MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 1

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

- 6:30 Helen Hargenrader †
- 9:00 Helen Hargenrader †
- 8:00 Nancy Murren †

Tuesday, October 2 The Holy Guardian Angels

6:30 Fenton Goodwin †9:00 Cam To †

Wednesday, October 3 *Weekday*

- 6:30 Jeanette McGann †9:00 Charles Zavolta †
- Thursday, October 4

St. Francis of Assisi

6:30 Mike & Denise Kissinger9:00 Kathleen Johnson

Friday, October 5 Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

6:30 Hildegard Kropp9:00 Leonard M. Ciaverella †

Saturday, October 6 St. Bruno, Priest

8:15 Thomas E. Collins † 5:00 Mona Carter

Sunday, October 7 *Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30	Margery Brothers
9:00	Deirdre Pennefather
10:30	People of the Parish
12:00	Terri White

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

† POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY †

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS SEPTEMBER

Universal – Young People in Africa

That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

IN TESTIMONIUM...

At the beginning of each new day, the Church prays *Psalm* 95, a call to joy, reverence and fidelity. This past Thursday, the Feast of St. Vincent de Paul, we welcomed Fr. John Melmer as parochial vicar of St. John the Beloved.

ANTIPHON. Come, let us worship Christ, chief shepherd of the flock.

Come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the Rock who saves us. Let us approach him with praise and thanksgiving and sing joyful songs to the Lord.

The Lord is God, the mighty God, the great king over all the gods. He holds in his hands the depths of the earth and the highest mountains as well. He made the sea; it belongs to him, the dry land, too, for it was formed by his hands.

Come, then, let us bow down and worship, bending the knee before the Lord, our maker. For he is our God and we are his people, the flock he shepherds.

Today, listen to the voice of the Lord: Do not grow stubborn, as your fathers did in the wilderness, when at Meriba and Massah they challenged me and provoked me, Although they had seen all of my works.

Forty years I endured that generation. I said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray and they do not know my ways." So I swore in my anger, "They shall not enter into my rest."

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

ANTIPHON. Come, let us worship Christ, chief shepherd of the flock.

God bless you, Father. Bring us Jesus! Bring us to Jesus!

Fr. Christopher J. Pollard

p.s. "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" (*Heb* 13,8). Amen? Amen!

PRO-LIFE NEWS

"O Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, awaken the hearts of countless men and women of goodwill and call them to watch and pray at abortion centers until they are closed. Give those of us who respond to the call, the strength to watch and pray one hour for those about to die. May our presence at these facilities awaken the consciences of women seeking abortion and give them the courage to trust God and choose life."

~taken from A Rosary to End Abortion by the Women's Apostolate to Youth~

SAY NO TO PHYSICIAN ASSISTED SUICIDE

Suicide rates in the U.S. are at a 30-year high. Virginia legislators have asked for a study about whether physician-assisted suicide should be legal in the Commonwealth. A public comment period is open and your legislators need to hear from you! Please visit https://bit.ly/VCCassistedsuicide to make your voice heard!

MASS FOR RESPECT FOR LIFE & MASS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Join Bishop Burbidge for a special liturgy on Respect Life Sunday, as he celebrates Mass for People With Disabilities on Sunday, October 7 at 11:45 a.m. at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Vienna. Porto Charities will sponsor a reception for the latter following Mass at the Cassidy Activities Center. For more information contact Respect Life Director, Amy McInerny at 703.841.3817 or respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org or Bill Dalgatty of Porto Charities at 703.938.5247.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN Prayerful witness to defend LIFE. From September 26 through November 4, you're invited to put your faith into action and join with other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Falls Church Abortion Center at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church. St. John the Beloved will pray throughout the day on Thursdays. Please contact Andrea DelVecchio at aldelvecchio75@gmail.com if you would like more information – and most especially if you'd like to volunteer to pray for an hour between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Thursdays.

SAVE THE DATE: RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

October 7, 2018 a special Rosary to End Abortion in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Patroness of the Unborn) will be said at 3:00 p.m. in the church prior to Vespers at 4:00 p.m. All parishioners are invited to attend and pray for the protection of unborn children.

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EVENING REFLECTIONS FOR WOMEN

Sponsored by St. John the Beloved Women's Council 2018-19 Series

Monday, October 15th Guest speaker: Fr. Pollard 7:00pm Social/ 7:30pm Talk in the Parish Hall Please RSVP to: <u>womenscouncilofsjb@gmail.com</u>

THE CHOIR OF OUR LADY OF EPHESUS

All 7-12th grade girls of the parish are cordially invited to join the Choir of Our Lady of Ephesus, which rehearses every Sunday morning 9:15-10:20 a.m. and sings twice a month for the 10:30 a.m. Mass. If your daughter is interested, contact Miss Elizabeth Black (elizabethblack3@yahoo.com) to set up a day to shadow the choir.

PRIME TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS (PTSC)

invites single Catholics 40 and over to attend their Annual Dinner Dance from 5:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 17. For details, see their website: <u>bit.ly/ptsc</u>, or email <u>ptscnva@gmail.com</u>.

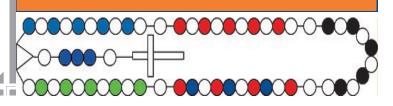
FULFILLMENT OF BLA PLEDGES

Thank you to everyone who pledged to the BLA! This appeal funds diocesan Vocations, Youth Ministry, Catholic Schools, Catholic Charities, Religious Education programs as well as many others. If you made a pledge that is still being paid, you should be receiving monthly reminder statements. You also may go online to make a payment at www.arlingtondiocese.org. For questions, please call the BLA office at 703-841-2570.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION "Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." (MARK 9:41)

Does your life reflect the life of Jesus? Remember, we were made in His image. We tend to forget this. When others see you, do they see the face of Jesus? When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them?

PRAY THE ROSARY EVERYDAY!



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 October 6. The facility is located at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA 22046 For inquiries, contact Amy McInerny at (703) 841-3817 or respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN THE U.S. JUSTICE SYSTEM

Please join us on Sunday, October 21, 7:30 p.m. at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Vienna for a thought-provoking journey through the various cases currently being litigated in the U.S. justice system that have a direct or indirect impact on all Americans' right to religious freedom. The lecture will be given by Mr. Mark Rienzi, President of Becket, a non-profit, public interest legal and educational institution that specializes in protecting religious freedom.

DIOCESAN RESOURCE PAGE on the crisis is available at the Catholic Diocese of Arlington website at www.arlingtondiocese.org/childprotection. Included is a resource page where parishioners can access information regarding the recent events affecting the Church. Read the policies on child protection and responses to the crisis from Bishop Burbidge and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. For general inquiries call 703-841-2500 or email communications@arlingtondiocese.org.

VOCATIONS

"Would that all the Lord's people were prophets ..." All Catholics share the prophetic ministry of the Lord through baptism. Is He calling you to bear witness to His truth as a priest or in the consecrated life? Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg at m.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org. Or call him at 703-841-2500.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES RESUMED IN MID-SEPTEMBER

2018/2019 CCD Classes:

NEW TO ST. JOHN THE BELOVED?

There is still time to register your children for CCD classes. You can find the registration form in the vestibule of the church, the RE Office, located in St. John Academy, or the Parish Office. For more information about our programs, please contact For more Kathleen Johnson, the Religious Education Registrar at kmj@StJohnCatholicMcLean.org or

703-356-5275.

High School Students! Earn HS Volunteer Hours We have openings for aides in our Tuesday evening CCD classes at 7:00 p.m.. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Mrs. Laura Gomes, Director, St. John Religious Education Office at 703-356-5275.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CONFITEOR CLASSES

The Confiteor Classes continue this Monday, October 1 at 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Adult Education Room. Freshmen and Sophomore high school aged students are welcome to attend. The topic of this theology class for teens is *"Biblical Controversies."* Classes are taught by Fr. Pollard and his merry band of Dominican Friars. Please contact Fr. Pollard at frcjjp@gmail.com, for more details.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR **ADULTS**

RCIA classes for those preparing to enter the Catholic Church and adult Catholics preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation continue this Monday, October 1, from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., in the Adult Education Room. Please contact Mrs. Laura Gomes in the Religious Education email, Office b y at: 2 lgomes@StJohnCatholicMclean.org or call 703-356-5275, for information or to register.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY		
September 30	October 1	October 2	October 3	October 4	October 5	October 6		
10:30am Pre-K & K CCD	4:30pm 1-3 CCD 4:30pm Confiteor 7:00pm RCIA 7:30pm Legion 8:00pm Latin Mass	7:00pm CCD 8:00pm Hoops	ADORATION 9:30am – 7:30pm (Confessions Hourly 10:00am – 6:00pm 7:00pm Holy Hour		FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION	FIRST SATURDAY		

DOMESTIC CHURCH DAY: CELEBRATING HUMANAE VITAE

Join fellow Catholic couples and families for a Domestic Church Day on Saturday, October 13 from 1:30- 6:30 p.m. at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. This half-day family retreat will include engaging catechesis for parents, teens, and children, a fall themed snack, and Sunday Vigil Mass. For the couples, Bill Donaghy will present The Golden Key of Marriage and the Family: Humanae Vitae as a Prophetic Sign. The day will also include engaging catechesis about Humanae Vitae for teens and children's catechesis with the Sister Servants of the Lord. More information and registration available at domesticchurchday.eventbrite.com. If you have any questions about the event, please email events@jp2shrine.org.

THRIFT SHOP IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

The Thrift Shop opened for business on Tuesday, September 11th. Please come in to check out our fantastic end of summer bargains as well as new fall merchandise. Thrift Shop hours are 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Mon-Fri, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Saturday. For additional information please call during business hours at: 703-356-7420.

WEDNESDAY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

To perpetuate receiving the mercy of Christ the priests of St. John the Beloved will continue to hear extra confessions on Wednesdays. At the top of the hour every hour between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. a priest will be in the confessional and stay as long as there are penitents and again for the solid hour from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

MEN'S SILENT RETREAT: "The Bravery to Live One's Catholic Faith to the Full"

This year's retreat will be preached by Reverend Roger J. Landry, a priest of the Diocese of Fall River, Massachussetts, who works for the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See to the United Nations in New York. Fr. Landry also writes articles for various Catholic publications including the National Catholic Register and The Anchor, and is the author of the book Plan of Life; Habits to Help You Grow Closer to God.

The retreat is a silent one with opportunities for confession, Holy Mass, adoration and personal reflection. Spots are filling up. Make sure to register as soon as possible.

The retreat will take place Friday, October 19th at 6pm through Sunday, October 21st, at 12pm at San Damiano Retreat Center, 125 Kitchen Road, White Post, VA. The cost to register through October 1 is \$295. After October 1 cost is \$325. To register, please visit: the arlingtondiocese.org/retreatformen

THE REFINER'S FIRE BEING PURIFIED WITH AND FOR THE CHURCH Gentlemen: The current crisis in the Church presents a major spiritual challenge to us all. What is being asked of faithful Catholic men in this time of trial? The 20th Annual Christ the King Men's Day of Recollection, directed by Rev. Paul D. Scalia, will be held on Sat. Oct. 27 from 9:15am-1:15pm at St. John the Beloved Church, 6420 Linway Terrace, McLean. The \$40 charge includes lunch and materials. To register go to www.waywomen.com or send a check, payable to WAY to Jennifer Lawler, 5464 Mersea Ct., Burke, VA 22015. Student rate \$25. Pay-at-the-door \$45. For more information, contact Robin Maas at <u>NN</u> \$45. For more information, contact Robin Maas at robinmaas@verizon.net.

A MOM'S PEACE DAY OF REFLECTION

Inviting all mothers who have suffered the loss of an unborn child to "A Mom's Peace Day of Reflection: Journey of Hope with Mary, Queen of Peace and St. Francis". The day of reflection occurs on Thursday, October 4, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Gainesville. Speakers include Deacon Gerard Anthony, Dr. Sabine Heisman, PsyD, Kara Palladino (A Mom's Peace Founder) and Danietta Charles. Mass is at 9 am followed by talks, small group discussions, lunch and an opportunity for counseling. The event is free of charge, but please RSVP at marybeth@amomspeace.org.

OUR LADY'S MISSIONARIES OUR LADY'S MISSIONARIES OF THE EUCHARIST Invite you to a SPECIAL RETREAT November 2-4, 2018 <u>A Time Apart with Jesus to Grow</u> <u>In Your Spiritual Life</u> Ave Maria Retreat House in Doylestown, Pennsylvania at the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa The retreat is offered by Sister Joan Noreen, Co-founder of Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist and EWTN host of "Eucharistic Journey" from 1999 to

founder of Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist and EWTN host of "Eucharistic Journey" from 1999 to 2018. The retreat includes daily Eucharist, Eucharistic Adoration, conferences on Catholic Spirituality, Prayer with Sacred Scripture, Liturgy of the Hours and much more. For more information, please contact Kathy 703-241-2582 Carroll at or email khc1508@gmail.com. Or contact OLME directly at 610-582-3333 or olme@olme.org. www.olme.org.

Four weeks ago we were blessed with the presence of His Excellency The Most Rev. Martin Mtumbuka, the Bishop of Karonga in Malawi. He would like you to visit his diocesan website (www.karongadiocese.org). Many parishioners have asked how they can send him a contribution. Through the Arlington Mission Office we can send him help at any time. If you make a check payable to "St. John" with "Malawi" in the memo line, the parish office will forward him your donation. Bless you!

2018 MARRIAGE JUBILEE MASS

Jubilarian couples in the Diocese of Arlington are invited to the annual Marriage Jubilee Mass on Sunday, October 14th at 2:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More. The Marriage Jubilee Mass is an opportunity for married couples to give thanks to God and celebrate their silver (25 years) or golden (50 years) wedding anniversaries. A reception with Bishop Michael F. Burbidge follows after Mass. Please call the parish office for information on how to register or visit arlingtondiocese.org/mjm.

BODDDDDDDDDDDDDDDDDDD WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Register now and save for the Future with Hope Women's Conference Oct. 12-13, at St. Agnes! Five speakers, including Mary Elizabeth Sperry, author of *Making Room for God: Decluttering and the Spiritual Life;* a spiritual treasure hunt; pictures with the popes; Friday night wine and heavy hors d'oeuvres; Saturday breakfast, lunch and much more. Learn more at <u>www.futurewithhopewomen.com</u> or email <u>info@futurewithhopewomen.com</u>. Special rate available for groups of 6+. Sponsors include the Arlington Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and Joyful Spirit Gifts.

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CHRISTMAS BAZAAR SATURDAY, NOV. 17th VENDORS WANTED

The St. John the Beloved Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 17th. We are in search of independent CRAFT and FOOD vendors for this event. Please email **womenscouncilofsjb@gmail.com** if you would like to participate. If you know of other vendors, please forward this information to them. Thank you!

THE STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH



"A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world."

> Pope St. John Paul, II Evangelium Vitae, 100

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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God bless and protect all our family members and parishioners who are serving in the military and civil service for our defense, especially...

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