# MARCH 1, 2020

THE 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

### **WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

SATURDAY VIGIL FEBRUARY 2
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5:30 PM All Parishioners (L/D)

**SUNDAY** MARCH 1

8:00 AM All Parishioners (L/D) 10:30 AM All Parishioners (L/D) All Parishioners (L/D) 12:00 PM

MONDAY MARCH 2

6:45 AM Souls in Purgatory + by Mary Downey Kristen Popik Burns + by Mary Beth Harney 12:00 PM

**TUESDAY** MARCH 3 6:45 AM Alden Keefer

Catherine O'Connell + 12:00 PM

WEDNESDAY MARCH 4

6:45 AM James Hartzell + Tim Hartzell 12:00 PM John McHale + by Diane Dusza

**THURSDAY** MARCH 5

6:45 AM Dolores Julian + by Mary Downey 12:00 PM Robert Wallace + by Mary Downey

**FRIDAY** MARCH 6

6:45 AM The Marticio-Dichoso Family by Jenny Oldham

12:00 PM Angelita Baylon + by Hubert Baylon

**SATURDAY** MARCH 7

9:00 AM Bob Kramer + by Eve Kramer

### LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners.

Bishop Burbidge has graciously accepted my petition for early retirement due to medical reasons. One look at me and I am sure you will understand that this is the right time. It has been my honor to serve you, and I will take with me many happy memories of my 14 years ministering to the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes. I will be leaving the parish in June of this year. Our next pastor has not yet been appointed. We should have more news about my replacement in late spring.

Let us keep each other in our prayers.

Msgr. Avella

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

Wilda Berry, Ed Boehme, Rosa Dieguez, April Garcia, Ron Harris, Jude & Linda Landrum, & Jose Silva

Names published for one month. Contact the rectory to arrange.

### SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

#### Mar. 7 & 8: Maintenance & Improvement Fund

Help us keep our church strong, safe, clean, and comfortable by donating to our parish maintenance and improvement fund. Church maintenance is especially important this time of year, as we must keep our buildings warm and our grounds safely clear of ice and snow!

WEEKLY EVENT CALENDAR		
SUNDAY	MARCH 1	
8:30 AM	KofC First Sunday Breakfast (Parish Hall)	
9:00 AM	CCD Kindergarten – Grade 5 (Classrooms)	
10:30 AM	CCD Grade 6 - Grade 12 (Classrooms)	
3:00 PM	Spanish CCD (Classrooms)	
6:00 PM	Spanish Coffee Hour (Hall)	
6:30 PM	YouCat Spanish Youth Group (Classroom 2)	
MONDAY	MARCH 2	
6:45 PM	Scouts (Parish Hall)	
7:00 PM	RCIA (HS Classroom)	
7:00 PM	Tridentine Latin Mass (Church)	
TUESDAY	MARCH 3	
7:00 PM	Pro-Life Rosary (Church)	
8:00 PM	Young Adult Praise & Worship (Church)	
WEDNESDAY	MARCH 4	
6:30 PM	Lenten Confessions (Church)	
7:30 PM	Legion of Mary (LM Room)	
THURSDAY	MARCH 5	
6:00 PM	Card Night (Grade 2 Classroom)	
7:30 PM	Book Study: 33 Days to Morning Glory (Parish Hall)	
FRIDAY	MARCH 6	
12:30 PM	Exposition (Church)	
1:30 PM	Benediction (Church)	
6:00 PM	Spanish Bible Study (HS Classroom)	
6:30 PM	YouCat Spanish Youth Group (Grade 2 Classroom)	
7:00 PM	Spanish Legion of Mary (LM Room)	
7:30 PM	Stations of the Cross (Church)	
SATURDAY	MARCH 7	
9:00 AM	Alanon Meeting (Classrooms)	
10:00 AM	Alanon Meeting (Classrooms)	
10:00 AM	AA Discussion (Classrooms)	
6:30 PM	Spanish Prayer Group (Parish Hall)	
SUNDAY	MARCH 8	
9:00 AM	CCD Kindergarten – Grade 5 (Classrooms)	
10:30 AM	CCD Grade 6 - Grade 12 (Classrooms)	
1:00 PM	Secular Franciscans (Parish Hall)	

3:00 PM Scouts (Hall)

3:00 PM Spanish CCD (Classrooms) 6:00 PM Spanish Coffee Hour (Hall)

6:30 PM YouCat Spanish Youth Group (Classroom 2)

### TRIDENTINE LATIN MASS

### Mar. 2 | 7:00 PM | Our Lady of Lourdes

Fr. Eric Shafer will celebrate a Tridentine Latin Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes this Monday, March 2, at 7:00 PM. All parishioners are welcome to attend!

### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION & HOLY HOUR

This Friday, March 6, and every first Friday of the month, we will have a Holy Hour with Adoration beginning with Exposition of the Holy Eucharist immediately following the 12:00 PM Mass and concluding with Benediction at 1:30 PM. No sign up required!

### LATIN MASSES AT ST. RITA IN ALEXANDRIA

Latin Masses are celebrated at St. Rita Parish (3815 Russell Road, Alexandria, VA 22305) every Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 PM. Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes are most welcome to participate in these nearby Latin Masses!

### 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 at Our Lady of Lourdes.

# YOUNG ADULT PRAISE & WORSHIP WITH FR. PASCAL First Tuesdays | 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM | Our Lady of Lourdes

Come meet our new priest in residence, Fr. Pascal, and young adults from across our diocese on March 3 and the first Tuesday of every month for evenings of praise and worship! Meetings are from 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Fr. Pascal will give a brief spiritual talk and hear confessions at each event.

### WEEKLY LENTEN CONFESSIONS Wednesdays | 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM | All Parishes

Each year, the Diocese of Arlington joins the Archdiocese of Washington for *The Light is On for You* initiative, in which every parish (including Our Lady of Lourdes) offers the Sacrament of Penance from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM each Wednesday throughout Lent: March 4, 11, 18, and 25. Come to Confession and prepare your heart for Easter!

### **CARD NIGHT**

### Thursdays | 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM | Our Lady of Lourdes

All are invited to join in for Bridge on Thursday evenings in the Grade 2 Classroom in the Parish Hall from 6:00 PM — 9:00 PM. Come over and play a few hands with fellow parishioners! If interested, please call the Rectory at 703-684-9261 to leave your name and number.

### 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.

### SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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# WEEKLY LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays | 7:30 PM | Our Lady of Lourdes

Join us for Stations of the Cross at 7:30 PM every Friday throughout Lent (except Good Friday) starting February 28. Stations will be led by one of the Our Lady of Lourdes parish priests.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

# • Please pray for our CCD children making their First Confessions next Sunday, Mar. 8!

CCD classes meet every Sunday throughout the academic year from 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM for preschool-grade 5 and 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM for grades 6-12 in the lower level of the Parish Hall. 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, or contact Mary Beth Harney at dre@ololcc.net.

### **ADULT EDUCATION**

"The Lamb of God," "The Bread of Life," "The Body and the Blood of Christ" ...what do these phrases mean in the greater and deeper context of Scripture and Church teaching? Join us for our Adult Education course, *Lectio: Eucharist*, wherein Dr. Brant Pitre digs down to the biblical roots of the Sacrament of Communion. Come by the Parish Hall at 9:15 AM any Sunday listed below and enjoy a short film followed by discussion with your fellow parishioners. Coffee and pastries provided! For more information, please contact Mary Beth Harney at dra@ololcc.net. The full Adult Ed. schedule may be found within the CCD schedule on the "Education" page of our website: www.ololcc.net. Upcoming classes: Mar. 8, Mar. 22, Apr. 19, May 17

# 2020 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL Steadfast in Faith & Joyful in Hope

We hope you were able to complete a BLA pledge card at last weekend's Mass! Extra pledge cards are available in the church vestibule, and may be dropped in collection basket or delivered to the rectory office anytime over the next month. This year, our parish's financial goal is \$148,000.000. After such marvelous generosity last year allowed us to reach our monetary goal, our aim for 2020 is achieving the same success through an increase in the number of individual donations. We are striving for 100% parishioner participation. Your support is more important than the amount—a donation of \$1.00 is just as vital as a larger sum, and helps us achieve our participation goal! Please join us to continue God's work of spirituality, education, and charity.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' TEACHER JOB FAIR Mar. 7 | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM | St. Paul VI High School

The Office of Catholic Schools invites prospective teachers to a Teacher Job Fair on Saturday, March 7, from 9:00 AM — 11:00 AM at St. Paul VI High School (10675 Fairfax Boulevard, Fairfax, VA 22030). Visit <a href="https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Catholic-Schools/Careers">www.arlingtondiocese.org/Catholic-Schools/Careers</a> or call 703-841-2519 for more info. We believe in our teachers! Join our excellent schools for a faith-filled experience.