# Worship the Rord

# MASS INTENTIONS

#### Monday, February 8

#### St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

6:30 Stanislawa, Genowefa & Witold Lempicki †

9:00 Elisabeth Steinhoff

8:00 Bettina Zuber †

#### Tuesday, February 9

### Weekday

6:30 Zofia Sklipinski †

9:00 Charline Valdez †

#### Wednesday, February 10

#### St. Scholastica, Virgin

6:30 Ray Komajda †

9:00 Antoine Francis

## Thursday, February 11

#### Our Lady of Lourdes

6:30 Ray Komajda †

9:00 Dennis Peter Gonzales-Daly †

#### Friday, February 12

#### Weekday

6:30 Stanislawa, Stanislaw & Wladyslaw Zarzecki †

9:00 Steffi & Christian Kalisch

#### Saturday, February 13

#### Weekday

8:15 Foster Family

5:00 Matthew Albritton †

### Sunday, February 14

#### Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 Ray Komajda †

9:00 Joan Harrison Robinson †

10:30 People of the Parish

12:00 Brian Bailey

# ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

† ROBERT E. TESSIER †

† FR. MICHAEL KELLY, SJ †

† DON RASMUSSEN †

† CELINA ROBLES †

† MARGARET LEESE †

# 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 Gloribeth Smith Mark Johnson Glenn Snyder Christopher Katz Bill Sullivan Brian Turner Margaret Kemp 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

# HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

#### FEBRUARY—VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

# Rearn the Saith

# In Testimonium...

7 February

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time / Sexagesima Sunday

On the 7th of February, 1920, a seminarian for the Diocese of Richmond passed away in Rome at the North American College. His passing was sad but subdued, until his classmates who were gathering his belongings to be sent back to his family in Richmond discovered a letter which he had marked "to be read only in the event of his death in Rome", which included the following last testament:

#### Act of Oblation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

I have nothing to leave or give but my life, and this I have consecrated to the Sacred Heart to be used as He wills. I have offered my all for conversions to God of non-Catholics in Virginia. This is what I live for and, in the case of death, what I die for.

Death is not unpleasant to me, but the most beautiful and welcome event of life. Death is the messenger of God come to tell us that our novitiate is ended and to welcome us to the real life.

Melancholic or morbid sentimentality is not the cause of my writing this, for I love my life here, the College, the men and Rome itself. But I have desired to die and be buried with the saints. I dare not ask God to take me lest I should be ungrateful or be trying to shirk the higher responsibilities of life; but I shall never have less to answer for – perhaps never be better ready to meet my Maker, my God, my All. Since I was a child I have desired to die for the love of God and for my fellow-man. Whether or not I shall receive that favor I know not but if I live, it is for the same purpose; every action of my life here is offered to God for the spread and success of the Catholic Church in Virginia. I have always desired to be only a little child, that I may enter the kingdom of God. In the general resurrection I wish to always be a boy and to be permitted to accompany Saints John Berchmans, Aloysius and Stanislaus as their servant and friend. Do we serve God and man less worthily by our prayers in heaven than by our actions on earth? Surely it is not selfish to desire to be with Him Who has loved us so well.

I shall not leave my dear ones. I will always be near them and be able to help them more than I can here below. I shall be of more service to my diocese in heaven than I could ever be on earth. If it is God's holy will, I will join Him on Good Friday, 1920, and never leave Him more - but not my will, Father, but Thine be done!

Rome, December 5th, 1919 Frank Parater

Frank Prater, pray for us.

Rev. Christopher J. Pollard



#### CALENDAR UPDATES

Feb. 8—Home Project Monday

Feb. 12—2:25 Dismissal

Feb. 15—No School, Presidents Day



#### 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. Topic to be determined.

#### 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

FEBRUARY 7, 2021-WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE "Woe to me if I do not preach the Gospel!" Could God be calling you to spread his Word and his love as a priest or consecrated religious? Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-2514.

#### Vocational Discernment Retreat for Men

Could Christ be calling you to the priesthood? Take a step to find out. Attend the weekend discernment retreat for men (ages 18-50) March 19-21, 2021. This is a great opportunity for prayer and discernment, confession, and talking with priests and seminarians. Cost is \$60 and includes overnights and all meals (financial assistance is available if needed). For more information or to register, contact Fr. Michael Isenberg at 703-841-2514 or vocations@arlingtondiocese.org. There will be a similar retreat for women June 18-20.

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

#### Praise and Worship Holy Hour

Join us for prayer, praise and worship on Tuesday, Feb 9 at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Fairfax, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Fr. Stephen Vaccaro will lead us in prayer along with musician Marie Miller. Our special intention will be for conversion and healing in families. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. All are welcome. To join us, visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/healingandconversion/ or email info@helpafterabortion.org if you need assistance.

#### Mass and Lenten Reflection for Men

Thy Kingdom Come: Restoring All Things in Christ The King, March 6, Victory Christian Ministries International, Woodbridge, 8:30a.m-12:30p.m. Featuring: Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers and Dr. Edward Sri. In a world where the Kingship of Christ is no longer recognized, the Church calls on us to courageously raise the banner of the One King and Ruler of all, to fight for His rights, and to restore all things back to His most gentle rule. This can only come about if Catholics, men in particular, are willing to surrender everything to Christ, beginning with themselves. Register at arlingtondiocese.org/men

#### MASS AND LENTEN REFLECTION FOR WOMEN

Chosen From All Eternity For This Moment In Time, Featuring Dr. Mary Healy and Sister Gaudia Skass, OLM. March 13 from 8:30a.m.-12:30p.m. at Victory Christian Ministries International in Woodbridge. Cost: \$40 early bird through Feb. 1; \$50 after. Register at arlingtondiocese.org/women



# In The Parish

#### St. Peter Claver Society

The St. Peter Claver Society extends its heartfelt thanks to all our generous donors who purchased See's candy online and/or made end of the year donations. Your continued support to our projects will offer Zambian orphans a better and safer future. Please go to www.saintpeterclaversociety.org for further information on our projects. Donations can still be made at the parish office or online. God's blessings to you.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Men of St. John the Beloved parish are invited to a special Kof C meeting on Feb 4 in Rm 10 with a featured outside speaker. The evening will also highlight some of the work our Council 11806 undertakes for the parish. Dinner will be served after the Rosary at 7:00 pm and the presentation at 7:30 pm. Join a parish group that promotes the role of men, husbands and fathers putting their faith into action through fellowship. For the next few months, we are waiving all registration fees, so now is a great time to join. For more details contact Ed McFadden at:wgk11806@icloud.com.

#### JOIN THE FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY TEAM

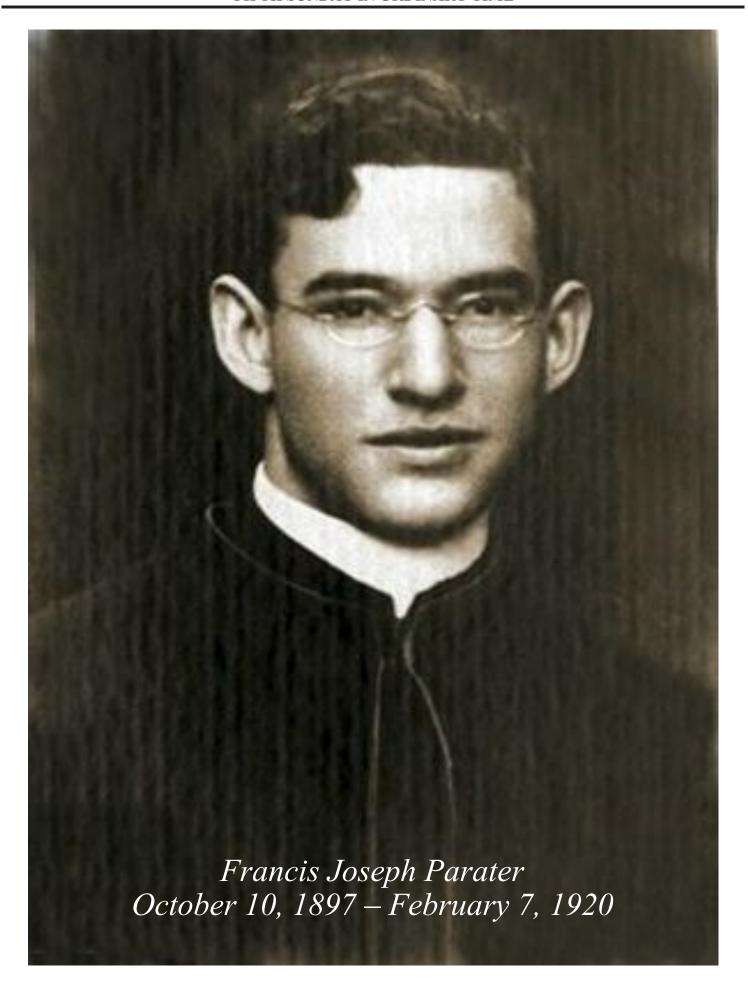
Did you know that the 'no-show' rate can go up by 70% when there are people peacefully praying outside an abortion facility? Please join the prayer team every First Saturday to pray the rosary at 10:30 am at the Falls Church abortion facility. The next First Saturday is February 6. The facility is located at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA 22046 For inquiries, contact Amy McInerny at (703) 841-3817 or respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org

#### THE WORD BOOKSTORE

The Word Bookstore is open after the 9:00, 10:30 and Noon 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. We look forward to serving you.

#### LOST & FOUND

The church's Lost & Found baskets are located in the vestibule closet. Some items have been there for over a year. Please stop by and take a look through the collection; perhaps you or your family have lost an item but forgot about it!





# Three to Get Married Marriage Preparation Program

The Three to Get Married Marriage Preparation Program is a Catholic Pre-Cana program for seriously dating and engaged couples. Determination about whether dates will proceed in-person or virtually will be made on a case by case basis and will reflect local mandates and guidance at the time. Space will be limited and these weekends fill up quickly, so reserve your spot today! Find more information on the website https://ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/marriage/virtual-marriage-prep.

#### IN-PERSON WEEKENDS

(Registration limitations will be followed when necessary to comply with relevant safety recommendations.)
Feb 18-21, 2021, Mar 11-14, 2021, Apr 22-25, 2021,
May 6-9, 2021, Jun 10-13, 2021

#### VIRTUAL WEEKENDS

Apr 8-11, 2021, Jun 24-27, 2021



MARIH (MA-RYE-AH) CENTER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The MARiH Center is a pro-life crisis pregnancy center operating in Alexandria since 1974. We are seeking volunteers! Spanish language skills are especially desirable but not required. The MARiH Center is open Monday-Thursday from 10AM-3PM and Saturdays from 10AM-1PM. MARiH is entirely volunteer-run and donation-based. Please call (703) 370-4774 or e-mail marihcenter@gmail.com for additional information and a tour. We look forward to volunteering with you!



# ATTEND A RETREAT FROM WHEREVER YOU ARE!

Feb 26-28 ~ "Lessons from St. Joseph's Workshop"

Detox from the noise of the media, work demands and Netflix and find new focus in your life through a personal encounter with Christ. Find more information and more upcoming dates on the OLB website www.ourladyofbethesda.org.

Experience the dynamics of the Spiritual Exercises from your own home and for only \$75 per person. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, A Virtual Place to Encounter Christ!



# STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Has the Holy Spirit been nudging you to serve?

Have your friends been telling you to run for office?

How do you become a candidate?

The Virginia Department of Elections has a page dedicated to you:

https://www.elections.virginia.gov/candidatepac-info/

## **COVID-19 VACCINE INFORMATION**

The flagship for biomedical ethics the National Catholic Bioethics Center has helpful information regarding Covid-19 vaccines. You can find them online:

https://www.ncbcenter.org/ncbc-news?tag=COVID-19

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
FEBRUARY 7	FEBRUARY 8	FEBRUARY 9	FEBRUARY 10	February 11	FEBRUARY 12	FEBRUARY 13
7:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass Noon TLM 4:00pm Vespers	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 8:00pm TLM Mass	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 7:30am Mass	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass Confessions Hourly 10:00am-7:00pm 7:30pm Holy Hour	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass	8:15am Mass 8:45am confessions 3:30pm confessions 5:00pm Mass