Worship the Rord MASS INTENTIONS **REMEMBER IN PRAYER** Monday, December 28 Patricia Ahern **Richard Meade** Frank Bohan Diana Meisel The Holy Innocents, Martyrs Carmel Broadfoot Bonnie Moran Elayne Fivenson 6:30 Veronica Nowakowski John Cartelli 9:00 Anne McLaughlin † Edward Ciesielski Anita Oliveira 8:00 Souls in Purgatory Victoria Grace Czarniecki Emelinda Oliveira Kerry Darby John Peterson **Tuesday, December 29** Tara Flanagan-Koenig Mary Pistorino Reilly St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr Alexa Frisbie Shelby Rogers Nezhat ol-Molouk Safi Shahi † 6:30 Susan Glover Thomas Rosa 9:00 David C. Blee † Murielle Rozier-Francoville Francisca Grego Arnold L. Harrington III Avery Schaeffer Wednesday, December 30 Colleen Hodgdon Merle Shannon Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord David Johnson Gloribeth Smith Rev. William Meininger 6:30 Mark Johnson Glenn Snyder 9:00 Bill Hottinger † Christopher Katz Bill Sullivan Margaret Kemp Brian Turner Thursday, December 31 Dorothy Kottler Ana Vera Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord Sue Malone Mary Warchot 6:30 Nicolas Segura Carmella Manetti Marie Wysolmerski 9:00 Mariana Ibarguren & Family Cristina Marques 5:00 Bosco Gleason 11:30 Blanca and Leonel Vega & Family May God bless and protect our loved ones in the Friday, January 1 *military and civil service who are serving these* Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God United States in dangerous places, especially... 7:30 Billy Page & Family Donald and Margaret Yamamoto & Family 9:00 People of the Parish 10:30 Robert Ayala Lynn Partik 12:00 **Emmanuel Steiner Robles** Jonathan Choo Michael Shipley Saturday, January 2 Edward Cieselski Kimberley Templer Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Michael Templer Nicholas Galvan **Doctors of the Church** Jesus Toledanes Harry Griffith 8:15 Celina Robles Bill Jones Justin White 5:00 Cristian Garcia Godoy † Elisabeth Maddrell **Donald Yamamoto** Sunday, January 3 Brendan Murphy Epiphany of the Lord 7:30 Nezhat ol-Molouk Safi Shahi † 9:00 Lawrence J. & Marie E. Marinelli †

- 10:30 People of the Parish
- 12:00 Katie Zuber

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD † MICHAEL MUTERSBAUGH †

† JOHN JOSEPH HIMPLER, SR. †

FOR A LIFE OF PRAYER We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

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HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

DECEMBER

Rearn the Faith

In Testimonium...

Oh happy fault!

After consulting with the Diocesan Office of Liturgy we found out that we are indeed permitted to celebrate today the Feast Day of our parish patron, St. John even though the rest of the world will be celebrating the Solemnity of the Holy Family and/or the Sunday in the Octave of Christmas.

However we still cannot host a social gathering for more than ten people and thus will not be able to have our customary rectory Open House in honor of the Beloved Apostle. You are still on your own toasting the love of Saint John.

Let's be sure not to forget the Holy Family in Bethlehem in the midst of everything.

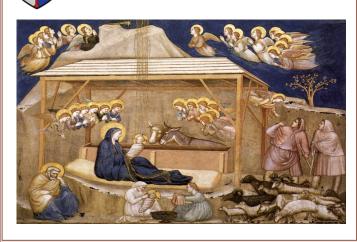


O Lord Jesus Christ, who when Thou wast subject to Mary and Joseph didst sanctify the home life with ineffable virtues: grant that by their assistance, we may be instructed by the example of Thy Holy Family and become partakers of their eternal happiness.

Merry Christmas!

Fr. Christopher J. Pollard







Family Evenings of Prayer & Catechisis Every Tuesday and Thursday 7:00-7:45pm

There are no meetings this week. Happy New Year!

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

DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON NEWS

FROM THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

Feast of the Holy Family -- December 27, 2020

"By faith Abraham obeyed." If you should be called to serve the Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, pray for a deep faith and obey Him in love. Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-2514.

FROM THE OFFICE OF MARRIAGE, FAMILY & RESPECT LIFE

Gift for Life

Give a Gift for Life. Please give a Gift for Life this season to help Project Rachel provide counseling and healing retreats to those who suffer the effects of abortion. One participant wrote: "The genuine love and support from the Project Rachel retreat has enabled me to let go of my anger and deep pain from my abortion. I am like a new person who has left the darkness and entered the light." For more information and/or to donate: www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife

Annual Men's Conference 2021

Thy Kingdom Come: Restoring All Things in Christ The King. Saturday, March 6, 2021-8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Victory Christian Ministries International, Woodbridge Featuring: Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers and Dr. Edward Sri In a world where the Kingship of Christ is no longer recognized both in the public and private spheres of life, the Church calls on her children to courageously raise the banner of the One King and Ruler of all, to fight for His rights, and to restore all things-individual hearts, families and nations-back to His most gentle rule (Collect, Feast of Christ the King). 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 in Thanksgiving for the Gift of Human Life

Join us for Mass in Thanksgiving for the Gift of Human Life with Bishop Burbidge as celebrant on Saturday, February 27, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church in Falls Church. Rosary to follow outside at the abortion facility on 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church.

PALLIATIVE CARE INITIATIVE SURVEY

The Diocesan Palliative Care Initiative seeks to support parishes in their outreach to the sick and suffering of our communities. We ask your help in learning what support systems are already in place to accompany patients and their families, and what additional support may be needed. The short survey will take only a few moments to complete. To take the survey, go to https://padrepioministry.org/ palliative-care-survey/

ST. JOHN THE BELOVED PARISH NEWS

Adoring Watchmen Needed



The 6-days-a-week Adoration Mission at St. John's would not be possible without adoring watchmen committed to prayerfully standing guard in the presence of Our Lord as He is exposed and vulnerable. Can you come spend quality time with Him?

The following hours currently have NO committed adorers scheduled:

Mondays 11am

Tuesdays 2pm Wednesdays 11am Thursdays 11am

Fridays 11am

If you are not able to commit to a weekly scheduled slot, there is also a need for a reactive "Subbing Squad" to provide backup if the scheduled adorers are unable to fill-in for each other. To join the Adoration Team, please send an email to Matthew, our Adoration Team Lead, at Matt@ftml.net

THE WORD BOOKSTORE



The Word Bookstore will be closed on December 27 due to the holiday. We will be open again on January 3. Generally 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 respect-

fully not enter the vestibule until after the Communion service is finished. Cash/Credit/Checks accepted. We are also open bv appointment. Email us at theword@stjohncatholicmclean.org with your inquiry. We look forward to serving you.





Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31ST 5:00 pm Vigil 10:30PM Holy Hour 11:30PM Vigil Mass in English "Ring in the New Year" Champagne Toast Following Mass

Friday, January, 1st

7:30 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass 10:30 AM Mass Noon High Traditional Latin Mass

