

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 2

Weekday

6:30 Fr. John Debicki
 9:00 Niko Kirka †
 8:00 Wayne Ballard †

Tuesday, September 3

St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

6:30 Avelino Y. Tanedo †
 9:00 Mary Jones Strickland †

Wednesday, September 4

Weekday

6:30 George M. Johnson
 9:00 Dale Garner †

Thursday, September 5

St. Teresa of Calcutta

6:30 Merita McCormack
 9:00 Harold & Frances Bockhorn †

Friday, September 6

Weekday

6:30 Roger Pincus †
 9:00 Katherine Sanders

Saturday, September 7

Weekday, BVM

8:15 Bill Hottinger †
 5:00 Jan Koszulinski †

Sunday, September 8

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 John Beatty Family
 9:00 Lucas & Harrington Families
 10:30 People of the Parish
 12:00 Jothimonie Nowell Chelliah †

OFFICE CLOSED ON MONDAY
 LABOR DAY

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

† JOSEPH CASTELLANO †
 † ROBERT RAYMOND †

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS
 FOR SEPTEMBER 2019

The Protection of the Oceans

That politicians, scientists and economists work
 together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

IN TESTIMONIUM...

1 September 2019

"Cardinal Pell to appeal to Australian High Court"

The labor of Ed Condon, DC Bureau Chief at *Catholic News Agency*, is worth quoting in part:

Cardinal George Pell will appeal his conviction to the Australian High Court, following the decision last week by the Court of Appeal in Victoria to uphold his conviction for child sexual abuse.

Sources close to the cardinal told CNA Aug. 26 that Pell would be exercising his final appeal and that, while the majority of "special leave to appeal" cases were not granted by the High Court, his case would likely be accepted given the controversy triggered by the split decision of the Appeal Court judgement.

In seeking to take his case to the High Court in Canberra, Australia's supreme court, Pell will be exercising his last legal avenue to overturn a conviction which has divided opinion in the country and internationally....

Pell's appeal was presented on three grounds, two of which were procedural and dismissed by all three appeal judges. The judges were divided on Pell's primary ground of appeal, that the decision of the jury was "unreasonable." At particular issue was the question of whether the jury which convicted Pell had properly weighed all of the evidence presented in his defense, or reached the determination of guilt despite the demonstration of clear "reasonable doubt" that he committed the crimes with which he was charged.

Chief Justice Anne Ferguson and Court President Chris Maxwell formed the majority in favor of rejecting Pell's appeal that the jury verdict was unreasonable on the evidence presented, finding that it was open to the jury to find beyond "reasonable doubt about the truth of the complainant's account."

In an extensive dissent from the majority finding, Justice Mark Weinberg noted that the entirety of the evidence against Pell consisted of the testimony of a single accuser, whereas more than 20 witnesses were produced to testify against his narrative. "Even the 'reasonable possibility' that what the witnesses who testified to these matters may have been true must inevitably have led to an acquittal," Weinberg wrote, concluding that Pell had, in effect, been asked to establish the "impossibility" of his guilt and not merely reasonable doubt. All three judges granted further leave to appeal on the ground of the unreasonableness of the jury's conviction.

Pray for the Church in Australia!

Fr. Christopher J. Pollard

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."
 (Heb 13,8)

ST. JOHN THE BELOVED

Youth & Family Pilgrimage to Rome!

APRIL 13-20, 2020



- Youth ages 10 and up - must be accompanied by a parent
- Cost: \$2000/person (includes all except meals)
- Trip includes a day trip to Assisi, tours of St. Peter's and the Colosseum, public Audience with Pope Francis, and much more!
- Only 20 spots available, Reserve your family's spot soon!

Contact:

Michael - mjacobeen@stjohncatholicmclean.org OR

Fr. Melmer - JMelmer@stjohncatholicmclean.org

PALLIATIVE CARE: APPROACHING CHRONIC AND TERMINAL ILLNESS WITH A PRO-LIFE HEART

Saturday, September 7, 2019 at Church of the Nativity, Burke. Learn what true palliative care is and what your parish family can do to help care for those with chronic illness or the terminally ill. The keynote will be delivered by M.C. Sullivan, who is a nurse-bioethicist-attorney. She is also Chief Healthcare Ethicist., Director of the Initiative for Palliative Care and Advance Care Planning for the Archdiocese of Boston. She created and currently implements a program of education, ethics and advocacy to improve the care of the seriously ill and dying. The conference will begin with 8 am Mass. The public portion of the program is from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Our choirs are centered on the spiritual and musical formation of the youth! Please contact our Director of Music, James Senson if your son or daughter is interested in singing the Mass. JSenson@StJohnCatholicMcLean.org,

Choir of Our Lady of Ephesus

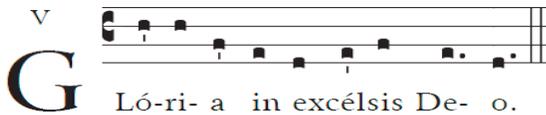
A schola of girls from 7th-12th grade that rehearses every Sunday morning 9:15a.m.-10:20 a.m. and sing twice a month for the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

St. Benedict Cantorum

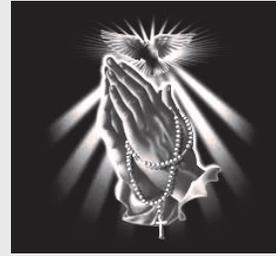
A choir of devout Catholic men invites all young men grades 5 and up to join the SBC to sing on the first Sunday of each month for the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The rehearsal is the Thursday before the first Sunday of the month, from 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

The Beloved Choir

Open to all youth grades 3-8 (public, private, homeschool), sings for the 9:00 a.m. Mass on the third Sunday of the month as well as special feasts and solemnities during the week. Rehearsals are every Thursday 2:45p.m.-3:30 p.m. and Sundays before the Mass.



PRO-LIFE PRAYER CHALLENGE



Prayer is the foundation of all that we do in defense of human life.

GLORIOUS MYSTERIES
PLEASE PRAY THE ROSARY TODAY!

Resurrection of Our Lord: Let us pray for the strengthening of communion in the body of Christ and greater collaboration of all pro-life efforts throughout the world.

Ascension of Our Lord: Let us pray that the truth of the humanity of the unborn child will be revealed to all people, through Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Descent of the Holy Spirit: Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will enlighten and strengthen members of the courts and legislatures to protect the right to life from conception to natural death.

Assumption of the Blessed Mother into Heaven: Let us pray that mothers, fathers and their families will accept responsibility towards their precious infants and each other!

The Coronation of Our Blessed Mother as Queen of Heaven: Let us pray that the right to life of all human beings is respected and that all may attain the heavenly goals for which they were created.

Attention Pro-life voters!

Sunday, September 8 and Sunday, September 29 we will have a table set up in front of the school after the 9am and 10:30 am Masses for voter registration.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
September 1	September 2	September 3	September 4	September 5	September 6	September 7
7:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass Noon Latin Mass 3:30pm Vespers 4:00pm Rosary to end abortion	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED 7:30pm Legion 8:00pm Latin Mass 8:30pm Futsol	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 8:00pm Hoops	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass ADORATION 9:30am—7:30pm Confessions Hourly 10:00am—6:00pm 7:00pm Holy Hour	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass Pray at the Falls Church Abortion Center 7am-7pm	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass FIRST FRIDAY 	8:15am Mass 9:00 m Confessions FIRST SATURDAY  3:30pm Confessions 5:00pm Mass

ST. JOHN SENIORS' CLUB

OUR FIRST SENIORS' CLUB GATHERING OF THE NEW SEASON

WHAT: Mass at 11:30 for those who wish to attend, followed by Luncheon & Talk at 12:00 in the school auditorium.

WHEN: Monday, 16 September

WHO: Ms. Wyleng Liew, from the Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department

TOPIC: Ms. Liew will discuss a broad range of fire prevention and safety issues that you and your family would want to be aware of, the services available to support you, as well as the actions you should take when facing fire, rescue or medical emergencies. Please join us for a great luncheon and learn about this vital, life-saving information that could make all the difference in your life.

RSVP: Sign up on the sheet in the Parish Office or call the Parish Office at 703.356.7916.

DUE BY: Friday, 13 September. Those who arrive without reservations are welcome, but unfortunately, we cannot offer them lunch.

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$15.00 at the door. For further information or if you would like a ride, please call Phil at 703.356.9788.

ST. JOHN ACADEMY

EXTENDED DAY NEEDS YOU!

Are you looking for a few hours of work each day? Do you enjoy working with children? Extended Day needs an aide (18 or older) to work with the children in Pre-K and Preschool Monday through Friday from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Perfect for college students or anyone needing a few extra dollars to round out their budget. Please call the school if interested at 703-356-7554.

WANTED: A FEW GOOD CCD TEACHERS

The St. John the Beloved Religious Education Office is still looking for enthusiastic, well-formed catechists for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year. If you have experience teaching children and are excited about passing on the Catholic Faith, please contact Mrs. Laura Gomes at 703-356-5275 or email lgomes@stjohncatholicmclean.org. We are looking specifically for a head First grade teacher for Monday afternoon and on Tuesday evenings, head teachers in the Fourth and Fifth grades. God bless you for your time, talent and generosity!

FALL YOUTH MINISTRY ACTIVITIES BEGINNING SOON!

GAMES AND THE GOSPEL

- 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month from 7:00-8:30
- All 9th-12th graders invited
- Play fun games with friends and then reflect on the next Sunday's Gospel reading together

SUNDAY YOUTH NIGHTS

- 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month
- Optional dinner from 6:30-7:00pm, Youth Night activities from 7:00-8:30.
- All youth in 7th-12th grades invited

SWING DANCE NIGHTS

- Monthly on Friday evenings, dates TBD

I hope that you can fit these things in, thanks!

In Christ,

Michael Jacobeen
Director of Youth Ministry
St. John the Beloved Catholic Church



**SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL
SEPTEMBER 28
SATURDAY @ 6PM**

Please mark your calendars and plan to join the parish for the Annual Fall Festival. You can look forward to the same delicious food and fun activities. Please consider getting involved this year with planning or volunteering in any way. If you are interested please contact Lloyd Miller at 2leathernecks@googlemail.com. In any event, plan to join us for this annual St. John tradition and meet other parishioners and make new friends.

JOIN THE FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY TEAM

Did you know that the 'no-show' rate can go up by 70% when there are people peacefully praying outside an abortion facility? Please join the prayer team every First Saturday to pray the rosary at 10:30 am at the Falls Church abortion facility. The next First Saturday is September 7. The facility is located at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA 22046 For inquiries, contact Amy McNerny at (703) 841-3817 or respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org

IN THE DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON

EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND

For the first time ever the Arlington Diocese will have 50 seminarians studying for the priesthood!



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 \$45,000 per seminarian. Please give generously! To donate, make checks payable to: "Foundation for the CDA – SEEF."

Mail to: The Foundation, 200 N. Glebe Road, Suite 811, Arlington, VA 22203. Contact Gretchen Koch at g.koch@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-3819 with questions.

Donate online at: www.arlingtondiocese.org/donate_SEEF.

FARM GLEANING WITH THE ST. LUCY PROJECT

Commissioned by Christ (www.commissionedbychrist.org) is joining Catholic Charities of Arlington's St. Lucy Project to glean crops at Parker Farms on the northern neck of Virginia through a series of One Day Mission trips. These one-day farm gleaning mission trips are great family events, an opportunity to help feed the hungry (a corporal work of mercy), and a great service project for church groups, bible studies, book clubs and confirmation students. One day mission trips are scheduled for September 7, October 5, or November 2, 2019. Each mission trip is scheduled to start at 9 a.m. and end no later than 3 p.m. These crops have been donated by farmers and will be transported back to the St. Lucy Project warehouse and distributed to local, hungry residents within 48 hours of picking the produce. To sign up for any of the five mission trips visit www.commissionedbychrist.org and click on "Get Involved". For more information contact CBC Farm Gleaning Mission Trip Volunteer Coordinator – Tom Pedagno at tcp167@verizon.net

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you." LUKE 14:13 -14

We have a difficult time with the concept of giving without expecting something in return. Even when we give to charity we often want something in return – a raffle ticket, a dinner, a chance to play golf or our name in print. Yet, as Christian stewards, we need to remember that the true reward for our giving awaits us in heaven.

**DON'T MISS MASS THIS SUMMER
WHILE ON VACATION!
MASSTIMES.ORG**

THE STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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| Rhena Beckmann Fuchs | Sharon LeMaster |
| Carmel Broadfoot | Sue Malone |
| Salvatore Calabro | Carmella Manetti |
| John Cartelli | Cristina Marques |
| Virginia Connelly | Diana Meisel |
| Victoria Grace Czarniecki | Bonnie Moran |
| Richard DeCorps | Veronica Nowakowski |
| Tara Flanagan-Koenig | Anita Oliveira |
| Lucas & Earlene Gallegos | Briner Orillo |
| Susan Glover | Mary Pistorino Reilly |
| Francesca Greco | Patricia Richer |
| Paul Griffith | Shelby Rogers |
| Edward M. Hallinan III | Thomas Rosa |
| Mildred Hallinan | Avery Schaeffer |
| Jack Halpin | Merle Shannon |
| Arnold L. Harrington III | Gloribeth Smith |
| Colleen Hodgdon | Daniel Stadelmann |
| David Johnson | Carolyn Steinhoff |
| Mark Johnson | Bill Sullivan |
| Christopher Katz | Mary Warchot |
| Dorothy Kottler | Marie Wysolmerski |

*May God bless and protect our loved ones
in the military and civil service
who are serving these United States
in dangerous places, especially...*

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| Robert Ayala | Lynn Partik |
| Jonathan Choo | Jamie Robinson |
| Nick Fogle | Michael Shipley |
| Nicholas Galvan | Kimberley Templer |
| Harry Griffith | Michael Templer |
| Bill Jones | Jesus Toledanes |
| Elisabeth Maddrell | Justin White |
| Brendan Murphy | Donald Yamamoto |