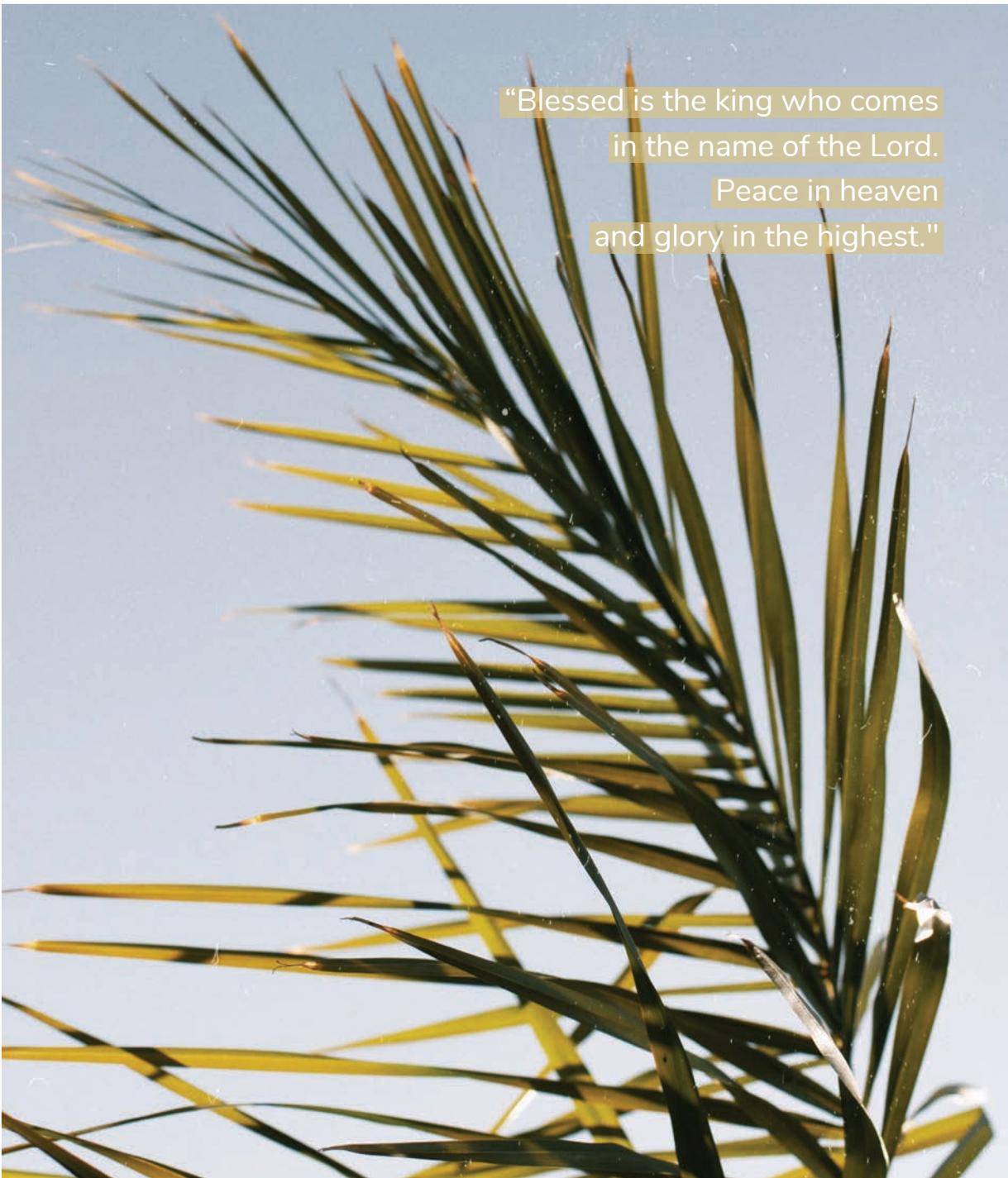


APRIL 10, 2022 * PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



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in the name of the Lord.
Peace in heaven
and glory in the highest."



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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! Visit www.olcc.net and click "I'm New" to submit a registration form.

MASSES

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

CONFESIONS

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 office for Confessions by appointment.

DAILY ROSARY

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

PARISH DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena * Wednesday: 12:30 PM
Litany of the Sacred Heart * Friday: 12:30 PM
Divine Mercy Chaplet * Friday: 3:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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.olcc.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.olcc.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@olcc.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.olcc.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.olcc.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.olcc.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



THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM Come and Experience the World's Three Most Important Days

Lent ends on Wednesday of Holy Week. Holy Thursday begins what is known as the *Pascal Triduum*. Triduum means "three days" or "three events": The Last Supper, the Crucifixion, and the Resurrection. How do we experience it?

Holy Thursday The Mass of the Lord's Supper (7:00 PM)

The *Triduum* begins at 7:00 PM on Holy Thursday with the *Mass of the Lord's Supper*. This Mass commemorates the Last Supper, when Jesus instituted the Eucharist and the Priesthood. The Gospel story, from John 13, of Jesus washing his Apostles' feet is read. After the homily, the priest washes some parishioners' feet, doing what Jesus did at the Last Supper. "Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet" (John 13:14). In ancient Israel, washing with water was a rite that had three meanings. Firstly, it implied humility. As St. Augustine said, "When the body is bent at the feet of a brother, the feeling of humility is made to rise in the heart." Secondly, it was a Jewish purification rite, symbolizing repentance for sins. As John the Baptist said, "I baptize you with water for repentance" (Matthew 3:11). Thirdly, washing with water was part of the rite of ordaining a Levite to the priesthood of Aaron. "You shall bring Aaron and his sons to the door of the tent of meeting, and wash them with water" (Exodus 29:4). When Peter objects to being washed, Jesus replies, "If I do not wash you, you have no inheritance with me" (John 13:8). In the Old Testament, the word "inheritance" or "heritage" refers to the gift of the priesthood (see Deuteronomy 10:9). In other words, unless Peter is washed by Jesus, he will not partake of Christ's priesthood.

After the Mass of the Lord's Supper, the priest incenses the Eucharist and makes a solemn procession with the Sacrament. Everyone joins the procession to the Parish Hall, where the Eucharist will be placed in a "repository" (tabernacle)

decorated with flowers. The procession represents Christ's journey from the Last Supper to the Garden of Gethsemane. "When Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples across the Kidron Valley, where there was a garden, which he and the disciples entered" (John 18:1). This begins the Passion of the Lord, where Jesus prays and sweats great drops of blood (Luke 22:44). With Peter, James, and John, we are invited to pray with Jesus. "So, could you not keep watch with Me for one hour" (Matthew 26:40)? Meanwhile, the Altar in the church is stripped.

Good Friday The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (7:00 PM)

This day recalls Christ's crucifixion and the world's salvation from sin. The sanctuary is bare. The tabernacle is empty. No decorations. At 7:00 PM, the *Liturgy of the Lord's Passion* begins. Sometimes it's called the "Mass of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts" because no consecration of the Eucharist takes place. The St. John's Passion Narrative is read. The Crucifix is venerated. People receive Communion that was consecrated on Holy Thursday. The liturgy ends in silence. "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit" (Luke 23:46).

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass (8:30 PM)

Holy Saturday marks Christ's descent to the dead. There is no liturgy on this day, at least not until after sundown. At 8:30 PM, the Easter Vigil Mass begins with the *Lucinarium* (Service of Light), which takes place outside the church, with the blessing of the fire, of time, and of the tall Pascal Candle. "Christ yesterday and today, the Beginning and the End, the Alpha and the Omega, all time belongs to Him, and all the ages, to Him be glory and power, through every age and for ever. Amen." (*Lucinarium* prayer of blessing) The Pascal Candle will be lit at all baptisms and funerals throughout the year. The *Exsultet*, an ancient hymn that recalls the Passover and Exodus, is sung. "This is the night, when once you led our forebears, Israel's children, from slavery in Egypt and made them pass dry-shod through the Red Sea" (from the *Exsultet*). Seven Old Testament readings are read, retracing the steps of salvation history. After singing the *Gloria*, a passage from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans is read. "Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus" (Romans 6:11-14). The Gospel of the Resurrection is read, catechumens are baptized, and the baptized are confirmed and receive Holy Communion. The Mass concludes with a "double Alleluia," expressing our joy and hope in the Resurrection.

"Very early when the sun had risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb.... On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, 'Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here'" (Mark 16: 2-6). Come, experience the narrative. Join us at the Easter Triduum.

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

We will offer additional Confessions every Wednesday and Friday in Lent. Wednesday Confessions are 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM. Friday Confessions are at 7:00 PM.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & DIGITAL VESPERS

Every Friday in Lent we will have Stations of the Cross at 7:30 PM. Fr. Edlefsen will lead Vespers (evening prayer) from the Liturgy of the Hours at 8:00 PM. For Vespers, we will be using the iBreviary app for iPhone, iPad, or Android. Search for "iBreviary" in the App Store or Android Market on your smartphone, download the iBreviary app, and bring your phone to church. More info is on the parish website.

MRS BEDDING DRIVE--COMING SOON!

Our Helping Hands volunteers will be running a bedding drive for Migration and Refugee Services April 30-May 8. Details will follow in upcoming bulletins and on our website.

THE ARLINGTON DIOCESE

THE CHRISM MASS

Apr. 14 * 10:30 AM * St. Thomas More, Arlington

Bishop Michael Burbidge will be joined by the priests of the Diocese of Arlington at The Chrism Mass on Thursday, April 14 at 10:30 AM at the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More. This beautiful annual liturgy also celebrates the institution of the priesthood and includes the blessing of the holy oils used in the sacraments at parishes throughout the year. All are welcome. The Chrism Mass will be livestreamed on the Arlington Diocese YouTube channel.

EIGHT SEMINARIANS TO BE ORDAINED

TRANSITIONAL DEACONS

Apr. 23 * 11:00 AM * St. Thomas More, Arlington

On Saturday, April 23, 2022, Bishop Burbidge will ordain eight seminarians to the transitional diaconate: Tony Bennett, Andrew Clark, Timothy Courtney, Zinjin Iglesia, Michael Nugent, Luke Poczatek, Charles Wilton and David Witherow. The Mass will be held at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More at 11:00 AM and will be livestreamed. Visit www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/Ordinations to learn more about these men, what led them to seminary, and about the ordination events. Pray for our future priests!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: CCD

This year's CCD Program is in full swing, 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

Let yourself be moved by Our Lord's sacrifice of love this Holy Week, and open yourself to his grace to discern your vocation. Could he be calling you? Call Fr. Michael Isenberg at **703-841-2514** or email michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

STEWARDSHIP

2022 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL (BLA)

Parish Results as of March 31: Our Lady of Lourdes parishioners have pledged 94% (\$144,683.00) of our BLA goal with 22% household participation. We appreciate your support!

Once a year we are asked to make a pledge to support the work of our diocesan programs and ministries which provide services that no parish could provide on its own. Our parish goal is 100% participation, and we hope to raise \$154,000.00. By participating in the BLA, we remember the gift that Christ Himself gave us through His body and blood, and are asked to respond to His call to serve our brothers and sisters. Visit our website and click "Bishop's Lenten Appeal" at the top right or scan the QR code to make a gift.



GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

April 15: Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in America

Every Good Friday, we take up a collection for the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in America. Your donation helps the Church minister in 29 parishes, operate Catholic schools, offer children religious education, support seminarians, preserve sacred shrines, share the gospel, and provide humanitarian aid to refugees in places of great instability and unrest throughout the Holy Land. Learn more at www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Apr. 16-17: 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 and ensure that 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. Thank you!

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!

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