

3RD SUNDAY of Easter



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Maria Kelly, Principal
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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.

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

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 9:00 AM on
Tuesday (5 days prior to publication). Please note: this
deadline can change due to holiday office closings.
You may email submissions to
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**A Message from our Pastor
Fr. Bob Cilinski**



“Were not our hearts burning within us?” - Luke 24:31

My dear parishioners,

We continue to rejoice in the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The church is alive because Christ is alive. We welcomed 30 new members into the Catholic Church at Nativity at Easter. They received the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

During the month of May, over 200 of our children will be receiving their First Communion and 180 teenagers will be confirmed. Yes, the Church is alive because Christ is alive and we see first hand the power of the Risen Lord in our midst.

On these Easter Sundays our celebration of Christ’s resurrection continues as we reflect on the presence of the Risen Christ among us. The story of the disciples journey on the road to Emmaus is a clear reminder of how we are nourished by the Lord from two tables: the table of the word and the table of the Eucharist. Both actions lead us to the path of life. Recount the times when you experienced your heart burning within you as the Lord “opened up” the scriptures for you. Reflect on how you have been fed by the Lord at the Eucharistic table. Let us use this Easter Season to walk and journey together with Jesus. Happy travels to all!

Love and Easter Blessings,

Fr. Bob Cilinski

Fr. Bob Cilinski
Pastor

Knights of Columbus KOVAR Collection

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting for KOVAR after each Mass the weekend of April 27 and 28. Please consider donating. Knights will be at the back of the Church with baskets and can provide more information on KOVAR. You can donate as you leave Mass by cash or by check. All checks should be made out to KOVAR. You can also donate electronically through Nativity’s on-line giving platform – OSV.

Thank you, Nativity parishioners, for your continuing strong support for this year’s Bishop’s Lenten Appeal (BLA). As of April 4, our pledges and donations amount to \$752,354 but with only about 17 percent of registered families pledging. If you have not yet participated, the Easter Season is still a great time to make a sacrificial offering at any amount that works for you and your family. See www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA for more information. Your support for our BLA helps so many charities, ministries, and programs throughout the Diocese and right here at Nativity. May God bless you for your generosity.

**We need Cookies for the next Prison Kairos Weekend
April 17-21**

Please drop off Cookies in the kitchen at the Nativity Office by Tuesday, April 16 at the latest. The types of cookies that are generally acceptable are: Oatmeal, Peanut Butter, Molasses, Chocolate Chip, Ginger & Sugar. Cookies should be between 2” and 2-1/2” in diameter and not more than 1/2” thick. It is very important not to use icing, sugar or any other type of coating on the outside of the cookie. Do not add any kind of fruit or nuts to the cookies.

The Key Ingredient: Pray individually or as a family. Ask God to use your cookies as a source of His love to shine on the prisoners and staff on the Kairos weekend.

Packing the Cookies: Bag thoroughly cooled cookies in a quart sized Zip Lock bag, a dozen cookies to a bag. Label each bag with the cookie type inside. Visit <https://www.mykairos.org/docs/kpmi/cookies.pdf>.

A Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life



Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God’s humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child.


We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God’s most precious gift of life.

Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life —especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen.

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St. Joseph, defender of life,
pray for us!

Nativity Stars
GALA
and Auction



Dancing Through the Decades (50s-80s) | April 27, 2024


CLASS BASKET & 50/50 RAFFLE TICKET SALE
 APRIL 13/14 & 20/21


Join us after all the masses this weekend and next for our class basket and 50/50 raffle sale, in association with the Nativity Stars Gala! Each class has put together a unique and exciting basket filled with goodies and treats. Purchase your tickets for a chance to win one of these amazing baskets and support our students, teachers and school!

Raffle Drawing will take place at the Gala on 4/27/24
 Need NOT be present to WIN!

1 Ticket: \$10 - 3 Tickets: \$25 - 7 Tickets: \$50 - 15 Tickets: \$100

Follow us on Instagram for all Gala details and updates!

 @nativitystarsgala
<https://nativityschool.org/gala>




BASH!

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024
3:30-8:30PM

Who: middle schoolers in grades 6-8
What: music, games, inspirational speakers, confessions, a Vigil Mass for Sunday, and more!
Where: Bishop O'Connell High School, transportation provided
Cost: \$25, includes bus transportation, dinner, snacks, t-shirt, and more



REGISTER HERE
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nativityburke.org/bash
 Registration closes May 1 at 11:00am

Contact: Rebecca Judge,
 Director of Youth Ministry
cymenativityburke.org

YOUTH MINISTRY SUMMER CAMPS
 Tuesday, June 18 - Friday, June 21



VACATION BIBLE CAMP
 Current K-4 graders 8:45am - 12pm | \$40 per camper

CAMP ON THE EDGE
 Current 5-8 graders 1:30pm - 4:30pm | \$40 per camper

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
 Monday June 17 - Friday, June 21

Childcare provided for volunteers!

VBC: 8TH GRADERS - ADULTS
COTE: 10TH GRADERS - ADULTS
 \$10 t-shirt fee for teen volunteers*



Registration is now open on the website
 contact: vbc@nativityburke.org

Annual Multi-Car Raffle *LAST WEEK TO ENTER*
 Put down those tax forms and don't miss your opportunity to enter. The final deadline for tickets to be mailed is this Monday, April 15th. The drawings begin at 1:30pm on Saturday, 27 April 2024, at All Saints Parish in Manassas. Thank you for your generous support of this year's raffle. Proceeds will benefit the youth ministry, the parish building fund, and Knights of Columbus charities. If you need more tickets or have questions, please contact PGK Sam Morthland @ 703-455-2186.

Knights of Columbus Frenchy Cyr Memorial Scholarships
 Last year, Nativity's Knights of Columbus Council 7992 awarded six Cyr Memorial scholarships for Catholic secondary school tuition (grades 9-12), totaling \$6000. Scholarships were awarded to: *Hannah Ly (Nativity School), and Liam Ginty attending Saint John Paul the Great High School, Jennifer Dee and Sophia Cassidy attending Bishop Ireton High School, Mackenzie Boland (Nativity School) attending Bishop O'Connell High School, and Teagan Kelly (Nativity School) attending Saint Paul VI High School* for their exemplary academic performance, sustained school and community involvement, and outstanding Church and religious activity participation.

Again, this year six \$1000 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 26, 2024.** Scholarship awardees will be announced in late May or Early June. Questions, please contact Dave Zivich, at davezivich@gmail.com.

Please join Father Bob for 18 holes of golf, including driving range, beverages, lunch following play, and awards in our tournament to benefit the youth of Nativity Parish.
The Seventh Annual Nativity tournament is Monday, May 20, 2024 at Westfields Golf Club, Clifton, VA.
 Can't join us that day? Please consider sponsoring a hole or one of our many other sponsorship opportunities.

THE 9TH ANNUAL NATIVITY PARISH

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Monday May 20, 2024 Westfields Golf Club, Clifton, VA
 TO BENEFIT YOUTH PROGRAMS AT *Nativity*

Format: Scramble, Captain's Choice
Check-in: 6:45-7:30am
Shotgun Start: 8am
Fee: \$185 per player; \$740 per foursome
Includes: Breakfast, 18-holes of golf, cart, range balls, beverage cart tickets, lunch following play, awards ceremony

Awards: Winning Teams, Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, Hole in one contest and more!
Available: Mulligans, Raffle Prizes
Website: <https://nativityburke.org/golf/>
Contact: m Sinclair@nativityburke.org
Deadline: May 15, 2024



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

Monday, April 15th

7:30 am † Melakou Yoseph

Tuesday, April 16th

7:30 am † Charles George Hummel
 12:00 pm † Edward D. Rawski

Wednesday, April 17th

7:30 am † Ana Saba Larrain
 3:00 pm † Dorothy Troutman (BHC)

Thursday, April 18th

7:30 am † Barbara Brooke
 12:00 pm † Charles Giasson

Friday, April 19th

7:30 am † Ruth Pattison Kuntz
 9:00 am † Viam Faggioni-Balcazar

Saturday, April 20th

9:00 am Special Int. for Noah & Lesley Admana
 5:00 pm Special Int. for Bill & Janet Canavan
 7:00 pm Parishioners

Sunday, April 21st

7:00 am Parishioners
 9:00 am Special Int. for the Spuria Family
 11:00 am † Madeline & John Casazza
 1:00 pm † Shirley J. McCann
 5:30 pm † Melakou Yoseph

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



National Eucharistic Congress
Indianapolis, Indiana
from July 17-21, 2024

The Holy Spirit, through our shepherds, is calling the whole Catholic Church together in a way we have not seen in 83 years. This summer, we will all gather in Indianapolis from July 17 to 21 for an event different from anything you've experienced before. More than just a retreat or conference, the National Eucharistic Congress is the Church's moment—a moment that will define a whole generation of Catholics.

All Congress attendees will gather together in Lucas Oil Stadium for a powerful general session each day, where we will experience the revival Our Lord desires to accomplish. These transformative moments will be led by the world-class speakers, including Montse Alvarado, Sister Miriam James Heidland, Fr. Josh Johnson, Bishop Robert Barron, Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Mother Adela Galindo, Sr. Josephine Garrett, Fr. Boniface Hicks, Sr. Bethany Madonna, Matt Maher, Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart, Cardinal Christopher Pierre, Gloria Purvis, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Chris Stefanick, and so many more. See the full list of Eucharistic Congress speakers.

We firmly believe God is calling us together for a new Pentecost and that Jesus is about to unleash the fire of his love upon our nation. Members of our parish family who make the trip will bring this holy fire back home and set our faith community ablaze! Whether you can come for all five days or only one, we hope you can join us at the National Eucharistic Congress! Get your pass at EucharisticCongress.org.

And if you can't make Indianapolis this summer, then consider participating in the Eucharistic Pilgrimage that's heading there! In keeping with this vision, the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will accompany Jesus from city to city, lighting hearts on fire along the way. When they meet at the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, all these flames will blaze together. The Seton Route will go through Washington DC, stopping overnight at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. You can join the procession or just stop by to visit Our Eucharistic Lord on June 8th and 9th. Explore the interactive map to follow the four routes across the United States and register for one of the many free events coming to our area.

Nativity Catholic Church
Marriage Enrichment Ministry

Celebrating Marriage

Couples' Mini-Retreat



Featuring Deacon Richard Kelly

Saturday, May 11th | 9:00 am - 1:30 pm
In the Nativity School Cafeteria

- Mass & Prayer
- Brunch
- Speaker & Break Out Sessions

Register: nativityburke.org/mem-mini-retreat/



DATE NIGHT

Marriage, Faith & Life With Adult Children



**Craig & Anne
Bowden**



**John & Cheryl
Ostrowski**




**Charlie & Ann
Rimkus**

<p>Look forward to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 PM Mass • 6 PM Light Dinner • 6:30- 8:30 Speakers and Fellowship • Childcare Provided 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 📍 Nativity Catholic Church School Cafeteria 📅 Saturday, April 20th 🕒 6:00- 8:30 PM
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Registration Link
<https://nativityburke.org/april-date-night/>
 Anna Lisa 571-208-2821 marriage@nativityburke.org
 Marriage Enrichment Ministry

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 and Successful background check. Contact Mrs. Shannon Murphy at (703) 455-2300 and/or smurphy@nativityschool.org.

**Nativity is a tithing community
Giving back a portion of God's blessings in gratitude**



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 29, 2024. Collections will begin Saturday, June 22, 2024 and continue through Wednesday June 26, 2024. Your donations are tax-deductible and sincerely appreciated.



A Message from the Nativity Creation Care Ministry

Fairfax County recently celebrated the beauty of natural darkness with Lights Out Fairfax. DarkSky International (DSI) likewise celebrated International Dark Sky Week from April 2-8. DSI defines light pollution as "the inappropriate or excessive use of artificial light which can have serious environmental consequences for humans, wildlife, and our climate. It's caused by the excessive and inefficient use of artificial light at night." Fairfax County notes that, "Dark skies are the historic and natural state of nature. Over time humans have increased the amount of light shining into the sky all night long. This disruption of excessive light has robbed us of our stars and endangered the nature around us. We can have dark skies again if we can learn to control light pollution with responsible outdoor lighting practices." To learn more about the effects of light pollution as well as the economic, safety, human and wildlife benefits of dark sky conservation, check out the webpages of DarkSky International and Fairfax County--Dark Skies. You can even borrow a Light Pollution Monitoring Kit as part of Fairfax County Public Library's Library of Things!

Please join us for our April Rosary Meeting. April 21st from 2:00-3:30pm in the Father Ready Room. We will be teaching those interested in learning how make rosaries. We will also be making blue "Mary" rosaries. Please see the Rosary Ministry page on the parish website for more information.



LOVE & RESPECT
Marriage Program

**FRIDAYS,
APRIL 5, 16, &
26TH
6:30-8:30 PM**

SCHEDULE

- 6:30 pm — Potluck Dinner
- 6:55 pm — Welcome and opening prayer
- 7:00 pm — Video presentation
- 8:00 pm — Small group discussion
- 8:20 pm — Closing prayer & dismissal

LOCATION: SCHOOLS TEACHER'S LOUNGE
 Registration Link
<https://nativityburke.org/mem-program/>
 Anna Lisa
 marriage@nativityburke.org



Retrouvaille: A marriage help program for struggling couples

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. It is a lifeline of hope and healing for struggling marriages. Retrouvaille of Northern Virginia will be holding two programs in 2024. The dates are April 26-28 and October 18-20. For more information about Retrouvaille, please visit our website at www.helpourmarriage.org. For details about the Northern Virginia weekends, please call 703-351-7211 or email registernova@helpourmarriage.org.



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl meeting for the month of April will be held on Monday morning, April 15 at 9:30am. All are welcome, hope to see you there!

Do you need a ride to a medical appointment or to go grocery shopping and are unable to drive? The Shepherd's Center-Fairfax Burke provides these services. Feel free to contact the Shepherd's Center Fairfax Burke at 703-323-4788 for information.

WORKCAMP 2024

CONTRACTORS NEEDED

WorkCamp is a week-long service opportunity for youth of our Parish to serve those in need throughout the Diocese. We are seeking people with home repair and maintenance skills who are willing to commit some of their time and talents to teaching young people and improving the lives of fellow Virginians in need.



DECKS, RAMPS, WINDOWS, FLOORING, ROOFS, & MORE
NO PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

JUNE 24-27 IN WINCHESTER, VA

To volunteer, contact our WorkCamp team (wc@nativityburke.org)
Visit arlingtondiocese.org/workcamp for more info

John Paul the Great HS - Spring Musical Friday, April 26 - Sunday, April 28, 2024

The JP Fine Arts department will debut its spring musical, Joseph & The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, on Friday, April 26th with shows running through Sunday, April 28th! Tickets are available for purchase here: <https://jpthegreat.booktix.com/>

YOUTH MINISTRY

LIFE TEEN: GRADES 9-12

DINNER - FELLOWSHIP - PRAYER & FORMATION

Sundays | 6:30-8:30pm

HIGH SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS

GIRLS: Tuesdays, 7:30-9:00pm, weekly

GUYS: Mondays, 7:00-8:30pm, 2x/month



EDGE: GRADES 6-8

Alternating Sundays | 3:30-5:00pm
& Fridays | 7:00-8:30 pm



BASH: REGISTER TODAY

SATURDAY, MAY 4 | 3:30-8:30PM

Bishop Burbidge invites all middle school students (grades 6-8) of the Diocese to join him at BASH 2024! This event includes music, games, inspirational speakers, confessions, and a Vigil Mass for Sunday, with Bishop Burbidge as the principal celebrant.

[See website for full schedule](#)

Before attending, please register for the 2023-2024 year of ministry using our free, online forms.

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

SPOTLIGHT ON THE ARTS

~ SUMMER CAMPS ~

JULY 8-19, 2024

Manassas, VA | Burke, VA

SpotlightSummerCamps.com

BROADWAY SPOTLIGHT

DRAMA BOOTCAMP

ARTS & CRAFTS FUN

ART EXPLORER



NATIVITY ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURAL SOCIETY

Fiats in the Nations Capital

Have you ever been curious about Italian cars? Come and join us on April 25, when Christopher Fumagalli, Walter Fortini and John Erskine of DC Fiats share their knowledge of Alfa Romeos and Fiats in the Nation's Capital. It is the largest and most active local Fiat Club in the Nation. This is sure to be an interesting evening for all.

Date: Thursday, April 25, 2024

Time: 7:00pm

Place: Nativity School Cafeteria

As always, a social hour follows. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share, if you can. Join as a member or come as a guest for a \$5.00 fee

The Bishop's Blessing



Receive a free memento blessed by the Bishop

Join Bishop Burbidge and Fairfax Memorial for the dedication & special blessing of the new Pavilion Estates

Tuesday, April 16 at 11:00am

Fairfax Memorial Park Cemetery

(9900 Braddock Road, Fairfax VA 22032)

Refreshments will be served



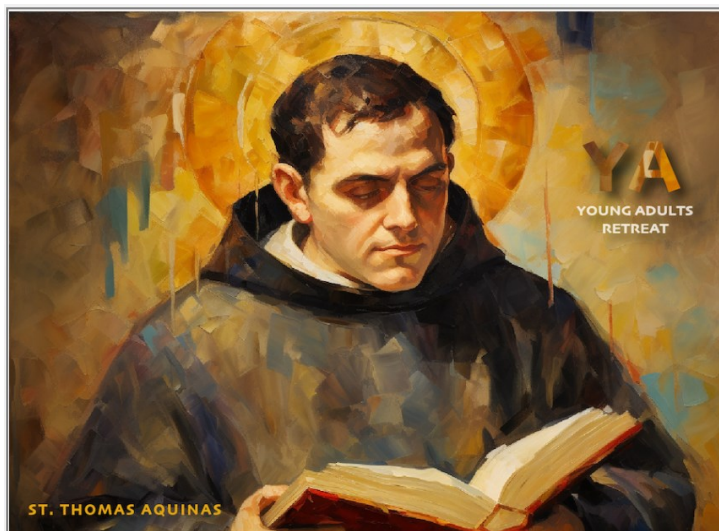
SAINT JOHN PAUL THE GREAT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

PRACTICE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST & PARENT HOW TO HIGH SCHOOL

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024 9:00 AM-12:15 PM

7TH GRADE STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO SIT FOR THE PRE-HSPT AT JP ON MAY 18TH FROM 9:00 AM-12:15 PM.

PARENTS ARE INVITED TO STAY FOR PARENT HOW TO HIGH SCHOOL - A WORKSHOP ON PREPARING YOUR STUDENT FOR SUCCESS IN HIGH SCHOOL!



YOUNG ADULT RETREAT MAY 10-12

Finding Jesus in the Virtuous Life: God's law orders us towards goodness-towards union with God Himself. His grace transforms us from within, ordering every aspect of our lives towards union with Him, and this is the essence of the virtuous life. This young adult retreat will be an opportunity to spend a weekend contemplating the "well-ordered life in Christ."

Arlington Diocese's San Damiano Retreat Center, email: sandamiano@arlingtondiocese.org for more info.

DONUT SUNDAY

NEXT WEEKEND





NATIVITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
 A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
nativityschool.org



Solar Eclipse 2024: Totality Awesome!

At Nativity Catholic School, the first day back from Easter Break is usually a day to be remembered – remembering to bring the correct books to your next class, take your lunch with you to school after more than a week away, or remembering that Social Studies quiz for which you planned to study *This year, it proved extra special. We all got to see a partial solar eclipse! Together.*

As WTOP News reported, the new moon began crossing the face of the sun at 2:04 p.m. The sun was obscured 89% at maximum eclipse at 3:20 p.m. And by 4:32 p.m., the eclipse had ended.



IT WAS A VERY MEMORABLE
 EVENT, ONE THAT WON'T BE
 ECLIPSED TILL 2044



**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR GRAND
 OPENING TODAY!**
 8:30 am to 1:00 pm
 Fr Martin Center
JOIN US! TODAY,
 April 14, 2024

Upcoming Dates At-A-Glance!

- April 15 - Student Fellowship - 1st Grade
- April 17 - 7th Grade Field Trip
- April 18 - 5th Grade Field Trip
- April 18 - Panera Fundraiser
- April 19 - PreK/Preschool Donuts w/Dad 8:30-9:30 am
- April 20 - Jesus Day - 2nd Grade Retreat 9-12:30 pm
- April 23 - 6th Grade Field Trip
- April 23 - ACRE Testing for 5th & 8th Graders
- April 24 - 4th Grade Field Trip
- April 26 - Half Day; 12 pm DISMISSAL
- April 27 - Auction Gala - 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm
- May 1 - First Communion Rehearsal 6:30 pm - 8 pm
- May 2 - School Play for Students - 2 pm
- May 3 - Half Day; 12 pm DISMISSAL
- May 3 - School Play - 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Join us at Nativity to see how your child would spend his/her days here - learning, praying, sharing, loving, and laughing.



Council Meetings - 1st and 3rd Tuesday. 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.

Linktree Universal Sign-up Link - Volunteer for an event! Scroll down to view all events.
[https://linktr.ee/fr_sikora_council_7992.](https://linktr.ee/fr_sikora_council_7992)

20 April, Pilgrimage to Saint John Paul II National Shrine: All Knights & family members are invited to sign up on Link Tree.

21 April, Donut Sunday & Knights Recruiting: Event. Volunteer on Link Tree.

27 & 28 April, KOVAR After Mass Collection. Volunteer on Link Tree.

Food for Others: Volunteer for food distribution to the poor. Occasionally deliver 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.

Name Tags: Email Vince Augelli at VaKC23@gmail.com.

Food for Others: Volunteer drivers & vehicle support for food distribution to the poor. Occasionally deliver 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.

Name Tags: Email Vince Augelli at VaKC23@gmail.com.

Sunday Mass Coffee and Cookies: We are providing coffee and cookies following Sunday morning Masses.

Handy Knights Ministry: If you are unable to perform basic maintenance tasks or small repairs in your home due to health or other factors, call the "Handy Knights." Email: handyknightsofnativity@gmail.com.

The Fraternal Committee: Brothers helping brothers in need of assistance: Brothers and the families of living and deceased brothers in need of a helping hand, contact Br. John Landy at navyy8@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: 7:30 pm rosary, 7:45 pm business meeting followed by fellowship. If you are interested, please contact our Faithful Navigator Vince Augelli at fn2996@vakofc.org.

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

The Knights of Columbus - Ladies Auxiliary

Formed to assist and support the Knights, our Church and the four virtues of Charity, Unity, Sorority and Patriotism. We are spouses, daughters, mothers, or sisters of Knights of Columbus who are in good standing or deceased. Our fellowship and informational meetings are the First Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Fr. Ready Room. Contact kdelatte65@gmail.com for information or to be added to our email distribution list.



Couple to Couple League
Postpartum Class

Sunday, May 5th from 1-3 pm
St. Raymond of Penafort

Information and Registration:
<https://ccli.powerappsportals.com/en-US/>
Select "Postpartum|English| Onsite," then enter your zip code.




HONDURAS MISSION TRIP

JULY 8-12, 2024

In partnership with
Operation Starfish

If you're **college-age or a young adult**, contact Alison Fram to express your interest in coming with us!

Our mission is to visit **Honduras** and see our newest partnership with **Operation Starfish**.

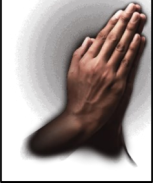
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Good News

INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

3rd Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 14

Acts 3:13-15,17-19
Ps 4:2,4,7-9
1 Jn 2:1-5a
Lk 24:35-48

Jesus knew his apostles well. He knew some felt shame and remorse for having denied and abandoned him.

Monday, April 15

Acts 6:8-15
Ps 119:23-24,26-27,29-30
Jn 6:22-29

However, His sign of peace let them know that they were forgiven and that He still loved them.

Tuesday, April 16

Acts 7:51 – 8:1a
Ps 31:3c-4,6-7b,8a,17,21ab
Jn 6:30-35

Our Divine Savior continues to offer Himself in peace and forgiveness to us all.

Wednesday, April 17

Acts 8:1b-8
Ps 66:1-3a,4-7a
Jn 6:35-40

How can we find this peace in Christ? What if you have doubts? What if you're angry? What if life has been challenging, and things don't seem fair? What if you feel abandoned and God doesn't seem to be answering your prayers? What if you feel guilty because of sin and mistakes? Christ's peace and unconditional love are offered to all, especially to you.

Thursday, April 18

Acts 8:26-40
Ps 66:8-9,16-17,20
Jn 6:44-51

Friday, April 19

Acts 9:1-20
Ps 117:1-2
Jn 6:52-59

First, ask the Holy Spirit to open your heart and tell him in your own words that you need Jesus and want Him to help. "Apart from me, you can't do anything," says the Lord (Jn. 15:5). Then, read the Bible, go to Confession, and nourish your soul with Holy Communion.

Saturday, April 20

Acts 9:31-42
Ps 116:12-17
Jn 6:60-69

Prayer is another crucial element in reaching interior peace, as it raises your mind and heart to God in a relationship of love, trust, and peace. God wants to hear from you! He wants to hear about your praise, thankfulness, frustrations, anger, worries, needs, and repentance.

Many people begin with standard memorized prayers and then move into more honest, intimate conversations. Meditative prayer can be fruitful as well, like praying with Scripture,



spiritual books, or the Rosary.

To hear back from God, we must listen. Begin by letting go of all the busy conversation and spiritual reading and just sit silently in love and total surrender with our Lord. The goal is to bask

in His glory, trusting His holy will in all things.

Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta once said, "The fruit of silence is prayer. The fruit of prayer is faith. The fruit of faith is love. The fruit of love is service. The fruit of service is peace." May the peace of our Lord be with you always.

Reflect & Discuss:

- † What matters are troubling you that you can bring to prayer?
- † As Christ displayed patience with the disciples' lack of understanding and unbelief, how has he been patient with you? How are you patient with others?
- † How does the virtue of forgiveness lead to peace?
- † How has Christ's resurrection made a difference in your life? Since Jesus calls us to do so, how can we share the literal truth of the Resurrection, and how can we witness this in our lives?

¿QUÉ HEMOS HECHO DEL DOMINGO?

3º Pascua (B)

Javier Leoz

¿Tenéis algo que comer?

A los de Emaús, y a los discípulos, atormentados, temerosos o llenos de dudas, Jesús se les apareció para fortalecerles y abrirles los ojos en aquello que tanto insistió antes de su pasión y muerte: la resurrección.



Sus visiones posteriores, especialmente en la fracción del pan, no pretendieron otra cosa sino darles muestras de que El era en persona. Que todo lo anunciado se cumplía. Que, aquel Señor que había compartido confidencias y paseos, sufrimientos y alegrías, se presentaba en medio ofreciéndoles lo que el mundo no da: paz.

Desde entonces, cada domingo, para los cristianos –no solamente es el Día del Señor- es el momento en el que ponemos en paz todas las cosas: las de cada uno, las de los demás y las de todos con Dios.

¿Qué hemos hecho del domingo? Es una interpelación que debiera de marcar la conciencia de todo católico. De los que venimos a la Eucaristía y de aquellos que, por diversas razones, la han dejado.

¿Qué hemos hecho con el Día del Señor?

2. Recientemente, en las más altas capas de decisiones políticas de Europa, se hablaba de la necesidad de recuperar el Domingo como *algo constitutivo y genuino del viejo continente*. Entre otras cosas porque, el domingo, corre el riesgo de quedarse en un día ordinario. En una jornada que ya no está marcada por el descanso, la familia o el realizar algo extraordinario. Muchos, y con razón, comienzan la semana diciendo: “estoy más cansado que el viernes”. Y es que, desde diversas vertientes, se nos insta –consciente o inconscientemente- a ensalzar aspectos deportivos, de ocio o de simple holganza, en detrimento del valor sagrado.

¿A qué se debe? Ni más ni menos que hemos olvidado lo que ha sido motivación y algo sagrado de este séptimo día: además del descanso, el glorificar a Dios.

Sorprendía, no hace muchos días, una campaña lanzada por la Iglesia de Norte-América: “Es hora de volver”. Con ello, a través de la televisión, invitaban a los católicos alejados de la práctica dominical, a volver a la casa del Señor. A la Eucaristía. A la escucha de la Palabra.

Tal vez estamos en un momento, muy apropiado, para insistir en los nuestros, en nuestras familias, a nuestros hijos o vecinos sobre una realidad: para que el Señor aparezca en nuestra vida cotidiana, tenemos que sentarnos de nuevo a escuchar su Palabra. Reconquistar el sentido cristiano del Domingo. Dejar a un lado (o combinarlas con la fe) ciertas actividades que entorpecen o ensombrecen lo más genuino de este día: la referencia a Dios.

El Domingo, bien vivido y celebrado, es una posibilidad para encontrarnos frente a frente con el resucitado. Es un cauce para hallar la paz interior y exterior. Es motivo de fiesta y de alegría. De cantar y expresar lo que la Pascua fluye por sus cuatro costados: la presencia de Jesucristo muerto y resucitado.

¡Paz a vosotros!

ES TU DIA, SEÑOR

Nada, ni nadie, podrá ensombrecer
el sol en el cual se convierte tu Palabra:
nos da seguridad, en la debilidad
nos ofrece el pan para el alma
es aliento en las dificultades.

ES TU DIA, SEÑOR

Cada Domingo, en la mesa del altar,
reconocemos tu presencia resucitada
sentimos tu mano resucitadora,

vemos tu costado que, abriéndose una y otra vez,
regala salvación y agua para toda la humanidad.

ES TU DIA, SEÑOR

Y, por ser tu día, Señor

nos sentamos en la mesa que tanto nos habla de Ti

En la mesa que nos enseña tu retrato de amor

En la mesa que se impone frente a toda duda

En la mesa que nos confirma en la fraternidad

ES TU DIA, SEÑOR

Cada Domingo, en la Eucaristía,
acogemos la paz que sólo Tú puedes ofrecer:

Paz sin maquillajes ni treguas

Paz sin exclusiones ni favoritismos

Paz sin recompensa alguna

La Paz que, siendo para la tierra, baja del cielo.

ES TU DIA, SEÑOR

El momento del encuentro

Del cara a cara del hombre contigo

De saber que avanzas a nuestro lado

De confirmarnos en el áspero y duro camino

De celebrar, algo que sólo el Domingo nos da:

La VIDA se impone sobre la muerte

La RESURRECCION espera al final,

Después de la gran semana de la vida terrena

La PAZ como fruto de la comunión

de Dios con el hombre

ES TU DIA, SEÑOR

Amén

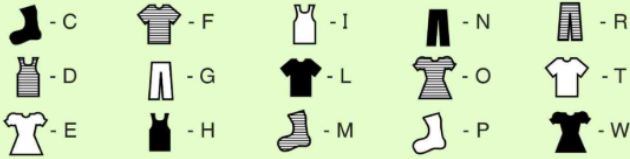
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Jesus told the disciples that they would be ...

Use the code to fill in the blanks.



Did that mean God would give them special clothing?



It meant their hearts would be filled with

Jesus Appears to the Disciples



The disciples were together talking. Suddenly, they thought they saw a ghost! What happened?

Write the first letter of each picture on the lines to spell the answer.

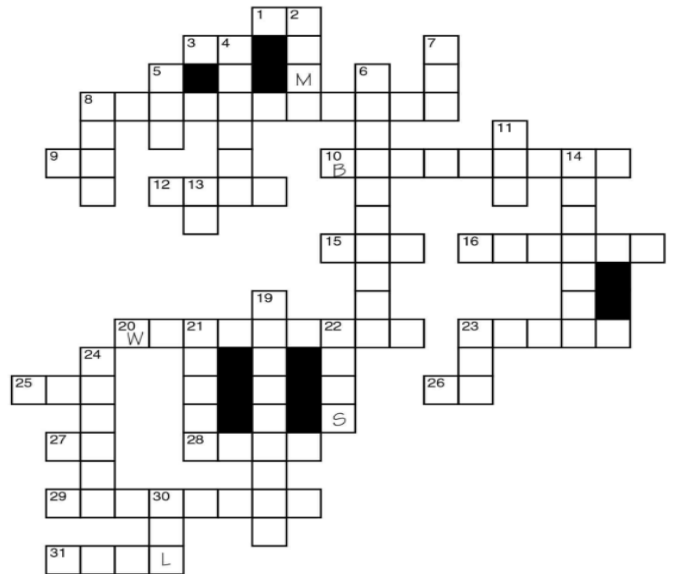


Jesus reminded the disciples of the words of the Scriptures.

Fit these words into the crossword puzzle. Transfer the words from the crossword puzzle to the numbered lines.

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