

# THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY

Founded 1795 - Alexandria, Virginia

June 20, 2021

The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Very Rev. Edward C. Hathaway, Rector  
Rev. David A. Dufresne, Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Nicholas F. Blank, Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Noah C. Morey, In Residence  
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## HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

All Masses are live streamed at [www.stmaryoldtown.org](http://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)

### TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

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

### 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 7:30 a.m.

Communal First Saturday Devotion

First Saturday of the month at 8 a.m.

## BAPTISMS

Sunday, 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 6 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

(Pre-K to 8th grade)

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Mr. Daniel Cinalli, Principal

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COVER IMAGE: *Statue of Saint Thomas More*, Basilica of Saint Mary.  
Patron of the Diocese of Arlington.  
Memorial of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher: June 22

# CONSIDER GETTING INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH

## PRAYER & WORSHIP

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<b>Nocturnal Adoration Society</b> 9 p.m. 1st Friday to 6 a.m. 1st Saturday	<b>Helen Lynch</b>	helenlynch21@gmail.com
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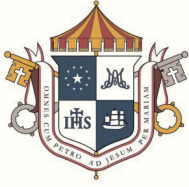
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**Oremus pro invicem “Let us pray for each other”**

**Father Edward C. Hathaway, Rector**

**FROM FATHER NICHOLAS.....**

“Follow me.” Jesus’ invitation to His disciples reveals at the same time their great dignity and a certain suffering: they are worthy to draw near to God...they will find Him at the Cross. As I grew from a child into a man, His words were never long absent from my heart. It continues to amaze me that He has chosen me to share in His Priesthood.



“Do you love me? Feed my sheep.” For two years it has been my joy to love Our Lord by caring for you, His flock. I give thanks that love for Christ is expressed by loving His sheep! In a special way, I also thank you: I came to you as a new priest, and your patience, trust and many kindnesses have formed my priesthood in countless ways.

As I respond to His new invitation to “Follow me” to another assignment, I experience something of the suffering that every disciple must share. Still, I rejoice that He invites another to be formed in His young priesthood at the Basilica and its school. I know that you will welcome Father Joseph with the same warmth and generosity as you showed me.

This will forever be my first assignment as a priest, and so the Father has united us in a special way. You will remain in my prayers, please keep me in yours. You are always welcome to Warrenton!

*Pax et Bonum,*  
Father Nicholas

On **June 24**, Father Nicholas begins his new assignment as Parochial Vicar at Saint John the Evangelist Church in Warrenton. His gentle spirit, prayerful example and strong work ethic have been gifts to me, our parish and our school. He will be greatly missed. He will celebrate our 1 p.m. Mass this Sunday. Following Mass, we will have a farewell reception for him in the Lyceum Auditorium. If your schedule permits, please help us thank Father for his dedicated service to Saint Mary and wish him well as he begins this next chapter in his vocation as a priest of Jesus Christ.

**THANK YOU TO OUR ALTAR SERVERS**

Altar servers graduating from high school this year will be serving at our 10 a.m. today, **Sunday, June 20**. Although opportunities to serve at the altar this past year have been interrupted by the pandemic, I am very grateful for the years of service graciously offered to the Basilica by these young men. Thank you and God bless you!

**HAPPY FATHER’S DAY!**

May God bless all the fathers, stepfathers and godfathers – living and deceased – of our parish on Father’s Day! We honor and remember them with our annual Father’s Day Novena, beginning today, **June 20**. Enrollment envelopes are at the back of the Basilica. May Saint Joseph, model of Christian fatherhood, intercede, guide and pray for them.

## IN OUR PRAYERS

### DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

#### Sunday, June 20

- 7 a.m. — Gioakim Dao and John Manning  
8:30 a.m. — Father's Day Novena  
10 a.m. — George Eldridge  
11:30 a.m. — Bea Craig  
1 p.m. — Jim Downey  
5 p.m. — Parishioners of Saint Mary

#### Monday, June 21

- 6:30 a.m. — Father's Day Novena  
8 a.m. — Carmella and John Squadrito  
12:10 p.m. — Special Intention: Father Mark Carrier

#### Tuesday, June 22

- 6:30 a.m. — Maria Ramalho  
8 a.m. — George W. Carey  
12:10 p.m. — Father's Day Novena

#### Wednesday, June 23

- 6:30 a.m. — Father's Day Novena  
8 a.m. — William J. Menda  
12:10 p.m. — Jimmy Spain

#### Thursday, June 24 — Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

- 6:30 a.m. — William J. Menda  
8 a.m. — Father's Day Novena  
12:10 p.m. — William J. Wallace

#### Friday, June 25

- 6:30 a.m. — Father's Day Novena  
8 a.m. — Special Intention: Helen and George Lynch  
12:10 p.m. — John Stachura

#### Saturday, June 26

- 8:30 a.m. — Father's Day Novena  
5 p.m. — James Edward Hall

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

#### Sunday, June 20

Jb 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107:23-26, 28-31; 2 Cor 5:14-17;  
Mk 4:35-41

#### Monday, June 21

Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 18-20, 22; Mt 7:1-5

#### Tuesday, June 22

Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15:2-4b, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14

#### Wednesday, June 23

Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mt 7:15-20

#### Thursday, June 24

Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

#### Friday, June 25

Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 8:1-4

#### Saturday, June 26

Gn 18:1-15; (Ps) Lk 1:46-50, 53-55; Mt 8:5-17

### WE WELCOME THROUGH BAPTISM

Jake Paul Cunningham, Anna Marie Heidel  
and Kaitlin Jane Loughran

### 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, **Foltzy Huttman**, Sean P. Kocourek, **Peggy Lee**, Geraldine (Gerry) McGowan, Bud Miles, Sonny Moss, **Jeff Neisse**, Terry Nunan, Grace Otero, Jeffrey Petrino, Pam Rubin, Baby Shiller, Noel Tohill, Juan Torres, Irma Valentine, Manny Wagner and Jerry Wallmeyer

### PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED, INCLUDING

Margaret Imogen Hall Samuel

### 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 20 — Rev. Robert L. Ruskamp  
June 21 — Very Rev. William P. Saunders  
June 22 — Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia  
June 23 — Rev. William B. Schardt  
June 24 — Rev. Nicholas J. Schierer  
June 25 — Rev. William B. Schierer  
June 26 — Rev. Stephen J. Schultz

### PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

**Do not be afraid; just have faith.**

There is nothing to be afraid of in following Christ.  
Could He be calling you to serve 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](mailto: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.

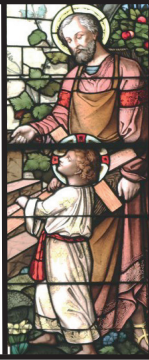


## WORSHIP & ONGOING FAITH FORMATION

### *Year of Saint Joseph*

Saint Joseph has the power to assist us in all cases, in every necessity, in every undertaking.

— *St. Thomas Aquinas*



#### **REMINDER: Be Sure to Register**

for the 2021 Saints Peter and Paul Conference

*Male and Female He Created Them:*

*Responding in Truth and Charity to Transgender Ideology*

**Saturday, June 26 — 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

Bishop Ireton High School in Alexandria

SPEAKERS: Trent Horn of Catholic Answers and Theresa Farnan of the Person and Identity Project  
Register NOW at

[www.stmaryoldtown.org/peter-and-paul-2021](http://www.stmaryoldtown.org/peter-and-paul-2021)

### *Liturgical Calendar This Week*

— **June 21. Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious.** Jesuit scholastic. Died in 1591 at age 23, caring for the sick. Strongly devoted to the Eucharist, interior prayer and charitable service. Patron of youth and of students in Jesuit colleges and universities.

— **June 22. Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop.** From a wealthy Roman family; gave up a life in politics to become a monk, bishop and revered Catholic poet of the 5th century. Also noted for his attention to the poor.

**Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs.** John Fisher was beheaded on June 22, 1535; chancellor of Cambridge University; bishop of Rochester; dedicated pastor of souls. Defender of the Church against Luther and of the Roman primacy against Henry VIII. Thomas More was beheaded on July 6, 1535. Humanist and chancellor of England. Refused to support Henry VIII's divorce of Queen Catherine and his Act of Supremacy; patron of lawyers, statesmen, politicians and our Diocese of Arlington.

— **June 24. The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist.** This feast dates back to the 4th century. Celebrated, per Lk 1:36, six months before the birth of Jesus.

**FORMED — A FREE, comprehensive, online library of Catholic resources is available to Saint Mary parishioners at <https://stmaryoldtown.formed.org>**

## Q & A *Exploring & Practicing Our Catholic Faith*

**Q: Why do we say “And with your spirit” to the priest at Mass? Where do we get those words?**

**A:** In his words of greeting at the beginning of Mass, the priest says: “The Lord be with you.” We respond: “And with your spirit.” Our words acknowledge the Holy Spirit’s activity through the priest during the Sacred Liturgy. Our response also refers to the “spirit” of the priest, the very core of his being, and the special graces given to him at ordination. Indeed, we are acknowledging that since God works through the priest who is offering the Mass, ultimately it is Jesus Christ who leads the community gathered for the liturgy. It is the Holy Spirit who is the primary actor in the liturgy, regardless who the particular priest celebrating Mass may be.

"And with your spirit" is found in the letters of Saint Paul in the New Testament and is often how he ends his letters (see Galatians 6:18).



## FAMILY, CHILDREN & YOUTH

### SUMMER FAITH & FUN!

Once again this summer, the Office of Religious Education and Office of the Youth and Young Adult Apostolates are hosting our Family Summer Program to engage the whole family all summer.

Our Family Summer Program events and activities offer all Basilica of Saint Mary parishioners an opportunity to engage in service, to learn new things about the faith, to share fellowship with one another and, above all, to grow closer to Christ.

Learn more at  
<https://stmaryoldtown.org/family-summer-program/>  
Or contact Family Summer Program Intern Daniel Sabia at [dsabia@stmaryoldtown.org](mailto:dsabia@stmaryoldtown.org)

### CDA HONORS BASILICA SCHOOL GRADS

The Catholic Daughters of the Basilica of Saint Mary congratulate **Will Prisco** and **Quin Shattuck**, 2021 graduates of the Basilica School, for their demonstrated exemplary Christian attitude and conduct during their junior high years. Will and Quin were awarded the Catholic Daughters Julia Kenney Petrino Scholarship, which pays partial tuition to their chosen Catholic high school. Will is attending Gonzaga College High School in the fall and Quin will attend Saint John's College High School.



### 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:

June 30 — Saint Michael

July 7 — Nativity

July 21 — Basilica of Saint Mary

July 28 — Saint Mary Fredericksburg

College Nights begin at 7 p.m. Free to all students, providing resources and support for keeping your Catholic faith when entering college this fall. Catholic student representatives from George Mason, UVA, University of Mary Washington, William & Mary, Virginia Tech, other private and public schools will share their experiences of being a Catholic college student.

For additional and to register, visit [www.asjb.org](http://www.asjb.org).

<https://stmaryoldtown.org/apostolate/yaya>



The Basilica of Saint Mary's  
**YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT APOSTOLATES**  
*Encounter Jesus. Become Disciples. Change the Culture.*

Serving our parish community's middle schoolers, high schoolers, college students, young adults, and families!

   @stmarysyaya

Young Adults in their 20s & 30s throughout Alexandria are invited to our weekly gatherings and activities.



**SAVE THE DATE**  
*Alexandria Anniversary Fireworks*

**SATURDAY, JULY 10TH**  
**MORE INFORMATION SOON!**

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Blessed Sacrament, St. Rita's and the Basilica of Saint Mary presents...



**HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' CLUB**

No meetings on June 22nd, 29th and July 6th  
Next meeting: July 13th at 7PM  
Lyceum Auditorium

**HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' DISCIPLESHIP GROUP**



NO MEETING ON JUNE 23RD  
NEXT MEETING: JUNE 30TH AT 7PM  
LYCEUM AUDITORIUM

## AROUND OUR PARISH & BEYOND

### FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR FATHER NICHOLAS

***This Sunday!!!***

**June 20 — 2 to 3 p.m.**  
**Parish Lyceum Auditorium**  
**313 Duke Street**

#### ***NEW BASILICA PODCAST:***

#### **FATHER JONATHAN SMITH**

Alex Solsma, Basilica of Saint Mary Director of Communications and Evangelization, talks with Father Jonathan Smith in a new Basilica of Saint Mary Podcast. Father Smith, whose home parish is our Basilica, was ordained to the priesthood by



Bishop Michael Burbidge on June 5. Later this month, Father Smith begins his first priestly assignment as Parochial Vicar at Saint Andrew the Apostle Parish in Clifton.

Find the podcast at  
<https://stmaryoldtown.org/fr-smith-podcast-2021>

The flowers in the sanctuary this weekend have been donated by Bailey Miller and Brian DeYoung in honor of their June 19 wedding.

#### **SUPPORTING BETHLEHEM CHRISTIANS**

Next weekend, **June 26-27**, there will be a display of beautiful olivewood handmade carvings from the Holy Land outside in front of the Basilica. These carvings are made by the Christians of Bethlehem. During this difficult time, Bethlehem is shut down with no tourism and no income. Carving olivewood now is the only source of income of the Catholic families living in the Holy Land. As Christians of faith, we should support our brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. Support them by purchasing these beautiful carvings after Mass. For additional information, please call 202.302.5889 or visit [www.BethlehemCarvings.org](http://www.BethlehemCarvings.org).



#### **JUNE 26/27 SECOND COLLECTION...**

**... is the Annual Peter's Pence collection supporting the Holy Father's humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects. For more information, visit <http://www.peterspence.va/en.html>**



### **CATHOLIC SPORTS UPDATES**

#### **Upcoming Leagues**

Registration for Outdoor Volleyball Season 2 is now OPEN! Late registration closes June 27.

League will be held on Sunday afternoons from **July 11 to August 29**

Register at [www.catholicsports.net](http://www.catholicsports.net)!

#### **Bible Studies**

Contact Helena Briggs

([catholicsports@stmaryoldtown.org](mailto: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](mailto:catholicsports@stmaryoldtown.org) or text Helena at 540.551.2271

### **From Your Saint Vincent de Paul Society**

My fellow volunteer, who works at the Pentagon, noticed immediately the large photo on the wall of a young man in uniform. That's my brother, Mary said. He died in Iraq from a roadside bomb. These two kids on the couch over there are his. My husband and I took them in when their mom could no longer take care of them. Living modestly in public housing six blocks north of Saint Mary, this family of six faced daunting challenges making ends meet, despite a modest rent. We paid their arrears and gave them \$450 worth of grocery gift cards to use not just for food, but also for diapers, cleaning products and other necessities. On this Father's Day, let us pray for all fathers, living and dead, including this soldier and those two children he left behind. May the love of our Heavenly Father shine on all of us. For information on the work of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society or to volunteer, please contact Jim Larocco at [rocca-rocco@usa.net](mailto:rocca-rocco@usa.net).



## 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.*



#### PRIESTS AT SAINT MARY — 1830s THROUGH 1850s (Part 2)

Pastors at Saint Mary during the 1840s and 1850s were assisted by a number of interesting and colorful priests. Most, but not all, were Jesuits from Georgetown University. Among them were:



Father James Ryder, S.J. (at Saint Mary parish in 1857-59), sailed from Alexandria in 1820 to study in Rome. He became a close friend of Archbishop Giovanni Ferretti, who was later elected Pope Pius IX. Father Ryder returned to the United States for ordination in 1829. A renowned preacher, he spent considerable time travelling and conducting retreats and missions. He had many friends in the U.S. Congress and participated in President William Henry Harrison's funeral in 1841. He also was a close friend of Harrison's successor, President John Tyler, whose son attended Georgetown University.

Father Samuel Barber, S.J. (at Saint Mary parish in 1858), was the son of Jerushe Booth and Virgil Horace Barber, New Englanders and converts who both entered religious life in 1822. Jerushe entered the Visitandine Order of nuns and Virgil became a Jesuit. They brought their children to live with them in their convent or Jesuit novitiate! Young Samuel was eight at the time. He graduated from Georgetown in 1830 and followed in his father's footsteps by becoming a Jesuit. — *Kitty Guy, Parish Historian*

#### Prayer Warriors Needed!



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We now have a Seven Sisters Apostolate here at the Basilica of Saint Mary. Seven women have been praying for our Pastor, Father Hathaway, for the last year and a half. One woman is retiring from the group, so we need one more Sister for Father Hathaway (Friday is the open slot). There is also a desire to form groups to pray for both Father David (already has one Sister) and our newly ordained Parochial Vicar, Father Joseph Townsend.

The Anchoress of the Seven Sisters group here at the Basilica is Mary Beth Riordan. If you feel called to this mission, please email her at [marybethriordan@gmail.com](mailto:marybethriordan@gmail.com).



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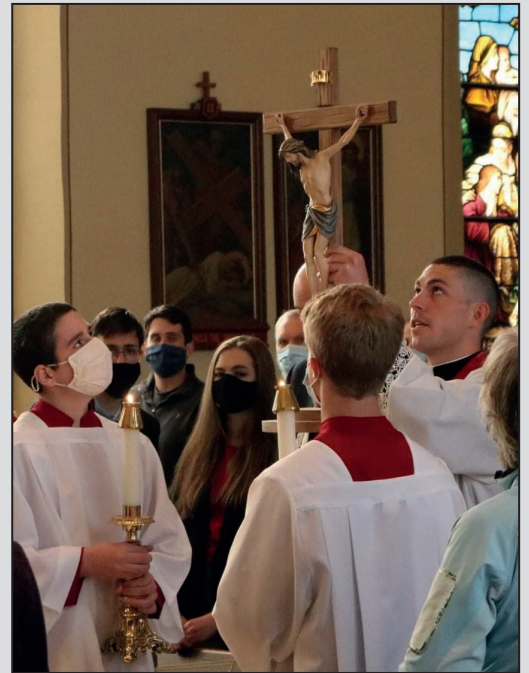
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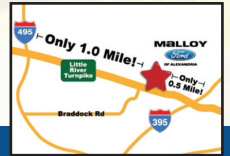


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