

PALM SUNDAY

of the Lord's Passion



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**PALM SUNDAY
MARCH 29, 2026**

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SUNDAY MASSES: 5:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass
7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass in Spanish
7:00 a.m./9:00 a.m./11:00 a.m./
1:00 p.m./5:30 p.m.
Monthly Sensory Mass on the
second Sunday of every month at
the 1:00pm Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES: 7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday
12:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and
Thursday and 9:00 a.m. on
Saturday

ADORATION: 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday

HOLY DAY MASSES: As Announced

RECONCILIATION: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. on Saturday
or, if necessary, by appointment

BAPTISM: For more information and how to schedule a
baptism, please visit our website:
<https://nativityburke.org/baptism/>

MARRIAGE POLICY: Please contact the Church as soon
as you are engaged, and at least six months prior to
your wedding date.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Announcements for the bulletin
**must be submitted in writing by 11:00 AM on
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**A Message from our Pastor
Msgr. Bob Cilinski**



*“Christ Jesus emptied himself, taking the form of a slave. He humbled himself becoming obedient even unto death on a cross. Because of this, God highly exalted Him.”
- Philippians 2:6-8*

My dear parishioners:

Holy Week begins with the commemoration of the entry into Jerusalem and the reading of the Passion according to St. Luke. This week we move from the palm branches of praise to the shouts of “*crucify Him.*” Jesus teaches us how to live the paschal mystery each day of our lives. There are moments of triumph and joy, but also times of difficulty and failure. Through it all, God is with us offering redemption and new life. In Luke’s version of the crucifixion and death, we find Jesus’ memorable expression of forgiveness: “*Father, forgive them, they don’t know what they do.*” May Jesus’ prayer bring us comfort in our sins and provide a helpful option to all His followers who find love of enemies difficult.

Above all, this is a week of tremendous love. We are reminded of how loved we are by God who gave his only Son to be our Savior. Let us pray for one another, and especially for our “*Elect*” who lead us to the risen Lord we encounter in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. May this truly be a Holy Week.

Love and blessings,
Bob Cilinski
Msgr. Bob Cilinski
Pastor

Born For Us

You were a prisoner,
so you free us.
You kept silent,
so you instruct us.
You were beaten like a slave,
so you set us free.
We pray to you:
Jesus Christ, risen Lord, have mercy on us!
You were stripped of your clothes,
so you clothe us with glory.
You were given vinegar to drink,
so you quench our thirst.
You were crowned with thorns,
so you make us kings.
We pray to you: Jesus Christ, risen Lord,
have mercy on us!

PARKING SAFETY REMINDER

For the safety of all, please **DO NOT** park in fire lanes, along the yellow lines or in the travel lanes of the driveways at Nativity. In case of emergency, first responder vehicles must have access to our buildings. Knowing that parking is at a premium at our Easter Sunday Masses, your cooperation and concern for other’s safety is appreciated!!



Palm Sunday: They couldn’t kill him for blasphemy, a religious crime Rome didn’t recognize. But they could put him to death for a political crime like treason. So Jesus died under the accusation, “King of the Jews.” He had no throne, no army, no power to threaten governments. But he threatened a lot of people with the power to change hearts.

Monday: *Brave Mary of Bethany.* Was Mary a prophet? She forecast Jesus’ death by preparing him for burial. Was she a minister of a sacramental, anointing his body with soothing oil? Was she a disciple, a friend, a woman in love? Unconcerned with others’ judgments, she did what her heart commanded.

Tuesday: *Passionate Peter,* too, followed his heart. He spoke and acted impulsively, and often came to regret his behavior. He swears he will die for Jesus, and within hours he denies him. But in fact, Peter will die for Jesus one day. He, like us, just needs to get the bugs out of his witness.

Wednesday: *God’s Suffering Servant Isaiah* wrote poems about the Lord’s servant, who suffers innocently for justice. The Gospel writers recognized Jesus in those poems. Innocent suffering may repel us, but it also emboldens our hearts. “The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church.” Such love finds its response in our courage.

Holy Thursday: *Foot Washers.* Mothers of small children, caregivers for the elderly, nurses in sickrooms, take heart: washing the feet of those who need us is an activity particularly blessed by God. Humble acts of service give glory to the Lord who once washed feet to show us how far our love should go.

Good Friday: *Carrying the Cross.* The cross is the symbol of human suffering and death. No one wants to carry the cross, but each of us will be forced underneath it someday, like Simon of Cyrene, when we least expect it. How we carry it will depend on how well we’ve understood the sign of the cross, every time we’ve used it in blessing.

Easter Vigil: *Standing at the Tomb.* Many visit the tomb in the early hours of Easter. The holy women. Angels. The disciples. We come to the tomb as well, to stand and peer in to the very hollow where our faith lives. Is it empty? What do we see? Is he risen, or is it a trick? If we say Alleluia, we accept the challenge to say it with our whole lives.

SOME BUNNY TOLD US WE NEED MORE

Easter CANDY

We warmly welcome donations of individually wrapped candies suitable for inclusion in Easter eggs for our Family Easter Egg Hunt event. Kindly deliver sealed bags of candy to the labeled box in the Church Office by Wednesday, April 8. Your contributions are greatly appreciated!

Director of Youth Ministry

Nativity Catholic Church, a dynamic parish located in Burke, VA, seeks to hire an experienced Director of Youth Ministry to be responsible for the coordination of all high school and middle school programs.

The youth minister will develop the curriculum, implement and oversee the program, collaborate with the religious education program, work with parents/adult volunteers, and act as liaison between parish and Diocese.

Work will be performed in and out of office setting with frequent evening and/or weekend work. Full time position with competitive salary and benefits.

Requirements:

- *Proven experience/knowledge of Catholic Church theology, history, and teachings.
- *Fully initiated and practicing Catholic
- *Proficient in English (oral and written)
- *Bilingual Spanish-English a plus
- *Strong communication and people skills
- *Good organizational and multi-tasking abilities
- *Ability to budget and implement financial controls.

Submit cover letter and resume to:

Msgr. Bob Cilinski

c/o Ann Benson, at 6400 Nativity Lane, Burke VA, 22015
or via email to abenson@nativityburke.org.

NATIVITY PARISH

Holy Week Office Schedule

The Parish Office will be closing at noon on Thursday, April 2 and will be closed all day on

Friday - April 3

Sunday - April 5

Monday - April 6

It will be open on Saturday, April 4
from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.



NATIVITY CATHOLIC CHURCH Holy Week Schedule 2026

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2026

Morning Prayer	8:30am
Mass of the Lord's Supper (<i>Bilingual</i>)	7:00 pm
Individual Prayer follows at Altar of Repose	
Night Prayer in the Chapel of Repose	11:45pm
<i>(Fr. Ready Meeting Room)</i>	

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2026

Morning Prayer	8:30am
Living Stations of the Cross - English	12:00pm
The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord	3:00pm
Living Stations of the Cross - Spanish	5:00pm
The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord	6:15pm
<i>(Spanish)</i>	

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2026

Morning Prayer	8:30am
The Blessing of Easter Food	9:00am

EASTER VIGIL, APRIL 4 at 8:30pm (livestream)

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night
Blessing of the new fire, Lighting of the Easter Candle
and the Celebration of the New Sacraments of
Initiation with the Elect and Candidates
in OCIA and OCIC

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE LORD, APRIL 5

Celebrated at Nativity Catholic Church
Masses at: 5:30am, 7:00am, 9:00am,
11:00am (*livestream*) and 1:00pm (*Spanish*).
To accommodate for large overflow crowds,
we will also offer Mass in the Fr. Martin Center
at 9:05am and 11:05am.

*There is NO Evening Mass on Easter Sunday and
NO noon Mass on Easter Monday, April 6.*

Join us in praying the Divine Mercy Novena leading up to Divine Mercy Sunday on April 16th

The Second Sunday of Easter, April 12th, is the Feast of Divine Mercy, or Divine Mercy Sunday. The Divine Mercy Novena is prayed nine days prior to Divine Mercy Sunday, so beginning on Good Friday, April 3rd. The Novena will be prayed daily after the morning Mass or Morning Prayer Service, except on the Easter weekend, when the Novena prayers are said at home. *(I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw there from strength and refreshment and whatever grace they have need of in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death Diary, 1209).* The Holy Hour and Devotion on Sunday, April 12th takes place from 2:45 to 3:45 pm. Please join us in Eucharistic Adoration and in praying/singing the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy. Prayer cards, rosaries and information pamphlets will be provided. See the Nativity website for more information.





Service Opportunity for Families on March 29th after the 9:00 & 11:00am Mass in the School Art Room



Join us for the 2nd Annual hands-on Soap-Making Service Opportunity for families on Sunday, March 29th after the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Masses at Nativity Parish. Led by the Youth Leadership Council at Kind Leaders, this meaningful S.T.E.A.M. experience invites children and youth to create mini starfish-shaped soaps that will be offered to parishioners on the third weekend of April for a suggested donation benefitting Operation Starfish.

Through this hands-on activity, participants will explore soap chemistry, measurements, and mold design while putting faith into action through service. Supplies will be provided. Sign up at kindleaders.org/events or scan the QR Code.

About Kind Leaders: Kind Leaders is a kid founded and led nonprofit organization. Its mission is to help children and youth grow as compassionate leaders and lead with love through faith-based service projects and kindness-driven initiatives. For more information visit: <https://kindleaders.org/events>.



The 2026 Bishop's Lenten Appeal: In Christ, We Are One



Scan Me

We are grateful to the 773 Nativity families who have already made a gift to this year's Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). Through your generosity, we have raised 75% of our \$840,000 parish goal. As we journey through this Lenten season of renewal, we invite. Every family who has not yet participated to prayerfully consider a gift. With about 88% of our parish households still to give, we have a wonderful opportunity to finish strong together. The BLA giving envelopes are available at the back of the church and at the parish office, and gifts may also be made online at arlingtondiocese.org/bla or the QR code.

For more information, contact the parish office. Thank you!

KOFC ANNUAL MULTI-CAR RAFFLE

Thank you to those who have already returned all the tickets you have sold. Where else can you get a chance to win all four 2026 vehicles from Ourisman Ford of Manassas (Ford Escape, Mustang, Maverick Truck (Hybrid) and Bronco Sport) plus up to \$40,000 in cash prizes for only \$5. Please mail your sold ticket stubs and payment directly to All Saints in the envelope provided. We have additional tickets if you sell all of yours. Please contact PGK Sam Northland @ 703-455-2186 if you have any questions.



Mary's Comfort, a local maternity shelter in Springfield, VA, is a volunteer-driven nonprofit providing an enriching home for women facing a crisis pregnancy, along with supportive help and guidance for mother and baby. Since opening our first home in 2024 we have assisted six pregnant women. With your support, we can grow our services and expand our programs. If you'd like to join our team of dedicated volunteers or make donation, please visit our website <https://www.maryscomfortva.org/> or email us at maryscomfortva@gmail.com. If you know a mother who could use our help, please refer her to us. Thank you and God bless!

Nativity Catholic Church

EASTER EGG HUNT!

Families with young children are invited!
Whether you have babies, toddlers or elementary school age kids (Older siblings are included). We'll have three different hiding areas for the youngest, middle and older kids

Saturday, April 11

2:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Nativity Field behind the
Father Martin Center

Please RSVP:
<https://nativityburke.org/easter-egg-hunt/>

Hosted by

Come join the Nativity Dames! We are the wives, widows, sisters, daughters, nieces of the men in the Knights of Columbus.

Our purpose is to support and assist our Fr. Vincent Sikora Council. Our next fellowship and information meeting will be held on Tuesday, 7 April at 7:30 pm in the Fr. Ready room.

*For more information, please contact
RoseAnne Zivich at brzivich@aim.com.*

NATIVITY CYO SPORTS TRACK & FIELD



HAVE FUN AND MAKE FRIENDS AS WE RUN, JUMP, AND THROW

**REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN**

**COACHES AND VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

Nativity is participating in Spring Track & Field! This is open to all 3rd - 8th graders attending Nativity Catholic School or Nativity's Religious Education program. Practices will begin late March and the CYO Spring Meet will be May 16th.

EMAIL CYOSPORTS@NATIVITYBURKE.ORG
FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

COME VISIT THE NATIVITY GIFT SHOP!



The Nativity Gift Shop has a lot of new merchandise! We have a large selection of cards and gifts for Confirmandi and Holy Communicants.

We also have beautiful Holy Communion veils available. Each one is hand made and one of a kind! Special requests will be considered, in the past we have transformed wedding veils as well. For more information and pricing, please contact Natasha Hines at the gift shop or leave a message for her at the parish office.

GIRL SCOUTS NEEDS YOU!



New Kindergarten Troops Need Leaders!

Benefits of Being a Leader:

- ▶ Choose the Day/Time, Frequency of Troop Meetings
- ▶ Online Training can be done on your schedule
- ▶ Support system from other Nativity troops
- ▶ Recruit parents to be your co-leader, money manager, fall product/cookie manager

Contact nativitytroop@gmail.com for more information



Pontifical Good Friday Collection

As we approach Easter, the cry for help of our sisters and brothers of the Holy Land is becoming more pressing.

Pope Leo has asked our parish to support the **Pontifical Good Friday Collection**, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few. The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war and now the Iranian conflict have made their situation even more dire. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!
For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org.



MASS INTENTIONS & MASS SCHEDULE
"We are God's People"
 1 Peter 2:10

Monday, March 30

7:30 am † David Yeager
 12:00 pm Special Intention for the Sting Family

Tuesday, March 31

7:30 am † Victor Yau
 12:00 pm † Marie Gordon

Wednesday, April 1

7:30 am Special Intention for the Hannam Family
 3:00 pm † Sergio Lince (*Sunrise*)

Holy Thursday, April 2

NO MORNING or NOON MASS
 7:00 pm † Ann DiRenzo (*Bilingual*)

Good Friday, April 3

NO MASS

Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 4

8:30 pm † Jose Ricardo Tepe (*livestream*)

Easter Sunday, April 5

5:30 am Special Intention for the Steve Hyde Family
 7:00 am † Harold G. Hayward
 9:00 am Nativity Parishioners
 9:05 am † Rose Lowry (*Fr. Martin Center*)
 11:00 am † Nicoletta Mascelli (*Livestream*)
 11:05 am † Anna Mae Mernah (*Fr. Martin Center*)
 1:00 pm † Special Intention for Mariana Ortegon (*Spanish*)

In prayer, let us remember the sick and deceased of the parish visit nativityburke.org for the Priest Mass Schedule

Monthly Sensory Mass: Sunday, April 12 at 1:00pm

In an effort to embrace and welcome the neurodiverse members of our community, Nativity Catholic Church is hosting a monthly Sensory Mass on the second Sunday of every month at the 1:00 pm Mass. All are welcome to attend! A special invitation is extended to any person in need of sensory accommodations. A sensory Mass requires a welcoming stigma-free environment and accommodations to help reduce over-stimulation and sensory overload. We also invite you to join us after the Sensory Mass for coffee, donuts, and fellowship in the cafeteria. If you would like to learn more about the Monthly Sensory Mass please email Tracey Hulén, Disability Inclusion Coordinator at thulen@nativityburke.org.

EMAIL & TEXT SCAM ALERT - PLEASE BEWARE

Recently there have been several email messages and texts from scammers pretending to be Nativity clergy. Our priests, deacons or office staff **DO NOT** and will **NEVER** email or text anyone with questions / asking for gift cards / favors or any kind of (financial) assistance. Please be careful and delete these kinds of emails and messages immediately. **DO NOT REPLY!** If you are unsure or have any questions at all, please contact the parish office at 703-400-0737.

Honduras Mission Trip 2026



July 12-18, 2026

This mission trip is designed for College-age and Young Adult parishioners to visit our newest partnership in Honduras through Operation Starfish.



Interested in advertising in the bulletin? Call Mike Jurosky at 717-648-5996 or email: mjurosky@diocesan.com

THE EIGHT ANNUAL

NATIVITY

Golf Tournament

Please join Fr. Bob for a great day of golf to support the Youth Programs at Nativity Parish, including Nativity School, Religious Education, Youth Ministry, and CYO Sports.

Can't join us that day? Please consider sponsoring a hole or donation to one of our many other sponsorship opportunities.

Registration and sponsorship information are on the Nativity website at: <https://nativityburke.org/golf/>

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WESTFIELDS GOLF CLUB CLIFTON, VA

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS MAY 15

[HTTPS://NATIVITYBURKE.ORG/GOLF/](https://nativityburke.org/golf/)

Would you like to broaden your knowledge on the presence, power, and beauty of our Blessed Virgin Mary? Come join us at our Legion of Mary meetings, held on Wednesdays at 7:00pm in the Teacher's Lounge. Interested? Contact Kathryn Quan at jaynekathrynq1@yahoo.com.



TWO WORDS: "THE NATIVITY YARD SALE IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!"

During your annual spring clean-up and before tossing out your former "treasures", please consider storing them in a corner of your garage or basement for donation to the Annual Yard Sale. The Nativity Annual Yard Sale for Charity sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Father Vincent S. Sikora Council 7992, is Saturday, June 27, 2026. Collections will begin Thursday, June 18, 2026 and continue through Wednesday June 24, 2026. Your donations are tax-deductible and sincerely appreciated.

NATIVITY STARS GALA & AUCTION

Early Bird Tickets On Sale Now!

Early Bird: \$60 through March 31 | \$70 after

May 16, 2026 | 6:30-10:00PM

Derby-Inspired Cocktail Attire | 21+ Event

Cocktail Reception • Heavy Appetizers • Live & Silent Auction • Heads or Tails Game • Class Basket Raffle • Class "Horse Race"

Optional Whiskey Tasting Experience - available as an add-on or included with Signature Sponsor!

Open to the Nativity Parish and School community, along with their family and friends.



Tickets & info: <https://www.nativityschool.org/gala>

Lent arrives in the garden in different ways!

The Catholic Garden Network notes, "In some places, beds are already filling with early greens. In others, seeds are just being started indoors. And in many parts of the country, the garden is still quiet, waiting for the first real signs of spring. On St. Patrick's Day, long associated in some places with planting potatoes and the beginning of the growing season, we (were) reminded how closely faith and the rhythms of the earth have long been intertwined - and how often the work of tending the land becomes a quiet expression of gratitude and hope. This season invites us to take a closer look - at what we're tending, what we're holding onto, and what we might be called to let go of. In the garden, that might mean clearing space, preparing soil, or simply waiting. In our lives, it often looks like making room through prayer, fasting, and generosity."

At Nativity, plans are well underway for the St. Fiacre raised beds garden for this year. We planted garlic last fall that will be harvested in July. Radishes and carrots will be planted shortly for early harvest by mid-May. The remainder of the beds will be planted in early May and the Nativity School Fourth grade will plant the "Three Sisters" (corn, beans and squash) during their Colonial Day in late May. All harvest is donated to the food insecure. Volunteers to maintain the garden during the season are always welcome. Nativitycreationcare@gmail.com.





Tea in the Garden

A HIGH TEA PARTY FUNDRAISER BENEFITING
OUR NATIVITY SISTERS

Step into a blooming garden for an elegant afternoon of fine tea and gourmet treats by Boyd & Parker Events. Enjoy a curated purse auction, our festive photo booth, and delightful door prizes.

SATURDAY, MAY 9TH, 2026 | 1:00 - 4:00 PM
FATHER MARTIN CENTER

OPEN TO ALL PARISHIONERS AND GUESTS
TICKETS AVAILABLE AFTER ALL MASSES:
APRIL 25-26, AND MAY 2-3

TICKETS: \$45/PERSON.
\$48.00 IF PAYING BY CREDIT CARD

SEATING IS LIMITED, RESERVE EARLY TO SIP, SAVOR,
AND CELEBRATE IN BLOOM! PERFECT FOR
A MOTHER'S DAY TREAT!

Special Feature: Shop our vibrant garden marketplace! We are seeking select crafters and vendors to showcase their talents (\$25/table).

To donate a purse or reserve a vendor table,
please contact: Kim Delatte: 703-587-2749

kdelatte65@gmail.com

YOUTH MINISTRY

LIFE TEEN: GRADES 9-12
 DINNER - FELLOWSHIP - PRAYER & FORMATION
 Sundays | 6:30-8:30 p.m.



EDGE: GRADES 6-8
 Fridays twice a month
 6:30-8:00 p.m.
 See website for full schedule



7 CHURCHES PILGRIMAGE
 Sign up is now available for Nativity Youth Ministry's annual 7 Churches Pilgrimage! We will meet at 7pm April 2 in the church. And then will depart in vans to our route. We will dismiss at 12AM.

BASH 2026
 Sign ups will open soon for BASH. BASH will take place at Bishop O'Connell High School on Saturday April 25th. This opportunity is open to middle schoolers in grades 6th-8th. Registration is required.

[See website for full schedule](#)
 Before attending, please register for the 2025-2026 year of ministry using our free, online forms.

✉ cym@nativityburke.org 📺 [@nativitycym](https://www.facebook.com/nativitycym)



Pray the Pro-Life Rosary and Witness with Us!
 When: Friday mornings after the 7:30 am Mass
 Where: 900 S. Washington St, Falls Church, VA.

Join Nativity in praying the Pro-Life Rosary for mothers in need and for the protection of human life. Your peaceful presence outside on the sidewalk in front of the Falls Church abortion facility makes a difference by increasing awareness, and for parents who find themselves in unplanned/crisis pregnancies. Contact rickloffredo@outlook.com.

PRIME TIME SINGLE CATHOLICS (PTSC)
 We are a social group, mostly aged 60 and over. (35 to 59? Ask about our free associate group.) Meet us for: Easter Sunday Mass and Dinner (April 5); Thursday Lunches (April 9 & 23); Tour of George Washington's Alexandria (April 11); Walk at Manassas Battlefield Park (April 15); Orchestral Concert at Schlesinger Hall (April 19); Serving meal at Christ House (April 25); Planet Word Museum (April 25); Dinner in Tysons (April 26); . For details, visit our website: bit.ly/ptsc. With questions or to RSVP, email Tom at ptscnva@gmail.com.

Pro-Life Corner

Virginia March for Life – Richmond Wednesday, April 22nd, 2026
 All Nativity parishioners are welcome to join us and other Virginians of faith and conscience as we march for life at our state capitol! This year we are planning to carpool and join in on the free Engage Training. Contact rickloffredo@outlook.com for carpooling or questions. Register for the March at <https://marchforlife.org/virginia/>. Within that webpage you can register for Engage Training! If you prefer join the Holy Spirit Bus and return directly after the march, check here: <https://marchforlife.org/va-bus-info-find-a-ride/>.



Prayer for Protection from the Extreme Abortion Amendment
 "Almighty and Eternal God, we thank you for the sacred gift of every human life created in your image and likeness. We pray for an end to the grave evil of abortion and ask that you protect our Commonwealth of Virginia from the dangers of the proposed extreme abortion amendment. Grant wisdom and compassion to our legislators, healing to all who have been wounded by abortion, and courage to your people to speak the truth in charity. Hear the prayers of your children as we pray and fast in reparation for sins against the human person. Inspire parents to defend their children by opposing this resolution which can jeopardize the authority, rights and responsibility you have entrusted to them. Through the Holy Spirit's gift of fortitude, may our Shepherds be bold in their defense of the unborn, leading us in this critical hour, as we educate and engage all citizens of Virginia to vote against the amendment and to persevere in protecting all human life. May the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God and Mother of the Church, come to our aid. Through Christ our Lord. Amen." (vacatholic.org/Amendment)

KOVAR Enduring Love Campaign – Homes for Intellectually Disabled. Stand with parents who seek to find a home for their children that outlive their ability to provide direct care on their own. Contact Mark Sawyer, sawyerkoc7992@verizon.net.

**Knights of Columbus
 Frenchy Cyr Memorial Scholarships**

Last year, Nativity' Knights of Columbus Council 7992 awarded seven Cyr Memorial scholarships for Catholic secondary school tuition (grades 9-12), totaling \$7000. Scholarships were awarded to: *Hannah Ly and Anthony Licud (Nativity School) attending Saint John Paul the Great High School, Elizabeth Marzluff, Abigail Hoenle, and Ian Marzluff attending Bishop Ireton High School, Mackenzie Boland attending Bishop O'Connell High School and William Moorhouse attending Gonzaga College High School* for their exemplary academic performance, sustained school and community involvement, and outstanding Church and religious activity participation.

This year six \$1250 scholarships will be awarded with at least one scholarship awarded to a Nativity eighth-grade student. All other entrants, including eighth-grade students, will compete for the remaining five scholarships. Entrants must be registered parishioners at Nativity, or a son, daughter, or grandchild, of an active member of Council 7992. Application forms are available on the Parish web site and in the Parish office. Application submissions are due no later than midnight, Friday, April 24, 2026. Scholarship awardees will be announced in late May or Early June. Questions, please contact Dave Zivich, at davezivich@gmail.com or 703-598-0698.



TRIVIA NIGHT
SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, April 25th
Fr. Martin Center (Gym)
7:00 - 9:00 PM | Doors open 6:30 PM

Think you've got what it takes? Gather your team and get ready for a night of laughs, competition, and great prizes!

Sponsored by Nativity School PTO/ 21+ Only Please

Date Night

FOR COUPLES

A Family Approach to Stewardship



Saturday, April 18th
6:30-8:30 PM
Nativity Cafeteria

Register Online: nativityburke.org/mem-date-night/

Patricia Molseed

Dinner & Childcare Provided
Contact: Anna Lisa Licud
marriage@nativityburke.org

Marriage
ENRICHMENT MINISTRY

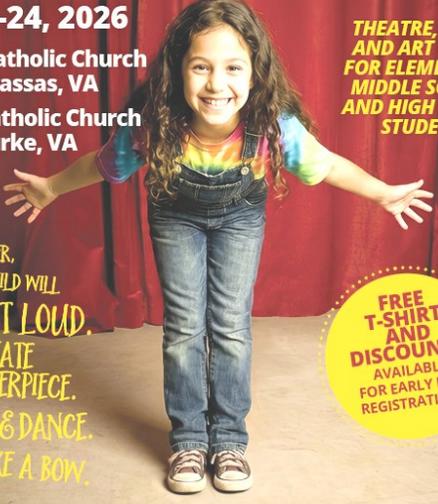
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SPOTLIGHT ON THE ARTS

~ SUMMER CAMPS ~

July 13-24, 2026
All Saints Catholic Church in Manassas, VA
Nativity Catholic Church in Burke, VA

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Nativity Catholic Church



Gathering for Caregivers of Family Members with Special Needs

Caregivers of loved ones with special needs (of all ages) are invited to **join us for a time of community, encouragement, and spiritual support.** This gathering will include small group conversations, a presentation from a fellow caregiver, and space to connect with other parish families navigating similar journeys. Caregivers include those caring for family members with special needs such as sensory processing challenges, ADHD, autism, or intellectual, physical, and developmental disabilities, etc. We consider caregivers to be any relative who is walking alongside a family member with special needs. **Caregivers must register in advance to attend.**



SCAN ME!

Sunday, April 19th **7:00-8:30 pm** **Father Ready Room**

nativityburke.org/caregivers-gathering/

Nativity CATHOLIC SCHOOL
 A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
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Nativity School is Full of Characters - Storybook Characters

 Each school year during our Read-a-thon, we offer a series of special events to celebrate reading and increase participation. One of our favorites? Dress as Your Favorite Book Character Day!
 Students – and teachers – dress up as their favorite book character and read their way through chapter and junior picture books, novels and non fiction, exchanging stories, telling tales, and having fun. It's the same day our Principal, Ms. Kelly, and our Assistant Principal, Mr. Godwin, read 'in-character' in every classroom. *Just take a look ~*



Important Upcoming Dates ~
April 3 - Easter Break Begins
May 25 - No School/Memorial Day

At Nativity, faith fills us. Love lives here. Nativity Stars are filled with the Holy Spirit! Join us to see how your child would spend his or her days here - learning, praying, sharing, and laughing. We may be just the school for which you've been searching! Contact us at www.nativityschool.org, (703) 455-2300, or smurph@nativitalschool.org.




Fr. Sikora Council 7992 Meetings: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays. The first meeting is a business meeting, the second meeting of the month is devoted to faith formation. Rosary 7:15 PM; meeting at 7:30 PM. Fellowship follows. Meet in the Nativity school cafeteria.

Join the Knights! The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and defend values in a busy changing world. Join today at <https://www.kofc.org/joinus>. Your dues will be **free for one year**: Be sure to enter our council #7992 and the code **RCANTER** when you register. Please email our Deputy Grand Knight, Vince Augelli, at dgk7992@nativityburke.org or the Grand Knight, Michael Bender at gk7992@nativityburke.org with any questions.

- Volunteer for an event!** Scroll down to view all events, https://linktr.ee/fr_sikora_council_7992.
- Knights, are you receiving the Grand Knight Newsletter?** If not, go to: <https://NativityBurke.flocknote.com/NativityKnights> to sign up.
- Widow Support:** ****Updated**** We need drivers to support rides to appointments. See SUG for details!
- 5 April:** Easter Ushers needed for the parking lot & church. SUG is live!
- 11 April:** Easter Egg Hunt 12:30 - 3:30pm. We need volunteers to support this fun event! See SUG for details.
- 18-19 April:** KOVAR Collection. Please sign up to help with the collections after Mass. SUG is live!
- 25 April:** Adopt-A-Highway. Join your brother Knights as we clean up Old Keene Mill Rd! SUG is live!
- Food for Others:** Volunteer for food distribution to the poor, delivered on designated Thursday or Friday evenings. For Thursdays, contact Br. Mark Sawyer at sawyerkoc7992@verizon.net. For Fridays, contact Br. Matt Stockburger at mstock_w@yahoo.com. Deliver food from Giant to the FFO warehouse Tuesday mornings; contact Br. Bob Colella robert.colella.86@gmail.com.
- Prayer Requests:** Prayer requests will stay active for one month. Prayer update (health, location, contact, etc.) status is deeply appreciated. Send an updated request for continued support. <https://forms.gle/LiPCRmzfyRnYEU8s5>
- Name Tags:** If you have not received your name tag, email our Warden, Dan Thomas, at warden7992@nativityburke.org.
- Nativity Ushers assist at collections:** Volunteer for your Mass! Volunteer on LinkTree to maintain a database of potential helpers!
- Sunday Mass Coffee and Cookies:** We are providing coffee and cookies following Sunday morning Masses. See info on LinkTree.
- Handy Knights Ministry:** Parishioners unable to perform basic maintenance tasks or small home repairs due to health or other factors, contact the "Handy Knights." Email handyknightsfnativity@gmail.com.
- The Fraternal Committee:** Brothers helping brothers in need of assistance. Brothers and their families (living and deceased) in need of a helping hand, contact Br. John Landy at navy8@yahoo.com.
- 3rd Degree Knights - Grow with 4th Degree:** Participate in patriotic activities that promote Catholic citizenship. 4th Degree Assembly meets the second Tuesday of the month in the Nativity school cafeteria.

ECHO Collection THIS weekend, March 28/29 - Food Room Most Needed Items

Thank you for including ECHO Food Room needs on your shopping list. The USDA calculates that a meal for one persons is considered to be 1.2 pounds of food. Thus far this fiscal year ECHO has distributed 288,560 pounds of food which converts to 240,466 meals given to our neighbors in Burke and Springfield. Thank you donors for your generosity in helping our neighbors. Your help is greatly appreciated. We collected 753 lbs of food for ECHO on February 28/March 1.

ECHO's policy is to not give expired, open or repackaged food to clients. PLEASE do not bring these items or glass jars!!
 Bag Beans (black, red or garbanzo beans preferred), Lentils, Canned Fruit, Cereal/Oatmeal (low sugar), Can Tomatoes, Tomato paste, Canned Milk, Shelf stable milk, Hot Chocolate, Snacks (Crackers, raisins, granola bars, dry fruit, nuts, etc.) Baked Beans, Coffee (Instant and Ground), Honey, Pancake Syrup, Cooking Oil, Non-salt spices, Masa Corn Flour, Granulated Sugar, Lemon or Lime Juice, Tortillas, Condiments, Mac and Cheese, Canned Meat, Paper bags, Newspaper plastic sleeves, Paper boxes, Toilet Paper, Facial Tissue, Toothpaste, Razors, Shampoo, Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels, Body/Hand lotion, Band Aids, Diapers. (sizes 2, 4, 5, 6), Sanitary Napkins.

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DIOCESAN FESTIVAL

★ CELEBRATING FAITH + FREEDOM ★

**SATURDAY
JUNE 13**
3:45 - 9:30 PM

CLARKE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
BERRYVILLE, VA



FREE EVENT FOR ALL AGES
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE COMPLIMENTARY FOOD

MASS WITH BISHOP BURBIDGE ★ MUSIC ★ FOOD

DIOCESAN CAR MINISTRY

The Car Ministry accepts vehicles, reconditions them and then provides them as a gift to low-income families referred by pastors and social agencies. Click on the *"Donate your Car"* link on the Car Ministry's website, www.carministry.org, or contact the charity's Director, Larry Gordon at 703.237.8479 for more info.

Peace in the Storm

Chronic Pain and Illness Support Group

Thursday, April 9 | 12:45 - 2:15 pm | Fr. Ready Room
Tuesday, April 14 | 7:00 - 8:30 pm | Church Conf Room

Nativity Catholic Church is aware of the many challenges that chronic illness and/or chronic pain pose in the lives of our parishioners. All adult parishioners who have chronic pain or illness are invited to participate in a parish-based, small, faith fellowship group developed by the national ministry called The Peace in the Storm Project. We meet to reflect, pray, and deepen our understanding of God's love, presence, and purpose with and through health challenges within the context of our Catholic faith and parish community. Group participants will receive The Peace in the Storm Project **Discussion Guide** at no cost.



If you are interested in joining the group or for more information, please email Anna Lisa Licud at alicud@nativityburke.org or visit our parish website www.nativityburke.org/peace-in-the-storm/

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

DONUT

KIDS' CORNER *Sundays*

The new "Kids Corner" at Nativity's Donut Sundays is a fun corner with books and self guided simple crafts for kids and their parents to explore while they eat their donuts.

This new addition is only possible with the help of volunteers. We need two Virtus-compliant adults for each Sunday Mass—9:00 AM and 11:00 AM—to keep this running smoothly. To help, please email alicud@nativityburke.org or sign up here:



There's nothing better than sweet moments and sugary smiles.
Don't miss out!

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Multi Car Raffle

plus \$40,000 in Cash Drawings



Tickets Only \$5

Chance to win 4 cars and \$40,000 in cash prizes



Ford Escape



Ford Bronco Sport





Ford Mustang



Ford Maverick Truck (Hybrid)

Images are representative of the models and types of cars to be awarded.

All tickets, stubs & monies are due by **Tuesday, 21 April** to All Saints Catholic Church. The drawings will be held during the All-Saints Catholic Church Fair on Saturday, 25 April. If you need more tickets or have questions, please contact PGK Sam Morthland @ 703-455-2186 or at kofc7992carraffle@gmail.com



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CHURCHES PILGRIMAGE

PARTICIPATE IN AN
ANCIENT CATHOLIC TRADITION
TO PRAYERFULLY PREPARE FOR
EASTER THIS YEAR

On the evening of Holy Thursday, April 2nd, travel to seven different churches to spend time in adoration of Jesus and reflect upon his agony in the garden. Scan the QR code for a pilgrimage guide and to download reflections.

*Separate reflections available in
English and Spanish for adults, teens,
or for parents with young children.*



DIocese of ARLINGTON
OFFICE OF YOUTH, CAMPUS, &
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

Join the Assembly of Catholic Professionals

The Assembly of Catholic Professionals has been established by Bishop Burbidge as a ministry of the Catholic Foundation to deepen the connection between faith and professional life in the Diocese of Arlington. This new initiative brings together Catholic business and professional leaders from across the diocese to build community, grow spiritually, and support the Church's mission.

The Assembly welcomes all professionals who seek to integrate their Catholic faith into daily life. Through quarterly luncheons, members build relationships with one another and engage directly with Bishop Burbidge, diocesan clergy, national speakers, and local lay leaders in a setting of fellowship and formation.

Each event features remarks from Bishop Burbidge and a keynote speaker—prominent professionals in Church, business, law, government, media, or sports—reflecting on how their Catholic faith has shaped them and offering their own perspective on the faith in their field.

Upcoming ACP Events

- April 28, 2026 - 11am-1pm - Westwood Country Club - Vienna
Speaker: Andrew Abela, Dean, Busch School of Business at Catholic University. Register for the luncheon
- June 17, 2026 - 11am-1pm - Westwood Country Club - Vienna
Speaker: Jacob Ciccarelli, CEO of Truthly
- September 24, 2026 - 11am-1pm - Westwood Country Club - Vienna
Speaker: Cardinal Seán Patrick O'Malley, Archbishop Emeritus of Boston
- December 7, 2026 - 11am-1pm - Archer Hotel - Tysons Corner
Speaker: Kerry Robinson, Catholic Charities USA

For more information and to register, visit:
<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/development/the-foundation/programs-1/assembly-of-catholic-professionals>



GROW IN YOUR FAITH

Join inspiring talks, prayer, and formation opportunities designed for busy professionals.



BUILD MEANINGFUL CONNECTIONS

Network with Catholic leaders across all industries in a welcoming, supportive environment.



LIVE YOUR FAITH AT WORK

Learn how to bring Catholic virtues into your career and everyday decisions.

Attention Please!

ALL MASS INTENTIONS HAVE BEEN FILLED THROUGH THE END OF JUNE 2026

WE CURRENTLY DO NOT HAVE ANY MORE MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE.

THE MASS CALENDAR FOR 1 JULY - 31 DECEMBER 2026 WILL OPEN IN THE MIDDLE OF MAY, PLEASE WATCH FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE BULLETIN OR ON OUR WEBSITE.

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"
(Matthew 21:9)

As we enter Holy Week, we honor Christ's sacrifice. Priesthood, consecrated life, and holy matrimony mirror this self-giving love, offering one's life for others. Could God be calling you to serve? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (703) 841-2514 or via email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.

160th Women's Cursillo Retreat - April 16 - 19
Missionhurst Retreat Center,
4651 25th Street, Arlington, VA 22207

Cursillo (cur SEE yo) is a lay Catholic movement that takes its name from Cursillo de Cristiandad, Spanish for "short course on Christianity." It has been endorsed by every Pope since John XXIII. This 3-day retreat is an opportunity to examine your faith, deepen your relationship with Christ, and continue – or begin – your faith journey with the love and support of the community.

You will: Grow spiritually - Make new friends - Experience Christ's unlimited love

More information can be found on the Arlington Diocese Cursillo website: <https://www.arlingtoncursillo.org/>. If you are interested and would like to learn more, feel free to contact Laura Laverdiere at lauralaverdiere@msn.com.



PAUL VI OPTIONS PROGRAM

OUR MISSION IS INCLUSION

The PVI Options Program helps students with intellectual and developmental disabilities gain the academic, social, and life skills needed to help them excel after high school, in either a career or college setting.

Courses are tailored to each student's interests, abilities, and post-graduation goals, with modified coursework and assessments that build on individual strengths. Through inclusive classes and extracurricular activities — including band, choir, clubs, and athletics — students form friendships, expand their understanding of the world, and grow in confidence and independence.



The Options program has been supporting students with intellectual disabilities for over 25 years. We remain committed to fostering inclusion and belonging.

St. Paul VI Catholic High School
42341 Braddock Road, Chantilly, VA 20152
703.352.0925 x1314 | pvioptions@paulvi.net



Love working with children? Want flexibility? Consider subbing at Nativity School! Please Join Us!

We are in need of substitute teachers with the following minimum qualifications:

- ⇒ 2-plus years of college
- ⇒ Ability to follow a lesson plan and give effective instructions in the absence of the teacher
- ⇒ Proficiency in maintaining effective classroom management skills
- ⇒ Diocesan-compliant
- ⇒ Successful background check



For more information, email Rich Godwin at rgodwin@nativityschool.org, or call him at (703) 455-2300, ext.146; or you can contact Shannon Murphy, our Registrar, at (703) 455-2300, or smurph@nativityschool.org.

FOR SAFETY REASONS, PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF OR LEAVE USED CLOTHING OR OTHER HOUSEHOLD ITEMS IN OUR NARTHEX OR AT ANY OF OUR EXITS

If you have items to donate, please call the Parish Office at 703 455 2400 first to find out if there is a need. You can also always contact ECHO at 703 569 9160 or visit them to drop off donations at 7205 Old Keene Mill Road in Springfield.



FOR E-GIVING, PLEASE USE THE QR CODE OR VISIT:
<https://osvhub.com/nativityburke/giving/funds>

Sick / Homebound Visits

Are you or someone you know sick and/or homebound for any reason? We can arrange home visits from the parish and provide prayer and the sacraments. We would love to bring God's Grace and Peace to anyone in difficult times.

Please contact Cat Sands, Pastoral Minister, at csands@nativityburke.org to schedule a visit.



Opening Fall 2026
Alexandria, Virginia

Chesterton Academy of Christ the King, a small co-ed classical high school that is part of the international Chesterton Schools Network, will be opening at St. Lawrence Catholic Church this fall. Chesterton Academies are known for their strong Catholic identity anchored in daily school Mass, rigorous classical curriculum, screen-free socratic seminar format, and affordable tuition. Visit Chesterton-ChristTheKing.org to learn more or to apply. Limited spaces remain for rising freshmen for the 2026-2027 school year.

Virginia
MARCH for LIFE

April 22, 2026
RALLY 10 AM | MARCH 11 AM
RICHMOND, VA

We'll see you there!

Scan the code for event details!

VIRGINIA MARCH FOR LIFE

MarchforLife.org/Virginia

FINDING JESUS WITH ST. STEPHEN

THE MASS, MARTYRDOM, & MEN

APRIL 24-26 · FRIDAY - SUNDAY

SILENT
RETREAT
for
MEN



Fr. John O'Donohue was ordained in 2000 as a priest of the Diocese of Arlington and has served as Pastor of Holy Spirit Parish in Annandale, VA, since 2012.



ST. STEPHEN, THE PROTO-MARTYR, AS HE WAS BEING STONED TO DEATH, SAW "THE HEAVENS OPENED, AND THE SON OF MAN STANDING AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD" (ACTS 7:56). THROUGH HIS EYES, WE TOO CAN LOOK INTO HEAVEN AND BEHOLD JESUS CHRIST, OUR GREAT HIGH PRIEST, ENTERING MORE FULLY INTO THE HIDDEN MYSTERIES OF THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS. THIS VISION CAN RADICALLY TRANSFORM BOTH OUR WORSHIP AND OUR DAILY LIVES.



Retreat cost is \$299. Financial assistance may be available.
For more information or to register, please contact Deacon Maines:
mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org or visit our website at ArlingtonDiocese.org/Retreat

SEMANA SANTA

Se Celebra en la Parroquia DE LA NATIVIDAD

JUEVES SANTO, 2 DE ABRIL

Oraciones de la Mañana a las 8:30am

Oración Individual en el Altar de Reposo ~ Oraciones de la Noche 11:45 en
la Capilla de Reposo (Salon de reunión Padre Ready)

Misa de la Cena de Señor: 7:00pm (Bilingüe)

VIERNES SANTO, 3 DE ABRIL

Oraciones de la mañana a las 8:30am

Estaciones de la Santa Cruz: 5:00pm (Español)

Celebración de la Pasión de Nuestro Señor: 6:15pm (Español)

SABADO SANTO, 4 DE ABRIL

Oraciones de la mañana a las 8:30am

Bendición de los Alimentos de Pascua: 9:00am

VIGILIA DE PASCUA, 4 DE ABRIL A LAS 8:30pm

La Vigilia de Pascua en la Noche Santa

Bendición del fuego Nuevo, Iluminación de la Vela de Pascua y la Celebración de los
Sacramentos de Iniciación con los Elegidos y Candidatos de OICA, OCIC

DOMINGO DE PASCUA DE LA RESURRECCION DEL SENOR, 5 DE ABRIL

Misas a las: 5:30am, 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am (Ingles)
y 1:00pm (Español) Se celebra en la Iglesia de la Natividad

Para acomodar a la multitud adicional también
ofreceremos Misa en el Father Martin Center
a las 9:05am y 11:05am

NO habrá Misa por la tarde en Domingo de Pascua



Domingo de Ramos - A Evangelio de la Misa: Mt 26,14-27,66 Relato de la Pasión y Muerte de Jesús

Con este domingo entramos en la Semana Santa. No cabe mejor título para estos días, ya que recordamos y celebramos la Pasión y Muerte de Jesús; y lo que es más importante, la Resurrección, que llena de paz, de esperanza y de optimismo al cristiano. Hoy contemplamos a Jesucristo recibido con vitores y aplausos de su gente al llegar a Jerusalén. Serán los mismos que luego, a los pocos días, pedirán su muerte el Viernes Santo. Las autoridades así lo habían determinado con anterioridad y la gente, una vez, más fue manipulada. Gran lección para la Vida, y más cuando queda iluminada por la Resurrección.

Señor, gracias por poder celebrar un año más la Semana Santa. Quiero aprovecharla bien para aprender de tu ejemplo, y "sentir" en mi oración y en la celebración eucarística, tu presencia amorosa, que ilumina, reconforta e ilusiona para cargar con la Cruz de cada Día como Tú, es decir con la esperanza y seguridad de encontrarnos con la luz de la Resurrección.

No me extraña, Señor, el comportamiento de tus paisanos, que primero te vitorearon y luego pidieron tu muerte.

Se dejaron llevar del ambiente, de lo favorable en aquel momento, de la mentira que siempre mata y destruye.

No supieron ser valientes, sinceros, dar la cara por la verdad, que sin duda veían en tu persona y tu mensaje.

¡Cuántas veces sucede esto en la sociedad actual!

Te pido por los cobardes, los indiferentes, los comodones, los superficiales, que tanto abundan en la sociedad. Que la luz de tu bondad, que sin duda hay en todos los corazones, resurja y se expanda en valentía y en generosidad al contemplarte muerto en la Cruz y luego resucitado.

Que tu ejemplo, Señor, me aleccione y conmueva para arrepentirme, una vez más, de mis pecados, y para renovar, en estos días, mi itinerario de vida cristiana, piadosa, exigente, caritativa y apostólica.

Y que tu resurrección me inunde de la alegría, que hace verdaderamente felices a las personas.

Padre Segismundo Fernandez Rodríguez

Jueves Santo - A Evangelio: Jn 18,1-19,42 Lectura de la Pasión y Muerte del Señor

La celebración litúrgica de este día –no la Santa Misa– propone como lectura evangélica, todo el relato de la Pasión y Muerte de Jesús según San Juan, pues todos esos sucesos recordamos y celebramos en este día. Merece la pena que los conozcamos con detalle, para que nuestra fe no solo sea ilustrada, sino también más segura, mejor centrada en los acontecimientos históricos, y más comprometida en la correspondencia al ejemplo del Maestro y Salvador.

Oración para este día

Señor, que te ofreciste a la muerte en la Cruz con la libertad y responsabilidad de quien tiene que cumplir un deber trascendental: redimir a la humanidad.

Quiero aprender, Señor, de ese "libro maravilloso", que abriste con tus pies y brazos clavados en el leño de la Cruz.

Gracias por la salvación que alcanzaste para todos los hombres, y por las enseñanzas de ese libro, gravadas en la Cruz, que nunca aprenderé del todo, pero en el que quiero leer y estudiar, para aprender a vivir, y para prepararme a morir.

Pocas palabras dijiste desde la Cruz, pero las suficientes, para acogerlas como un magnífico testamento que enriquece la vida de los hijos de Dios, y que nos compromete a vivir mejor como hermanos entre todos.

Quiero aprender a perdonar como Tú lo hiciste desde la Cruz.

Deseo fortaleza y valor para aceptar las cruces de cada día y santificarlas convenientemente. Permaneceré junto a tu Madre, que nos dejaste como Madre nuestra también, y con Ella quiero vivir el amor cristiano en la Iglesia y en todos los ambientes sociales.

Ante la Cruz, Señor, no se puede permanecer indiferentes. Me reconozco pecador, y por eso te pido perdón por todos mis pecados de pensamiento, de palabra, de obra y de omisión.

Ante tu ejemplo me siento desarmado, pues no valgo nada, pero confío en tu misericordia y en tu gracia para vivir con ilusión y entusiasmo.

Dame, Señor, la gracia de la corresponder siempre a tu amor.

Padre Segismundo Fernandez Rodríguez



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IGLESIAS PEREGRINAJE

PARTICIPA EN UNA
ANTIGUA TRADICIÓN CATÓLICA
PARA PREPARARSE EN ORACIÓN
PARA LA PASCUA DE ESTE AÑO

En la noche de Jueves Santo, 2 de abril, viaja a siete iglesias diferentes para dedicar tiempo a la adoración de Jesús y reflexionar sobre su agonía en el jardín. Escanee el código QR para obtener una guía de peregrinación y descargar reflexiones.

Reflexiones separadas disponibles en
inglés y español para adultos,
adolescentes, o padres con niños pequeños.



DIÓCESIS DE ARLINGTON

Ministerios de Jóvenes,
Campus y Jóvenes Adultos

Evangelio de la Misa: Jn 13,1-15 Jueves Santo - A

Jesús se prepara para la Muerte en Cruz y la Resurrección, reuniendo a sus discípulos más queridos, los Apóstoles, y así despedirse de ellos, como el mejor amigo y el maestro más insustituible. Les dirige palabras profundamente emotivas y sobre todo les descubre el Mandamiento del Amor.

Pero al mismo tiempo se despide como el Hombre-Dios entre nosotros. Les deja el recuerdo más íntimo, evocador y reconfortante, que ni se podían imaginar. Les deja la Eucaristía: su presencia "sacramental" entre nosotros y por tanto la fuente de la fe y la causa del Amor cristiano.

Oración para este día

Señor Jesús, que "instituíste" la Eucaristía, para quedar entre nosotros, no solo con tus palabras, que podríamos recordar, sino también con tu presencia eucarística, que continuamos - como mandaste y prometiste- celebrando y actualizando en la Santa Misa.

Gracias, Señor, por este regalo que nos has hecho.

Que nos hagamos merecedores de El, por nuestra correspondencia.

Que lo valoremos en toda su importancia y trascendencia.

Que lo celebremos con agradecimiento, dignidad y piedad personal y pública.

Quieres, Señor, seguir entre nosotros, ofreciéndonos los méritos de la Muerte y Resurrección.

Que participemos cada día en la Santa Misa con piedad y devoción.

Quieres, Señor, alimentar nuestra vida interior con tu Sagrado Cuerpo, que nos ofrezcas en forma de pan y vino .

Que te recibamos cada día con fe y confianza en tu promesa: "quien come mi Cuerpo y bebe mi Sangre tendrá la vida eterna, y Yo le resucitaré en le último día".

Estas palabras, Señor, me acucian y comprometen para recibirte cada día, y a vivir en consecuencia alentado por esas gracias y dones que nos das en cada Comunión.

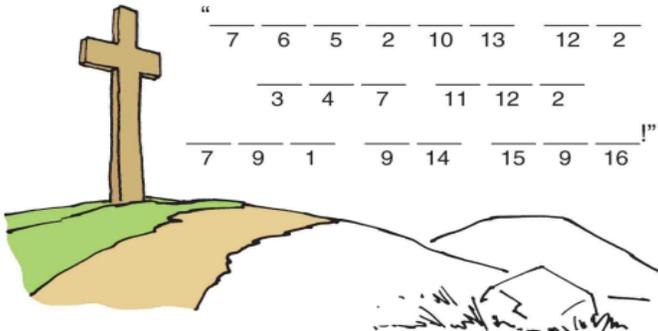
También quieres prolongar tu presencia entre nosotros en el Sagrario, para que más fácilmente acudamos a Ti, y con tu amistad, tan íntima y cercana, correspondamos mejor a tu amor. Te prometo, Señor, visitarte con frecuencia en el Sagrario, para corresponder a esa amistad y confianza.



When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and all that had happened, they called out. What did they say?

Write the letter that is missing in each sequence.
Then use the code to fill in the blanks.

1. jklmop = ___
2. cdfghi = ___
3. rstuvx = ___
4. yzbcde = ___
5. nopqst = ___
6. tvwxyz = ___
7. opqrtu = ___
8. klnopq = ___
9. mnpqrs = ___
10. ijkmno = ___
11. suvwxy = ___
12. defgij = ___
13. wxzabc = ___
14. cdeghi = ___
15. bcdefh = ___
16. abcdefg = ___



What happened next?

Use this code to fill in the blanks.

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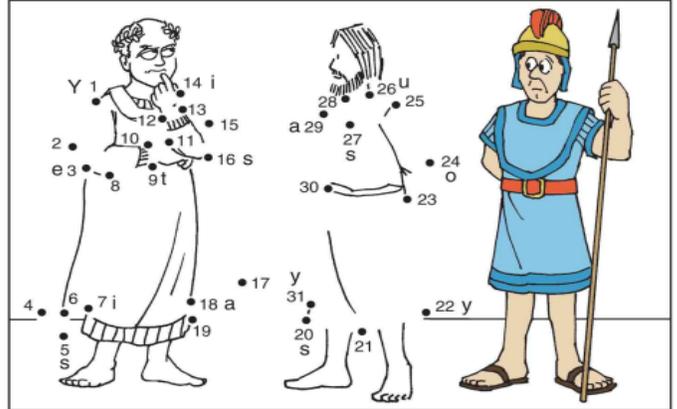


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