MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 22 St. John Paul II, Pope

6:30 Valeria Blahato 9:00 John Flavin † 8:00 Rev. Franklyn M. McAfee **Tuesday, October 23** St. John of Capistrano, Priest 6:30 Prema Ranasinghe † 9:00 Members of Opus Dei Wednesday, October 24 St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop 6:30 Euphrasia Rogrigo † 9:00 Rev. Michael Hagen **Thursday, October 25** Weekday 6:30 Claire Dunn † Helen F. Libera † 9:00 Friday, October 26 Weekday 6:30 Jovita Baker † 9:00 Souls in Purgatory † Saturday, October 27 Weekday 8:15 Mieke Karnbrock † 5:00 Gerard Smith † Sunday, October 28 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 Vitold & Stanislawa Lempicki † 9:00 Anthony Gatta † 10:30 People of the Parish 12:00 Anae Annunzjata †

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD †AILEEN McCORMACK†

†WILLIAM F. SHAW †
†JAMES A. MESSING †
† GERMAINE GWYNN †

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HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS OCTOBER

Evangelization – The Mission of Religious

That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

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IN TESTIMONIUM...

On October 21, 1956 this parish church of ours was dedicated by the ninth Bishop of Richmond, the Most Reverend Peter L. Ireton. It was a Sunday. They were celebrating the 22nd Sunday after Pentecost. Easter that year, just like this year, fell on April 1st. From that day forward the 21st of October is observed as a Solemnity in this parish with prayers from the Common for the Anniversary of the Dedication of a Church.

As a result , no longer may we celebrate the Feast of St. Ursula and her Companions... and not for the reason that Wikipedia claimed (until I updated its page on St. Ursula a few days ago), which was that she had been removed from the Catholic Church's list of saints. Rather, she remains in the *Roman Martyrology (Martyrologium Romanum*, Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2004, p. 582) although her commemoration does not appear in the simplified *General Roman Calendar* of the 1970 *Missale Romanum* (Typis Polyglottis Vaticanis, 1970, p. 113).

Saint Ursula (Latin for 'little female bear') is a Romano-British Christian saint who died on October 21, 383, in Cologne, Germany, in the company of other virgin martyrs. Medieval legends about her being martyred with 11,000 companions have obscured her history. The *Catholic Encyclopedia* indicates that for the solid reconstruction of the true history of the virgin martyrs, there is a 4th or 5th century stone inscription in the choir loft of the Basilica of St. Ursula by someone named Clematius (a "man of senatorial rank, who seems to have lived in the Orient before going to Cologne, was led by frequent visions to rebuild in this city, on land belonging to him, a basilica which had fallen into ruins, in honour of virgins who had suffered martyrdom on that spot") and some details furnished by ancient liturgical books.

It was enough for some of the most famous explorers of the West. Christopher Columbus named the Virgin Islands in the Caribbean in her honor when sailing past them in 1493. On October 21, 1520, Ferdinand Magellan rounded Cape Virgenes and entered the Straits of Magellan, naming the cape after Ursula's virgins.

In 1521, Portuguese explorer João Álvares Fagundes gave the name Eleven Thousand Virgins to what is now known as Saint-Pierre and Miquelon.

St. Ursula and Companions, pray for us!

God bless you.

Fr. Christopher J. Pollard

p.s. "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" (Heb 13,8). Amen? Amen!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY, MICHAEL JACOBEEN

I am very excited to be here at St. John to serve the youth of the parish! I have been involved in youth ministry in various capacities since graduating high school, but most recently I was the Director of Youth Ministry at St. Thomas More Cathedral.

James Clement did so much for the youth during his time here, and I am excited to build upon all that he accomplished over the past couple of years. My goal is to offer a wide variety of youth ministry activities, events, and programs so that every young person in our parish can find something they are excited about. These initiatives can include both existing programs and new activities. Examples of opportunities that we could offer the youth at St. John include:

- Sunday youth nights
- Tough Topics nights
- Diocesan WorkCamp
- Arlington Diocese sponsored events (High School Rally,
- Jr. High Bash, Life is Very Good)
- Swing Dance nights
- Teen assistant coaches for CYO Basketball
- Home-bound parishioner service club
- Bible Studies, book clubs, or boys/girls' groups
- Outdoors club (hiking, fishing, boating, etc)
- Parent/child activities (possibly for younger kids)
- Evangelization mission team
- Mission trips or pilgrimages
- Running club
- Your ideas!

In order to make each of these ideas a reality, we will need the talents, leadership, and joyful witness of many adults in the parish. If you are an adult and are interested in helping with any of the above ideas, or if you have any other ideas, please contact me so we can discuss how you can best use your talents to serve the youth.

Coming soon:

- Sunday Youth Nights will be starting up in November! Check the website and next week's bulletin for the schedule and more details.
- Keep your eyes open for other youth activities several things are in the works and will be launching soon.

Contact Michael if you're interested in helping to implement any of the above ideas, or if you have a teen who might be interested in one of these initiatives. You can email me at <u>mjacobeen@stjohncatholicmclean.org</u> or call at (703) 356-7916 x114.

SAY NO TO PHYSICIAN ASSISTED SUICIDE: Suicide rates in the U.S. are at a 30 -year high. Virginia legislators have asked for a study about whether physician-assisted suicide should be legal in the Commonwealth. A public comment period is open and your legislators need to hear from you! Please visit https://bit.ly/VCCassistedsuicide to make your voice heard!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN Prayerful witness to defend LIFE. From September 26 through November 4, you're invited to put your faith into action and join with other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Come, stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-ofway outside Falls Church Abortion Center at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church. St. John the Beloved will pray throughout the day Thursdays. Please contact Andrea on DelVecchio at aldelvecchio75@gmail.com if you would like more information – volunteer to pray for an hour between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Thursdays.

MESSAGE FROM BISHOP **BURBIDGE:** In October. Respect Life Month, we renew our profound gratitude to God for the precious gift of life and our commitment to witness to the truth that every human person is worthy of our love and protection. We join with dioceses across the nation in observing October 7 as Respect Life Sunday and I invite every parish to proclaim the Gospel of Life through prayer, direct service and advocacy on behalf of the most vulnerable among us. Our 2018 theme, "Cherished, Chosen and Sent," is needed now more than ever, as more than 5,000 pre-born children are lost to the violence of abortion each year in our Diocese and Virginia lawmakers consider legalizing assisted suicide.

During this month of October, please join me in prayer and action for the unborn and for others whose lives are at risk. May we always turn with confidence to our Blessed Mother, Protector of Life, to seek her intercession for the success of all our efforts to build up the culture of life.

ଦ୍ଧି St. John the Beloved Door-to-Door Mission on ଦ୍ଧି ଦ୍ଧ Saturday, October 27th.

St. John's is engaged in ongoing outreach to our neighbors. We go door to door extending a friendly Ŵ invitation to visit our parish and participate in its ŵ activities, events and services. This is a wonderful w opportunity to participate in a gentle form of $\widehat{\mathbb{A}}$ evangelization. On Saturday morning, October 27, Ŵ teams of parishioners will go door to door to Ŵ neighborhoods in our parish greeting whomever Ŵ answers and leaving flyers at the door. This will be a \mathbb{N}^{n} Ŵ good time to tell people about the upcoming Christmas $\tilde{\Psi}$ Bazaar. Parents and children teams are especially welcome. Come to the parish hall after the 8:15 a.m. Mass and prayers. We will say a prayer, get general Ŵ instructions and be given materials. We plan to leave) R) at 9:30 and return not later than 11:30 to share our 🛱 experiences. For further information and to volunteer, $\ddot{\mathbb{W}}$ please call Dave Scully at (703) 356-0785, or \odot 1 email davyscul@cox.net. Ŵ

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Group presentations will take place at 1:15 and 2:15 in Father Heet Auditorium. This is a perfect opportunity for 6th, 7th and 8th graders and their families to explore the benefits of a Catholic high school education. Visit our website at www.paulvi.net or ehanley@pvipanther.net for further information.

Current 8th graders are encouraged to set up a Panther For A Day experience by emailing gfarello@pvipanther.net. Middle School students and their families are invited to *Middle School Night Under the Lights* at Paul VI Catholic High School in Fairfax. Join us at 6:00PM on Friday, November 2nd for pizza, tee shirts, games and tons of prizes. All are invited to join the *VI Man* cheering on our Panther varsity football team. Free to all, no reservations needed. Email: <u>ehanley@pvipanther.net</u> with questions.

DEDICATION SUNDAY

Reflect on your gifts and talents and consider giving of yourself to the parish in one or more of the many activities offered. Please visit the parish hall after all the Masses this weekend and peruse the information



made available by the many different ministries and programs here at St. John the Beloved. Whether you want to give a lot of your time or just a little, you will be sure to find something to interest you. You will grow closer to God and to your fellow parishioners as you share your time and talents.

SJB ALTAR SERVER CORPS

From time to time I am asked about the significance of the colored cords worn by some Servers.

~*Gold Cords* connote *Master Server/Master of Ceremonies* These men serve at the highest level, principally for the 10:30am Sung High Mass for the People of the Parish.

~*Blue Cords* connote Servers who serve under the banner of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Known as *Mater Ecclesiae* Servers, the boys' service at the altar is offered for the spiritual needs of the persecuted Church throughout the world.

~*Red Cords* connote the 3 youngest Servers in the Corps who honor the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Holy Trinity, through their service at the altar and are known as the *Paraclete Squadron*.

The **Motto of the Server Corps**: **PRPS**—Profound Reverence/Precision Serving.

Thank you for your support of the Corps.

Ann Thunder

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
October 21	October 22	October 23	October 24	October 25	October 26	October 27
DEDICATION SUNDAY 10:30am Pre-K & K CCD	4:30pm 1-3 CCD 4:30pm Confiteor 7:00pm RCIA 7:30pm Legion 8:00pm Latin Mass	7:00pm CCD 8:00pm Hoops	ADORATION 9:30am-7:30pm			8:45am Confessions 3:30pm Confessions

OUR LADY'S MISSIONARIES OF THE EUCHARIST Invite you to a SPECIAL RETREAT November 2-4, 2018 A Time Apart with Jesus to Grow In Your Spiritual Life

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Ave Maria Retreat House in Doylestown, Pennsylvania at the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa

Czestochowa The retreat is offered by Sister Joan Noreen, Co-founder of Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist and EWTN host of "Eucharistic Journey" from 1999 to 2018. The retreat includes daily Eucharist, Eucharistic Adoration, 🗙 conferences on Catholic Spirituality, Prayer with Sacred Scripture, Liturgy of the Hours and much more. For more information, please contact Kathy Carroll at 703-241-2582 or email khc1508@gmail.com. Or contact 🔀 OLME directly at 610-582-3333 or olme@olme.org. www.olme.org.

ALL SOULS DAY MASS AT FAIRFAX **MEMORIAL PARK**

Please join Bishop Burbidge and brother priests as he celebrates a Mass of Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed at 11 a.m. on Friday, November 2, at Fairfax Memorial Park, 9900 Braddock Road, Fairfax. We will remember our deceased relatives and loved ones in this moving outdoor liturgy. In the event of inclement weather a rain site will be announced.

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OPEN HOUSE AT ST. JOHN PAUL THE GREAT HIGH SCHOOL

All families are welcome to come visit Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School on Sunday Nov 4th - 1-4pm - for our annual Fall Open House. Come see what you've been missing the last 10 years at this GREAT Catholic High School. Tour our gorgeous building, meet students and families, chat with coaches and club moderators and see why the JP experience has families traveling from all over Northern VA to come to our GREAT school!

Register at www.jpthegreat.org for a free gift for your 8th grader!

8 **THE REFINER'S FIRE**

THE REFINER'S FIRE BEING PURIFIED WITH AND FOR THE CHURCH Gentlemen: The current crisis in the Church presents a major spiritual challenge to us all. What is being asked of faithful Catholic men in this time of trial? The 20th Annual Christ the King Men's Day of Recollection, directed by Rev. Paul D. Scalia, will be held on Sat. Oct. 27 from 9:15am-1:15pm at St. John the Beloved Church, 6420 Linway Terrace, McLean. The \$40 charge includes lunch and materials. To register go to www.waywomen.com or send a check, payable to WAY to Jennifer Lawler, 5464 Mersea Ct., Burke, VA 22015. Student rate \$25. Pay-at-the-door \$45. For more information, contact Robin Maas at robinmaas@verizon.net. 2 robinmaas@verizon.net.

LET THE COLORS OF FALL REMIND YOU TO Rediscover the beauty of your marriage. Worldwide Marriage Encounter has all the tools you need for a great marriage.

"Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all." Join us on one of the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends on Mar 22-24, 2019 in Herndon, VA and Sep 20-22, 2019 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: RenewMarriage-VANorth.org or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org or 703-646-1521.

Couples who attend Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends not only rediscover the joy, intimacy & romance in their relationships, but also become more active in their parish. Together, we are making marriages, families and our Church stronger & healthier.

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST (HSPT)

Eighth grade students attending public schools or non-Catholic private schools who are interested in attending Catholic High Schools in the Diocese of Arlington need to take the High School Placement Test (HSPT) offered on Saturday, December 1, 2018 or Saturday, January 12, 2019. This test is required for placement at Bishop Ireton High School, Bishop O'Connell High School, Paul VI High School and Saint John Paul the Great High School. Students must fill out an HSPT Registration Form (available under "Frequently Asked Questions" under Schools at http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/) and submit to the test site by November 29 for the December test.

THE CHOIR OF OUR LADY OF EPHESUS All 7-12th grade girls of the parish are cordially invited to join the Choir of Our Lady of Ephesus, which rehearses every Sunday morning 9:15-10:20 a.m. and sings twice a month for the 10:30 a.m. Mass. If your daughter is interested, contact Miss Elizabeth Black (elizabethblack3@yahoo.com) to

All parishioners and guests → are cordially invited to our → annual evening of dessert and → music on Saturday, November → 17th at 6:30p in the parish → hall. Music is provided "by

set up a day to shadow the choir.



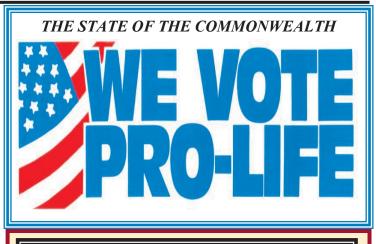
★ parishioners for parishioners" and will feature an ★ enjoyable variety of instruments and genres. If ★ ★ interested in performing, email our Director of Music, ★ ★ James Senson at jsenson@stjohncatholicmclean.org. ★
★ Please bring a dessert to share, coffee and tea will be ★ ★ provided. Please come out and join your fellow ★ ★ parishioners for an evening of entertainment and fun! ★

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Join us for St. John the Beloved's 39th Annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 17 from 9:00 a.m.– 3:00 p.m. Like last year, this is a one day only event. Be sure to take advantage of this fabulous opportunity to get your shopping started early! Join us for live music, great food, and wonderful fellowship. For more information, please contact: <u>womenscouncilofsjb@gmail.com</u>. We are looking forward to seeing you all there!

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Carmel Broadfoot Salvatore Calabro John Cartelli John Paul Charles Carver Virginia Connelly Sheila Corallo Elke D'Amico **Richard DeCorps** William Dunne Joe Elias John Fiore Tara Flanagan-Koenig Susan Glover Francesca Greco Paul Griffith Edward M. Hallinan III Jack Halpin Arnold L. Harrington III **Emily Hazlett** Agnes Henley Colleen Hodgdon David Johnson Mark Johnson Andrew Katson

Christopher Katz Dorothy Kottler Sharon LeMaster Sue Malone Carmella Manetti **Cristina Marques** Diana Meisel **Bonnie** Moran Veronica Nowakowski Anita Oliveira Briner Orillo Mary Pistorino Reilly Patricia Richer Shelby Rogers Thomas Rosa Avery Schaeffer Merle Shannon **Gloribeth Smith** Daniel Stadelmann Carolyn Steinhoff Bill Sullivan Mary Warchot Marie Wysolmerski

God bless and protect all our family members and parishioners who are serving in the military and civil service for our defense, especially...

Robert Ayala Jonathan Choo Nicholas Galvan Harry Griffith Bill Jones Brendan Murphy Lynn Partik

Robert B. Smolar Michael Shipley Kimberley Templer Michael Templer Jesus Toledanes Alex Trujillo Justin White