



OUR LADY *of* LOURDES

Arlington, Virginia

NOVEMBER 27, 2022 * THE 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Let us then throw off the works of darkness
and put on the armor of light...



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OUR CHURCH

CLERGY

Reverend Frederick H. Edlefsen, *Pastor*
Reverend Joseph R. Kenna, *Parochial Vicar*
Reverend Daniel L. Mode, *In Residence*
Reverend Steven R. Walker, *In Residence*

STAFF

Ms. Leigh Hasson, *Director of Religious Education*
Mr. Tom Bartolomeo, *Director of Music*
Ms. Marianne Rodriguez, *Office Manager*
Ms. Barbara Carali, *Receptionist Secretary*

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM; 12:30 PM – 4:00 PM
Saturday: Closed
Sunday: 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

If you are a local Catholic, please register as our parishioner! Visit www.ololcc.net and click “I’m New” for a registration form.

MASSSES

Monday – Friday: 6:45 AM, 12:00 PM
Saturday: 9:00 AM; 5:30 PM Vigil
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM; 5:00 PM (Spanish)
Independence Day and Thanksgiving Day: 10:00 AM
All Other Federal Holidays: 9:00 AM
Holy Days: 7:00 PM Vigil, 6:45 AM, 12:00 PM, 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday: 12:30 PM – 1:00 PM
Thursday: 12:30 PM – 1:00 PM
Friday: 12:30 PM – 1:00 PM
Saturday: 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Sunday: 4:15 PM – 4:45 PM (Spanish)
Please contact the parish office for Confessions by appointment.

DAILY ROSARY

Monday – Friday: 6:15 AM, 11:30 AM
Saturday: 9:30 AM

PARISH DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena * Wednesday: 12:30 PM
Litany of the Sacred Heart * Friday: 12:30 PM
Divine Mercy Chaplet * Friday: 3:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday: 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Homebound parishioners who would like to receive Communion or anointing of the sick may contact the parish office.

OUR SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Children’s Baptisms and Baptism Preparation Classes are arranged by appointment. Visit www.ololcc.net and click “Mass & More” and “Baptism” to submit a request.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Children in grades 1-2 receive First Holy Communion in a two-year program via CCD classes. Visit www.ololcc.net and click “Get Involved” and “Religious Education” to register for CCD.

CONFIRMATION

Children Grades 7 & 8: Religious Education (CCD)

Children in grades 7-8 are Confirmed in a two-year program via CCD classes. Visit www.ololcc.net and click “Get Involved” and “Religious Education” to register for CCD.

Young Adults Ages 14-17: RCIC

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC) is available for children ages 7-17 who need the three Sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Please contact Leigh Hasson at dre@ololcc.net for more information.

Baptized Adults 18+

Adults who have received both the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion are encouraged to contact our office for assistance in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

BECOMING CATHOLIC & ADULT CONFIRMATION

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is for adults age 18+ seeking the Sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Classes begin each fall, and Sacraments are received at the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday of the following year. Visit www.ololcc.net and click “Get Involved” and “Explore Catholicism” to register.

SPONSORSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Baptism Godparents & Confirmation Sponsors

1. Must be age 16 or older
2. Must not be the mother or father of the candidate
3. Must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation
4. If Married, must be sacramentally Married in (or with the permission of) the Catholic church
5. Must lead a life in keeping with the Catholic faith

MARRIAGE

Please contact a priest 7-8 months prior to your intended wedding date to begin Marriage preparation. Submit a request at www.ololcc.net under “Mass & More” and “Marriage Prep.”

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Rectory Office to arrange.

FUNERALS

Please contact the Rectory Office to arrange.

OUR PARISH

ADVENT LECTURE SERIES: SPIRIT OF THE LORD

Nov. 29, Dec. 6, Dec. 13 * Parish Hall

Father Edlefsen will give a series of Advent talks on Tuesday evenings in the Parish Hall 7-8:30 PM. All are welcome to join in the conversation and fellowship!

Tuesday, November 29: "The Healing Power of Grace"

Tuesday, December 6: "Tuning into Grace through Meditation"

Tuesday, December 13: "Gifts of the Holy Spirit"

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS TREE LOT IS BACK!

Nov. 26 - Dec. 18 * Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall Lawn

The Knights of Columbus are happy to announce that they will be resuming their Christmas Tree sales for the 26th year! Sales begin Saturday, November 26th at the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center on 23rd St. South & South Hayes Street. This year, we will feature fresh cut Fraser Fir trees in varying sizes up to 9 feet. Come early to get the best trees!

LOT IS OPEN:

Weekends: Saturday & Sunday 9 AM - 6 PM * this weekend!

Weekdays: Tuesday & Friday 6 PM - 9 PM * starting Nov 29

The lot may be closed in the event of very inclement weather (heavy rain or freezing rain).

Cash, checks - and on most shifts - credit cards will be accepted

The Knights look forward to seeing you come in and buy your tree from us as you have for so many years. All profits fund Knights of Columbus charitable activities in our neighborhood, including our annual Coats for Kids winter coat drive, support to the local food bank, homeless support, disabled veteran's programs, our scholarship program, scouting programs and other activities. For more information, contact us at KofC14516treelot@gmail.com.

CONGRATULATIONS! SCOUTS BSA TROOP 164 CELEBRATES 10TH ANNIVERSARY

Our parish's scout troop, Scouts BSA Troop 164, celebrated their 10th Anniversary this past weekend! We extend our congratulations to the troop, as they have been an integral part of our parish community since their founding. The Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Bernadette prayer garden, and the St. Joseph the Worker statue are both Eagle Projects undertaken by the troop. Scouts have volunteered at all our parish breakfasts, picnics, and dinners, lighted the Easter Vigil fire, organized food drives for the St. Lucy Project, and were essential during COVID to the parish being able to resume Sunday masses, as the scouts volunteered to clean the church between each mass for six months, as required by Diocesan policy. The troop has also been recognized by the National Catholic Committee on Scouting with their Catholic Scout Unit of the Year award for several years. We look forward to the troop celebrating many more anniversaries.

SAVE THE DATE: OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION

Dec. 11 * Parish Hall

Join in on the fun at the 2nd Annual Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass & Dinner this December. The Sunday Mass at 5 PM will be followed by a festive dinner for the whole parish with live music from a mariachi band.

SAVE THE DATE: IRISH CHRISTMAS WITH MATTIE AND EDDIE'S

Dec. 17 * 7 PM * Mattie and Eddie's Restaurant

Our Lady of Lourdes is partnering with Mattie and Eddie's Irish Bar and Restaurant and Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington to enjoy the Christmas season with dinner, music, and fundraising for Afghan newcomers.

- Winter Coat Drive starts November 24th at OLOL and Mattie and Eddies
- Dinner at Mattie and Eddie's with Food and Drink Specials at 7 pm
- Evening features a Silent Auction and 50/50 Raffle with proceeds going to Catholic Charities and the Our Lady of Lourdes Poor Box

More Details to Come!

RSPVS strongly encouraged

RSVP to: hayley@mattieandeddies.com

THE ARLINGTON DIOCESE

SACRED CHRISTMAS MUSIC FOR ADVENT

Dec. 4 * 4 PM * St. Thomas More

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 on Sunday, December 4, at 4 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More, 3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington.

DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Catholic Diocese of Arlington is thriving, and we're looking for talented and committed employees to join our administrative and ministry teams. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org>

PRAISE AND WORSHIP HOLY HOUR

Dec 13* 7:30-8:30 PM* St. Leo the Great

Join us for praise and worship on Tuesday, December 13, at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Fairfax from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Fr. David Dufresne will lead us in prayer along with musicians, Valerie and Rocco Repetski. Our special intention is for conversion and healing in families. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. All are welcome. Please bring a friend.

MOTHER OF LIGHT CENTER CHRISTMAS GIFT DRIVE

Thru Dec. 11* 421 Clifford Avenue, Alexandria, VA

MOLC will distribute gifts to over 500 children in Northern Virginia this Christmas. Families will receive Christmas packages with gifts for each child and a gift card (or two!). The Mother of Light Center is looking for:

- A New Gift for a child (appx \$20-35 value)
- Gift Cards to Walmart or Target

Please drop off gifts and gift cards at the Mother of Light Center from 10 AM - 2 PM Mon-Sat.

To order a gift and have it delivered directly, visit the Amazon Wish List at <https://bit.ly/MOLCChristmas>.

Questions? Email motheroflightcenter@gmail.com

NOVENA FOR COUPLES TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Dec. 4 - 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, miscarriages, or early infant death. The novena is from December 4 -12, Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. A Mass will be offered by Bishop Michael Burbidge for this intention.

Sign up here to receive the Novena and submit your intentions: OurFruitfulLove.com/Novena

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Jan 27-29, 2023 in North Myrtle Beach, SC

Feb 3-5, 2023 in Warrenton, VA

Are you looking to rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day? Do you want to rediscover the best friend you had when you were first married? Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend for married couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together. Sign up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience Jan 27-29, 2023, in NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SC. or Feb 3-5, 2023 in Warrenton, 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

A HEALING RETREAT FROM THE WOUNDS CAUSED BY DIVORCE.

Dec. 3 * 10:30 AM.-3 PM * St. Leo the Great

A bilingual healing retreat from the wounds caused by divorce. The event be held on Saturday, December 3 from 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Fairfax.

All are welcome, especially If you have been affected by a divorce/broken trust/abuse/deficiency of love or have wounds that are affecting your identity or self-worth (children, family, friends, and anyone touched by divorce) This retreat will focus on the beauty and power in our God-given identity, inner healing, forgiveness, and drawing closer to God through surrender and trust. Register at: www.promiseofthefather.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTER NOW FOR CCD

It's time to enroll your loved on in our 2022-23 CCD program! CCD classes are held Sunday mornings, and children can join throughout the school year. To register, submit the CCD Sign Up Form on our website under "Get Involved" and "Religious Education." **Please contact Leigh Hasson, our DRE, at dre@lolcc.net with any questions.**

RCIA ACCEPTING CANDIDATES

For Adults Seeking Baptism and Confirmation

The "Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults" (RCIA) is for anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church, receiving confirmation, or just learn more about the faith. Our program has now begun, but we are still accepting candidates! Classes are held every Monday at 7:00 PM, and candidates will receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil in 2023. If interested, please submit the registration form on our website or contact the parish office.

VOCATIONS

"They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks..." If you think that God is calling you to serve the Lord of the harvest as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, Vocations Director, at (703) 841-2514 or email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.

STEWARDSHIP

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Dec 4* Maintenance & Improvement Fund

Your donations keep our buildings comfortable in the winter weather and ensure our grounds and landscaping look their best throughout the year. These funds also enable us to make necessary structural, mechanical, and security improvements across our cam.

SUPPORT SEMINARIAN EDUCATION

Foster the growth of our Arlington Diocese seminarians through the Seminarian Education Endowment Fund (SEEF). SEEF's income provides funding for annual seminarian expenses such as room, board, tuition, health insurance, and books. Donate online at www.arlingtondiocese.org/Donate_SEEF. Please contact Gretchen Koch at g.koch@arlingtondiocese.org or 703-841-3819 with questions.

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 on the cover of this bulletin, or visit www.faithdirect.net and enter parish code **VA327**.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

Agnes B. Fuentes, DDS Family Dental Care

November 27, 2022

The 1st Sunday of Advent

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 26
9:00 AM	Bienvenida Oseguera
5:30 PM	William Harvey by Carolyn Harvey Lundberg
SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 27
8:00 AM	Esteban Vargas Calix
10:00 AM	All parishioners, living and deceased
12:00 PM	Karen Leef Rogers + by Joseph D.Rogers
5:00 PM (Spanish)	TBD
MONDAY	NOVEMBER 28
6:45 AM	Father Joseph Kenna by James and Maryellen Tibbs
12:00 PM	Mary Alice Newton + by Carolyn Harvey Lundberg
TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 29
6:45 AM	Father John Melmer by James and Maryellen Tibbs.
12:00 PM	Elenie Carali
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 30
6:45 AM	Georges Nicolas
12:00 PM	Rosa Corea
THURSDAY	DECEMBER 1
6:45 AM	Nancy Durand Tibbs+ by James and Maryellen Tibbs
12:00 PM	Guillermo & Estelida Baleros + by Baleros Family
FRIDAY	DECEMBER 2
6:45 AM	Mike Tibbs by James and Maryellen Tibbs
12:00 PM	Kathryn Updergraft

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 \$50.00 per week. Please contact Barbara at 703-684-9261 or olol@ololcc.net to arrange.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Ed Boehme, Rosa Diequez, April Garcia, Ron Harris,
Jim & Becky McManaman, Jose Silva, Kathryn Updegraff,
and Sandee Burkemper.**

Names are published for one month. Please contact Barbara at 703-684-9261 or olol@ololcc.net to arrange.

PRAYER CHAIN

Have an urgent need for prayers? Members of Our Lady of Lourdes 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 person needing prayers

MASS INTENTIONS

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

PRO-LIFE

GIFT OF LIFE ADVENT GIVING TREE

Nov. 27 - Dec 24 * Grotto

The Gift of Life Advent Giving Tree returns to the Grotto of the Blessed Mother the weekend of November 27. Our Pro-Life Committee would like to raise \$7,550.00 this Advent to provide complete medical care for two expectant mothers via Gabriel Project. Donations above and beyond our goal will be given to Project Rachel, a ministry offering compassionate care to those suffering the effects of abortion.

To support our Pro-Life mission, please take an envelope from the Gift of Life Advent Giving Tree, enclose your gift, and drop it in the candle donation safe in the Grotto. Please make checks payable to "Our Lady of Lourdes"

Learn more about Gabriel

Project: www.helpforpregnantwomen.org

and more about Project Rachel: www.helpafterabortion.org

VOLUNTEER

VOLUNTEER AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Everyone has a unique gift to be shared with others. Scan the volunteer QR code on the cover of this bulletin or visit our volunteer page on www.ololcc.net to learn more about our parish ministries. We need Ushers to assist at the 5:30 PM Vigil Mass. Contact the Rectory Office to volunteer.

IGNATIAN VOLUNTEER CORPS

Ignatian Volunteer Corps – Serving the Least Among Us
The Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) is a Jesuit-sponsored organization that provides retired men and women, age 50 and older with substantive opportunities to serve others and transform lives. IVC matches the skills, talents, and life experiences of these volunteers with nonprofit organizations that assist the materially poor or address issues related to poverty. A unique feature of IVC is a spiritual reflection component that helps volunteers discover the deeper meaning in their service, and their lives! To learn more about IVC, contact Mike Goggin, Senior Director, IVC of the National Capital Area: 202-277-4447 or mgoggin@ivcusa.org, or visit <http://www.ivcusa.org/NCA>.