

BECAUSE YOU BELONG TO CHRIST



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

WEEKDAY MASSES: 7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday
12:00 p.m. 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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**Assisted hearing devices are available
from the Sacristy staff at all services**

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



*"Would that the Lord might bestow the Spirit on all"
- Numbers 11:29*

My dear parishioners,

The spirit was moving and breathing among the Israelites in a manner they did not expect. The disciples also were unnerved by the movement and power of the spirit on those who were not part of the group of disciples. Jesus opened their hearts to look beyond their own expectations. Eventually, but not without great struggle, they began to learn that God was willing to work through all people, even sinners, even gentiles, even the poor, even women, even children, the blind, the deaf, the outcast. *"For it is God, who gives to all, life and breath and every other gift, who, as Savior, calls that all be saved."* Lumen Gentium, Vatican II. *"Whoever is not against us is for us"* says Jesus. All people are most dear to God.

The majority of the work with regard to sowing seeds of vocations to the priesthood and religious life is done by all the people of God. We see firsthand at Nativity the difference that Sr. Donatella and Sr. Mary Attilia have made in the lives of others. Thank you for all your efforts to promote the priesthood and religious life through your words and example, as well as your prayers. May the witness of Pope Francis, and our sisters and priests and those who share in ministry bestow on all the *"spirit"* of God to bring healing and peace to the world.

Love and Blessings,
Bob Cilinski
Msgr. Robert C. Cilinski,
Pastor

**ILLUMINATED
ROSARY**

Sunday, October 6, at 7:00 PM
in the Church Sanctuary.
Please plan to bring your
family and friends out for
this beautiful event.

PARKING LOT GUIDANCE

On Sundays, as people are leaving the church parking lot after Mass, cars are being blocked by other cars parked in the right-turn lane onto Old Keene Mill Road (at the entrance closest to the traffic light). Since it is an actual traffic lane, we ask that **NO CARS** be parked in the turn lane near Old Keene Mill Road. Thank you for your cooperation and respect for other parishioners. The invitation to *"love our neighbor"* really does begin in the parking lot! So grateful, Fr. Bob.

*The Art & Environment Ministry
needs more helping hands!*

Nativity's Art & Environment Ministry always needs help to change the church décor as the Church goes from one liturgical season to another, especially for Christmas and Easter. Volunteers are needed to help:

During the month of December to help assemble and put up the creche (first week in December), the Christmas trees (2nd week in December), and prepare the wreaths to put up on Monday, December 23
During Holy Week and Saturday of Easter Vigil (April 15 – 19), to prep and decorate for Easter.

Please contact Vickie Sands at artandenvironment@nativityburke.org if you are interested in helping decorate. More hands help get the tasks finished more efficiently.

ACCOLADE OF THE WEEK

Thanks to all on the Festival Committee for the fantastic day. Your efforts and planning brought our parish community together to celebrate our unity in Christ and the beauty of Our community as was enjoyed the delicious food and heartwarming entertainment. The children had so much fun with the games and activities. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus who provided great food and beverages for all to enjoy, and to TusaRebecca and Steve Pannucci for saying "Yes" to Chair the Festival Committee again and all who assisted them in leadership roles. A shout out to all who attended and to the Sisters who were in charge of the weather..... just perfect!!

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**

Please visit our parish website to register or scan the QR-CODE



SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

Session	Day	Time	Grades
1	Sunday	3:45 - 5:00 pm	K-8
2	Sunday	7:00 - 8:15 pm	K-8
3	Monday	4:45 - 6:00 pm	K-8
4	Monday	7:00 - 8:15 pm	K-8, RCIC, RCIA
5	Tuesday	4:45 - 6:00 pm	K-8
6	Tuesday	7:00 - 8:15 pm	K-8, HS(Confirmation)



<https://nativityburke.org/re-registration/>
703-455-0372 or nativity.ccd@nativityschool.org

Are you separated or divorced?

Journey of Hope is a welcoming parish community for separated and divorced Catholics to share hope, healing, and fellowship that is rooted in Faith, God's Grace and immensurable Divine Mercy. Where ever you are on the journey, join us!




Introductory Meeting

When: Thursday, October 10, 7:00 pm
Where: Nativity School, Room 203

Website nativityburke.org/separated-divorced
 Contact separated.divorced@nativityburke.org

Pray the Pro-Life Rosary with Us!


When: Usually Friday mornings after Nativity's 7:30 am Mass
 Where: 900 S. Washington St, Falls Church, VA.



Join Nativity in peacefully praying the Pro-Life Rosary on the sidewalk in front of the Falls Church abortion facility for mothers in need and for the protection of human life. Contact rickloffredo@outlook.com if you'd like to join us!

IN MARY'S FOOTSTEPS
A Group for Widows

We are a group of women who share the experience of the loss of our beloved husbands and join together in faith and fellowship. Our meetings are on the second Monday of the month at 11:00am in the Fr. Ready Room. We have gathered for lunches or dinners out, retreats at the Benedictine Monastery, museum tours, etc. Please feel free to join us at our next meeting on October 7 at 11:00am. For further information, please contact Cat Sands at csands@nativityburke.org. May God bless you!



SUPPORT OUR LOCAL POLICE STATION

NATIONAL FAITH & BLUE WEEKEND

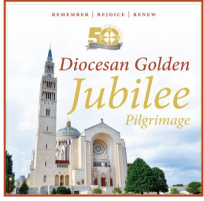
The National Faith & Blue Weekend is October 11-14, 2024 under the theme "*Partnering for stronger, safer communities*". As part of the nation's largest annual collaborative policing initiative, National Faith & Blue Weekend facilitates safer and stronger communities by engaging law enforcement officers and local residents through the connections of faith-based organizations. Faith & Blue is based on the premise that strong communities are built through mutual respect and understanding. Law enforcement and faith institutions are key pillars of each community, and when they work together, neighborhoods thrive.

Nativity Parish supports the local West-Springfield District Police Station and is part of their ecumenical Police and Faith Community, with Joe Tiago on the planning committee. The committee is planning the 3rd Quarter Police and Faith Leadership Gathering to be held at the West Springfield District Station on October 8, 2024. Faith community leaders from over 70 houses of worship will gather to share resources, create relationships, and connect with the Fairfax County Police Department.

From October 7-13, Nativity Catholic Church will be collecting the following items to support our West-Springfield Police Station:

- * Appreciation letters and cards
- * Healthy snacks
- * Protein bars and shakes
- * Baked goods

Donations can be dropped off at the church office during weekdays, at the designated table in the church narthex before/after weekend Masses on October 12-13, or by contacting Joe Tiago at jonotionline@hotmail.com.



Join Msgr. Bob, the Sisters, and other parishioners to celebrate the 50th Diocesan Golden Jubilee with a Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC Saturday, October 5

<https://nativityburke.org/jubilee-pilgrimage/>

Sign up to ride on the Nativity buses, free of charge, on Saturday, October 5th. Meet in the Nativity church narthex by 8:00am to check in. The bus will leave for the Shrine at 8:15am, and is scheduled to return to Nativity by 3:30pm. The cafeteria at the Shrine will be available to purchase lunch OR you can eat at a local restaurant OR you can bring your own bagged lunch. All are welcome and encouraged to attend this free event! Plenary Indulgence information available. For questions or more information about the pilgrimage, please contact Nativity parish pilgrimage captains, Rick and Linda Loffredo, lindaloffredo@gmail.com or call 703.249.9492.

Schedule:

- 8:00 am - Meet in the Nativity narthex for bus departure
- 9:00 am - Opening Music in the Basilica
- 9:30 am - Arrival and Reception of Pilgrims, Welcome Remarks
- 9:45 am - Seated Overview Tour (20 min)
- 9:45 am - Family "Seek & Find" activity, Confessions begin
- 10:45 am - Spiritual Reflection (English in main Church by Fr. Keith O'Hare, Spanish in Crypt by Fr. Matthew Zuber-bueler)
- 11:30 am - Mass (celebrant and homilist, Bishop Burbidge)
- 12:30 Lunch
- 1:45 pm - Eucharistic Adoration and Procession
- 2:30 pm - Blessing of Religious Articles
- 2:45 pm - Board the buses for return to Nativity

**Healing through the Annulment Process
October 19 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm, free but please register!**

Want to learn more about our Lord's healing presence through the Annulment process? As a divorced Catholic have you thought about an Annulment and don't know where to begin or what it's about? Join fellow members of the Diocese who have gone the divorce and Rev. Thomas P. Ferguson, pastor of Good Shepherd Church in Alexandria and judge in the Diocesan Tribunal, for a special morning to learn about the Annulment process and how to embark on this unique pathway to healing and renewal.

Participants will attend Holy Mass followed by an informative discussion about the Annulment process led by Fr. Ferguson with opportunity for questions and answers. A procession to Nativity Church's Grotto and Rosary to Our Blessed Mother to begin the journey to healing will conclude the morning. Attendees are then invited to optional fellowship at a local restaurant after the event. The event is free, but please register by visiting:

<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/event/annulmenthealing/> 

WELCOME BACK FROM THE ROSARY MINISTRY!!

We hope you all had a great summer. Need something to do while the kids are in school? While you sit and wait for them to finish up a sports practice? Come to our October meeting and learn how to make mission Rosaries on:

**Sunday October 20th from 2:00-3:30pm
in the Father Ready Room.**

We welcome back all Rosary makers! New, experienced or those who want to learn. We will have teachers there that will teach new people or give a refresher class to those who need it.

Hope to see you October 20th! If you have any questions please email us at: rosaryministry@nativityburke.org

Retrouvaille - Marriage Help

Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. For confidential information about how to register for the program on the weekend of October 18-20, 2024. Please call 703.351.7211 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org.

**ECHO Collection NEXT weekend 5/6 October
Food Room Most Needed Items**

ECHO's Food Room continues to break records. We collected 1,027 lbs of food on July 6/7 at Nativity.

- Choose sizes appropriate for our average family size of four.
- Include an assortment of food to ensure a variety of items.
- We are short on many other items such as personal care products and the items listed below. We collected 948 lbs on the week of September 7/8.

ECHO's policy is to not give expired, open or repackaged food to clients. PLEASE do not bring these items or glass jars!!

Protein Items, e.g., can chicken, Spam, chili, Tin Fish (tuna, sardines, salmon, etc.), Canned Fruit, Bagged Beans (black, red, or garbanzo preferred), Lentils, Spaghetti (pasta and sauce) Instant and Ground Coffee, Canned Tomatoes, Tomato (paste and Tomato Sauce), Baked Beans, Bagged Rice (white, jasmine or basmati), Instant (Box) Potatoes, Crackers, Ramen, Can milk, shelf stable milk, Boxed Pasta, Juice (Bottles or box), Tea (Green, Herbal or Black), Healthy Snacks, Spices (garlic, onion, cinnamon, salt, pepper), Masa (Corn) Flour, Boxed cereal, Lemon or Lime Juice, Jelly and Honey, Tortillas, Cooking Oil, Brown Paper Bags, Reusable Grocery Bags, Children's Toothbrushes, Laundry Detergent, Toilet Paper, Deodorant, Shampoo, Facial Tissues, Dish Soap, Paper Towels Body/Hand Lotion, Band Aids, Shaving Cream/Razors, Diapers - Sizes 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, Baby Wipes, Sanitary Napkins.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

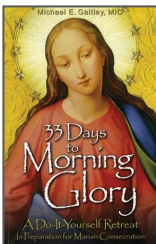
The Marriage Enrichment Ministry is looking for a few individuals to help on our October 12 date night. Come make a positive impact to support marriages and families. Email marriage@nativityburke.org or call 571-208-2821.



**ALTAR FLOWERS - Donated by
George & Kim Young
With Special Intention for
Chelsea Grimm and her family**



Join us beginning October 1, 2024, for an amazing, six-week parish virtual retreat. This program is based on "33 Days to Morning Glory", by Fr. Michael Gaitley to Prepare for consecration to Jesus through Mary.



St. Mother Theresa said, "Pray especially to Our Blessed Mother Mary, placing all your intentions into her hands. For she loves you as she loves her Son. She will guide you in all your relationships so that peace may fill your life." The program includes 6 Zoom meetings and culminates with an in-person Consecration Ceremony on November 10.

For more information and to register, use the QR code or go to the Nativity Web site at <https://nativityburke.org/marian-consecration>.

For questions, please contact Nenuca Robles Admana at 33DayConsecration@nativityburke.org



**DONUT
SUNDAY
NEXT WEEKEND**





NATIVITY STARS BASKETBALL

REGISTRATION

All boys and girls in grades 3-8 in Nativity's Religious Education Program or enrolled in Nativity Catholic School are welcomed to register

Registration opens October 1st

Register at <https://nativityburke.org/cyo-basketball/>

PRACTICES AND GAMES

Practices begin late October
Games run from December to March

VOLUNTEERS

Coaching and volunteer roles are available.
Please reach out if interested!

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT
CYOSPORTS@NATIVITYBURKE.ORG



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

Monday, September 30th

7:30 am † Regis & Mary Valentine

Tuesday, October 1st

7:30 am † Jose Renee Ilog
12:00 pm † Kerry Gorton

Wednesday, October 2nd

7:30 am † Mark Running
3:00 pm † Ann Marie Gavin (*Sunrise Living*)

Thursday, October 3rd

7:30 am † Courtney Coco
12:00 pm † Daniel Hunter

Friday, October 4th

7:30 am † Francisca Claire
9:00 am † Julie Kowalczyk

Saturday, October 5th

9:00 am † Estelle Matusky
5:00 pm † Joseph Tran & Van Nguyen
7:00 pm † Teresita Rodon de Comas

Sunday, October 6th

7:00 am † Quinto Mascelli
9:00 am † Catherine Klocek
11:00 am Parishioners
1:00 pm † Michael Ponti
5:30 pm Special Int. for the Ray Family

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

Love to sing? Would you like to help enhance our church music?

Come sing with the Nativity Traditional Choir, we are actively seeking new members! We sing many different musical styles and are looking for new choir members in all sections, especially High Soprano, Soprano, Tenor, and Bass.

The Nativity Traditional Choir (NTC) sings at the 9:00am. Sunday Mass throughout the year, Christmas Eve Midnight Mass with the Christmas Chamber Orchestra, the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday morning Mass with the Easter Brass Quintet, parish Confirmation Mass, and other special occasions. Its repertoire consists of sacred music spanning different periods and styles, such as Traditional hymns, Classical & Romantic choral works, as well as Gospel and Contemporary Catholic hymns. Rehearsals are held on Thursday nights in the Church from 7:30pm to 9:00pm.

If you have a love for music and a desire to use your musical gift to worship the Lord and enhance the liturgy while praying and singing in harmony with others, you're welcome to join us. The choir is open to anyone over the age of 18. If interested or if you wish to join, please come speak to the NTC choir Director at the 9:00am Mass, or contact Mai Tran at maitran2020@yahoo.com.



St. Lucy Fall Food Drive: Saturday, October 26th from 9:00AM-1:00PM

The St. Lucy Fall Food Drive will take place from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Saturday, 26 October to support Catholic Charities in its campaign against hunger in the Diocese. The St. Lucy truck will be parked at the rear of the church parking lot nearest Old Keene Mill Road (like in the previous food drives). During that time, you can drive to the truck and our team will take any donations from your vehicle (please place your donations in your trunk for safe and easy removal). Catholic Charities also accepts monetary donations, especially grocery gift cards (Giant, Safeway, etc.); any donation is welcome! Please make checks out to CCDA, with "St. Lucy Project" in the memo line. We can always use help with loading donations; if you'd like to volunteer, please sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D49ADAE29A6FE3-stlucy1>. If you would like to help hand out the blue bags after Mass on 19-20 October, please sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D49ADAE29A6FE3-stlucy#>. Any questions, please email the St. Lucy Team at nativity.stlucyteam@gmail.com. Thank you and God bless you!



2024 BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

All Parishioners and their pets are invited to a special blessing on Friday, October 4 at 6:00pm in the lower Nativity parking lot, near the Grotto. Please have all pets leashed and/or restrained!

YOUTH MINISTRY

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



EDGE: GRADES 6-8
Twice a month: Sunday 3:30-5:00pm
& Friday 7:00-8:30pm
See website for full schedule



REGISTER FOR YOUTH MINISTRY


Whether your child is new or returning, please fill out our 2024-2025 registration form. There is no cost to register, and this form only needs to be filled out once per year. It includes all Diocesan required waivers for on-site gatherings at Nativity. Head to our website to access the forms.

See website for full schedule
Before attending, please register for the 2024-2025 year of ministry using our free, online forms.

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



Save the Date - October 2 @ 6:30pm

Please join us October 2 at 6:30 pm in the Father Martin Center for **"Kids In Today's Society"** presented by MPO Tony Capizzi and PFC Liam May with the Fairfax County Police Department.



MPO Capizzi and PFC May will discuss current trends in social media, narcotics, and mental health concerns in the teen population. The class provides guidance for parents to talk to their children and find resources if their kids are dealing with any of these challenges. They will also bring items that demonstrate what kids use to conceal their contraband and show off what some of the contraband looks like. It is important to note that this presentation is for **PARENTS ONLY**. It is open to parents of Nativity Catholic School students, Religious Education Parents and parishioners.

Mass for Marriage Jubilarians 2024

Married in 1999 or 1974?
Join us for the annual Mass for couples celebrating silver (25 year) or golden (50 year) anniversaries!!
The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington, will be the principal celebrant and homilist at the Mass. If interested, please register by visiting the Parish office or going online by October 1st. We cannot register you by phone.
Where: Cathedral of St. Thomas More, Arlington, VA
When: October 20, 2024 | Mass at 3:00pm

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AT NATIVITY PARISH

FELLOWSHIP ENJOYMENT

FUN MUSIC

DINNER & DESSERT RAFFLE PRIZES

NATIVITY'S MASQUERADE BALL SILENT AUCTION

DJ -BOBBY G. PHOTO BOOTH
MASTER ENTERTAINER CASH BAR (BEER & WINE)
DANCING

SATURDAY OCTOBER 26, 2024

6:30 PM - 11:00 PM

TICKETS \$40 PER PERSON




MASKS AND/OR COSTUMES ENCOURAGED BUT NOT REQUIRED TO ATTEND AND HAVE FUN



Kids in Today's Society (KITS)

Nativity Catholic School

(6398 Nativity Ln, Burke, VA 22015)

Wednesday, October 2nd

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Presented by the Fairfax County Police Department. Come learn about current trends in social media, narcotics, and mental health concerns in the teen population. During the presentation we will provide guidance in talking to your kids and help you find resources.






CHRISTMAS WREATH SALES

It is that time of year again! Nativity's Boy Scout Troop 1100 is selling Christmas wreaths to help fund our camping activities. All sales will be online and shipped directly to the buyer. If you usually buy a fresh wreath, consider supporting our troop. They make great gifts to send to family across the miles. Sales take place in October to be assured of early December delivery. Please use this QR code to go directly to the sales page for Troop 1100 or go to: <https://giftitforward.com> and use fundraising code: TR1100VA001. We will be selling after Mass October 12/13 and 26/27. Questions? Contact Elizabeth Tramel at andrewandelizabeth@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!!




10.13.2024

HISPANIC HERITAGE MASS AND FESTIVAL
WITH BISHOP MICHAEL BURBIDGE



FOOD | LIVE MUSIC | GAMES

Mass (Spanish): 12:30pm
Festival: 11am - 6pm

CATHEDRAL OF ST. THOMAS MORE
3901 CATHEDRAL LN, ARLINGTON, VA 22203



THE MARIH CENTER NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The Marih Center, a pro-life pregnancy resource center serving families for 50 years, is experiencing an influx of new families (741 new in addition to our existing families in 2023). We are in need of additional volunteers, especially Spanish translators. Our hours at the Center at 3230B Duke Street in Alexandria are Mon -Thurs 10:00am-3:00pm & Sat.10:00-11:00am. We welcome your call and heart of service to help so many in need. Please call Beth Gilles-Whitehead at 703-370-4774.

X Follow Bishop Burbidge on X!

Bishop Burbidge has over 25,000 followers on Twitter! His daily reflections and posts are popular and insightful. Follow him [@BishopBurbidge](https://twitter.com/BishopBurbidge).

Annual Mass FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES



CELEBRATED BY MOST REV. MICHAEL BURBIDGE

St. Mark Catholic Church
9970 Vale Rd, Vienna, VA

13 OCTOBER | 9:00 AM
Light reception & fellowship to follow




CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON




REMEMBER | REJOICE | RENEW

Diocesan Golden Jubilee Pilgrimage

BISHOP MICHAEL F. BURBIDGE INVITES YOU TO THE DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON GOLDEN JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2024
9:30 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

Nativity Catholic Church 40 Hours Devotion 2024

Sunday 20th October

5:30 pm	<i>Sunday Mass</i> - Opening Mass for Forty Hours Devotion with Solemn Exposition at the end of Mass
6:30 pm	<i>Vespers</i> - Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	<i>Confessions</i>
9:30 pm - 11:30 pm	<i>Confessions</i>
11:45 pm	<i>Compline</i> - Night Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours, Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament afterward

Monday 21st October

7:30 am	<i>Mass</i> - Simple Exposition of the Most Holy Eucharist at the end of Mass
8:00 am	<i>Lauds</i> - Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours
8:30 am - 9:30 am	<i>Confessions</i>
12:30 pm	<i>Daytime Prayer</i> - Midday Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	<i>Confessions</i>
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	<i>Confessions</i>
7:00 pm	<i>Vespers with Homily</i> - Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours with a Conference on the Eucharist
8:00 pm - 10:00 pm	<i>Confessions</i>
11:45 pm	<i>Compline</i> - Night Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament afterwards

Tuesday 22nd October

7:30 am	<i>Mass</i> - Simple Exposition of the Most Holy Eucharist at the end of Mass
8:00 am	<i>Lauds</i> - Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours
8:30 am - 9:30 am	<i>Confessions</i>
11:30 am	Reposition of the Most Holy Eucharist in preparation for Mass
12:00 pm	<i>Mass</i> - Exposition following Mass
12:30 pm	<i>Daytime Prayer</i> - Midday Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	<i>Confessions</i>
4:30 pm - 6:30 pm	<i>Confessions</i>
6:30 pm	Reposition of the Most Holy Eucharist in preparation for Mass
7:00 pm	<i>Mass</i> - Closing Mass for Forty Hours Devotion
8:00 pm	<i>Procession</i> - Eucharistic Procession throughout the Church ending with Solemn Benediction

Nativity Catholic Church



EMAIL & TEXTING SCAM ALERT

Nativity parishioners, please be aware of email scammers posing as Nativity priests. If you receive an email or text from any Nativity clergy urgently asking you for favors or money, this is a scam. Please ignore and block the sender. If you have any questions, please call the Nativity Parish office: (703) 455-2400

Historically, scammers have posed as Father Bob, now they are posing as our other Nativity priests.

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.

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.

Pro-Life Corner

Keys To Bioethics: Clear answers to bioethical challenges arising from scientific and technological progress <https://laityinvolved.org/project/keys-to-bioethics/>

U.S. Bishops Affirm that Ending Abortion Remains our Pre-eminent Priority: Bishop Burbidge’s Respect Life Month Statement states: Jesus calls each of us to respect that gift of life in every human person. While we live in a society that often rejects those who are weak, fragile, or vulnerable, they are the most in need of our care and protection. The law and millions of our brothers and sisters have yet to recognize this reality... But what we now see is that fifty years of virtually unlimited abortion has tragically created a national mindset where many Americans have become comfortable with some amount of abortion. This allows the abortion industry to continue to provide any amount of abortion... “abortion remains our pre-eminent priority as it directly attacks our most vulnerable brothers and sisters, destroying more than a million lives each year in our country alone.” ... We see many politicians celebrating the destruction of preborn children, and protecting access to abortion, even up until the moment of birth. Pope St. John Paul II’s words resonate today: “we are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, ... we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life.” We must renew our commitment to work for the legal protection of every human life, from conception to natural death, and to vote for candidates who will defend the life and dignity of the human person... We must call for policies that assist women and their children in need, while also continuing to help mothers... through local pregnancy help centers... and to all who are suffering from participation in abortion... We must rededicate ourselves to pray on behalf of life... Through the graces of this revival, may we witness, work, and vote so that all children in the womb will be protected in law and welcomed in love, and that all mothers and families will be strengthened by our support and accompaniment. [https://www.usccb.org/resources/rlp-24-rlm-statement%20\(1\).pdf](https://www.usccb.org/resources/rlp-24-rlm-statement%20(1).pdf)

34th Annual Life Chain: Oct 6, 2:30 - 3:30 pm, 6222 Franconia Road, Alexandria - <https://www.lifechain.net/>. Join us in this peaceful, prayerful public witness of solidarity by the Christian community supporting the sanctity of human life. Park at St. Lawrence.

Nativity All-Day Prayer Vigil for Life: Oct 18, 900 S. Washington St, Falls Church Donate one hour for this 40 DFL vigil (from 7am–7pm) to join us in peaceful prayer on the sidewalk in front of the Falls Church abortion facility. Msgr. Bob will join us (!) during the 11am-12pm shift, give a short speech, and join us in a tour of the “A Best Choice Mobile Ultrasound Unit” that will be parked nearby from 10:45am – 12:15pm so that three shifts can enjoy the mobile ultrasound unit tour. SIGN UP here: bit.ly/42FrC2j

Tepeyac Pro-Life OB/GYN: Faith-based Pro-life OB/GYN restoring integrity of human person with modern medicine and healing of Christ at tepeyacobgyn.com, 703.273.9440. **A Woman’s Choice Center:** Providing Compassionate Support. Free pregnancy, medical, educational, and support services for women and families, 703.538.4305. **Project Rachel:** Help after Abortion. Helpafterabortion.org, 703.841.2504.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT MINISTRY
PARENTING IN A DIGITAL WORLD

Date Night

Guest speaker
DR. MICHAEL HORNE




Nativity School Cafeteria
Saturday, October 12th from 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Dinner & Childcare Provided
To register or for more information, please see the parish website under “upcoming events” or contact Anna Lisa Licud marriage@nativityburke.org

BETHLEHEM CARVING GROUP
www.bethlehemcarvings.org

On the weekend of Oct. 5th / 6th, 2024, there will be a display of beautiful olive-wood handmade carvings from the Holy Land in our church.

These carvings are made by the Christians of Bethlehem who use them as their main source of income. These brothers and sisters of ours are enduring hardships, especially now, because of the volatile situation in their home country. Christians in the Holy Land used to comprise of more than 37% of the population. There are less than 1% now. As Christians of faith, we need to support our brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. YOU can support them by purchasing some of these beautiful carvings after Mass. For more information, please contact us at 202-302-5889 or visit www.BethlehemCarvings.org.

A message from the Creation Care Ministry

Creation Care Ministry (CCM) wishes to thank the Marriage Enrichment Ministry and Anna Lisa Licud and Monsignor Bob for a rewarding collaboration in the Heroes Hike and Bunnyman Brewery fellowship! A terrific group hiked the Lake Mercer trail with connections rekindled and new friends made. Being outside and enjoying nature truly allows us to appreciate God’s beauty—studies of our physical and mental health show how important connecting with nature is, but our spiritual health can equally benefit. This is a wonderful time to be celebrating the planet God has given us! In fact, it is the Season of Creation, with a theme of “To Hope and Act with Creation.” CCM enjoyed providing new reusable dishware for the Bunnyman event with the turn out being so great that we ran out! For more information email: nativitycreationcare@gmail.com.

Please note that the 2024 Mass Intentions Calendar is fully booked thru December 31, 2024. We will open the January 1 - June 30, 2025 Mass Intentions Calendar in November. Stay tuned for the bulletin Announcement with the exact date!



Who: All high school students


What: Mass with Bishop Burbidge, Eucharistic Adoration, inspirational speakers and entertainers, breakout sessions, inflatable games, music, ice cream, and more!

Cost: \$30 (includes registration, bus, snacks, dinner, & t-shirt)


Time: Depart Nativity at 11am, return no later than 9pm

Registration: Fill out the form on the parish website or scan the QR code. Registration closes on Wednesday, October 23 at 11:00 a.m.





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***Nativity Priests' BBQ:
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One of our favorite start-of-school traditions is the Priest Barbecue, hosted by Msgr. Bob, Father Bresnahan, and Father Bennett – hamburgers and hotdogs served up by the Knights of Columbus. It was a beautiful Friday afternoon – we passed the football with Msgr. Bob, shot baskets with Father Bennett, and practiced our handstands with Father Bresnahan. We LOVE hanging out with our priests! Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for grilling up the best hamburgers and hotdogs for all of us!



Important Upcoming Dates

- Monday, Sep 30 - No School
- Wednesday, Oct 2 - Kids in Today's Society, 6:30pm
- Thursday, Oct 3 - Field Trip Kindergarten
- Thursday, Oct 3 - Future City Meeting, 3:00pm
- Friday, Oct 4 - Blessing of the Animals, 2:15pm
- Wednesday, Oct 9 - New Family Open House, 9:30am
- Friday, Oct 11 - 12 NOON Dismissal

Have We Got the Spot For Your Kindergartner! Let's Meet!



Our Nativity Kindergarten Program is Engaging, Interactive, and Inspirational. We have two large learning spaces, where we employ a variety of instructional techniques to meet the needs of our students, while promoting growth Academically, Socially, Emotionally, and Spiritually.

Students learn to read utilizing phonics; they use manipulatives to improve number sense and to deepen their skill level in Mathematics, and they explore other subjects, such as Robotics, Religion, MakerSpace, Spanish, Music, Art, and Media. They can even take Piano Lessons, if you so choose! Contact Shannon Murphy at (703)455-2300, or smurph@nativityschool.org, for a school tour and additional info.

***Love working with children? Want flexibility?
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- Proficiency in maintaining effective classroom management skills
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- Successful background check

***Contact Mrs. Shannon Murphy, our Registrar,
 for more information, at (703) 455-2300***



***Linktree Universal Sign-up Link - Volunteer for an event!
 Scroll down to view all event. https://linktr.ee/fr_sikora_council_7992.***

Council Meetings: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays. 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

Donut Sunday: Sunday, October 6 in the Fr. Martin Center. Sign up to prep and serve your fellow parishioners. A great recruiting opportunity! See SUG on LinkTree.

Illuminated Rosary: Sunday, October 6, at 7 PM in the church sanctuary. Please plan to bring your family and friends out for this short, but beautiful event. Please reach out to Br. Bob Sands for information. See SUG on LinkTree.

Nativity All-Day Prayer Vigil for LIFE: Friday, October 18 (as part of the 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign). Volunteer to lead the Pro-Life Rosary for one hour so that each of the 1-hour slots (from 7 AM - 7 PM) has a Knight in attendance. See SUG on LinkTree.

Financial Readiness Seminar: Tuesday, October 22, 7-9pm. All are invited to better understand the benefits available to Catholics through the Knights of Columbus.

Trunk or Treat: Mark your calendar for Friday, October 25! This event is designed to provide a safe place for the children of the parish to come, show off their costumes, collect some treats, and have some fun. See SUG on LinkTree.

Masquerade Ball: Saturday, October 26 with preparation on Friday and cleanup on Sunday. Ticket sales will be before and after Mass starting October 5. See SUG for sales and the event on LinkTree.

Nativity All-Day Prayer Vigil for LIFE: Friday, October 18 (as part of the 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign). Volunteer to lead the Pro-Life Rosary for one hour. See SUG on linktree Contact Br. Rick Loffredo for more info at: life7992@nativityburke.org.

Food for Others: Volunteer for food distribution to the poor, delivered on designated Thursday or Friday evenings. For Thursdays, contact Br. Mark Sawyer at sawyerkoc7992@verizon.net. Fridays, contact Br. Matt Stockburger at mstock_w@yahoo.com.

Name Tags: If you have not received your name tag, email Warden Br. Lenny Richoux at warden7992@nativityburke.org.

Nativity Ushers assist at collections: Volunteer for your Mass! Volunteer on Link Tree for a database of potential helpers!

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

Handy Knights Ministry: Parishioners unable to perform basic maintenance tasks or small home repairs due to health or other factors, contact the "Handy Knights." Email handyknightsfnativity@gmail.com.

The Fraternal Committee: Brothers helping brothers in need of assistance. Brothers and their families (living and deceased) in need of a helping hand, contact Br. John Landy at navyy8@yahoo.com.

3rd Degree Knights - Grow with 4th Degree: participate in patriotic activities that promote Catholic citizenship. Next meeting is October 8. If you are interested, please contact our Faithful Navigator Mark Corzine at fn2996@vakofc.org.

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. Please email our Deputy Grand Knight, Michael Bender, at dgk7992@nativityburke.org.



Financial Seminar & Social

Join us for an informative live presentation from The Knights of Columbus. Learn about insurance and other financial products from an organization that is aligned with your faith.

*All are invited
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³Standard & Poor's AA+ Rating North American Life Insurance Companies from Strongest to Weakest by S&P Global Ratings. As of January 25, 2023.
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arlingtondiocese.org/event/annulmenthealing





WARMING UP VIRGINIANS

Catholic Charities Migrants and Refugees Ministry and Nativity Parish have a **10,000 Coats Collection Challenge**.

Four churches, including Nativity Catholic Church, with the help of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Arlington, are running an ambitious coat drive to help those in need this winter. The goal of the drive is to collect 10,000 coats for the homeless, refugees and immigrants, single mothers and anyone else in need in the



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Good News

INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 29, 2024: Nm 11:25-29 | Ps 19:8,10, 12-14 (9a) | Jas 5:1-6 | Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48

Pray: Holy Spirit, help us to see the goodness in others, grant us strength to resist sin in our lives, and give us the grace and courage to lead others in holiness as faithful disciples of Christ. Amen.

Jesus Offers Lessons in Discipleship and Servant Leadership.

Jesus offers three lessons for those who love Him and want to serve as His disciples. First, Christ's disciples must understand that God loves everyone, and the Holy Spirit moves freely in many ways to fulfill His Holy Will. God's grace often operates in unexpected places through unexpected people. In humility and a sense of inclusivity, we must welcome acts of charity and acknowledge the good being done by others, even when they do not belong to our community or share our faith beliefs. God's love and mercy have no boundaries.

The second issue Jesus addresses is the seriousness of sin and how we must make every effort to remove sin from our lives. Although Jesus used graphic language about cutting off a hand or foot or plucking an eye out to signal our need for radical and profound conversion, He did not mean for us to grab a butcher knife. He wants us to let go of anything that leads us away from God, no matter how attached we might be. As faithful disciples, we must be committed to loving and trusting God with all our hearts, and to show our love, we must follow His commandments, knowing



He loves us and wants only the best for us.

The third lesson Jesus stresses is the tremendous spiritual harm caused by scandal and the importance of living sincere and authentic Christian lives as a good witness to others. Living virtuous, prayerful, moral lives and avoiding near occasions of sin protects our souls and helps us avoid leading others into sin. Jesus says that leading others into sin is a grave offense against God for which we will be punished.

To be effective disciples, we must examine our attitudes and ensure we have a generous spirit of loving others in the ways of Jesus, especially those different from us. We must lead others with courage and humility by speaking the truth in love, free of pride and arrogance. We must also examine our personal lives to be sure we weed out our own sins so we may be sincere Christ-like role models.

Reflect & Discuss:

- † In what ways must you first tend to your own spiritual life to be an effective witness and disciple of Christ to others?
- † How would you explain the idea of sin to an unbelieving friend?
- † Why is it important to recognize and support the good works of others?
- † How have you seen the Holy Spirit work in unexpected ways or in unexpected places?

APRENDE TU FE**Jesús, un hombre como nosotros.****Jesucristo****Dios no ha podido descender más abajo, y el hombre no ha podido subir más arriba.****Por: Pedro García, Misionero Claretiano | Fuente: Catholic.net**

Yo no sé si encontraremos unas palabras sobre Jesucristo tan grandiosas, y tan sencillas a un tiempo, como las que trae el Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica tomándolas del Concilio, cuando nos dice:

El Hijo de Dios trabajó con manos de hombre, pensó con inteligencia de hombre, obró con voluntad de hombre, amó con corazón de hombre. Nacido de la Virgen María, se hizo verdaderamente uno de nosotros, en todo semejante a nosotros, menos en el pecado.

Todo esto lo sabemos desde siempre y lo confesamos continuamente en el Credo, cuando decimos que el Hijo de Dios se hizo hombre. Es la verdad fundamental de nuestra fe.

Pero, ¿nos hemos puesto a pensar en lo que significa que Dios se haya hecho hombre? Pues significa esto precisamente: que el Hijo de Dios, una de las Tres Personas de la Santísima Trinidad, al hacerse hombre, y quedando Dios verdadero, ahora va a ser uno igual que nosotros.

Nos va a conocer como conocemos nosotros.

Nos va a querer como queremos nosotros.

Nos va a amar como amamos nosotros.

Va a trabajar con manos encallecidas como trabajamos nosotros.

Dios va a hacer todo lo nuestro con manos nuestras, va a entender con cerebro nuestro, va a amar con corazón nuestro...

Si este Dios no se gana nuestra voluntad, nuestro cariño, nuestro amor, nuestra adhesión, y si lo dejamos de lado no haciéndole caso ninguno, entonces Dios ha fracasado del todo con nosotros; pero también nosotros habremos fracasado del todo en la vida, y nos perderíamos sin excusa alguna. Porque Dios no ha podido hacer por nosotros más de lo que ha hecho.

Un científico alemán protestante, aunque lo llamaríamos mejor un descreído, profesor en la universidad, lanza en una reunión de gente sabia esta atrevida pregunta: -¿Que Dios existe? No lo creo, porque, de existir, se cuidaría un poco más de los hombres.

Un caballero católico acepta el desafío y le contesta: -Falso, señor profesor. Es usted quien no se ocupa de Dios, ya que Dios se ha preocupado bien de usted. Porque, para salvar a los hombres, el mismo Dios se ha hecho hombre.

El profesor reconoce su atrevimiento y empieza a pensar. No mucho después abrazaba el catolicismo.

Tener con nosotros a Dios hecho hombre, es la condescendencia suma a que Dios ha podido llegar. El Hombre Jesús nos descubre a Dios tal como es Dios con nosotros, porque es Dios quien actúa en Jesús para decirnos cómo Dios nos ama, cómo quiere que seamos, cómo quiere que actuemos en la vida, cómo vamos a ser después para siempre.

Dios ha hecho todas las cosas y en ellas ha dejado la huella de su propio ser, sobre todo de su amor. Por eso la creación entera es una revelación manifiesta de Dios. Dentro de la creación, el hombre es la criatura más excelsa, pues ha sido hecho como varón y como mujer a imagen y semejanza de Dios. Pero en Jesús, Dios ha manifestado toda su gloria en la máxima expresión. El Dios hecho Hombre ha revelado al hombre todo lo que Dios es, lo que ama, lo que promete y lo que va a ser para el hombre glorificado.

Si examinamos esas cuatro palabras clave del párrafo del Concilio y del Catecismo, descubrimos en ellas todo el abismo de la bondad de Dios.

¿Que Dios, en Jesús, trabaja con manos de hombre?... Entonces nosotros amamos nuestra fatiga, nuestro esfuerzo, nuestro deber diario. Si Dios ha hecho lo que hago yo, ¿por qué no voy a hacer yo lo que ha hecho Dios?...

¿Que Dios, en Jesús, piensa con inteligencia de hombre?... Entonces, ¿no veo cómo mis pensamientos pueden ser un cielo limpio, bello, que refleje toda la hermosura del alma preciosa de Jesús?

¿Que Dios, en Jesús, quiso y se determinó con voluntad de hombre?... Entonces, ¿cómo debo yo abrazarme con todo el querer de Dios, si Dios mismo me enseña a hacerlo como Él?

¿Que Dios, en Jesús, amó y ama con corazón de hombre?... Entonces, ¿no veo cómo el amor mío es un amor como el del mismo Dios?...

El hecho de la Encarnación del Hijo de Dios no ha podido ser invento nuestro. No hay hombre que pueda imaginarse algo semejante. Lo sabemos por revelación de Dios, y no es extraño que esta verdad cristiana tan fundamental haya sido objeto, desde la antigüedad hasta hoy, de discusiones acaloradas. Antiguamente se decían algunos herejes:

- ¿Dios unido a la materia? ¡Imposible!... Hoy se han dicho algunos: - ¿El hombre necesita a Dios? ¡No nos hace falta!...

Pero la verdad cristiana se mantiene firme: Dios, en Jesús, se hace hombre; y el hombre, en Jesús, llega a ser Dios.

Dios no ha podido descender más abajo, y el hombre no ha podido subir más arriba.

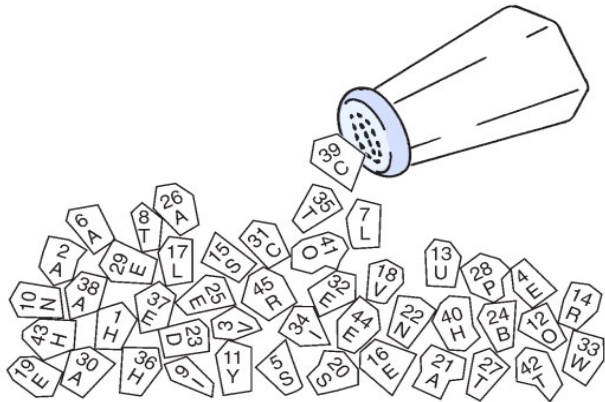
Todo ha sido obra del amor de Dios para ganarse el amor del hombre y darle la salvación. ¿Cabe ahora en el hombre negar a Dios el amor y no aceptar la salvación que Dios le ofrece?... Algunos, harán lo que quieran. Otros, nos apegamos a ese Dios, que, en Jesús, lo es todo para nosotros...



Jesus said, "Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again?"

Write the letters from the salt on the correct lines to find out what else Jesus said.

" 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20
 21 22 23 24 25 26 27
 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36
 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 "



Jesus told the disciples not to stop other people who were speaking for Him.



Use this code to find Jesus' words.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14											

He said,

" 3,4 8 9,10
 12 4,5 8 3 11,12 3 9,10
 5 10 7,8 8 10,11
 1 4 1 5 7,8 10 10,11
 11 10 5 10
 3,4 8 9,10 11 10 "

Children's Worship Bulletin™

Ages 7+

September 29, 2024 • Mark 9:38-50

In Jesus' Name

The disciples were with Jesus. "Teacher," said John, "we saw someone driving out demons in Your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us."

Find these letters hidden in the picture:
 DRIVING OUT DEMONS



What did Jesus say to His disciples?

Add the consonants in the order given in the spaces below.

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