

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 7

Weekday

- 6:30 Madeleine Suttie
 9:00 Amado Q. Aleta †
 8:00 Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, September 8

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 6:30 Dolores Lennon †
 9:00 MA. Corazon Aleta †

Wednesday, September 9

St. Peter Claver, Priest

- 6:30 David Beach †
 9:00 David L. Beach †

Thursday, September 10

Weekday

- 6:30 Bill Hough †
 9:00 Gilberth Go Lim †

Friday, September 11

Weekday

- 6:30 Florencia Rengifo †
 9:00 Dorothea and Edward McGarry †

Saturday, September 12

The Most Holy Name of Mary

- 8:15 Kay Crnkovich †
 5:00 Andrew Mansinne, Jr. †

Sunday, September 13

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 Alexa Frisbie
 9:00 June Nage †
 10:30 People of the Parish
 12:00 James P. Gordon †

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

- † CAROLANN KELLY †
 † ALICIA CATAQUIZ †
 † WILLIAM GANZERLA †
 † JAMES MCGRATH †

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

September—Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

In Testimonium...

9 September

Feast Day of St. Peter Claver

*"We must speak to them with our hands
 before we speak to them with our lips."*

from www.IgnatianSpirituality.com

St. Peter Claver, SJ, was a member of the Society of Jesus and is the patron of African missions and of interracial justice, due to his work with slaves in Colombia.

Peter Claver was born to a prosperous family in Verdu, Spain, and earned his first degree in Barcelona. He entered the Jesuits in 1601. When he was in Majorca studying philosophy, Claver was encouraged by Alphonsus Rodriguez, the saintly doorkeeper of the college, to go to the missions in America. Claver listened, and in 1610 he landed in Cartagena, Colombia. After completing his studies in Bogotá, Peter was ordained in Cartagena in 1616.

Cartagena was one of two ports where slaves from Africa arrived to be sold in South America. Between the years 1616 and 1650, Peter Claver worked daily to minister to the needs of the 10,000 slaves who arrived each year.

When a ship arrived, Peter first begged for fruits, biscuits, or sweets to bring to the slaves. He then went on board with translators to bring his gifts as well as his skills as a doctor and teacher. Claver entered the holds of the ships and would not leave until every person received a measure of care. Peter gave short instruction in the Catholic faith and baptized as many as he could. In this way he could prevail on the slave owners to give humane treatment to fellow Christians. Peter Claver baptized more than 300,000 slaves by 1651, when he was sickened by the plague.

In the last years of his life Peter was too ill to leave his room. The ex-slave who was hired to care for him treated him cruelly, not feeding him many days, and never bathing him. Claver never complained. He was convinced that he deserved this treatment.

In 1654 Peter was anointed with the oil of the Sacrament of the Sick. When Cartagenians heard the news, they crowded into his room to see him for the last time. They treated Peter Claver's room as a shrine, and stripped it of everything but his bedclothes for mementos. Claver died September 7, 1654.

St. Peter Claver and St. Alphonsus Rodriguez were canonized along with St. John Berchmans S.J. and the Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order on January 15, 1888.

St. Peter Claver, pray for us!

Fr. Christopher J. Pollard

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:34-35

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PUBLIC OUTDOOR ROSARIES

Come out and pray for the Peace of Christ, the conversion of sinners, and the triumph of the Immaculate Heart! Our nation is in need of your prayers and witness.

Every month from May to October, on the days of the Fatima apparitions, there are public rosaries and hymns prayed in the front parking lot of St John the Beloved. Start times are **10am, 12pm, 2pm, and 4pm.**

Next date is **Sunday, September 13.**

Questions? Contact Ann Thunder 703-472-7151

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS: Sports & Scripture

Join us Wednesday afternoons this summer for outdoor sports followed by pizza and a reflection on Sunday's Gospel.

When: Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30pm

Who: Rising 7th-12th graders

Where: We'll play sports outdoors on the field, and sit in the covered area at the school entrance for pizza and discussion.

Covid Safety: We will be outside the entire time, and chairs will be spaced for physical distancing for dinner and discussion.

*In the event of rain or lightning, this event will be cancelled.

VOTER REGISTRATION AVAILABLE AFTER ALL MASSES

Non-partisan Virginia Voter Registration will be available after all Masses the weekend of September 5th/6th at the outside entrance of St. John's Church under the red canopy tent. Registration forms are available on sanitized clipboards to allow for social distancing. There will be certified volunteers available to help you and to answer questions. Please stop by to register, update your registration address or name, or to have your questions answered. Applications also will be available in Vietnamese, Spanish & Korean. If you have any questions, or wish to volunteer, please contact Mary Brett at 202.341.7949 or dcmariesq@aol.com.

HELP A PARISHIONER

A young parishioner born in 1997 is in need of a kidney donor. If you are open to becoming a kidney donor, please visit the website for the MedStar Georgetown Transplant Institute: <https://mgti.donorscreen.org/register/donate-kidney>. The young man's name and date of birth, which will be needed for registration, can be provided by Fr. Pollard (fr.pollard@stjohncatholicmclean.org). Donors can be reimbursed for lost wages and other expenses. Since the recipient is 23 years old the preferred donor age is between 21 and 49. However, doctors are allowing older candidates to be tested since the finding of such a qualifying living donor could make available the needed transplant through the Paired Kidney Exchange.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT now DAILY at St. John!

Sundays 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
All Other Days 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
(Saturday Adoration suspended)

We need more adorers to commit to spending one hour a week with Our Lord. If we had but 12 more people, every time slot would be full. Would you sign up to be one of those 12?

Please prayerfully consider this incredible opportunity to spend an hour with Our Lord each week.

Email griffin@griffinnews.com or call the office at 703-356-7916 to sign up to be a weekly adorer and/or as a substitute adorer to fill in when needed.

“Could you not watch one hour with Me?”

Our Lord asks Peter, James and John.

He continues: “Watch and pray that you not enter into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

Matthew 26:40-42

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 6	SEPTEMBER 7	SEPTEMBER 8	SEPTEMBER 9	SEPTEMBER 10	SEPTEMBER 11	SEPTEMBER 12
7:30 am Mass 9:00 am Mass 10:30 am Mass Noon TLM 3:30pm Pro-Life Rosary	6:30 am Mass 9:00 am Mass also on Livestream 8:00 pm TLM Mass	6:30 am Mass 9:00 am Mass also on Livestream	6:30 am Mass 9:00 am Mass also on Livestream Confessions Hourly 10:00 am-7:00 pm	6:30 am Mass 9:00 am Mass also on Livestream	6:30 am Mass 9:00 am Mass also on Livestream	8:15 am Mass 8:45 confessions 3:30 pm confessions 5:00 pm Mass



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August 27, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Over the past several months we have seen a great deal of unrest in communities throughout our nation. While many people have protested peacefully against injustice, others unfortunately have turned to violence, rioting, and even looting. Most Americans of course simply desire peace in their communities.

Although legal and legislative efforts are essential in establishing the justice that brings peace, we also recognize that they are not enough. In such circumstances, Our Lord recommends to us, his disciples, the ancient practices of prayer and fasting (cf. Mk 9:29).

As such, I and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops invite you to join in observing *Wednesday, September 9, 2020 as a day of prayer and fasting for peace in our communities*. That day is the Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, whose ministry to the African slaves brought to the new world serves as a great example of how to bring the peace of Christ to others.

Be assured of my continued prayers for each of you. May Our Lord Jesus bless you and keep you in His care.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael F. Burbidge".

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ST. JOHN
RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION

2020-21 REGISTRATION

Out of concern and in compliance with the restrictions and regulations surrounding COVID19, Religious Education at St. John the Beloved will be delivered in two main parts this year.

PART I:

Students in grades 1 and 3-8 will be enrolled in the "Faith and Life" online program through MYCATHOLICFAITHDELIVERED and will be expected to complete the year by June 30, 2021. (If you would like a textbook in addition to the online program, please email the RE Office at mmills@stjohncatholicmclean.org.) Students in grade 2 will be enrolled in the "Spirit of Truth" digital edition (which includes a textbook) in preparation for reception of First Penance and First Holy Communion. A catechist will be assigned to each grade to track assignments, communicate with students/parents, and assist remotely as needed.

PART II:

"Evenings of Catechesis and Prayer" will be offered by our priests in the church for all students and their families (grades 1-8) each Tuesday and Thursday from 7PM-8PM. These are not mandatory, but we do hope you will come when you are both comfortable and able.

Additional Sacramental preparation and required Safe Environment Training will be offered through distance learning and in seminars throughout the year. Those dates and times are forthcoming.

Registration can be completed via the Google Form found on the Parish Website or by emailing a completed Registration form (also found on the Parish Website) to mmills@stjohncatholicmclean.org

REGISTRATION FEE for the 2020/2021 RE Year will be \$75.00 per student and can be paid online or by check to the Parish Office, attention Religious Ed.

A RE calendar will be distributed by the beginning of September.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Michael Jacobeen, mjacobeen@stjohncatholicmclean.org or Michelle Mills: mmills@stjohncatholicmclean.org

God bless you.

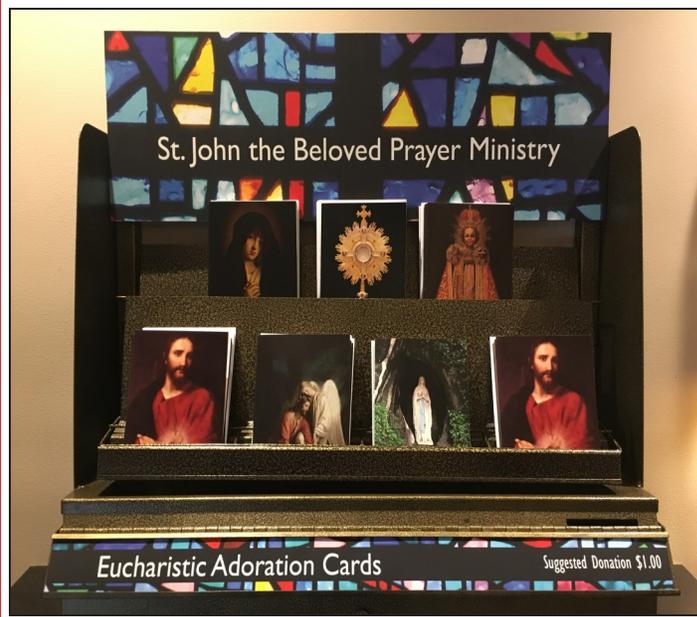
ADORATION

Our Lord would love to have your company for even just one hour. There are many slots open for adorers at Eucharistic Adoration. The church is never full during adoration so "social distancing" is not a concern. Jesus said to the apostles in the garden: "Could you not keep watch for one hour?" Our time is precious but God is more so!

Consider spending precious time with our Lord in prayer and offering that time for the need of a family member or friend. Let them know you were holding them up in prayer by sending a Eucharistic Adoration Card with the following notation:

*I have made a private Holy Hour before
the Blessed Sacrament for you
and for all the intentions which are dear
to your heart.*

Each card is designed with a beautiful image and meaningful prayer, appropriate to occasions of suffering and sorrow as well as peace and rejoicing.



THE WORD BOOKSTORE

The Word Bookstore will be reopening on **Sunday, September 13** after all masses. Please enter through the main church entrance. Visit us to purchase the Magnificat, Bibles, prayer books, holy cards, scapulars, crosses, rosaries, statues, numerous Children's books, Parenting and Marriage books, and several new release books. We have some great gift items too, including Sock Religious Socks. Cash/Credit/Checks accepted. We are also open by appointment. Email us at theword@stjohncatholicmclean.org with your inquiry. We look forward to serving you.



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FROM THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONS...

“Where two or three are gathered in My name ...”

The community that gathers in Christ needs leadership. Are you being called to discipleship as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Michael Isenberg (703) 841-2514, or write: michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

FROM THE OFFICE OF MARRIAGE, FAMILY & RESPECT LIFE...

RESPECT LIFE CONFERENCE

What do respect life outreach and advocacy look like in the “New Dominion” now that the laws passed in the Virginia General Assembly 2020 session have taken effect? Join us on September 12 at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Annandale for an assessment of current and potential threats to human life and dignity and suggestions for effective practical grassroots response. Mass will be offered at 8a.m. The program will be held in the gymnasium from 8:45a.m.-12:30p.m. Bishop Burbidge will offer opening prayer and comments. Keynote speaker is Victoria Cobb, President, Family Foundation. For more information and to register go to arlingtondiocese.org/RLC. Cost is \$10.

MASS FOR MARRIAGE JUBILARIANS

A Mass for those celebrating 25 and 50 years of marriage will be held at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington on October 4 at 2:30 p.m. Bishop Burbidge will be the principal celebrant and homilist. A light reception with an opportunity for a photograph with Bishop Burbidge will follow in Burke Hall. Please register through your parish no later than September 18 and if you cannot attend, the Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life will send you a certificate commemorating your marriage. If you have questions, please contact us at 703-841-2550.

CHRIST HOUSE THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Catholic Charities Christ House Thrift Shop volunteers are needed for regular shifts (three hours per week) on Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 1 p.m.-4 p.m.. Volunteers will provide assistance to shoppers and monitor the number of customers allowed to enter at one time. Contact aniliza.juan@ccda.net.

GIFTS FOR EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND (SEEF)

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, books, which total almost \$45,000 per seminarian. Questions or to donate, Contact Gretchen Koch at g.koch@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-3819 with questions.

STATE OF THE COMMON HEALTH



Please check the Virginia Department of Health website at www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/ for daily COVID-19 updates for the most current information on the virus in our area. Stay informed.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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| Patricia Ahern | Bonnie Moran |
| Frank Bohan | Veronica Nowakowski |
| Carmel Broadfoot | Anita Oliveira |
| John Cartelli | Emelinda Oliveira |
| Victoria Grace Czarniecki | John Peterson |
| Richard DeCorps | Mary Pistorino Reilly |
| Tara Flanagan-Koenig | Shelby Rogers |
| Alexa Frisbie | Thomas Rosa |
| Susan Glover | Murielle Rozier-Francoville |
| Francisca Grego | Avery Schaeffer |
| Arnold L. Harrington III | Merle Shannon |
| Colleen Hodgdon | Gloribeth Smith |
| David Johnson | Glenn Snyder |
| Mark Johnson | Carolyn Steinhoff |
| Christopher Katz | Bill Sullivan |
| Dorothy Kottler | Brian Turner |
| Sue Malone | Ana Vera |
| Carmella Manetti | Mary Warchot |
| Cristina Marques | Marie Wyslomerski |
| Richard Meade | |
| Diana Meisel | |

*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 | Michael Shipley |
| Jonathan Choo | Kimberley Templer |
| Nicholas Galvan | Michael Templer |
| Harry Griffith | Jesus Toledanes |
| Bill Jones | Justin White |
| Elisabeth Maddrell | Donald Yamamoto |
| Brendan Murphy | |
| Lynn Partik | |