

# OUR CHURCH

## CONTACT

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## CLERGY

Reverend Frederick H. Edlefsen, *Pastor*  
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## 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 the zip code of 22202 or regularly attend Our Lady of Lourdes Church, please register as our parishioner! Register online at [www.ololcc.net](http://www.ololcc.net). Paper registration forms are available in the entrance of the church and in the rectory office, and should be submitted to the rectory 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  
Saturday: 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 4:15 PM – 4:45 PM (Spanish)  
Please contact our office 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

First Friday of the Month: 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

# OUR SACRAMENTS

## BAPTISM

Children's Baptisms and Baptism Preparation Classes are arranged by appointment. Please contact Tatyana Rasmussen at the rectory office to arrange.

## FIRST COMMUNION

Please contact our Director of Religious Education at [dre@ololcc.net](mailto:dre@ololcc.net) for more information.

## CONFIRMATION

Please contact our Director of Religious Education at [dre@ololcc.net](mailto:dre@ololcc.net) for more information.

Adult Confirmation classes for individuals who have already received both the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion are available each spring after Easter. Please contact Tatyana Rasmussen at the rectory office to register.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIC & RCIA)

RCIA classes are available for adults age 18 or older in need of the Sacraments of 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. RCIC preparation is available via our Religious Education program for children ages 7-17 who need the Sacraments of initiation. Please contact Tatyana Rasmussen at the rectory office to learn more.

## MARRIAGE

Please contact a priest 6-7 months prior to your intended wedding date to begin Marriage preparation. An overview of the Arlington Diocese's Marriage preparation policies is available on the diocesan website: [www.arlingtondiocese.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org).

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Rectory Office to arrange.

## FUNERALS

Please contact the Rectory Office to arrange.

## SPONSORSHIP REQUIREMENTS

### For 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

## 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 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.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: CCD

This year's CCD program combines virtual instruction with in-person classroom sessions. Students in grade 2 (First Communion candidates) and grade 8 (Confirmation candidates) meet for in-person classes every Sunday. Students in all other grades receive virtual lessons via the Spirit of Truth curriculum and meet monthly for in-person events on their grade's designated Saturday. All in-person activities are conducted in the parish hall with COVID-19 mitigation practices observed. CCD registration forms and calendars are available at the rectory office and on the parish website. Please submit forms to the rectory office. For more information, visit the "Education" tab on [www.ololcc.net](http://www.ololcc.net), or contact our Director of Religious Education at [dre@ololcc.net](mailto:dre@ololcc.net).

**We Need CCD Teachers:** Do you love your faith? Enjoy working with children? Please come help our Religious Education Program! Teachers must submit to a background check, attend a 4-hour Child Protection seminar, and sign an Oath of Fidelity to the Catholic faith. For more information, please contact our Director of Religious Education at [dre@ololcc.net](mailto:dre@ololcc.net).

## DOES YOUR CHILD NEED FIRST COMMUNION?

If your child is in second grade or above and has not yet received their First Communion, please contact our Director of Religious Education for assistance with this important Sacrament! Email [dre@ololcc.net](mailto:dre@ololcc.net) or call the rectory office at **703-684-9261**.

## ADULT EDUCATION

### Second Tuesdays, Monthly | 7:00 PM | Parish Hall

We are excited to announce a new Adult Education class for our parish community, "Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life" published by Ascension Press. Classes will be held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the parish hall beginning January 12, 2021. All parishioners are invited! Please contact our Director of Religious Education [dre@ololcc.net](mailto:dre@ololcc.net) with questions or if you would like to be sent an invitation to join the class virtually. Class Dates: Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 9, Apr. 13, May 11

## MASS INTENTIONS: 2021 CALENDAR OPEN

Our Lady of Lourdes' 2021 Mass Intention calendar is now open! We are accepting 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. Our 10:00 AM Sunday Mass will continue to be celebrated for all parishioners. Please contact Tatyana at **703-684-9261** or [olol@ololcc.net](mailto:olol@ololcc.net) to arrange. Bishop Burbidge suggests a voluntary stipend of \$10.00 per Mass.

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES COVID-19 SAFETY

Please take the following precautions while in church:

- ◆ Face masks must be worn inside the church
- ◆ A social distance of 6 feet must be maintained at all times, including while seated in pews and while in line for Communion
- ◆ Receiving Communion via the hands is recommended
- ◆ Confessions must be heard behind the screen

**Bishop Burbidge has granted a dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation to all Catholics in the Arlington Diocese. This dispensation is extended until further notice.**

Bishop Burbidge respectfully suggests that the following individuals continue to stay home on Sundays:

- ◆ those above the age of 65
- ◆ those with an increased risk due to health conditions
- ◆ anyone experiencing flu-like symptoms or who may have been exposed to COVID-19

While unable to attend Mass, observing the Sabbath with prayer or another devotion, such as a holy hour or rosary, demonstrates good will and sincerity. A prayer of Spiritual Communion follows:

*My Jesus,*

*I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.*

*Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.*

*Amen.*

For detailed health and safety recommendations, please see the Arlington Diocese website for an Arlington COVID Response Guide for the Lay Faithful: [www.arlingtondiocese.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org).

## DIOCESAN PODCASTS

Listen to these Arlington diocese podcasts on your smart device!

**The Walk Humbly Podcast:** Hear Bishop Burbidge address recent Church news, listen to his homilies, and enjoy his mini reflections.

**Searching for More:** Listen to interviews and discussions on a range of topics affecting Catholics in today's world. Some podcasts will emanate from inspiring talks, speeches, homilies, and lectures given throughout the Diocese.

**Arlington Catholic Herald Podcast:** The Catholic Herald's weekly podcast takes you behind the scenes of the top local Catholic headlines. Listen for in-depth interviews with Catholic leaders and newsmakers, as well as stories of faith and inspiration.

## ISSUES AFFECTING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Diocese of Arlington website provides a resource page where Catholics can access information regarding the recent events affecting our Church. Read the policies on child protection and responses to the crisis from Bishop Burbidge and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) at [www.arlingtondiocese.org/childprotection](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/childprotection).

## RECENTLY MOVED?

Please share your new address with the rectory office so you may continue to receive your offertory envelopes and parish mailings! Please call Tatyana at **703-684-9261** or email [olol@ololcc.net](mailto:olol@ololcc.net).

## FAITH DIRECT ONLINE GIVING

Our Lady of Lourdes accepts online donations via Faith Direct! You can donate to all of our parish's first and second collections, as well as set up recurring payments on your own schedule. To sign up, please visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://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!

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"...as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive."

(COLOSSIANS 3:13)

Forgiving is one of the hardest things for people to do. We cannot give what we do not have. We need to receive God's mercy and forgiveness before we can give it to others. Go to the sacrament of Reconciliation and receive God's mercy and forgiveness. Then, share that gift of forgiveness with someone else—a family member, a friend, a co-worker, or whoever may need it.

## LEAVE A LEGACY OF LOVE & FAITH

Your last will and testament can leave a legacy of your faith by helping to pass it on to others. When drafting your will, after taking care of your loved ones, you may consider naming Our Lady of Lourdes parish and/or the Catholic Diocese of Arlington as a recipient of your estate. For more information, please contact the Diocesan Planned Giving Office at **703-841-3819** or visit [www.arlingtondiocese.planyourlegacy.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.planyourlegacy.org).

## SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

**Arlington Realty**

## SUPPORT SEMINARIAN EDUCATION

You can 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 make a check payable to: "Foundation for the CDA - SEEF" and mail to: The Foundation, 200 N. Glebe Road, Suite 811, Arlington, VA 22203. Or donate online at [www.arlingtondiocese.org/Donate\\_SEEF](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Donate_SEEF). Contact Gretchen Koch at [g.koch@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:g.koch@arlingtondiocese.org) or **703-841-3819** with questions.

## PROJECT RACHEL: HELP AFTER ABORTION

Do you know someone who may be carrying the grief, pain, and sorrow of an abortion? Please contact Project Rachel Healing Ministry for a confidential referral to a priest and/or counselor at **1-888-456-4673**, [info@helpafterabortion.org](mailto:info@helpafterabortion.org), or visit [www.helpafterabortion.org](http://www.helpafterabortion.org).

## VOCATIONS

"By faith Abraham obeyed." If you may be called to serve the Lord as a priest, deacon, or in the consecrate life, pray for a deepness of faith and loving obedience to Him. Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg at **703-841-2514** or [michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org).

## CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST

**Jan 9. | 8:00 AM – 11:15 AM | St. John Paul the Great**

Interested in a great Catholic education for your child's high school years? Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School invites your child to take the High School Placement Test, required for all 8<sup>th</sup> graders applying to a Diocese of Arlington high school. The HSPT will be offered on Saturday, January 9, 2021. Registration required at least 5 days prior to the exam date. While your child tests, stay and discover what John Paul the Great has to offer! Visit [www.jpthegreat.org](http://www.jpthegreat.org) for test registration details and more information. Saint John Paul the Great is located at 17700 Dominican Drive, Potomac Shores, VA 22026.

## ENGLISH, CompTIA, CITIZENSHIP, & GED ONLINE

Catholic Charities provides English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), Citizenship, GED, ESOL for Childcare, and CompTIA ITF+ classes! Multiple class levels available, 12-week semesters, and seats are limited. Please contact Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington at **571-208-1572** or [ewd1@ccda.net](mailto:ewd1@ccda.net) to schedule an appointment for registration and tuition details.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO RESCUE & SORT FOOD

Help Catholic Charities fight food insecurity over the holidays! Food Rescue Drivers are needed to pick up food from local grocery stores and deliver items to our St. Lucy Warehouse using their personal vehicle (<https://tinyurl.com/slpfoodrescue>), and Food Sorters are needed to receive and sort food items at the St. Lucy warehouse (<https://tinyurl.com/slpwarehouse>). Please see the provided URLs for info on shifts and to sign up. Thank you!

## VOLUNTEER AT CHRIST HOUSE THRIFT SHOP

Catholic Charities Christ House Thrift Shop needs volunteers for regular shifts (3 hours per week) on Thursdays and Fridays from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Volunteers support and assist shoppers, as well as monitor the maximum number of customers allowed inside the shop at one time. Christ House Thrift Shop is located at 125 South West Street, Alexandria, VA 22314. Please contact [aniliza.juan@ccda.net](mailto:aniliza.juan@ccda.net) to learn more.

## FORMED: "THE CATHOLIC NETFLIX"

**Free Catholic Films, Podcasts, Audio Books, & More!**

As a parishioner of Our Lady of Lourdes, you have pre-paid access to Formed, an online Catholic media streaming service! Enjoy Catholic films, audio books, podcasts, study courses, and more on your computer, tablet, and smartphone. Learn about the lives of priests, popes, and saints; enrich your prayer life with meditations; and hear the bible come alive through audio dramas. Go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup) and enter zip code "22202" or "Our Lady of Lourdes VA" to start. Your pre-paid subscription has been provided by Our Lady of Lourdes and the Arlington Diocese.

## SPONSOR 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 Tatyana at **703-684-9261** or [olol@ololcc.net](mailto:olol@ololcc.net) to arrange. Upcoming Weeks Available: Jan. 17, Jan. 24, Jan. 31, Feb. 7

# DECEMBER 27, 2020

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

#### SATURDAY DECEMBER 26

*St. Stephen, the First Martyr*

9:00 AM Philomena Bancroft + by Pamela Kokal

5:30 PM (Vigil) Rito G. & Angelita S. Baylon (L/D)  
by Hubert Baylon

#### SUNDAY DECEMBER 27

*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph*

8:00 AM Teodomira S. Zevallos de Pinto  
& Oscar Nicolas Pinto +  
by Bertha Pinto

10:00 AM All Parishioners (L/D)

12:00 PM John Kokal + by Pamela Kokal

5:00 PM (Spanish) Special Intention

#### MONDAY DECEMBER 28

*The Holy Innocents, Martyrs*

6:45 AM Sean Billerbeck  
by James & Mary Ellen Tibbs

12:00 PM Katherine Shea + by Karin Downey

#### TUESDAY DECEMBER 29

6:45 AM Luke, Hannah, & Casandra Billerbeck  
by James & Mary Ellen Tibbs

12:00 PM Paul Hengelsberg + by Mary Frances Widner

#### WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 30

6:45 AM Jennifer & Megan McKeever  
by James & Mary Ellen Tibbs

12:00 PM Linda French + by Karen Downey

#### THURSDAY DECEMBER 31

12:00 PM Guillermo & Estelita Baleros +  
by the Baleros Family

5:00 PM (Vigil) The Wainwright & Graham Families  
by Carole Bennett

#### FRIDAY JANUARY 1

*Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God*

9:00 AM All Souls in Purgatory +

11:00 AM All Parishioners (L/D)

2:00 PM (Spanish) Special Intention

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Wilda Berry, Ed Boehme, Rosa Diequez, April Garcia,  
Ron Harris, & Jose Silva**

Names published for one month. Please contact Tatyana at the rectory office to arrange.

### COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Bishop Burbidge has given permission for priests to make visits to the homebound as long as they observe COVID-19 guidelines. If you are a homebound parishioner of Our Lady of Lourdes who would like a priest to bring you Communion or the sacraments of the sick, or if you know of someone who may be interested in a visit, please contact the parish office at **703-684-9261** or **olol@ololcc.net**.

### WEEKLY EVENT CALENDAR

#### SUNDAY

4:15 PM

#### DECEMBER 27

Spanish Confessions (Church)

#### MONDAY

6:15 AM

#### DECEMBER 28

Rosary (Church)

11:30 AM

Rosary (Church)

#### TUESDAY

6:15 AM

#### DECEMBER 29

Rosary (Church)

11:30 AM

Rosary (Church)

12:30 PM

Confessions (Church)

7:00 PM

Pro-Life Rosary (Church)

#### WEDNESDAY

6:15 AM

#### DECEMBER 30

Rosary (Church)

11:30 AM

Rosary (Church)

12:30 PM

Miraculous Medal Novena (Church)

#### THURSDAY

11:30 AM

#### DECEMBER 31

Rosary (Church)

12:30 PM

Confessions (Church)

#### FRIDAY

#### SATURDAY

9:30 AM

#### JANUARY 1

#### JANUARY 2

Rosary (Church)

1:00 PM

CCD Grade 3 & 4 (Parish Hall)

4:00 PM

Confessions (Church)

#### SUNDAY

8:45 AM

#### JANUARY 3

CCD Grade 2 (Parish Hall)

10:45 AM

CCD Grade 8 (Parish Hall)

4:15 PM

Spanish Confessions (Church)

### NEW YEARS SCHEDULE

#### THURSDAY

12:30 PM – 1:00 PM

#### DECEMBER 31

Confessions

5:00 PM

Solemnity of Mary Vigil Mass

#### FRIDAY

9:00 AM

#### JANUARY 1

Solemnity of Mary Mass

11:00 AM

Solemnity of Mary Mass

2:00 PM

Spanish Solemnity of Mary Mass

### HOLIDAY RECTORY HOURS

The rectory office will be closed for the Christmas and New Year's holidays from Thursday, December 24, 2020 – January 3, 2021. We will reopen with our regular hours Monday, January 4, 2021.

### YEARLY DONATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Over the coming weeks, Our Lady of Lourdes will provide end-of-the-year acknowledgement letters for donations made by registered parishioners using our offertory envelopes in 2020. Faith Direct online giving provides separate acknowledgement statements for its users. Thank you for your generosity! If you would like to receive offertory envelopes via mail, please contact Tatyana at **703-684-9261** or **olol@ololcc.net**. To register for Faith Direct and give online, please visit **www.faithdirect.net** and enter parish code **VA327**.

### NEW PARISH WEBSITE: WWW.OLOLCC.NET

We are proud to announce the launch of our new website at **www.ololcc.net!** Please take a look for all of the latest information about Our Lady of Lourdes parish.