



The Cathedral of Saint Thomas More
3901 Cathedral Lane Arlington, VA 22203
Most Rev. Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington



Twenty-First Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Simon Peter
said to Jesus,
“You are the Christ,
the Son of the
living God.”

Matthew 16:16

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Sacramental Information

PENANCE: Thursday 7:30pm to 8:30 pm
Saturday 4:00-5:00pm and by appointment;
Sunday En español: 12:15pm—12:45pm

BAPTISM AND MATRIMONY: Please contact the
Rectory or go to the website for information. In-class
preparation is required. Please call Rectory to register.

ANOINTING of the SICK: Please contact the
Rectory for a priest.

Mass Schedule

PHASE 3 ADJUSTED MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 7:00am & 12:05pm
Saturdays: 9:00am
Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm
Sundays: 7:00am, 9:30am, 12:45pm en Espanol

LIVE-STREAM SCHEDULE

Daily 12:05pm, Saturday 9:00am
Sunday, 9:30am and 12:45pm (Spanish)

The Rosary: Monday-Friday at 11:40am

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EXPLORE MORE at THE CATHEDRAL!

WELCOME and thank you for joining us. The Cathedral is the Mother Church of the Diocese, and home to many events throughout the year, as well as an award-winning School. Whether you need to update your contact information, or want to register, the process is easy. Registration forms can be found at the Cathedral entrances or you can go to <https://www.cathedralstm.org/about/registration/>



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for bulletin, lector and Cathedral Connection
submissions.**

From Our Rector

"Who do you say that I am?" (Matthew 16:13)

"What's your name" is the first thing we ask upon meeting someone new. To share our name, how we wish to be known, is to share ourselves. We enter a relationship when we do so. This relationship can be casual, or it can grow into something much deeper.

After witnessing miracles, hearing His teachings, and experiencing the reaction of those who encountered Jesus, the disciples are now on the verge of true relationship with Christ. It is Peter who gives voice to this first: "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Yet, we know that this revelation by Peter will eventually turn to repudiation on Good Friday. The first to recognize the enormity of Jesus' mission on earth will be the first to shy away from all that it would demand.

Though Jesus, as God, would have foreseen this horrible irony, He still chooses this "rock" upon which to "build my church." It is a clear testament to His great mercy. Jesus' salvation comes to all, heralds, and sinners alike. To shepherd his flock, Christ will need a church led by men and women who know of our Father's great mercy.

We too have built a church here – from stone and wood, mortar, and tile. What have constructed the building, but it is those who have inhabited it who have given it life and purpose. Parishioners long gone and all of us here today build the community of Christ with every sacrament celebrated, every prayer said in thanksgiving or worry, with every smile and handshake. We re-introduce ourselves with every word or gesture, sharing who we believe Christ as Gospel witnesses. These difficult days are a good opportunity to reflect on the importance of the Church in our lives. If Christ were to question you today, would you answer with the same conviction as Peter?

Later this week our students in Grades 5 through 8 will return to campus to practice drop-off and pick-up procedures and become acquainted with their classrooms. I ask that you drive gently around campus, especially near the School. These are challenging times and it is important that we have our students well-prepared for a new school year, a new environment and new protocols. I am grateful to our faculty and staff who have done so much over the summer to welcome our them back.

God Bless. Fr. Posey

Today's Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 22:19–23
 Responsorial: Psalm 138:1–2, 2–3, 6, 8
 Second Reading: Romans 11:33–36
 Gospel: Matthew 16:13–20

Readings for the Week

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
 Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13; Mt 23:23-26
 Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5; Mt 23:27-32
 Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51
 Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13
 Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21; Mk 6:17-29
 Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Remember in your prayers the sick of our parish

especially: Marcia Carman, Lourdes Batol, Jim Fitzwater, John Ford, Joan Janaro, Owen Keel, Karen Kelly, Andrew Pinella, James Saunders, Josephine Whibley. Please call the Rectory to submit prayer requests for the sick, and also to remove a name from the list.

REQUEST A MASS INTENTION

Did you know? The custom of requesting a Mass for a specific intention, even when one cannot be physically present at the Mass, is a longstanding tradition in the Church. Masses can be offered to celebrate Baptisms, Birthdays, Anniversary, Confirmations, Special Intentions, and/or to commemorate the anniversary of a loved one's death. Please contact the Rectory Office 703-525-1300.

Your offering can be mailed or done online at <https://membership.faithdirect.net/VA326>

Please remember to pray for our health care workers, first responders and all essential employees who continue to keep us safe, care for us, and provide us with life's necessities.

Daily Mass Intention

Saturday, August 22

5:30pm Patrick McDonald (D)

Sunday, August 23

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time;

7:00am Parishioners
 9:30am Brian Rogan (D)
 12:45pm James Clark (D)

Monday, August 24

St. Bartholomew

7:00am Anna Grace Whelan
 12:05pm Bryan Stolz (D)

Tuesday, August 25

St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz

7:00am Cleborne D. Foster (D)
 12:05pm Carlo Salzano (D)

Wednesday, August 26

7:00am Susanne Frantz
 12:05pm Catherine Richards (D)

Thursday, August 27

St. Monica

7:00am Stella Schuchart Foster (D)
 12:05pm Dorothy England (D)

Friday, August 28

St. Augustine

7:00am Gary Blair (D)
 12:05pm Donna Simpson

Saturday, August 29

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

9:00am Mark Connoles (A)

Please pray for those serving our country:

Captain Timothy P. Blaine, USMC; Louis Crishock; FSO, Pvt. F.C. Dylan Cate, USA; 2Lt. Robert P. Coffin, USMC; Major Anthony Colella, USAF; Major Justin M. Coons, USMC; COL Richard Creed, USA; 1st Lt. James Law, USMC; LCpl Joseph A. Patrick, USMC; Pvt. Killian Smet, ARNG; Nick Tengtio; SSG. Ryan Wagner, USAF; Major Thomas J. Wisler, USMC; Capt. Evan J. Wright, USAF

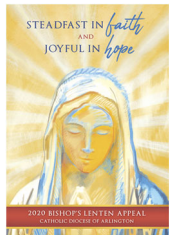


DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Join the STM Divine Mercy Group to pray the Chaplet on weekdays 15 minutes after the conclusion of the 12:05pm Daily Mass.

Stewardship

The **Second Collection today is for parish maintenance.** With recent storms, we've experienced some leaks in the Cathedral, Rectory and School which are estimated to cost \$10,000. Your stewardship of our campus is very much appreciated! God bless.



Bishop Burbidge mailed a letter this week about supporting the BLA. This important program relies on your help to foster our many diocesan ministries. Make your gift today: <https://bit.ly/2yBgiL7>. Thank You!



The Legion of Mary invites you to a **celebration of the Nativity of the Blessed Mother**, Tuesday, September 8, at 7pm. Given the ongoing pandemic, we will gather virtually via Zoom. You can participate via your computer, tablet or smart phone or by dialing in on your land line.

The celebration will include hymns, the Rosary, and a short talk about the Blessed Mother by Deacon Jonathan Fioramonti. The event will conclude by about 8:00 pm. All are welcome!!

RSVP by Sunday, September 6 on Cathedral website (see the announcement under "News & Events") or call or email Peter Hickman @ 703-528-0297 or loyalscout@hotmail.com. When you RSVP, you will receive information on how to participate via Zoom.

IMPORTANT MASS ATTENDANCE REMINDERS

- All persons over 10 must wear masks which may be removed ONLY while receiving the Eucharist.
- Please use hand sanitizer upon entering and before receiving communion.
- Practice social distancing, remaining 6 feet apart
- The Holy Water fonts remain empty and the Sign of Peace omitted from the Mass.
- We ask that Communicants refrain from receiving the Eucharist on the tongue for the health and safety of our community.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we take care of one another.

Pro Life Corner

Support after abortion can be found at **Project Rachel**. There is hope. There is help. If you or someone you know is suffering, please contact Project Rachel at 703-841-2504 or 1-888-456-HOPE or email info@helpafterabortion.org En Espanol: 888-456-HELP For men suffering from an abortion, please contact our confidential men's helpline: 703-841-3833. For information on retreats and other resources, go to: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/helpafterabortion/>

In August, we celebrate our Blessed Mother's final journey home to heaven in her glorious Assumption and we pray that she may continue to draw souls through her Immaculate Heart to her Son in the church. Is there someone you know who wants to explore the Catholic faith? **The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)** is the process by which persons who were never baptized, or were baptized in another Christian tradition, become members of the Church, where we on pilgrimage to our heavenly Father. Inquiry sessions are ongoing. Please contact Fr. Kevin Dansereau in the office at 703-525-1300.

Join Partners in Prayer! Offer to pray for special intentions a few minutes daily. Right now we can all use prayers! To learn more about becoming a PIP or to request a prayer, go to: <https://bit.ly/32CPYgn>

Religious Education/Educacion Religiosa

Please know that we are here to support you as the primary educators of our Catholic faith. Before we set our schedule for the fall, we ask you to complete this survey to see which format is most beneficial to you and your children. Please complete this by August 21 to aid in our planning. Thank you for your patience and understanding. <https://bit.ly/2XJDccn>

Sepan que estamos aquí para apoyarlos como los principales maestros de nuestra fe católica. Antes de establecer nuestro calendario para el otoño, estamos enviando esta breve encuesta para determinar qué formato será el mejor para usted y sus hijos. Por favor complete esta encuesta utilizando el enlace a continuación.

Por favor llene la encuesta antes del viernes 21 de agosto para que podamos planificar adecuadamente. Agradecemos su paciencia y comprensión en estos tiempos difíciles. <https://bit.ly/2XJDccn>

Faculty and Student Orientation continues this week.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

- 9:00am 8th Grade Arrival--classroom orientation
- 10:30am 8th Grade Dismissal Practice
- 1:00pm 7th Grade Arrival--classroom orientation
- 2:30pm 7th Grade Dismissal Practice

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

- 9:00am 6th Grade Arrival--classroom orientation
- 10:30am 6th Grade Dismissal Practice
- 1:00pm 5th Grade Arrival--classroom orientation
- 2:30pm 5th Grade Dismissal Practice

Around the Diocese



Bishop Burbidge Podcasts
Listen here: <https://bit.ly/2Viwb15>

Mass for Silver or Gold Wedding Anniversaries

Were you married in 1970 or 1995? Then join Bishop Burbidge for the 2020 Mass for Jubilarians to be celebrated on Sunday, October 4th at 2:30pm at the Cathedral. Contact the parish office to register no later than September 18th. For more information, please go to: www.arlingtondiocese.org/mjm

Conference for Engaged Couples

Getting Married? The diocese has three conferences planned for the coming months: September 5 and October 17 both at the Cathedral from 8:30am-4:00pm. For more information and to register, please go to: <https://bit.ly/3gy78iY>

Sign Up For the Diocesan E-Newsletter!

Receive special video messages from our bishop, learn about unique opportunities to get involved, and be the first to know the news about our Diocese - straight to your inbox. Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/CDAsignup>

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington will present **Responding to Racism: Understanding, Conversion**, Action with Bishop Michael F. Burbidge and Rev. Scott Woods, a priest of the Archdiocese of Washington, at The Church of the Nativity, Burke, at 7:00pm on Tuesday, August 25. For more information, go to: <https://bit.ly/32Z6urb>

College Campus Ministries depend upon summer orientation to learn the names of the incoming freshmen. Without those orientations this summer, CCMs do not have the ability to reach out to your students in the Fall. Please complete this survey so that the Office of College Campus Ministry can get your graduate connected to the Catholic Campus Ministry at their school!
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z9PXMQD>

You can still support our future priests during these times of COVID restrictions through the **Race for Seminarians**. Pick your sport, your route or sponsor. Build your team: Encourage each other. Not an athlete? You can still join the cause by supporting our team with funds and prayers. Visit ArlingtonDiocese.org/RACE to learn about all these options and start building your team today!

Diocesan Events

Please go to <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/all-events/> for the most update information.

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Sunday, August 23

7:00am	Mass	Cathedral
9:30am	Mass ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral
12:15—12:45pm	Confesiones en Espanol	Cathedral
12:45pm	Misa en Espanol ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral

Monday, August 24

7:00am	Daily Mass	Cathedral
12:05pm	Daily Mass ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral

Tuesday, August 25

7:00am	Daily Mass	Cathedral
12:05pm	Daily Mass ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral

Wednesday, August 26

7:00am	Daily Mass	Cathedral
12:05pm	Daily Mass ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral

Thursday, August 27 School Orientation Grades 7 & 8

7:00am	Daily Mass	Cathedral
12:05pm	Daily Mass ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral
12:30—8:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral
7:30-8:00pm	Confessions	Cathedral

Friday, August 28 School Orientation Grades 5 & 6

7:00am	Daily Mass	Cathedral
12:05pm	Daily Mass ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral

Saturday, August 29

9:00am	Daily Mass ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral
4:00-5:00pm	Confessions	Cathedral
5:30pm	Sunday Vigil Mass	Cathedral

Sacramento del Bautizo. Llame a la Rectoria para obtener informacion sobre los bautizos. (Los padres deben estar registrados en la parroquia). No se pone fecha a los bautizos hasta que todos los documentos esten completos. Los Bautizos en espanol son el tercer Sabado del mes.

Educacion religiosa y preparacion sacramental para la primera comunion y la confirmacion para ninos. Contactar a la oficina de education religiosa o (CCD) 703-525-1300.

Rito de iniciacion Cristiana y Sacramentos para adultos (RICA). Contactar al Padre Dansereau 703-525-1300.

Sacramento del Matrimonio. Las regulaciones de la Diocese requieren que se ponga en contacto con uno de los sacerdotes de la iglesia al menos seis meses antes de la fecha que quiere casarse. Contacte al Padre Dansereau al 703-525-1300.

Uncion de los enfermos. Llame a las ofcinas de la parroquia.

Comunion para los enfermos. Favor de comunicarse con la Sra. Estela Nunez al 703-932-7282.

Hospitalización. Por favor notifique a la oficina de la parroquia si usted está en el hospital. Por ley los hospitals no lo pueden hacer.