

OUR CHURCH

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CLERGY

Reverend Frederick H. Edlefsen, *Pastor*
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STAFF

Ms. Mary Beth Harney, *Director of Religious Education*
Mrs. Leigh Hasson, *Interim 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! Registration forms are available in the entrance of the church and in the rectory office. Completed forms should be submitted to the rectory office (or put through our mail slot after business hours).

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.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Wednesday: 12:30 PM

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION

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

OUR SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Baptisms are performed in a group on the third Sunday of the month immediately following the 12:00 PM Mass, or roughly 1:00 PM. Please contact Tatyana Rasmussen at the rectory office to arrange.

FIRST COMMUNION

Please contact our Director of Religious Education at dre@ololcc.net for more information.

CONFIRMATION

Please contact our Director of Religious Education at 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 (RCIA)

RCIA classes are available for adults 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. **Our 2020-21 Program begins Monday, September 21!** Please contact Tatyana Rasmussen at the rectory office to register.

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.

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.

RCIA: ADULT BAPTISM, COMMUNION, & CONFIRMATION

Mondays | 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM | Our Lady of Lourdes

Our 2020-21 course of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) begins September 21, 2020! Classes will be held on Monday nights from 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM in the lower level of the Parish Hall. A special invitation is extended to all adults who would like to become Catholic and to adult Baptized Catholics who have not yet received First Communion or Confirmation. Sacraments will be conveyed during the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday, April 3, 2021. To register, please contact Tatyana at **703-684-9261** or olol@ololcc.net.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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, or contact our Director of Religious Education at 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.

ADULT EDUCATION SERIES

Our Lady of Lourdes conducts Adult Education courses on spiritual topics throughout the academic year. Sessions meet two Sunday per month at 9:15 AM in the Parish Hall. Open to all, no registration required, coffee and pastries served! Check this space for upcoming courses and dates. For more information, please contact our Director of Religious Education at dre@ololcc.net.

NEW PARISH EMAIL

Our new parish email for all general inquiries is olol@ololcc.net!

SEPTEMBER FOOD DRIVE FOR CHRIST HOUSE

Collecting donations over the next 2 weekends!

Our food drive is here! Our Lady of Lourdes is collecting nonperishable food for Christ House Food Pantry at all weekend Masses September 19/20 and 26/27. Requested items include cereal, peanut butter and jelly, canned meat and vegetables, and pasta. A complete list of needed food may be found in the church atrium. Whatever you can provide to help feed the hungry will be greatly appreciated. Learn more about Catholic Charities and Christ House at www.ccca.net.

REGISTER TO VOTE AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Oct. 3 & 4 | Our Lady of Lourdes

Your vote matters! Non-partisan Virginia Voter Registration will be available after all Masses (5:30 PM Saturday Vigil, Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM, and Spanish 5:00 PM) the weekend of October 3 and 4 outside the main entrance of Our Lady of Lourdes Church under the red tent. Please stop by to register, update your registration, or have your questions answered! Registration forms will be provided on sanitized clipboards. Please wear masks and practice social distancing. Volunteers will be present to assist. Applications will be available in English, Vietnamese, Spanish, and Korean.

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 hundreds of Catholic films, audio books, podcasts, study courses, and more on your computer, tablet, and smartphone. Learn about the lives of priests, popes, and saints; watch Catholic documentaries; enrich your prayer life with meditations; and hear the bible come alive through audio dramas. Go to 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.

HEARING DEVICES AVAILABLE AT MASS

Devices are available to assist those with hearing impairments at Masses. If you need help hearing the liturgy, please speak to an usher prior to the beginning of Mass. All hearing devices are sanitized after each use.

VOCATIONS

"Seek the Lord while He may be found..." Seek Him in prayer and in the sacraments. Listen to His voice. Is the Lord calling you to a vocation as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister? Call Fr. Michael Isenberg at **703-841-2514** or write to michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

POST-ABORTION HEALING RETREAT FOR WOMEN

An Entering Canaan Day of Prayer & Healing for women who have experienced abortion will be held from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Saturday, October 17, in both English and Spanish. Location to be disclosed upon registration. Begin your healing journey, experience God's mercy. For more information and confidential registration, please contact Project Rachel at **888-456-4673** or info@helpafterabortion.org.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Sept. 26 & 27: Christians in the Holy Land

Every Good Friday, we take up a collection for the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in America to aid Christians in the Holy Land. This year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic and Mass cancellations, Bishop Burbidge has requested that we reschedule this important collection for next weekend, September 26 and 27. Your donation helps the Church minister in parishes, support Catholic schools, offer religious education, and preserve sacred shrines, along with humanitarian aid to refugees in places of great instability and unrest. Visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday to learn more.

2020 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL

♦ **Just \$5.5K to go!** We have raised **\$142,462.00** and reached **96%** of our parish goal of **\$148,000.00** with **23%** household participation as of August 13!

Have you made your pledge to the Bishop's Lenten Appeal? The BLA supports our Diocese in its mission of sharing the love and mercy of Christ through serving the needy, educating and forming youth, encouraging vocations, promoting a culture of life, and assisting the clergy, religious, and lay people who help build and strengthen our diocesan Church. Please join us to continue God's work! Learn more about the many ministries supported by the BLA and make your donation online at www.arlingtondiocese.org/bishops-lenten-appeal.

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 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

"So the last will be first and the first last." (MATTHEW 20:16)

You've heard the saying, "It's not where you start, but how you finish." This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us live God-centered lives rather than self-centered lives.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

Robert J. Canter, Jr.: Knights of Columbus Insurance

DIOCESAN PODCAST: SEARCHING FOR MORE

Searching for More is a diocesan podcast featuring interviews and discussions on a range of topics affecting Catholics in today's world. Guests include clergy, local Catholics, doctors, technology experts, Catholic news anchors, and even Hollywood actors! In addition to interviews, many podcasts will emanate from inspiring talks, speeches, homilies, and lectures given throughout the Arlington Diocese. Look up *Searching for More* wherever you listen to podcasts and subscribe today!

DIOCESAN COVID-19 RESOURCES PAGE

Where to Live Stream Masses & More!

The Arlington Diocese has provided a Covid-19 resource page with links to livestreamed and recorded Masses, prayers, daily readings, and more! Please visit: www.arlingtondiocese.org/covid19resources.

MASS FOR DISABILITY AWARENESS

Sept. 27 | 10:30 AM | Holy Spirit, Annandale

The annual Mass for Disability Awareness will be held on Sunday, September 27, at 10:30 AM at Holy Spirit Catholic Church (8800 Braddock Road, Annandale, VA 22003). The Very Reverend Jamie R. Workman, Vicar General of the Diocese of Arlington, will be the celebrant and homilist. All families with members with intellectual and developmental disabilities are invited.

VOLUNTEER: CATHOLIC CHARITIES FARM GLEANING

Oct. 3 & Nov. 7

Help Catholic Charities feed the hungry by volunteering to glean crops on a one-day mission trip to the northern neck of Virginia on Saturday, October 3 and/or November 7. "Gleaning" is the traditional biblical practice of gathering crops that would otherwise be left to rot in the fields or be plowed under after harvest. All produce will be donated to those in need via Catholic Charities' St. Lucy Project Food Warehouse. Mission trips are a great service project for church groups, families, book clubs, and Confirmation students (with parental supervision). To sign up, visit tinyurl.com/farmgleaning2020. For more information, please contact Commissioned by Christ Farm Gleaning Mission Trip Volunteer Coordinator, Tom Pedagno at tcp167@verizon.net.

CHRIST HOUSE THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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 will provide support and assistance to 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 to learn more.

PRAYER WARRIORS FOR OPIOID CRISIS RESPONSE

Catholic Charities needs Prayer Warriors to privately offer petitions of concerns for those who are struggling with the effects of addiction to opioids and other substances. You can pray anytime, anywhere for so many who are struggling. To become a Prayer Warrior and to receive our monthly newsletter containing encouraging advice, helpful resources and prayer requests, please visit: www.ccda.net/need-help/prayer-warriors

ENGLISH, CITIZENSHIP, & GED CLASSES ONLINE!

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington's Education and Workforce Development program provides English, Citizenship, GED, and other job skills classes and training. Registration is now open! Registration fee: \$125 for 12 weeks (includes course materials). Please call **571-208-1572** or email ewd1@ccda.net for details.

SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

THE 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER 19
9:00 AM	Nancy Martin-Rische + by Jerry & Cecilia Martin
5:30 PM (Vigil)	Melissa Mary Margaret Savoie +
SUNDAY	SEPTEMBER 20
8:00 AM	Joyce Kaiser +
10:00 AM	All Parishioners (L/D)
12:00 PM	FOCCUS Missionaries
5:00 PM (Spanish)	Marie Hurley
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 21
<i>St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist</i>	
6:45 AM	Cecilia Tirado De Martin
12:00 PM	Mattie Cross + by Barbara Benoit
TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER 22
6:45 AM	Therese Tieso + by Ron & Dee Artim
12:00 PM	Therese Tieso + by Larry & Diane Lynott
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER 23
<i>St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest</i>	
6:45 AM	Jean Billerbeck by James & Mary Ellen Tibbs
12:00 PM	Jojo Guerrero by Juana Songco
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 24
6:45 AM	Eileen Gilfrich by James & Mary Ellen Tibbs
12:00 PM	Anita Ragnemar + by Christer & Mireya Ahl
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 25
6:45 AM	Charlie Billerbeck by James & Mary Ellen Tibbs
12:00 PM	Charlotte Partridge + by Eve Kramer

WEEKEND MASSES NOW OPEN FOR INTENTIONS

We are now accepting Mass Intention requests for the Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30 PM and the Sunday Masses at 8:00 AM, 12:00 PM, and 5:00 PM (Spanish)! Our 10:00 AM Sunday Mass will continue to be celebrated for all parishioners. Please contact the rectory office at **703-684-9261** or olol@ololcc.net to arrange a Mass Intention. Bishop Burbidge suggests a voluntary stipend of \$10.00 per Mass.

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.

THIS WEEK'S ALTAR FLOWERS WERE PROVIDED...

**In Loving Memory of Virginia Burgios
By the Burgios Family**

You can 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 to arrange.

Upcoming Weeks Available: Oct. 4, Oct. 18, Oct. 25, Nov. 1, Nov. 8

WEEKLY EVENT CALENDAR

SUNDAY	SEPTEMBER 20
8:45 AM	CCD Grade 2 (Parish Hall)
10:45 AM	CCD Grade 8 (Parish Hall)
4:15 PM	Spanish Confessions (Church)
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 21
TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER 22
12:30 PM	Confessions (Church)
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER 23
12:30 PM	Miraculous Medal Novena (Church)
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 24
12:30 PM	Confessions (Church)
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 25
SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER 26
4:00 PM	Confessions (Church)
SUNDAY	SEPTEMBER 27
8:45 AM	CCD Grade 2 (Parish Hall)
10:45 AM	CCD Grade 8 (Parish Hall)
4:15 PM	Spanish Confessions (Church)

COVID-19 UPDATES: PUBLIC MASSES RESUMED

We have resumed our regular schedule of Masses! All Masses are open to the public.

Parishioners are asked to take the following precautions 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 continues through our reopening and 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 sample 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