

# 2nd Sunday of Easter



## Nativity

1973 CATHOLIC CHURCH 2023  
Burke, Virginia

Celebrating 50 Years!

"We are God's people" - 1 Peter 2:9

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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  
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Sacristy staff at all services.



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**A Message from our Pastor  
Fr. Bob Cilinski**



*“The community of disciples were of one heart and one mind”*  
— Acts 4:32

My dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter! The Easter celebration of 50 days is only one week old. The joy of Christ's resurrection continues to renew the whole world. I hope you are experiencing the new life and healing that Easter faith affords us. Be convinced of how God is working in your life to redeem and save. Good Friday always gives way to Easter . . . count on it!

We at Nativity are still celebrating the initiation of over 22 men, women and children, including a 3 day old baby Thomas Maximus, into the Catholic community at Easter. Today they share at Sunday Eucharist for the second time and are filled with appreciation for this beautiful gift. They, in turn, are our Easter gift as they bring to the Church new life and zeal.

During this time of Easter, containing within it the great feast of Divine Mercy Sunday, I am reminded of all the gospel parables relating to loving and serving the least, the most despicable, those that our dear Lord Jesus Christ sat at table with and welcomed into his friendship. We are all sinners and some require more love than others in order to be healed. In thanksgiving for the resurrection of Our Savior, let us continue to love and forgive one another, especially those most in need of God's mercy.

Our almsgiving and sacrifices were an important part of Lent. Many thanks to all who supported the Bishop's Lenten Appeal for the work of the church. More will be sending in their pledges to add to the generous response of the parish and the diocese. Through our Lenten Basket we also supported Operation Starfish and Catholic Relief Services in a beautiful way. THANK YOU. Enjoy the Second Week of Easter. May you experience the Risen Christ in your heart each day. Below is a poem I love, especially during Divine Mercy Sunday.

**All Times Are His Seasons**

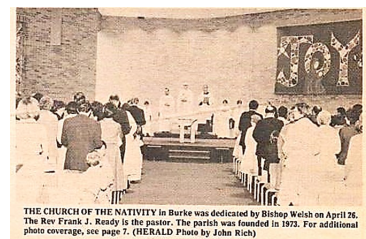
*God made sun and moon to distinguish seasons,  
and day and night,  
and we cannot have the fruits of the earth  
but in their seasons;  
but God hath made no decree to distinguish the seasons  
of his mercies;  
in paradise the fruits were ripe the first minute,  
and in heaven it is always autumn,  
his mercies are ever in their maturity.  
God never says, you should have come yesterday;  
he never says, you must come again tomorrow,  
but today if you will hear his voice,  
today he will hear you.  
He brought light out of darkness,  
not out of lesser light;  
he can bring they summer out of winter,  
though thou have no spring.  
All occasions invite his mercies,  
and all times are his seasons.  
- John Donne*

Love and Blessings,  
Fr. Bob Cilinski, Pastor



**On This Date in Nativity History  
26 April 1980**

On 26 April 1980, the new church building of Nativity was formally dedicated in a Mass celebrated by Arlington Bishop Thomas Welsh. As seen in this photo from the Arlington Catholic Herald, the church was configured with the sanctuary (on a movable platform) in its current location, this to accommodate the expected large attendance. The back wall was bare except for the “JOY” banner. Usually, however, the church was configured for Mass by moving the sanctuary to what is today the left rear corner of the building, near the window where the St. Anthony altar is located. Notice the movable chairs instead of permanent pews. This arrangement was designed by Pastor Father Frank Ready to make the space usable for different purposes, including classes of religious education held during the week.



THE CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY in Burke was dedicated by Bishop Welsh on April 26. The Rev Frank J. Ready is the pastor. The parish was founded in 1973. For additional photo coverage, see page 7. (HERALD Photo by John Rich)

*This historical note is the 45th of a weekly Bulletin feature leading up to Nativity's fiftieth anniversary, 11 June 2023.*

*If you have enjoyed this and other notes on Nativity history during the past ten months, you will want to own a copy of the parish history, entitled Nativity Parish, 1973 – 2023: A Faith Community's First Half Century. The book will be available for purchase during our fiftieth anniversary celebration this coming June.*



The Second Sunday of Easter is the Feast of Divine Mercy, or Divine Mercy Sunday. There will be a Holy Hour and Devotion on Sunday, April 16th from 2:45pm to 3:45pm. 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.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS**  
**Received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, April 15, 2023**

Adam Anthony Abromavage	Bianna Sebastian Gonzales Sanchez	Adriano Genesisus Oddo
Lily Hildegard A'hearn	Hunter Stephen of Hungary Gotico	Scarlett Sebastian Olweiler
Brianna Colette of Corbie Alcazar Marin	Guiliana Catherine of Siena Greksouk	Ana Lucy Ordenez Sierra
Richie Luigi Scrosoppi Alcocer	George George Gross	Troy Joseph Orvis
Alejandro Martin De Porres Aldave	Alexander Anthony Guido	Gabriel Genesisus Palumbo
Benjamin Demetrius Armijos	Callen Ceceilia Hallman	Landon John the Baptist Peck
Anthony Joseph Arnez	Lyla Nicholas Hegblom	John Augustine Perez
Lucas Joseph of Cupertino Balmaceda	Samantha Therese of Lisieux Henry	Benjamin Christian Vincent Ferrer Perez Guillergan
Brock Maximilian Kolbe Baumann	Javier Dismas Hernandez-Giblin	Vivian Bathilda Perry
Mason Francis Xavier Beaver	Antonio Michael Herrera	Samantha Isabelle Petre
Charles Michael the Archangel Beckner	Benicio Francis of Assisi Herrera-Giacopuzzi	Ava Ambrose Piñera Pasquino
Molly Clare Bedford	Stephanie Therese Hoang	Isabella Jerome Piñera Pasquino
Garret Joseph of Cupertino Bilbo	Ryan Thomas Aquinas Hochstein	Celia Therese of Lisieux Price
Mackenzie Lucy Boland	Lillian Luigi Scrosoppi Hogan	Emily Cecilia Pryor
Sophia Frances Xavier Cabrini Bonilla Solano	Rose Rose Philippine Duchesne Hunstiger	Alyssa Catherine Rebano
Harper Agnes Bozell	Kayla Catherine Hurt	Simon Augustine Resch
Benjamin Francis of Assisi Brady	Anna Margaret Ibarra	Carla Elizabeth Beiro
Brendan Paul Brady	Charles Christopher Ibarra	Conor Patrick Riordan
Luke Thomas Aquinas Brazie	Kaden Anthony Ingold	Abigail Joan of Arc Rios
William Francis Brewer	Maurizio Rose of Lima Ingrao-Tapia	Marysol Francis Rivera
Leah Anne Bridon	Rebecca Sebastian Johnson	Isabella Isabelle of France Rivera
Joshua Peter Brill	Rebecca Hildegard of Bingen Johnson	Sabrina Teresa of Calcutta Rivera
Adam Gregory I Brown	Liong Francis of Assisi Kee	Dillon Maurice Roberts
Caleb Padre Pio Brown	Teagan Kateri Tekakwitha Kelly	Bridget Clare of Assisi Roseberry
Colin Sebastian Burns	Caroline Cecilia Kirkland	Drew John Rosenberger
Ryan Philip Neri Burns	Tyler Sebastian Knerl	Kaitlyn Teresa of Calcutta Ruby
Audrey Joseph Busch	Katelyn Faustina Kucsan	Laura Kateri Tekakwitha Sampson
Jonathan Mathias Cabacar Ryman	Luke Luke Kurz	Kaetty Valentine Saravia
Christina Joseph Cahill	Julia Francis of Assisi Lam	Naomi Mariana Scherber
Sawyer Hubert Cantlon	Audrey Therese of Lisieux Lanter	Sinjin Michael Schmeck
Lillian Mary Casaregola	Natalie Cecilia Laub	Clara Clare of Assisi ScottoDiMarco
Ryan Carlo Acutis Charters	Julia Elizabeth of Hungary Lehrer	Natalie Christopher Scully
Alexa Francis of Assisi Chetelat	Victor Valentine Lizarazu	Jameson Sebastian Searight
Brett Christopher Chivers	Brandon Valentine Lopez	Christopher Jean de Brebeuf Segarra
Drew Francis of Assisi Clark	Sofia Cecilia Lopez	Lillian Rita Slovensky
Kayleigh Josephine Clements	Henry Michael Luti	Alexandra Catherine of Bologna Smetek
Amelia Cecilia Cole	Hannah Monica Ly	Gavin Sebastian Smith
Jason Gabriel the Archangel Condori	Henry Sebastian Mahns	Henry Francis of Assisi Smith
Cole Anthony of Padua Conques	Colin Bernard of Montjoux Mahoney	Natalie Cecilia Smith
Aaron Theodore Cordova	Jazelle Francis of Assisi Main	Rocco Michael Smith
Kiana Rose of Lima Corea	Benjamin Isadore of Seville Mandujano	Seren Lidwina Steiger Joyce
Edith Rose of Lima Corker	Anthony Anthony Manikas	Susan Chiara Badano Suarez
Dean Patrick Corso	Angela Cecilia Manion	Abby Theresa Swartz
Landon John Craig	Nathaniel Peter Kasui Kibe Marin	Andrew Dismas Swingle
Marley Anthony Crandol	Marcell John Bosco Masias	Matthew John Tatian
Sienna Gemma Cyr	Eli Lorenzo Ruiz Mate	Bethany Mary Telleria
Jaeden Jude Deloria	Vitali Martin de Porres Maya	Elizabeth Elizabeth of Hungary Thamasett
Noah Martin of Tours DeLuce	James Francis McCahill	Tyler Nicholas Thibodeau
Samuel Nicholas Delvecchio	Joaquin Luigi Scrosoppi McCave Bauer	Lucia Jude Thomas
Alejandra Isabel Diani Maldonado	Christina Charles Borromeo McCoy	Grace Lucy Todd
Izreal Sebastian Diaz	Natalie Francis of Assisi McDonald	Santiago Rose of Lima Torres
Anna Gianna Dierks	Connor Matthew McHale	Mariela Sebastian Torrico
Marie-Gabrielle Joan of Arc Dinh	Anna Samthann McMahan	Anne Marie Bernadette Tramel
Benjamin George Dunham	Sydney Philomena Mersinger	Vincent Sebastian Tripoli
Anthony Albert the Great Eck	Benjamin Philip Metrocavage	Renzo Martin de Porres Urbina
Samantha Katharine Drexel Englert	Adelaide Adelaide Mirilovich	Kaitlyn Joan of Arc Vad
Nicholas Luigi Orione Fain	Jansen Elmo Mitchell	Nicolas Martin de Porres Valdivia Cuba
Caitlyn Francis of Assisi Fernandes	Barrie Francis of Assisi Monahan	Camila Cecilia Vargas
Christina Francis Xavier Fernandes	Benjamin Andrew Morris	Elise Theresa Voegel
Crystal Cecilia Fernandez Soto	Caitlyn Teresa of Calcutta Murphy	Lorenzo Lorenzo Ruiz Wagner-Sist
Virginia Monica Fisher	Reed Gregory the Great Murphy	Benjamin Sebastian Warbel
Grace Valentine Florence	Joseph Anthony of Padua Musella	Sophia Philip Neri Warren
Lillian Elizabeth Ann Seton Foley	Andy Anthony of Padua Navarro Marin	Andrew Ignatius of Loyola Wise
Madelyn Cecilia Fontenot	Cristian John Paul Navarro McElwain	Anya Olivia Yabes
Emma Elizabeth Ann Seton Formagus	Brandon Matthew No	Anthony Antonio Yucra
Brady Maurice Friess	Nicholas Joseph Novak	Santiago Sebastian Zabalaga
Salvatore Francis of Assisi Furino	Brady Francis of Assisi Novitske	Bennett Luke Zapf
Timothy Francis of Assisi Gensure	Giana Jessica Nuzzo	Alessia Denis of Paris Zegarra
Sebastian Francis of Assisi Gomez	Alexander Joseph O	

**The 2023 Bishop's Lenten Appeal**

The Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA) is an opportunity to unite as a Catholic family and support programs, ministries, and services that no single individual or parish could offer by itself. After reflecting upon the many blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider supporting the BLA this year. Please go online to [www.arlingtondiocese.org/bla](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/bla), scan the QR code, or text "BLA" to 703-260-9800 to make a donation. As of March 30, our pledges and donations amount to \$605,586 but with just about 15 percent of parishioners participating. Please help our parish come closer to our BLA goal of 100 percent participation at whatever amount is right for you and your family. Thank you.



**YOUTH MINISTRY  
SUMMER CAMPS**

TUESDAY, JUNE 27 - FRIDAY, JUNE 30



**VACATION BIBLE CAMP**

OPEN TO CURRENT K - 4 GRADERS  
8:45am - 12pm | \$40 per camper



**CAMP ON THE EDGE**

OPEN TO CURRENT 5 - 8 GRADERS  
1:30pm - 4:30pm | \$40 per camper



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

VBC: 8TH GRADERS - ADULTS  
COTE: 10TH GRADERS - ADULTS  
\$10 per volunteer to cover t-shirt fee



**REGISTRATION**

NOW OPEN!  
on the parish website



**Follow Bishop Burbidge on Twitter!**

Bishop Burbidge has over 21,000 followers on Twitter! His daily reflections and posts are popular and insightful. Follow him @BishopBurbidge.

**Annual Multi-Car Raffle**

**\*\*LAST WEEKEND TO ENTER\*\***

Put down those tax forms and don't miss your opportunity to enter! The final deadline for tickets to be mailed is: **Monday, April 17th**

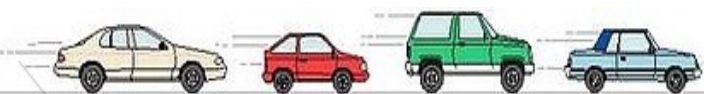
*The drawings begin at 1:30pm on*

*Saturday, 29 April 2022, at All Saints in Manassas.*

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.

*As a reminder, when mailing your sold ticket stubs, green card, and check directly back to All Saints in the envelope provided, please disregard the note on the green return card, and make your checks out to All Saints. Thank You!*



**MEM Spring Marriage Program: Beloved**

The Marriage Enrichment Ministry spring program will be using the program, Beloved (on Formed). We will be completing the first six sessions together.

In 12 stunning sessions, Beloved uncovers the mystery and the meaning of the Sacrament of Marriage. Beloved invites all couples to experience firsthand the wonder, mystery, and joy behind that first "I do" - whether you said it last year or many years ago. We will meet in the Nativity school teacher's lounge from 7:00-8:45 PM on the following dates:

- April 21 - Entering the Story of Marriage
- April 28 - Love Revealed
- May 5 - Total Gift of Self
- May 12 - A Sacramental Bond
- May 19 - Real Challenges, Real Love

**Schedule**

- 7:00 PM Opening Prayer and potluck dinner
- 7:20-8:00 PM watch the video for the week
- 8:00 PM Group/couple discussion
- 8:30 PM Wrap Up

*Please bring an appetizer, main dish, or a dessert to share. Come in through the school & religious education entrance. Turn right and walk down the hallway as if going to the school chapel. The teacher's lounge is the room to the right before the chapel. Miss a session and want to watch it at home? Login to Formed (our parish has a subscription), and go to "Beloved."*

**John Paul the Great Summer Camps June - August 2023**

JP Summer Camps registration is now open! Sign your elementary and middle school-age children up for a variety of athletic and enrichment camps during the summer months. For registration visit: <https://www.jpthegreat.org/apps/pages/>

**Nativity's New Childcare Ministry**

We are thrilled to introduce Nativity's new Childcare Minister, Mrs. Taylor Young. She will be responsible for childcare at various parish events where childcare is a blessing to families with young children. With great joy, Taylor received all the Sacraments of Initiation for the Catholic Faith at the Easter Vigil this year!

A native of Colorado, she moved to Virginia in 2012 to help her sister with her two small children while their father was deployed. Taylor loves working with kids of all ages, but preschool-aged children are her favorite. She currently works as an after-care coordinator at Prince of Peace Preschool.

Taylor's hobbies include crocheting, spending time with family, and attending sporting events. She is excited about the future and cannot wait to start her journey with Nativity's Childcare Ministry. Taylor lives in Woodbridge with her husband, Matt, and their two-year-old son George.

We will have one childcare ministry at Nativity to cover childcare for Walking With Purpose, the Young Family Ministry, Marriage Enrichment Ministry, and any other ministries or parish events where childcare is needed.

All childcare providers will be VIRTUS compliant, and we will have one set of policies and procedures to follow.

*If you would like to volunteer with the childcare ministry or be a lead childcare provider, please email Taylor at [childcare@nativityburke.org](mailto:childcare@nativityburke.org).*



**BASH!**  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2023**  
**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  
 nativityburke.org/bash  
 Registration closes April 17

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



Saint John Paul the Great High School

## JP Business Network Speaker Series Night




The evening will include wine and light hors d'oeuvres followed by a talk on Saint John Paul II's Theology of Work by Head of School Sister Mary Veronica, O.P. Bring a friend and introduce them to the JP Business Network!  
 Scan the QR code to RSVP below.

Tuesday, April 25th  
 5:30 - 7 P.M.  
 Aquinas Hall  
 Saint John Paul the Great High School

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**  
 The Prayer Shawl meeting for this month will be held on Monday morning, April 17th at 9:30am in the Fr. Ready room. All are welcome!

**NEED TO TALK?**  
 Catholic Charities provides quality mental health services & counselors grounded in a Catholic understanding of the human person. "Nativity's Counselor" Ms. Marguerite Turner, MS, LPC is back at Nativity counseling clients in-person and is available on Thursdays from 10:00am-6:00pm to talk with any parishioners who may be struggling. To set up an appointment, please contact Marguerite at 703-454-2415 or mmturner@ccda.net.



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

**Monday, April 17th**  
 7:30 am † Ana Saba Larrain

**Tuesday April 18th**  
 7:30 am Special Intention for the Admana Family  
 12:00 pm Special Intention for P.J. Flynn

**Wednesday, April 19th**  
 7:30 am † Pattison Kuntz  
 3:00 pm Special Intention for Sr. Donatella

**Thursday, April 20th**  
 7:30 am † Jenevieve & Donald Valentine  
 12:00 pm † Pauline Garduno

**Friday, April 21st**  
 7:30 am † John Spataro  
 9:00 am † Ed Clautice

**Saturday, April 22nd**  
 9:00 am Special Intention for Ava Galik  
 5:00 pm Parishioners  
 7:00 pm † Maria Concepcion Alvarado

**Sunday, April 23rd**  
 7:00 am † Viam Faggioni-Balcazar  
 9:00 am † John T. Macey  
 11:00 am † Bob Fram  
 1:00 pm † Ronald Wiesen  
 5:30 pm Special Intention for Paul & Deborah Gorham

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

*Please note that the current Mass Intentions Calendar has been filled through June 2023. We will open up the second part of 2023 (July-December) in May. Please see the Bulletin for the announcement.*



**SPOTLIGHT ON THE ARTS**  
 ~ SUMMER CAMPS ~  
 SpotlightSummerCamps.com  
 Manassas, VA | Burke, VA

**BROADWAY SPOTLIGHT**  
**DRAMA BOOTCAMP**  
**ARTS & CRAFTS FUN**  
**ART EXPLORER**

JULY 10-21, 2023

**Church Of the Nativity  
Parish Yard Sale for Charity  
Saturday, June 24—8:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

6398 Nativity Lane, Burke, VA  
*No strollers during sale -- All sales final*



Donations collected at the Nativity cafeteria/Fr. Martin Center (gym)

**SEE REVERSE FOR ACCEPTABLE/NON-ACCEPTABLE ITEMS  
PLEASE—ALL DONATED ITEMS MUST BE IN GOOD CONDITION!**

Drop-off Hours

Thursday/Friday, June 15-16	6:00 PM-9:00 PM
Saturday, June 17	9:00 AM-2:00 PM
Sunday, June 18	2:00 PM-5:00 PM
Monday, June 19	10:00 AM-4:00 PM
Monday 6/19-Wed. 6/21	6:00 PM-9:00 PM
Thursday/Friday, June 22-23	<b>NO COLLECTIONS!</b>

Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
6/15	6/16	6/17	6/18	6/19	6/20	6/21	6/22	6/23
6-9 PM	6-9 PM	9 AM -2 PM	2 PM-5 PM	6-9 PM	6-9 PM	10 AM-4 PM; 6-9 PM	<b>NO drop-offs!!</b>	<b>NO drop-offs!!</b>

For more information please call: Dave Zivich 703-598-0698

Tax receipts provided

**Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Fr. Vincent S. Sikora Council 7992**

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Linens (clean)
- Dishware/cookware/kitchen items
- Clothing (clean; see non-acceptable list below)
- Small appliances (working)
- Electronics (working; see non-acceptable list below)
- Sporting goods/ Toys/games
- Furniture (clean/undamaged; see non-acceptable list below)
- Books/DVDs/CDs
- TVs—flat screen only!
- Tools
- Jewelry

NON-ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Undergarments (boxers/briefs/panties/bras, etc.)
- Shoes/footwear
- Medications/Cosmetics/Food
- Computer desks
- Unboxed Christmas trees
- Computers/hardware/printers/network hardware
- Metal desks/drawers/filing cabinets
- Desks > 5-feet wide
- Microwave ovens/Large appliances
- Unframed mirrors/glass
- Mattresses/beds/Sofa Beds
- Pressboard furniture
- Upholstered furniture
- Rugs (any size)
- Pianos/organs
- Tires
- Skis
- Flammables
- Motorized fitness equipment
- Multi-function workout stations
- China cabinets
- ALL Entertainment centers

Furniture pick-up requests 703-598-0698 or davezivich@gmail.com

**(First floor or walk-out level only!!)**

**Iglesia de la Natividad  
Venta de patio parroquial para caridad  
Sábado, 24 de junio—8:00 AM a 2:00 PM**

6398 Nativity Lane, Burke, VA  
*No hay cochecitos durante la venta - Todas las ventas finales*



Donaciones recogidas en la cafetería/Centro P. Martin (gimnasio)

**VER REVERSO PARA ARTÍCULOS ACEPTABLES/NO ACEPTABLES  
POR FAVOR, ¡LOS ARTÍCULOS DEBEN ESTAR EN BUENAS CONDICIONES!**

Horas de entrega

Jueves/Viernes, 15-16 de junio	6:00 PM-9:00 PM
Sábado, 17 de junio	9:00 AM-2:00 PM
Domingo 18 de junio	2:00 PM-5:00 PM
Lunes 19 de junio	10:00 AM-4:00 PM
Lunes 6/19-Mié 6/21	6:00 PM-9:00 PM
Jueves/Viernes, 22-23 de junio	<b>SIN COLECCIONES!</b>

Jueves	Vie	Sábado	Sol	Mi	Martes	Miércoles	Jueves	Vie
6/15	6/16	6/17	6/18	6/19	6/20	6/21	6/22	6/23
6-9 PM	6-9 PM	9 AM -2 PM	2 PM-5 PM	6-9 PM	6-9 PM	10 AM-4 PM; 6-9 PM	<b>¡¡SIN drop-offs!!</b>	<b>¡¡SIN drop-offs!!</b>

Para obtener más información, llame al: **Dave Zivich 703-598-0698**

Recibos de impuestos proporcionados

**Patrocinado por Knights of Columbus Fr. Vincent S. Sikora Council 7992**

ARTÍCULOS ACEPTABLE

- Ropa de cama (limpia)
- Vajilla/utensilios de cocina/artículos de cocina
- Ropa (limpia; consulte la lista no aceptable a continuación)
- Pequeños electrodomésticos (en funcionamiento)
- Electrónica (en funcionamiento; ver lista no aceptable)
- Artículos deportivos/Juguetes/juegos
- Muebles (limpios / sin daños; ver lista no aceptable)
- Libros/DVDs/CDs
- Televisores: ¡solo pantalla plana!
- Herramientas
- Joyería

ARTÍCULOS NO ACEPTABLES

- Ropa interior (boxers/calzoncillos/bragas/sujetadores, etc.)
- Zapatos/calzado
- Medicamentos/Cosméticos/Alimentos
- Escritorios de computadora
- Árboles de Navidad sin caja
- Computadora s / hardware / impresoras / hardware de red
- Escritorios/cajones/archivadores metálicos
- Escritorios > 5 pies de ancho
- Hornos microondas/electrodomésticos grandes
- Espejos/vidrio sin marco
- Colchones/camas/Sofás cama
- Muebles de cartón prensado
- Muebles tapizados
- Alfombras (cualquier tamaño)
- Pianos/órganos
- Neumáticos
- Esquí
- Inflamables
- Equipo de fitness motorizado
- Estaciones de entrenamiento multifunción
- Gabinets de China
- TODOS los centros de entretenimiento

Recogida de muebles **703-598-0698 or davezivich@gmail.com**

**(¡¡Solo en el primer piso o en el nivel de salida!!)**



**JOIN US FOR A *fiesta!***

**NATIVITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL SPRING AUCTION**

WHEN: SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023  
6:30 - 10:00PM

WHERE: NATIVITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL,  
FATHER MARTIN CENTER



SCAN ME



**Raffle Tickets on SALE!!!**

Raffle tickets for the class baskets and 50/50 drawing will take place after ALL Masses this weekend and NEXT weekend! The classes have put together some amazing baskets, so check them out!

**1 for \$10, 3 for \$25, 7 for \$50, 15 for \$100.**

*Need not be present to win! Purchase tickets or register to bid online at <https://nativityauction.givesmart.com>. Online Bidding OPENS Friday, April 21st!*

**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 Emilio Bruneo (Nativity School), Jennifer Dee and Stephanie Dee attending Bishop Ireton High School; and, Sophia Cassidy, Liam Ginty and Noah Ginty attending Saint John Paul the Great 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. One scholarship will be awarded to the Nativity eighth-grade student scoring the highest; all entrants, including eight-grade students, will compete for the remaining scholarships. Entrants must be registered parishioners at Nativity, or a son or daughter, or grandchild, of an active member of Council 7992.

Application forms are available at the parish office and website at <https://nativityburke.org/frenchy-memorial-scholarship/>.

Submissions due no later than midnight, Friday, April 21, 2023.

Scholarship awardees will be announced in late May or Early June. Questions, please call Dave Zivich, 703-598-0698.

**FEATURED AUCTION ITEM OF THE WEEK**

Enjoy 2 nights (Tues - Wed in April, May or Nov) at this cute 2BR, 2BA cabin, in the heart of Bryce Mountain, w/private balconies, jetted tub, SAUNA, living area with cathedral ceiling w/ lots of natural light! CUDDLE around the beautiful, wooden fireplace. Enjoy four (4) season destinations in the Shenandoah area, from skiing to hiking, lake, swimming, fishing, wineries, caverns, dining, mountain biking, etc.



**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 24, 2023. Collections will begin: **Thursday, June 15, 2023 and continue through Wednesday, June 21, 2023. Your donations are tax-deductible and sincerely appreciated.**

**Rosary Ministry - April Meeting**

We heard the request of many of the parishioners for a teaching session on the weekend - so the Rosary Ministry will be meeting for those who cannot come during the week. Learn to make mission rosaries on Saturday, April 29th, from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM in the Fr Ready Room.

We furnish all your supplies and will be happy to see you. For the May Meeting: All rosary makers are invited to come on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, May 9th at 1:00PM in the Fr. Ready Room. May is our month to honor Our Blessed Mother. Come and make rosaries while we learn about some of the Marian devotions and chaplets.



*For more information contact us at [rosaryministry@nativityburke.org](mailto:rosaryministry@nativityburke.org)*

**Associates of St. John Bosco Parent Night**

The college campus has become increasingly difficult for young people of faith, especially young Catholics. But just how much are secularism and worldliness vying for the souls of our young people? Come join the Associates of St. John Bosco at **"Parents Prepared: What's Around the Corner for Your Child Going to College"** in order to learn just what's going on on the college campus and steps you can take as a parent to ensure your child has a faithful college experience for the next four years. This event will take place on May 2, 2023 at 7:00PM at the Lyceum at the Basilica of St. Mary. To register for free, please visit: <https://www.asjb.org/parents-prepared>.

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BOOK BY JOE DI PIETRO

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ST. PAUL VI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
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**APRIL 23 - 2 PM**

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Associates of  
**SAINT  
JOHN  
BOSCO**

# COLLEGE NIGHTS

Bridging the Gap of Faith



Student testimonials



Peer connections



Small groups sessions

June 28: St. Mark's  
July 5: St. Michael's  
July 12: Holy Trinity (NEW location!)  
July 19: Basilica of St. Mary  
July 26: Holy Cross Academy

All rising college freshmen and transfer students may register for FREE at [ASJB.org](http://ASJB.org).  
All events begin at 7PM.



**ST. MARY OF SORROWS  
BIKE COLLECTION - Saturday, April 22**

Give spring-cleaning extra meaning: donate unused bicycles. St. Mary of Sorrows' annual bike collection is coming soon, on Saturday, April 22, 9:00 am to noon rain or shine behind the left side of the Parish Center at 5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. The non-profit Bikes for the World ships our bicycles to impoverished areas around the globe. Your bikes, and monetary donations to help defray shipping costs, are tax-deductible. After being refurbished, these bikes become main sources of transportation to work, school, and health care. See <https://www.bikesfortheworld.org> for the wonderful ways your donations and your time will help. We accept serviceable or nearly complete youth and adult bicycles (including tandems and recumbents); adult tricycles; bicycle spare parts, components, accessories and tools; and even serviceable, quality portable sewing machines. The Bike Collection Committee always welcomes adult volunteers and teenagers with adult partners to help to set up, collect donations, process the bikes for shipment, and assist loading the truck for transport. No experience needed; on-the-job training provided! To volunteer, please email or call Maria Story at [ferstory@gmail.com](mailto:ferstory@gmail.com) or 703 459 6108 in advance. Helping at this event is a great way for youth to earn service hours and for all to minister to the poor.

**"SAINT MARY MAGDALENE - AT THE FEET OF JESUS"**

a live one-woman drama about God's mercy, comes to Holy Spirit Catholic Church on Wednesday, April 19 at 7:30 PM in the church. This compelling performance brings familiar Bible stories to life and transports us to the time of Jesus and the Blessed Mother. The story shines a reverent light on this great saint who remained at the foot of the cross and announced the Resurrection. Catholic performing artist Nancy Simone portrays Mary Magdalene. Recommended for ages 10 through adult. No tickets needed. Address: 5121 Woodland Way, Annandale. For more information, email [cpoumade@prodigy.net](mailto:cpoumade@prodigy.net) or call 703-425-8769. ([MaryMagdaleneDrama.com](http://MaryMagdaleneDrama.com))

**Marian Symposium**

Please join as a diocesan family as we honor the Blessed Virgin in Year Two of our Golden Jubilee, "My Soul Rejoices in the Lord." The Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, Archbishop for the Military Services USA, and President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), will be the guest speaker at a Marian Symposium on Saturday, April 29, at St. Bernadette Catholic Church in Springfield. The day will start with Mass at 9:00 a.m., followed by a coffee break, a talk and Q and A session at 10:30 a.m. and conclude with the recitation of the Rosary.



**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](mailto:csands@nativityburke.org)

**THE LIGHTNING THIEF**  
THE PERCY JACKSON MUSICAL

BOOK BY  
**Joe Tracz**

MUSIC & LYRICS BY  
**Rob Rokicki**

ADAPTED FROM THE BOOK  
THE LIGHTNING THIEF BY  
**Rick Riordan**

**AUDITIONS: MAY 10-11**

**PERFORMANCES:**  
**JULY 14 - 15, 2023**  
**JULY 21 - 22, 2023**

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**ITALIAN MOVIE NIGHT**

*Nativity*  
**ITALIAN CULTURAL & HERITAGE SOCIETY**

WANT TO HAVE A CINEMATIC EVENING OUT ON THE TOWN? JOIN THE NATIVITY ITALIAN HERITAGE & CULTURAL SOCIETY IN APRIL FOR AN ITALIAN MOVIE NIGHT. WE'LL SCREEN THE HILARIOUS ITALIAN FAMILY FILM "MOONSTRUCK," STARRING CHER AND NICOLAS CAGE.

WE'LL MUNCH ON POPCORN AND ENJOY A VARIETY OF SNACKS DURING THE MOVIE AND SOCIAL HOUR. JOIN YOUR FRIENDS FOR THIS FUN-FILLED EVENING. YOU DON'T NEED TO BRING ANYTHING BUT YOURSELVES. WE'LL PROVIDE THE SNACKS THIS MONTH. AS ALWAYS, GUESTS ARE WELCOME FOR \$5 GUEST FEE.

**DATE: THURSDAY, APRIL 27**  
**TIME: 7:00 PM**  
**PLACE: NATIVITY CINEMA (SCHOOL CAFETERIA)**



**Council Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Tuesdays. The first meeting is a business meeting, and the second meeting of the month is devoted to faith formation including video/discussion series and guest speakers. Rosary at 7:15 PM; meeting follows at 7:30 PM. Fellowship follows every meeting. Meetings are in the Nativity school cafeteria.

**Linktree Universal Sign-up Link:** Want to volunteer for an event? [https://linktr.ee/fr\\_sikora\\_council\\_7992](https://linktr.ee/fr_sikora_council_7992)

**Culture of Life:** Set aside Saturday, May 13 @ 6pm and then hold on to your seats as you hear Dr. Bruchalski reveal first-hand his witness of how the scales fell off his eyes as he was transformed from an abortionist to a preeminent pro-life OB/GYN through his encounters with a pregnancy support center, a morally upright neonatologist—and Mary and Jesus. Book signing, Nativity Father Martin Center.

**Adopt-A-Highway:** 15 April 10:00-11:30AM gathering the Elite Eight to cleanup your community. Sign up on the linktree.

**KOVAR:** Collect funds to support people with intellectual disabilities. April 22 and 23 we will be collecting funds after each Mass. On April 29 we will be collecting at Safeway. Many hands needed! Sign up on the linktree. This year we have also added the ability to donate through Nativity's on-line giving platform – OSV.

**Food for Others:** We need volunteers drivers for food distributions to the poor. If you have a truck or van and can occasionally help deliver to Springfield on Friday evenings contact Br. Matt Stockburger at [mstock\\_w@yahoo.com](mailto:mstock_w@yahoo.com).

**Yard Sale:** This is the council's second biggest charity fundraiser! We need area leads and assistant leads to commit to supporting the collection period as well as the date of the sale June 15-24th. You don't have to be a Knight to help! Sign up on the linktree. Contact Br. Dave Zivich with any questions at [davezivich@gmail.com](mailto:davezivich@gmail.com).

**Name Tags:** Email Warden Michael Bender at [michaelbambender@hotmail.com](mailto:michaelbambender@hotmail.com) to order.

**Sunday Mass Coffee and Cookies:** We are providing coffee and cookies following Sunday morning Masses. Volunteer on the linktree.

**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." You can reach us at [handyknightsofnativity@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:navyy8@yahoo.com).

**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! Simply go to <https://info.kofc.org/us.html> and enter our council #7992 for local information and to register.

### JOIN THE NATIVITY SCHOOL STAFF!

Consider joining our School Staff as part of our Extended Care Team to help us provide After-School Care by contacting our Extended Care Director, Mrs. Jen Behan at (703) 455-2300, or [jbehan@nativityschool.org](mailto:jbehan@nativityschool.org). To assist us as a Lunch/Recess Monitor, or Substitute Teacher, please contact Rich Godwin at (703) 455-2300, or [rgodwin@nativityschool.org](mailto:rgodwin@nativityschool.org).

*Welcome to*

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6400 NATIVITY LANE, BURKE, VA 22015

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FELLOWSHIP  
SERVICE**

*Learn More...*

**[www.nativityburke.org](http://www.nativityburke.org)**

### Teaching Opportunities in the Diocese

Explore teaching opportunities in one of the 37 elementary or 4 high schools serving 17,000 students in the 13 cities and counties in our diocese. Our schools are urgently seeking highly-qualified, faith-filled and dynamic professionals.

Find the teaching perfect opportunity!

Visit: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/catholic-schools/careers/>

### Preventing Homelessness in Fairfax County....

Family PASS provides intensive case management to address the underlying challenges that lead to homelessness: wage disparity and lack of affordable housing in Fairfax County. Our clients are working families who struggle to keep a roof over their heads due to low wages and high housing costs. As needed, we provide emergency rental assistance to avoid eviction, and then work with families to develop educational/career goals that would lead to a living wage. We also work with clients on the following: budget counseling and connecting them to community resources, assist with educational expenses, including tuition, books, technology, etc. assist with utilities, childcare, transportation, and some debt reduction, as it relates to families being able to work, achieving their goals, and stabilizing their family.

*To learn more or to donate, visit our website  
[www.familypassfairfax.org](http://www.familypassfairfax.org)*

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

### Love Is Given Prayer Group

Please join us every Thursday evening from 7:00PM-8:30 PM for an evening of prayer, praise and community. We meet each week in the Fr. Ready room. Come in through the school entrance, first room on your left. We look forward to seeing you!

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/>

MAY

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WESTFIELDS  
GOLF CLUB  
CLIFTON, VA

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS MAY 15



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### Seventh Graders Present the Reason for the Easter Season

One of the most cherished events of our most Holy Week is "Living Stations of the Cross." Performed by the Seventh Grade here at Nativity School, our Living Stations re-enactment is always a reverent, very moving, personal dramatization of the Passion of Christ. In preparation for Good Friday observance and the Easter celebration, we journey through the Stations of the Cross as a school gathered in the Church several times throughout the Lenten period, culminating in the emotional drama of Living Stations the week of Easter.

*You will find more photos on our Facebook page.*



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### Upcoming Dates At-A-Glance!

- April 16: Class Basket Raffle Ticket Sales
- April 17: School Resumes
- April 18: Student Pictures
- April 19: Panda Express Fundraiser, 4-9 p.m.
- April 19: Student Pictures
- April 20: Student Pictures
- April 21: Student Pictures
- April 21: School Rosary, 2nd Grade, 2:15 p.m.
- April 22: Jesus Day! 9 a.m. -12 NOON
- April 22: BASH (Middle School)
- April 24: 6th Grade Field Trip
- April 26: 7th Grade Field Trip
- April 26: Talent Show Auditions 3-4:30 p.m.
- April 27: Talent Show Auditions 3-4:30 p.m.
- April 28: Interims
- April 29: PTO Auction

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

Yes, Catholic education is worth the investment!

Nativity Catholic School is committed to making Catholic education accessible to those who desire it, and offers financial assistance to make their dream come true.

Contact Mrs. Shannon Murphy, our Registrar, for more information, at (703) 455-2300 and/or [smurph@nativityschool.org](mailto:smurph@nativityschool.org).

## YOUTH MINISTRY

[cym@nativityburke.org](mailto:cym@nativityburke.org)

### LIFE TEEN: GRADES 9-12

Sundays | 6:30-8:30pm

Dinner

Fellowship

Prayer & Formation



### 2023 HIGH SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS

Girls: Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30pm | Weekly

Guys: Thursdays, 7:30-9:00pm | 2x / month

### EDGE: GRADES 6-8

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

See website for schedule

Meet new friends

Play games

Explore your faith



### 8TH GRADERS - JOIN US AT LIFE TEEN ON APRIL 30!

All 8th graders are invited to join us at Life Teen on Sunday, April 30 from 6:30-8:30pm. Come check out what ministry will look like next year in high school! We begin with dinner at 6:30pm.



### NO HANDS BUT YOURS MINISTRY

*No Hands But Yours* is an original Nativity Ministry doing God's work by serving those less fortunate members of His flock. We work distributing food, clothing, and personal items to the poor and homeless in DC and northern VA every Sunday morning, rain or shine. We also have weekly trips into designated areas bringing Panera bread donations along with help from local food banks. Through the blessings of God, we have grown through our Nativity community and continue to do so. For more details visit the Nativity Parish website at <https://nativityburke.org/service/no-hands-but-yours/>. Families are also welcomed! If you have interest in learning more and would like to participate in daily/Sunday runs, please contact John Rubino at: [john.albert.rubino@gmail.com](mailto:john.albert.rubino@gmail.com).





## Father Vincent S. Sikora Knights of Columbus Council No. 7992 will award six Knights of Columbus, Clarence “Frenchy” Cyr Memorial Scholarships in Memory of the Council’s Charter Grand Knight

### ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP

Six scholarships of \$1000 each, for Catholic secondary school education tuition will be awarded to the son or daughter of registered parish members or the son, daughter or grandchild of Council 7992 members who best exemplify the traits of perseverance, effort, and contribution to his or her community.

One scholarship will be awarded to the eight-grade student with the highest score and has been designated the Simon C. Kralik Memorial Scholarship; all entrants, including eight-grade students, will compete for the remaining scholarships.

### CRITERIA

1. The applicant must be a registered member of Nativity Catholic Church, Burke Virginia; or a daughter or son, or grandchild of an active member of the Fr. Vincent S. Sikora, Knights of Columbus Council No. 7992.
2. Entry is limited to those individuals who will attend Catholic secondary (high) school during the 2023-2024 academic year.
3. The scholarship award may only be used for Catholic secondary school tuition.



**DUE DATE**

**21**

**APRIL  
2023**

**MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO: KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, COUNCIL NO. 7992, ATTENTION: SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE, P.O. BOX 10907, BURKE, VIRGINIA 22009 OR SEND ELECTRONICALLY TO DAVE ZIVICH AT DAVEZIVICH@GMAIL.COM. APPLICATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE PARISH OFFICE, THE NATIVITY PARISH WEB SITE AT: [HTTPS://NATIVITYBURKE.ORG/](https://nativityburke.org/) OR BY CONTACTING DAVE ZIVICH AT DAVEZIVICH@GMAIL.COM.**

# Called by Christ!



## WEEKEND DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN (AGES 18-40)

Sponsored by the Office of Vocations, with the Trappist-Cistercian Sisters from Our Lady of the Angels Monastery in Crozet, VA.

June 16-18

Cost: \$100 includes private room and all meals

Register with the Office of Vocations by June 5:

[vocations@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:vocations@arlingtondiocese.org)  
(703) 841-2514



*Every human life is sacred*  
every woman, every man, every child  
*born and unborn*



**We walk with mothers in need, women in crisis pregnancies, their children, and families**

*Consider our resources for free or low-cost prenatal and other medical care, financial assistance, baby items, mental health counseling, spiritual, and other confidential support*



**We offer healing to women who have experienced abortion**

*Learn about Project Rachel After Abortion Care Ministry or visit a Catholic parish near you*



**We pray, fast, and advocate for laws that protect every human life, from conception until natural death**

*Join the Virginia Catholic Conference advocacy network at [vacatholic.org](http://vacatholic.org) to protect all life*

Find it all here:



### ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flower Book for 2023 is open with many dates available. This is a thoughtful way to honor a loved one, living or deceased. If you are interested, please stop by the parish office to sign up. You can now also go online and reserve flowers on our website at: <https://nativityburke.org/altar-flowers/>.

### Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation

**Give a child the gift of a Catholic education and receive most of your donation back in federal and state tax savings!**

The Virginia Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credit Program will award a 65% state tax credit for donations made to the Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation, which will, in turn, provide scholarships for new students wishing to attend our diocesan Catholic Schools. You do not have to itemize in order to receive the 65% tax credit! Donations must be preauthorized in advance. Please call Jeanne Combos at 703-841-2764 (or email at [DASF@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:DASF@arlingtondiocese.org)) or go online for more details and to download the preauthorization request form at:

<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Scholarship-Foundation/>

**girl scouts**

## Girl Scout Leaders Needed!

Join Girl Scouts!

PLEASE CONTACT [NATIVITYTROOP@GMAIL.COM](mailto:NATIVITYTROOP@GMAIL.COM) FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Troop volunteers help Girl Scouts become stronger, kinder, and braver than they ever thought possible. Troop leaders—and volunteers in other roles, like troop money manager or cookie chair—engage regularly with their Girl Scouts and guide them through activities, like earning badges, exploring the outdoors, or running their own business through the Girl Scout Cookie Program. Please sign up to volunteer!

May 6 & 7

# STELLA MARINA COLLECTION

IN CONJUNCTION WITH OPERATION STARFISH WEEKEND, WE WILL BE COLLECTING DONATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING **NEW ITEMS ONLY** TO SUPPORT THE VILLAGE IN HONDURAS WHERE WE ARE BUILDING A NEW HEALTH CLINIC:

- Soccer Balls & Jump Ropes
- Dolls
- Coloring Books & Crayons
- School Supplies
- Vitamins for Kids
- Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
- Soap & Shampoo
- Combs & brushes
- Shaving Razors
- Deodorant
- Flip Flops
- Plastic Rosaries



FOR MORE INFORMATION  
PLEASE EMAIL:  
[meg@stellamarina.org](mailto:meg@stellamarina.org)

**AT ALL MASSES  
IN THE NARTHEX  
Saturday, May 6  
Sunday, May 7**

**CELEBRATING 19 YEARS!**

# **SPOTLIGHT ON THE ARTS ~ SUMMER CAMPS ~**

*THIS SUMMER,  
YOUR CHILD WILL  
ACT OUT LOUD.  
CREATE  
A MASTERPIECE.  
SING & DANCE.  
TAKE A BOW.*



**July 10-21, 2023**

**All Saints Catholic Church  
in Manassas, VA**

**Nativity Catholic Church  
in Burke, VA**

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### The Importance of Sunday Mass

As the body will die without food, the soul will expire without nourishment. As Catholics, that spiritual nourishment comes at the Sunday Eucharist. The Lord’s Day is essential for our faith. Make Sunday Mass the heart of your week.

### Struggling with addiction in the family?

Both the afflicted and affected don't need to be alone. There are many resources available including AA, NA, Alanon, Calix and a diocesan chaplain. Call the HELPLINE (970) 989-2670 for support. This is NOT LIMITED to addicts, anybody that would like to speak with a priest or a friend in Christ May call!



You can designate Nativity Church or Nativity School as the beneficiaries of your Amazon Smile! You can choose Nativity by going to: **YOUR ACCOUNT, YOUR AMAZON SMILE and designating Nativity.** Amazon then contributes a small percentage of each purchase to Nativity. For questions, please contact Ann Benson at: 703 455 2400. Thank you!

### Padayon Pagsayaw

The Filipino/American Community Ministry, in collaboration with the Leyte Dance Theater, proudly Presents 90 Minutes of fun, culture, friendship, pure energy, and love in song, music and dance at, “Padayaw Padayon Pagsayaw” non-stop dancing on Saturday, May 20 at 4 p.m. (doors open at 3:00 p.m) at West Springfield High School, 6100 Rolling Road, West Springfield, VA 22152! General admission is \$40. Payment may be made in advance or at the door. Online payments are acceptable. Please confirm reservation by mailing checks payable to Filipino/American Community Ministry no later than Monday, May 1 with your name and contact info to: Filipino/American Community Ministry, 1106 Jackson Court, Falls Church, VA 22046. For more information contact the Office of Multicultural Ministries at [mcm@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:mcm@arlingtondiocese.org) or call 703.841.3881.



*“Come away by yourselves and rest for a while”*  
Mk 6:31



*“Totally love Him, Who gave Himself totally for your love”*  
-St Clare of Assisi



Take a few days and learn to place your burdens at the foot of the Cross so that you can rest in the arms of your abundantly generous Father. Spend time with St. Francis of Assisi, St. Clare, and Our Lady of Fatima meditating on the fruitful surrender to Poverty, Humility, and Charity. Led by Fr. Christensen.



[www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/Retreat](http://www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/Retreat)

## Young Adult Retreat

May 12-14, 2023

San Damiano Retreat Center  
near Shenandoah Valley





# PVI Theatre Camp

**June 19 – 23, 2023**

**(Monday – Friday)**

**9 a.m. – noon**

For rising 7th-9th graders

**Cost:**

**\$150 per student, if registered by May 1**

**\$180 per student, after May 2**

Register using QR code.

Contact Mrs. Kathy d’Alelio  
kdalelio@paulvi.net or call  
703-352-0925 x0622



**St. Paul VI Catholic High School**

42341 Braddock Rd, Chantilly, VA 20152



# 16th Annual "Pops Camp"

For rising 7th-9th graders

**Monday - Friday, August 7-11, 2023**

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# Good News

INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

## 2nd Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy

### Divine Mercy Sunday April 16

Acts 2:42-47  
Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24  
1 Peter 1:3-9  
John 20:19-31

### Monday April 17

Acts 4:23-31  
Ps 2:1-9  
John 3:1-8

### Tuesday April 18

Acts 4:32-37  
Ps 93:1-2,5  
John 3:7b-15

### Wednesday April 19

Acts 5:17-26  
Ps 34:2-9  
John 3:16-21

### Thursday April 20

Acts 5:27-33  
Ps 34:2,9,17-20  
John 3:31-36

### Friday April 21

Acts 5:34-42  
Ps 27:1,4,13-14  
John 6:1-15

### Saturday April 22

Acts 6:1-7  
Ps 33:1-2,4-5,18-19  
John 6:16-21

safeguarded by the power of God because, by choosing to have faith in Christ, we have accepted the gift in advance.

This joy-from-knowing is the definition of "hope". Hope isn't wishful thinking. Hope means celebrating what is certainly going to happen *before* it happens.

Some Catholics say that they're afraid they might lose their salvation because they're afraid that something will tempt them

We are an Easter people, because we know and celebrate that Jesus has risen from the dead. And yet, we don't always feel like celebrating.

It's hard to feel like the Good Friday experience of carrying our crosses has really ended.

Today's second reading describes what the Easter experience is supposed to feel like: an indescribable and glorious joy. But how does that happen?

The attitude of joy does not come from reaching the end of our cross-like burdens. Rather, it comes from knowing that Christ's death and resurrection have overcome our crosses, and by uniting ourselves to his life, we are victorious even before we see the battle end.

Furthermore, it comes from knowing that we have the ultimate victory – eternal life in God's abundant love – and we know that this gift is "imperishable, undefiled, and unfading" and that it's being



to turn away from Jesus between now and the hour of death. If you worry about this, let me ask you: During times of suffering, do you reject God or run to him?

Even when we get angry at God, we're actually very close to him. We're angry because we believe in him and trust him and he seems to be

disappointing us. This is normal: Our faith is purified by our trials.

To embrace life as an Easter people, we must learn to remember that our sufferings are temporary and that someday we will enter into eternal joy. This is what we celebrate even while carrying our crosses.


### Reflect & Discuss:

- † In what ways has God apparently disappointed you? What is he doing (or not doing) that's upsetting you? How is this increasing your closeness to him, even if it feels like he's silent and distant?
- † Give an example of wishful thinking: What have you wished for in prayer? What have you been begging God to do? How is this different than hoping (joy-from-knowing)? Even if your wish never comes true, what's your reason for a higher hope?



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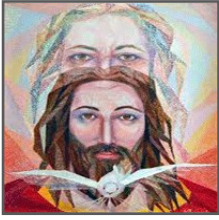
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**Jesucristo, muestra de la misericordia del Padre Reflexiones Pascua**  
**No te preguntes ya, oh hombre, por qué tienes que sufrir tú; pregúntate más bien por qué sufrió él.**

**Por: De los sermones de San Bernardo | Fuente: [www.la-oracion.com](http://www.la-oracion.com)**

Dios, nuestro Salvador; hizo aparecer su misericordia y su amor por los hombres. Demos gracias a Dios, pues por él abunda nuestro consuelo en esta nuestra peregrinación, en éste nuestro destierro, en ésta vida tan llena aún de miserias.

Antes de que apareciera la humanidad de nuestro Salvador, la misericordia de Dios estaba oculta; existía ya, sin duda, desde el principio, pues la misericordia del Señor es eterna, pero al hombre le era imposible conocer su magnitud. Ya había sido prometida, pero el mundo aún no la había experimentado y por eso eran muchos los que no creían en ella. Dios había hablado, ciertamente, de muchas maneras por ministerio de los profetas. Y había dicho: Sé muy bien lo que pienso hacer con ustedes: designios de paz y no de aflicción. Pero, con todo, ¿qué podía responder el hombre, que únicamente experimentaba la aflicción y no la paz? "¿Hasta cuándo - pensaba- irán anunciando: «Paz, paz», cuando no hay paz?" Por ello los mismos mensajeros de paz lloraban amargamente, diciendo: Señor, ¿quién ha dado fe a nuestra predicación? Pero ahora, en cambio, los hombres pueden creer, por lo menos, lo que ya contemplan sus ojos; ahora los testimonios de Dios se han hecho sobremanera dignos de fe, pues, para que este testimonio fuera visible, incluso a los que tienen la vista enferma, el Señor le ha puesto su tienda al sol.

Ahora, por tanto, nuestra paz no es prometida, sino enviada; no es retrasada, sino concedida; no es profetizada, sino realizada: el Padre ha enviado a la tierra algo así como un saco lleno de misericordia; un saco, diría, que se romperá en la pasión, para que se derrame aquel precio de nuestro rescate, que él contiene; un saco que, si bien es pequeño, está totalmente lleno. En efecto, un niño se nos ha dado, pero en este niño habita toda la plenitud de la divinidad. Esta plenitud de la divinidad se nos dio después que hubo llegado la plenitud de los tiempos. Vino en la carne para mostrarse a los que eran de carne y, de este modo, bajo los velos de la humanidad, fue conocida la misericordia divina; pues, cuando fue conocida la humanidad de Dios, ya no pudo quedar oculta su misericordia. ¿En qué podía manifestar mejor el Señor su amor a los hombres sino asumiendo nuestra propia carne? Pues fue precisamente nuestra carne la que asumió, y no aquella carne de Adán que antes de la culpa era inocente.

¿Qué cosa manifiesta tanto la misericordia de Dios como el hecho de haber asumido nuestra miseria? ¿Qué amor puede ser más grande que el del Verbo de Dios, que por nosotros se ha hecho como la hierba débil del campo? Señor, ¿qué es el hombre para que le des importancia, para que te ocupes de él? Que comprenda, pues, el hombre hasta qué punto Dios cuida de él; que reflexione sobre lo que Dios piensa y siente de él.

No te preguntes ya, oh hombre, por qué tienes que sufrir tú; pregúntate más bien por qué sufrió él. De lo que quiso sufrir por ti puedes concluir lo mucho que te estima; a través de su

humanidad se te manifiesta el gran amor que tiene para contigo. Cuanto menor se hizo en su humanidad, tanto mayor se mostró en el amor que te tiene, cuanto más se abajó por nosotros, tanto más digno es de nuestro amor. Dios, nuestro Salvador -dice el Apóstol-, hizo aparecer su misericordia y su amor por los hombres. ¡Qué grande y qué manifiesta es esta misericordia y este amor de Dios a los hombres! Nos ha dado una grande prueba de su amor al querer que el nombre de Dios fuera añadido al título de hombre.

## 2º Domingo de Pascua - A Evangelio de la Misa: Jn 20,19-31 - Tomás el incrédulo

El Evangelio de esta día está lleno de enseñanzas: 1º El saludo de Cristo a los Apóstoles al aparecerseles después de resucitado: Paz a vosotros; ¿cabe mejor saludo?; 2º Les concede el poder de transmitir la paz de Dios por el sacramento de la Penitencia o Confesión; ¡qué gran regalo para nuestra vida!; 3º Les da la gran lección de la humildad, del todo necesaria para vivir la fe en su persona y en su mensaje. Fue Tomás, el incrédulo, el objetivo directo de esta lección, pero va dirigido a todos. También a nosotros.

### Oración para cada día de la semana

*Señor, que te mostraste, ya resucitado a tus amigos más íntimos, los Apóstoles, ofreciéndoles el don maravilloso de la paz de Dios.*

*Yo también quiero esa paz en mi alma, para que siempre contribuya a la paz y el entendimiento en los hogares, a la paz y alegría en las diversiones y en el mundo del trabajo, a la paz y felicidad de todos en la vida social.*

*Que no olvide la gran lección: solo con la paz interior en el corazón, que me proporciona tu perdón y tu amor,*

*puedo ofrecer a otros este don y hacerlo realidad en la vida.*

*También enseñas que esa paz pasa muchas veces por la Confesión, es decir por el reconocimiento de los propios pecados y debilidades personales con el consiguiente arrepentimiento, también personal, y el perdón de Dios que en este caso nunca falta.*

*Que acuda frecuentemente a este sacramento, y que sea de verdad apóstol de la Confesión, con mi ejemplo y con mis consejos.*

*¡Cuántas excusas simples e injustificadas para retrasarla, o despreciarla!*

*¡Cuánto tiempo perdido en la Iglesia y en los apostolados de la Iglesia por no acercarse los cristianos con más frecuencia a la Confesión, consintiendo no estar siempre en gracia de Dios!*

*Tú me enseñas, Señor, que la fe auténtica se da solo en los que viven en gracia de Dios, y están unidos a Ti por el amor.*

*Por eso te pido, Señor, que no me acueste ningún día en pecado mortal.*

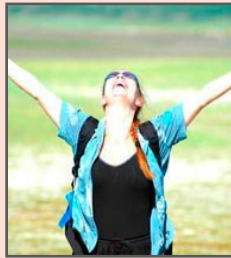
*Señor, que cuando dude, o me surjan dificultades para creer, diga con más humildad y confianza, como Tomás: Señor mío y Dios mío.*

*Y con esta súplica te abordo hoy para que renueve en el corazón tu paz, tu misericordia y tu amor.*

**Padre Segismundo Fernandez Rodríguez**

**La alegría de la Resurrección de Cristo  
Dejemos que el aleluya pascual se grave  
profundamente en nuestro corazón, lle-  
nandonos de alegría.**

**Por: SS Benedicto XVI | Fuente:  
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*Intervención del Papa Benedicto XVI el 24 de marzo al rezar la oración mariana del Regina Caeli.*

En la solemne Vigilia pascual volvió a resonar, después de los días de Cuaresma, el canto del **Aleluya**, palabra hebrea universalmente conocida, que significa *alabad al Señor*.

Durante los días del tiempo pascual esta invitación a la alabanza se propaga de boca en boca, de corazón en corazón. Resuena a partir de un acontecimiento absolutamente nuevo: la muerte y resurrección de Cristo. El aleluya brotó del corazón de los primeros discípulos y discípulas de Jesús en aquella mañana de Pascua, en Jerusalén.

Casi nos parece oír sus voces: la de María Magdalena, la primera que vio al Señor resucitado en el jardín cercano al Calvario; las voces de las mujeres, que se encontraron con él mientras corrían, asustadas y felices, a dar a los discípulos el anuncio del sepulcro vacío; las voces de los dos discípulos que con rostros tristes se habían encaminado a Emaús y por la tarde volvieron a Jerusalén llenos de alegría por haber escuchado su palabra y haberlo reconocido «en la fracción del pan»; las voces de los once Apóstoles, que aquella misma tarde lo vieron presentarse en medio de ellos en el Cenáculo, mostrarles las heridas de los clavos y de la lanza y decirles: «¡La paz con vosotros!». Esta experiencia ha *grabado para siempre el aleluya en el corazón de la Iglesia*, y también en nuestro corazón.

De esa misma experiencia deriva también la oración que rezamos todos los días del tiempo pascual en lugar del Ángelus: el *Regina Caeli*. El texto que sustituye durante estas semanas al Ángelus es breve y tiene la forma directa de un anuncio: es como una nueva «anunciación» a María, que esta vez no hace un ángel, sino los cristianos, que invitamos a la Madre a alegrarse porque su Hijo, a quien llevó en su seno, resucitó como lo había prometido.

En efecto, «alégrate» fue la primera palabra que el mensajero celestial dirigió a la Virgen en Nazaret. Y el sentido era este: Alégrate, María, porque el Hijo de Dios está a punto de hacerse hombre en ti. Ahora, después del drama de la Pasión, resuena una nueva invitación a la alegría: «Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria, alleluia, quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia», «Alégrate y regocíjate, Virgen María, aleluya, porque verdaderamente el Señor ha resucitado, aleluya».

Queridos hermanos y hermanas, dejemos que el aleluya pascual también se grave profundamente en nosotros, de modo que no sea sólo una palabra en ciertas circunstancias exteriores, sino la expresión de nuestra misma vida: la existencia de personas que invitan a todos a alabar al Señor y lo hacen actuando como «resucitados».

Decimos a María: «Ruega al Señor por nosotros», para que Aquel que en la resurrección de su Hijo devolvió la alegría al mundo entero, nos conceda gozar de esa alegría ahora y siempre, en nuestra vida actual y en la vida sin fin.

**II Domingo de Pascua o de la Divina Misericordia, Ciclo A. Rosalino Dizon Reyes.**

**El Señor iba agregando al grupo los que se iban salvando (Hech 2, 47)**

El Señor es nuestra luz y nuestra salvación. Quienes reciben la luz y la salvación, reciben también la misión de llevarlas a los que viven en tinieblas y en peligro de perdición.

No resulta animador el recado confiado a María Magdalena para los discípulos. A la misionera se le acaba de iluminar el rostro sombrío y de devolver el sentido de maravilla, ausente aun estando presentes dos ángeles, al espabilarle Jesús el oído con el saludo: «María», y al abrirle los ojos nublados de tanto llorar.

Es posible que no la crean los discípulos, influidos por Pedro y el discípulo predilecto. Parece que los dos no están aún seguros de lo que lograron entender después de ver el sepulcro vacío, pues, sin compartirlo con María, se volvieron a casa de la misma forma quizás que un caracol se retrae asustado a la seguridad de su concha, por citar una conferencia vicentina (XI 337).

De todos modos, escondiéndose y encerrándose en una casa, se delatan inseguros los discípulos. Pero así como consoló Jesús a la que se pasaba llora que te llora frente al sepulcro, así también penetra él ahora la oscuridad pavorosa de los que, sin él, difícilmente se recuperan del trauma que resulta de presenciar ellos, aunque a distancia segura, tanto la noche de la entrega traicionera como las tinieblas de las tres horas de agonía más dolorosa en la cruz.

Así que pasa el Resucitado a través de puertas acerrojadas. Tranquiliza a los sobrecogidos de temor y vergüenza: «Paz a vosotros». Enseguida les enseña las manos y el costado para asegurarles de que el que se ha puesto en medio de ellos no es otro que el que fue crucificado y sepultado. Y para dar más de la medida, les ofrece otra vez la paz, y les manda salir y hacerse, alentados por el Espíritu, misioneros de la paz y la reconciliación, de la conversión y el perdón. No, no les basta con amar a Dios, si no lo aman sus prójimos (XI 533).

Claro, son creíbles los misioneros y las misioneras por su ejemplo. Persuaden a la gente más por su constancia en la enseñanza apostólica, en la comunión y la compartición, en la fracción del pan, por su alegría, que por sus palabras eruditas y doctrinas perfectamente formuladas. Los verdaderos misioneros aman a Dios a costa de sus brazos y con el sudor de sus frentes, sin contentarse con dulces coloquios ni palabras angélicas (XI 733). Saben que no sea que comprendan eficazmente la entrega del cuerpo y el derrame de la sangre, y el lavatorio de los pies, y vean en los pobres al proclamado «Señor mío y Dios mío», no tendrán parte con él. Así atraen a otros a la dicha de creer y amar para la vida eterna, aun sin ver ni hablar ni escribir.





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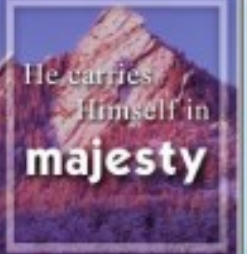
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