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



*"I was hungry and you gave me food.
I was thirsty and you gave me drink."
- Matt 25:35*

My dear parishioners,

In America, the end of November always brings us to Thanksgiving. We are a grateful people. Thanksgiving gives us the opportunity to remember and acknowledge the many blessings God has shared with us. Today we honor Christ the King which brings our liturgical year to a close. Next week is Advent and the start of a new liturgical year. We give honor and loyalty to Christ by being caring for one another. *"Whatever you are doing to the least of these, you are doing to Me."* *"What you failed to do to them, you failed to do for Me."*

They are words that are both comforting and disturbing because they teach us that the real proof of how much we love the Lord, is found in how we treat others around us. It might be hard to see Christ in others. Then if we can't see Christ in others, we can be Christ to others. And so we ask, *"Are we Christ to others?"* The answer to that question tells the truth about us and our eternal destiny. This Sunday we can renew our loyalty to Christ and to be Christ to others. He humbled Himself in becoming one of us and living among us and teaches us to have a special care for those who come to us in need. This Sunday carries a word of hope. Advent is right around the corner and marks a new beginning.

I give thanks to God for each of you, the people of Nativity for your goodness, loving spirit, generosity to the poor and needy and to the support of the wonderful parish ministries. We would not be able to bring Christ to others without the sacrifices we make together. Last Sunday was our commitment Sunday for our offertory giving, I thank you for your stewardship of time, talent and treasure. Happy Thanksgiving Weekend!!

Love and Blessings,

Fr. Bob Cilinski
Fr. Bob Cilinski,
Pastor



You're Invited

Advent's Journey of Hope



Experience the joyful Advent season of the coming of Christ by reflecting on the Gospels, meditating on the music, and experiencing the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. A perfect time for us to reflect on our journey as we welcome Christ into our hearts. Join us and Mark Forrest, Irish Tenor, for this evening of prayer.

Location: Nativity Catholic Church
6400 Nativity Lane, Burke, VA 22015

Date: Wednesday, December 6, 2023 Time 7:00 PM

Contact: 703-455-2400



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Feast of the Immaculate Conception



Our nation's patronal feast, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is Friday, December 8th, a Holy Day of Obligation. The Immaculate Conception celebrates Mary's conception free from original sin in the womb of her mother, St. Anne.

The Mass schedule celebrating the Immaculate Conception, will be as follows:

Thursday, December 7th: Vigil Mass at 7:00pm.
Friday, December 8th: 7:30am, 9:00am (*School Mass*),
12:00pm, 5:00pm and 7:30pm (*Bilingual Mass*).

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

OFFERTORY RENEWAL COMMITMENT SUNDAY

Many thanks to all parishioners for your generosity to our parish offertory and prayerfully renewing your support for the work of the church at Nativity. You can return your offertory pledge card to the office or place it in the collection basket. Our stewardship gives praise and thanks to God.

Nativity Stars Gala & Auction We Need Your Help!

Planning for our biggest fundraising event, The Nativity Stars Gala & Auction, is in FULL Swing! Funds raised at the event will provide financial assistance for STEM and student enrichment activities, plus other resources to help our students thrive at school.

There are many volunteer opportunities and activities which do not require VIRTUS training or Diocesan certification. Many Lead/Committee roles are available, however we are IN NEED of the following:

- Auction Procurement (Live & Silent) Chair(s)/Committee
- Food & Beverage Chair(s)/Committee
- Entertainment & Decorations Chair(s)/Committee
- Sponsorship Chair(s)/Committee
- Raffle Sales Coordinators
- Event Logistics Coordinator
- Event Volunteer Coordinator



Please click on the QR code to join the planning committee. We thank you for your help and support in making this event a wonderful success! Any questions, please email auction@nativityschool.org.



ALL MIDDLE SCHOOLERS ARE INVITED TO...

SKY ZONE

Trampoline Park

AN EXCITING EVENING FILLED WITH A
FILLED WITH HIGH-FLYING FLIPS,
TRAMPOLINE SLAM DUNKS, ULTIMATE
DODGEBALL, AND MUCH MORE!

WHO: MIDDLE SCHOOLERS (GRADES 6-8)
WHERE: 5325 PORT ROYAL RD, SPRINGFIELD, VA 22151
WHEN: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 6:00-10:00PM
COST: \$35

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!
SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER
NOW THROUGH NOV 28



Contact: cym@nativityburke.org

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

The Gift shop still has several White House Ornaments for sale. They each cost \$22 (including tax). Get yours while they are still available!



*Novena
to Our Lady
of Guadalupe
for Couples Struggling with
Infertility,
Miscarriage &
Infant Loss*

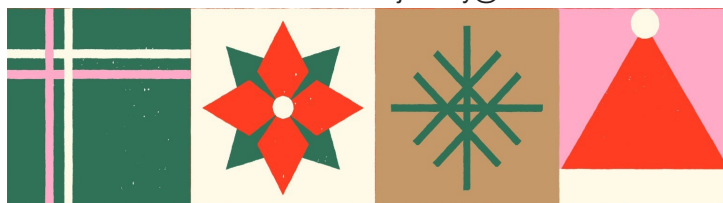
led by Bishop Burbidge

December 4th - 12th

Submit your intentions,
pray the novena &
find more information at:
OurFruitfulLove.com/novena



Catholic Diocese of Arlington
Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life
(703) 841-2550 | familylife@arlingtondiocese.org



ANNUAL NATIVITY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

SPONSORED BY THE CRAFT GROUP
IN THE FR. READY ROOM ON
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND
FROM 9:00AM - 1:00PM &
AFTER THE 5:00PM MASS
AND ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3RD
AFTER ALL MORNING MASSES

The Annual Christmas Bazaar will again be having many lovely hand crafted items for sale.

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT NATIVITY MINISTRIES.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!





Handmaids of Reparation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Advent Project

Help our Nativity Sisters
reach their fundraising goal!

The very special Advent season draws near. It's time to begin preparing for the coming of our Lord whose birth we celebrate at Christmas. Families both individual and parish, participate in traditional activities during this Church season. It's also a time to remember our sisters and brothers throughout the world who need physical and spiritual comfort.

Every year our Religious Order, Handmaids of Reparation of the Sacred Heart reaches out to families in our RE program and parish for prayers and monetary support during the Advent season.

Our mission has always been driven by a commitment to improving the lives of those in need, both spiritually and materially. Over the years, we have witnessed the transformative power of faith and education, and it is with this belief that we have embarked on a significant endeavor in Congo.

We understand that times can be challenging for everyone, and your generosity is deeply appreciated. Your support is not just a financial contribution; it is a gesture of solidarity, an affirmation of faith, and a symbol of love for your fellow human beings.

To learn more about our Missions, and our Annual Advent Project, and to donate, please visit our website or scan the QR-Code. Thank you kindly for your prayers and continuous support.

Prayerfully,
Sister Donatella Merulla and
Sister Mary Attilia Todaro

To learn more and to donate
please visit their site:
handmaidsofreparation.org



ALTAR FLOWERS - Donated by



Barbara and Stan Zagalak
In Loving Memory of
Stanley Zagalak

and

Tom Snee
In Loving Memory of
Karen Snee

SAVE THE DATE - Stella Marina Kit Build

Looking for something to do this Christmas with your kids or visitors? Come join Stella Marina on Saturday, January 6, 2024 at 10:00am in the Nativity cafeteria to make 1,000 birthing kits! Celebrate the Epiphany by giving the gift of a safe birth to a mom and baby - in honor of Jesus and Mary! To sign up, use the link: <https://signup.com/go/CexWnOf>.
Questions: email Meg at meg@stellamarina.org

National Eucharistic Revival

Catholics all across the country are in the middle of a National Eucharistic Revival, an initiative of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops that aims to inspire, educate, and unite the faithful in a more intimate relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist, which is the source and summit of our Catholic Faith.

In the months to come, you will see and hear about more opportunities to deepen our faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, his Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.

Scan the QR code from the banner in the Narthex to sign up for news about the National Eucharistic Congress planned in Indianapolis next summer, July 17–21, 2024. They expect 80,000 people to fill Lucas Oil Stadium with all the fans cheering for the same side, our Lord in the Eucharist!

Plus, there will be four routes of Eucharistic Pilgrimages that will make their way across the country and converge in Indianapolis! These pilgrims will accompany Jesus from city to city, lighting hearts on fire along the way. The route from the east, the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route, plans to pass by our nation’s capital, blessing locals and tourists alike with his real Presence. All routes will meet in Indianapolis at the National Eucharistic Congress.

To find out how you can participate, go to <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/> and sign up for news from the National Eucharistic Revival.



Nativity Catholic Church Invites you to a Celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Saturday, December 9th at 6:45pm
 Mass will be followed by a procession to the Father Martin Center and a reception. There will be a Mariachi Band alongside Latin American dancers. All are invited!



MASS INTENTIONS

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

Monday, November 27th

7:30 am † Tom Zidel

Tuesday, November 28th

7:30 am † Aninyo & Aatep Morkos

12:00 pm † Marc Angelo Sanidad

Wednesday, November 29th

7:30 am † Sabina Cho

Thursday, November 30th

7:30 am † Florinda Molina

12:00 pm † Kerry Gorton

Friday, December 1st

7:30 am † Paula Ramirez Panganiban

9:00 am † Cliff Tighe

Saturday, December 2nd

9:00 am † Ralph Lee

5:00 pm † Angela & Santiago Machado

7:00 pm Parishioners

Sunday, December 3rd

7:00 am † Richard Dorwaldt

9:00 am † Monika Gallegos

11:00 am † Lisa Bubak

1:00 pm † Jeff Battershall

5:30 pm † Larry Brindza

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

Please note that the current Mass Intentions Calendar has been opened from Jan 1 - Jun 31, 2024. We are limiting the requests to 5 intentions per family/household per calendar year. Visit the parish office or email akenner@nativityburke.org to schedule intentions.

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.

Serve Those in Need with Your Gift to Catholic Charities

The theme for the 2023 Catholic Charities Parish Christmas Collection is *"Behold, I Make All Things New."* We can renew our Catholic Faith by sharing it with others in word and deed, through evangelization and spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Please prayerfully consider a sacrificial gift to this Collection, which allows Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington to serve the poor, protect the vulnerable, and welcome the newcomer. Donate via the special insert in the bulletin at Mass next weekend; or at ccda.net/Christmas; or add this second collection to your parish e-giving account.

LIFE TEEN RETREAT

No Longer Strangers

Come be renewed in your faith, connect with friends, and unwind in breathtaking surroundings

Who: High schoolers (Grades 9-12)
Where: Loyola on the Potomac
When: December 15-17
Cost: \$100

Contact: cym@nativityburke.org

Registration open now through December 5




The Women of Nativity (WON) Annual Giving Tree

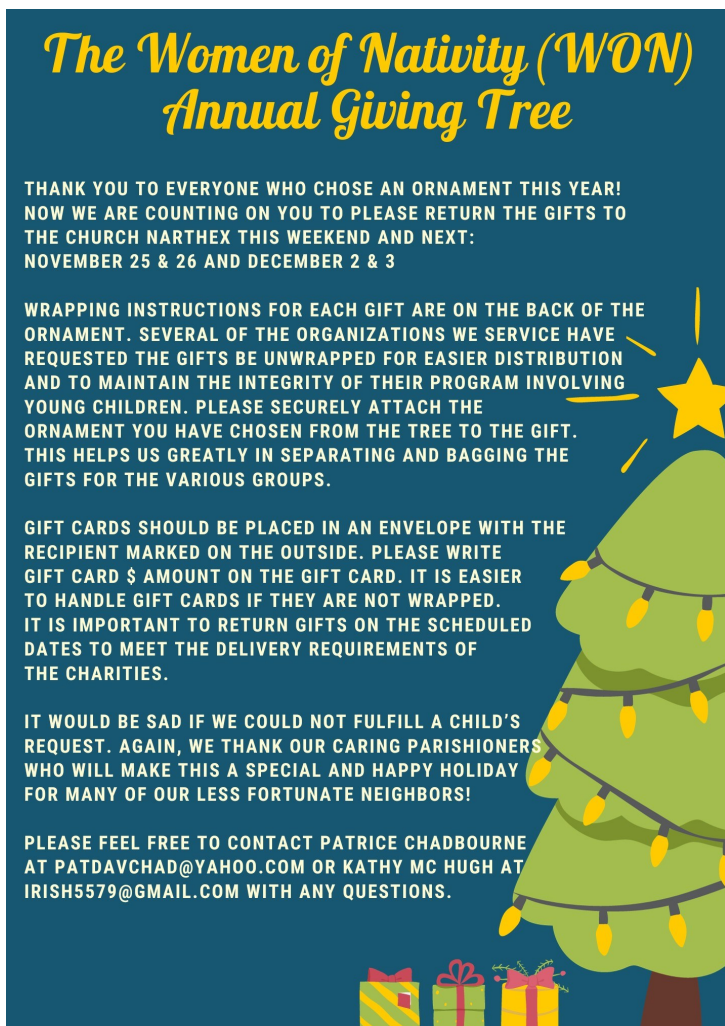
THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CHOSE AN ORNAMENT THIS YEAR! NOW WE ARE COUNTING ON YOU TO PLEASE RETURN THE GIFTS TO THE CHURCH NARTHEX THIS WEEKEND AND NEXT: NOVEMBER 25 & 26 AND DECEMBER 2 & 3

WRAPPING INSTRUCTIONS FOR EACH GIFT ARE ON THE BACK OF THE ORNAMENT. SEVERAL OF THE ORGANIZATIONS WE SERVICE HAVE REQUESTED THE GIFTS BE UNWRAPPED FOR EASIER DISTRIBUTION AND TO MAINTAIN THE INTEGRITY OF THEIR PROGRAM INVOLVING YOUNG CHILDREN. PLEASE SECURELY ATTACH THE ORNAMENT YOU HAVE CHOSEN FROM THE TREE TO THE GIFT. THIS HELPS US GREATLY IN SEPARATING AND BAGGING THE GIFTS FOR THE VARIOUS GROUPS.

GIFT CARDS SHOULD BE PLACED IN AN ENVELOPE WITH THE RECIPIENT MARKED ON THE OUTSIDE. PLEASE WRITE GIFT CARD \$ AMOUNT ON THE GIFT CARD. IT IS EASIER TO HANDLE GIFT CARDS IF THEY ARE NOT WRAPPED. IT IS IMPORTANT TO RETURN GIFTS ON THE SCHEDULED DATES TO MEET THE DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS OF THE CHARITIES.

IT WOULD BE SAD IF WE COULD NOT FULFILL A CHILD'S REQUEST. AGAIN, WE THANK OUR CARING PARISHIONERS WHO WILL MAKE THIS A SPECIAL AND HAPPY HOLIDAY FOR MANY OF OUR LESS FORTUNATE NEIGHBORS!

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT PATRICE CHADBOURNE AT PATDAVCHAD@YAHOO.COM OR KATHY MC HUGH AT IRISH5579@GMAIL.COM WITH ANY QUESTIONS.



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 | 7:00-8:30pm

REGISTER FOR SKY ZONE
 All middle schoolers are invited to join us at Sky Zone for an exciting evening filled with high-flying flips, trampoline slam dunks, ultimate dodgeball, & more!

Who: All middle schoolers (Grades 6-8)
When: Friday, December 1 | 6:00pm - 10:00pm
Cost: \$35
Register now on the website through Nov. 28


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

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





BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



The Knights of Columbus invite all the Children of Nativity Parish to join them in the Parish Cafeteria on Saturday morning, December 2nd from 9:30AM to 11:00AM for fun, fellowship and a chance to meet and have breakfast with Santa.

There will be a continental breakfast, Christmas crafts and a little something from Santa for all boys and girls who attend. So that Santa knows you will be there, we request you let his elves know that you plan to attend; send them your family name, and the number of children and adults coming. You can use whichever way is best for you: email to bpb7992@gmail.com or text to 703-402-8513.

— **NATIVITY CREATION CARE FAIR TRADE HOLIDAY MARKET** —
IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA • 6400 NATIVITY LANE, BURKE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25 | 4:00–7:00 PM
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26 | 8:00 AM–3:00 PM



BUYING **FAIR** IS AN **EXTENSION** OF OUR **FAITH**

We Believe...



People and the planet should not be exploited for the things we buy.



People should be paid fairly for their work.



Small, local businesses are the heartbeat of our communities.



Our everyday purchases can have a positive impact on the world.



Every product has a story.



Your purchase is an important part of the fair trade cycle.

HELP TO CREATE A **CYCLE** OF **EMPOWERMENT**

Fair Trade Winds will donate 10% of sales to Nativity Creation Care Sustainability and Garden programs.

Reusable fabric bags donated by Virginia Green Baggers—while supplies last.

QUESTIONS OR WANT TO VOLUNTEER?
NATIVITYCREATIONCARE@GMAIL.COM

WWW.FAIRTRADEWINDS.NET
Cash, check, & credit cards accepted.



"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me." Matthew 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, real generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient to us, when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's timeline.

Love working with children? Want flexibility? Consider subbing for us...

We are in need of substitute teachers for the new school year with the following minimum qualifications:

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

To apply, email Rich Godwin at rgodwin@nativityschool.org, or call him at (703) 455-2300 ext.146. Thank you!



A Message from the Nativity Creation Care Ministry about this weekend's Fair Trade Sale

The Fair Trade Shopping Event is finally here! Nativity Creation Care Ministry invites you to make a difference with your holiday shopping this year! The ministry is sponsoring a Fair Trade Shopping event in the Nativity School cafeteria this weekend.

Please consider all your gift giving needs and shop the Fair Trade sale in the school cafeteria on Saturday, November 25 from 4:00-7:00pm and on Sunday November 26 from 8:00am-3:00pm. Haitian metal art, clothing accessories, one of a kind jewelry, holiday décor, household items, children's items, cookie and soup mixes, coffee and more will be offered—each item has a story to tell about the artisans who created it. Fair Trade is endorsed as a means of sustainable development by Catholic Relief Services and the US Conference of Catholic Bishops. Bring your visiting family and friends! Credit cards accepted.

If you absolutely can't make it in person or if you think of additional gift needs after you get home, you can still shop online at www.fairtradewinds.net and your purchase will make a difference to these Fair Trade artisans. In addition, Fair Trade Winds will donate 10% of sales to Nativity Creation Care's sustainability and garden programs. Use code **NATIVITY2023** at checkout through Friday December 8. Please share with your friends and family! Cookies will be served at the sale! Questions? nativitycreationcare@gmail.com.

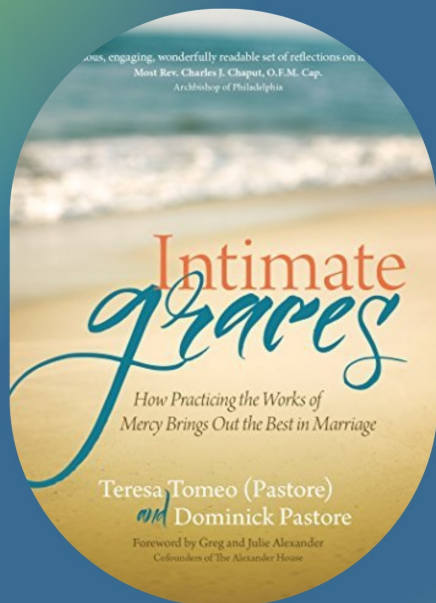
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Sign up here: arlingtondiocese.org/email

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT MINISTRY

BOOK FELLOWSHIP



WITH DEACON KELLY
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2
7:00-8:30 PM
CAFETERIA



RSVP: MARRIAGE@NATIVITYBURKE.ORG
OR THE PARISH WEBSITE UNDER "UPCOMING EVENTS"



thank you!

TO EVERYONE THAT SUPPORTED OUR SPARTANS FUNDRAISER

WITH YOUR SUPPORT WE RAISED A TOTAL OF \$ 400.00

YOUR SUPPORT IS GOING TOWARDS, FOOD, WATER, MEDICAL SUPPLIES, TEACHING MATERIALS FOR CHILDREN AND SUPPORT FOR OUR RELIGIOUS SISTERS IN OUR ORDER

IN GRATITUDE,

Sister Donatella and Sister Mary Attilia



handmaidsofreparation.org

MASS & BRUNCH

for adult children of divorce

Let's keep our focus on Jesus through what can be a complicated season

December 16, 2023 | 11:30am

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church
3304 Washington Blvd, Arlington

This event is free but please RSVP at:
arlingtondiocese.org/acodmass

Catholic Diocese of Arlington | Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life | 703.841.2550 | familylife@arlingtondiocese.org

Struggling with addiction in the family?

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

NEED TO TALK?

Catholic Charities provides quality mental health services & counselors grounded in a Catholic understanding of the human person. "Nativity's Counselor" Ms. Marguerite Turner, MS, LPC is back at Nativity counseling clients in-person and is available on Thursdays from 10:00am-6:00pm to talk with any parishioners who may be struggling.

To set up an appointment, please contact Marguerite at 703-454-2415 or mmturner@ccda.net.

Pray for those who are discerning a call to proclaim the hope of the Resurrection as religious brothers, sisters, priests or deacons.

If you feel God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, Vocations Director, at (703) 841-2514 or email: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.

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.

Catholic Investments for Catholic Families Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors' advisory services

Learn more about our faith-based investments at our upcoming Financial Seminar and Social.

November 28, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Nativity Catholic School – Cafeteria
6398 Nativity Lane, Burke VA 22015



Knights of Columbus
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NATIVITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
A Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

nativityschool.org



**Is Your Child Turning 3 or 4 By Next Fall?
We've Got Just The Spot – In Our Classroom!**



*Five little pumpkins sitting on a gate.
The first one said, "My, it's getting late."
The second one said, "There's fun and learning in the air!"
The third one said, "Join us -- if you dare!"
The fourth one said, "Let's sign our three-year-old up for school."
The fifth one said, "Attending Nativity preschool is very, very cool!"*

Email Jen Behan at jbehan@nativityschool.org to schedule a tour of our classrooms, playground, and lunchroom – and to meet our teachers. Please bring your child, too – we can't wait to meet you!

~ Important Upcoming Dates ~

- Tuesday, November 28 - Back to School Today
- Thursday, November 30 - HSPT, 8th Grade
- Mon, Dec. 4 - Fri, Dec. 8 - Catholic Charities Week
- Mon, Dec. 4 - Thurs, Dec. 7 - Santa's Workshop
- Wednesday, December 6 - St. Nicholas Day
- Friday, December 15 - 12 NOON Dismissal
- Friday, December 15 - 7 p.m. 7&8 Grade Dance
- Monday, December 18 - Class Parties
- Monday, December 18 - 7 p.m. Christmas Pageant
- Tuesday, December 19 - Pajama Day!
- Tuesday, December 19 - Polar Express Day
- Wednesday, December 20 - 11:30 a.m. Dismissal
- Thursday, December 21 - No School/Christmas Break

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.



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
Volunteer for an event! Scroll down to view all events.

1 & 2 December, Breakfast with Santa. Prep Friday and give tons of smiles on Saturday. Volunteer on linktree.

Food for Others: Volunteer drivers for food distribution to the poor. If you have a truck, SUV 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 handyknights@nativity@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.

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Choose sizes appropriate for an average family size of four. ECHO cannot give our clients food whose expiration date is past, open food, or repackaged food (no zip-loc bags). Last month we collected 900lbs! Items most needed:
Protein Items (e.g. can chicken, Spam, sardines, chili, beef stew) Spaghetti Sauce, Tea (green, herbal, black), Milk products (canned, shelf stable, hot chocolate), Macaroni and Cheese, Can Tomatoes, Healthy Snacks (nuts, raisins, dried fruit, granola bars etc.), Sugar, Masa (Corn) Flour, Box Potatoes, Lentils, Instant Coffee, Canned fruit, Bagged beans (black, red, or garbanzo), Bag Rice, Pancake Mix and Syrup, Crackers, Spices (garlic, onion, cinnamon, salt, pepper), Lemon/Lime Juice Juice (Bottles or Box), Honey, Cooking Oil, Tortillas, Muffin/Cornbread Mix, Brown paper bags, Reusable grocery bags.
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Good News

INSPIRATION FOR DAILY LIFE

Solemnity of Christ the King

Sunday November 26

Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17

Ps 23:1-3,5-6

1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28

Matthew 25:31-46

Monday November 27

Daniel 1:1-6,8-20

Daniel 3:52-56

Luke 21:1-4

Tuesday November 28

Daniel 2:31-45

Daniel 3:57-61

Luke 21:5-11

Wednesday November 29

Dan 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28

Daniel 3:62-67

Luke 21:12-19

Thursday November 30

St. Andrew, Apostle

Romans 10:9-18

Ps 19:8-11

Matthew 4:18-22

Friday December 1

Daniel 7:2-14

Daniel 3:75-81

Luke 21:29-33

Saturday December 2

Daniel 7:15-27

Daniel 3:82-87

Luke 21:34-36

We don't usually think of shepherds as kings, but the scriptures this Sunday describe the kingly powers of Jesus as our Good Shepherd. A good king cares for his subjects the way a shepherd cares for his sheep.

Kings increase the size of their reign and accomplish their work over the whole territory through their subjects. That's why Jesus says, "Whatever you do for one of the least of mine, you do for me."

For example, our Good Shepherd-King wants to distribute food to the hungry, all the way to the farthest reaches of his kingdom. How does he get it done? He gives an abundance of food to some of us and commands us to take it to those who need it.

What happens if we don't fulfill the King's commands? Do the starving people think the King is benevolent?

No, they can only see his goodness when we do as he tells us to do.

Look at the people who are around you. Each one is an opportunity to give the King a good name.

What about the people whom you like least of all? What about those who've made you feel angry or intimidated or hurt? Well, ask this: What is he/she hungry for? If the answer's not obvious, ask the Holy Spirit. Observe that person long enough to identify the emptiness or pain or fears that are buried under the surface.



Then ask this: What abundance has God given to me that this "least one" is lacking and needs from Christ our King? Can I show him/her the King's benevolence despite my feelings?

When we say no to opportunities to share what we have, we are behaving like one of the goats whom the Good Shepherd-King separates from the sheep. And when we say yes, despite the feelings that could make us goat-like, the King's good reputation spreads, and we are all blessed.

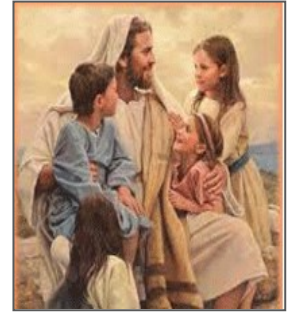
Reflect & Discuss:

- † What good things do you have in abundance? How readily do you share them?
- † Who is of least importance to you? How can you take your focus off of what you don't like about them so that you can give them what God wants to give to them through you?
- † Have you ever done something good to someone who didn't deserve it? How did this affect your relationship with Jesus?
- † What abundance do you see in each member of your family or faith sharing community that, when shared, blesses others?

Jesucristo, Rey universal, ¿no es Rey especialmente de la familia? Jesucristo Hoy que celebramos la Solemnidad de Cristo Rey, que sea para nosotros la gran fiesta que nos ayude a que Cristo sea nuestro Rey.

Por: Pedro García, Misionero Claretiano | Fuente: Catholic.net
Jesucristo es el Rey del hogar.

Y comenzamos con una anécdota de hace ya muchos años, pues se remonta a Septiembre de 1907, cuando un sacerdote peruano, el santo misionero Padre Mateo, se presentaba ante el Papa San Pío X, que estaba ante la mesa de su escritorio, entretenido en cortar las hojas de un libro nuevo que acababa de llegarle.



- ¿Qué te ha pasado, hijo mío? Me han dicho que vienes de Francia...
- Sí, Santo Padre. Vengo de la capilla de las apariciones del Sagrado Corazón a Santa Margarita María. Contraí la tuberculosis, y, desahuciado de los médicos, fui a la Capilla a pedir al Sagrado Corazón la gracia de una santa muerte. Nada más me arrodillé, sentí un estremecimiento en todo mi cuerpo. Me sentí curado de repente. Ví que el Sagrado Corazón quería algo de mí. Y he trazado mi plan.
- El Papa San Pío X aparentaba escuchar distraído, sin prestar mucha atención a lo que le decía el joven sacerdote, que parecía un poco soñador.
- Santo Padre, vengo a pedir su autorización y su bendición para la empresa que quiero iniciar.
- ¿De qué se trata, pues?
- Quiero lanzarme por todo el mundo predicando una cruzada de amor. Quiero conquistar hogar por hogar para el Sagrado Corazón de Jesús.

Entronizar su imagen en todos los hogares, para que delante de ella se consagren a Él, para que ante ella le recen y le desagracien, para que Jesucristo sea el Rey de la familia. ¿Me lo permite, Santo Padre?

San Pío X era bastante bromista, y seguía cortando las hojas del libro, en aparente distracción. Ahora, sin decir palabra, mueve la cabeza con signo negativo. El Padre Mateo se extraña, y empieza a acongojarse:

- Santo Padre, pero si se trata de... ¿No me lo permite?
- ¡No, hijo mío, no!, sigue ahora el Papa, dirigiéndole una mirada escrutadora y cariñosa, y pronunciando lentamente cada palabra: ¡No te lo permito! Te lo mando, ¿entiendes?... Tienes mandato del Papa, no permiso. ¡Vete, con mi bendición!
- A partir de este momento, empezaba la campaña de la Entronización del Corazón de Jesús en los hogares. Fue una llamada que prendió en todo el mundo. Desde entonces, la imagen o el cuadro del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús ha presidido la vida de innumerables hogares cristianos. Jesucristo, el Rey de Amor, desde su imagen bendita ha acogido súplicas innumerables, ha enjugado torrentes de lágrimas y ha estimulado heroísmos sin cuento.
- ¿Habría pasado a la historia esta práctica tan bella? Sobre todo, y aunque prescindamos de la imagen del Sagrado Corazón, ¿dejará de ser Jesucristo el Rey de cada familia?...
- Hoy la familia constituye la preocupación mayor de la Iglesia y de toda la sociedad en general.
- Porque vemos cómo el matrimonio se tambalea, muchas veces apenas contraído.
- El divorcio está a las puertas de muchas parejas todavía jóvenes.
- Los hijos no encuentran en la casa el ambiente en que desarrollarse sanamente, lo mismo en el orden físico que en el intelectual y el moral.

Partimos siempre del presupuesto de que la familia es la célula primera de la sociedad. Si esa célula se deteriora viene el temido cáncer, del que dicen que no es otra cosa sino una célula del cuerpo mal desarrollada.

Esto que pasa en el orden físico, y de ahí tantas muertes producidas por el cáncer, pasa igual en el orden social. El día en que hayamos encontrado el remedio contra esa célula que ya nace mal o ha empezado a deformarse, ese día habremos acabado con la mayor plaga moral que está asolando al mundo.

Todos queremos poner remedio a las situaciones dolorosas de la familia.

Y todos nos empeñamos cada uno con nuestro esfuerzo y con nuestra mucha voluntad en hacer que cada casa llegue a ser un pedacito de cielo.

¿Podemos soñar, desde un principio, en algún medio para evitar los males que se han echado encima de las familias?

¿Podemos soñar en un medio para atraer sobre los hogares todos los bienes?..

¡Pues, claro que sí! Nosotros no nos cansaremos de repetirlo en nuestros mensajes sobre la familia. Este medio es Jesucristo.

Empecemos por meter a Jesucristo en el hogar.

Que Cristo se sienta invitado a él como en la boda de Caná.

Que se meta en la casa con la libertad con que entraba en la de los amigos de Betania.

Que viva en ella como en propia casa, igual que en la suya de Nazaret... Pronto en ese hogar se notará la presencia del divino Huésped y Rey de sus moradores. En el seno de esa familia habrá paz, habrá amor, habrá alegría, habrá honestidad, habrá trabajo, habrá ahorro, habrá esperanza, habrá resignación en la prueba, habrá prosperidad de toda clase.

Jesucristo, Rey universal, ¿no es Rey especialmente de la familia?... Acogido amorosamente en el hogar, con Él entrarán en la casa todos los bienes....

Hoy que celebramos la Solemnidad de Cristo Rey, que sea para nosotros la gran fiesta que nos ayude a que Cristo sea nuestro Rey.

Homilía - Solemnidad de Jesucristo, Rey del Universo – Ciclo A – Mateo 25, 31 - 46

Estamos en el último Domingo del año litúrgico en nuestra Iglesia, una fecha muy importante en nuestras vidas como católicos. En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús nos explica la conexión que existe entre nuestra fe, nuestro mundo, nuestra conducta, y el juicio último que tendremos con Jesús, nuestro rey, llegará otra vez a nuestro mundo. Es seguro que todos de nosotros vamos a salir este mundo material cuando entremos nuestra vida eterna con Cristo.

Es verdad, para ser discípulo de Jesucristo, no es una teoría o algo que solo podemos aprender en la Biblia. Al contrario, seguir Jesucristo es algo muy práctico en nuestra vida de fe. Es algo que necesitamos practicar y vivir. En el juicio último, Jesús nos habla sobre los grandes sacrificios y las grandes renunciaciones que necesitamos hacer en nuestra vida. Jesús habla sobre las obras pequeñas que podemos hacer – las obras de caridad y de amabilidad que podemos hacer día tras día, en los momentos ordinarios que tenemos cada día. No importa para Jesús si tenemos mucho poder o mucho dinero o mucha influencia en el mundo. En nuestra vida aquí en la tierra, necesitamos dar comida al hambriento, algo de beber al sediento, la ropa a la persona que no la tiene. Necesitamos visitar al enfermo al hospital y al prisionero a la cárcel. Estas acciones de caridad son muy importante según Jesús.

Pero, estas buenas obras son mas de buenas obras – tienen su profundidad en la base de nuestra fe, en nuestra relación con Jesucristo, en los valores del Evangelio de nuestro Señor. Hay seguidores de Cristo que están preocupados en lo que ellos llevarán en sus manos en su encuentro de nuestro Señor al juicio último. Pero, no es importante lo que llevamos – es importante como nosotros vivimos como servidores en nuestro mundo, servidores a los pobres y los mas necesitados del mundo. Es nuestra misión. Es nuestra responsabilidad. Necesitamos hacerlo si Jesucristo es nuestro rey.

Posted by Father Lincoln

XXXIV DOMINGO ORDINARIO – A

Evangelio: Mat 25,31-46 ; Venid, benditos de mi Padre!

Concluye el Año Litúrgico, es decir las celebraciones que cada año se van haciendo en recuerdo y honor de Jesucristo, el Dios, hecho hombre, que a través de su historia vital como ser humano, fue realizando nuestra Redención y Salvación. Los cristianos cada año vamos recordando y celebrando los principales hechos de su vida, así como celebrando y meditando en sus palabras y en su ejemplo, a lo largo de los domingos y fiestas, que por eso llamamos cristianas.

La última celebración es la dedicada a honrar a Cristo en una faceta que, de alguna manera, resume toda su vida y explica su misión: **Cristo Rey de cielos y tierras, Rey de los corazones y de las instituciones humanas, familiares y sociales.**

Señor, que nos muestras en el Evangelio de este día tu reinado en el mundo y entre los hombres, sobre los que quieres reinar con tu Palabra y con tu Corazón. Ayúdame a ser dócil y obediente, libre y comprometido en este reinado tuyo. Que tus leyes, y tu amor, orienten siempre mi vida.

Y a la vez que te veo, Señor, sentado en tu trono de Rey, también te contemplo como un Juez, justo y misericordioso. Ya sé, Señor, que no quieres ni pretendes asustarme ni atemorizarme, y menos amenazarme y castigarme, sino urgir mi responsabilidad mi santidad, mi amor y me afán apostólico y ser-vicial.

Pero al mismo tiempo yo tampoco quiero olvidar jamás que eres justo y leal, y que, al final, a cada uno le darás lo que se merece, oQue según lo que ha ganado a lo largo de su vida. tu bondad y misericordia me muevan, todos los días, a trabajar por mi santidad y el apostolado; y, como soy débil y pecador, a no olvidarme de esa bondad y misericordia que siempre ofreces; y que sepa acogerme a ellas, para que supla mi debilidad y mi inconsciencia.

Que merezca ponerme a tu derecha para escuchar tus palabras, tan amables y consoladoras, como exigentes y comprometedoras, y que nunca quiero olvidar: “Venid vosotros, benditos de mi Padre; heredad el reino preparado para vosotros desde la creación del mundo.

Porque tuve hambre y me disteis de comer, tuve sed y me disteis de beber, fui forastero y me hospedasteis, estuve desnudo y me vestisteis, enfermo y me visitasteis, en la cárcel y vinisteis a verme”.

Padre Segismundo Fernandez Rodríguez

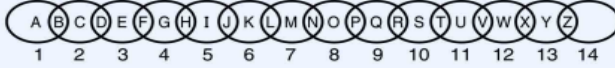




The righteous people will ask when they did these things.



Use the code to find the answer.



“ 12 4,5 1 10,11 3 11,12 3 9,10

13 8 11 2,3 5 2,3 3,4 8 9,10



8 7,8 3 8 3,4



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8 3,4 7 5 7,8 3 13 8 11

2,3 5 2,3 3,4 8 9,10 7 3”

To the people on the right, He will say these words ...



Add or subtract letters to find the correct letters.
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

“ A+2 N+1 J+3 F-1 Z-1 Q-2 R+3 V+1 K-3 P-1

D-3 P+2 B+3 C-1 I+3 A+4 Q+2 U-2 C+2 G-3

A+1 W+2 O-2 Z-1 B+4 E-4 Q+3 M-5 D+1 V-4

V-2 B-1 N-3 G-2 V+3 Q-2 V-1 T-2

G+2 L+2 K-3 G-2 O+3 L-3 S+1 C-2 P-2 A+2 F-1

V-2 F+2 B+3 L-1 N-5 P-2 F+1 C+1 P-1 J+3

T-4 T-2 H-3 L+4 B-1 Q+1 F-1 G-3 E+1 L+3 S-1

X+1 R-3 T+1 Q+2 F+3 M+1 B+1 F-1

V-2 E+3 D+1 D-1 S-1 B+3 C-2 V-2 H+1 Q-2 M+1

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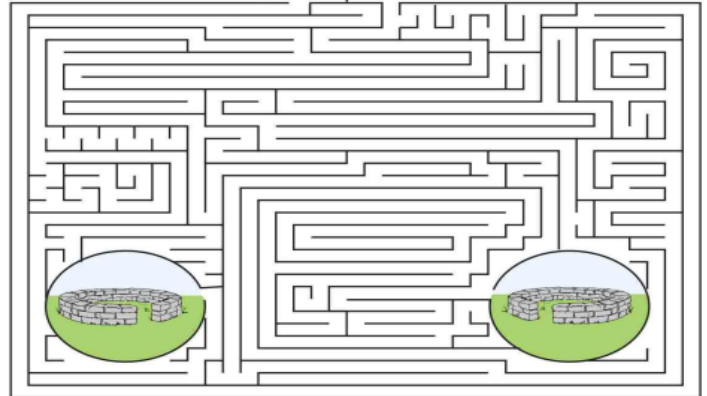
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The Sheep and the Goats

The Lord will sit on His heavenly throne. All the nations will be gathered before Him. He will separate the people as a shepherd separates the sheep and the goats – the sheep on the right and the goats on the left.

Help the sheep get to the pen on the right.
Help the goats get to the pen on the left.



The Lord will continue to speak to the people on the right.



Unscramble the words in the second part of each sentence.

“For I was hungry DNA OYU AVEG EM

NOETIHMSG OT ATE

I was thirsty NDA OUY VEGA EM

NHEOSMTIG OT RIDNK

I was a stranger NAD UYO EINIVTD

EM NI I needed clothes NAD YUO

ETLCOHD EM I was sick ADN OUY

DEOLOK EFATR EM

I was in prison NDA UYO AMEC OT

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