLean, Virginia

BASKETBALL SIGNUPS

Online signups for CYO basketball are now open. We have teams for each grade from 5th to 8th. In order to sign up please go to the Parish web site and click “CYO Basketball” under “Be An Apostle, Parish Groups” and fill in the registration form. Or you can go to our website to register at: <https://sites.google.com/site/stjohnmcleancyo/>. Signup is open from now through October 11th. You will then be contacted by your coach.

CONCERT FOR ZAMBIAN ORPHANS: NOV. 5

On Thursday, November 5 at 7:30 p.m. a special benefit concert of African music will be held in McLean at the Alden Theater to celebrate the 15th anniversary of Zambia Orphans Aid. The unique sound of Namvula, raised in Africa, Europe and Mclean will be featured. The St. Peter Claver Society, works closely with this charity to help orphans in Africa. Tickets are available for purchase at eventbrite [Namvula-Benefit](#).

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
October 4	October 5	October 6	October 7	October 8	October 9	October 10
10:30am PreK & Kindergarten CCD	9:45am Sew & SoForth 4:30pm CCD 7:00pm Reflections 7:00pm RCIA 7:30pm Latin Mass 7:30pm Legion 8:30pm Futsal	7:00pm CCD 7:00pm WCH 8:00pm Hoops	ADORATION 9:30am–7:30pm  6:15pm Confessions 7:00pm Holy Hour	6:00pm Mass 7:00pm Lecture		8:45am Confessions 3:30pm Confessions



SJA STILL HAS A FEW OPENINGS FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR

It isn't too late to join our wonderful parish school! St. John Academy offers academic excellence, and a wide range of activities that help children develop in all aspects of their growth: from academic competitions, to school sports teams, to dramatic, musical and applied arts. Some grades are full but we still have room in Kindergarten and grades 3rd, 7th, and 8th. If you are interested in learning more about our marvelous community, please contact our Academy's Registrar, Ms. Mary Aquino via email at maquino@stjohnacademy.org or call St. John Academy office at 703-356-7554.

COLLECTION OF USED BOOKS

We are collecting books for the annual fall used books sale. All donations are welcome, including both children's books and books for adults. We welcome you to the used book sale as well, which will be held on Thursday, October 8, from 11:15 a.m. -12:45 p.m., and after school from 3:00 p.m.-3:45 p.m., and on Friday October 9, from 11:30 a.m. -12:45 p.m.

SCHEDULE FOR SJA HOME SOCCER GAMES

Boys: Sept. 22nd – 3:45; Oct. 6th – 3:00; Oct. 13th – 3:30; Oct. 15th – 4:15; Oct. 20th – 3:00; Oct. 22nd – 4:15; Oct. 27th – 3:30; Oct. 29th – 3:00

Girls: Oct. 1 – 3:30; Oct. 13th – 3:30; Oct. 15th – 3:15; Oct. 28th – 3:00.

SJA GOLF TOURNAMENT ON NOVEMBER 2

The St. John Academy Golf Tournament this year will be on Monday, November 2 at the Army Navy Country Club, with half the proceeds going to support the Diocese of Arlington Priest Retirement Home.

INSTITUTE OF CATHOLIC CULTURE



Darwin's Black Box: The Case for Creation

Prof. Michael J. Behe, Ph.D.
Sunday, October 4 @ 6:00 p.m. *Dinner included*
lecture to begin @ 7:00 p.m. No RSVP required.
St. Agnes Church Hall
1910 North Randolph Street, Arlington, VA 22207

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

SUNDAY YOUTH NIGHT

Our Sunday night youth gatherings continue their regular schedule this evening with a Bible Study on *The Acts of the Apostles* from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. followed by activities until 8:30 p.m. Teens are welcome to come for one or both parts of the night. Dinner is included though a \$5.00 donation is appreciated to help offset food cost. Each year, we are required to show a video to the teens to raise awareness of sex predators or sex trafficking. Next Sunday we will be showing a video created by the Fairfax County Public Schools that explains the scope and dangers of Teen Sex Trafficking, particularly in the Northern VA area. Parents may opt out of this video by completing the opt-out form online on the Parish Website or through the weekly email and return it to Kevin Corcoran. If you wish to screen the video in advance, the link may be provided to you. This will take place after the Bible Study during scheduled activity time.

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

Our next meeting will be Thurs., Oct. 8th 7:00 p.m. to 9 p.m. Please bring your Bible and meet in the Youth Corner.

MISSIONARIES OF CHARITY MONTHLY TRIP

Our first monthly trip to assist in the Missionaries of Charity Soup Kitchen is on Sat., Oct. 10th. Please meet at 7:45 a.m. and bring money for lunch. We'll return by 12:30 p.m. Seats are limited so please let me know if you wish to attend. Permission form is required and may be obtained through the weekly email or download from parish website.

CONFITEOR CLASSES

Freshmen and Sophomore aged students are welcome to attend the Confiteor Classes on Thursday nights 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Adult Ed Room. Fr. Pollard, Br. John Sica and Br. Joachim Kenney are teaching.

RCIA CLASSES

Juniors and Seniors are welcome to audit RCIA classes on Monday nights from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. starting on September 14th. Classes are held in the Adult Ed Room.

Upcoming Topics are:

Oct. 5: The Act of Faith & The Sources of Revelation

Oct. 12: Columbus Day, No Class.

WEDNESDAY HOLY HOUR

Every Wednesday. Holy Hour from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Guys and girls prayer groups from 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

EVENING REFLECTIONS FOR WOMEN

*Sponsored by
St. John the Beloved Women's Council
2015-16 Series*

*"Mercy to Evangelization...
A Gift of Love from the Father"*

This Monday, October 5, 2015

***"Rich in Mercy, God's Mercy
Throughout the Ages"***

by: Fr. Christopher Pollard

7:00 p.m. Social
7:30 p.m. Talk in the Parish Hall

RSVP to: womenseveningsofreflection@gmail.com

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

† **Col. John F. McMahon** †

† **Ralph Smith** †
(beloved father of Susie Mea)

DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON

**MASS SERVICE FOR HEALING
FOR VICTIMS/SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ABUSE
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15**

In 2005, the Diocese of Arlington began a series of Mass Services for victims/survivors of sexual abuse celebrated by Bishop Paul Loverde. The Mass service will focus on praying for those persons who are survivors of sexual abuse. There will be a light reception following the Mass. The next Mass for healing will be on Thursday, October 15 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Luke Catholic Church, 7001 Georgetown Pike, McLean, VA. 22101

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
WEEKEND RETREATS**

"The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart." Let your marriage be filled with joy. Deepen your communication, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are on 9-11 October in Norfolk, VA or 13-15 November in Herndon, VA. For more information visit website at renewmarriage-vanorth.org or 703-378-150.

THE STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH

"Religious liberty, by its nature, transcends places of worship and the private sphere of individuals and families. Our various religious traditions... remind us of the transcendent dimension of human existence and our irreducible freedom in the face of every claim to absolute power. We need but look at history, especially the history of the last century, to see the atrocities perpetrated by systems which claimed to build one or another "earthly paradise" by dominating peoples, subjecting them to apparently indisputable principles and denying them any kind of rights."

Pope Francis
Independence National Historical Park, Philadelphia

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Carmel Broadfoot	Andrew Katson
Salvatore Calabro	Paul Kemp
John Paul Charles Carver	Dorothy Kottler
Virginia Connelly	Jay LaMonica
Sheila Corallo	Sharon LeMaster
Antonio Castro	Pat Malloy
Lastenia Cortavarria	Sue Malone
Edward Cotter	Carmella Manetti
Mary Jane DeCorps	Patrick McDonough
Richard DeCorps	Marilyn McNemar
William Dunne	Diana Meisel
Joe Elias	Bonnie Moran
Sandra Elias	Veronica Nowakowski
Francesca Greco	Mary O'Bryan
Fran Green	Anita Oliveira
Paul Griffith	Briner Orillo
Gayle Grinstead	Maureen O'Toole
Matthew Grinstead	Mary Pistorino Reilly
Edward M. Hallinan III	Patricia Richer
Helen Hargenrader	Shelby Rogers
Emily Hazlett	Kathleen Scully
Agnes Henley	Merle Shannon
David Johnson	Carolyn Steinhoff
Mark Johnson	Bill Sullivan
Lars Jorgensen	Mary Warchot
	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...

Michael Black	Michael Shipley
Harry Griffith	Kimberley Templar
Bill Jones	Michael Templar
Richard Kazunas	Jesus Toledanes
Brendan Murphy	Justin White
Lynn Partik	Nicholas Galvan