

Worship the Lord

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 Benoit Saeys †
 8:30 Susan M. Glover †
 8:00 Lee & Giulietta Bockhorn

Tuesday, November 22

St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr

6:30 Maria Van Damme †
 8:30 John Flavin †

Wednesday, November 23

*St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot;
 Bl. Miguel Agustín Pro, Priest & Martyr*

6:30 Elizabeth Prosack †
 8:30 Rev. Lewis Hejna

Thursday, November 24

St. Andrew Dũng-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

6:30 Fr. Kevin Cusick
 8:30 Frances & Walter Wierzbicki †

Friday, November 25

St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr

6:30 Tara Flanagan Koenig †
 8:30 Judy Neary †

Saturday, November 26

Weekday

8:30 Estelle & Elmer Danielson †
 5:00 Tara Flanagan Koenig †

Sunday, November 27

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 Ana Vera †
 9:00 Tara Flanagan Koenig †
 10:30 People of the Parish
 12:00 Maria Cayani

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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| 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 |
| Francisca Grego | Avery Schaeffer |
| Mark Johnson | Merle Shannon |
| Christopher Katz | Maiselle Shortley |
| Dorothy Kottler | Gloribeth Smith |
| Jose Martelino, Jr. | Glenn Snyder |
| Cristina Marques | Bill Sullivan |
| 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...*

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| Robert Ayala | Robert Paul Nugent, Jr. |
| Ryan Burke | Michael Shipley |
| Jonathan Choo | Kimberley Templer |
| Nicholas Galvan | Michael Templer |
| Harry Griffith | Jesus Toledanes |
| Bill Jones | Justin White |
| Elisabeth Maddrell | |

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

† ASHLEIGH VIOLETTE †
 † CHARLOTTE LUDWICK †
 † PHILIP NELSON TRULUCK †
 † ELIZABETH GLASSCO †

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER: CHILDREN WHO SUFFER

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

Learn the Faith

In Testimonium...

20 NOVEMBER 2022

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Ordinary Form

2 Samuel 5, 1-3

Psalms 122, 1-2, 3-4, 4-5

Colossians 1, 12-20

Luke 23, 35-43

Extraordinary Form

Colossians 1, 9-14

Psalms 43, 8-9

Psalms 129, 1-2

Matthew 24, 13-25

The End

The word “end” has a few casual meanings and a specific philosophical meaning.

Casually, when we refer to the *end* of something we refer to an extremity, be it its back end... or its *front* end ironically enough. A *tight* end and a *defensive* end play facing different endzones. By “end” we might be speaking of the conclusion of an activity or event, especially if we verbalize the word and decide to *end* something ourselves, which will be elusive if whatever it is will continue for days/weeks/months/years or paragraphs/pages *on end*. In a group activity it will be difficult to *keep your end up* if *in the end* you are the only one who cares... unless you have an *end-around* or if it pleases you to *no end* for everything to depend on you.

We use the idiom “to what end” in the form of a question. For instance, *to what end* am I explaining all of this? Is it to string sentences *end after end* until I fill the column? Asking “to what end?” inquires about the purpose of something. Here we enter into the arena of philosophy. The *end* or purpose of something is what Aristotle calls its final cause, that ultimate purpose which explains why a thing is what it is.

Death saddens us but the end of life is glory. The untimely death of a young life is a tragedy. Brief or long, a life is a gift and its end is heaven. Being or existing is an activity that belongs to God. When He created you He gifted you with the promise that your soul will be forever. If your soul stays close to Him it will be forever young and happy because it will be fulfilled in its purpose of manifesting the glory of God. We need not be frightened about the end of our lives or the end of the world if we have lived for God’s purpose. If having a purpose for living is an unfamiliar thought, we might want to stop and reevaluate where our life is headed. If life is already so full of disappointments that we doubt if our life has meaning, then we need to seek out the loving, merciful Father who sent His only-begotten Son to rescue our souls with the price of His blood.

Live? Love? Suffer? To what end? To give glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world with end. Amen.

Rev. Christopher J. Pollard



Saint John the Beloved
ACADEMY

CALENDAR UPDATES:

Nov 22—11:30 AM DISMISSAL

Nov 23-27—Thanksgiving Break



SJBA will host a VIRTUS session on December 1st, 6pm, Eagle Hall. If interested, please register at www.virtus.org.



St. John the Beloved
HIGH SCHOOL
YOUTH MINISTRY

MOUNT 2000 RETREAT: KENOSIS

High school youth are invited to a Eucharistic retreat led by the seminarians of Mount St. Mary's. Spend a weekend making room for God in your life.

- February 3-5, 2023

- \$200/teen (includes retreat, meals, and hotel accommodations)

- Contact Michael: mjacobeen@stjohncatholicmclean.org to sign up

- Deadline to register is December 2.

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: \$250 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

- Apply before December 1

Be An Apostle



DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON NEWS

FROM THE OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING -- NOVEMBER 20, 2022

"Jesus, remember me when you come into Your kingdom." Will you make Christ the King and His merciful love remembered as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Michael Isenberg (703) 841-2514, or write: michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON

GOLDEN JUBILEE HOLY HOUR AND ROSARY WITH BISHOP BURBIDGE

All are invited to join Bishop Michael F. Burbidge for a Solemn Eucharistic Holy Hour with the Recitation of the Holy Rosary to inaugurate Preparation Year II of our diocesan Golden Jubilee. The theme for Year II is "Rejoice: My soul rejoices in the Lord!" The Holy Hour will take place on November 20, at 4 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More in Arlington. Please join us!

MULTICULTURAL COOKBOOK

Do you love to cook? Have a special cultural dish you love to share at family gatherings? We need you! As part of the Golden Jubilee for the Diocese of Arlington, the Multicultural Sub-Committee is producing a multicultural cookbook! It will include recipes from every culture, submitted by Diocese of Arlington parishioners! Recipes will be reviewed and selected by a diverse panel, and then published in a keepsake cookbook in commemoration of the Diocesan Golden Jubilee. Recipes will be arranged according to the liturgical calendar so that folks will be able to open their cookbook at any time in the liturgical year and find a special recipe to enjoy! To find out more and access the submission form: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/jubilee-gather-at-the-table>.

SACRED MUSIC FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

The Cathedral Choir and Youth Choir will present a prayerful concert of Advent and Christmas music from the Middle Ages to the twenty-first century. The program will include congregational singing so that all can join in the joy of preparing for the coming of Christ, our Savior. All are welcome to join us for this beautiful event on Sunday, December 4, at 4 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More in Arlington.

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

CALLED AND GIFTED WORKSHOP

God has gifted you to do great things in your personal life and ministry. Everyone has been gifted. Come and find out yours on December 3, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at St. Agnes Catholic Church (school gym.) in Arlington. Cost is \$25. Register by November 23, 2022. Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/CAGDec3>. Contact Ana Lisa Piñon for more information. analisa.pinson@arlingtondiocese.org.



ST. JOHN THE BELOVED PARISH NEWS

SHARE SUNDAY

Today is SHARE Sunday. Please leave your donations of nonperishable food and personal care items in the SHARE vehicle parked outside the church Sunday morning. Thank you for your generosity and Happy Thanksgiving to all!

COFFEE AND DONUTS NEXT SUNDAY

Please join fellow parishioners, friends and visitors for coffee and donuts after the 9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12 noon masses today, courtesy of the St. Peter Claver Society. All are welcome!

ST. JOHN SENIORS' CLUB

WHAT: Mass at 11:30, followed by Luncheon & Presentation at 12:00 in the school auditorium.

WHEN: Monday, November 21.

WHO: St. John Parishioner, Juan Tuason, President and CEO of Paragon Home Care, and Fannie Halton, Administrator and Partner of Paragon Assisted Living.

TOPIC: Juan has extensive experience in the home care field and will speak about the aging in place services in our area. Fannie has been a licensed Assisted Living Administrator for over 15 years and will speak about how to determine what retirement communities are most likely to best serve your current and future needs.

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

DEADLINE: 17 November. Reservations are required for attendance because seating will be limited to ensure the safety of all.

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

VIRTUS TRAINING SESSION

Saint John the Beloved Academy will host a VIRTUS session on Thursday December 1st at 6pm in Eagle Hall. The session is scheduled on the VIRTUS website and all are welcome to register at www.virtus.org. Deacon Silva will facilitate the session.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The Society of the Holy Name is one of several confraternities of the laity under the care of the Dominican Order. It is open to all Catholic adults. The primary object of the society is to beget reverence for the Holy Name of God and Jesus Christ; it is also dedicated to making reparations, in particular, for blasphemy, perjury and immorality. Please join us for our first meeting January 11, 2023 in the Dodi Regan Room at 7:00pm. For questions, please email Earner669@gmail.com or check out <https://www.nahns.org/>



*Novena
to Our Lady
of Guadalupe
with
Bishop Burbidge
for
Couples Struggling
with Infertility,
Miscarriage,
and Infant Loss*



December 4th - 12th

Submit your intentions,
pray the novena &
find more information at:
OurFruitfulLove.com



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



REQUIESANT IN PACEM

The entire month of November is dedicated to praying for the repose of the holy souls in Purgatory

The Book of the Dead has been placed at the feet of the statue of the Sacred Heart. You are encouraged to write any names of the dead, and then during November folks can kneel and pray for the repose of their souls. This Book of the Dead will remain there for prayer until December 1st. In December, the prayer intention papers from the book and novena will all be burned in the quarterly Holy Fire with myrrh incense and De Profundis (Psalm 129/130).



STATE OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Please support our seminarians and SEEF, a permanent endowment fund established in 2011 for annual seminarian expenses such as room, board, tuition, health insurance and books, which total almost \$45,000 per seminarian. Please give generously! To donate, make checks payable to: "Foundation for the CDA - SEEF." Mail to: The Foundation, 200 N. Glebe Road, Suite 811, Arlington, VA 22203. Contact John French at john.french@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-3819 with questions.

Northern Virginia
CHAPTER

Legatus is an international organization of Catholic business leaders and executives committed to study, live and spread the Catholic faith.

Chartered in 2000, our chapter is welcoming new members. For information, please contact Peter Pin at peterpin59@gmail.com.



| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------------------------------|---|---------------|---|---------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| NOVEMBER 20 | NOVEMBER 21 | NOVEMBER 22 | NOVEMBER 23 | NOVEMBER 24 | NOVEMBER 25 | NOVEMBER 26 |
| 2pm-Exposition 4:00-Vespers | 9:15am-Rosary 11:30am-Senior Mass & Luncheon 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 |