Worship the Rord

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 29

Monday of Holy Week

6:30 Dr. Carol Hackett † 9:00 Hilda Ortega †

8:00 Jooseph L. Bruno †

Tuesday, March 30

Tuesday of Holy Week

6:30 Phil Doran †

9:00 Special Intention

Wednesday, March 31

Wednesday of Holy Week

6:30 Jerry Wilhelm †

9:00 Janet Borelli †

Thursday, April 1

Holy Thursday

7:30 Mass of the Lord's Supper

Rev. Franklyn M. McAfee

Friday, April 2

Friday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday, April 3

Holy Saturday

8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

People of the Parish

Sunday, April 4

Easter Sunday

7:30 Siegried Wolf †

9:00 Eduardo Purugganan Eduardo †

10:30 People of the Parish

12:00 Jacob Goodwin

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Patricia Ahern Richard Meade Frank Bohan Diana Meisel Carmel Broadfoot Bonnie Moran

John Cartelli Veronica Nowakowski

Edward Ciesielski Anita Oliveira
Victoria Grace Czarniecki Emelinda Oliveira
Kerry Darby John Peterson

Tara Flanagan-Koenig Mary Pistorino Reilly

Alexa Frisbie Shelby Rogers Susan Glover Thomas Rosa

Francisca Grego Murielle Rozier-Francoville

Arnold L. Harrington III Avery Schaeffer Colleen Hodgdon Merle Shannon David Johnson Fred Sheridan Mark Johnson Gloribeth Smith Glenn Snyder Christopher Katz Margaret Kemp Bill Sullivan Dorothy Kottler Ana Vera Sue Malone Mary Warchot Carmella Manetti Marie Wysolmerski

Cristina Marques

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

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

† KRISTIN KAZYAK †

† CHRISTOPHER MONEK †

† ELSIE BALCAEN †

† JOSEPH AHEARN †

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MARCH—SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

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In Testimonium...

28 MARCH PALM SUNDAY

From a sermon by Saint Andrew of Crete, bishop

(Oratio 9 in ramos palmarum: PG 97, 990-994)

Let us go together to meet Christ on the Mount of Olives. Today he returns from Bethany and proceeds of his own free will toward his holy and blessed passion, to consummate the mystery of our salvation. He who came down from heaven to raise us from the depths of sin, to raise us with himself, we are told in Scripture, above every sovereignty, authority, and power, and every other name that can be named, now comes of his own free will to make his journey to Jerusalem. He comes without pomp or ostentation. As the psalmist says: He will not dispute or raise his voice to make it heard in the streets. He will be meek and humble, and he will make his entry in simplicity.

Let us run to accompany him as he hastens toward Jerusalem, and imitate those who met him then, not by covering his path with garments, olive branches or palms, but by doing all we can to prostrate ourselves before him by being humble and by trying to live as he would wish. Then we shall be able to receive the Word at his coming, and God, whom no limits can contain, will be within us.

In his humility Christ entered the dark regions of our fallen world and he is glad that he became so humble for our sake, glad that he came and lived among us and shared in our nature in order to raise us up again to himself. And even though we are told that he has now ascended above the highest heavens—the proof, surely, of his power and godhead—his love for man will never rest until he has raised our earthbound nature from glory to glory, and made it one with his own in heaven.

So let us spread before his feet, not garments or soulless olive branches, which delight the eye for a few hours and then wither, but ourselves, clothed in his grace, or rather, clothed completely in him. We who have been baptized into Christ must ourselves be the garments that we spread before him. Now that the crimson stains of our sins have been washed away in the saving waters of baptism and we have become white as pure wool, let us present the conqueror of death, not with mere branches of palms but with the real rewards of his victory. Let our souls take the place of the welcoming branches as we join today in the children's holy song:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the king of Israel!

Rev. Christopher J. Pollard



CALENDAR UPDATES

April 1–7 —No School, Easter Break

ANNUAL FUND

To make a donation, go to https://stjohnacademy.org/development/annual-fund/

Thank you for supporting our school!!



FAMILY EVENINGS OF PRAYER & CATECHISIS EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY 7:00-7:45PM

All families are invited, the Tues & Thurs programs are the same, so pick the night that works best for you! Both are livestreamed.

The evening includes music, prayer and a short catechesis by our priests. This week is cancelled due to Holy Week and Holy Thursday mass.

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

2021 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL

Please prayerfully consider making a pledge. Go to www.arlingtondiocese.org or call 703-260-9800 to donate. Please help our parish reach our BLA goal!

FROM THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION - MARCH 28, 2021

"Morning by morning He wakens - wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught." Listen in prayer daily to the promptings of the Holy Spirit, seek to know your vocation. If He is asking you to consider the priesthood or consecrated life, contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-2514.

FROM THE OFFICE OF MARRIAGE, FAMILY & RESPECT LIFE

40 Days 40 Ways

Join Catholics across the Diocese this Lenten Season in 40 Days 40 Ways. Sign up to receive daily reflections and challenges, crafted to help you and your family make this your best Lent yet! Begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17th. Visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/40days40ways

Praise and Worship Holy Hour

Local musicians lead praise and worship on April 13th, 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. Fr. Richard Dyer will lead us in prayer along with musician Mike Tenney. The special intention is for healing and conversion in families. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available. All are welcome! Please bring a friend. Visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/healingandconversion/ to join virtually.

MASS IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE GIFT OF HUMAN LIFE
Join Bishop Burbidge on Saturday, April 24 at 8 a.m. at
Queen of Apostles Catholic Church, 4401 Sano Street, Alexandria. Immediately following Mass, Bishop will lead a
rosary on the sidewalk in front of the abortion facility at
5999 Stevenson Avenue in Alexandria. For more information please contact respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

VOLUNTEER TEACHERS URGENTLY NEEDED!

ESOL (English for Speakers of other Languages) teachers needed to teach virtually. Teachers are only asked to teach one class period per week but may teach more if desired. We allow teaching in pairs for those who wish to teach with a friend or spouse. No experience or foreign language ability necessary and all materials and training provided! If interested, please email volunteer.newcomer@ccda.net or call 571-208-1572.



In The Parish

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



A booklet with Fr. Pollard's photographs of our parish Stations has been printed and is available in the vestibule for people to take home. It may be especially useful for children who are attending Stations.

OUTDOOR FAMILY MOVIE NIGHTS

Starting April 6th from 7:30-9:00pm, join us on the field to watch The Chosen, the first multi-season show of the life of Christ. Bring your own chairs or blankets, snacks will be available. We look forward to seeing you!

THE WORD BOOKSTORE

The Word is stocked with several new release books and Lenten guides. Don't be caught without good reading this Lent! The store is open after the 9:00, 10:30 and 12:00 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 suggested time to meet at the store. We look forward to serving you.

UPDATE FROM SAINT PETER CLAVER SOCIETY



Nancy is a disabled orphan who was first abandoned by her parents to her grandmother. She later abandoned by her grandmother, due to an alcohol addiction. Nancy is now thriving thanks to St. Anthony's Children's Village, an endeavor supported by your donations to St. Peter Claver Society. Nancy was badly neglected when she was brought to St. Anthony's, and will be a long-term

resident because she is unable to take care of herself. There are more than 60 children and adults with special needs who regularly receive rehabilitative care from a physical therapist as well as other care at St. Anthony's, located in Ndola, Zambia. This Lent, please consider making a donation to the SPCS to help provide the care Nancy and many other orphans so desperately need. Please visit saintpeter-claversociety.org to make a donation online or make a check payable to St. John the Beloved Church with St. Peter Claver Society (SPCS) on the memo line and leave it at the parish office. SPCS had been supporting St. Anthony's since 2004. Thank you for your continued support.



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.

MUSICAL THEATER SHOW CHOIR AUDITIONS

Sing and dance to your favorite songs from Hamilton, Wicked, Lion King, Beauty & the Beast, Sound of Music, Grease and many more 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 + evening 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



Three to Get Married Marriage Preparation Program Apr 22-25 (In-Person Only) **Apr 8-11 (Virtual Only)**

This is a Catholic Pre-Cana program for seriously dating and engaged couples. Convenient one-weekend schedule. FOCCUS administration is included. \$315 per couple. Space will be limited and weekends fill up quickly! Find more information at https:// ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/marriage/virtual-marriage-prep.

Concert of Sacred Music

Sunday, March 28, 5:00 pm

Stabat Mater

by Giovanni Battista Pergolesi

One of the most celebrated sacred works based on the hymn to Mary. which portrays her suffering as Jesus Christ's mother during his crucifixion.

Membra Jesu Nostri

by Dieterich Buxtehude

An oratorio with 7 cantatas, each addressed to a different part of Christ's crucified body: feet, knees, hands, sides, breast, heart, and face.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE 2021

*Events marked with an asterisk will be livestreamed.

Monday, March 29

6:30 am	Mass
7:00 am	Exposition
9:00 am	Mass *
10:00 am	Confessions
5:00 pm	Reposition
7:00 pm	Confessions
8:00 pm	Traditional Latin Mass

Tuesday, March 30

6:30 am	Mass
7:00 am	Exposition
9:00 am	Mass *
10:00 am	Confessions
5:00 pm	Reposition
7:00 pm	Confessions

Wednesday, March 31

6:30 am	Mass
9:00 am	Mass *
10.00 - 7	00 II

10:00 am-7:00 pm Hourly Confessions Tenebrae *

8:00 pm

Holy Thursday, April 1

8:30 am	Morning Prayer
	in Church
10:30 am	Chrism Mass
	at Cathedral of St. Thomas More
	only with clergy participating but
	viewable online.
7:30 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper*
	in Latin & English
11:50 pm	Night Prayer

Night Prayer in Church

Good Friday, April 2

8:30 am	Morning Prayer
11:00 am	Stations of the Cross
12:00-2:30 p	mPreaching on the Seven
	Last Words of Christ *
3:00 pm	Solemn Liturgy of the
	Lord's Passion *
5:30 pm	Confessions
8.00 nm	Night Prayer

Holy Saturday, April 3

8:30 am	Morning Prayer
9:00 am	Confessions
4:00 pm	Evening Prayer
4:30 pm	Blessing of Easter Food
8:30 pm	Easter Vigil

in Latin & English

Easter Sunday, April 4

7:30 am	Mass
9:00 am	Mass
10:30 am	Mass *
12 Noon	Sung

Traditional Latin Mass*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 28	March 29	March 30	March 31	APRIL 1	APRIL 2	April 3
7:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass Noon TLM 3:30pm ProLife Rosary 4:00pm Vespers	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 7:30am Mass	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass Confessions Hourly 10:00am-7:00pm	HOLY THURSDAY 7:30pm—Mass of the Lord's Supper	GOOD FRIDAY 3:00pm-Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion	Holy Saturday4 8:30pm-Easter Vigil
•	8:00pm TLM Mass					Mass