

**Nativity**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH  
Burke, Virginia

1973

2023

*Celebrating 50 Years!*  
*"We are God's people" - 1 Peter 2:10*

**6400 Nativity Lane,  
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**SUNDAY MASSES:** 5:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass  
7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass in Spanish  
7:00 a.m./9:00 a.m./11:00 a.m./  
1:00 p.m./5:30 p.m.

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

**HOLY DAY MASSES:** As Announced

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

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

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

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Announcements for the bulletin  
**must** be submitted **in writing** by 9:00 AM on  
Tuesday (5 days prior to publication). Please note: this  
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You may email submissions to  
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**27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Sunday**  
*in*  
**Ordinary**  
**Time**

"The kingdom of  
God will be  
taken away from  
you and given to  
a people that  
will produce  
its fruit."

*Matthew 21:43*

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



*"The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel" - Psalm 80*

My dear parishioners:

Today the prophet Isaiah and the Gospel speak of the Lord's vineyard. The Lord's vineyard is the plan, the dream which God nurtures with all his love. He planted and nurtured it with patient and faithful love so that it can become a holy people.... a people who bring forth a harvest of abundant fruits of justice. But God's plan is thwarted and yields wild grapes. God expected justice but there is violence and cries of distress. Pope Francis tells us that God's vineyard, our sister earth, is crying out to us *"because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her."* There are other justice issues such as racism, greed, violence, hatred, which bring about God's heartbreak. This is not God's plan for his creation for we hear of God's tenderness for all human life and all creation and the loving gaze in which God watches over his vineyard.

Jesus didn't call for the elimination of the rebellious tenants, but for others to take their place and to do what's needed to be done. Pope Francis tells us, *"The Creator does not abandon us; he never forsakes his loving plan or repents of having created us. Humanity still has the ability to work together in building our common home."*

Let us do a good job of nurturing and tending the vineyard by engaging in protecting life and all of creation. In this way our hearts and minds will correspond to God's dream.

Love and blessings,

*Fr. Bob Cilinski*  
Fr. Bob Cilinski  
Pastor

**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!!

**OLIVEWOOD HANDMADE CARVINGS**

This weekend of October 7th/ 8th, 2023, there will be a display of beautiful olivewood 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 at this moment because of the volatile situation in their home country.

Christians in the Holy Land used to be more than 37% of the population. There are less than 1% now.

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](http://www.BethlehemCarvings.org).

**Forty Hours Devotion**

Beginning in November 2021, parishes throughout the Diocese of Arlington started holding the Forty Hours Devotion. The celebration of Forty Hours in every region of the Diocese is part of the Diocesan-wide preparation for the Golden Jubilee in 2024.

At the heart of the Forty Hours Devotion is the Holy Eucharist, the very Real and True Presence of God himself. Christ our Lord is really and substantially present in this great Sacrament, and through our participation in the devotion we enter his presence, remember the salvation he won for us, rejoice in him, and become signs of his divine renewal in our world.

In the Diocese of Arlington, Forty Hours was widely celebrated following the establishment of the diocese in 1974 and has remained an important devotion in many parishes. The faithful of our Diocese are encouraged to participate in their parish's Forty Hours Devotion and in those of other parishes, spending time in prayer before the Eucharistic Lord, who can and will help us in our every need.

**Nativity Catholic Church Schedule**

<https://nativityburke.org/40-hours-eucharistic-devotion/>

**Sunday, 15 October 2023**

5:30pm *Sunday Mass* | Opening Mass for Forty Hours

Devotion with Solemn Exposition at the end of Mass

6:30pm *Vespers* | Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours

9:45pm *Compline* | Night Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours, Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament afterward

**Monday, 16 October 2023**

7:30am *Mass* | Simple Exposition of the Most Holy Eucharist at the end of Mass

8:00am *Lauds* | Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours

7:00pm *Vespers with Homily* | Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours with a Conference on the Eucharist

10:00pm *Compline* | Night Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament afterwards

**Tuesday, 17 October 2023**

7:30am *Mass* | Simple Exposition of the Most Holy Eucharist at the end of Mass

11:30am | Reposition of the Most Holy Eucharist in preparation for Mass

12:00pm *Mass* | Exposition following Mass

12:30pm *Daytime Prayer* | Midday Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours

6:30 pm | Solemn Benediction and Reposition

7:00 pm | Closing Mass for Forty Hours Devotion

**In Observance of Columbus Day, the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 9th**

**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 on time 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 21/22.  
Please contact Elizabeth Tramel  
at [andrewandelizabeth@gmail.com](mailto:andrewandelizabeth@gmail.com) with any  
questions Thank you for your support!!*

**UNIVERSAL PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD**

For the Church, on the eve of a new phase in the synodal journey, that the presence of the Gospel, alive and at work in her, may make her like the vineyard in the parable, a vital place where all men and women who seek meaning in their life find a place, a word, and a breath of hope, we pray:

For the bishops and all the participants in the Synodal Assembly, that proposals may spring forth from their listening to the Holy Spirit, so that the entire People of God, in a dynamism of communion, may feel that they are truly participating in the life of the Church and be a living and attractive witness to the newness of the Gospel in the world, we pray:

For theologians: may the gifts of wisdom and revelation accompany their contribution to the work of the Synodal Assembly, so that the gift of faith may become life in all God's people, we pray:

For young people, seekers of truth and authentic witness, concreteness and spirituality; that, as a result of the synodal journey, they may feel increasingly involved in the Church’s life and mission in the midst of the challenges of today's world, giving to so many, with the enthusiasm of their age, the hope that springs from an encounter with Jesus, we pray:

For us gathered here in communion with Christian communities throughout the world: that by tasting the goodness of the Lord that comes to each one in the body and blood of Jesus, we may receive from him a fresh view of our neighbor and be made witnesses to generosity in the world in which we live, we pray:

**Support Your Local Police Station during National Faith & Blue Weekend “Building Bridges to More Inclusive Communities” - ends October 9th**

Nativity Catholic Church is still 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 or at the table in the church narthex before/after weekend Masses on October 7/8, or by contacting Joe Tiago at [jonotionline@hotmail.com](mailto:jonotionline@hotmail.com).*



**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

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

Registration Period: October 1st - 27th  
Registration Fee: \$95

**PRACTICES AND GAMES**

Practices start in October  
Games run from December to March

**COACHES**

Please reach out if you are interested in coaching.  
Volunteer spots still available!

**FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT  
[CYOSPORTS@NATIVITYBURKE.ORG](mailto:CYOSPORTS@NATIVITYBURKE.ORG)**

**CBA | CATHOLIC BAR ASSOCIATION**



The Catholic Bar Association (CBA), the nation’s leading association of Catholic lawyers, is holding its Annual Conference and General Assembly on Friday, October 27 and Saturday, October 28, 2023 at George Mason University Arlington Campus. Speakers include top legal scholars Judge Justin Walker, Helen Alvaré, Mark Rienzi, and Erika Bachiochi among others. CLE available!

Bishop Michael Burbidge will be the Celebrant and Homilist for the concluding Red Mass at the Basilica of St. Mary in Alexandria on Saturday, October 28 at 5:00 PM with a banquet following at the Westin Alexandria Old Town.

Visit [catholicbar.org/CBA2023](https://catholicbar.org/CBA2023) for more information and to register. The event is co-sponsored by the Thomas More Guild for Legal Professionals in the Catholic Diocese of Arlington, Virginia.

**NO HANDS BUT YOURS MINISTRY**

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 D.C. AND NORTHERN VIRGINIA  
EVERY SUNDAY MORNING, RAIN OR SHINE.

FOR MORE DETAILS VISIT THE NATIVITY PARISH WEBSITE  
OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN DAILY/SUNDAY  
RUNS, PLEASE CONTACT JOHN RUBINO AT:  
[JOHN.ALBERT.RUBINO@GMAIL.COM](mailto:JOHN.ALBERT.RUBINO@GMAIL.COM).

**Fall Marriage Program Kicks Off**  
**October 13** Meets on Fridays from 7-8:30 PM in the art room. "Choice Wine" is the program. Starts with a potluck dinner, Oct. 13-Nov. 17th.


**Adult Children of Divorce Mini-Retreat**  
**October 28** 9 AM Mass; Retreat from 10 AM-Noon in the church. Speakers: Art Bennett and Alex Wolfe Refreshments will be served.

**Date Night**  
**November 18** 6:00-8:30 PM with Laraine Bennett "Art of Living with Less." Refreshments will be served. Childcare will be offered.


**Book Fellowship**  
**December 2** With Deacon Kelly from 7:00-8:30 PM in the cafeteria.

For detailed information email Anna Lisa [marriage@nativityburke.org](mailto:marriage@nativityburke.org) or see the upcoming events on the parish website

**A RETURNING SERVERS WORKSHOP:**  
 Will be held on Wednesday, October 18 at 6:00pm (REVISED DATE)




**DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE**



**CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR NATIVITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**  
 33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18TH | 4-8PM**  
 5747 BURKE CENTRE PKWY, BURKE, VA, 22015

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **RWMRK22** OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



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

**Monday, October 9th**  
 7:30 am † Peg & Joe Patchan

**Tuesday, October 10th**  
 7:30 am † Felix Burneo  
 12:00 pm † Terry Moore

**Wednesday, October 11th**  
 7:30 am Special Int. for Verónica Rodrigues

**Thursday, October 12th**  
 7:30 am Special Int. for Ânia Rodrigues  
 12:00 pm † Ed Bannon

**Friday, October 13th**  
 7:30 am † Michael Daniel Foley  
 9:00 am † Daniel Panganiban

**Saturday, October 14th**  
 9:00 am † Abelardo Garcia  
 5:00 pm † Catherine Cilisnki  
 7:00 pm † Julia Plaza

**Sunday, October 15th**  
 7:00 am Parishioners  
 9:00 am † Sam Gensel  
 11:00 am † Rev. Richard Martin  
 1:00 pm † Dottie, Frank, Carol Andrews  
 5:30 pm † Sam and Mae Libero

In prayer, let us remember the sick and deceased of the parish visit [nativityburke.org](http://nativityburke.org) for the Priest Mass Schedule

**"We are called to bring together our principles & our political choices, our values and our votes, to help build a civilization of truth & love."**

*-Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*



The 2023 election cycle is critical for Virginia. Learn more at:  
[VACATHOLIC.ORG/ELECTION2023](http://VACATHOLIC.ORG/ELECTION2023) & [VOTEVALUESVA.COM](http://VOTEVALUESVA.COM)

Please be aware that the Church, parking lots and Church grounds are private property. Campaigning, placement of political signs or distribution of flyers for political campaigns, is strictly prohibited.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AT NATIVITY PARISH

AMUSING

FUN

ENJOYMENT



MUSIC

DINNER  
&  
DESSERT

RAFFLE  
PRIZES

SILENT  
AUCTION

# NATIVITY'S MASQUERADE BALL

DJ - BOBBY G.  
MASTER ENTERTAINER

PHOTO BOOTH  
CASH BAR  
(BEER & WINE)

DANCING

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4, 2023

6:30 PM - 11:00 PM

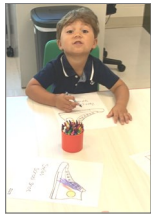
TICKETS \$40 PER PERSON



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



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



*We are in need of substitute teachers with the following minimum qualifications:*  
2-Plus years of college. Ability to follow a lesson plan and give effective instructions in the absence of the teacher. Proficiency in maintaining effective classroom management skills. Diocesan-compliant. Successful background check

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**Also Seeking ~ A Substitute for the School Nurse**

- Current RN license
- CPR-certification
- Type 1 Diabetes experience a PLUS
- Diocesan-compliant
- Successful background check

To apply, email Rich Godwin at [rgodwin@nativityschool.org](mailto:rgodwin@nativityschool.org), or call him at (703) 455-2300

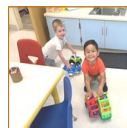
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**~ Important Upcoming Dates ~**

- Monday, October 9 - No School, Columbus Day
- Thursday, October 12 - Kinder, 4th Grade Field Trips
- Wednesday, October 18 - Chipotle PTO Fundraiser
- Friday, October 27 - No School, Teacher Work Day
- Friday, October 27 - Trunk or Treat, 7 - 8 pm
- Tuesday, October 31 - Classroom Halloween Parties
- Tuesday, October 31 - Halloween Parade, 2:15 pm

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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. We may be just the school for which you've been searching! 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).

*The 31st International Week of Prayer and Fasting coalition, in collaboration with the Legion of Mary, Marian Fathers, and others are asking members of parishes to unite for nine days of prayer and fasting from October 20-28, 2023.*

The Closing day of the International Week of Prayer and Fasting will be held in-person on Saturday October 28, from 8:30am to 4:00pm at the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, with Eucharistic Adoration, Mass at 12 noon, the Rosary, and guest speakers through out the day. Confirmed speakers include Fr. Timothy Byerley, Ray Grijalba, Dr. Carlos Parellada, Sister Deirdre Byrne, and Ted Flynn. Our main celebrant Bishop Emeritus Robert J. Baker, STD. The week will begin with a Virtual Conference starting on October 20, 21, & 23 with the following speakers: Fr. Chris Alar, Fr. Robert Altier, Nikki Kingsley, Fr. David Gunter, Dr. Peter Howard, Mark Houck, Karen Japzon, Fr. Ron Stone, and Maureen Flynn.

*Registration is required for the Virtual Conference and watch FREE on Day of Presentation at [www.iwopf.org](http://www.iwopf.org) or call 888-478-PRAY. On-demand replays of speakers' talks are available by registering online at [www.iwopf.org](http://www.iwopf.org) for an ALL-ACCESS PASS.*

MARIAN HOMES, INC. for the intellectually disabled

**RESCHEDULED DATE!**

DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT



**SATURDAY - OCTOBER 14**

SPONSORED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
Nativity Catholic Church  
6400 Nativity Lane, Burke, VA 22015  
Parking Lot - Drive thru - from 10:00 am-12:00 noon

DONATIONS GRACIOUSLY ACCEPTED  
Proceeds will be for the benefit of the intellectually disabled  
Bring your old documents, cancelled checks, paper, manila folders, windowed envelopes, etc.  
NO newspapers, magazines, card board  
NO heavy metal objects, especially 3-ring binders  
NO hard-drives, discs, tapes, etc.



**WALGREENS FLU CLINIC - SAVE THE DATE**  
Saturday and Sunday, October 21/22, after all Masses.  
More information to come, please have your insurance information ready.

# TRUNK OR TREAT

Join Nativity Catholic School on Friday, October 27th from 7:00-8:00pm for a Trunk or Treat. All vehicles setting up will need to arrive between 6:00-6:30pm.



**TRUNK OR TREAT**

For Volunteer and Car Registration (trunk registration must be diocese compliant) visit:  
<https://nativityburke.org/trunk-or-treat/>

## Taizé Ecumenical Prayer

Saint Bernadette Catholic Church, 7600 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield, welcomes all Christians and people of good will to sung ecumenical prayer in the tradition of the Community of Taizé, France, **Monday, October 16 at 8pm, and every third Monday.** The forty-five-minute candlelight service is composed of simple participatory songs, prayer, scripture, and silence.

Come and pray for Christian Unity and for our world. [www.stbernpar.org](http://www.stbernpar.org).


## ANNUAL FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY

### Wednesday, 8 November at 7:30pm

All parishioners are invited to join the Knights of Columbus for a patriotic ceremony at the Holy Spirit Parish School Gymnasium, 8800 Braddock Road, Annandale. Local scouts from both parishes will help retire the flags and the West Point Glee Club will perform. If you have a worn or soiled flag that needs to be retired, drop it in one of the special collection boxes available in the Narthex and inside the Nativity school entrance. This patriotic event is a great way to celebrate Veteran's day and to show the proper reverence and respect for the symbol of freedom that is our American Flag. A reception with light refreshments and fellowship will follow the ceremony.

For more information, contact John Ostrowski at [jaostrowski89@gmail.com](mailto:jaostrowski89@gmail.com)

### HELP WANTED Can you count to 10??



Then we need you! Join us for our first rosary meeting *Sunday, October 15 from 2:00-3:30pm* in the Father Ready room. Learn more about our ministry and how to make mission rosaries. Please sign up on the church website under rosary ministry at [nativityburke.org](http://nativityburke.org)

Every Friday, Pray the Pro-Life Rosary, 8:45am-9:45am: Meet in the Narthex after Friday 7:30am Masses and join us on the sidewalk in front of the abortion facility at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church.




## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

### All-Day Prayer Vigil for Life

**HELP SAVE LIVES**  
 Friday, October 20, 2023  
 From 7:00am – 7:00pm  
 Location: 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA  
 Sign up for one hour at:  
<http://bit.ly/3roaU9F>  
 Or by scanning the QR



# REGISTER TO VOTE!



This fall, voters will elect Virginia General Assembly candidates — and in some areas — “down-ballot” offices. The deadline to register is **Monday, Oct. 16.**

**Who is eligible to register?**

- Must be a U.S. citizen.
- Must be a resident of Virginia.
- Must be 18 on or before the next election (e.g., 17-year-olds born on or before Nov. 7, 2005 can register today).
- Not be registered and plan to vote in another state.

**How to register:**


You can register online, by mail, or at your local registrar’s office, among other locations. Visit [vote.elections.virginia.gov](http://vote.elections.virginia.gov) or scan the QR code to:

- Register to vote online.
- Check registration status.
- Find your polling place.
- Apply to vote absentee by mail.




FOR MORE ELECTION RESOURCES FROM THE VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE VISIT:  
[vacatholic.org/Election2023](http://vacatholic.org/Election2023)

EARLY VOTING BEGINS SEPT. 22. **REGISTRATION ENDS OCT. 16.** ELECTION DAY IS NOV. 7.



## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl meeting for October will be held on Monday morning, October 16th at 9:30am in the Fr. Ready room. All are welcome!



## Adult Children of Divorce Mini-Retreat at Nativity Catholic Church

*Saturday, October 28th*  
**9:00 AM Mass and 9:35 AM Refreshments in the Narthex**  
**10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Retreat with speaker Art Bennett**

Many adults whose parents are divorced carry invisible wounds from their parents' divorce. Adult children of divorce are impacted by the emotional reality of divorce and how it affects their thoughts about marriage and family, which can impact their relationships. The impact is more than answering the question, "Who do we spend the holidays with?"

There is surviving the aftermath of divorce and the emotional hurdles. No matter the age when your parents divorce, there is a loss experienced. The loss of parents as a unit, the home, security, and stability. Family traditions may have ceased, which were rooted in the familial past, and one may not feel firmly rooted. Adult children may feel they are the family peacemaker and may struggle with trust. One may feel alone or lost, searching for lasting healing and love. Coming to this mini-retreat for a few hours is a special time just for you, for healing, for understanding, and in community.

DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON PRESENTS

# RALLY

• ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE INVITED! •



**A DAY FILLED WITH FAITH AND FUN!**

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER: JIMMY MITCHELL**

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 22ND**

**BISHOP BURBIDGE**

**MUSICIANS: BEN WALTHER & BAND**

**Who:** All high school students  
**Cost:** \$30  
**Time:** 11am-9pm  
 Registration closes on **Monday, October 16 at 11:59 pm**  
 Register on the parish website or scan the QR code



Contact Rebecca Judge, Director of Youth Ministry  
 cym@nativityburke.org

# YOUTH MINISTRY

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

**HIGH SCHOOL SMALL GROUPS**

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


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

**EDGE: GRADES 6-8**  
 Alternating Sundays | 3:30-5:00pm & Fridays | 7:00-8:30 pm

**REGISTER FOR RALLY**

All high schoolers are invited to join us at RALLY for a day of talks, inflatables, music, great food, Mass with the Bishop, and more!

**Who:** All high schoolers (Grades 9-12)  
**When:** Sunday, October 22 | 11:00am - 9:00pm  
**Cost:** \$30



[See website for full schedule](#)  
 Before attending, please register for the 2023-2024 year of ministry using our free, online forms.

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

# FALL MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT Program




**Fridays from 6:30-8:30 PM Teachers Lounge**

**OCT. 13, 20, 27** | **NOV. 3, 10, 17**

RSVP [marriage@nativityburke.org](mailto:marriage@nativityburke.org)

### 20 October 2023 - Nativity's All-Day Prayer Vigil for Life from 7:00am-7:00pm

Put on your calendar and plan to one hour to pray the Pro-Life Rosary on sidewalk in front of Falls Church abortion facility, 900 S. Washington Street (Lee Hwy), Falls Church. Part of 40 Days for Life's Fall Campaign to end the scourge of abortion locally, saving pre-born and newly born children and moms in crisis pregnancies. Contact RickLoffredo@outlook.com.

### ALTAR FLOWERS - Donated by



Tom and Kathleen Powers  
In Loving Memory of  
Robert and Marjorie Powers

**The Knights of Columbus - Ladies Auxiliary**  
 Formed to assist and support the Knights, our Church and the four virtues of Charity, Unity, Sorority and Patriotism. We are spouses, daughters, mothers, or sisters of Knights of Columbus who are in good standing or deceased. Our fellowship and informational meetings are the First Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm in the Fr. Ready Room. Contact [kdelatte65@gmail.com](mailto:kdelatte65@gmail.com) for information or to be added to our email distribution list.

## NATIVITY'S 5K/FUN RUN

### SAVE THE DATE

**SAT. NOV. 18TH**  
**7AM - 11AM**





**Council Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Tuesday. First meeting is a business meeting, the second meeting of the month is devoted to faith formation. Rosary 7:15 PM; meeting at 7:30 PM. Fellowship follows. Meet in the Nativity school cafeteria. Linktree Universal Sign-up Link: [https://linktr.ee/fr\\_sikora\\_council\\_7992](https://linktr.ee/fr_sikora_council_7992)

**14-15 Oct, St Lucy Food Drive:** Blue Bags Out: Volunteer on linktree.

**20 Oct, 40 Days for Life:** All-Day Prayer Vigil for Life Infront of an Abortion Clinic on the sidewalk for one hour blocks, 7am to 7pm. Event lead: RickLoffredo@outlook.com Volunteer on linktree.

**21 Oct, St Lucy Food Drive:** Food Drop off: Volunteer on linktree.

**14-29 Oct, Masquerade Ball:** Ticket Sales after Masses: Volunteer on linktree.

**5 Nov, Masquerade Ball:** Event set-up assistance needed: It takes a lot of volunteers to set-up, request your assistance to make this evening a huge success. Volunteer on linktree.

**Food for Others:** Volunteer drivers for food distribution to the poor. If you have a truck or van and can occasionally help deliver to 7 Corners on Thursday evenings or to Springfield on Friday evenings please consider helping. For Thursdays, please contact Br. Mark Sawyer at sawyerkoc7992@verizon.net. For Fridays, please contact Br. Matt Stockburger at mstock\_w@yahoo.com.

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

**Sunday Mass Coffee and Cookies:** We are providing coffee and cookies following Sunday morning Masses. Volunteer on 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." Email handyknightsfnativity@gmail.com.

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

**3rd Degree Knights:** Grow with 4th Degree - participate in patriotic activities that promote Catholic citizenship. 4th Degree Assembly meets the second Tuesday of the month in the Nativity school cafeteria: 7:30 pm rosary, 7:45 pm business meeting followed by fellowship. If you are interested, please contact our Faithful Navigator Vince Augelli at fn2996@vakofc.org.

**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!

<https://www.kofc.org/joinus> and experience the Knights free for one year: Enter the Agent Code "CPEREZ", click "Add" and complete the form. Be sure to enter our council #7992 for local information when you register. Please email our Deputy Grand Knight at cokofc7992@gmail.com or the Grand Knight at pmdelatte@gmail.com if you have any questions.

\* Event pre and post management tools are available on linktree. Program Chairs & Event leads, please review and complete all event tasks.

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

**Free Time After College Classes? Join the Nativity  
School Extended Care Team  
\*\* Competitive Hourly Rate! \*\***

Love working with children? Creative with Fingerpaint?  
Like to Sift Sand? The following qualifications are necessary:

- A LOVE of Children and 'Can-Do' Attitude
- Afternoon Availability, 2 to 6 p.m.
- Diocesan Compliance to Work With Kids

To apply, or for more info, please contact Jen Behan, Director,  
at [jbehan@nativityschool.org](mailto:jbehan@nativityschool.org), or (703) 455-2300.

**The next St. Lucy Fall Food Drive  
will take place from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM on  
Saturday, 21 October to support  
Catholic Charities in its continuing fight  
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 July drive). 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, including 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 follow this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D49ADAE29A6FE3-stlucy1>. If you have questions, please email the St. Lucy Team at: [nativity.stlucyteam@gmail.com](mailto:nativity.stlucyteam@gmail.com). Thank you and God bless you!

## NATIVITY - BAPTISM PROCEDURES

We are currently scheduling group Baptisms on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 2:00 pm in the Church for registered Nativity Parishioners. To register at Nativity Parish, please stop by the parish office or visit our website to download the form.

### TO SCHEDULE A BAPTISM

#### Step 1: Paperwork

To begin the process, please first complete our Baptism Application which can be picked up from the parish office or downloaded from our website at:

<https://nativityburke.org/baptism/>

#### Please bring the following to the Parish Office:

1. Copy of child's Birth Certificate
2. A certificate of eligibility for your Catholic godparents. Please review our Godparent Requirements. Godparents who are registered members of Nativity DO NOT need to provide a certificate.
3. Completed Baptism Application.

**Scheduling the date of the Baptism will take place  
ONLY after these items are received.**

#### Step 2: Preparation for New Parents

If this is your first child (congratulations!), in addition to providing the above paperwork, parents must attend a Baptism Prep class. Godparents are welcome, too. Register Online for our Baptism Prep class at: <https://nativityburke.org/baptism/#preparation>

#### Step 3: Nativity Schedules the Baptism Date

At this point, please call our Baptismal Coordinator, Anna Marty, to review your paperwork, discuss any questions, and schedule the date and time of the Baptism. She is available Monday - Wednesday at the parish office, please call 703-455-2400 or email [amarty@nativityburke.org](mailto:amarty@nativityburke.org).

**We cannot schedule anything before we have  
ALL paperwork completed and turned in!**



**ST. LUCY FOOD DRIVE**  
Feeding the Hungry; Nourishing the Soul



**PLEASE**  
**DONATE**

---- **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21 | 9AM-1PM** ----

Nativity Parish Parking Lot

A "Drive-By/Drop-Off" food drive  
Please place your donations in your trunk

**FOOD ITEMS MOST NEEDED**

- Canned Meat (tuna and chicken)
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Pasta & Pasta Sauce
- Canned Pasta (ravioli)
- Hearty Soups
- Cereal & Oatmeal
- Canned Veggies
- Canned Fruit

**Please no glass containers**

**DRIVE UP AND DROP OFF YOUR DONATIONS! THE ST. LUCY TEAM WILL ASSIST YOU!**

**GIFT CARDS AND MONETARY GIFTS ALSO ACCEPTED**

Checks can be made out to "CCDA" with "The St. Lucy Project" in the memo



**DO YOU ENJOY COOKING?**

Join our Youth Ministry Hospitality Crew!

We are in need of parishioners to cook about once a month for our high school Youth Ministry program on Sunday evenings from 5:00-7:30pm.

Contact Director of Youth Ministry, Rebecca Judge  
cymenativityburke.org



**During the last few months, through the Sacrament of Baptism, we joyfully welcomed the following into our Parish Community:**

- |                           |                             |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Isabella Rose Rainville   | John-Paul Francesco Navarro |
| Lucia Anne Massaro        | McElwain                    |
| Carl Khalil Rajeh         | Jonah Avery Tongbua         |
| Everett Ray Magill        | Eleonor Munoz               |
| Bennett Howarth           | Cannon Edward Cooke         |
| Maxwell James Stewart     | Nolan Wolf Broadwater       |
| Aidan Daniel Gorka        | Gianna Jayne Broadwater     |
| Evan Rosas                | Bryson Anthony LeMelle      |
| Hailey Olivia Bruckner    | Jackeline Elvira Constanza  |
| Charlotte Jane Nappi      | Scarlet Noelia Constanza    |
| Margaret Catherine O'Hara | Evelina Faye House          |
| Evelyn Marlene Coleman    | Daniel Jacob Allen          |
| Margaret Grace Grubb      | Julian Vaccarella           |
| Sophia Rosas-Vaquero      | Jeremiah Jackson Nowak      |
| Savannah Indigo Olivia    | Julian Rodriguez            |
| Ella Emarie Rodgers       | Jimena Mae Robinson         |
| Avery Catherine Augliera  | Evan Philip Sauter          |
| Emilia May Richards       | Ava Kathlyn Goeken          |
| Melanie Naomi Cayax       | Sloane Hazel Wilver         |
| Luca Guy Jasien           | Dane Alexander Hamilton     |
| Nathan Allen Deal         | Anna Rose Eichhorst         |
| Genevieve Cynthia Harlowe |                             |


**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**Your Chance to Help Refugee Families**

Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services seeks your help to secure desperately needed household goods for our new arrivals. Donations directly benefit refugees settling inside our Diocese by outfitting their apartments with basic household necessities. Using our Amazon Gift Registry (<https://a.co/3CwyIQ9>), linens, kitchen, bedding, furniture, or other household items can easily be purchased, as well as additionally collecting these goods at your parish through a donation drive. For more information, please contact Lourdes Iglesias at 703.719.8971 or [lourdes.iglesias@ccda.net](mailto:lourdes.iglesias@ccda.net).



Refugee Families Need School Supplies and Winter Coats Autumn is coming, along with those expenses for school supplies and winter wear. Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services requests your help in outfitting our refugee families new to the area. Hosting a collection for new backpacks and school supplies OR for winter coats (new or gently used) are ideal service projects. A successful drive only takes about three weeks overall. Interested? Please contact Lourdes Iglesias at 703.719.8971 or [MRSDonations@ccda.net](mailto:MRSDonations@ccda.net).



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!

Are you a lifelong learner who is passionate about Catholic education and works to inspire others to be extraordinary? St. Paul VI Catholic High School in Chantilly is busy making plans for next school year. God might be calling you to visit [www.paulvi.net/employment](http://www.paulvi.net/employment) to see positions that are available.



Cost of attendance: \$135- card or check  
Includes eligibility screening, assistance in form completion, reminder calls throughout the process.

**Saturday October 21, 2023**  
Nativity in Burke Parish (School Cafeteria)  
6398 Nativity Ln, Burke, VA 22015  
Pre-registration required  
Doors open 10 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**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.

# THE CHOICE Wine™

## 7 STEPS

TO A SUPERABUNDANT MARRIAGE

*"The future of the world and of the Church passes through the family."*

-Pope John Paul II, Familiaris Consortio #75

Integrating the latest findings from modern science with the timeless teaching of the faith and the wisdom of the saints, *The Choice Wine: 7 Steps to a Superabundant Marriage* places authentic marital happiness within every couple's reach.

Studies show that people who are married are happier, healthier and have more financial resources than people who are not married.

*"Christ doesn't want your marriages just to have enough...he wants your marriages to be superabundant!"* -Steve Bollman

The Choice Wine puts couples on a path to superabundance through seven simple, yet highly effective steps:

- Honor your wedding vows
- Use money for other people
- Give God some of your time
- Set your mind on the things above
- Find God in yourself
- Find God in other people
- Make it easy to be good and hard to be bad.

By following these steps, couples can reduce the probability of divorce to essentially zero and increase the probability of having a superabundant marriage to almost 4 out of 5!

*Live the Love.  
Its Real.*

### Program Details

Nativity Catholic Church  
 Fridays, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
 in the school teachers lounge  
 October 13, 20, 27th  
 November 3, 10, 17th

### Schedule

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

### Registration

For more information or to register, please see the Upcoming Events on the parish website or contact Anna Lisa at [marriage@nativityburke.org](mailto:marriage@nativityburke.org).

The Choice Wine is a program of  
**PARADISUS DEI®**



### Prepare and vote: Read the Bishop's Letter and other VCC resources

In the coming weeks and months, voters will elect members to all 140 seats in the Virginia General Assembly, as well as other offices in some localities. Much is at stake!

Early voting began September 22. Election Day is November 7. New General Assembly maps are in effect for this year's elections. To help you prepare, please visit the VCC Election Resource hub (Link below). There you can view, download and print the following materials, three of which are newly released and one of which is re-issued:

- A pre-election letter from Bishop Burbidge and Bishop Knestout
- A Register to Vote flyer explaining how to register, eligibility and key dates
- A New Political Maps flyer to help you find your new districts and the candidates
- A re-issued Four Principles of Catholic Social Teaching resource.

Please review these materials. Share them with family and friends too, and remind them to pray, form their consciences and vote! **For more information visit: [vacatholic.org](http://vacatholic.org).**

NATIVITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Young Adult Ministry

- WHO ARE WE? WE ARE AN ALL-INCLUSIVE GROUP OF YOUNG ADULTS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 19-35 WHO ARE IN THE "MIDDLE" WHETHER THEY ARE SINGLE, NEWLY MARRIED WITH OR WITHOUT CHILDREN OR PERHAPS A RECENT COLLEGE GRADUATE!
- WHAT DO WE OFFER? OUR YAM OFFERS SMALL GROUPS, FELLOWSHIP, SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES, BASKETBALL, AND SO MUCH MORE!



### Follow Bishop Burbidge on Twitter!

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).

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

## Parish App Feature-of-the-Week



Inspiration Daily

- Thoughts on Catholic life
- Informative and inspirational
- Simple insight for living a deeper faith everyday

Learn more or download our parish app at [myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com)

\*Available on Apple and Android Phones.



# Take aim at holiness

*Quo Vadis Paintball Challenge*

Saturday October 28, 2023  
8:15am - 2:00pm

Corpus Christ Parish/Pev's Paintball/Aldie, VA  
Mass, Paintball, Lunch with priests & seminarians. Dads welcome.

Cost: \$50, includes gear and ammo.  
Aid available. Register by Oct. 13.

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




*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:



**WISH YOU WERE  
HERE!**



**Sunday, Oct. 22  
OPEN HOUSE  
1-3 p.m.**



**ST. PAUL VI  
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

**See you soon!**  
42341 Braddock Rd.  
Chantilly, VA 20152

**Scan to register for  
Open House or visit  
[www.paulvi.net/openhouse](http://www.paulvi.net/openhouse)**



# DID YOU KNOW VIRGINIA HAS NEW POLITICAL MAPS?

Your districts for the Virginia House of Delegates and Senate are changing! The Virginia Catholic Conference Election Resource Hub has everything you need to find your new districts and discover the candidates running this year!

At our Election Resource Hub, you can also find information on how to register to vote and more!



**EARLY VOTING BEGINS SEPT. 22.  
REGISTRATION ENDS OCT. 16.  
ELECTION DAY IS NOV. 7.**

[WWW.VACATHOLIC.ORG/ELECTION2023](http://WWW.VACATHOLIC.ORG/ELECTION2023)




**ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE  
MUSIC MINISTRY**

*The St. Andrew the Apostle Concert Series  
Presents:*

**The Fairfax Choral Society  
Symphonic Chorus**

**Sunday, October 22 at 4:00 PM**

*"To Thee All Angels Cry Aloud"*

The program will include:  
Schubert's Mass in G Major  
Rutter's Te Deum  
Works by Herbert Howells, W.A. Mozart and others  
An arrangement of "O God Beyond All Praising"

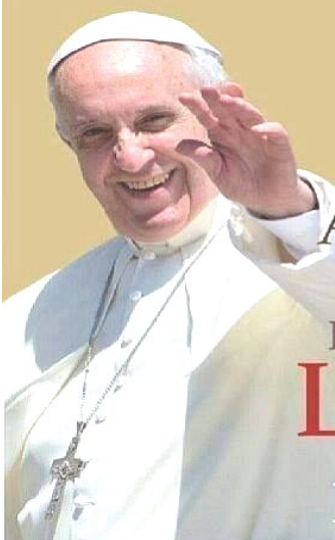
**ADMISSION IS FREE.  
DONATIONS WELCOME.**

Saint Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church  
6720 Union Mill Road  
Clifton, Virginia



**Fairfax Choral Society**

For more information, call (703) 817-1770 or visit [www.st-andrew.org/concerts](http://www.st-andrew.org/concerts)



**LET  
THE CHURCH  
ALWAYS BE  
A PLACE  
OF MERCY  
AND HOPE,  
WHERE  
EVERYONE  
IS WELCOMED,  
LOVED  
AND  
FORGIVEN.**

*~ Pope Francis*



**FAMILY  
GAME DAY**

Get ready for a day of fun, games, and delicious food at our Family Game Day hosted by the Knights of Columbus! This event is perfect for families with children or grandchildren of any age!

**REGISTRATION COMING SOON!**

**SUNDAY, 22 OCT  
2023**

**2:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M.**

**NATIVITY'S FAMILY MINISTRY**

**NATIVITY CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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# Loving through Loss

## Couples Workshop

For families who have experienced the loss of a child from pregnancy through adulthood.

MISCARRIAGE - STILLBIRTH - INFANT

CHILD - ADOLESCENT - ADULT

Register Here



SCAN ME

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023**  
**9:30 AM - 5:00 PM MASS**  
**REGISTRATION: \$80**

**FAMILIES WILL BE GROUPED BY AGE OF LOSS**



Catholic Diocese of Arlington  
Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life

A Diocesan Chapter of:

**Red Bird**  
MINISTRIES

**Saint Thomas à Becket Catholic Church**

1421 Wiehle Ave  
Reston, VA 20190

Chapter Advocate: Elizabeth Leon

For Information:

(703) 283-4053

elizabeth@redbird.love

# The Value and Dignity of Human Life

## Quarterly Meeting of the Parish Liaison Network

### Join Us - In Person

As we find ourselves in a new season of change, let us join together in person and discuss a few of the ways Catholic Charities fulfills our mission of charity, based on the recognition of the value and dignity of human life.

Come and see first hand our Mother of Mercy Health Clinic, and learn more about how the health needs of our community are being served. We will also hear from our Transitional Family housing ministry on addressing the needs of homeless mother's and their children. If your parish has a respect life ministry, we would love to hear from you with examples of how this virtue is expressed.

**Thursday,  
October 26, 2023  
10:00am - 12:00 pm**

**Free Networking Lunch  
12:00pm - 1:00 pm**

**Mother of Mercy Free Clinic  
13900 Church Hill Drive  
Woodbridge, VA 22191**

**Please RSVP by October 23rd  
to [volunteer@ccda.net](mailto:volunteer@ccda.net)**

**PRESENTED BY THE OFFICE OF VOLUNTEERS**

#### CONTACT

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Use QR code for more  
info on the Jubilee

# FORTY HOURS

—  
DIOCESE of ARLINGTON



## THE FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

The *Forty Hours Devotion* is a period of continuous public prayer in the presence of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Christ our Lord is really and substantially present in this great Sacrament, and through our participation in the devotion we enter his presence, remember the salvation he won for us, rejoice in him, and become signs of his divine renewal in our world.

The devotion of *Forty Hours* originated six centuries ago in Milan. The practice spread quickly in the West through figures such as St. Ignatius of Loyola, St. Philip Neri, St. Charles Borromeo, Pope Clement VIII, and Pope Clement XII. It was fervently promoted in the United States by St. John Neumann, the fourth bishop of Philadelphia, and in 1866, the devotion was approved for use throughout the United States.

In the Diocese of Arlington, *Forty Hours* was widely celebrated following the establishment of the diocese in 1974 and has remained an important devotion in many parishes. In remembering our Catholic heritage during the first preparation year leading to the diocesan golden jubilee, each parish in the Diocese of Arlington will celebrate *Forty Hours*.



## OPENING MASS

*Forty Hours opens with the celebration of Mass, for "the celebration of the Eucharist in the sacrifice of the Mass is truly the origin and the goal of worship which is shown to the Eucharist outside Mass" (Eucharisticum mysterium, no. 3c).*

## EXPOSITION

*At the conclusion of Mass, the Blessed Sacrament is solemnly exposed in a monstrance on the altar.*

### ○ SALUTARIS HOSTIA · ○ SAVING VICTIM

O salutaris Hostia, / Quae caeli pandis ostium:  
Bella premunt hostilia, / Da robur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino / Sit sempiterna gloria,  
Qui vitam sine termino / Nobis donet in patria. Amen.

O saving Victim, opening wide / The gate of Heaven  
to man below; / Our foes press hard on every side; /  
Thine aid supply; thy strength bestow.

To thy great name be endless praise, / Immortal  
Godhead, One in Three. / Oh, grant us endless  
length of days, / In our true native land with thee.  
Amen.

## ADORATION

*Adoration of the Most Holy Eucharist takes place for the remainder of the period of public prayer, interrupted only for the celebration of daily Mass. Indeed, Exposition is "intended to acknowledge Christ's marvelous presence in the Sacrament" and "invites us to the spiritual union with him that culminates in sacramental Communion" (Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside of Mass, no. 82).*

## BENEDICTION

*Forty Hours closes with solemn Benediction, in which the Church joined in prayer is blessed with the very Body of Christ.*

### TANTUM ERGO SACRAMENTUM · DOWN IN ADORATION FALLING

Tantum ergo Sacramentum / Veneremur cernui:  
Et antiquum documentum / Novo cedat ritui:  
Præstet fides supplementum / Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque / Laus et Jubilatio,  
Salus, honor, virtus quoque / Sit et benedictio:  
Procedenti ab utroque / Compar sit laudatio.  
Amen.

Down in adoration falling, / Lo! the sacred Host we  
hail, / Lo! o'er ancient forms departing /  
Newer rites of grace prevail; / Faith for all defects  
supplying, / Where the feeble senses fail.

To the Everlasting Father, / And the Son Who  
reigns on high / With the Holy Ghost proceeding /  
Forth from Each eternally, / Be salvation, honour,  
blessing, / Might, and endless majesty.  
Amen.

**VERSE & PRAYER**

¶/ You have given them bread from heaven.  
 ⌘/ Having all sweetness within it.

Let us pray.

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

**DIVINE PRAISES**

Blessed be God.  
 Blessed be His Holy Name.  
 Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.  
 Blessed be the Name of Jesus.  
 Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.  
 Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.  
 Blessed be Jesus in the  
     Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.  
 Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.  
 Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.  
 Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.  
 Blessed be her glorious Assumption.  
 Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.  
 Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.  
 Blessed be God in His angels and in His Saints.

May the heart of Jesus, in the Most Blessed Sacrament, be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection, at every moment, in all the tabernacles of the world, even to the end of time.

Amen.

**REPOSITION**

**HOLY GOD WE PRAISE THY NAME**

Holy God, we praise Thy Name; / Lord of all, we bow before Thee! / All on earth Thy scepter claim, / All in Heaven above adore Thee; / Infinite Thy vast domain, / Everlasting is Thy reign.

Holy Father, Holy Son, / Holy Spirit, Three we name Thee; / While in essence only One, / Undivided God we claim Thee; / And adoring bend the knee, / While we own the mystery.



**ON THE PRAYERS & HYMNS**

The prayers and hymns of *Forty Hours* are worthy of prayerful meditation. They are beautiful and profound expressions of our Catholic faith in Christ's saving death and resurrection and in his real presence in the Eucharist.

*O Salutaris Hostia* and *Tantum Ergo Sacramentum* are sections of hymns originally composed by St. Thomas Aquinas for the Feast of Corpus Christi. The first comes from *Verbum Supernum Prodiens*. The second is from *Pange Lingua Gloriosi*, which has also come to accompany the Transfer of the Blessed Sacrament on Holy Thursday.

The prayer "O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament" is also from Aquinas' texts for Corpus Christi, and it remains the opening prayer of the Mass for this feast.

The *Divine Praises* were composed in Italian by Fr. Luigi Felici (18<sup>th</sup> century) and expanded a few years later by Pope Pius VII.

*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* paraphrases the *Te Deum*, a 4<sup>th</sup>-century hymn still sung in the Office of Readings. *Holy God* was composed in German by Fr. Ignaz Franz (18<sup>th</sup> century) and translated into English by an American priest, Fr. Clarence Walworth. The verses above are the first and fifth of the eight-verse original.

**✽ Diocesan Golden Jubilee Prayer for Year II ✽**

O Mary, Mother of the Church,  
 in you the Word became flesh.  
 All generations rejoice to call you blessed,  
 for the Almighty has done great things  
 for you and through you.  
 As we prepare to celebrate our Golden Jubilee,  
 help us to rejoice with you  
 as we remember the great things  
 that God has done for us.  
 Help us to imitate you,  
 in receiving the Word, your Son,  
 and bearing the Word to the world.  
 For He lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.



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## One Minute Meditations

### St. John XXIII

Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli was born to a poor farming family in Bergamo, Italy. His ordination as a priest in 1904 began a lifetime serving the Church as the bishop's secretary, a military chaplain, cardinal-patriarch of Venice, and finally, as pope. He often visited the poor, the sick and prisoners. He also spent his brief papacy working to improve relations with the Eastern Church. He is most remembered for opening the Second Vatican Council. He died in 1963.



### Choose entertainment carefully

A steady diet of violent entertainment, objectifying media, or explicit reading helps us to become comfortable with violence and sex. We begin to see people as characters rather than humans. Sinful behavior becomes normalized. In our journey toward holiness, it is critical that we are choosy about what we watch and read.

"Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing." (St. Therese of Lisieux, *Story of a Soul*)



## His Mother for our own

While He was on Earth, Jesus gave all of Himself for us – even His life – out of love. He even gave us His own mother to be our true mother (John 19:26-27). In turn, Our Lady works to bring us to the heart of her Son.

*"To Jesus, through Mary."* St. Louis de Montfort used these words to explain that devotion to Mary is the best way to grow closer to Jesus, because Mary herself will lead us to her Son if we ask for her help. When we are under temptation to sin, spiritually dry or discouraged, let Mary take you by the hand and lead you to Jesus.

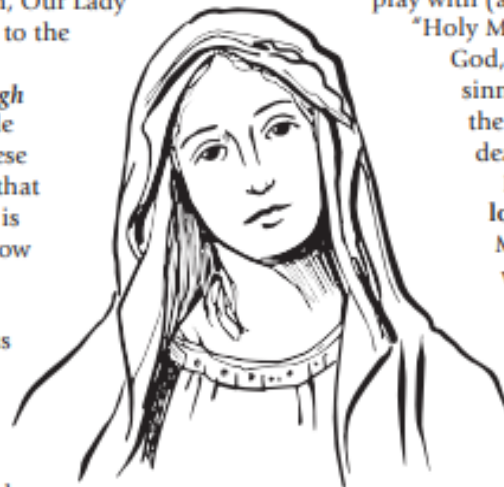
Our path to Jesus. We have one mediator in Christ (1 Timothy 2:5).

Yet, what loving son refuses his mother's requests? In His generosity, God is pleased to answer Mary's prayers for us. We can ask Mary to pray with (and for) us:

"Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death."

Entrust all we love to her. St. Maximilian Kolbe wrote, "Let us entrust to (Our Lady) all of those close to our hearts, and she, the best among mothers, will help them in the best way

possible." There is no safer place for all those we love than our Mother's arms.



## Why Do Catholics Do That?

## Why do Catholics have two versions of the Creed?

Both creeds summarize what Catholics believe but were written at different times for different purposes. The Apostles' Creed is the summary of the beliefs of the early Church. The Nicene Creed is the expanded form of the



Apostles' Creed, stemming from two Church councils (Nicaea, AD 325; Constantinople, AD 381) to combat Arianism, which proposed Jesus was not God but a kind of super-saint. The Nicene Creed emphasizes Jesus' divinity, His divine Sonship, and the divinity of the Holy Spirit.

## "Angel of God, my guardian dear ..."

"Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life," said St. Basil. The Church teaches that we each have a guardian angel, assigned to guide and protect us until death (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #336). Jesus said: "In heaven their angels always behold the face of my Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 18:10). Tap your angel's powerful protection to grow in virtue and holiness:

**Confide in your guardian.** Guardian angels aren't mind-readers, but they do observe us



carefully. The more we tell them, the better they can help us make good choices, avoid sin, and keep us safe.

**Ask for help.** Our guardian can help make tough decisions, resolve conflicts, offer protection especially for our souls. They intercede for us, and help to prepare our souls for the moment when we stand before God.

**Respect guardian power.** Angels are powerful creatures, created by God to care for us. They aren't answerable to us but stand ready to help us get to Heaven.

### from Scripture

#### Matthew 22:34-40, Jesus has the right answers

In their first meeting with Jesus, the Pharisees wanted to trap Him by getting Him to say something that contradicted Jewish law. Then He could be arrested and silenced. The lawyer they sent was aware that generations of Jews had debated fruitlessly about which law was the most important. Pretending to seek Jesus' opinion, he asked Jesus to choose which of the 613 commands of the Jewish law was the most important.

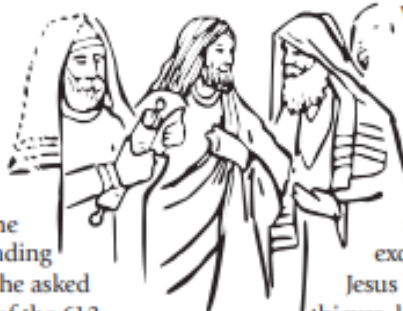
Jesus silenced them all by saying everything starts and ends with love – love of God and love of others. To love

God is to love one another. These laws are at the heart of all the other laws.

Even the Pharisees couldn't argue with that.

While it is easy to love God, loving others is more difficult. It means including people when the natural inclination is to exclude or avoid them.

Jesus loved prostitutes, thieves, lepers, even his political enemies. True love of neighbor is measured by how we treat the poor, the vulnerable, and our enemies. This is how God loves and He calls us to do the same.



### Feasts & Celebrations

**October 7 – Our Lady of the Rosary.** Pope Gregory XIII named this feast because it was believed that Christians won a critical victory at the Battle of Lepanto after praying the Rosary.

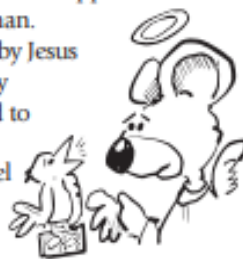
**October 9 – St. John Leonardi (1609).** Born in 1543 in Lucca, Italy, St. John spent his priesthood ministering in hospitals and prisons and teaching the Faith. He established the Clerks Regular of the Mother of God, and helped found the Congregation of Christian Doctrine.

**October 16 – St. Hedwig (1243).**

Born to the Duke of Croatia, St. Hedwig married the Duke Henry of Silesia. They founded a convent, hospitals, and monasteries. After his death, St. Hedwig became a Cistercian nun, donating her fortune to charity.

**October 28 – Sts. Simon and Jude (1st century).** St. Simon was a Zealot – Jews who believed the Messiah would free them from political oppression. St. Jude was a fisherman.

After being called by Jesus to be apostles, they eventually traveled to Persia where they preached the Gospel until they were martyred.



### Q Can Catholics & celebrate Halloween?

Catholics can celebrate Halloween as a holiday with Christian roots. In 835, Pope Gregory IV moved the commemoration of All Martyrs (later All Saints Day) from May 13 to November 1. The night before became known as All Hallow's Even or "Holy



Evening," and eventually Halloween. Villagers visited local homes to gather contributions for the feast to be held the next day, All Saints Day.

Those who didn't contribute might be subject to a prank or "trick."

Catholics enjoy donning creative costumes and giving out candy, but it's important to avoid glorifying evil, death, and the Devil. Consider using the holiday to learn about a saint you didn't know or collecting food for the poor.

In short, Halloween is a chance to celebrate generosity, friendship, and community. It's the threshold of a time to remember the believers who have gone to Heaven before us and the hope we have of following. We also pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory to strengthen them during their purification before entering Heaven.

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# Good News

INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

## 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time

**Sunday October 8**

Isaiah 5:1-7  
Ps 80:9,12-16,19-20  
Philippians 4:6-9  
Matthew 21:33-43

**Monday October 9**

Jonah 1:1 – 2:1-2,11  
Jonah 2:3-5,8  
Luke 10:25-37

**Tuesday October 10**

Jonah 3:1-10  
Ps 130:1b-4b,7-8  
Luke 10:38-42

**Wednesday October 11**

Jonah 4:1-11  
Ps 86:3-6,9-10  
Luke 11:1-4

**Thursday October 12**

Malachi 3:13-20b  
Ps 1:1-4,6  
Luke 11:5-13

**Friday October 13**

Joel 1:13-15;2:1-2  
Ps 9:2-3,6,8-9,16  
Luke 11:15-26

**Saturday October 14**

Joel 4:12-21  
Ps 97:1-2,5-6,11-12  
Luke 11:27-28

"The kingdom of God is given to those who produce its fruit." That's the moral of the story that Jesus gives us in this Sunday's Gospel reading.

And what is this kingdom of God, given to us while we're still on earth? What are its fruits, which we produce during our earthly lives?

Anything we do in imitation of Christ is a fruit that has grown while we're following Christ on our journey toward Heaven. If we love as he loves, forgive as he forgives, minister to others, teach the truth, and heal the hurting, we are living in the kingdom of God now.

When I ask Catholics if they believe they're going to Heaven, most feel very uncertain, either because they're afraid they might lose their salvation

through some future grave sin, or because they're afraid it's not humble enough to answer with a firm "yes."

Granted, we do not imitate Christ perfectly. Most of us will need to spend time in Purgatory being purged of whatever is unheavenly about us, but when the purging is finished, we'll be fully alive in the wonderfulness of God.

If we make it to Purgatory, of course we'll reach the glories of Heaven. And if our desire to be Christ-like is genuine, Jesus



will help make sure that our sins will never be so "grave" that we turn completely away from Heaven. We'll gladly embrace him when he comes for us at the moment of our death.

Whatever you do because of Christ and out of love for Christ, this is evidence that you are living in and will eternally live in God's kingdom.

**Reflect & Discuss:**

- † What good fruits are you producing in your life now? List them; get out a pen and start writing them down. During the week, as you think of more good fruits, add those to the list.
- † Look at the list you produced for the above question. How do these fruits give evidence of God's goodness within you?
- † How do they provide the kingdom of God for the benefit of others?
- † How do they assure you that you are truly a Heaven-bound follower of Christ?

## Todos los días de mi vida

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El consentimiento explícito de los novios es una parte esencial, según el ritual del matrimonio, en la comprensión sacramental, para convertirse en esposo y esposa. Se puede expresar de distintas maneras. Van desde el simple: "Sí quiero" de la forma interrogativa hasta expresiones más completas. La que resulta más explícita incluye, a su vez, tres acciones esenciales: yo te recibo a ti, me entrego a ti, prometo serte fiel. Se trata, pues de una recepción recíproca, entrega mutua y promesa de fidelidad sean cuales sean las circunstancias de la vida que se comienza: la adversidad, la prosperidad, la salud, la enfermedad.

También resulta muy significativa una expresión que figura en final del consentimiento. Ha cambiado en la renovación del ritual. Estábamos familiarizados con las palabras "hasta que la muerte nos separe", según la fórmula anterior. Ahora ha cambiado y se ha convertido en esta otra: "todos los días de mi vida". La donación y recepción mutua tiene vocación de durar toda la vida. Cuando la relación que se va a reconocer, atestiguar y celebrar es lo suficientemente intensa y apasionada, no resulta imaginable la separación. El deseo de vivir juntos, programar y construir juntos el futuro es tan absorbente que uno puede y quiere anticipar el tiempo y comprometer la vida entera.

### **Hasta que la muerte nos una más**

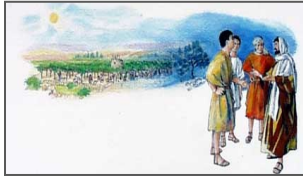
El proyecto de vida matrimonial es un proyecto de amor, públicamente reconocido y celebrado. Eclesialmente sacramentalizado. La entraña de dicha alianza es fidelidad para siempre. Es cierto que la muerte es un acontecimiento natural e individual; que es imprevisible y cierta, que la muerte separa a las personas en el mundo de lo visible y las cubre con un silencio sepulcral. Es cierto que significa soledad, que interrumpe la dinámica del amor de alianza. Y digo intencionadamente interrumpe. La verdad es que desde la experiencia cristiana el amor está a prueba de la muerte; que el amor es más fuerte que la muerte.

En la relación conyugal se viven momentos que los cónyuges quisieran retener y eternizar. Son esas experiencias fuertes de relación íntima y plena, en las cuales se descubre que te amo tanto que necesito que estés conmigo para siempre. Por contraste, las mismas experiencias sirven de referencia para la revisión de vida: ¿Te amo tanto que necesito que vivas para siempre?

En la medida que estos momentos mágicos se dan y son abundantes en la vida de una pareja, se entiende el sentido de la expresión: "hasta que la muerte nos una más". El amor conyugal no es meramente caduco y temporal, como todo amor verdadero pide eternidad, es ya aperitivo de la eternidad. Ese final hacia el que caminamos y esperamos traerá la plenitud de un amor y una entrega, que ya no estará amenazada por la muerte. Y esa alegre esperanza constituye una buena noticia para la vida conyugal.



**¿LO INTENTAMOS  
DE NUEVO?  
Domingo XXVII  
Javier Leoz**



**N**uevo curso y, por lo tanto, en muchas parroquias, colegios e instituciones eclesiales, motivos para la esperanza y para seguir ahondando en nuestras raíces y vida cristiana. Enviaremos, una y otra vez sin descanso, mensajes que inciten a la vida, a la conversión, al respeto y a la alegría. No lo haremos movidos por simple altruismo o valores efímeros: lo realizaremos en nombre de Aquel que tanto nos quiere y tanto nos ama: Dios. Lo celebraremos entonando cánticos de alabanza, domingo tras domingo o, lo meditaremos, desde esa Palabra que nos invita, en este Año Jubilar Paulino, a poner en danza, en movimiento, en práctica lo que hemos aprendido, recibido y oído.

¿Que algunos intentarán matar esta esperanza? ¡No importa! Dios seguirá, desde su opción por el hombre, empeñado en enviarnos a su Hijo que, en el altar, se ofrece por nuestra salvación. Nunca nos faltará la iniciativa de Dios. Nunca, aunque nos pueda parecer lo contrario, dejará de llover desde el cielo gotas de Gracia que nos hagan producir, no los frutos corruptos que el mundo impone, gesta, ambiciona o desea, sino aquellos que Dios espera de una vida cristiana viva y no arrasada.

**E**l Señor, en su nombre, nos envía a su viña, no para recoger frutos pero sí, entre otras cosas, para sembrar; para intentarlo de nuevo. Unos, como catequistas –y a pesar de muchas dificultades- daremos, desde la palabra y con el testimonio, razón de nuestra fe. La viña del Señor serán esos niños y jóvenes que queremos den frutos con el color y el gusto del cristianismo. Otros, como sacerdotes, animaremos a nuestras comunidades. Rezaremos y celebraremos con ellas la presencia real y misteriosa de Cristo en la Eucaristía. En su nombre, una y otra vez, llamaremos a la conversión personal y comunitaria por el Sacramento de la Penitencia, etc.

Otros más, como religiosos/as, seguiréis echando las redes en lo aparentemente vacío y duro. Vuestra vida consagrada, una vez más, será exponente de vuestra misión y de vuestra confianza en Dios.

Sí, amigos; ¡hay que intentarlo de nuevo! Nadie puede matar el tesoro de la fe que llevamos en vasijas de barro. Nada puede detenernos en el afán de manifestar, por activa y por pasiva, que Jesucristo sigue siendo la mejor herencia, el gran amigo, la piedra sobre la cual podemos construir un mundo, una familia, unas relaciones basadas en el amor, en el perdón o en la fraternidad. ¿Que es utopía? ¿Que son bonitas frases sin final feliz? Hemos de intentarlo.

**Como criados del Señor** nos queda el consuelo de que El nos dará la fuerza para enfrentarnos a los sinsabores y dinamitar los corazones gélidos.

**Como criados, intrépidos y constantes**, seguiremos esperando y luchando contra toda desesperanza. No veremos los frutos pero, el Señor, nos dice que hay que seguir trabajando, rezando, creando, imaginando para que su viña, lejos de morir, reverdezca por sus cuatro costados.

**Como hijos suyos, preferidos, amados e injertados por el Bautismo** a la suerte de Cristo, daremos lo mejor de nosotros mismos. No nos importan las resistencias, las incomprendiones, las zancadillas. Entre otras cosas porque, cuando uno mira a la cruz, sabe que Aquel que está colgado en ella, lo pasó muchísimo peor que nosotros en su desvelo por anunciar ese Reino de Dios.

Amigos; intentémoslo de nuevo. Vayamos a la viña del Señor. No nos perdamos la Eucaristía dominical. Acerquémonos a una buena confesión. Ejercitemos el bien. Cojamos gusto por la oración personal y busquemos una iglesia abierta en la cual estar a solas con el que tanto nos ama.

Dios espera mucho de nosotros ¿Nos damos cuenta de ello? ¡Cuánto y bueno debe de existir en nuestro interior cuando, Dios, sale una y otra vez, a nuestro encuentro



**¡MÁNDAME, SEÑOR!  
Javier Leoz**

A tu viña, que es tu pueblo,  
donde, las yemas de sus sarmientos  
sean la paz y el amor que Tú nos traes  
A tu viña, que son los hombres, Señor  
y los frutos de sus palabras  
sean la verdad y la sinceridad  
A tu viña, que son las mujeres, Señor  
y la consecuencia de sus actitudes  
sean la esperanza y la confianza en Ti  
A tu viña, que son los jóvenes, Señor  
y, así, sus ideales y sueños  
no sean obstáculo  
para que te acojan, esperen y crean en Ti.  
A tu viña, que son los niños, Señor  
para que, cuando buscan y crecen  
sonríen y juegan  
duermen o se entretienen  
aprendan amarte y rezarte con todo su corazón  
A tu viña, que son los ancianos, Señor  
y, los frutos de su experiencia,  
sean una acción de gracias:  
por lo mucho que les has dado  
por la fuerza que, en la prueba, les ofreciste  
por la sabiduría que, en su existencia,  
hiciste nacer en sus decisiones y trabajos.

**¡MANDAME, SEÑOR!**

A tu viña, aunque me sienta sólo  
A tu viña, aun a riesgo de ser apedreado  
A tu viña, a pesar de no ser comprendido  
A tu viña, aunque no me acompañe el éxito  
A tu viña, aunque sea rechazado

**¡MANDAME, SEÑOR!**

Porque, entre otras cosas y muchas más,  
sé que Tú me acompañas y vienes conmigo  
Amén





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# CUARENTA HORAS

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## La Devoción de las Cuarenta Horas

La *Devoción de las Cuarenta Horas* es un período de oración pública continua en presencia del Santísimo Sacramento. Cristo nuestro Señor está real y sustancialmente presente en este gran Sacramento, y a través de nuestra participación en la devoción entramos en su presencia, recordamos la salvación que ganó para nosotros, nos regocijamos en él y nos convertimos en signos de su divina renovación en nuestro mundo.

La devoción de las *Cuarenta Horas* se originó hace seiscientos años en Milán. La Práctica se extendió rápidamente en Occidente a través de figuras como San Felipe Neri, San Ignacio de Loyola, el Papa Clemente VIII y el Papa Clemente XII. San Juan Neumann, el cuarto obispo de Filadelfia, la promovió fervientemente en los Estados Unidos, y en 1866, la devoción fue aprobada para su uso en todo Estados Unidos.

En la Diócesis de Arlington, las *Cuarenta Horas* se celebraron ampliamente después del establecimiento de la diócesis en 1974 y ha seguido siendo una devoción importante en muchas parroquias. Al recordar nuestra herencia católica durante el primer año de preparación previo al jubileo de oro diocesano, cada parroquia de la Diócesis de Arlington celebrará las *Cuarenta Horas*.



## MISA DE APERTURA

Las *Cuarenta Horas* se abren con la celebración de la Misa, porque la "celebración de la Eucaristía en el sacrificio de la Misa es verdaderamente el origen y el objetivo del culto que se muestra en la Eucaristía fuera de la Misa" (*Eucharisticum mysterium*, no. 3e).

## EXPOSICIÓN

Al concluir la Misa, el Santísimo Sacramento se expone solemnemente en una custodia en el altar.

○ **SALUTARIS HOSTIA** · ¡Oh Víctima de Salvación!

○ *salutaris Hostia*, / *Quae caeli pandis ostium*:  
Bella premunt hostilia, / *Da robur, fer auxilium*.

Uni trinoque Domino / *Sit sempiterna gloria*,  
Qui vitam sine termino / *Nobis donet in patria*. Amén.

¡Oh Víctima de salvación!, que abriste el cielo al mortal;  
En esta guerra mundanal revístenos de tu valor.

Al Trino Dios, honor y prez, se le tribute sin cesar,  
Y que, en la patria celestial, sin fin vivamos junto a él.  
Amén.

## ADORACIÓN

La adoración de la Santísima Eucaristía se lleva a cabo durante el resto del período de oración pública, interrumpida solo para la celebración de la Misa diaria. De hecho, la Exposición está "destinada a reconocer la maravillosa presencia de Cristo en el Sacramento" y "nos invita a la unión espiritual con Él que culmina en la Comunión sacramental" (*Sagrada Comunión y Adoración de la Eucaristía fuera de la Misa*, no. 82).

## BENDICIÓN

Las *Cuarenta Horas* se cierran con una Bendición solemne, en la que la Iglesia unida en oración es bendecida con el mismo Cuerpo de Cristo.

## TANTUM ERGO SACRAMENTUM · CAYENDO EN ADORACIÓN

Tantum ergo Sacramentum / Veneremur cernui:  
Et antiquum documentum / Novo cedat ritui:  
Præstet fides supplementum / Sensuum defectui.  
Genitori, Genitoque / Laus et Jubilatio,  
Salus, honor, virtus quoque / Sit et benedictio:  
Procedenti ab utroque / Compar sit laudatio.  
Amén.

Al augusto Sacramento veneremos con piedad. /  
Que el Antiguo Testamento / a este rito de lugar / y  
la fe nos dé el aumento / que al sentido ha de  
ayudar.

A Dios Padre y a Dios Hijo / alabemos con ardor. /  
Alabanza a Dios bendito le rindamos con honor, / y  
al Espíritu Divino / ensalcemos con loor. Amén.

**VERSO Y ORACIÓN**

V/. Les diste Pan del cielo.

R/. Que contiene en sí todo deleite.

Oremos.

Oh Señor Jesucristo, que en un Sacramento maravilloso nos has dejado el memorial de tu pasión: Concédenos, te suplicamos, que de tal modo veneremos los sagrados misterios de tu Cuerpo y Sangre, que discernamos constantemente en nosotros el fruto de tu redención; tú que vives y reinas con el Padre y el Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.

**ALABANZAS DIVINAS**

Bendito sea Dios.

Bendito sea su Santo Nombre.

Bendito sea Jesucristo

verdadero Dios y verdadero Hombre.

Bendito sea el Nombre de Jesús.

Bendito sea su Sacratísimo Corazón.

Bendito sea su Preciosísima Sangre.

Bendito sea Jesús

en el Santísimo Sacramento del Altar.

Bendito sea el Espíritu Santo Consolador.

Bendita sea la Incomparable Madre de Dios

la Santísima Virgen María.

Bendita sea su Santa e Inmaculada Concepción.

Bendita sea su gloriosa Asunción.

Bendito sea el Nombre de María Virgen y Madre.

Bendito sea San José su casto esposo.

Bendito sea Dios en sus Ángeles y en sus Santos.

Que el corazón de Jesús, en el Santísimo Sacramento, sea alabado, adorado y amado con afecto agradecido, en todo momento, en todos los tabernáculos del mundo, hasta el fin de los tiempos. Amen.

**RESERVA**

Santo Dios, Alabamos tu Nombre

Santo, santo Dios de amor; / ¡ Señor de todo, nos inclinamos ante Ti! / Todo en la tierra tu reclamo Paula, / Todos en el Cielo te adoran; / Infinito Tu vasto dominio, / Eterno es Tu reinado.

Santo Padre, Santo Hijo, / Espíritu Santo, Divina Trinidad; / Aunque en esencia eres Uno solo, / Dios indiviso te reclamamos; / Y adorando doblamos rodillas, / Confiando firmemente en el Misterio.

**SOBRE LA ORACIÓN Y LOS HIMNOS**

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✱ Oración del Jubileo de Oro Diocesano para el Año II ✱

Oh María,

Madre de la Iglesia,

en ti el Verbo se hizo carne.

Todas las generaciones se regocijan  
y te llaman bienaventurada,  
porque el Poderoso ha hecho grandes cosas  
por ti y a través de ti.

Al prepararnos a la celebración  
de nuestro Jubileo de Oro,  
ayúdanos a regocijarnos contigo,  
recordando las grandes cosas  
que Dios ha hecho por nosotros.

Ayúdanos a imitarte  
a recibir la Palabra, que es tu Hijo,  
para llevar la Palabra al mundo.

Él vive y reina por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.





The landowner would bring those tenants to their end and give the vineyard to new tenants.

Fill in the missing parts of the words.  
Use the letters here.

\_\_ll      There\_\_      fru\_\_      \_\_way      \_\_ll  
ta\_\_      \_\_dom      \_\_at      \_\_om  
\_\_duce      \_\_ven      wi\_\_      peo\_\_

Jesus said,

“\_\_fore I te\_\_ you th\_\_ the king\_\_  
of God \_\_ll be \_\_ken a\_\_ fr\_\_  
you and gi\_\_ to a \_\_ple who wi\_\_  
pro\_\_ its \_\_it.”

The chief priests and Pharisees knew Jesus was talking about them.



When the time for the harvest came, the landowner sent some servants to collect his fruit. What did the tenants do?



Fit these farming words on the lines, then transfer the letters to the numbered spaces in the story.

pitchfork hoe shovel plant spreader seed combine

1 2 3                      19 20 21 22 23 24 25  
4 5 6 7                    26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33  
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13 14 15 16 17 18

The tenants    22 3 10 36    20 24 32

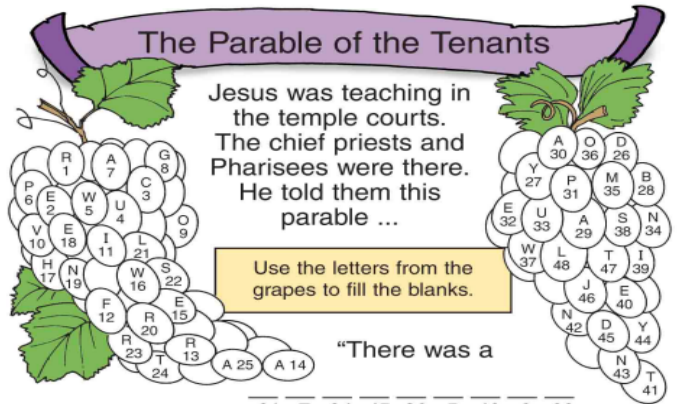
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30 11 7    42 23 18 9 29 31    2 24 3



The Parable of the Tenants

Jesus was teaching in the temple courts. The chief priests and Pharisees were there. He told them this parable ...



Use the letters from the grapes to fill the blanks.

“There was a  
21 7 34 45 36 5 42 2 20  
who a  
6 48 14 19 47 18 26 10 39 43 32 44 30 23 26  
He a around it, a  
31 4 41 16 25 21 48 26 33 8  
in it, a  
37 11 43 2 31 20 40 22 38 28 4 11 21 41  
and  
37 29 24 3 17 41 9 5 18 20 1 40 34 24 2 26  
it to some while he  
12 7 23 35 40 23 38 16 15 34 24  
on a.”  
46 9 33 13 34 2 27

Then the landowner decided to send his son to the vineyard. He thought that the tenants would respect him. How did the tenants treat the son?

Shade in the shapes that contain a vowel — a e i o u.

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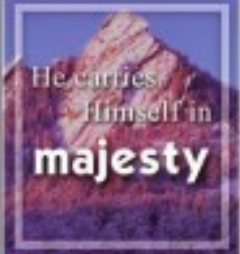
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