



OUR LADY *of* LOURDES

NUESTRA SEÑORA *de* LOURDES

NOVEMBER 26, 2023

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PARISH INFORMATION

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

REGISTRATION

Visit WWW.OLOLCC.NET and click “I’m New” to join our parish.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass: 5:30 PM Vigil (Saturday)
8:00 AM * 10:00 AM * 12:00 PM * 5:00 PM (Español)

Monday-Friday: 6:45 AM * 12:00 PM

Saturday morning: 9:00 AM

July 4th & Thanksgiving: 10:00 AM

All Other Federal Holidays: 9:00 AM

Holy Days of Obligation: 7:00 PM Vigil * 6:45 AM *
12:00 PM * 7:00 PM

- Note schedule changes for Christmas, Holy Week, Easter, and other Holidays and special occasions.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Sunday: 4:15 PM – 4:45 PM (Español)

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 12:30 PM

- Note special Confessions schedules during Advent, Lent and Holy Week.

ANNOINTING, HOMEBOUND & FUNERALS

Contact the Rectory Office.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays: 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM

ROSARY

Monday – Friday: 6:15 AM * 11:30 AM

Saturday: 9:30 AM

DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena - Wednesday: 12:30 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Friday: 3:00 PM

CLERGY

Fr. Frederick H. Edlefsen, *Pastor*

Fr. Joseph R. Kenna, *Parochial Vicar*

Fr. Daniel L. Mode, *In Residence*

Fr. Steven R. Walker, *In Residence*

STAFF

Ms. Debra Corrie, *Office Manager*

Mrs. Mary Ellen Hill, *Office Assistant*

Mrs. Esperanza Miranda, *Office Assistant*

Ms. Leigh Hasson, *Director of Religious Education (DRE)*

Mr. Tom Bartolomeo, *Director of Music*

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Children’s Baptisms arranged by appointment.

Visit WWW.OLOLCC.NET and click “Mass & More” and “Baptism” to submit a request. Or call the Rectory Office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Grades 1-2 prepare for First Holy Communion in our two-year CCD program. Visit WWW.OLOLCC.NET and click “Get Involved” and “Religious Education” to register.

CONFIRMATION

Grades 7 & 8 prepare for Confirmation in our CCD program. Visit WWW.OLOLCC.NET and click “Get Involved” and “Religious Education” to register. Or contact Leigh Hasson at dre@ololcc.net.

Youth Ages 14-17: Contact Leigh Hasson at dre@ololcc.net for more information.

Baptized Adults 18+: Follow the prompts on “How Can I Help You” on our website WWW.OLOLCC.NET or contact the Rectory Office.

BECOMING CATHOLIC & ADULT CONFIRMATION

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is for adults age 18+ seeking the Sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Classes begin each fall with a view to receiving these Sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass. Visit WWW.OLOLCC.NET and click “Get Involved” and “Explore Catholicism” to register. Or call the Rectory Office to speak with a priest.

GODPARENTS AND CONFIRMATION SPONSORS

Have you been asked to be Godparent or Confirmation Sponsor? Go to our website and click “How Can We Help You?” and follow the prompts for Sacraments of Initiation and Godparents/Sponsors. Or call the Rectory Office.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Contact a priest at least 7-8 months before your wedding date to begin preparation. Submit a request at under WWW.OLOLCC.NET “Mass & More” and “Marriage Prep”.



November 26, 2023
The 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time
WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 25

Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr
 9:00 AM + Jerald Plunckett by Berta
 5:30 PM In thanksgiving for Angela, Daniel and
 Buddy Sartain by Debbie

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 26

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
 8:00 AM + Jane Bellizzi Fischetti
 by The Fischetti Family
 10:00 AM For all parishioners, living and deceased
 12:00 PM + Mary Judge by Marie Macnamara
 5:00 PM (Spanish) Celebrant's Intentions

MONDAY NOVEMBER 27

6:45 AM + David DeLong by Carol DeLong
 12:00 PM Aury Um

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 28

6:45 AM Joe Powell
 by James and Maryellen Tibbs
 12:00 PM Deceased members of the Legion of
 Mary

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 29

6:45 AM Angie Powell
 by James and Maryellen Tibbs
 12:00 PM + John Phiney by Diane M. Dusza

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 30

Saint Andrew, Apostle
 6:45 AM Lauren Powell
 by James and Maryellen Tibbs
 12:00 PM Theary Seng

FRIDAY DECEMBER 1

6:45 AM + James and Josephine Malloy
 by Dan Keyes
 12:00 PM + Guillermo and Estelita Baleros
 by The Baleros Family

MASS INTENTIONS-

You are invited to honor a friend, relative, or loved one with an Our Lady of Lourdes Mass! Please contact the Rectory Office at **703-684-9261** or olol@ololcc.net to arrange. Bishop Burbidge suggests a voluntary donation of \$10.00 per Mass.

PRAYER CHAIN

Have an urgent need for prayers? Members of our parish will pray for your intention. Please contact James at 703-887-7117 or ejt@cybtek.com with your request. Please provide a first name and prayer intention for persons needing prayer

The End of Time
And Christ's Return
By Fr. Frederick Edlefsen



“The world in its present form is passing away”.
 (1 Corinthians 7:29-31)

Nothing in this world, as we know it, is permanent. We may have mixed feelings about this – feelings of both fear and hope. Time's end, like death, is a blessing and a curse. The end will deliver us from history's conflicts. But it is also a transition from *what is familiar* to *what is unfamiliar*.

Prosperity attaches us to passing things. It inclines us to complacency and self-centeredness. We worry about losing prosperity's security. On the other hand, misfortune makes us desire good fortune. We embrace the illusion that prosperity will bring peace of mind. Peace and prosperity. War and poverty. “All is vanity” (Ecclesiastes 1:2). What is our escape from this Wheel of Fortune?

A Rock has been hewn from Heaven and tossed into time (Daniel 2:34-45), smashing the Wheel. Jesus Christ doesn't change everything in *this* world, but *he changes the way we experience it*. Sorrow makes wisdom. Suffering makes empathy. Misfortune makes us trust God alone. We pray and desire heaven. Prosperity makes us grateful and generous. The end promises a new beginning. “Sorrow is better than laughter, because when the face is sad the heart grows wiser” (Ecclesiastes 7:3).

With the Holy Spirit's help, we can see this world as it *really* is: broken yet redeemed. The Holy Spirit produces the Beatitude, “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be consoled” (Matthew 5:4).

Jesus said, “Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away” (Matthew 24:35). Eternity breaks through the circles of time. Hope trusts in Jesus' promises. Hope desires Heaven above all else. As the late Pope Benedict XVI said, “The one who has hope lives differently; the one who hopes has been granted the gift of a new life.”

As we prepare for Advent, recommit your hope in Christ the King – the One “who is, who was, and who is to come” (Revelation 1:8). In Jesus Christ, we secure *holiness in time* and *perfect Happiness beyond death*. Christ the King ushers in a New Creation and Heavenly City. “Behold, I make all things new” (Revelation 21:5).

OUR PARISH

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



This season, you are called to grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ. Fr. Edlefsen asks everyone to commit to attending one or more weekday Masses per week, going to monthly Confession, spending quiet time with the Bible before the Blessed Sacrament, and meditating daily for five minutes on the day's Mass readings. Christ is calling you to renew your faith in His real presence in the Eucharist, and your mission to bring God's life and justice to the world. Feel free to speak with a priest.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Dana Gould, Paul Durand, Ed Boehme, Rosa Diequez, April Garcia, Ron Harris, Jim & Becky McManaman, Bridget Hinds, Jose Silva, Peter & Geraldine Filpi, Parfait Williams and Francis Xavier Eversole. Please contact the Rectory at 703-684-9261 or olol@ololcc.net to arrange.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

Tuesdays * 7:00 PM * Our Lady of Lourdes
Join our Pro-Life Committee in the church to pray a weekly rosary for the unborn and put an end to abortions.



ALTAR FLOWERS

Parishioners are welcome to sponsor altar and tabernacle flowers in honor of or in memory of a loved one, or to commemorate a special event. Sponsorship is \$50. Contact the Rectory Office at 703-684-9261 or olol@ololcc.net.
Next available date is November 26th.

INVITE OUR LADY OF LOURDES HOME FOR A VISIT

Contact our Legion of Mary group at csb1789@hotmail.com if you want the opportunity to host the "Pilgrim Virgin" statue of Mary in your home for 1-2 weeks. Many blessings can arise from Our Lady's visit!

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Throughout the month of November, a Book of Remembrance will be placed near the church entrance for you to write the names of deceased loved ones whom you would like to be remembered in our prayers.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST SUNDAY

DECEMBER 3RD
after the 8 & 10 AM
Masses

PARISH HALL



These breakfasts will be held on the first Sunday of each month through May. Mark your calendars and bring your appetite!

SAVE THE DATE: FILL THE CRUISER HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

On **DECEMBER 2**, the Arlington County Police Department will hold thannual "Fill the Cruise" Toy Drive at Our Lady of Lourdes from 10 AM to 12 PM. Come to the Parking Lot to donate new, unwrapped toys to benefit a child in need!



COUNSELING SERVICES ON SITE AT OLOL

Our parish is hosting Laura Salzmann, MA, NCC, a mental health therapist from Catholic Charities Family Services of the Diocese of Arlington. She is offering counseling services every **Wednesdays, 8 AM - 4 PM** in a classroom in the Parish Hall. Laura is a Resident in Counseling in the state of Virginia, with a master's degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Franciscan University of Steubenville. She works with children, adolescents, and adults experiencing anxiety, depression, grief, trauma, life changes and interpersonal issues. Please call her at (703) 454-2437 or Family Services at (703) 687-8987 for a consultation

SAVE THE DATE: THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

DECEMBER 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Additional Masses will be held at 7:00 PM on December 7 (bilingual Vigil Mass) and 7:00 PM on December 8.



SAVE THE DATE: OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION

DECEMBER 10 will be our third Annual Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass & Dinner celebration. The Sunday 5 PM Mass will be followed by a procession and celebration in the Parish Hall.

Knights of Columbus Annual Christmas Tree Sale

Nov 25 - Dec 17 or until trees are sold out

Every Saturday & Sunday

9:00 AM TO 6:00 PM

Tuesday & Friday weeknights

6:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

ALL SOULS' DAY NOVENA OF MASSES

A novena of Masses was offered from November 2nd to November 10th. All those whose names were written on your novena offertory envelopes were honored through prayer at these Masses and will be remembered through the month of November.

Adam and Chad Fleming, Aileen Byrnes, Alfred F. Marx, All Souls, Andrew Byrnes, Angelo DiNapoli, Anna DiNapoli, Aunt Trudy Carroll, Baby Adele Corrie, Baby Jude Corrie, Barbara Billerbeck Proctor, Beth Roach, Beth Roach, Bill Billerbeck, Bill Duncan, Bishop Olivier, Charlie Coons, Chioma Onuoha, Corinna & Sabrina Taylor, David DeLong, Deceased family and friends of the Fischetti, Bellizzi, Lemble, and Keeler families, Deceased members of the Kelly and Fricano families, Deceased members of the Orellana-Merlos Family, Deceased members of the Vetrano, Kozminski, Lee and Poggi families, DeLong /Johnston families, Eileen & H.B. Long, Emilio and Bertha Antonio, Estelita Baleros, Ethel McCarty Corrie, Eula & Lewis Burr, Fabian & Cecilia Ekeagwu, Father Fred Mcl, Felicia Amez de Sanjine, Feliciano Salange, Finian Ekeagwu, Fitzgerald Family, Floro Llaneta, Franco, Fred "Crocky" Corrie, Gary Bartlett, Garth Long, Gary Flanagan, Glen, Glenna Marx Corrie, Godafreida Peneda, Grace Crocitto, Gregorio, Gregory & Cecilia Ekeagwu, H. Dende, Harold Alexander, Helen and John Kelley, Honorate Salange, Howie Hayden, Ignatius Ekeagwu, Isa, J. Dende, Jacqueline Harris, Jane Burkemper, Jim and Mary Cira, Jim Billerbeck, Jim Tibbs, Jo, Joe and Frances Hayden, Joe and Mary Sells, John A. Kelley, John and Audrey Hill, John Senn, Jose Sanjinez Pozo, Joseph Crocitto, Jovita & Concelia, Akalawu, Joyn Senn, Karen Leef Rogers, Keith Eichhorn, Kelley family, Kenneth Downey, Kudlak family, L. Lynott, Leila Seay Oughterson, Leona Carroll, Livinus & Bridegette Amadi, M. Lynott, Maloney Families, Margaret Farkas, Martin Families, Marty and Shane, Mary, Mary Lou Odersam, Matilde Bernal, Maureen Billerbeck, Michael J. Harris, Mike Rowe, Mike Rowe's parents, Msgr. Richard Burke, Msgr. Farina, Msgr. Rench, Nancy, Nancy Tibbs, OLOL Priests who have passed, Ossie Keen Marx, P.

Dende, Philip D. Corrie, Ralph Bryant, Ray B. Penland, Rich and Ricky Jones, ORobert Wayne Alexander, Robert M. Penland, Robert Wayne Alexander, Roger Burkemper, Rogers family, Ronald Harris, Rose Perruso, Rowe parents, Ryan Gebler, Scott Berridge, Scowden Families, Simon Tasevich, Sophie Angrand, Stephanka Tasevich, Sue Bosman, The family of Ret Maj Russell Allen, Theresa Boykin, Theresa Flanagan, Virginia Sartaim, Warren Sturdivant, Watson/Demma Families, William Flanagan, William Oughterson.

VOLUNTEER

WE NEED YOU

Bringing Holy Communion To the Sick and Homebound

Bringing communion to the faithful who are ill or homebound represents Christ and is an expression of faith and charity from the entire parish community toward those who cannot be present in the Eucharist. Consider participating in this very special ministry. Training will be provided. Contact the Rectory Office if interested.



ARE YOU AN ANGEL?

No experience necessary to join our "GARDENING ANGELS" to help maintain the churchyard gardens. Join in and learn as you work. Hours to fit your schedule. Please send an email to Carole DeLong at cdelong828@aol.com



HELPING HANDS WINTER COAT DRIVE

The Helping Hands team will be collecting **NEW and GENTLY USED coats, and NEW hats, gloves, mittens, and scarves** after masses on **December 2 & 3** to benefit **Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services**. Purchase new items using this QR code.




RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Stewardship Reflection

"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me." Matthew 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, real generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient to us, when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's timeline.



Seeking?

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THE ARLINGTON DIOCESE

OPENING OF THE GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Sunday, November 26 * 5 PM * St. Michael, Annandale

Please join the Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington, on Sunday November 26, the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe, for the opening of the Golden Jubilee celebration of the Diocese of Arlington. There will be Solemn Vespers with Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. A reception will follow in the school gym. Please RSVP to events@arlingtondiocese.org.

2023 NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE LED BY BISHOP BURBIDGE

Monday, December 4 to Tuesday, December 12

You are invited to join Bishop Burbidge in a Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe, offered for the intentions of couples struggling with infertility, miscarriage or early infant death. A private Mass will be offered by Bishop Burbidge for this intention during the Novena. Sign up to receive the Novena and submit your intentions: . <https://ourfruitfullove.com/novena/>



WHO IS Mary?

Mary, Explained

Produced by the Arlington Diocese as part of Year Two of the Diocese Golden Jubilee celebration, this widely acclaimed 7-part video series explain the theology, traditions and devotions to Our Lady and encourages us to grow closer to her with the ultimate goal of growing closer to Christ. To watch episodes <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/maryexplained/>

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

June 2023 – June 2024 Year of Parish Revival

This year, we are all called to renew our faith and life in the grace of the Church's sacraments. Father Edlefsen asks all parishioners to learn more about this year's Eucharistic Revival, taking place in parishes throughout the country.

<https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>



BISHOP'S PODCAST: WALK HUMBLY

Look for Bishop Burbidge's Homilies and Podcasts at www.arlingtondiocese.org/bishop/on-the-air where he offers a Catholic perspective on the most recent events in our society, and he answers questions from the faithful.

VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THOSE SEXUALLY ABUSED AS MINORS

The Diocese of Arlington offers comprehensive assistance to anyone who as a minor was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, teacher, employee or representative of the diocese. Parents, guardians, children survivors of sexual abuse are encouraged to contact the diocesan **Victim Assistance Coordinator** at (703) 841-2350 or visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/victim-assistance/

VOCATIONS

ADVENT DAYS OF RECOLLECTION FOR DISCERNERS

Saturday - Sunday, December 16 - 17

San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA

Take a step to find out if Christ is calling you to the priesthood or religious life and enjoy some quiet prayer time this Advent. Men's Day of Recollection is **Saturday, December 16**, with diocesan seminarians and priests; the Women's Day of Recollection is **Sunday, December 17** with the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist. For young adults ages 18-35 years old. Contact the Office of Vocations, vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or call (703) 841-2514 for more information and to register. Deadline to register is Monday, December 11.

SILENT ADVENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Friday - Saturday, December 1-3

San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA

"Treasure and ponder" the mysteries of Advent while you read, think, pray, and rest with Jesus Christ. Fr. Riley will lead the retreat in a consideration of the true meaning of the peaceful and solemn season of Advent and how we might better prepare to welcome the Christ Child with joy into our families and our homes on Christmas morning. Retreat cost \$285. Financial assistance may be available. For further information, contact Deacon Mark Maines at mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org.

"I was hungry and you gave me to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink."



Is Christ calling you to serve Him in others as a sister, brother, deacon or priest? Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, Vocations Director, at (703) 841-2514 or email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.

STEWARDSHIP

FAITH DIRECT ONLINE GIVING

Our Lady of Lourdes accepts online donations via Faith Direct! You can donate to all our parish's first and second collections and set up recurring payments on your own schedule. To sign up, scan the QR code or on the cover of this bulletin, or visit www.faithdirect.net and enter parish code **VA327**.



SHARING OUR GIFTS

As Christians we are asked to nurture our many gifts during our lifetime and return them to our Heavenly Father with an increase. One way we can do that is to help our parish meet its future needs by including a bequest to Our Lady of Lourdes in your will. For more information, call the Diocesan Planned Giving Office at (703) 841-3819 or visit www.arlingtondiocese.planmylegacy.org.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

December 2 & 3 * Maintenance & Improvement Fund

Help our church stay strong, safe and clean by donating to our parish Maintenance and Improvement Fund. Your donations will ensure that our church will be an inviting space for years to come. Thank you for your generosity!

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NUESTRA PARROQUIA

MENSAJE DE NUESTRO PÁRROCO

Todos estamos llamados a crecer en nuestra relación con Jesucristo. El Padre Edlefsen pide a todos que se comprometan a asistir a una o más Misas diarias durante la semana, ir a la Confesión una vez al mes, pasar tiempo con la Biblia ante el Santísimo Sacramento y meditar cinco minutos sobre las lecturas de la Misa del día. Cristo te está llamando a renovar tu fe en Su presencia real en la Eucaristía, y la misión de llevar Su mensaje de vida y justicia al mundo entero.



CONFERENCIA DE LA SOCIEDAD DE SAN VICENTE DE PAÚL

La conferencia de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl (SVDP) de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes ya comenzó a proporcionar asistencia financiera para servicios públicos, alquiler y emergencias. Si desea ser voluntario con SVDP, envíe un mensaje a SVDPOLOLconference@gmail.com.

BAUTISMOS

Para bautismos, los padres y padrinos deben asistir a la charla pre-bautismal, el último domingo de cada mes, después de la Misa. Los padrinos deben ser *católicos practicantes*, es decir personas que van a Misa cada domingo. Si el padrino/madrina no es feligrés de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes, debe traer una carta de su parroquia certificando que es elegible para apadrinar. La carta debe tener sello de la parroquia, firmada por el párroco y ser enviada a Nuestra Señora de Lourdes una semana antes del día del bautismo. Próxima charla será el **Domingo, 26 de noviembre** en el Lourdes Center a las 6:15 PM.

SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO

Para casarse por la Iglesia, por favor comunicarse con la oficina 7 -8 meses antes de la fecha del matrimonio al 703-684-9261.

EN ORACION POR

Paul Durand, Ed Boehme, Rosa Diéquez, April García, Ron Harris, Jim y Becky McManaman, Bridget Hinds, José Silva, Peter y Geraldine Filpi, y Parfait Williams. Comuníquese con la Rectoría al 703-684-9261 o lol@lolcc.net si necesita incluir a alguien en oración.

EXPOSICION DEL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO

Todos los viernes se expone el Santísimo Sacramento de 12:30 PM – 3 PM. Se retira con el rezo de la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia. ¡El Señor te espera para tener un encuentro personal contigo!

El Fin de los Tiempos Y el regreso de Cristo By Fr. Frederick Edlefsen



“Porque la apariencia de este mundo es pasajera”.

(1 Corintios 7:29-31)

Nada en este mundo, tal como lo conocemos, es permanente. Es posible que tengamos sentimientos encontrados al respecto, sentimientos tanto de miedo como de esperanza. El fin de los tiempos, como la muerte, es una bendición y una condena. El fin de los tiempos nos librará de los conflictos de la historia, pero también es una transición de *lo que es familiar* a lo desconocido.

La prosperidad nos une a las cosas pasajeras. Nos inclina a la complacencia y al egocentrismo. Nos preocupa perder la seguridad que nos da la prosperidad. Por otro lado, las desgracias nos hacen desear la buena fortuna. Abrazamos la ilusión de que la prosperidad traerá paz mental. Paz y prosperidad. Guerra y pobreza. "Todo es vanidad" (Eclesiastés 1:2). ¿Cuál es nuestro escape de esta Rueda de la Fortuna?

Una Roca ha sido tallada en el Cielo y arrojada desde el Cielo (Daniel 2:34-45), rompiendo la Rueda. Jesucristo no cambia todo en *este* mundo, pero *cambia la forma en que lo experimentamos*. La tristeza da sabiduría. El sufrimiento da empatía. El infortunio nos hace confiar solo en Dios. Oramos y deseamos el cielo. La prosperidad nos hace agradecidos y generosos. El final promete un nuevo comienzo. "Mas vale la tristeza que la risa, porque el rostro serio ayuda a pensar" (Eclesiastés 7:3).

Con la ayuda del Espíritu Santo, podemos ver este mundo como realmente es: quebrantado pero redimido. El Espíritu Santo produce la Bienaventuranza: "Bienaventurados los que lloran, porque ellos serán consolados" (Mateo 5:4).

Jesús dijo: "El cielo y la tierra pasarán, pero mis palabras no pasarán" (Mateo 24:35). La eternidad rompe los círculos del tiempo. La esperanza confía en las promesas de Jesús. La esperanza desea el Cielo por encima de todo. Como dijo el difunto Papa Benedicto XVI: "El que tiene esperanza vive de otra manera; al que espera se le ha concedido el don de una nueva vida".

Mientras nos preparamos para el Adviento, vuelva a comprometer su esperanza en Cristo Rey, El "que es, que era y que ha de venir" (Apocalipsis 1:8). En Jesucristo, aseguramos *la santidad y la felicidad perfecta más allá de la muerte*. Cristo Rey marca el comienzo de una Nueva Creación y una Ciudad Celestial. "He aquí, yo hago nuevas todas las cosas" (Apocalipsis 21:5).

AVIVAMIENTO EUCARÍSTICO NACIONAL

Junio 2023 – Junio 2024

Año de Avivamiento Parroquial

Durante este Año Nacional de Avivamiento Eucarístico, todos estamos llamados a renovar nuestra fe en la gracia de los sacramentos de la Iglesia. El Padre Edlefsen invita a todos los feligreses a aprender más sobre esta importante iniciativa que se está llevando a cabo en las parroquias de todo el país

<https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>



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GRUPOS VOLUNTARIOS

MONAGUILLOS

Niños/jóvenes que desean servir como monaguillos deben asistir a las clases de catequesis todos los domingos para continuar con su preparación espiritual. Comunicarse con la oficina o Sofia Quishpe al 703-395-4730.

GRUPO DE ORACION

Se reúne todos los sábados de 5 - 10 PM. Comunicarse con José Ricardo Díaz al 703-622-6351 o Saul Orellana al 703-869-7095.

LEGION DE MARIA

Se reúne todos los viernes de 6 - 8 PM. Comunicarse con Rosa Benítez al 571-501-3435.

LECTORES

Si deseas unirse al ministerio de la Liturgia como *lector*, comunicarse con Ana Rivera al 703-508-7751.

UJIERES

Si quieres servir como *ujier*, comunicarse con Reynaldo Campos (703-626-5473) o Manuel Bonilla (571-594-2769).

CORO

Si deseas ser miembro del coro, comunicarse con Cristina Campos al 703-627-9990

26 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2023

Solemnidad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo

"Les aseguro que todo lo que hicieron por uno de mis hermanos, aun por el más pequeño, lo hicieron por mí."

Mateo 25:40

La mayoría somos generosos cuando es conveniente para nosotros. Somos generosos cuando tenemos el tiempo o el dinero, pero la verdadera generosidad es lo opuesto a eso. Significa dar nuestro tiempo, el dinero, la compasión, el perdón o la misericordia cuando no es conveniente para nosotros, sino en el tiempo de la otra persona.

EDUCACION RELIGIOSA (CCD)

Las clases de CCD ya empezaron, pero los niños pueden unirse durante el año escolar. Para registrarse, envíe el formulario de registro que se encuentra en nuestro sitio web bajo la sección "Get Involved" y "Religious Education". Comuníquese con Leigh Hasson, nuestro DRE, a dre@ololcc.net con cualquier pregunta.

LA INMACULADA CONCEPCION DE LA VIRGEN MARIA



EL 8 DE DICIEMBRE es la Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción y es un día de precepto. Se llevarán a cabo misas adicionales a las 7:00 p.m. el 7 de diciembre (Misa de vigilia bilingüe) y a las 7:00 p.m. el 8 de diciembre.

2023 NOVENA A NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE

Te invitamos a unirse al Obispo Burbidge en una Novena a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, ofrecida por las intenciones de las parejas que luchan contra la infertilidad, el aborto espontáneo o la muerte infantil prematura. La Novena será del 4 al 12 de diciembre, fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. El obispo Michael Burbidge ofrecerá una misa por esta intención durante la Novena. Inscríbete aquí para recibir la Novena y envía tus intenciones: OurFruitfulLove.com/Novena.

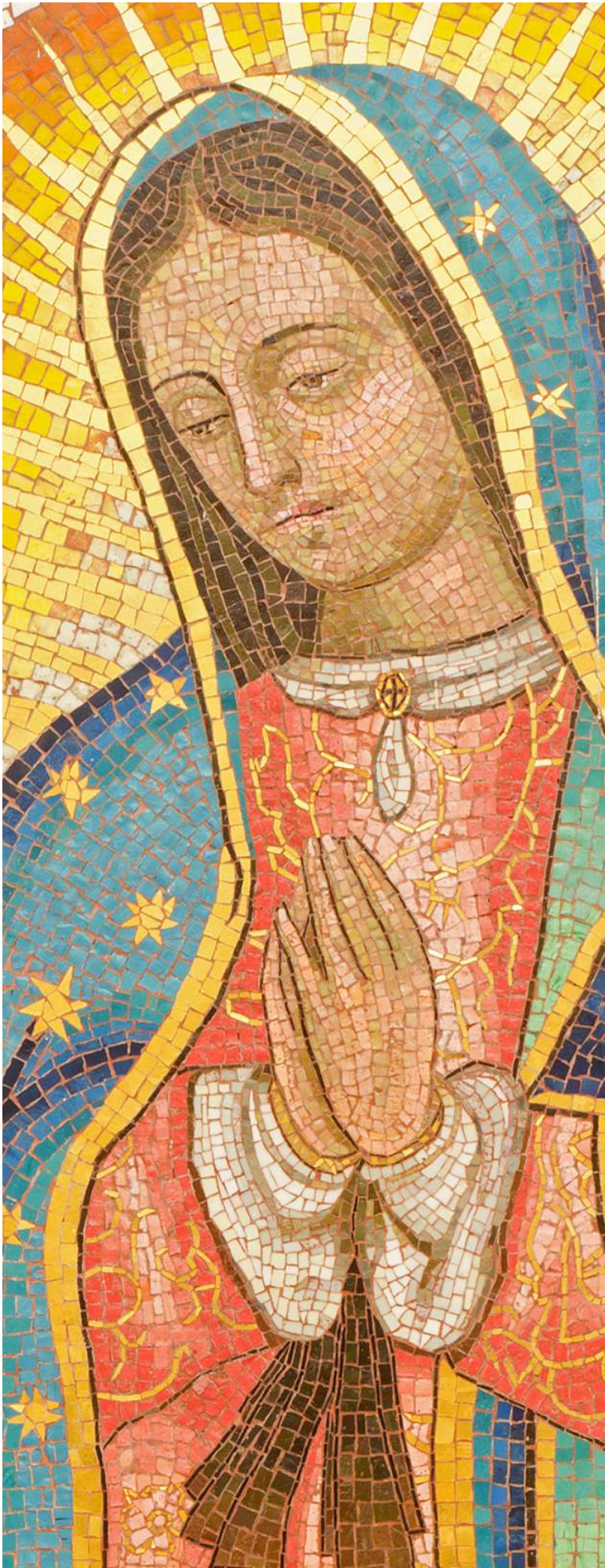
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NOVIEMBRE 19 * NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LA DIVINA PROVIDENCIA, PATRONA DE PUERTO RICO

La misa se celebrará a las 8 PM, seguida de una recepción con comida puertorriqueña en el Salón Parroquial.

NOVIEMBRE 25 * NUESTRA SEÑORA REINA DE LA PAZ, PATRONA DE EL SALVADOR

La misa se celebrará a las 8 PM, seguida de una recepción con comida salvadoreña en el Salón Parroquial.



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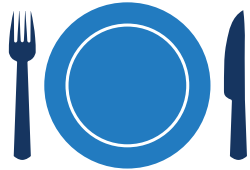


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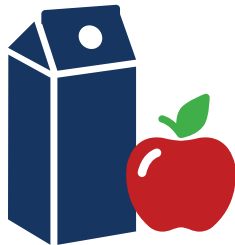


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