JANUARY 2, 2022 * THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother.



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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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST Jan. 2 | 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM | Parish Hall

The Knights of Columbus are hosting their monthly pancake breakfast this Sunday, January 2, from 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

~ 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"

IRISH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE RESULTS \$431.00 raised!

Thanks to all those who attended our Irish Christmas celebration at Mattie & Eddie's and participated in our raffle. We raised \$431.00! These funds will be split between Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington and our own parish Poor Box, which helps us assist local individuals in need.

THE ARLINGTON DIOCESE

EVENING COURSES AT THE JPII 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**.

JOY TO THE WORLD: AN INTERNATIONAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT Jan. 8 | 5:00 PM | Bishop Ireton, Alexandria

All are welcome to "Joy to the World: An International Christmas Pageant" at 5:00 PM on Saturday, January 8, 2022, at Bishop Ireton Catholic High School (201 Cambridge Road, Alexandria, VA, 22314). This family event will showcase how cultures around the world celebrate Christmas. The pageant will take us through the journey of the Wise Men, as they take "the long way home," sharing the birth of Christ with all they meet! The pageant is free to attend, but donations will be graciously accepted. Please secure your seats by emailing **mcm@arlingtondiocese.org**. Large group seating available upon request. "Joy to the World: An International Pageant" is sponsored by the Diocese of Arlington's Golden Jubilee Multicultural Sub-Committee. If you are interested in partaking in future cultural events, or want to know more about Multicultural Ministry in the Diocese of Arlington, please email Bridget Wilson at **b.wilson@arlingtondiocese.org**.

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.

LATIN MASSES AT ST. RITA IN ALEXANDRIA Sun., Tues., & Thurs. | St. Rita, Alexandria

Latin Masses are celebrated at St. Rita Parish (3815 Russell Road, Alexandria, VA 22305) every Sunday at 9:00 AM, and on Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 PM. Our Lady of Lourdes parishioners are always welcome to attend!

ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE

The Catholic Diocese of Arlington provides assistance to anyone sexually abused as a minor by a priest, deacon, teacher, employee, or representative of the Arlington Diocese. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are encouraged to contact the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator to receive support, consultation, and referrals. Our diocese is committed to assisting victims/survivors throughout the healing process. For more information, please call **703-841-2530** or visit **www.arlingtondiocese.org/Child-Protection**.

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

"Opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts." Do you see your life as a gift to be given to the Lord as a priest, deacon, religious sister, or brother? Call Fr. Michael Isenberg at **703-841-2514** or email **michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org**.

STEWARDSHIP

2021 DONATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Over the coming weeks, Our Lady of Lourdes will provide acknowledgement letters for donations made in 2021 by registered parishioners using our offertory envelopes. Faith Direct online giving provides separate acknowledgement statements for its users. Thank you for your generosity over the last year! 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, scan the QR code on the front of this bulletin, or visit **www.faithdirect.net** and enter parish code **VA327**.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND Jan. 8 & 9: Maintenance & Improvement Fund

Help our church stay strong, safe, and clean by donating to our parish Maintenance and 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 campus.

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

"...They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold,

frankincense and myrrh." (Matthew 2:11)

What gifts do you give to the Lord? Pope St. Gregory said that the gifts of the magi represent what we should give God every day. Gold—a reflection of Christ's wisdom in all our relationships. Frankincense—our daily prayer and adoration to God. Myrrh—our daily sacrifices for the sake of others.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK Murphy Funeral Homes

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

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	JANUARY 1
The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	
9:00 AM	Ela & Valdemar Welz +
	by the Pronczuk Family
5:30 PM	William E. Harvey +
	by Carolyn Harvey Lundberg
SUNDAY	JANUARY 2
The Epiphany of the Lord	
8:00 AM	Ela & Valdemar Welz +
	by the Pronczuk Family
10:00 AM	All Parishioners (L/D)
12:00 PM	Stephen & Joyce Wahoski
5:00 PM (Spanish) TBD	
MONDAY	JANUARY 3
6:45 AM	Eileen Gilfrich by James & Maryellen Tibbs
12:00 PM	Ela & Valdemar Welz +
	by the Pronczuk Family
TUESDAY	JANUARY 4
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious	
6:45 AM	Charlie Billerbeck by James & Maryellen Tibbs
12:00 PM	Brenda Hoffer + by Beth Fricano
WEDNESDAY	JANAURY 5
St. John Neumann, Bishop	
6:45 AM	Jean Billerbeck by James & Maryellen Tibbs
12:00 PM	Ela & Valdemar Welz +
	by the Pronczuk Family
THURSDAY	JANUARY 6
6:45 AM	Robert Billerbeck by James & Maryellen Tibbs
12:00 PM	Kenneth Downey +
FRIDAY	JANUARY 7
6:45 AM	Jim Billerbeck + by James & Maryellen Tibbs
12:00 PM	Ray & Peggy Dubriske + by Jenny B. Oldham

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.

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.

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.

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.

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**, or visit **www.helpafterabortion.org**.



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