



August 14, 2022 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Very Rev. Edward C. Hathaway, Rector Rev. Joseph B. Townsend, Parochial Vicar Rev. Peter J. Clem, YA, Parochial Vicar Rev. Noah C. Morey, In Residence Msgr. Michael Morgan, Assisting Rev. Robert Monagle, USAF, Assisting

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HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

* These Masses are being live streamed at www.stmaryoldtown.org

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)

FEDERAL HOLIDAYS and HOLY DAYS

Check the website and bulletin

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 8:20 a.m.

Communal First Saturday Devotion

First Saturday of the month at 8 a.m.

BAPTISMS

Sunday at 2:15 p.m. Please call the Parish Office to register in advance and obtain requirements for godparents, etc.

MARRIAGES

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

THE BASILICA SCHOOL OF SAINT MARY

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COVER IMAGE: *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary* by Bartolome Esteban Murillo

CONSIDER GETTING INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH APOSTOLATES

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12:30 -7:30 p.m. Wed.	Maureen Breiner	tb5va@aol.com
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Saint Vincent de Paul Society	Marietta Bernot	svdp @stmaryoldtown.org
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To learn more about our parish apostolates, please visit www.stmaryoldtown.org/apostolate.



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Oremus pro invicem "Let us pray for each other"

Father Edward C. Hathaway, Rector

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – August 15 Rosary & Reception for Our Lady

Tomorrow, **Monday, August 15**, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Because the feast falls on a Monday this year, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. Nevertheless, our Basilica, dedicated to Mary, celebrates all of her solemn feasts with particular joy. Our Masses on Monday will follow the regular weekday schedule: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m. and 12:10 p.m., with music featured at the 12:10 p.m. Mass.

Then, in the evening at 7 p.m., we will gather in the Basilica to pray the rosary in honor of Our Lady, followed by a reception in the parish courtyard at 314 Duke Street (in the Lyceum in the event of inclement weather). Please join us to celebrate!

Dating back as early as the fifth century, the Assumption is one of the oldest holy days in the Church. It recalls both the happy departure of Our Lady from this earthly life and the lifting of her body into heaven. It provides a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Some people think Catholics believe Mary "ascended" into heaven. That's not correct. Christ, by His own power, ascended into Heaven. Mary was assumed or taken up into heaven by God. She didn't do it under her own power.

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII declared that it is a dogma of the Church "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." The Assumption is a truth of salvation history that requires our belief and assent. In doing so, we imitate Christ in honoring His mother.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?



Each of us is called to evangelize, sharing the Gospel and our faith with others. One way is to support individuals who might be interested in becoming Catholic. Or, perhaps you or someone you know were baptized Catholic but have not yet received First Holy Communion or Confirmation.

I encourage any adult interested in the Catholic faith, and any adult needing First Communion or Confirmation, to participate in our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program. This is a grace-filled time of learning about the faith and our parish, culminating in receiving the sacraments of initiation and full communion with the Catholic Church at

Easter. (We also have separate classes for children or youth over the age of seven who have not yet been baptized.)

Our RCIA classes for 2022-23 will begin with an Open House/First Meeting on **Monday, August 29**, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., in the parish Lyceum. Classes then will meet weekly on Mondays, at 7 p.m., through May 1, 2023.

For more information about our religious education programs for adults, and to register for RCIA, please contact Hilary Munger, Director of Religious Education, at hmunger@stmaryoldtown.org, or Susan Gray, Assistant Director of Religious Education, at sgray@stmaryoldtown.org, or call 703.836.4100.

IN OUR PRAYERS

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 14

7 a.m. — Nancy Blackburn †
8:30 a.m. — Mary Mick Saunders †
10 a.m. — Ronald Gasper †
11:30 a.m. — Parishioners of Saint Mary
1 p.m. — Susan Tooley †
5 p.m. — Thomas Frederick Rios †

Monday, August 15

6:30 a.m. — Parishioners of Saint Mary 8 a.m. — Special Intention: Brady Anderson 12:10 p.m. — The Hellmuth Family ♥

Tuesday, August 16

6:30 a.m. — Winifred Doherty ♥ 8 a.m. — Marianne Coates ♥ 12:10 p.m. —Michael and Margaret Rusnak ♥

Wednesday, August 17

6:30 a.m. — Michael Lukehart ♥ 8 a.m. — Marianne Coates ♥ 12:10 p.m. — Marianne Coates ♥

Thursday, August 18

6:30 a.m. — Special Intention: Kyle Galante 8 a.m. — John D. Bonanno ♥ 12:10 p.m. — Jose Marquez ♥

Friday, August 19

6:30 a.m. — Special Intention: Father John Ziegler 8 a.m. — Marianne Coates ♥ 12:10 p.m. — Special Intention: Trish Weiler

Saturday, August 20

8:30 a.m. — Special Intention: Ella Claire Lynch 5 p.m. (Vigil) — Ellen and Patrick McElwain 🕆

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, August 14

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

Monday, August 15

Rv 11:19a and 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday, August 16

Ez 28:1-10; (Ps) Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36b; Mt 19:23-30 **Wednesday, August 17**

Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday, August 18

Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

Friday, August 19

Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday, August 20

Ez 43:1-7b; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12

WE WELCOME THROUGH BAPTISM

Genevieve Kearney Concepcion, Christopher Dugan Coppola, Thomas Michael Johnson, Siena Elizabeth Moore, Sofia Diane Severs and Mary Ellen Terenzio

PRAY FOR THE ILL, INCLUDING

Mike Anderson, Suzanne Aragona, Keith Beggs,
Mary Bourke, Jon Bunting, Jack Burnett, Maria Campo,
Quinn Copps, Henry Dagenhart, Jean Edwards, Gina
Gonzalez, Michael Hahn, Michael Henderson,
Foltzy Huttman, Eric Jaramillo, Ed Jones, Bill McCarthy,
Jack McDermott, Lois Miller, Terry Nunan, Kathryn
Phillips, Anne-Marie Pierce, Kate Schroeck,
Alexander Staron and Noel Tohill

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, INCLUDING

Cathy Anderson-Craft, Bobbi Lungren and Cathy Quinn

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

Alex Deerr, Sara McAlpin, Vincent P. Pensyl, David Alejandro Sandoval, Josh Villeneuve and all those serving in law enforcement, as firefighters and emergency first responders

PRAY FOR OUR DIOCESAN PRIESTS

August 14 — Rev. Jason Weber August 15 — Rev. Michael D. Weston August 16 — Rev. Gerald Weymes (Retired) August 17 — Rev. David A. Whitestone August 18 — Rev. Jordan M. Willard August 19 — Rev. Jerry A. Wooton August 20 — Very Rev. Jamie R. Workman, VG

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

I have come to set the earth on fire.

Do you want to carry the fire of the Lord to His people as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

Contact Father Michael Isenberg at michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org

or 703.841.2514.

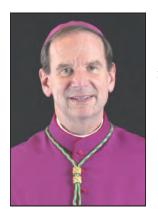
Names of the ill are listed for 4 weeks. Names of those actively serving in harm's way (generally means deployed overseas) are listed for 4 months. Reinstate or add a name at bulletin@stmaryoldtown.org or call 703.836.4100.

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR AUGUST



Small Businesses. We pray for small and medium-sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities.

WORSHIP & ONGOING FAITH FORMATION



BISHOP BURBIDGE PUBLISHES INSTRUCTIONS FOR TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS IN OUR DIOCESE

On July 16, 2021, Pope Francis issued *Traditionis Custodes*, an apostolic letter creating new norms on the use of the Mass celebrated according to the Missal of 1962 — the Traditional Latin Mass (TLM) or the Extraordinary Form. Arlington Bishop Michael Burbidge subsequently convened a group of pastors in the Diocese whose parishes offer the TLM, as well as experts in the liturgy and canon law, to study the Pope's directives and discern how they might best be implemented. On July 29, 2022, Bishop Burbidge published a letter and document outlining instructions for the use of the TLM in the Arlington Diocese, effective September 8, 2022. To learn more, visit https://stmaryoldtown.org/bishop-burbidge-publishes-instructions-for-the-use-of-the-traditional-latin-mass-in-the-diocese/

Liturgical Calendar This Week

August 15. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Because she belonged to Christ, Mary, our queen, is raised on high, a great sign for all who believe in her Son. The Natale or Dormitio ("Falling Asleep") of Mary was celebrated as early as the 5th century.

August 16. Saint Stephen of Hungary. First Christian king of Hungary; united and Christianized the Magyar people; received the "holy crown" from Pope Sylvester in the year 1000. Renowned for his charity to beggars.

August 19. Saint John Eudes, Priest. Founded in 1643 the Congregation of Jesus an Mary for training the clergy, and Sisters of the Good Shepherd to assist morally endangered women, especially prostitutes. Died in 1680.

August 20. Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church. Cistercian abbot of Clairvaux; reformer and author. Founded 68 monasteries; preached the Second Crusade. Died in 1153.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR MENTAL HEALTH August 27

Saint Luke Church, 7011 Georgetown Pike in McLean, Virginia

11 a.m. — <u>Mass</u> for Mental Health
Celebrant: Father Jamie Workman, Vicar General
12-12:30 p.m. — <u>Reception</u> with light refreshments
12:30 p.m. — <u>Speaker lan Masson, MS, LPC,</u>
Director IPS Center for Psychological Services at
Divine Mercy University, on "Communion of Saints:
Relationships and their importance to mental health."
Followed by fellowship for individuals
who live with mental health conditions.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Kirsten Obadal at stlabrecommunity@gmail.com

Q & A Exploring & Practicing Our Catholic Faith

In preparation for its 50th anniversary, the Diocese of Arlington is marking this year with the theme: "Remember," reflecting on the Eucharist and Christ's words at the Last Supper: "Do this in remembrance of me." An article in the Arlington Catholic Herald (June 30-July 13, 2022), "The Eucharist Explained," explores various aspects of Holy Communion. Following is an excerpt from that article:

Q: Can non-Catholic Christians receive Communion?

A: Catholics believe receiving Communion signifies that the recipient affirms the teachings of the Church. According to section 1400 of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, "Ecclesial communities derived from the Reformation and separated from the Catholic Church (also known as Protestant churches), 'have not preserved the proper reality of the Eucharistic mystery in its fullness, especially because of the absence of the Sacrament of Holy Orders.' It is for this reason that, for the Catholic Church, Eucharistic intercommunion with these communities is not possible. However, Orthodox churches do "possess true sacraments," and therefore their members can be admitted to Communion at Roman Catholic churches.



FAMILY, CHILDREN & YOUTH

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

Register today for fall 2022!

Do your children attend public school or a non-Catholic private school and you want them to learn their Catholic faith?

CCD (Confraternity of Christian Doctrine)
at the Basilica of Saint Mary is ready to help!

WHO: Children in K-Grade 8

WHEN: Sundays from 10 to 11:15 a.m.

beginning September 11

WHERE: The Basilica School of Saint Mary, 400 Green Street, We partner with parents to provide faith formation to their children, helping them know the Catholic faith, prepare for the Sacraments and live a life in Christ as His disciples. For families wishing to homeschool their children, a self-directed learning option is available.

For more information, see

www.stmaryoldtown.org/apostolates/ccd, email hmunger@stmaryoldtown.org or call 703.836.4100.



The Basilica's CYO fall sports registration is underway!

Fall sports are Track and Field, Cross Country and Tennis. All levels of skill are welcome to participate in this youth apostolate program! Participants must be currently enrolled Basilica of Saint Mary students or currently active in the parish CCD program. Last year we had 480 participants! For more details and to register, visit the Apostolate section on the Basilica's website at www.stmaryoldtown.org.



FELLOWSHIP & SERVING OTHERS

From Your Saint Vincent de Paul Society



The feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated throughout the world, in some places as one of the major holy days of the liturgical calendar. As a Basilica, and especially since we are named for our Blessed Mother, we can

mark this day with special reflection, counting our blessings, helping those in need and considering how daily prayer offered to Mary can help us stay on the path to sainthood, the greatest promise Our Lord made to us. Our Lady is the patroness of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society worldwide. We look to her to guide us to fulfill Christ's command to help those in need. Please join us in taking time on August 15 to rejoice in the blessings Our Lady has bestowed upon us.



YOU'RE INVITED!

The Legion of Mary invites everyone to wish Our Lady a very Happy Birthday (Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary is September 8) after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on **Saturday, September 10**, in the Lyceum auditorium at 313 Duke Street. Help Mama Mary blow out her candles and enjoy birthday cake for breakfast in her honor!



CATHOLIC SPORTS FOR YOUNG ADULTS 18-39

Upcoming Leagues

NEW! ULTIMATE FRISBEE AND WIFFLEBALL

Registration is OPEN!

Sundays, October 2-November 20 REGISTER TODAY at www.catholicsports.net!

Bible Studies

Contact Helena Briggs to join a Men's or Women's Bible Study Sign up for our email list at www.catholicsports.net/emailsignup. If you have questions or want to connect, email catholicsports@stmaryoldtown.org or text Helena at 540.551.2271.



Father Hathaway presided at a Mass on July 30, followed by installation of new officers of Knights of Columbus Fitzgerald Council #459 for the 2022-2023 fraternal year. Officers include: Grand Knight Kenneth Hyatt, Deputy Grand Knight Christopher Zettler, Chancellor Ryan Moy, Lecturer Thomas Bradly, Advocate Timothy Burns, Recorder Keenan Pallone, Financial Secretary Michael Karau, Treasurer Zachary Waters, Warden Colin Delgado, Inside Guard Jason Rockett, Outside Guard Jarrett Lee, Trustee Charles Zakrzwski, Trustee Charles Coates and Trustee Steven Teslik.

FALL RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES

RETREAT for NEWLY MARRIED COUPLES. The best time to start laying a foundation for your holy family is before the little ones start arriving! Father John Riley at the Diocese of Arlington's San Damiano Retreat Center will leading a retreat for newly married couples the weekend of September 16 to 18. Topics: How to pray like Mary and Joseph, how to establish a "domestic Church," and how to form your family after the image and likeness of the only perfect family that ever existed! For additional information, please contact Father Riley at Padre@HeartofCatechesis.org.

ACTS MEN'S RETREAT. All Basilica of Saint Mary men are invited to participate in an ACTS (Adoration, Community, Theology and Service) retreat from Thursday evening, September 22, until Sunday morning, September 25. Activities and talks are designed to help you focus on your faith, spiritual renewal and build fellowship within our Basilica parish community. Held at the Loyola on the Potomac Retreat Center in Newburg, MD. Cost: \$350, including accommodations and meals. Participants should arrive at the Basilica's Lyceum, 313 Duke Street, between 5 and 6 p.m. on September 22. A bus will take them to the retreat center and return on September 25 in time for the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Deadline to register is August 31. More information at https://stmaryoldtown.org/actsretreat.

AROUND OUR PARISH & BEYOND

JOB OPENINGS!

The Basilica School of Saint Mary is seeking candidates for the following positions: First Grade Teacher, Learning Resource Teacher, Instructional Aide for the Mater Dei Program, Technology Teacher and Administrative Assistant/Receptionist. Please see full job descriptions and application details at www.smsva.org.

Our Basilica School of Saint Mary's **Extended Care Program** is building its staff for the fall. Pay: \$17 per hour. Hours: 3 to 6 p.m. on weekdays. Work daily or pick three days a week. Requirements: Love God, His children and their joyful voices!

A Morning Care position also is available, 7 to 7:30 a.m. weekdays. Pay: \$17 per day. Email ahampton@smsva.org or call 703.549.6091.

The Basilica seeks a part-time Program Assistant for Youth and Young Adult Apostolates.

See https://www.catholicjobs.com/employers/ view/7428153724 for a job description. Send applications or inquiries to mstaron@stmaryoldtown.org.

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DATE NIGHT AT THE BASILICA NEW FALL PROGRAM FOR ENGAGED/MARRIED COUPLES BABYSITTING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Date Night at the Basilica (DNATB) will present a new and compelling program starting in the fall, based on "10 Great Dates," a series to help spark intimacy, romance, and fruitful conversations in married and engaged couples as they spend time together on a date. More information to come, but for now DNATB needs volunteers to babysit one Saturday evening a month in the Basilica's Lyceum, 313 Duke Street, as couples with children go on their dates. Time commitment is only three hours. Individuals who are CPR-certified and/or MAT-certified (Medication Administration Training) are the ideal candidates. Teens are welcome to help, with service hours available. All volunteers must be approved by the Diocesan Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, including a background check and VIRTUS Seminar. Are you interested in helping? Email the DNATB leadership team at datenightatthebasilica@hotmail.com.



My Grocery List... Say Yes! when

Say Yes! when prompted at the register to support The Basilica School of Saint Mary.

Throughout the month of August...

Our local **Safeway, at 500 S. Royal Street**, has selected The Basilica School of Saint Mary as their designated charity to highlight for the month of August.

You'll be able to make a contribution at the register just before you select your payment method.



DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON JUBILEE RECITAL! Lift Your Hearts on High!

You are invited to a concert performed by Catholic Military Musicians, part of the Catholic Professionals Recital Series of the Diocese of Arlington.

Featured will be classical music inspired and nourished by the Mass and our Catholic faith throughout the ages.

The Basilica of Saint Mary Lyceum 313 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA

Sunday, September 11 - 7 to 8 p.m.

Sponsored by the Diocese of Arlington as it prepares to celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2024.

More information at https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/recital-arlington-catholic-pros-basilica-of-saint-mary/

AROUND OUR PARISH & BEYOND



TRAINING FOR ALTAR BOYS

Session I September 13 at 3:30 p.m. September 17 at 10:30 a.m. **Session II** September 20 at 3:30 p.m. September 24 at 10:30 a.m.

All sessions will be in the Basilica.

New servers must attend both parts of one of the two sessions. The training also is open to any current server who may want a refresher course.

For more information and to sign up, email Father Joseph at frjoseph@stmaryoldtown.org.



Basilica of Saint Mary Podcasts WHAT'S NEW? https://stmaryoldtown.libsyn.com/

Episode 368: August episode of "What Are the Sisters Reading?" with the Daughters of Saint Paul. Sister Kathryn Hermes, FSP, talks about Coached By Joan of Arc: Lessons in Virtuous Leadership.

Episode 369: Building Community and Faith through an ACTS Retreat. Parishioner Tushar Suthar discusses ACTS and an upcoming retreat opportunity.

Episode 370: Faith and Science, a Theology on Tap presentation by Dr. Gregory Townsend, VP, Academic Affairs, at Christendom College.

Episode. 371: Summer Interns Michelle Kelly and Luke Helbling reflect on their experiences here at the Basilica.

Episode 372: The Scourging at the Pillar. Father Hathaway, Basilica of Saint Mary rector, reflects on the Second Sorrowful Mystery of the Rosary as part of our ongoing Communal First Saturday series.

FROM THE ARCHIVES A periodic look at the history of our Basilica of Saint Mary parish since its founding in 1793

of Saint Mary parish since its founding in 1795



THE GREAT DEPRESSION, FROZEN CUSTARD & FATHER RANKIN!

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Father Rankin was very popular with the young people of the parish. He often filled his big, black Buick sedan with young parishioners when he was making his rounds. Once, on his way to Georgetown Hospital to visit his ailing assistant, Father George McGlynn, Father Rankin and a group of young people were stopped by a police officer for driving the wrong direction on a one-way street. "But I was only going one way," the pastor told the officer. The Irish policemen let him off with a warning. Father Rankin treated his traveling companions to frozen custard to celebrate their close call with the law.

Not surprisingly, Father Rankin's obituary (he died on December 19, 1942), included this tribute: "His intimate friends knew his deep and tender piety, the poor knew his open-handed generosity, the sick knew his power of genuine sympathy, sinners knew his understanding compassion, and children – well, children knew him to be one of them-- Kitty Guy, Parish Historian selves." (The Catholic Virginian, January 1943)



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