

### Masses for the Week

Mon, April 21	6:15— Joseph Hummell III+ 8:30— Robert Mica+ 12:15— Pina Pilaro+	S
Tues, April 22	6:15— Larry Kotwas+ 8:30— Grace & Ben Pacis	W
Wed, April 23	6:15— Jonah Elkhouri & Bridget Miles 8:30— Maria Beck+ 12:15— Holy Souls in Purgatory+	н н С
Thurs, April 24	6:15— Alyce & Norbert Miles+ 8:30— Mr. Jayan Singh+	
Fri, April 25	6:15— James Cook+ 8:30— Thomas Joseph Blondet	**
Sat, April 26	6:15— Celinda Almonde, Ponce & Luis Paul, Reinoso Almonde+ 8:30— Agnes Malec+	
Sun, April 27	7:30— Kathleen Patricia McLaine+ 8:45— GJ & Anita Vitale+ 10:30— Patrick Conte+ 12:30— Fedelina Reyes Go+ 5:00— St. Theresa Parishioners	R R R D D

### **Parish Mass Schedule**

Saturday:	8:30am, 5:30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday:	7:30, 8:45am & 10:30am
	12:30 & 5:00pm
Weekdays:	6:15 and 8:30am, Monday through Friday
	12:15pm, Mondays (except Federal Holidays)
	and Wednesdays
Holy Days:	As announced
Holy Hour:	Wednesdays, 7pm
<b>Confessions:</b> Wednesdays, 9am (until line ends);	
	Holy Hour, 7pm (until line ends);
	Saturdays, 4pm (until line ends);
	and by appointment

\*\*Federal Holidays-6:15 and 8:30am Masses only

### Clergy

Reverend James C. Hudgins, Pastor Reverend Paul Dudzinski, Parochial Vicar Reverend Christopher T. Vaccaro, Parochial Vicar Reverend John F. O'Farrell, Parochial Vicar Deacon Paul C. Konold Deacon Anthony J. Renzette

**Prayers For The Sick**: Kim Balaer, Michael Tabash, Maddie N., Suzanne Miles, Martin Caplan, Gene Epperly, Patricia LeMay, Megan Brown, John Forbes, Ronald Lewis Cricks, Tom Poerstel, Mary Broderick, Mary Giebel, Esther Yager, Tori Edmonds, Daniel John Begley, Michael De-Cardona, Stephen Stahl, Steve Smith, Michael Williamson, Brenda Fitzpatrick, Barney Smith, Rick & Kathleen Mikszan, Jeffrey Miller, Raymond Humanik, Kelly Hargreaves, Ellen Russow, Patricia Fuechslin, Pranee Heinjarean, Nellie Gonzalez, Bernadette Valdez.

**Prayers For Our Military:** Cabell Early, Jack Williamson, Sabrina Sokol, Aidan Sullivan, Kyle Sullivan, Heather Hurley, Connor McCarthy, Kraig Broecker Jr., Victoria Carrick Caviston, Jack Ward, Michael Scully, Matthew Baba, Anthony Lupetaliaami, Tom Short, Bill Short, Sergio Mendez, Geoffrey Galasso, Logan Anna Davis, Stephen Holdorf, Jr. Daniel W. Beverly, Matthew Schierling, Eric Frames, Bill Freschi, Paul Schierling, Marshall Kellner, Eric Ciliberti, John Kesterson, Matthew Kesterson, Alexa Katharine Koenig, Russell Escalante. DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON



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Easter 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Alleluia! Jesus Christ is truly risen. The Christian rejoices and is glad at Easter for the marvelous sign of God's love and mercy: the crucifixion, death, and resurrection of our Savior and all that our Lord promises.

Pope Francis, in opening this Jubilee Year for the Universal Church, encouraged all to see this holy year, with its focus on the virtue of hope, as an "opportunity to appreciate anew, and with immense gratitude, the gift of the new life that we have received in Baptism, a life capable of transfiguring death's drama." Our Lord's victory over sin and its consequences makes possible our hope. By God's grace, when we see by the light of faith our vision extends beyond the limited horizon of this world and into the glory and splendor of eternal life.

At Eastertime, Sacred Scripture tells us that Peter "ran to the tomb, bent down, and saw the burial cloths alone; then he went home amazed at what had happened" (Luke 24:1-12). We follow in the footsteps of Peter in the Easter season, marveling at our Savior's triumph with the same amazement. May we resolve to carry the joy of this season in our hearts throughout the rest of the year so that we may enjoy the true freedom that God offers.

May Our Lord Jesus bless you with his peace and increased faith, hope, and love throughout the Easter season, the Jubilee Year, and always.

Sincerely in Christ,

Michael F. Burbidge

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge Bishop of Arlington

# **Urgent Need for Committed Adorers**

Please Note: The Adoration Schedule online system allows users to can-

cel commitments from time-to-time to allow for vacation, sickness, or oth-

er possibilities that may prevent attendance. In those instances, you can vacate the slot in advance and substitute adorers will provide one-time

We have an urgent need for committed **Sunday**: 1:00am, 3:00am adorers who can spend a grace-filled holy hour every week with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament for the following vacant one hour adoration slots:

coverage.

Monday: 2:30am Tuesday: 3:00am Friday: 6:30pm

Saturday: 5:30, 7:30, & 9:30pm



To sign up for one of our open Adoration time slots above, please go to http://sainttheresa.letusadore.com or come by the parish office.

"What will convert America and save the world? My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer."- St. Mother Theresa Won't you consider signing up for one hour a week to sit with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament in our Perpetual Adoration Chapel? To sign up, go to: http://sainttheresa.letusadore.com

As a committed adorer, if you are unable to attend due to planned travel or vacation, just let us know and we will find someone to come in and fill in your hour that week. Please consider spending one hour with the Lord. It will be the best time you will spend on earth.



# **Youth Education and News**

# YOUTH

ymoffice@sainttheresaparish.com

### April

Sun, 27th-Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

### May

Sun, 4th-Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

<u>Thurs, 8th</u>–WorkCamp Prep Meeting, 7-8:30pm, Saint Louis Martin Room

<u>Sat, 10th</u>–Middle School Bash, 2:30-9pm – O'Connell High School, for all Parish Middle School students, 6th to 8th grade

<u>Sat, 17th</u>–WorkCamp Tool Training, 9am to 1pm, School Cafeteria

Sat, 17th-Middle School ROCK Squad, School Cafeteria & Gym, 6:30-8:30pm

Sun, 18th-Parish Food Drive (after 8:45am Mass & 5pm Mass)

<u>Mon, 19th</u>-Food Sort by Expirations Dates, 7-8:30pm

<u>Tues, 20th</u>-Load food for transport, 6:15-7pm Sun, 25th-Upper Room Squad, 6-8pm

**Calling All Middle Schoolers to the Diocesan BASH**: BASH is the Diocese of Arlington's largest gathering of Catholic middle school students (6th-8th graders) every year! Students from all over the Diocese will gather on Saturday, **May 10th**, at O'Connell High School in Arlington for faith, fellowship, and fun! We will depart as a group from the upper parking lot at 2:15pm and return at 9pm. Adult chaperones will be the drivers.

This event includes music, games, free t-shirt, inspirational speakers, confessions, and Vigil Mass and transportation. Bishop Burbidge will be the principal celebrant and homilist for the Mass. BASH is open to any Middle School aged youth that want to attend. Please follow this link for more details and to grab a spot for your child - spots are first come - first serve so please act quickly! The cost of the ticket is \$20. You can also signup to be a chaperone & drive if you would like to be a part of this great afternoon. We could always use the help!

Signup Genius for the Middle School Bash: https:// tinyurl.com/STMSBash

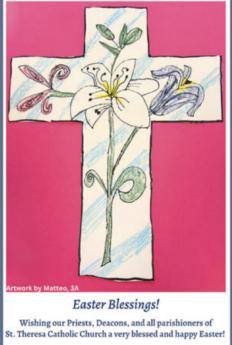
Or use this QR Code:





Office Hours: Mon-Thurs. 9am-4pm; Fri. 9am-noon

Adults Plan Ahead to Volunteer Want to volunteer at the many St. Theresa's children based programs/ events? We encourage and welcome your involvement however it requires that all volunteers be compliant. For details contact Connie Gilligan, Parish Child Protection Coordinator, at connie@sainttheresaparish.com or call 703.729.3714.



May God bless you, The Administration, Faculty, Staff, & Students Saint Theresa Catholic School Saint Theresa Catholic School Educating Tomorrow's Catholic Leaders

www.stsashburn.com

STCS Parents, please see the **Thursday Thunder Newsletter** for information on important dates and events, including:

Monday, April 28— Students return
Tuesday, April 29— First Holy Communion rehearsal
Wednesday, April 30— Battle of the Books meeting after school
Saturday, May 3— First Holy Communion
Wednesday, May 7— Dress out day to celebrate the Annual Auction
Friday, May 9— Annual PTO Auction, "Bloom"

**St. Theresa Catholic School is hir***ing for the 2025-26 school year!* STCS is accepting applications for the following positions: Fourth Grade Teacher, Middle School Language Arts Teacher, Music Teacher, Kindergarten full-time aide, and 3rd Grade part-time To apply, please send your re-

aide. To apply, please send your resume, cover letter, and references to HR@SaintTheresaParish.com.

**Apply to STCS!** Would you like to learn more about our parish school and how Catholic education can make a difference in your child's life? Please visit our website for more information (click "Admissions") or email Admissions Director Denise Rotell, rotelld@stsashburn.com.



Office Hrs: 9:30am-3:30pm (closed for lunch 12-1)

## News from our Parish

#### Meals For Priests Ministry-

Interested in serving pre-cooked dinners to our Priests? Our Meals for Priests Ministry is in need of loving and generous members. We serve dinners to our 4 Priests 3 times a week, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. God sent us wonderful Priests. Fathers would appreciate a nutritious dinner after a busy work day. Interested in helping our Priests and Parish, please email Anh Wong at wong.anh@gmail.com or call 703.723.1308.

Join Our Joyful Team - St. Theresa Catholic School is hiring for the 2025-26 school year! STCS is ac-

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**All Women Welcome!**—The ladies of Walking With Purpose Bible study invite all women of the parish to join us **April 30th** at 7pm for "Ordinary Life, Extraordinary Discipleship: Tapping into the Holy Spirit's Power". Mary Smith, of the Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi, joins Walking With Purpose's Lela Heick to speak on the calling, joy, and import of discipleship in our every day lives. Join us in the Zellie rooms for this impactful evening with fellowship and light refreshments to follow. The event is free to all women. Any monetary donations collected will be given to support the mission of Regnum Christi. For more information contact us at

sttheresawwp@gmail.com

**Red Cross Blood Drive**—Please consider supporting the American Red Cross at our next St. Theresa blood drive on Friday, **May 2nd**, 10am-3pm. As always, your help will save lives!

Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or go to www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: "StTheresaChurch" to schedule your life-saving donation! If you have ANY difficulty, please e-mail Colleen Dwyer at colleenhome87@gmail.com or call/text 703.969.3667 & she will register you. The Red Cross is extremely grateful to the very generous St. Theresa parishioners for their continued support in these blood drives.

**Sponsorships and Donations Need**ed—St. Theresa Catholic School's an-

nual auction is May 9, 2025 and we are actively procuring donations and sponsorships. Do you own a business?

Can you provide a service? Do you own a vacation property? Do you have goods that may be live or silent auction eligible? Reach out to the auction team at stsauction@stsashburn.com to discuss. They would love to hear from you!

### Saint Theresa Donut Sunday Pro-



**gram - Exciting News!**— Save the Date for Donut Sunday - **May 4th** Attendees Hours are from 8am-12pm

This isn't just Donuts..we serve Coffee, Apple Juice, Orange Juice, Bagels, Croissants, Muffins, Fruit, Yogurt Parfaits, Avocado Toast and much more! The Donut Sunday Program Mission is to bring people together, create a community and serve others. Please come and join us!

We are in need of donations and volunteers for May 4th. This is a great way to help the community and serve others. Please sign up, if you can. https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/5080F4EA4AA2D6-saint

This program can't run without volunteers and donations. Thank you and God Bless. Any questions, please contact Angela Haberland @ angela.haberland@gmail.com or 703.407.1204

### **Pro-Life Corner**

#### What you should know about the extreme abortion amendment to the Virginia Constitution. Part 3

The amendment says, "every individual" has the right to reproductive freedom. There is no age limit stated, no mention of minors. So young teenage or even pre-teen girls would have the right to abortions, without even having

to tell their parents, let alone getting their permission. It's shocking! What parent wouldn't want to know if and when their child is consulting a doctor – any doctor. Not all doctors are the same, not all abortionists are either.

Parents for Life is an organization founded by a woman whose 14 yearold daughter had an abortion without telling her. Only after the girl was hospitalized due to complications and permission was needed to do surgery did she find out. Sadly, her daughter died. Also, there was a bill for \$27,000 to be paid. Check out: https:// parentsforlifeva.org/about/

Next week: Was there any mention about the sex of the individual?



# **Adult Education and Spiritual Enrichment**

Women's Discipleship Group—Meets every Wednesday morning, 9:30-10:30am for Lectio Divina and 10:45-11:45am for spiritual book reading. Our focus for the Lectio Divina prayer is the Mass reading for the upcoming Sunday. We are currently reading the book, "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary" by Brant Pitre.

Parish women of all ages are cordially invited. For more information contact Dawn Garabito, 862.812.0039 or dmarie213@aol.com

That Man is You (TMIY)—Are you looking to strengthen your faith & family and meet other Catholic men at St Theresa's? We recently met during

Lent to learn how to let the Holy Spirit into our lives to make us better fathers and husbands. Use the QR Code below or contact Jack Hayes at 703.537.6418 or jack.hayes422aol.com for more information.





### Legion of Mary

Want to deepen your faith, build community, increase your relationship with our

Lord, and serve others? Want to be part of something bigger than yourself? We have two praesidium options. Saturdays at 9:15am and Wednesdays at 7:30pm. Stop by the Saint Martin room and learn more about it.



### **Knights of Columbus**

KOVAR: The Knights of Columbus will be collecting for KOVAR at all Masses April 26th and 27th. KOVAR is a Virginia charity and works to provide assistance through grants and home loans to special needs organizations. These organizations give training and assistance to persons with intellectual disabilities. We need your

help through donations to fund this vital charity. Thank you for your generosity in giving to KOVAR. You can also donate online using the following QR code.





### Home Enthronement of the Sacred Heart

Our Lord revealed that wherever the image of His Sacred Heart is exposed and given special honor, great blessings, and graces would abound. One way to accomplish this goal is to do a formal enthronement of the Sacred Heart in your home. The enthronement is a ceremony where Jesus is invited into your home and is given authority over your family/household.

Are you a parishioner in need of a **home repair?** If you need help in completing a small home repair that you cannot complete yourself or that may cause you financial hardship, we are here to help! We do not do outdoor yard or gardening work. Please submit your request on our website at: https://www.st-louismartin-kofc.org/ handy-man-services.

Interested in Becoming a Foster Parent in Loudoun County?— Want to make a difference right here in your community? Loudoun County is always in need of additional families to join their network of foster care families. Foster parenting is caring for a child placed in your home through the local department of social services. The child placed in your care is unable to remain safely in their home with

Please email sttheresalegionofmary@gmail.com to schedule one.

### **Praver Request** -Are you in need of prayer?

Send The Legion of Mary a prayer request to sttheresalegionofmary@gmail.com Your prayer will be added to our list and kept confidential. Matthew 18: 20 For where two or three come together in my name, I am there among them.

their parents or relatives. Foster parents are asked to provide a safe, stable, temporary and caring atmosphere for a child placed in their home. Interested applicants are not required to have prior parenting experience but must be able to work as part of a team and support the goal of reunification. For more information, contact parishioners Eric & Kathleen Ciliberti at kathleenciliberti@gmail.com and / or ciliber73@gmail.com for more information.

Interested in Joining? Guided by principles of charity, unity and fellowship, the Knights of Columbus work to strengthen our parish, our families and our community. FAQ: https:// www.st-louismartin-

kofc.org/faqs. To be contacted, please scan the following QR code.



### How to Register to be a Parishioner of St. Theresa Catholic Church

In the sacramental life of the Church, Catholic faithful will In order to register, come to the parish office Monday need to prove residency in a parish. Registration with the parish office allows us to track your sacramental data and keep you connected with the life of the church.

Friday 9:30am - 3:30pm (closed for lunch from 12-1) to fill out a registration card. Yellow registration cards can also be obtained at all of the Church entrances - these can be mailed to the parish or given to an usher during a church liturgy.

## **News Around the Diocese**

Holy Year of Hope—As we journey through this Holy Year of Hope, we invite you to be a beacon of light and encouragement. Call us on the Holy Year Hope Hotline 703.778.9100 and share your personal messages and stories of hope. Your words may be featured in the Walk Humbly Podcasts throughout the year—uplifting others in both joyful moments and challenging times. By sharing your story, you're offering a gift to the community—a reminder that no one is alone, and that hope lives in all of us. Let's inspire one another with hope.

### Christendom Open House—

Christendom College will be hosting a Saturday open house from 12-5pm on **April 26**. Visitors will be able to tour campus, hear from the college President, attend a sample class, and get their questions answered on all topics including Christendom's outstanding alumni employment rates, financial aid, and even what students do with their free time. Christendom College is the only Catholic College in the Arlington Diocese on the Newman Guide for Choosing a Catholic College. To register, please visit

www.christendom.edu/openhouse.

**Prime Time Single Catholics (PTSC)** —We are a social group, mostly aged

—we are a social group, mostly aged 60 and over. (35 to 59? Ask about our free associate-membership group.) Come out with us to: Thursday lunches (April 24); square dancing at Greenspring Village (April 15, 22, 29); walk at Algonkian Regional Park (April 16); Easter Sunday dinner in Fairfax (April 20); preparing/serving meal at Christ House (April 26); musical Legally Blonde (April 27). For details, visit our website: bit.ly/ptsc. With questions or to RSVP, email Tom at ptscnva@gmail.com.

After Abortion Retreats—English: A Day of Prayer & Healing for women who have experienced abortion will be held on Saturday, **April 26, 2025**. These group healing events are held in a private and peaceful setting, in English and in Spanish, based on the Entering Canaan model (2 separate retreats, in 1 location). There will be an opportunity to hear from a past participant and others who have found heal-

ing. You are not alone. Take the first step. For confidential inquiries, please contact Project Rachel Ministry: 703.841.2504 or info@helpafterabortion.org.

#### Seminarians to be ordained Transitional Deacons—On April 26, 2025.

Bishop Burbidge will ordain seven seminarians to the Transitional Diaconate: James Harbour, Donghan Lee, Sean Mazary, Eric McDade, Alexander Solsma, Teko Teko-Agbo and Aaron Zanca. The Mass will be held at The Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington at 11:00 a.m. and will also be livestreamed.

Visit www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/ Ordinations to learn more about these men, what led them to seminary, and about the ordination events. Pray for our future priests!

#### Finding Jesus with Mary & the Rosary Women's Silent Retreat—

Catholics certainly recognize the power and preeminence of the Rosary in our Spiritual tradition. But most of us have a great deal of difficulty praying the Rosary and often feel as if we are just "going through the motions." Join Fr. John Riley at the San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post, VA to consider strategies that will help us pray the Mysteries with greater focus and recollection... and new ways to experience the Rosary as the "School of Prayer" in deep meditation and quiet contemplation that it is intended to be. This retreat will begin at 6pm Friday May 2nd, concluding Sunday May 4th at noon. Retreat cost is \$285. For further information, please contact Father John Riley at: john.riley@arlingtondiocese.org For more information about San Damiano and retreats being offered in the months ahead, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat

Three to Get Married Marriage Prep in 2024—May 15-18; May 29-Jun 1; June 26-29. The Three to Get Married Marriage Preparation Program is a Catholic Pre-Cana program for seriously dating and engaged couples. This marriage preparation course is an intensive preparation experience true to the teachings of the Catholic

Church. Convenient one-weekend schedule. FOCCUS administration is included. \$398 per couple. ourladyofbethesda.org. Bethesda, MD.

#### Evening of Reflection for Married and Engaged Couples—May 14.

Marriage is a journey filled with seasons of growth and change. This evening will provide insights on navigating these stages together, strengthening your bond, and deepening your love through life's transitions. Married and engaged couples are invited to attend this special Evening of Reflection! The evening will begin with mass and includes dinner, talk, time for quiet reflection and the opportunity for confession. \$80 per couple (if registered by the early-bird deadline.) Visit us at www.ourladyofbethesda.org to register. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20187. Registration is required so that we can properly prepare.

Balance Work & Prayer! Super Spirits & Service Retreat Weekend—

Unique Retreat Experience for Men. May 16-18. (Free to attend\*) Are you a man looking for more effective ways to balance work and prayer in your life? Look no further! Our Super Spirits & Service Retreat Weekend is just what you need! We are thrilled to invite you to a transformative retreat experience that combines prayer, physical activity, and inspirational preaching. Led by one of our premier retreat masters, Fr. Robert Presutti, LC, this retreat offers a unique opportunity to deepen your spiritual practice while also participating in critical improvement projects at the Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center. But it's not all work and no play - you will also get to enjoy lively fellowship with some great guys! Best of all, it's \*free to attend! All we ask is for your sweat equity on projects to improve the retreat center. Don't miss out on this chance to renew your spirit and make a positive impact - sign up for our retreat today. Find more information and links to register on the website www.ourladyofbethesda.org. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, A Place to Encounter Christ! 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.

## News Around the Diocese Continued

Spend a Personal Retreat Day with Our Lady!—Fri, May 16, 9am-4pm. At Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, we are delighted to offer you a unique and transformative experience - a "Personal Retreat Day" with the Blessed Mother! This one-of-a-kind retreat is designed to provide you with a sacred space for spiritual renewal, encounters with Jesus Christ, and moments of deep reflection. Our experienced team will guide you through this meaningful day and help you connect with God in a deeper way. The retreat schedule allows for one-on-one spiritual direction (optional), quiet reflection, Mass, Confession and Eucharistic Adoration, plus lunch; so you will be nourished and cared for while Our Lord speaks to your soul about the depths of His love for you. Cost is \$108 per person, if registered by May 2nd. Advance Registration is required. So don't wait, sign up now and take this opportunity to honor Our Lady, the perfect model of faith and trust, rest in her loving presence and seek her intercession. Let her guide you to a deeper relationship with Christ. Visit our website to register and to find more dates at ourladyofbethesda.org. Or call 301-365-0612. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.

**International Marian Tea**—Hosted at Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church Ladies of all ages & from all parishes are invited! **Saturday, May 17**, 2-4pm. Cost is \$15 per person (Ladies under 6 and over 90 are free!) Tables for 6-8 Ladies Pay via Venmo (@little\_way) to reserve your seat(s) or email TheLittleWay1873@gmail.com Have Questions? Call Marie Kennedy at 703.433.0864

**Separated or Divorced?**—St. John's Separated and Divorced Ministry invites all separated or divorced Catholics to their meetings every third Thursday of the month, 7:30pm at St. John's in Leesburg. Email separated.divorced@stjohnleesburg.com for more information.

**Scholarship Opportunity**—The Associates of St. John Bosco (ASJB), a Catholic non-profit in the diocese founded by Fr. Christopher Vaccaro, has opened its scholarship application for all current and rising college stu-

dents. This year, ASJB has more than doubled their scholarship offerings! ASJB will be awarding up to \$40,000 to up to five worthy recipients who seek to serve the Church in some way after they graduate from college. Applicants must be residents of the Diocese of Arlington. Students may apply by **May 19, 2025**, by visiting: www.asjb.org/scholarship-program.

**Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati: Young** Man of the Beatitudes—Saturday, May 31, 11am-5pm. The Summer Fun, Faith, and Food in the Park Young Adult Retreat is sponsored by the Legion of Mary to be held at Holy Trinity Jubilee Park Inc. located at 4407 Aldie Road, Catharpin, Virginia 20143. It is open to all Catholics from ages 18 - 39. Come and join us for an exciting day with holy Mass, Benediction, Confession, Eucharistic Procession, uplifting talks, skits, and three hours of exciting activities. The speakers are: Rev. John Melmer and Rev. Paul Berghout JCL

The fee is \$35 per person and \$45 for late registration after May 16, which includes refreshments. Bring water and rosary. Participants will have opportunities to meet new friends, have fun, learn strong Catholic values, and more particularly, be drawn closer to God. Mark your calendar and register early. To obtain registration forms or to inquire about the retreat, call Dr. Seggy Acosta at 703.392.6420, Maureen Earner 703.622.9293, Irving Vargas 571.799.6968. Registration forms can be sent and received through email. See you there!

Weekend Discernment Retreat for Young Women—How do we make our "Fiat" like Mary's, not just a one-anddone proposition but a way of life? Join the Salesian Sisters of St. John Bosco to explore embracing God's plan with hope and joy at the annual diocesan discernment retreat for young women (ages 18-40). The retreat is June 20-22 at San Damiano Spiritual Life Center and will include tools to aid your prayer and discernment, opportunities for prayer and confession, and Q&A with the sisters. Cost is \$150 and includes single room and bath and all meals (financial assistance is available). For more information or to register, contact the Office of Vocations, vocations@arlingtondiocese.org

or 703.841.3829. Space is limited; deadline to register is Monday **June 9**.

Marriage Workshop: Strengthening Your Love Marriage Renewal Workshop—Jun 21-22, 2025: Our Lady of Bethesda, Bethesda, MD. A Christcentered weekend designed to offer practical tools that can help foster effective communication and emotional closeness in your marriage. The expert speaker team includes Catholic psychologists, therapists, and priests who will offer their expertise and experience, plus they will be on hand the entire weekend to offer individual consultation, upon request. Please note: This is NOT an overnight program. Cost: \$650 per couple (early-bird pricing may be available.) Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center is located at 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817; St. Andrews by the Bay Catholic Church is located at 701 College Pkwy, Annapolis, MD 21409. Registration is required and Seating is limited. See our website for more details about the program and links to register: www.ourladyofbethesda.org.

Blessed Carlo Acutis: A Techie Saint for Teens—Saturday, June 28, 8am– 5pm. The Teenage Enrichment for the Apostles of Mary (T.E.A.M. Retreat) is sponsored by the Legion of Mary to be held at Holy Trinity Jubilee Park Inc. located at 4407 Aldie Road, Catharpin , Virginia 20143. It is open to all Catholics from ages 12 - 17. Come and join us for an exciting day with holy Mass, Benediction, Confession, Eucharistic Procession, uplifting talks, skits, and three hours of exciting activities. The speakers are: Rev. Francis Peffley and Rev. John Heisler.

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### Sacraments

### **Sponsor Certificates**

Please contact the Parish Office to obtain a sponsor certificate prior to a Baptism or Confirmation.

### **Baptisms**

Parents desiring Baptism for their child must attend a class (preferably before the child's birth) held the first Thursday of each month at **7pm (note the** time change) in a Conference Room in the Administration Bldg. You may schedule your child for the Sacrament of Baptism (held all Sundays 1:30pm) by visiting the Parish website under Faith, Sacraments, Baptism. Date is confirmed once all paperwork is received in the office (at least 2 weeks prior to the date of desired Baptism.)

### Matrimony

The priest must be contacted at least six (6) months prior to the wedding date.

Visit the Parish Website under Faith, Sacraments, Marriage and fill out the Marriage Preparation Questionnaire prior to contacting the Parish Office. A priest will contact you.

### RCIA

Adults desiring instruction in the Catholic Faith should visit the website to register for RCIA classes.

Hospitalized/Homebound

Please contact the Parish Office to ask for Holy Communion or the Anointing of the Sick.

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### Happy & Blessed Easter!

### Raffle Announcement-Tickets due back to All Saints by April 29th for guaranteed entry!

May 3rd is approaching - 4 Vehicles will be raffled along with a \$20,000 cash drawing, plus other cash drawings. Lots of chances to win - if you purchase a ticket.

With your support, everyone is a winner. Your purchase provides additional financial support for Divine Mercy Outreach to help families in need and you could win a prize too. Please return your sold and unsold tickets to All Saints by April 29th

**Did you know?**—We assisted with over \$14,000.00 in financial help in March? 99 percent of the funds you donate go directly to families in need! Your donation makes a difference in the lives of struggling families by preventing evictions and keeping utilities on! We assist struggling veterans, individuals and families due to domestic violence, disabilities, layoffs, medical issues and unforeseen circumstances. The families are so grateful!

Donations accepted online, or by mail or dropping off to the parish office. Please indicate DMO in the memo of the check or on the envelope. To donate online go to the parish website http://www.sainttheresaparish.com and click on "Donate" tab to make a monetary donation online! Thank you for helping us to bring Christ's love to others by helping them in their time of need.

**Friends in Need**—Provides meals on a short- term basis for those families or individuals in the parish who are unable to cook for themselves due to arrival of a new baby, illness or a medical situation in the immediate family...Contact Emily Wilsey at emwilsey@aol.com or 703.585.5435 to volunteer to make meals or if you or a loved one need of help with meals.

**The Visitation Ministry** —Are you HOMEBOUND? We have wonderful parishioners who would love to visit you or if you are not comfortable with a home visit at this time, they will call you! If you need help with an errand or would like someone to pray with you, let us know. If you are looking to volunteer, please contact us as well. Claudia Lewis at 703.431.8670 or email her at clewis825@gmail.com.

**Bed Ministry**—Volunteer for the Bed Ministry –volunteers with trucks or

Large SUVS needed especially! Great to do this with your teenager too! We have had an increase in bed requests. It's rewarding to assist families in need. Consider taking a short time out of your day to bring some light into another's life. We need extra helpers to bring new beds and bedding from our storage to families moving out of the shelters and other families and children in need. Interested in helping contact Bea Craig at 571.439.0364 or beds@sainttheresaparish.com

**Do you have furniture items to donate?**—Consider donating to help families in need that are moving out of the shelter. Your donation makes a difference. We partner with McLean Bible church to assist families coming out of the shelter. Contact Matthew Broderick at 703.966.0791 or mebroderick1@gmail.com

**Looking for more ways help?** Consider signing up to receive our Outreach email to get up to date information on needs and volunteer opportunities. If you would like to sign up to be placed on our Outreach email you will learn about what we do and how you can become more involved in touching the lives of families who are struggling. Contact Marianne Guidos 703.729.2334 or

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