MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, June 24

Nativity of St. John the Baptist

- 6:30 Father's Day Novena
- 9:00 Monica Berce de Guasp
- 8:00 Lynn R. Shaffer †

Tuesday, June 25

Weekday

- 6:30 Ann Thunder
- 9:00 Rev. John H. Melmer

Wednesday, June 26

Weekday

- 6:30 Lorenzo & Elide Manini †
- 9:00 William Meisel †

Thursday, June 27

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

- 6:30 Mary Rita Paskell †
- 9:00 Rev. Janusz Mocarski

Friday, June 28

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

- 6:30 John Paul Finder †
- 9:00 Susan Buonocore †

Saturday, June 29

Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

- 8:15 James & Ann Thunder
- 5:00 Foqi Skendi †

Sunday, June 30

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 Kathy Kuhlow †
- 9:00 William Meisel †
- 10:30 People of the Parish
- 12:00 John D. Kim †

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

† ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED †

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HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

FOR JUNE 2019

Evangelization—**Priests**

That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are the most poor.

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IN TESTIMONIUM...

23 June 2019

Would that everyone knew contraception to be an offense against God and woman. I am not saying simply that I wish everyone knew *that* the Church teaches that contraception is evil. Most people who care about the teaching of the Church already do know that. Right? In 1968 Pope St. Paul VI provoked a reaction that has yet to relent when he taught in *Humanae Vitae*:

"Therefore We base Our words on the first principles of a human and Christian doctrine of marriage when We are obliged once more to declare that the direct interruption of the generative process already begun and, above all, all direct abortion, even for therapeutic reasons, are to be absolutely excluded as lawful means of regulating the number of children. Equally to be condemned, as the magisterium of the Church has affirmed on many occasions, is direct sterilization, whether of the man or of the woman, whether permanent or temporary.

"Similarly excluded is any action which either before, at the moment of, or after sexual intercourse, is specifically intended to prevent procreation—whether as an end or as a means."

The *Catechism* of Pope St. John Paul II repeats the same dogma of the Church with very different footnotes.

<u>CCC 1652</u> "By its very nature the institution of marriage and married love is ordered to the procreation and education of the offspring and it is in them that it finds its crowning glory

Children are the supreme gift of marriage and contribute greatly to the good of the parents themselves. God himself said: "It is not good that man should be alone," and "from the beginning [he] made them male and female"; wishing to associate them in a special way in his own creative work, God blessed man and woman with the words: "Be fruitful and multiply." Hence, true married love and the whole structure of family life which results from it, without diminishment of the other ends of marriage, are directed to disposing the spouses to cooperate valiantly with the love of the Creator and Savior, who through them will increase and enrich his family from day to day.

Believers need to understood *why* this is true and why, therefore, the Church teaches it. Are married couples required to have as many children as possible? No. Are married couples required to try to conceive? No. Married couples are bound, however, to ensure that their intimacy is a real and complete consummation of the vows spoken at their wedding. The intimacy of married couples is thereby always the renewal of their wedding vows.

God bless every marriage and every family! Abundantly!

Fr. Christopher J. Pollard

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

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST



SUMMER YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

DISCIPLESHIP NIGHTS:

Mondays from 6:30-8:00pm (July 1 – Aug 12) Rising 9th-12th graders invited Snacks, games, and discovering how to know Christ as a friend

SPORTS NIGHTS:

Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00pm (July 3 – Aug 14) Rising 7th grade and up Short talk, opportunity for Confession, and outdoor or indoor sports

DIOCESAN KINGS DOMINION DAY (FRIDAY, JULY 26) Rising 7th grade and up (Families welcome to join us) \$36/person

SWING DANCING AT GLEN ECHO PARK Saturday July 27, 7:30 – 11:00pm Live band, beginner lesson, and free dance Rising 9th grade and up

DC UNITED GAME

August 4, game begins at 7:30pm Rising 7th-12th graders, families welcome to join \$25/ticket

PRO-LIFE PRAYER CHALLENGE

During this month when we honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus, PLEASE PRAY for the repentance and conversion of those who perform abortions, staff or own abortion centers or in any way support or profit from the willful destruction of babies in the womb.

O SACRED HEART OF JESUS, By Thy Pierced Heart, save us! Make our hearts one with Thine, that Thy will may be our will, And Thy divine love, our love. That we may make reparation for Our sins, thus to spare a willful, sinful world from the wrath of Thy justice._Our world that has defied Thy laws, mocked Thy love And taken unto itself strange gods. O Sacred Heart of Jesus, We adore Thee, We love Thee, We praise Thee. In this hour of Dreadful need, we implore Thee dear Jesus—save us!

~Cardinal Spellman

THE ST. JOHN CHALLENGE

The youth ministry leaders of St. John challenge all of the youth in the parish to follow Christ this summer through daily prayer. Start with #1, and once that's easy, begin adding #2 and #3. If we want to really *know* Christ, we must talk to him and spend time with him! Take the St. John Challenge and see how it transforms your friendship with Christ and your life!

THE ST. JOHN YOUTH CHALLENGE

In addition to Sunday Mass and frequent Confession:

1.) Begin every day with morning prayers.

- 2.) Pray night prayers every night before bed.
- 3.) Each day, do one of the following spiritual practices:



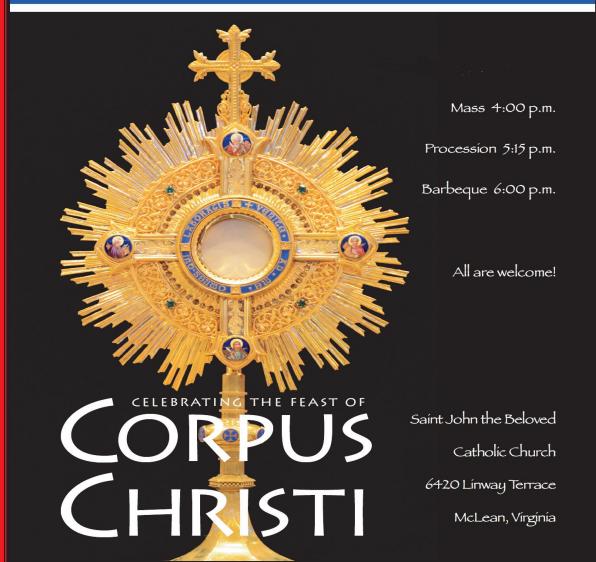
PRO-LIFE SUMMER SEMINAR

Terry Beatley has returned to St. Raymond of Peñafort Catholic Church for A Summer Seminar, and there are two dates left! Save these Thursday evenings from 7-9 p.m.: July 25, and August 22, 2019. This is a follow-up to her February presentation and an action plan for how we can counter the founders of NARAL's (National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League) infiltration of the Catholic Church to plot the destruction of America's historical protection of unborn life. Join us. This is everyone's concern! You can make a difference – for life! For more information contact the Respect Life Office at (703) 841-2550.

June 23, 2019

SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2019

COME BEAR WITNESS TO THE TRUTH



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
June 23	June 24	June 25	June 26	June 27	June 28	June 29
7:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass Noon Latin Mass Corpus Christi 4:00 pm Mass 5:15 Procession	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 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	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass Pray at the Falls Church Abortion Center 7am-7pm	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass	8:15am Mass 9:00 m Confessions 3:30pm Confessions 5:00pm Mass

FROM THE SEMINARIAN...

Dear parishioners of St. John the Beloved,

What's your favorite book of the Bible? If you asked me this question I might tell you the Book of Ruth, because it tells a complete story in a mere 4 chapters. Or I might tell you the Book of Judith, because it's a pretty amazing story about God saving His people.

Both books feature awesome women from the Old Testament. Ruth is a story about an Israelite widow, Naomi, living in the land

of Moab, who decides to return to her native country after the death of her husband and 2 sons. She sends her Moabite daughters-in-law away to their own families, but while one leaves readily, the other, named Ruth, refuses to leave her. "Your people shall be my people, and your God shall be my God," says Ruth famously. When the two widows return to the land of Israel, their needs are provided for by a generous and wealthy man of Naomi's tribe, and Ruth boldly comes forward to remind him of his duty to marry in the place of her own deceased husband. In the end, she becomes the great-grandmother of King David.

Judith, meanwhile, is a stupendous tale of a woman rescuing her people from the grip of their enemy. Holofernes, the Assyrian general, has been sent to conquer all nations, and has been successful in his conquests as he arrives at the land of Judea. The Israelites are recently returned from exile, and find themselves under siege at the mountain pass of Bethulia, their last line of defense into the land. After many days they begin to consider surrender, but then Judith, a widow and holy woman, reprimands them and reminds them to trust in the Lord. She then goes into the camp of the Assyrians, where she charms Holofernes and the whole camp with her beauty. After winning their trust, she enters the tent of Holofernes, beheads him in his sleep, and returns to Bethulia where she rouses the people into battle against the Assyrians, utterly destroying them in the process. Thus of Judith it is said, "You are the highest honor of our race."

Not only are these interesting stories, but they tell of how God raises the lowly and uses them in his plan of salvation. In particular, these stories point to our Blessed Mother Mary, from whom is born the Christ Child, and who crushes the head of Satan.

SAVE THE DATE FOR BIBLE STUDY

There will be a Bible Study again this summer which will take place the fourth week

of July. The classes will occur Monday through Friday with identical classes offered morning



and evening each day. The morning classes will be from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and the evening classes from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

SUMMER INQUIRY CLASS

Please join our seminarian, Kevin Kelly, this summer for four consecutive inquiry classes which will take place on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the Adult Ed room. The dates are July 13, 20, 27, and August 3.

Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. Please come and expand your knowledge of the Faith, get to know Kevin and meet your fellow parishioners. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Check out Symbolon—Know Your Faith series on Formed.org before the class begins. Remember, the password for St. John's account is X8DEVW.

REGISTER FOR FALL 2019 CCD

Planning for the 2019/2020 CCD school year is well underway. St. John's Religious Education Office is considering how many teachers will be needed for our Pre -K – 8th Grade programs. To insure accurate planning for this coming Fall, CCD Registration forms for the 2019/2020 School Year have been emailed to all returning families. 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, 2019.

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. If you have any questions, or need information, please contact Kathleen Johnson at 703-356-5275 or email kmj@stjohncatholicmclean.org.

LOVE YOUR FAITH? TEACH CCD!

The St. John Religious Education Office is looking for enthusiastic, well-formed catechists and aides for the 2019/2020 school year. If you enjoy working with children and are excited about passing on the Catholic Faith, please call Laura Gomes at 703-356-5275 or email her at <u>lgomes@stjohncatholicmclean.org</u>. God bless you for your generous response.

-Kevin Kelly, Jr.

IN THE DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON

ATTENTION CLASS OF 2019

This summer, the Associates of St. John Bosco will be hosting College Nights throughout the Arlington Diocese for graduated high-schoolers



headed to college in the fall. The dates and locations are as follows. All events begin at 7PM and go until around 9PM:

July 1, 2019: All Saints, Manassas. July 17, 2019: Basilica of St. Mary, Alexandria.

The purpose of these **free** events is to **help students keep** their faith while transitioning into college. Catholic college students from George Mason, Mary Washington, UVA, Virginia Tech, William & Mary and others will be in attendance to meet students and share their experiences of being a Catholic college student. It's a wonderful chance to meet peers going to your school before even stepping foot onto campus! Free dinner with registration and the chance to win door prizes! Student registration can be found by visiting this link: www.asjb.org.

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

"They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets." (LUKE 9:17) The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when we share what we have, even if it doesn't seem like that much, miracles can happen! Do not think that your gift is too small or insignificant! God blesses all the gifts we offer and makes them wondrous.

ALTAR BOY APPRECIATION

To show our appreciation for everything the altar boys do to assist at St. John the Beloved, the priests of the parish would like to invite you all to the following summer events. Please respond by emailing Father at fr.pollard@stjohncatholicmclean.org, with a copy to kkelly@stjohncatholicmclean.org.

ALTAR BOY TRIP TO THE RODEO

Let's go see a rodeo! We'll plan on meeting at St. John's around 2pm on Saturday, July 13th, and drive down from there to Oakland Heights Farm in Gordonsville to see the show, including dinner ahead of time.

We need drivers and chaperones for this event, so please let us know via email how many plan on coming and whether you plan on driving (and how much space you have, if so).

ANNUAL ALTAR SERVER EVENT

The Vocations Office is revamping the annual altar server picnic, so stay tuned for more details on this new event. Fr. Isenberg is planning on making the day a competitive and fun event, so please keep Tuesday, July 30 free on your calendar!

THE STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH



Colorado Baker Jack Phillips is back in court. He prevailed last year in federal court in a similar case but is being sued in state court for refusing to make a birthday cake for a previous plaintiff who requested colors on a cake signifying the customer's transgender identity. The Christian baker refused.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Carmel Broadfoot Salvatore Calabro John Cartelli Virginia Connelly Victoria Grace Czarniecki Richard DeCorps Joe Elias Tara Flanagan-Koenig Susan Glover Francesca Greco Paul Griffith Edward M. Hallinan III Mildred Hallinan Jack Halpin Arnold L. Harrington III Colleen Hodgdon David Johnson Mark Johnson Christopher Katz Dorothy Kottler Sharon LeMaster

Sue Malone Carmella Manetti Cristina Margues Diana Meisel Bonnie Moran Veronica Nowakowski Anita Oliveira Briner Orillo Carol Purcell Mary Pistorino Reilly Patricia Richer Shelby Rogers Thomas Rosa Avery Schaeffer Merle Shannon **Gloribeth Smith** Daniel Stadelmann Carolyn Steinhoff Bill Sullivan Mary Warchot 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...

Robert Avala Jonathan Choo Nick Fogle Nicholas Galvan Harry Griffith Bill Jones Brendan Murphy

Lvnn Partik Jamie Robinson Michael Shipley Kimberley Templer Michael Templer Jesus Toledanes Justin White **Donald Yamamoto**