

# Worship the Lord

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, December 26

#### *St. Stephen, The First Martyr*

6:30 Shelia Growney †  
8:30 Edward Garcia  
8:00 Erin Nunez †

### Tuesday, December 27

#### *St. John, Apostle & Evangelist*

6:30 Joe Mancuso †  
8:30 Albina Skendi †

### Wednesday, December 28

#### *The Holy Innocents, Martyrs*

6:30 The Grady Family  
8:30 Elayne Fivenson

### Thursday, December 29

#### *St. Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr*

6:30 Zef Crnkovich  
8:30 Margo Munro †

### Friday, December 30

#### *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

6:30 Peggy Stanton †  
8:30 Danny Mason †

### Saturday, December 31

#### *Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord*

8:30 Fr. Larry Kutz  
5:00 Lawrence Violette †  
11:30 Bridget and Jeremy Lucas intentions

### Sunday, January 1

#### **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD THE OCTAVE DAY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

7:30 Lawrence Violette †  
9:00 Emmanuel Steiner Robles intentions  
10:30 People of the Parish  
12:00 Lawrence Maurice Violette †

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Patricia Ahern	Diana Meisel
Bill Broadfoot	Bonnie Moran
Carmel Broadfoot	Veronica Nowakowski
John Cartelli	Anita Oliveira
Edward Cieselski	Emelinda Oliveira
Kerry Darby	Mary Pistorino Reilly
Maria Esteves	Shelby Rogers
Alexa Frisbie	Thomas Rosa
Inés Garcia Robles	Murielle Rozier-Francoville
Peter Gemma III	Avery Schaeffer
Francisca Grego	Merle Shannon
Mark Johnson	Maiselle Shortley
Christopher Katz	Gloribeth Smith
Dorothy Kottler	Glenn Snyder
Jose Martelino, Jr.	Bill Sullivan
Cristina Marques	Bette Violette
Kathleen Meade	Mary Warchot
Richard Meade	Marie Wysolmerski

*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  
Ryan Burke  
Jonathan Choo  
Nicholas Galvan  
Harry Griffith  
Bill Jones  
Elisabeth Maddrell

Robert Paul Nugent, Jr.  
Michael Shipley  
Kimberley Templer  
Michael Templer  
Jesus Toledanes  
Justin White

## ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

† OLGA BUFILL †  
† COURTNEY KAMPA †

## HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

### DECEMBER: VOLUNTEER NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

# Learn the Faith

## In Testimonium...

*The Priests of St. John the Beloved  
wish you and your loved ones*

*Merry Christmas!*



*Rev. Ryan Alemão  
Rev. John Melmer  
Rev. Christopher Pollard*

*Adoration of the Shepherds (Gerard van Honthorst, 1622)*



**Saint John the Beloved**  
**ACADEMY**

### CALENDAR UPDATES:

Dec 22-Jan 6—Christmas Break

Jan 9—Classes Resume



**St. John the Beloved**  
**HIGH SCHOOL**  
**YOUTH MINISTRY**

### WORKCAMP 2023

We are now accepting applications for summer WorkCamp 2023! WorkCamp is a week of direct service to those in need, completing significant home-improvement projects for them, helping people live warmer, safer, and drier.

- June 17-23, 2023

- Open to current 9th-12th graders

- Cost: \$300 deposit due at application (refundable) and additional fundraising commitment

- See the Youth Ministry page on our website to submit an application or contact Michael: [mjacobeen@stjohncatholicmclean.org](mailto:mjacobeen@stjohncatholicmclean.org)

### HIGH SCHOOL SWING DANCING!

All high schoolers are invited to join us for swing dancing on 1st and 3rd Fridays beginning in February.

- 6:30 - 9:45pm

- Each night includes lessons by professional swing dance instructors: beginner and advanced lessons offered.

- Cost is \$50 for the whole semester

- Spring dates: Feb 3, 17; Mar 3, 17, 31; Apr 21; May 5, 19

Visit the youth ministry page on the website to sign up or email [mjacobeen@stjohncatholicmclean.org](mailto:mjacobeen@stjohncatholicmclean.org)

### Swing Dance Leadership Team

Are you a junior or senior who likes to dance, or would like to learn how to dance? For more details contact Michael.

# Be An Apostle



## DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON NEWS

### FROM THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

*NATIVITY OF THE LORD -- DECEMBER 25, 2022*

"He gave power to become children of God." If you think you may be called to share the Father's love as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, Vocations Director, at (703) 841-2514 or email: [vocations@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:vocations@arlingtondiocese.org).

### DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON

*MASS IN RECOGNITION OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY*

All are welcome to join Bishop Michael Burbidge celebrate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., in the holy sacrifice of the Mass hosted at St. Bernadette's Catholic Church, 7600 Old Keene Mill Road in Springfield. Mass will be held on Sunday, January 15, 2023 at 11 a.m., with a reception to follow. This Mass is organized and sponsored by the Black Catholic Ministry, Office of Multicultural Ministries of the Diocese of Arlington. For any questions, please email [mcm@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:mcm@arlingtondiocese.org) or call (703) 841 3881.

### *GIVE A GIFT FOR LIFE*

Please give a Gift for Life this season to help Gabriel Project financially support a mother's maternity care. An expectant mother wrote: "I was very distressed and scared not knowing who would help me with my pregnancy... I could not go to anyone... and I was without the support of my baby's father. He wanted me to abort but I decided to have my son. I must thank Gabriel Project for all the moral, spiritual, and medical support... for this reason, I named my son Gabriel!" For more information and/or to donate: [www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife)

### *DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES*

The Catholic Diocese of Arlington is thriving, and we're looking for talented and committed employees to join our administrative and ministry teams. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/human-resources/employment-opportunities/CDA> offers a great work-life balance, generous time off, tuition assistance, professional development, and a competitive salary and benefits package, including a pension plan.

### *HELP OUR PARISH SUPPORT THE CATHOLIC HERALD*

The Arlington Catholic Herald is the official newspaper and news source of the Diocese of Arlington. This award-winning, biweekly newspaper delivers Catholic news and information about our diocese, U.S. bishops and the Vatican to more than 108,000 homes across Virginia and beyond -- and 24-7 at [catholicherald.com](http://catholicherald.com). Please donate to the annual second collection February 4-5, 2023, which helps our parish support the Catholic Herald in spreading the Good News. You may make a check payable to St. John and write "ACH Second Collection" on the memo line. Thank you!



## ST. JOHN THE BELOVED PARISH NEWS

### ALONE ON CHRISTMAS EVE...?

All are invited to share a hearty meal with other parishioners at the home of Ernie and Karen Rosenberg, 5 minutes away from St. John The Beloved Church.. Arrive between 6:00-6:30 PM for our Christmas eve dinner. You can (but are not obligated) to bring a dish or drink to share. We have plenty of street parking in Potomac Hills (off Kirby Road). Please RSVP by email [gsgdmom78@gmail.com](mailto:gsgdmom78@gmail.com). For questions you may also call the Parish Office.

### ST. JOHN SENIORS' CLUB

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

WHEN: Monday, 16 January.

WHO: Mr. Barry Royden

TOPIC: Barry will offer us an overview of what CIA's role and functions are—its basic mission and how the agency carries it out. This will be followed by an open session for questions and discussion.

RSVP: Please sign up on the sheet in the Parish Office or call the Office at 703.356.7916.

DEADLINE: Thursday, 12 January. Reservations are required because seating will be limited to ensure the safety of all in attendance.

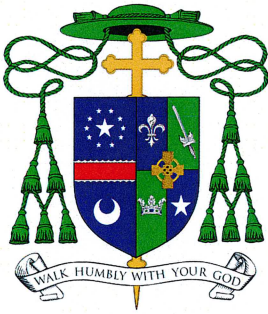
SUGGESTED DONATION: \$15.00 at the door. For further information, please call Phil at 703.356.9788.

### FOUND: HAND MISSAL

A traditional missal was left in the pews during the week of Dec 5th-9th. If you are missing yours, please let the front office or sacristan know, and give a detailed description. If you haven't lost yours, it is a good idea to put your name and/or number inside the front cover.

### A MESSAGE FROM ST. PAUL VI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

St. Paul VI Catholic High School reminds all 8th graders and transfer students that applications are due by January 6, 2023. If a student still needs to take the High School Placement Test (HSPT) the test will be offered on January 7th. For more details, please visit [www.paulvi.net/admissions/application-process](http://www.paulvi.net/admissions/application-process).



DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON

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Christmas 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today we rejoice in the birth of Our Savior! His arrival, foretold by prophets throughout the centuries, brings to the world a great mystery of our faith: this tiny baby, wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a humble manger - born of a virgin - was both human and divine. He is both our Creator and our Savior; both the Eternal Word, who existed before the beginning, and a man, who dwells among us.

In response to this mystery, our Blessed Mother proclaims, "*My soul rejoices in the Lord!*" These words are also the theme for this second preparatory year toward our diocesan Golden Jubilee celebration in 2024. We rejoice with her, as we celebrate the birth of Jesus, the incarnate Savior.

Jesus' birth was marked by a star shining in the sky. The light that Christ brought into the world on this day has shone brightly for two millennia. It has revealed God's glory as it has guided Christians to love one another, protect the vulnerable, care for the poor, serve those in need, educate children, heal the sick, welcome the newcomer, work for justice and live in peace with our neighbors.

As we celebrate the true Light coming into the world, may we strive daily to walk in that light always! May we also renew our promise to bring others into the light by sharing the love that God has for us, his beloved sons and daughters.

Please be assured of my prayers for you! May *your* soul rejoice in the Lord and may his peace and abundant blessings be yours this Christmas and always.

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael F. Burbidge".

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge  
Bishop of Arlington

Men all over the world  
are about to take on  
2023 together.



Exodus 90 starts January 9th:  
**StartMyExodus.com**

**EXODUS**

### Exodus 90...

...is a ninety-day spiritual exercise for men based on three pillars: prayer, asceticism, and fraternity. All three of these pillars are essential aspects of the Christian life.

**Prayer.** During Exodus 90 you will build up a habit of daily prayer both speaking to and actively listening to the Lord.

**Asceticism.** The ascetic disciplines laid out in Exodus 90 help each man to detach from the things of the world to God—from that which will never truly satisfy, to the only one who does.

**Fraternity.** During Exodus 90 you will practice fraternity with other men. This is an authentic fraternity where men step out of their comfort zone and into the light. A fraternity where accountability brings forth authentic masculinity.

The road to the life you want to live doesn't end after these 90 days; it is just the beginning. We will begin with a coordination meeting after Christmas but prior to the official start the week of January 9th. For up-to-date information look up our Fraternity at the QR Code or locate us through the Exodus 90 App:



### STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH

The [St. Lucy Project](#) operates a food pantry in Alexandria at Christ House. The pantry provides perishable and non-perishable foods. Those needing food may visit the pantry Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. till 1 p.m.. Clients are eligible to receive food once per month. This beautiful ministry depends on volunteers to operate. Please consider volunteering with other St. John the Beloved parishioners. Contact the parish office with questions.



**WORLD Marriage SUNDAY**

Sunday February 25, 2023  
5:00 pm Vigil Mass followed by Dinner

St. Mary of Sorrows Catholic Church, Fairfax, VA  
The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge  
Bishop of Arlington | Principal Celebrant and Homilist

RSVP at [ArlingtonDiocese.org/wms](https://ArlingtonDiocese.org/wms)

 Catholic Diocese of Arlington  
Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life  
(703) 841-2550 | [familylife@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:familylife@arlingtondiocese.org)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
DECEMBER 25	DECEMBER 26	DECEMBER 27	DECEMBER 28	DECEMBER 29	DECEMBER 30	DECEMBER 31
2pm-Exposition 4:00-Vespers	9:15am-Rosary  4pm-Confiteor 6:30pm-RCIA	9:15am-Rosary	9:15am-Rosary  Confessions Hourly 10:00am-7:00pm  7:00pm Holy Hour	9:15am-Rosary	9:15am-Rosary	9am Confessions  3:30pm-Confessions