
OUR CHURCH

CLERGY

Reverend Frederick H. Edlefsen, *Pastor*
Reverend Joseph R. Kenna, *Parochial Vicar*
Reverend Paul A. Berghout, *In Residence*

STAFF

Ms. Leigh Hasson, *Director of Religious Education*
Mr. Tom Bartolomeo, *Director of Music*
Ms. Marianne Rodriguez, *Office Manager*
Ms. Tatyana Rasmussen, *Sacramental 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 Catholic residing within zip code 22202 or regularly attend Our Lady of Lourdes Church, please register as our parishioner! Register online at www.ololcc.net. Paper registration forms are available in the entrance of the church and may be submitted to the parish office.

MASSES

Monday – Friday: 6:45 AM, 12:00 PM
Saturday: 9:00 AM; 5:30 PM (Vigil Mass)
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM; 5:00 PM (Spanish)
Federal Holidays: 9:00 AM
Holy Days: 12:00 PM, 7:30 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 for Confessions by appointment.

DAILY ROSARY

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

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Wednesday: 12:30 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & BENEDICTION

Friday: 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

If you are a homebound parishioner who would like to receive Communion or anointing of the sick, or if you know a parishioner who may be interested, please contact the parish office. All recommended COVID-19 safety precautions must be observed.

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.

CONFIRMATION

Children Grades 7 & 8: Religious Education (CCD)

Children are Confirmed in a two-year program via CCD classes in grades 7-8. 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.

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

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

MARRIAGE

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

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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Rectory Office to arrange.

FUNERALS

Please contact the Rectory Office to arrange.

OUR PARISH



A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Our Lady of Lourdes Family and Visitors,
May the simplicity and innocence of the Christ child bless you all this Christmas and throughout the New Year. In Christ, we're made innocent, we grow up, we suffer, we're humbled, we repent, and finally we pass from this life. Then we go Home. When we're born into that World, we'll rejoice and say, "I've become a child again!" "I'm home!" That's the message of Christmas. That's the gift of Jesus Christ. Merry Christmas and blessed New Year to all of you.

Fr. Edlefsen

Visit www.ololcc.net for Fr. Edlefsen's Christmas video message and his article "Christmas and Innocence."

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Jan. 2 | 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM | Parish Hall

The Knights of Columbus are hosting their monthly breakfast next Sunday, January 2, from 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Join us for homemade pancakes, waffles, French toast, bacon & sausage, breakfast potatoes, fruit salad, muffins, orange juice, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate!

Suggested Donation: \$10.00 per person / \$25.00 per family.
Please make checks payable to "The Knights of Columbus"

2022 PARISH CALENDARS AVAILABLE

Our 2022 parish calendars are available in the vestibule of the church! Please take home a calendar for the coming year.

MASS INTENTIONS—2022 CALENDAR OPEN!

You are invited to honor a friend, relative, or loved one with an Our Lady of Lourdes Mass! We accept intentions for 6:45 AM and 12:00 PM Masses Monday-Friday, Saturday 9:00 AM Masses, 5:30 PM Saturday Vigil Masses, and 8:00 AM and 12:00 PM Sunday Masses. Please contact Tatyana at **703-684-9261** or olol@ololcc.net to arrange. Bishop Burbidge suggests a voluntary donation of \$10.00 per Mass.

THE ARLINGTON DIOCESE

EVENING COURSES AT THE JP II INSTITUTE

Jan.-Apr. | John Paul II Institute, Washington, DC/Online

The John Paul II Institute in Washington, DC has two wonderful evening courses open to the public next semester. The Spring 2022 course in the Institute's Continuing Education Series will be "Called to Love" (in-person and online), which studies John Paul II's *Man and Woman He Created Them: A Theology of the Body* through a reading of the text and a discussion of his scriptural, theological, and philosophical methodology. Dr. David Crawford, Dean, will be teaching "Law, Family and the Person" (in-person only), which examines the treatment of marriage, family, and the person, as well as the related issues of sexual difference, procreation, and biotechnology, under civil law. This course is part of the Master in Theological Studies, and individuals may apply as non-degree seeking students. Please register by January 5. Details are online at www.johnpaulii.edu. For more information, email information@johnpaulii.edu or call **202-526-3799**.

SINGLE CATHOLICS EPIPHANY PARTY

Jan. 8 | 7:00 PM | St. Raphael, Rockville, MD

Single Catholics are invited to the 22nd annual Epiphany Party at St. Raphael Church (1513 Dunster Road, Rockville, MD 20854)! Join us at 7:00 PM on Saturday, January 8, 2022 in the Trumpet Room. The night includes a delicious Ledo's lasagna dinner, salsa dance lessons, complimentary wine and beer, a DJ, and more! Tickets are \$27.00 at the door, or \$21.00 when paid via check made out to "St. Catherine Society" and mailed by December 28 to SCS Epiphany Party, St. Raphael, 1590 Kimblewick Road, Rockville, MD 20854. For more information, call **240-426-5589**.

PRAISE & WORSHIP HOLY HOUR

Jan. 11 | 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM | St. Leo the Great, Fairfax

You are invited to an evening of praise and worship on Tuesday, November 9, from 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church (3700 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, VA 22030). Fr. Richard Dyer will lead the Holy Hour and offer the reflection, and music will be provided by Valerie and Rocco Repetski. Our special intention will be for conversion and healing in families, especially those wounded by abortion. Confession available. All are welcome! Learn more at www.arlingtondiocese.org/healingandconversion.

COME PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Feb. 5 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM | Sacred Heart, Manassas

The St. Thérèse Vocation Society was formed to pray for and encourage vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Join the St. Thérèse Vocation Society for their annual Morning of Reflection on Saturday, February 5, from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church (12975 Purcell Road, Manassas, VA 20112). The day will include continental breakfast, spiritual conference, Mass, and a Holy Hour. Fr. Steven Oetjen will be our speaker. The event is free, but please RSVP with the Office of Vocations by January 30 by calling **703-841-2514** or emailing vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.

MORNINGS OF MERCY FOR DIVORCED CATHOLICS

Feb. 5 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM | St. Timothy, Chantilly

Join fellow members of the diocese who have gone through divorce in a series of morning retreats led by Very Rev. Thomas P. Ferguson, Pastor of Good Shepherd. The next meeting will be Saturday, February 5, from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM at St. Timothy (13807 Poplar Tree Road Chantilly, VA 20151). The event includes Mass, a talk, and Benediction. Please register for this free retreat at www.arlingtondiocese.org/morningsofmercy.

HELP FOR TROUBLED MARRIAGES

Feb. 25-27, Jul. 8-10 | Fairfax County

Retrouvaille is a program that has helped thousands of married couples who are experiencing loneliness, disillusionment, despair, and pain in their relationship. There is hope! This worldwide Catholic ministry will hold two weekend programs in Fairfax County: February 25-27 and July 8-10, 2022. For confidential information and instructions to register, please call **703-351-7211** or visit www.helpourmarriage.org.

DIOCESAN PODCAST: SEARCHING FOR MORE

Searching for More is a diocesan podcast featuring interviews and discussions on a range of topics affecting Catholics in today's world. Guests include clergy, local Catholics, doctors, technology experts, Catholic news anchors, and even Hollywood actors! In addition to interviews, many podcasts will emanate from inspiring talks, speeches, homilies, and lectures given throughout the Arlington Diocese. Look up *Searching for More* wherever you listen to podcasts and subscribe today!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

VERITAS ACADEMY OPEN HOUSES

Jan. 8, Jan. 22, Feb. 5 | 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM | Arlington

Veritas Collegiate Academy is a classical Christian school for grades K-12 with a vision to instruct in the light of Scripture. Veritas recently opened their third Virginia campus in National Landing—just down the street from Our Lady of Lourdes! Families are invited to explore a Christ-centered education at Veritas' Open Houses on January 8, January 22, and February 5 from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Visit www.veritasacademydc.com or call **1-866-564-4233** to learn more.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: CCD

This year's CCD Program has begun, but families can continue to register at Sunday classes or online throughout the year! The 2021-22 CCD calendar and registration form are available on our website. Please visit www.ololcc.net and click "Get Involved" to register, or contact our Director of Religious Education at dre@ololcc.net for more information.

VOCATIONS

Are you being called to serve the family of the Lord as a priest, deacon, religious sister, or brother? Call Fr. Michael Isenberg at **703-841-2514** or email michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

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, which total almost \$45,000.00 per seminarian. You can help these young men live their vocations! To donate, please mail a check payable to "Foundation for the CDA - SEEF" to: The Foundation, 200 North Glebe Road, Suite 811, Arlington, VA 22203. Or donate online at www.arlingtondiocese.org/Donate_SEEF. Contact Gretchen Koch at g.koch@arlingtondiocese.org or **703-841-3819** with questions.

VOLUNTEER

VOLUNTEER AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Everyone has a unique gift to be shared with others. Scan the QR code on the cover of this bulletin or visit our volunteer page on www.ololcc.net to learn more about our parish ministries.

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 on the cover of this bulletin, or visit www.faithdirect.net and enter parish code **VA327**. Online giving is quick and secure for you, and the easiest way for our church to receive and process your contributions. Thank you!

SPONSOR ALTAR FLOWERS

We appreciate parishioners who sponsor our altar and tabernacle flowers in honor of or in memory of a loved one or to commemorate a special event. Our 2022 altar flower calendar is open for reservations! Sponsorship is \$50.00 per week. Please contact Tatyana at **703-684-9261** or olol@ololcc.net to arrange.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are." (1 John 3:1)

During this season of giving, let us remember a beautiful gift that we have received—being children of God! As God's children, it is in our DNA that we share and express our love for others. Tell your spouse, children, family members, and friends that you love them every day! Also, pray for those people who are different than you and those who you may not like. Your prayers can be the start of a new friendship.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

St. Anne's Retirement Community

Please patronize our local businesses! Find special promotions on the FindingFABER app and www.findingfaber.com.

December 26, 2021

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, & JOSEPH

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY DECEMBER 25

The Nativity of the Lord

9:00 AM Ron & Dee Artim
11:00 AM All Parishioners (L/D)
2:00 PM (Spanish) TBD

SUNDAY DECEMBER 26

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

8:00 AM Marie & Edward Lewandowski +
by Maria Hughes
10:00 AM All Parishioners (L/D)
12:00 PM Karen Leef Rogers + by Joseph D. Rogers
5:00 PM (Spanish) TBD

MONDAY DECEMBER 27

St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

6:45 AM Jim Welsford by James & Maryellen Tibbs
12:00 PM The Dichoso-Marticio Family
by Jenny B. Oldham

TUESDAY DECEMBER 28

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

6:45 AM Kathleen Moore by James & Maryellen Tibbs
12:00 PM The Dichoso-Marticio Family
by Jenny B. Oldham

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 29

6:45 AM Mr. & Mrs. Lauris Watson +
by Carole & David DeLong

12:00 PM Marie Marlatt + by Ralph Marlatt

THURSDAY DECEMBER 30

6:45 AM John Billerbeck by James & Maryellen Tibbs
12:00 PM The Dichoso-Marticio Family
by Jenny B. Oldham

FRIDAY DECEMBER 31

12:00 PM The Dichoso-Marticio Family
by Jenny B. Oldham
5:00 PM (Vigil) Ela & Valdemar Welz +
by The Pronczuk Family

NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

FRIDAY DECEMBER 31

12:00 PM Daily Mass
12:30 PM Confessions, Exposition & Benediction
5:00 PM Solemnity of Mary Vigil Mass

SATURDAY JANUARY 1

Not a Holy Day of Obligation in 2022!

9:00 AM Solemnity of Mary Mass
5:00 PM Epiphany Sunday Vigil Mass

SUNDAY JANUARY 2

8:00 AM Epiphany Sunday Mass
10:00 PM Epiphany Sunday Mass
12:00 PM Epiphany Sunday Mass
5:00 PM Spanish Epiphany Sunday Mass

HOLIDAY RECTORY HOURS

The rectory office will be closed for the Christmas and New Year's holidays from Friday, December 24, 2021 – January 2, 2022. We will reopen with our regular hours Monday, January 3, 2022.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Ed Boehme, Rosa Diequez, Sara & Maurice Duncan,
April Garcia, Ron Harris, Walter Quinn, & Jose Silva**

Names are published for one month. Please contact Tatyana 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 call Eileen at **703-521-0079** with your request. No names or personal details necessary; your confidentiality is assured.

PRO LIFE

Coming Soon!

DIAPER DRIVE FOR THE MARIH CENTER

Jan. 10 – Jan. 30

Our Lady of Lourdes will be collecting baby essentials for the MaRiH Center January 10-30. The MaRiH Center needs:

- Diapers sizes 4-6
- Baby wipes and diaper rash cream
- Baby bottles
- New or gently used clothing sizes 0-3 months and 18 months to 2T

Donations can be dropped off in the bins marked "MaRiH Center" starting January 10. We need volunteers to help sort and deliver donations! Sign up on the volunteer survey online.

For questions, contact Erica Lizza at **erica.lizza@gmail.com**.

The MaRiH Center is an emergency pregnancy service based in Alexandria, VA providing women with free and confidential assistance as an alternative to abortion. Learn more at **www.marih.org**.

MARCH FOR LIFE

Jan. 21 | 11:00 AM | Washington, DC

The Pro Life Committee invites you to an opportunity to witness to the dignity of the unborn in the new year. Our Lady of Lourdes parishioners will attend the March for Life on January 21, 2022. The March begins on the National Mall, travels along Constitution Ave NW, and ends at the Supreme Court. Our group will meet in front of the outdoor Our Lady of Lourdes statue at 11:00 AM and walk together to the Crystal City metro stop. After the March, we will gather for a late lunch. Sign up information will be available January 8, 2022. Contact Pro-Life Coordinator Erica Lizza with any questions at **erica.lizza@gmail.com**.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

Tuesdays | 7:00 PM | Our Lady of Lourdes

Pray a weekly rosary for the unborn! Join our Pro-Life Committee for a rosary to end abortion on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the church.