MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 16

Lenten Weekday

- 6:30 Paul Atkins Family
- 9:00 Spencer Lunde †
- 8:00 Tony Galvan †

Tuesday, March 17

- St. Patrick, Bishop
 - 6:30 Thomas & Joseph O'Malley †
 - 9:00 Lunde Family

Wednesday, March 18

St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of the Church6:30Rhenna Beckman-Fuchs †9:00Digges Family

Thursday, March 19

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 6:30 Helga Ohmes
- 9:00 Donald Steiner †

Friday, March 20

- Lenten Weekday 6:30 Toke Berkel †
 - 9:00 Josephine Choe

Saturday, March 21

Lenten Weekday

- 8:15 Armando & Salvador Gonzaga †
- 5:00 Spencer Lunde †

Sunday, March 22 Fourth Sunday of Lent

- 7:30 John D. Kim †
- 9:00 Belinda Hernandez †
- 10:30 People of the Parish
- 12:00 Andres Chinea

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD † MILDRED HALLINAN † † DYLAN WILLETTE† † ANNE MAUM MCLAUGHLIN †

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH 2020

Catholics in China

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

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IN TESTIMONIUM...

15 March 2020

Well... I have good news and bad news.

The good news is that our parishioner Mauricio Portillo is doing very well. Having completed over the past five years his Bachelor's in Sacred Theology (equivalent to or perhaps greater than an M.A.) at the Universidad Eclesiástica San Dámaso in Madrid, Spain. As of August 2019, beginning his sixth year of seminary formation for the Diocese of Arlington, he was transferred to my alma mater, the Pontifical North American College in Rome, and has begun a course of studies leading to a Licentiate in Sacred Theology at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas also known as the "Angelicum", the nickname coming from St. Thomas Aquinas often being called the "Angelic Doctor". Mauricio is studying with some of the finest Thomistic scholars in the world. The classes are demanding. The reading load is substantial. His professors have nothing but praise for him. My pastoral visit to Mauricio was long overdue. I thank Fr. Melmer for taking on the load of parish work in my absence. If you would like to send him a note of encouragement, he receives mail at:

> Mauricio Portillo Pontifical North American College 00120 Vatican City State EUROPE

Speaking of my absence, with the spread of COVID-19 accelerating in Italy and my last days here requiring me to use my Mass kit and offer the Holy Sacrifice privately since all public Masses have been banned countrywide since the 9th of March, my return will be partial. As of this writing, the CDC is mandating that all those who have been in Italy should "stay home for 14 days from the time you left Italy and practice social distancing." Fortunately a priest friend and previous visitor to St. John escaped Rome about two weeks ago and will be able to help out. Meanwhile I have been wearing rubber gloves, using lots of Clorox wipes and checking my temperature. So far, so good. But I do not want any of you to be on edge. So I will play it safe.

The growing crisis calls us to more than personal safety. It should summon us to pray and fast for the afflicted and the anxious, to accompany the sick, to implore heaven for the conversion of those at death's door, and to beg our merciful Lord for the salvation of the deceased.

God bless us every one! Fr. Christopher J. Pollard

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." *Heb* 13,8

Women's Council Lenten

MORNING OF REFLECTION Saturday, March 21, in St. John Church 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Adoration 10:00 a.m. Talk 10:30 a.m. Confessions 11:00 a.m. Rosary 11:30 a.m. Mass at Noon

ST. JOHN THE BELOVED PRAYER CHAIN

You are invited to join the *St. John the Beloved Prayer Chain.* We are an email group of several hundred souls dedicated to praying for the intentions of our St. John Community. Prayer requests are sent by the coordinator via email along with suggested prayers for each intention. All members of our parish and school family are welcome to join us in prayer. Join - <u>bit.ly/PrayerChainSignUp</u> Questions or Prayer Requests -

StJohnPrayerChain@StJohnCatholicMclean.org

HELP A PARISHIONER

A young St. John parishioner born in 1997 is in need of a kidney donor. If you or someone you know is open to becoming a kidney donor, regardless of where the potential donor lives, please visit the website for the MedStar Georgetown Transplant Institute:

https://mgti.donorscreen.org/register/donate-kidney

The young man's name and date of birth, which will be needed for registration, can be provided by Fr. Pollard (fr.pollard@stjohncatholicmclean.org). Donors can be reimbursed for lost wages and other expenses. Since the recipient is 22 years old the preferred donor age is between 21 and 49. However doctors are allowing older candidates to be tested since the finding of such a qualifying living donor could make available the needed transplant through the Paired Kidney Exchange.

SAINT JOHN'S SENIORS CLUB

WHAT: Mass at 11:30am for those who wish to attend, followed by Luncheon & Talk at 12:00pm in the school auditorium.

WHEN: Monday, 16 March WHO: Father John Melmer

TOPIC: Father Melmer, a member of the Ministry Teams of the Catholic Healing Ministry of the Diocese of Arlington, will speak about the role of these Teams, as instruments of Jesus Christ, in healing a person spiritually, emotionally, and physically. Learning about this vital church ministry firsthand will surely be most helpful to everyone.

RSVP: Sign up on the sheet in the Parish Office or call the Parish Office at 703-356-7916.

DUE BY: Friday, 13 March. Those who arrive without reservations are welcome, but unfortunately, we cannot offer them lunch.

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$15.00 at the door. For further information or if you would like a ride, please call Phil at 703-356-9788.

ST. JOHN THE BELOVED LENT 2020

Friday Soup Suppers

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Friday Evenings (continuing throughout Lent) Volunteers needed

Friday Stations of the Cross

2:00 p.m. Friday Afternoon "Stations of the Cross for St. John Academy" 7:30 p.m. Friday Evening "Way of the Cross" with Text from Sacred Scripture

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
March 15	March 16	March 17	March 18	March 19	March 20	March 21
 7:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 10:30am Mass Noon Latin Mass 3:30pm Rosary to End Abortion 4:00pm Vespers 	 6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 9:45am Sew & So Forths 4:00pm Theology for Teens 7:30pm Legion 8:00pm TLM 8:30pm Futsol 	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 8:00pm Hoops	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass ADORATION 10:00am—7:30pm Confessions Hourly 10:00am—7:00pm 7:00pm Holy Hour 7:30pm Benediction	6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass Pray at the Falls Church Abortion Center 7am-7pm	 6:30am Mass 9:00am Mass 2:00pm School Stations 6:00pm Soup Supper 7:00pm Stations 	8:15am Mass 8:45 Confessions 3:30pm Confessions 5:00pm Mass

FALL YOUTH MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY YOUTH NIGHTS

Next youth night: Sunday 3/15 1st and 3rd Sundays (and 5th Sundays) Optional dinner from 6:30pm-7:00pm, Youth Night activities begin at 7:00pm Upcoming youth nights: March 15: Owning the whole world, God's way! April 5: Suffering for Christ For more information about youth ministry activities, contact Michael at mjacobeen@stjohncatholicmclean.org

3RD ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT! Sunday, March 22, 5-8pm Help us form a St. John's team to compete against teams from other local parishes! Dinner, snacks, and drinks provided. RSVP by March 18 to Michael: mjacobeen@stjohncatholicmclean.org







THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



When people say the Rosary together it is far more formidable to the devil than one said privately, because in this public prayer it is an army that is attacking. It is very easy to break a single stick, but if you join it to others to make a bundle, it cannot be broken. In union, there is strength. (St. Louis de Montfort)

PLEASE JOIN US EACH SUNDAY IN LENT TO PRAY THE ROSARY TO END ABORTION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FOR AN END TO THIS UNSPEAKABLE EVIL At 3:30pm Followed by Vespers at 4:00pm

GET READY TO GO DEEPER THIS LENT WITH FORMED.ORG

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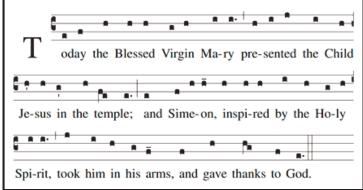
Visit Christendom College in Front Royal, VA, at our Open House event on April 27th. This Spring is a perfect

time to visit the Shenandoah Valley and learn more about this highly ranked and respected Catholic college. Visit, and find out why Saint John Paul II said, "Christendom is doing a great work for the Church."



VESPERS FOR ASSUMPTION OF THE LORD

In observance of the solemnity on March 25, we will sing Vespers during the usual Wednesday night Holy Hour at 7:00p, after the Miraculous Medal Novena, Rosary and This evening prayer is sponsored Northern novenas. Virginia Divine Office Society (nvdos.org).



TODAY IS SHARE SUNDAY

There is always a need for donations. Food items, cash donations, and grocery cards are greatly appreciated. Please consider donating bread, milk, diapers, baby wipes, canned fruit and vegetables, mayo/mustard/catsup, 100% juice, toilet paper, shampoo, conditioner, snack foods, PB, grape or strawberry jelly, sugar, rice, pasta, coffee, tea, chunky chicken soup, toothpaste, soap, laundry soap, cereal, tuna. Clothing such as new underwear for adults and children, blankets and comforters are also appreciated. Cash or checks payable to St. John with Share in the memo line are used for emergency financial assistance. To arrange furniture donations, please call 703-448-1054.

HELP PREVENT INFECTION Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds

Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol if soap and water are not available

Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue, your sleeve or your elbow

Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth

Avoid close contact with people who are sick

If you are sick, stay home, except when seeking medical care

ELECTRONIC CONTRIBUTIONS TO ST. JOHN THE BELOVED

For your convenience, please sign up for the Faith Direct Offertory program.

www.faithdirect.net

VA77 is our parish code.

IN THE DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON



MARCH 15 STERWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again." JOHN 4:13

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions we always want more. True Joy and Peace only comes when we follow Jesus; when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered".

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

"But whoever drinks the water I give, will never be thirsty." Are you thirsting for an understanding of your vocation? Call Father Michael Isenberg (703) 841-2514, or write: michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

GUADALUPE RADIO "FISHERS OF MEN" DINNER

The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge will be honored for his works of evangelization at the Guadalupe Radio Network's 'Fishers of Men' Dinner at the Belle Haven Country Club in Alexandria on Saturday, April 18, 2020. The evening starts at 6 p.m. Fr. Leo Patalinghug, host of EWTN's Savoring Our Faith, will be keynote speaker. Visit GRNonline.com to purchase tickets or to sponsor a table, or call WMET 1160 AM/103.1 FM at 877-636-1160.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES CAR MINISTRY

Thinking of replacing or getting rid of your old car? We have now three locations Arlington, Fredericksburg and Leesburg. Please consider donating it to Catholic Charities. We take used vehicles and transfer them directly to qualifying families in desperate need of transportation. We also accept non-working cars, which helps to fund our volunteer ministries. Donating is EASY! We handle all the paperwork; you receive an IRS donation receipt. Avoid the hassle of selling your car, simplify your life, or reclaim that space in your garage. Please email <u>cars@ccda.net</u> or call (703) 841-3898. Non- working 1-844-527-2232

THE GIFT OF A SPIRITUAL BOUQUET

Abortion leaves the living wounded in its wake. Please consider offering a Spiritual Bouquet on behalf of the women attending the Day of Prayer and Healing on March 21 and 28. Some suggestions are as follows: a letter of encouragement, a holy hour, praying a rosary, Mass, or a personal sacrifice. Please submit your spiritual bouquet to info@helpafterabortion.org or call 703-841-2504 up to one day prior to the retreat. Thank you.

STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH HEALTH

Announcement are great. Personal appeals are better. You have permission to tell your neighbor:

"Pardon the intrusion. I am sorry for your discomfort. Your coughing and sneezing is especially disconcerting. Fr. Pollard is asking everyone who feels sick to stay home out of an abundance of caution.

And if you know that you will be stuck at home for long, the priests can bring you Holy Communion."

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Frank Bohan Kathleen Bonuccelli Carmel Broadfoot John Cartelli Victoria Grace Czarniecki Richard DeCorps Tara Flanagan-Koenig Alexa Frisbie Susan Glover Francisca Grego Jack Halpin Arnold L. Harrington III Colleen Hodgdon David Johnson Mark Johnson Christopher Katz Dorothy Kottler Sue Malone Carmella Manetti Cristina Marques Richard Meade

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May God bless and protect our loved ones in the military and civil service who are serving these United States in dangerous places, especially...

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