Worship the Rord

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 26

Easter Weekday

6:30 Philip Lyscewyz

9:00 Henry John DiStefano

8:00 Mike Brady †

Tuesday, April 27

Easter Weekday

6:30 Rafael Perez Arbelaez †

9:00 John & Ruth McOscar †

Wednesday, April 28

St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr;

St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest

6:30 Antoinette Morelli †

9:00 Charles Wilton

Thursday, April 29

St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

6:30 Sean Rowan

9:00 Frederick F. Hafner †

Friday, April 30

St. Pius V, Pope

6:30 Sylvia Shen †

9:00 Eileen Kelly †

Saturday, May 1

St. Joseph the Worker

8:15 Andrew Mansinne, Jr. †

5:00 Monty Sommovigo †

Sunday, May 2

Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30 Dick De Corps †

9:00 Monty Sommovigo †

10:30 People of the Parish

12:00 Martha Strong

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

† MARY JEAN KENNEDY †

† ROSEMARY BURNS †

† LUKE MARSDEN †

† FRED RENNE †

† CATHY LEIDENHEIMER †

† ANTHONY D'ERMES †

† KRISTIN KAZYAK †

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Patricia Ahern Cristina Marques
Frank Bohan Richard Meade
Carmel Broadfoot Diana Meisel
John Cartelli Bonnie Moran

Edward Ciesielski Veronica Nowakowski

Victoria Grace Czarniecki Anita Oliveira Kerry Darby Emelinda Oliveira Tara Flanagan-Koenig John Peterson

Alexa Frisbie Mary Pistorino Reilly

Inés Garcia Robles Shelby Rogers Susan Glover Thomas Rosa

Francisca Grego Murielle Rozier-Francoville

Arnold L. Harrington III Avery Schaeffer Merle Shannon Colleen Hodgdon David Johnson Fred Sheridan Mark Johnson Gloribeth Smith Christopher Katz Glenn Snyder Margaret Kemp Bill Sullivan Dorothy Kottler Ana Vera Sue Malone Mary Warchot Carmella Manetti 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 Ayala
Jonathan Choo
Nicholas Galvan
Harry Griffith
Bill Jones
Elisabeth Maddrell
Brendan Murphy

Michael Shipley Kimberley Templer Michael Templer Jesus Toledanes Justin White Donald Yamamoto

AND HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

APRIL—FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

Rearn the Saith

In Testimonium...

25 April

From a homily on the Gospels by Saint Gregory the Great, pope (Hom. 14, 3-6: PL 76, 1129-1130) "Christ the good shepherd"

I am the good shepherd. I know my own—by which I mean, I love them—and my own know me. In plain words: those who love me are willing to follow me, for anyone who does not love the truth has not yet come to know it.

My dear brethren, you have heard the test we pastors have to undergo. Turn now to consider how these words of our Lord imply a test for yourselves also. Ask yourselves whether you belong to his flock, whether you know him, whether the light of his truth shines in your minds. I assure you that it is not by faith that you will come to know him, but by love; not by mere conviction, but by action. John the evangelist is my authority for this statement. He tells us that anyone who claims to know God without keeping his commandments is a liar.

Consequently, the Lord immediately adds: As the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. Clearly he means that laying down his life for his sheep gives evidence of his knowledge of the Father and the Father's knowledge of him. In other words, by the love with which he dies for his sheep he shows how greatly he loves his Father.

Again he says: My sheep hear my voice, and I know them; they follow me, and I give them eternal life. Shortly before this he had declared: If anyone enters the sheepfold through me he shall be saved; he shall go freely in and out and shall find good pasture. He will enter into a life of faith; from faith he will go out to vision, from belief to contemplation, and will graze in the good pastures of everlasting life. So our Lord's sheep will finally reach their grazing ground where all who follow him in simplicity of heart will feed on the green pastures of eternity. These pastures are the spiritual joys of heaven. There the elect look upon the face of God with unclouded vision and feast at the banquet of life for ever more.

Beloved brothers, let us set out for these pastures where we shall keep joyful festival with so many of our fellow citizens. May the thought of their happiness urge us on! Let us stir up our hearts, rekindle our faith, and long eagerly for what heaven has in store for us. To love thus is to be already on our way. No matter what obstacles we encounter, we must not allow them to turn us aside from the joy of that heavenly feast. Anyone who is determined to reach his destination is not deterred by the roughness of the road that leads to it. Nor must we allow the charm of success to seduce us, or we shall be like a foolish traveler who is so distracted by the pleasant meadows through which he is passing that he forgets where he is going.

We are His people, the sheep of His flock! Alleluia!

Rev. Christopher J. Pollard



2021 SUMMER CAMPS!

June 7-11 and June 14-18 SJBA will be hosting in person camps! Check our website, <u>StJohnAcademy.org</u>, for details, application and registration information. Space is limited per camp. For general information regarding summer camp, please contact the Summer Camp Director, Cristina Crowley at ccrowley@stjohnacademy.org.



OUTDOOR FAMILY MOVIE NIGHTS EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY 7:30-9:00 PM

Join us on the field to watch The Chosen, the first multiseason show of the life of Christ. Bring your own chairs or blankets, snacks will be available. We look forward to seeing you!

April 20 & 22 - Ep. 3: Jesus Loves the Little Children April 27 & 29 - Ep.4: The Rock on Which It Was Built

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ATTENTION PARENTS OF 2ND GRADERS

If you would like your child to receive First Confession and First Holy Communion in May 2021 please contact the Faith Formation Office as soon as possible.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

SPORTS & SCRIPTURE (Wednesdays, 4-6pm)

- 7тн —12тн graders welcome!
- Enjoy sports and pizza while getting to know Christ!

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHTS

- 1st and 3rd Sundays of every month, 7:00-8:30pm
- Encounter Christ while having fun with other Catholic youth

For more info, email: :mjacobeen@stjohncatholicmclean.org

Be an Apostle



IN THE DIOCESE

FROM THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER -- MAY 2, 2021

"Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action." Are you being called to love the Lord and His people as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Love demands truth and action. Contact Fr. Isenberg, (703) 841-2514 or michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

FROM THE OFFICE OF MARRIAGE, FAMILY & RESPECT LIFE

EXALT: AN EVENING OF WORSHIP

You are Invited to a Holy Hour for Conversion & Healing in Families. Join the Diocese of Arlington's Office of Marriage, Family & Respect Life and Young Adult Ministry on May 11, 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Fairfax. The evening includes: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, music provided by Kenny Kohlhaas and the Exalt band, and time for silent prayer. The intention is for healing in families, especially those wounded by abortion. learn more visitwww.arlingtondiocese.org/ healingandconversion. To access the Live Stream please visit the Diocese of Arlington Young Adult Ministry page: www.arlingtondiocese.org/young-adult-ministry/exalt--anevening-of-worship/ or go to the St. Leo YouTube Channel: https://youtu.be/gf61DH0Qk4M

MORNINGS OF MERCY FOR DIVORCED CATHOLICS

Join other members of the diocese who have gone through divorce in a series of morning retreats. The morning will include Holy Mass, talk, and Benediction. Retreats are led by Very Rev. Thomas P. Ferguson, Pastor, Good Shepherd Catholic Church. The retreats are free. Please use the RSVP link below to register. The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, June 26, 2021 at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Alexandria, VA from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Register at arlingtondiocese.org/morningsofmercy

OFFICE OF YOUTH, CAMPUS, & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

WorkCamp Service Projects

Diocesan WorkCamp 2021, June 20-24, to adapt to the COVID environment, will be held in smaller groupings throughout the Northern Virginia Area. The goal of WorkCamp is to provide the teens of the diocese with an opportunity to encounter Christ through service, faith, and fellowship. If you know of residents within your parish community in need of basic home-repair, you may refer them via our online form at www.arlingtondiocese.org/wcapply



In The Parish

St. John the Beloved Knights of Columbus

Beloved BBQ is Smokin' Again!

Buy a pound or two or ten of BBQ pulled pork for dinner and support St. John the Beloved parish and our Knights of Columbus! BBQ sales (\$15 per pound) after Masses on Saturday, May 1 and Sunday, May 2nd 'til it's sold out.

FOOD DRIVE TO SUPPORT ST. LUCY PROJECT

Next weekend American Heritage Girls will be conducting a Food Drive to support the St. Lucy Project, a Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington program. Almost 200,000 people in our diocese are food. As Christ said: "For when I was hungry, you gave Me something to eat; when I was thirsty you gave me something to drink..." Matt 25:35. Our brothers and sisters in Christ need help. Blue bags will be distributed this weekend after masses with a list of preferred food items. Please fill the bags with your food donations and return them on May 2. If you have any questions, please contact Catherine Deloye at hchickok@gmail.com.

THE WORD

Our book store is stocked with several new release books such as: *True Friendship* by John Cuddeback and *Consecration to St. Joseph* by Fr. Don Calloway, MIC. We have some excellent gifts for First Communicants and new Graduates, as well as greeting cards. The store is open after the 9:00, 10:30 and 12 masses. Please enter through the main church entrance. We ask that you respectfully *not* enter the vestibule until after the Communion service is finished. Cash/Credit/Checks accepted. We are also open by appointment. Email us at theword@stjohncatholicmclean.org with your inquiry and time to meet. We look forward to serving you.

CHRISTIANS OF BETHLEHEM OLIVE-WOOD CARVINGS

May 1st / 2nd there will be a display of beautiful olivewood handmade carvings from the Holy Land in our church. During this difficult time, Bethlehem is shut down: no tourism, no income. Carving olivewood now is the **only** source of income for the Catholic families who still living in the Holy Land. Christians in the Holy Land used to be more than **37%** of the population, now is less than **1%** because of the situation. As Christians of faith, it is our duty to support our brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. YOU can support them by purchasing some of these beautiful carvings after mass. For more information, please contact us at 202-302-5889 or visit www.BethlehemCarvings.org.

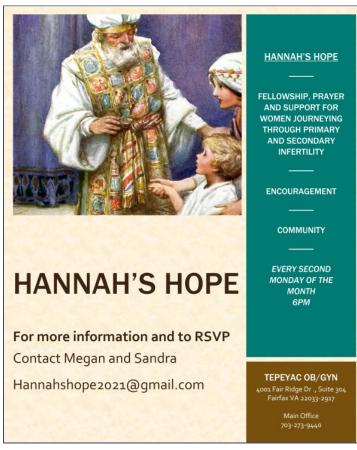


MARY AND THE LITURGICAL YEAR

CONCERT OF SACRED MUSIC

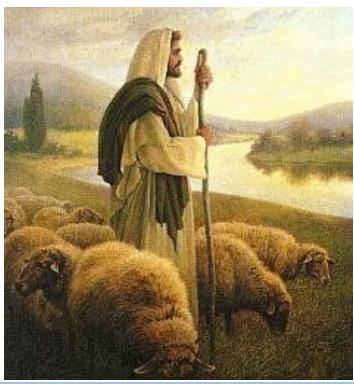
featuring Sacred Scripture, Gregorian Chant and Renaissance Motets of Palestrina, Victoria, Hassler sung by the Saint Gregory Choir

> Sunday, May 2, 4:30pm (after 4:00pm First Sunday Vespers)



BANDARAGE THEATER SHOW AUDITIONS &

Sing and dance to your favorite songs from many Broadway hits. Open to high school & college students with a Jr program for 7th & 8th grade. Rehearsals: 6/27: 2pm-5pm, 06/28-7/2: 8am-3pm July 5th-9th 8am-3pm + pevening dress rehearsals. Performances will be July 9-11th. Cost: \$350 (Jr & HighSchool), \$250 (college students). To audition please complete Google Form and upload one video of the student singing by 4/23 or email videos to quijanoa@stsashburn.com with the subject "Summer Musical Theater Video." If you have any questions, please email: Ana Quijano, at quijanoa@stsashburn.com Google Form: https://forms.gle/VgQtFjzUfLPfKog36





STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH

The "Equality Act" may sound harmless but its dangerous implications are broad and far-reaching. To learn more about the Equality Act and its repercussions for families, faith, and freedom, you may watch at https:// www.youtube.com/watch?v=AVkYnG7EY14 the hourlong nationwide webinar brought to you by the Archdioceses of Los Angeles and New York, the Dioceses of Arlington and Green Bay together with the Catholic Conferences of Colorado and Virginia and in collaboration with Catholic dioceses throughout the country. The evening was facilitated by Ryan T. Anderson, whose book on gender ideology was recently censored by Amazon - a dire signal that diversity of thought is no longer protected. Hear presentations from knowledgeable speakers including Mary Hasson, Susan Muskett, and Gregory Baylor and become equipped to take action at a grassroots level. For more information, and to TAKE ACTION, go to http:// www.HumanLifeAction.org.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
APRIL 25	APRIL 26	APRIL 27	APRIL 28	April 29	APRIL 30	May 1
7:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass Noon TLM	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass Confessions Hourly 10:00am-7:00pm	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass	8:15am Mass 8:45am Confessions 3:30pm Confessions 5:00pm Mass
	8:00pm TLM Mass					