

June 6, 2021 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

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SUNDAY

7 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.

MONDAY through FRIDAY

6:30 a.m., 8 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.

SATURDAY

8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. (Vigil for Sunday)

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

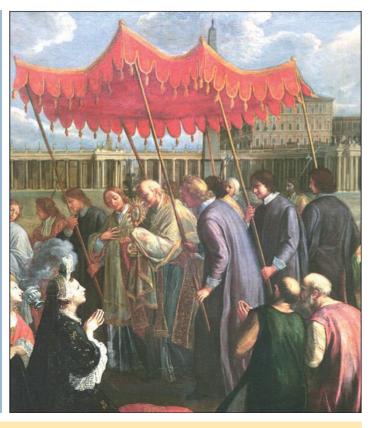
7:30 p.m., Third Friday of the month

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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

MONDAY through FRIDAY After 12:10 p.m. Mass WEDNESDAY 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. SATURDAY 9 to 10 a.m. and 4 to 5 p.m.



BASILICA HOURS

MONDAY through FRIDAY 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. SATURDAY 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. SUNDAY 6 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS (313 Duke Street) **MONDAY through FRIDAY** 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Rosary Monday through Friday before 8 a.m. Mass and on Saturday before 8:30 a.m. Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena Monday 12 noon

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 12:45 to 8:30 p.m.

Adoration with Holy Hour & Benediction

Wednesday 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

First Friday Nocturnal Adoration

Friday 9 p.m. until Saturday 7:30 a.m.

Communal First Saturday Devotion

First Saturday of the month at 8 a.m.

BAPTISMS

Sunday, 2:30 p.m. Please call the Parish Office to register in advance and obtain requirements for godparents, etc.

MARRIAGES

Contact Parish Priest a minimum of 6 months before possible wedding date for marriage preparation. Couples living together will be asked to live separately during marriage preparation.

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Oremus pro invicem "Let us pray for each other"

Father Edward C. Hathaway, Rector

CALLED TO SERVE OUR LORD

Yesterday, **June 5**, Bishop Burbidge ordained four men as priests for our diocese: Fathers Jonathan Fioramonti, John Paul Heisler, Jonathan Smith (Basilica of Saint Mary parishioner) and Joseph Townsend (our new Saint Mary parochial vicar as of **June 24**). We thank Our Lord for calling these men to the priesthood and ask Him to bless and guide them so they may faithfully serve Him, His Church and His people.

Father Smith will celebrate his first Mass as a priest here at the Basilica at **2:30 p.m. today**. What a joyous occasion for our parish! A reception will take place after Mass in the school gym at 400 Green Street (please note updated location). Father Smith also will join Father Nicholas in carrying the monstrance for our Corpus Christi Procession to and from the cemetery following our **5 p.m. Mass today**.

Next weekend we'll see the return – very briefly – of Andrew Thornton, who served us as deacon from September 2020 through April 2021. He, too, was ordained to the priesthood yesterday but for the Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana. Father Thornton will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at our 10 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, June 13**.

I celebrated my own 30th ordination anniversary recently, on May 18. Three decades – how time flies! My sincere thanks for your prayers and good wishes. I am very blessed by God and ever-grateful to Him, Our Lady and all of you. It is an honor to serve as your rector and pastor.

Our summer seminarian Jordan Evans arrives this week. He's a parishioner at Saint John the Evangelist in Warrenton. Watch for more about him next week.

As you may know, Alex Solsma, our Basilica of Saint Mary Director of Communications and Evangelization for the past three years, will begin studies for the priesthood this fall at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary near Philadelphia. Another Saint Mary parishioner, Deacon John O'Farrell, studying at Mount Saint Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD, will be ordained a priest next summer, God willing. Please keep Alex and John – two of our own – in your prayers.

THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS – June 11

Friday, June 11, is the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and, appropriately for this time of year, World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests. "The prayer of the Church venerates and honors the Heart of Jesus." (*Catechism of the Catholic Church* 2669)

THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – June 12

In 1944, in the midst of World War II, Pope Pius XII placed the entire world under the special protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary by consecrating it to her Immaculate Heart seeking "peace among nations, freedom for the Church, the conversion of sinners, the love of purity and the practice of virtue" (Decree of May 4, 1944). Today, in 2021, the world is still in great need of Our Lady's help as we celebrate that feast on **Saturday, June 12**.



IN OUR PRAYERS

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 6 — The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

7 a.m. — John W. Ortiz 8:30 a.m. — Special Intention: The Patrick Family 10 a.m. — Special Intention: Steve and Kellie Trepkowski 11:30 a.m. — Parishioners of Saint Mary 1 p.m. — Special Intention: Mary Gallagher 5 p.m. — Franciszka and Emil Zdablasz

Monday, June 7

6:30 a.m. — Robyn Miller 8 a.m. — Peter Fajardo 12:10 p.m. — Father Gus Esposito

Tuesday, June 8

6:30 a.m. — Rudolfo Renteria 8 a.m. — Karl Owen DuVal 12:10 p.m. — Hilde and Stephen Giorlando

Wednesday, June 9

6:30 a.m. — Special Intention: The Cooper Family 8 a.m. — Special Intention: Reina DuVal 12:10 p.m. — Tanya Anthony

Thursday, June 10

6:30 a.m. — Donald Arndt 8 a.m. — Seth and Rose (Special Intention) Wheeland 12:10 p.m. — Dale Richard Meers

Friday, June 11 — The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

6:30 a.m. — Special Intention: The Blazevich Family 8 a.m. — Special Intention: Steve and Kellie Trepkowski 12:10 p.m. — Special Intention: Josephine Harchick

Saturday, June 12— The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 a.m. — Joseph Harchick 5 p.m. — Special Intention: Daniel John Riordan

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, June 6 — The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26 Monday, June 7

2 Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-9; Mt 5:1-12

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Tuesday, June 8

2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129-133, 135; Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday, June 9

2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday, June 10

2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 5:20-26

Friday, June 11 — **The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus** Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; (Ps) Is 12:2-6; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37

Saturday, June 12 — The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Cor 5:14-21 (or Is 61:9-11); Ps 103:1-4, 9-12 (or 1 Sm 2); Lk 2:41-51

PRAY FOR THE ILL, INCLUDING

Dutch Anderson, Suzanne Aragona, Theresa Aranda, Maria Campo, Quinn Copps, Mary Davis, Lisa Durham, Jean Edwards, Michael Hahn, Michael Henderson, Sean P. Kocourek, Geraldine (Gerry) McGowan, Bud Miles, Richard Nunan, Terry Nunan, Grace Otero, Jeffrey Petrino, Pam Rubin, Baby Shiller, Noel Tohill, Juan Torres, Manny Wagner and Jerry Wallmeyer

PRAY FOR ALL THE RECENTLY DECEASED

PRAY FOR THOSE ACTIVELY SERVING IN HARM'S WAY, INCLUDING

Alex Deerr, Tim Galginaitis, Kaylyn E. Krzemien, Nathan Martins, Sara McAlpin, Mitchell Mehaffey, Vincent P. Pensyl, Ryan Rickley, David Alejandro Sandoval, Patrick Tuccillo, Josh Villeneuve and those serving in law enforcement, as firefighters and emergency first responders

PRAY FOR OUR DIOCESAN PRIESTS

June 6 — Rev. Donald J. Planty Jr.
June 7 — Rev. Jerry J. Pokorsky
June 8 — Rev. Christopher J. Pollard
June 9 — Rev. Marcus A. Pollard
June 10 — Very Rev. Patrick L. Posey, VF
June 11 — Rev. Juan A. Puigo
June 12 — Rev. Luis Quinones

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

This is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many.

Are you being chosen by Christ to pour out your life's work for souls with Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg at michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org or 703.841.2514.

Names of the ill are listed for 4 weeks. Names of those actively serving in harm's way (generally means deployed overseas) are listed for 4 months. You may reinstate or add a name at bulletin@stmaryoldtown.org or call 703.836.4100.

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR JUNE

The Beauty of Marriage. Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community; may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.



WORSHIP & ONGOING FAITH FORMATION

Year of Saint Joseph

The Lord has arrayed Joseph, like with a sun, in all which the saints possess together in regard to light and splendor.

– Saint Gregory of Nazianzus



TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

The Holy Mass in the Extraordinary Form (the Tridentine or Traditional Latin Mass) is celebrated here at the Basilica of Saint Mary on the **third Friday** of each month. The regular celebrant for this Mass is our Parochial Vicar, Father David Dufresne. Our next Extraordinary Form Mass at the Basilica will be celebrated on **Friday**, **June 18 at 7:30 p.m.**.





The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.

— Luke 10:2

Families and individuals are invited to participate in a Basilica of Saint Mary initiative to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

You will have the opportunity to host a special crucifix for one week at a time, praying each day for vocations around the world, especially in our parish and diocese. If you are interested in being a part of our

Vocation Crucifix Program, please contact Elena Otero-Bigg at ebigg@stmaryoldtown.org.

Q & A Exploring & Practicing Our Catholic Faith

Q: What does the term "vocation" mean?

A: A "vocation" (from the Latin *vocatio* – a calling or summoning) is a personal call from God to a distinctive state of life by which every man and woman can bear witness to Christ in the world and strive for holiness.

Some people are called to **religious** vocations –

- Priesthood Men are conformed to Jesus Christ through the Sacrament of Holy Orders for the service of God's people.
- Religious Life Women (nuns and sisters) and men (monks and brothers) make a formal commitment to live as Christ lived through vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. They typically do so within a specific religious order, e.g. Franciscans, Benedictines, Cistercians, Poor Clares, Dominicans, etc.

Others are called to **lay** vocations where they share the gifts of the Catholic faith in their every day lives at home, at work, at school, etc. –

- Married Life A man and a woman make a faithful commitment to one another, consecrated by the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, to strive to please God through their devotion to each other and fostering a faith-oriented family.
- Consecrated Single Life An individual lives celibately in the world and commits their life to serving God and others through their work and prayer.



FAMILY, CHILDREN & YOUTH

HELP OUR HIGH SCHOOLERS SERVE THE UNDERPRIVILEGED AT WORKCAMP 2021

There are many ways you can help!

June 20-24, Basilica of Saint Mary teens will join other students from Northern Virginia for the annual Arlington Diocese WorkCamp, based this year at Good \Shepherd Catholic Church. The teens will attend Mass daily then split into "crews" compromised of teens from four parishes. Their goal is to complete a home construction project for someone in need. The WorkCamp experience also includes faith formation and fellowship.

To make WorkCamp 2021 a success, we need your help as in a variety of roles: Adult Crew Leader, Contractors and Assistant Contractors (no experience needed), preparing PB&J sandwiches for lunches, serving dinner to teens and helping with various tasks at home base (Good Shepherd) during the day and evening. Please consider supporting this program through your prayers, time or financial resources.

Learn more at https://stmaryoldtown.org/support-workcamp/.

Questions? Contact Youth Apostolate Assistant Director

& WorkCamp Stakeholder Mariane Staron at mstaron@stmaryoldtown.org



JOHN PAUL THE GREAT SUMMER CAMPS

JP Summer Camps are back for 2021! Sign up your elementary and middle-school age children for a variety of athletic and enrichment camps during the month of July. Camps include Robotics, Photography, Leadership, Volleyball, Football, Basketball, Soccer and more! Visit jpthegreat.org for details and registration information.



AROUND OUR PARISH & BEYOND



CATHOLIC SPORTS UPDATES

Upcoming Leagues

Registration for Outdoor Volleyball Season 2 is now OPEN! Early Registration closes on June 13!

League will be held on Thursday evenings from July 11 to August 29

Register at www.catholicsports.net!

Bible Studies

Contact Helena Briggs (catholicsports@stmaryoldtown.org) if you'd like to join a Men's or Women's Bible Study! Socials

Stay tuned for our first social events coming up!

If you have any questions or would like to connect, email catholicsports@stmaryoldtown.org or text Helena at 540.551.2271



NEW BASILICA PODCASTS

Father Nicholas Blank offers a reflection on *The Hands of the Father and the Son*.

Recorded at a May 15 Knights of Columbus Morning of Reflection.

Father Noah Morey, Chaplain at Bishop Ireton High School and a priest in residence at the Basilica of Saint Mary, reflects on Saint Joseph's life in the fifth installment in our Year of Saint Joseph Series. During this year, the Basilica will release a podcast about Saint Joseph on the 19th of every month.

You can find our complete Basilica podcast archive, with additional talks and interviews, at https://stmaryoldtown.libsyn.com/ is located here. Also available for download on Apple Podcasts and Spotify.

From Your Saint Vincent de Paul Society

We believe that the Holy Spirit is at our

side guiding us constantly in our work. When we got an urgent call that an elderly lady had left a shelter and was wandering on the streets of Old Town, we jumped into action. We found her on a bench in a matter of minutes, and when we approached her asking if it was Jean, she said "Yes...I was expecting you. God told me you were coming." We escorted her to our car and since she could not go back to the shelter because she left without permission, we called ahead to a hotel. We were met by the manager. He bowed to us, then led us up to a top floor suite. He opened the curtains to a magnificent view. He said all her meal expenses would be covered for her three-day stay. We were stunned. Why are you doing this? He shrugged, saying he heard a voice telling him to do so. When we left, Jean hugged us tightly, saying "These three days will be the best three days of the rest of my life." We all cried, knowing this would be true. We did locate a relative who came three days later to pick her up and take her there to live with her. Help us give comfort and hope to those like Jean.

POOR BOX

Please remember our neighbors in need by making a contribution to the Poor Box. <u>Proceeds support the important work</u> of our Saint Vincent de Paul Society.

PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE

The Legion of Mary invites all parishioners of the Basilica of Saint Mary to experience the many graces and blessings of Our Lady of Fatima by hosting our Pilgrim Virgin Statue in your home. If you are interested or for more information, please contact Adria Tayrani at 571.310.4016 or email avillar@hotmail.com.



F3

(FRATERNITY/FITNESS/FAITH)
Father David has started a new men's
group at the Basilica called F3 —
Fraternity, Fitness and Faith.
The group meets in front of the Basilica
every Saturday at 5 a.m.
All men of the parish are invited to attend.

All men of the parish are invited to attend. The men work out for roughly 45 minutes, led by a different member of the group each week and finish with prayer.

AROUND OUR PARISH & BEYOND

FROM THE ARCHIVES A periodic look at the history of our Basilica of Saint Mary parish

since its founding in 1795.



ORDINATIONS AT SAINT MARY

On June 5, four new priests – Fathers Jonathan Fioramonti, John Paul Heisler, Jonathan Smith (Basilica of Saint Mary parishioner) and Joseph Townsend (new parochial vicar at Saint Mary) – were ordained for the Arlington Diocese by Bishop Michael F. Burbidge. As is traditional, their ordinations occurred at the diocesan cathedral, Saint Thomas More in Arlington.

However, in Saint Mary's long history, three ordinations actually occurred in our church. Father Richard L. Carne (1826-1911) was ordained at Saint Mary in 1892 at the age of 66, possibly the oldest man ordained in the United States up to that time. Father John S. Igoe (died in 1969) was ordained here in 1924. Both Father Carne and Father Igoe were native sons of Saint Mary Parish.

The ministry of the permanent deacon was revived after Vatican II, opening the way for the May 26, 1972, ordination at Saint Mary of the first permanent deacon in the Diocese of Richmond, John Bowler. An attorney with the U.S. Civil Service Commission, the Reverend Mr. Bowler was ordained here by Richmond Bishop Walter J. Sullivan. (Northern Virginia was still part of the Diocese of Richmond at that time.) In his homily that day, Bishop Sullivan noted, "This is a very historic event in our diocese." Monsignor Joseph Wingler, Saint Mary pastor, commented: "We are only beginning to scratch the surface.... None of us can see how far this program [the permanent diaconate] will go in the next 25 to 50 years."

Father Carne

Monsignor Wingler was right. In 2020, there were 72 active permanent deacons serving in the Arlington Diocese, including four Eastern Rite deacons. The Basilica of Saint Mary does not currently have a permanent deacon. The last to serve here was Deacon William Pivarnik, now retired after serving as a deacon for 32 years, including 1999-2002 at Saint Mary. — Kitty Guy, Parish Historian

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VIRTUAL COLLECTION **BASKET**



Make an offering of gratitude by "dropping your collection envelope" in the Basilica of Saint Mary's Virtual Collection Basket via Faith Direct.

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SEEKING REPARATION FOR RACISM

The Saint Katharine Drexel Society, a Saint Mary parish apostolate, prays for the healing of our nation, especially for the historical and continuing wounds inflicted by slavery, and in reparation for the sins of racism, past and present. The group prays the rosary during the Basilica Holy

Hour on Wednesdays from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. and meets at other times for prayer and fellowship. Father David serves as chaplain. The patroness of the society, Saint Katharine Drexel (1858-1955), was the second American-born saint canonized by the Catholic Church. Born in Philadelphia to a



wealthy family, she entered religious life and used her inheritance to minister to the poor and oppressed, particularly serving Native American reservations and Southern African American inner-city and rural communities. For additional information, please contact Monica Favela at skdsociety@stmaryoldtown.org.

AROUND OUR PARISH & BEYOND

Attention College-Bound Class of 2021!

The Associates of Saint John Bosco invites rising college freshmen to attend a College Night at one of the following parishes: June 30 — Saint Michael July 7 — Nativity July 21 — Basilica of Saint Mary (held at the Parish Lyceum)

July 28 — Saint Mary Fredericksburg (held at Holy Cross Academy)

College Nights are free to all students and provide resources and support for keeping your Catholic faith when entering college this fall. Catholic student representatives from George Mason, UVA, the University of Mary Washington, William & Mary, Virginia Tech and other private and public schools will be on hand to share their experiences of being a Catholic college student. Network with other Catholic students. The Nights begin at 7 p.m. Students are encouraged to wear their college t-shirt to the event! Each College Night is limited to 50 students and follows Virginia Covid-19 guidelines for social distancing, group size. To register for one of these College Nights and for additional information, visit www.asjb.org.



George Mason University's Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) is hosting Thursday Night Gatherings (TNGs) during the summer for graduating high school seniors and college-aged students from the local area.

> This is a great way for students to stay connected in their faith and build a Catholic community with other university students. 70-100 students attend every Thursday.

The GMU events take place at the Saint Robert Bellarmine Chapel (4515 Roberts Road, Fairfax) on Thursday nights in June and July starting at 7 p.m.

For more information, visit GMU CCM on Facebook at "College Summers with GMU CCM," on their website www.gmuccm.org, or email gmuccm@gmail.com

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY — November 3-13

Join Father Peter McShurley of Saint Agnes Catholic Church on a pilgrimage to Italy this November. This trip features six nights in Rome and three nights in Assisi and includes round-trip airfare from IAD. You can expect beautiful four-star hotels, private transportation, an incredible program of Catholic and cultural tours led by master guides, most meals and daily Mass, prayers and spiritual direction. The cost is \$4490 per person. Space is limited to 40 pilgrims total. (Note: Vaccinated or not, a negative COVID-19 test is required to visit Italy. The vaccine is not necessary.) For more information or to register, visit www.prorometours.com/italy-arlington or contact ProRome Tours at office@prorome.com or 434.953.1112.

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Liturgical Calendar This Week

- June 6. Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). The new covenant, the law's oblation, is ratified in the blood of Christ, the unblemished offering poured out for us.
- June 9. Saint Ephrem, Deacon, Doctor of the Church. Syrian theologian and poet who wrote biblical commentaries, homilies and composed hymns still used today by the Syriac liturgy. Founded a theological school at Nisibis (modern Turkey); known as the "Harp of the Spirit." Died in 373.
- June 11. Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. The devotion to the Sacred Heart is one of the most widely practiced and well known Catholic devotions, taking Jesus Christ's physical heart as the representation of His divine love for humanity.
- June 12. Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In Christ, mercy and pardon have been accomplished for all, making us a new creation. Mary kept all these things in her heart.



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