



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



Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Peter asked,
"Lord, how often
must I forgive?
As many as
seven times?"*

Matthew 18:21

September 13, 2020



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**CATHEDRAL OF
SAINT THOMAS MORE**

FALL BASH



**September 26
after 5:30pm Mass**

Live Music * Bingo * Ice Cream

JOIN US NEXT WEEK!

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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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From Our Rector

"Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Matthew 6:12
"Everyone says forgiveness is a lovely idea, until they have something to forgive" C.S. Lewis

Peter's question in today's Gospel is a natural follow up to Jesus' discussion on the amount of "correction" I owe to a wayward brother. How many times do I forgive? Give me a number.

Jesus teaches us two important facts about forgiveness: it's limitless and reciprocal. I think it's easier for us to deal, mentally, with the reciprocity issue: we ask for it every time we recite the Lord's Prayer. How can we expect God's mercy if we are not able to show it to others? Jesus tells us to avoid hypocrisy: the very real issue he faced with the Pharisees.

But forgiveness without limits? That's more difficult. We have all experienced this to some extent: the "friend" who continually stings with hurtful words or missed calls; the colleague who seems to undermine your every move; the errant spouse.

Why are we shocked when we read about victims of injustice (and/or their families) forgiving those, who harmed a loved one? Because an "eye for an eye" mentality is difficult to escape. We want justice; we want the equilibrium to be reset. "Vengeance is mine says the Lord."

This is the crux of mercy. The German theologian Romano Guardini spoke about the need to forgive without thought of "vengeance." St. Mother Teresa, too, reminds us to forgive regardless if you are hurt again. "It was never between you and them anyway." Easy on paper; until it becomes your reality, as C.S. Lewis writes.

I've had many conversations with a parent whose son struggles with mental illness, but is also verbally abusive, manipulative and more. "I have to forgive him because God knows how many times I've been forgiven." I remind them that while they forgive, they must still set boundaries. God is not looking for repeated victimhood for His children. Boundaries mean that you continue to show a right path; it means you pray for your transgressor and for yourself. It means that you unlock the cage of hurt and anger and allow consequences take precedence over bitterness. These consequences can be secular in terms of the law; but it also means you let God be the ultimate judge.

Freedom is oftentimes hard-won; but in life, it is truly forgiveness and love which will set you free.

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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submissions.**

Today's Readings

First Reading: Sir 27:30 — 28:7
 Responsorial: Psalm 103:1–2, 3–4, 9–10, 11–12
 Second Reading: Romans 14:7–9
 Gospel: Matthew 18:21–35

Readings for the Week

Monday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22; Lk 7:31-35
 Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50
 Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-8b, 15; Lk 8:1-3
 Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14; Lk 8:4-15
 Sunday: Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

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.

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. Wissler, USMC; Capt. Evan J. Wright, USAF

Daily Mass Intention

Saturday, Sept. 12

5:30pm Carlo Salzano (D)

Sunday, Sept. 13

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day; Catechetical Sunday

7:00am Irene Beffa (A)
 9:30am George Waringo (D)
 12:45pm Parishioners

Monday, Sept. 14

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
 Roberto Aranda
 Kathy Cassidy

Tuesday, Sept. 15

Our Lady of Sorrows
 Maria Cassidy
 Mario B. Valdez (D)

Wednesday, Sept. 16

Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian
 Margaret Cassidy
 Nico Panlican

Thursday, Sept. 17

St. Robert Bellarmine
 Madeline Lukehart
 Frank Fleming

Friday, Sept. 18

Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) 5781

7:00am Susan Handlon
 12:05pm Finnegan Patrick Blaine

Saturday, Sept. 19

The Most Holy Name of Mary; Blessed Virgin Mary
 Dorothy England (D)

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.

The funeral Mass for Agnes Sequeira, who passed away in April, will be Tuesday, September 15 at 10:00am at the Cathedral. All are welcome to join in prayer for the repose of Agnes' soul.

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.

Stewardship: A Note From Our Rector



Later this week you will receive our Fiscal 2019 Annual Report. Despite the pandemic canceling events, we were still able to come together in many ways. Next weekend I will review the report with you as part of our Offertory Program. Thank you for your continued prayers and support. God Bless. Fr. Posey

SEPTEMBER 26 FALL BASH DETAILS After 5:30pm Mass

Fall Bash is an opportunity for our community to come together in fellowship and it's free! Bring your own picnic meal and lawn chair(s). We will provide live music, bingo and an ice cream treat! Please consider bringing a canned good to support the St. Lucy food pantry. There is a specific need for canned fruit, vegetables and meat. The Knights of Columbus will be on hand to collect the items. After Mass, grab your picnic meal and chairs and go to your assigned space in the school parking lot - you will receive an email confirmation after you register. We are limited to 200 people outdoors; unfortunately, walk-ins will not be accepted. Masks will be required. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the office 703-525-1300. Looking forward to seeing you at the Fall Bash!

DETALLES DE LA FIESTA DE OTOÑO; SEPTIEMBRE 26 después de la Misa de las 5:30 pm

La Fiesta de Otoño es una oportunidad para estar juntos en comunidad y es gratis! Traiga su propia comida de picnic y su silla de jardín. Nosotros proporcionaremos la música, el bingo y el helado!

Por favor considere traer una donación para apoyar a la despena de comida de St. Lucy en estos tiempos difíciles. Se necesita específicamente fruta, vegetales y carne en lata. Los Caballeros de Colón se encargarán de recoger las donaciones.

Por favor estacionarse en la Catedral. Después de la Misa tome su comida de picnic y su silla y diríjase a su sitio asignado en el estacionamiento de la escuela. Usted recibirá un email con la información después que se registre. Los puestos están limitados a no más de 200 personas afuera. Máximo 8 personas por grupo. Desafortunadamente no se aceptarán personas no registradas. Se requiere usar máscara. Si tiene preguntas, puede llamar a la oficina de la Catedral (703) 525-1300.

Para registrarse vaya al sitio en internet: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080c48adac28a5f58-fall>. Los esperamos a todos en la Fiesta de Otoño.

Pro Life Corner

Join the Pro-Life committee this Saturday to pray the rosary in the Cathedral after the 9:00am Saturday Mass. Join them every THIRD Saturday of the month.



Our Fall campaign, starts on September 23, ending November

11. As a parish we publicly pray for the protection of the unborn and the closing of Falls Church Healthcare, 900 S. Washington St., Falls Church. Our target day is Thursday (7a-7p) but any day or time you go and pray is appreciated. Questions? stmprolife@gmail.com

Do you desire to grow in your Catholic faith? Would you like to connect with other women in our parish community? We invite you to consider joining Sept. 29. Beholding His Glory, a nine-session study, integrates Scripture with the teachings of the Catholic Church to show us how all Scripture points us to our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Join us on Tuesday, Sept. 29 at 7:00pm. Contact Iris at stmwwp@gmail.com or 571-334-9340 or online at <https://www.cathedralstm.org/walking-with-purpose> for more information. Information flyers can be found at the Cathedral entrances

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 at 703-525-1300.

We will celebrate First Holy Communions this weekend, and the next two weeks for our children who were unable to receive the Sacrament in the spring due to COVID-19 restrictions. Thank you to their parents, and to our teachers and catechists (Mary Pometto, Emily Sheckels, Amy Smith, Martha Heredia, Nidya Ferruntino Merida, Blanca Reyes, Dr. Lorrie Brown, and Dan Connole. God bless them!

September 13 is Catechetical Sunday. At the Cathedral we are blessed with volunteers who reveal their Gospel witness in sharing their faith with others. God bless them and the work they do. If you feel you have a calling to aid in the formation of a new generation of Catholics, please contact Fr. Dansereau or Maria Paniagua at the rectory: 703-525-1300



WE'RE READY FOR A
YEAR OF **MORE**
LEARNING AND
GROWING
IN OUR FAITH!

Religious Education/Educación Religiosa

In light of the coronavirus pandemic, the Religious Education Office will be offering some in-person & mostly virtual classes during the 2020-2021 year. We hope to offer classes that are easily accessible and engaging for children and parents. For more information on registration and classes go to:

<https://www.cathedralstm.org/religious-education/k-12-religious-education/>

Debido a la pandemia por el coronavirus, la oficina de Educación Religiosa ofrecerá para el año 2020-2021 algunas clases en persona y el resto de manera virtual. Nuestra esperanza es ofrecer clases que sean accesibles e interesantes para los niños y para los padres. Para más información sobre las clases y como registrarse vaya al sitio de internet:

<https://www.cathedralstm.org/religious-education/k-12-religious-education/>

Around the Diocese



Bishop Burbidge
Podcasts:
<https://bit.ly/2Vwbi5>

The **Mass for Disability Awareness** will be held on Sunday, September 27, at 10:30am at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Annandale (8800 Braddock Road). The Very Reverend Jamie R. Workman, Diocesan Vicar General will be the celebrant and homilist. All families with members with intellectual and developmental disabilities are invited.

Mass for Silver or Gold Wedding Anniversaries

Were you married in 1970 or 1995? Bishop Burbidge will celebrate Mass for Jubilarians Sunday, October 4 at 3:00pm. NOTE NEW TIME! Unfortunately, due to overwhelming response, we can no longer host family members and guests due to COVID restrictions. Mass will be live streamed. **Contact the parish office to register no later than September 18th.** For more information, please go to: www.arlingtondiocese.org/mjm

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!

Sign Up For the Diocesan E-Newsletter!

Receive special video messages from our bishop, learn about unique opportunities to get involved. Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/CDAsignup>

Diocesan Events

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

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Sunday, September 13			National Grandparents Day: Pray for your Grandparents!
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, September 14			
7:00am	Daily Mass		Cathedral
12:05pm	Daily Mass	ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral
7:00-8:00pm	English Legion of Mary		Via Zoom
Tuesday, September 15			
7:00am	Daily Mass		Cathedral
12:05pm	Daily Mass	ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral
Wednesday, September 16			
7:00am	Daily Mass		Cathedral
12:05pm	Daily Mass	ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral
Thursday, September 17			
7:00am	Daily Mass		Cathedral
8:30am	Lower School 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, September 18			
7:00am	Daily Mass		Cathedral
10:00am	Upper School Mass		Cathedral
12:05pm	Daily Mass	ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral
Saturday, September 19			
9:00am	Daily Mass	ALSO LIVE STREAMED	Cathedral
	Pro-Life Rosary Immediately Following Mass		
11:00am & 2:00pm	First Holy Communions		Cathedral
4:00-5:00pm	Confessions		Cathedral
5:30pm	Sunday Vigil Mass		Cathedral

Horario de las Misas

Domingo en la mañana misas en ingles: 8:00AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM

Misa del domingo en español: 12:45 PM

Domingo en la tarde: 5:00 PM (Ingles)

Lunes a viernes 7:00 AM (Ingles) & 12:05 PM (Ingles)

Sábado en la mañana: 9:00 AM (Ingles)

CONFESIONES. Jueves 7:30—8:30pm; primer y segundo domingo del mes después de la misa en español y sabados de 4:00 a 5:00 pm.

Adoración Eucarística

Jueves : 12:30—8:30 pm

Coordinador de los lectores. Sr. Sigfrido Oller

703-371-3694.

Coordinador de los Ujieres. Sr. Fidel Santos

703-209-2756.

Coordinador de los Monagillos.

Padre Dansereau 703-525-1300.

Coordinadora del grupo de oracion.

Maria Victoria Pineda 703-920-5808.

Ministerio de la musica. Si desea ser parte del coro de la iglesia comuníquese el Sr. Marco Castillo al 703-409-9175