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YOU ARE
THE CHRIST,
THE SON
OF THE
LIVING GOD.

Matthew 16:16



AUGUST 23, 2026

Twenty-First Sunday in
Ordinary Time

23 DE AGOSTO DE 2026

Vigesimoprimer Domingo del
Tiempo Ordinario

PARISH INFORMATION

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

REGISTRATION

Visit www.ololcc.net and click "I'm New" or scan the QR code



Parish



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Registration

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday	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	9:00 AM
Holy Days of Obligation	7:00 PM (Vigil), 6:45 AM, 12:00 PM, 7:00 PM
Federal Holidays	10:00 AM (Monday-Thursday)

Note: Schedule changes for Christmas, Holy Week, Easter and Federal Holidays that fall on a Friday. Check our website www.ololcc.net for specific times.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday	4:00 - 5:00 PM
Sunday	4:15 - 4:45 PM (Español)
Tuesday	12:30 PM
Thursday	12:30 PM
Friday	12:30 PM

Note: Special Confession schedules during Advent, Lent & Holy Week.

THIS WEEK AT OLOL

AUGUST MONDAY 24	AUGUST TUESDAY 25	AUGUST WEDNESDAY 26	AUGUST THURSDAY 27	AUGUST FRIDAY 28
Rosary 6:15 AM, 11:30 AM	Rosary 6:15 AM, 11:30 AM Pro-Life Rosary 7:00 PM	Rosary 6:15 AM, 11:30 AM Miraculous Medal Novena 12:30 PM Legion of Mary 7:30 PM <i>Parish Hall</i>	Rosary 6:15 AM, 11:30 AM Pro-Life Rosary 7:00 PM	Rosary 6:15 AM, 11:30 AM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12:30 PM-3:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 PM
AUGUST SATURDAY 29	AUGUST SUNDAY 30	CLERGY Fr. Frederick H. Edlefsen, Pastor Fr. Francis Peffley, Parochial Vicar Fr. Bradley Lawrence, In Residence Fr. David Whitestone, In Residence STAFF Ms. Stephanie Vindell, Office Manager Mrs. Marie Macnamara, Sacramental Records Mrs. Esperanza Miranda, Parish Assistant Mrs. Maria A González de Pastrán, Parish Assistant Ms. Alicia Hamar, Parish Assistant Ms. Leigh Hasson, Director of Religious Education (DRE) Mrs. Kathryn Retta, Director of Music		
Rosary 9:30 AM Prayer Group (Español) 5:00 PM <i>Parish Hall</i>	Bread & Brews 1:00 PM <i>McNamara's Pub</i> Community Coffee Hour (Español) 6:00 PM <i>Parish Hall</i>			



The Church in the World

From a letter by
Flannery O'Connor to Cecil Dawkins
 December 9, 1958

Glibness is the great danger in answering people's questions about religion.... but I will give you...my own perspective on them. All your dissatisfaction with the Church seems to me to come from an incomplete understanding of sin....[W]hat you seem actually to demand is that the Church put the kingdom of heaven on earth right here now, that the Holy Ghost be translated at once into all flesh. The Holy Spirit very rarely shows Himself on the surface of anything. You are asking that man return at once to the state God created him in. You are leaving out the terrible radical human pride that causes death. Christ was crucified on earth and the Church is crucified in time, and the Church is crucified by all of us, by her members most particularly because she is a Church of sinners. Christ never said that the Church would be operated in a sinless or intelligent way, but that it would not teach error. This does not mean that each and every priest won't teach error but that the whole Church speaking through the Pope will not teach error in matters of faith. The Church is founded on Peter who denied Christ three times and couldn't walk on water by himself. You are expecting his successors to walk on water. All human nature vigorously resists grace because grace changes us and the change is painful. Priests resist it as well as others. To have the Church be what you want it to be would require the continuous miraculous meddling of God in human affairs, whereas it is our dignity that we are allowed more or less to get on with those graces that come through faith and the sacraments and which work through our human nature. God has chosen to operate in this manner. We can't understand this but we can't reject it without rejecting life.... Mass could be said out of a suitcase in a furnace room and the same sacrifice would take place.... It is what is invisible that God sees and that the Christian must look for.... To expect too much is to have a sentimental view of life, and this is a softness that ends in bitterness. Charity is hard and endures.

Welcome

Are you new to the Parish?
WE INVITE YOU TO REGISTER
 Use the QR code or visit
 lolcc.net and select "I'm New."



Upcoming Events

Sunday, August 30

Bread and Brews

After the Noon Mass, the young adult community is heading over to McNamara's on 23rd St.



Monday, September 7

Labor Day

One Mass at 10:00 AM.
 Parish Office will be closed.



Sunday, September 13

Open House for CCD

Families with children entering CCD this year are encouraged to attend an open house on Sunday, September 13th, TIME - TIME in the Parish Hall.



August 22-23 & 29-30

Non Perishable Food Drive

Please place food and spices in the Helping Hands closet at the back of the church during the weekends of August 22-23 and 29-30.



Wednesday, September 16

Pro-Life Holy Hour with Father Peffley

At 7:00 PM, a Holy Hour will be for the voters of the Commonwealth of Virginia, that they may say "YES" to life by voting "NO" on the proposed pro-abortion amendment.

OUR PARISH



Honor a loved one with a Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes. Contact the Rectory Office: 703.684.9261 or OLOL@OLOLCC.net

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Weekly Mass Intentions

SATURDAY

AUGUST 22

Queenship of Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM Carolynn Baker and Family
5:30 PM † Gloria Suarez

SUNDAY

AUGUST 23

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Barbara and Bob Rachko
10:00 AM All Parishioners, Living & Deceased
12:00 PM Berta Plunkett
5:00 PM † Siomara Aracelis Benitez

MONDAY

AUGUST 24

St. Bartholomew the Apostle

6:45 AM Stanley Burke
12:00 PM John Murphy

TUESDAY

AUGUST 25

St. Louis, St. Joseph of Calasanz, Priest

6:45 AM † Loretta Marie Geck
12:00 PM Vanessa Pastran

WEDNESDAY

AUGUST 26

6:45 AM † Kyla Steger
12:00 PM Joy Biscari

THURSDAY

AUGUST 27

St. Monica

6:45 AM Shirley Kalich
12:00 PM † Irene Starrs

FRIDAY

AUGUST 28

St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:45 AM Linda Greer
12:00 PM Frank Chang

Commitment Month

September is Commitment Month at Our Lady of Lourdes. Help our Parish by prayerfully increasing your weekly or monthly Offertory - or First Collection - giving to keep us on sound financial footing. This can be done electronically through ParishSoft, using the QR Code in the pews, at the church entrance, in the bulletin, or by pressing the GIVE button on our website. Every gift counts. Fr. Edlefsen will speak about our parish and its needs at all Masses on September 13, the same day as our annual Parish Picnic.



eGiving

BACKPACK DRIVE

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!

As students prepare to head back to school, many families in our community are in need of a little extra support.



Drop off backpacks after mass September 12 & 13.

If you have any questions, please contact Donna Hansberry at dchansberry@gmail.com.

OLOL is focusing on assisting Migration and Refugee Services (MRS), part of Catholic Charities, as it helps those from other countries become self-sufficient and productive members of American society.



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Arlington, Virginia

**HELPING
HANDS**

PRAYER IN OUR PARISH

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Frank Barone, Joseph Cabral, Alexander Davis, Betty Delgado, Duane Flemming, Herman Keels, Tom Kiselak, Pasquale Menna, Milli Pugliese, Deacon Pete Walsh.

PRAYERS FOR THE ILL AND HOMEBOUND

Noel Aguilar, Caleb Conkle, Matilde Cruz, Caroline "Tiger" Davidowich, Diego DiMassimo, Rica Fowler, Janet Garten, Eileen Harp, Bobby Long, Dianne Lynott, Brian Macnamara, Julia Macnamara, Kathryn Updegraff, Lourdes Velasquez, Dionisio Martin Vindell, Ted Wang.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

Together we pray, through the power of the Rosary, for a culture of life. Join us every Tuesday at 7:00 PM, in the church to pray for the unborn and for an end to abortion.

LEGION OF MARY

Hosting the Pilgrim Virgin statue is a beautiful way to honor Jesus and Our Lady, to invite God's blessings into your home, and to unite your family in prayer! Bring the "Pilgrim Virgin" to your home for intimate prayer. To learn more about the Legion and its work, join us for a meeting. We meet every Wednesday, 7:30-9 PM, Lourdes Center (lower level). Contact the Legion of Mary at csb1789@hotmail.com.

PRAYER CHAIN

Do you have an urgent need for prayer? Members of our parish will pray for your intention. Contact James at 703-887-7117 or ejt@cybtek.com to arrange. Provide only a first name and the prayer intention for the person(s) in need of prayer.

Prayer to St Bartholomew

For Protection

God and loving father, you have given us the glorious Apostle Bartholomew as our beloved Patron Saint and powerful advocate in heaven.

We offer you our prayers, animated by a spirit of confidence that through the efficacious intercession of Saint Bartholomew, we shall merit your unfailing help and protection and shall ever remain loyal and devoted to Divine will all the days of our life.

Teach us to cherish, proclaim, and practice the Gospel message of Christ, which Saint Bartholomew so eloquently preached and finally sealed with his heroic martyrdom. As we trustingly raise our minds and hearts to you, refuse not, O Lord God, our humble petition, but unite it with that of Apostle Bartholomew and of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of the Apostles; so that we may obtain the grace of true repentance for our Sins, of divine assistance in our spiritual and temporal wants, and of constant fidelity to all our Christian duties. This we ask through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

Fellowship and Aid to the Christians of the East

After Flowers

This week's Altar Flowers are sponsored in loving memory of

Lila Pronczuk

by Danuta Pronczuk.

Email or call the Rectory Office to schedule
703-684-9261 or OLOL@OLOLCC.net

Sponsorship is \$75. Next available date is September 6, 2026.



CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS AT OLOL

BAPTISMS

Visit ololcc.net, click "Mass & More" and "Baptism" to submit a request. Or call the Rectory Office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Grades 1-2 prepare in our two-year CCD program. Visit ololcc.net, click "Get Involved," then "Religious Education" to register. Or contact dre@ololcc.net.

CONFIRMATION

Grades 7-8 prepare for confirmation in our CCD program. Visit ololcc.net, click "Get Involved" and then "Religious Education" to register. Or contact dre@ololcc.net.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

OCIA is for adults 18+ seeking the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Communion, Confirmation). Visit ololcc.net and click "Get Involved" and "Explore Catholicism" to register. 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 ololcc.net under Mass & More and Marriage Prep.

ANNOINTING, HOMEBOUND & FUNERALS

Contact the Rectory Office.

ALL ARE INVITED TO THE

PARISH PICNIC



SEPTEMBER 13 | AFTER THE NOON MASS

Come hungry and enjoy delicious grilled favorites served by the Knights of Columbus alongside authentic taquitos provided by our Spanish Community!

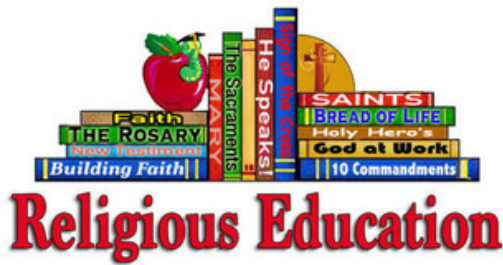
The afternoon will be packed with non-stop entertainment and friendly competition. Watch amazing juggling by Father Peffley, enjoy live music, and face painting. Games will be running all afternoon for every age, including tug-of-war, three-legged races, a water balloon toss, or show off your moves in musical chairs. Jump into lawn games like cornhole, ring toss, bean bag toss, hula hooping, and a gold coin hunt!

Whether you're jumping into the action or cheering from the sidelines, there's something fun around every corner.



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Interested in Becoming a CCD Teacher?

CCD seeks volunteer religion teachers for this upcoming school year. If you would like to volunteer, contact Leigh Hasson, Director of Religious Education at dre@ololcc.net or talk to a priest.

2026-27 CCD Registration is now open!

Students (K-8) & Preschool children, too!

Pre-K through 4th Grade:	Sundays at 9:00 AM
5th through 8th Grade:	Sundays at 11:00 AM

Contact Leigh Hasson, Director Religious Education, at dre@ololcc.net, or scan the above QR code to register.

OCIA Starts Sept. 14

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

- Prepares adults to receive the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion.
- Open to anyone who just wants to learn more about the Catholic Faith.
- Classes will be held on Mondays at 7:00 PM.



AROUND THE DIOCESE



Married in 1976 or 2001?

All golden and silver jubilarians are welcome!
Contact your parish office today to register!



Sunday October 18, 2026

Cathedral of St. Thomas More | 2:30 pm
3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington, VA

The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge

Bishop of Arlington | Principal Celebrant & Homilist



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ARLINGTON

Office of
Marriage, Family and Respect Life

703.841.2550

familylife@arlingtondiocese.org



Celebrating 250 years of our diverse nation!



Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church

Potomac Falls, VA

Sunday, August 30

Mass | 3:30 PM

Marian Procession | 3:00 PM

Festival | 4:30 - 8:00 PM

Mass Celebrated by Bishop Michael F. Burbidge

Bishop of Arlington

Free Event!

Register & find more info using the QR code



featuring

Marian
Procession!

Cultural
Performances!

Singing &
Dancing!

International
Food & Vendors!



Office of Multicultural Ministries, Catholic Diocese of Arlington | www.arlingtondiocese.org/multicultural

VOCATIONS, STEWARDSHIP & MORE

Stewardship Reflection

"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church." (Matthew 16:18)

God does not call the perfect or extraordinary. Like Peter, ordinary men and women are invited to play extraordinary roles in His plan through priesthood, consecrated life, or holy matrimony. Whatever your gifts or weaknesses, God can use you to build His Church and bring His love to the world. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at

(703) 841-2514

vocations@arlingtondiocese.org



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED
TO SUPPORT THE

PARISH PICNIC

The Parish Picnic will take place after the Noon Mass on Sunday, September 13th. Volunteers are needed for set up, to manage the activities, and clean up. Sign up at the QR Code.



What's on the Virginia Ballot

The "Virginia Right to Reproductive Freedom Amendment" (Ballot Question 1) and the "Virginia Remove Constitutional Same-Sex Marriage Ban Amendment" (Ballot Question 2) are on the ballot this November in Virginia. All Catholics are encouraged to vote NO. Learn more:



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Virginia Catholic
Conference



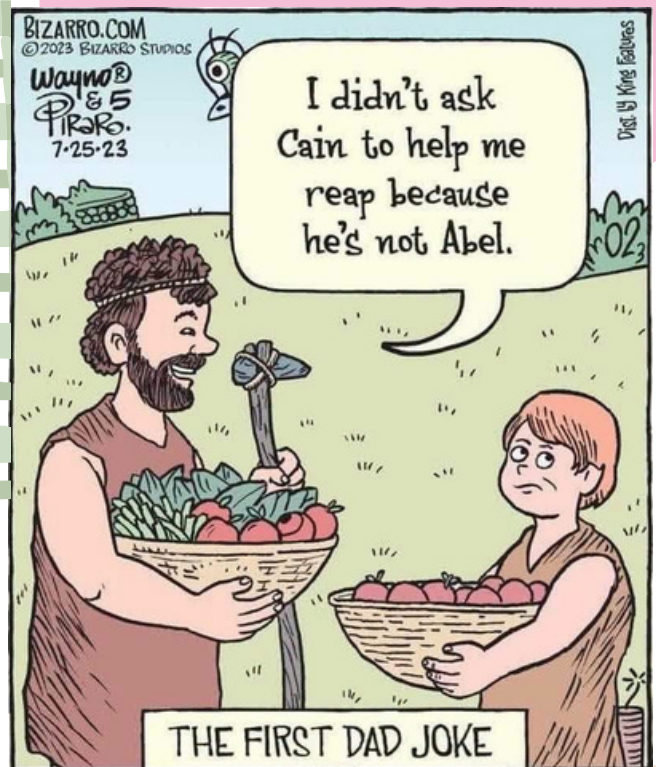
PARISHSOFT ONLINE GIVING

Our Lady of Lourdes accepts online donations via ParishSoft! You can donate to all our parish first, second, and special collections and set up recurring payments on your own schedule. To sign up, scan the QR code below.



Maintenance and Improvement

This collection support the Annual Mission Appeal our diocese through our Banica Mission in the Dominican Republic. Thank you for your generous support to this missionary partnership.



CARTOON OF THE WEEK

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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Marga Pirozzoli, Realtor, 703-585-4884
Justine Pope, Realtor, 571-388-7359

NUESTRA PARROQUIA

BAUTISMOS

Para bautismos, los padres y padrinos deben asistir a la charla pre-bautismal, el último domingo de cada mes. 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. Próxima charla será el **Domingo, 30 de Agosto** en el Salón Parroquial a las 6:15 PM. Para mas informacion, contactar a Sara Bonilla al 571-594-6441.

SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO

Para casarse por la Iglesia, comuníquese con Manuel y Sara Bonilla al 571-594-6441, por lo menos 7-8 meses antes de la fecha del matrimonio.

ORACIONES POR LOS DIFUNTOS

Christian David Medina, Pilar Hernandez

ORACIONES POR LOS ENFERMOS Y LOS CONFINADOS EN CASA

Vanessa Bendana, Jennifer, Calderon, Teresa Diaz, Ulises y Julieta Gonzalez, Dionisio Martin Vindell. Comuníquese con la Rectoría al 703-684-9261 o olol@ololcc.net si necesita incluir a alguien en esta lista.

EXPOSICION DEL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO

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



APOSTALADO HISPANO

La oficina del Apostolado Hispano tiene como misión principal acompañar a las familias inmigrantes a ser parte integral de nuestra Diócesis de Arlington, Virginia, ofreciendo diversos programas y ministerios para reforzar una sólida espiritualidad pastoral en la Nueva Evangelización. Para más información visite <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/apostolado-hispano/>

INTENCIONES DE MISAS

Honra a un ser querido con una Misa!

Llama o envía un mensaje a la Rectoría para ofrecer una Misa
703.684.9261
OLOL@OLOLCC.net



La Iglesia en el Mundo

Extractos de una carta de *Flannery O'Connor* a *Cecil Dawkins*, del 9 de diciembre de 1958

La labia es el gran peligro al responder a las preguntas de la gente sobre la religión.... pero te daré... mi propia perspectiva sobre ellas. Todo tu descontento con la Iglesia me parece que proviene de una falta de entendimiento del pecado... [Lo que realmente parece exigir es que la Iglesia ponga el reino de los cielos en la tierra aquí mismo, que el Espíritu Santo se transforme de inmediato en algo visible." El Espíritu Santo rara vez se muestra en la superficie. Estás pidiendo que el hombre regrese de inmediato al estado en que Dios lo creó. Estás dejando fuera orgullo humano terrible y radical que causa la muerte. Cristo fue crucificado en la tierra y la Iglesia es crucificada a través del tiempo, y la Iglesia es crucificada por todos nosotros, especialmente por sus miembros, porque ella es una Iglesia de pecadores. Cristo nunca dijo que la Iglesia se manejaría sin pecado o de una manera inteligente, pero que nunca enseñaría falsedades. Esto no significa que cada sacerdote no enseñará falsedades, sino que toda la Iglesia hablando a través del Papa no enseñará errores o falsedades en asuntos de fe. La Iglesia está fundada sobre Pedro, que negó a Cristo tres veces y no pudo caminar sobre el agua por sí solo. Y tú esperas que sus sucesores caminen sobre el agua. Toda la naturaleza humana resiste vigorosamente la gracia porque la gracia nos cambia y el cambio es doloroso. Los sacerdotes se resisten tanto como otros. Para que la Iglesia sea lo que quieres que sea, requeriría la continua intromisión milagrosa de Dios en los asuntos humanos, mientras que es nuestra dignidad que nos permita, más o menos, seguir con esas gracias que vienen de la fe y los sacramentos y que actúan a través de nuestra naturaleza humana. Dios ha elegido actuar de esta manera. No podemos entender esto, pero tampoco podemos rechazarlo sin rechazar la misma vida.... La Misa se podría decir desde una maleta en un cuarto de máquinas y el mismo sacrificio tendría lugar.... Lo invisible es lo que Dios ve, y lo que el cristiano debe buscar.... Esperar demasiado es tener una visión sentimental de la vida, y esta es una tenue expectativa que termina en amargura. La caridad es dura y perdura.

Bienvenido



Le Invitamos a Registrarse!

El registro parroquial le ofrece:

- una oportunidad única para servir en la misión de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes
- ser parte de una comunidad y una familia espiritual donde pueda crecer en santidad
- recibir preparación sacramental, y educación religiosa Para registrarse, utilice el código QR, visite www.olocc.net o llame a la Rectoría al 703-684-9261.

GRUPOS VOLUNTARIOS MONAGUILLOS

Niños/jóvenes que desean servir como monaguillos deben asistir a las clases de catequesis todos los domingos.

Comunicarse con la oficina o Sofía Quishpe al 703-395-4730

GRUPO DE ORACION

Se reúnen todos los sábados de 5-10 PM. Comunicarse con Sergio Benitez al 240-706-2447 y Natividad Joyas al 571-245-2982

LEGION DE MARIA

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

LECTORES

Si deseas unirte al ministerio de la Liturgia como lector, comunicarse con Reynaldo Campos al 703-626-5473

UJIERES

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

CORO

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

MARCA TU CALENDARIO PICNIC ANUAL

Domingo, 13 de Septiembre

Después de la Misa del Mediodía

Sábado, 19 de septiembre de 2026
Hyatt Regency Reston

¡El Obispo Burbidge invita a todos los jóvenes adultos (19-35)!

Presentación Principal de Shereen Yusuff en inglés

Misa con el Obispo Burbidge

Presentación Principal de Padre Rafael Capó en español

Presentaciones - Cena - Música en vivo y clases de baile de salsa - Cuidado de Niños Gratuito

Presentado por la Oficina de Ministerios de Jóvenes, Campus y Jóvenes Adultos

Para obtener más información e inscribirse:

Ponte en contacto con el ministerio de jóvenes adultos de tu parroquia para obtener un descuento de 10 dólares.

Misa para Jubileos Matrimoniales

¿Casados en los años 1976 o 2001?
¡Todas las parejas celebrando bodas de oro y plata están invitadas!
¡Contáctense con sus oficinas parroquiales para registrarse!

Domingo 18 de octubre, 2026
Catedral de Santo Tomas Moro | 2:30 pm
3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington, VA

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