





June 26, 2022 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Very Rev. Edward C. Hathaway, Rector Rev. David A. Dufresne, Parochial Vicar Rev. Joseph B. Townsend, Parochial Vicar Rev. Noah C. Morey, In Residence Msgr. Michael Morgan, Assisting Rev. Robert Monagle, USAF, Assisting

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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 (There will be no Traditional Latin Mass in July)

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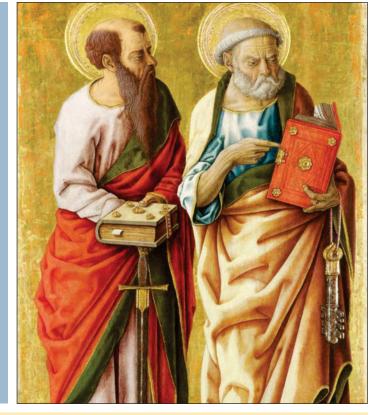
SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

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.



 <u>Rosary</u> Monday through Friday before 8 a.m. Mass and on Saturday before 8:30 a.m. Mass
 <u>Miraculous Medal Novena</u> Monday 12 noon
 <u>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</u> Wednesday 12:45 to 8:30 p.m.
 <u>Adoration with Holy Hour & Benediction</u> Wednesday 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
 <u>First Friday Nocturnal Adoration</u> Friday 9 p.m. until Saturday 8:20 a.m.
 <u>Communal First Saturday Devotion</u> 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.

<u>MARRIAGES</u>

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.

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> <u>COVER IMAGE</u>: The Apostles Peter and Paul by Carlo Crivelli, c. 1470

CONSIDER GETTING INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH APOSTOLATES

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Rosary Prayer Group Rosary before 8 a.m. weekday Mass, and 8:30 a.m. Saturday Mass	Call Parish Office	703.836.4100	
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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

After four years of faithful service as parochial vicar at the Basilica of Saint Mary, Father David celebrates his final Sunday Mass here at **1 p.m. today**, **June 26**, before beginning a new assignment as Parochial Vicar at Saint Charles Borromeo Church in Arlington. Following the 1 p.m. Mass, please join us for a farewell reception for him in the Lyceum Auditorium at 313 Duke Street, to thank him for his dedicated service to the Basilica and wish him well!

FROM FATHER DAVID

"No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the Kingdom of God." These are the words of Our Blessed Lord from this Sunday's Mass. They providentially sting for my last weekend here. They are a somber reminder that we are all just passing through. We do our part, plant seeds, and keep moving upward and onward.



While I do feel a little slighted that my assignment at Saint Mary was interrupted by a global pandemic, it would be unbecoming of me to complain! In truth, I am filled with profound gratitude. Father Hathaway has provided a great example of an exceptional pastor. We have one of the best rectories in the whole Diocese; I immensely enjoyed working with Fathers Andrew, Nicholas, Joseph and Noah. We have a staff that rivals most Dioceses', which made it that much easier for me to focus my priesthood.

Naturally, the whole reason I am a priest is because of you. It is not lost on me that the Basilica is considered one of the best assignments and that is, in large part, because of the people. While I did not always serve you the way you deserve, I am very thankful for my time with you. My family and friends tell me that I have grown into a better priest over the last four years.

While it is impossible to adequately convey my gratitude in this forum, please know that you made a difference in me and my priesthood. With way leading to way, my time here ending and Father Clem's beginning, let us continue to pray for one another.

Praised be Jesus Christ! Father David

SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL

As a Basilica, Saint Mary is granted particular privileges by the Holy See; the most important is the Plenary Indulgence. When you visit the Basilica on certain days, including the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul coming up on **Tuesday**, **June 29**, and participate in Mass or any sacred rite, or at least recite the Lord's Prayer and the Profession of Faith, you receive the "remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church* 1471) — under the usual conditions. (Please see https://stmaryoldtown.org/basilica/ privileges-responsibilities for more information on indulgences and the attached conditions.)

IN OUR PRAYERS

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 26

7 a.m. — Rita Lynch ♥ 8:30 a.m. — Special Intention: Joseph Massi 10 a.m. — Geraldine O'Connell Pitsinger ♥ 11:30 a.m. — Parishioners of Saint Mary 1 p.m. — Special Intention: Elizabeth Veil 5 p.m. — James Edward Hall Sr. ♥

Monday, June 27

6:30 a.m. — Special Intention: Anne Naegele 8 a.m. — Frank & and Special Intention: Marilyn Rushen 12:10 p.m. — Ronald Gasper &

Tuesday, June 28

6:30 a.m. — Special Intention: The Buenaventura Family 8 a.m. — Nicole King ⊕ 12:10 p.m. — Special Intention: Sheena Anderson and Family

Wednesday, June 29

6:30 a.m. — Emma Lopo ♥ 8 a.m. — Jeffrey Petrino ♥ 12:10 p.m. — Emma Lopo ♥

Thursday, June 30

6:30 a.m. — Special Intention: The Smith Family 8 a.m. — Jonathan Hudgins ♣ 12:10 p.m. — Special Intention: Dan and Mary Beth Riordan

Friday, July 1

6:30 a.m. — Souls in Purgatory ⊕
8 a.m. — All Christians imprisoned, suffering and dying for their faith
12:10 p.m. — Special Intention: John J. Sheehan

Saturday, July 2

8:30 a.m. — The President and all elected officials 5 p.m. (Vigil) — Ralph Emil Kardu ⊕

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, June 26 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62 Monday, June 27 Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22 Tuesday, June 28 Am 3:1-8 and 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27 Wednesday, June 29 Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19 Thursday, June 30 Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8 Friday, July 1 Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2,10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13 Saturday, July 2 Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17

WE WELCOME THROUGH BAPTISM

Macrina Alema Anderson, Isabel Rose Higgins, Hadley Elizabeth Joynes, Michael August Overing and Liliana Linn Ricciuti

PRAY FOR THE ILL, INCLUDING

Mike Anderson, Luis de Andino, Suzanne Aragona, Theresa Aranda, Crystal Barr, Keith Beggs, Mary Bourke, Donna Maria Butler, Maria Campo, Quinn Copps, **Cathy Craft**, Henry Dagenhart, Jean Edwards, Cynthia Ellis, Gary Farabough, Gina Gonzalez, Michael Hahn, Neil Hayes, Michael Henderson, Foltzy Huttman, Eric Jaramillo, Ed Jones, Laura Masche, Bill McCarthy, Dean Montayne, Terry Nunan, Kathryn Phillips, **Anne-Marie Pierce**, Laura Pinner, Jo Roinos, Alexander Staron, Bruce Thompson and Noel Tohill

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, INCLUDING Thorp Richards and Jim Rooney

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

Alex Deerr, Kaylyn E. Krzemien, 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

June 26 — Rev. Marcus A. Pollard June 27 — Rev. Mauricio Portillo June 28 — Very Rev. Patrick L. Posey, VF June 29 — Rev. Juan A. Puigbo June 30 — Rev. Luis Quinones July 1 — Rev. Joseph M. Rampino July 2— Rev. Robert Renner

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Serve one another through love. Does a life of prayer and service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life attract you? Contact Father Michael Isenberg at michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS



JUNE: Families. We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

JULY: Elderly. We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look toward the future with hope and responsibility.

WORSHIP & ONGOING FAITH FORMATION

Liturgical Calendar This Week

June 27. Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church. Defended Mary as "God-bearer" at the Council of Ephesus (431); spokesman for orthodoxy; supported growth of Egyptian monasticism.

June 28. Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr. Died c. 202; from Smyrna; bishop of Lyons; wrote against the Gnostics; first to provide coherent rationale for a Christian Bible including both testaments.

June 29. The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles. Principal patrons of Rome; mentioned in the Roman Canon. Peter died c. 64 in Rome under Nero. Galilean fisherman; spokesman for the Twelve who became the "Prince of the Apostles"; two epistles are ascribed to him. Paul, a Pharisee who became the "Apostle of the Gentiles," was (according to tradition) martyred in Rome c. 67.

June 30. The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church. The many Christians who were tortured, crucified and burned alive c. 64 in Nero's gardens on the Vatican Hill. **July 1. Saint Junipero Serra, Priest.** Spanish Franciscan missionary who arrived in New Spain in 1750. Established nine California missions; baptized more than 6,000 native peoples. Pope Saint John Paul II called him "an exemplary model of the selfless evangelizer." Died in 1784.

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A <u>FREE</u>, comprehensive, online library of Catholic faith formation resources is available at <u>https:st</u>maryoldtown.formed.org.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

Additional people are needed to adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar during the Basilica's Nocturnal Adoration the **first Friday of each month**, beginning at 9 p.m. Friday and ending at 8:20 a.m. on Saturday. Additional adorers are especially needed from midnight to 5 a.m. Our next First Friday Nocturnal Adoration will be <u>July 1</u>. Vocal prayers during adoration follow the recitation of the *Little Office of the Blessed Sacrament*, consisting of Psalms and beautiful Eucharistic



meditations. To sign up for an hour or more of adoration, or for additional information about Nocturnal Adoration, please contact Helen Lynch at helenlynch21@gmail.com.

2Minutes2Virtue Reflections with the Basilica's Father Hathaway Father Edward Hathaway, Rector of the Basilica of Saint Mary, is featured in the Arlington Diocese YouTube series, 2Minutes2Virtue, for June.

The short videos provide Father's reflections on the Mass readings for Sundays during the month, along with challenges to help you grow in your faith.

Q & A Exploring & Practicing Our Catholic Faith

Q: What does our guardian angel do after we die?

A: The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches that "from infancy to death, human life is surrounded by their [guardian angels] watchful care and intercession" (*CCC* 336). The Fathers of the Church speak of this mission when they say the guardian angel is present with the soul at the moment of death and protects it from the last attacks of demons.

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga (1568–1591) taught that at the instant the soul leaves the body, it is accompanied by its guardian angel so the soul can present itself confidently before the Judgment Seat of God. According to this saint, if the soul is sent to purgatory, it will be visited frequently by its guardian, who will comfort and console it, bringing the prayers that have been offered for it, and assuring the soul of its future liberation and entrance into heaven.

Those souls who choose to reject the love and forgiveness of God, thus renouncing joyful communion with Him for all time (John Paul II, General Audience, July 21, 1999), also renounce and reject the joyful friendship and assistance of their guardian angel. In this terrible situation, the angel praises God's Divine Justice and holiness because the angel is perfectly and totally united to the Divine Will.



FAMILY, CHILDREN & YOUTH



JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY

Children under the age of 18 who have received their First Communion, and parents seeking an extracurricular activity that enriches a young person's spiritual life and engages them in age-appropriate spiritual works of mercy under the spiritual direction of Father Joseph, please consider joining the Junior Legion of Mary.

- WHEN? Every Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. Parents are welcome to attend/participate.
- WHERE? Saint Joseph Room in the Lower Level of Saint Mary's Lyceum, located at 313 Duke Street.
- **QUESTIONS?** Please email Adria Tayrani at lomstmaryoldtown@gmail.com or text her at 571.310.4016.

FAMILY SUMMER PROGRAM!

The Basilica's Office of Religious Education and Office of Youth and Young Adult Apostolates are again hosting our family summer program to engage the whole family. The summer's events and activities offer all parishioners an opportunity to serve the parish and community, learn new things about the faith, experience fellowship with one another and, above all, grow closer to Christ. Find more information at https://stmaryoldtown.org/family-summer-program/.

Calling All Altar Servers

Bishop Burbidge has invited altar servers from all parishes in the Arlington Diocese to join in the annual Battle of the Servers BBQ picnic. Games include Gaga Ball, Relay, Climbing Wall and Soccer. There will be a time of prayer with the Bishop. Lunch provided by the Knights of Columbus. **Friday, July 8, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saint Leo Parish, Fairfax, VA** Basilica of Saint Mary servers who wish to attend should call the Parish Office (703.836.4100) by <u>June 27</u>. There is no charge to participate.



FELLOWSHIP & SERVING OTHERS

FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR FATHER DAVID

Sunday, June 26 following the 1 p.m. Mass Saint Mary Lyceum Auditorium at 313 Duke Street

The Good, the Messy and the Beautiful

God draws spouses ever closer to the Heavenly marriage through the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, but this does not mean the journey is easy. Join others for a oneday event, *The Good, the Messy and the Beautiful*, with Edward and Beth Sri, who will share lessons learned from their 20+ years of marriage. From discussions about miscommunication, healing, intimacy, gifts and more, participants will walk away refreshed and strengthened in their vows! **July 23** at Corpus Christi Church in Aldie, VA, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Coffee and lunch provided. \$125 per couple. Register now at arlingtondiocese.org/ goodmessybeautiful.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND... ... is the Annual Peter's Pence collection supporting the Holy Father's humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects. For more information, visit https://www.usccb.org/national-collection/peters-pence



CATHOLIC SPORTS FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Upcoming Leagues <u>NEW! VOLLEYBALL Season 2</u> <u>Registration is OPEN!</u> Sundays, July 17—August 28 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.

From Your Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Nelly was a retired school teacher, living alone. She pinched her pennies to balance her pension with her ongoing expenses. But this year, costs had risen dramatically, and she had fallen behind in her utility payments. We advised her that



utility companies will work with customers to set up payment plans to meet their budgets. She did so. We paid her past balance, which was modest, and several months forward. She was so grateful, telling us she had never been worried before about making ends meet, and now she won't have to do that in the future. While we help people financially, our real mission to bring them comfort and peace of mind. Nelly found that. Help us help neighbors like Nelly.



SECULAR FRANCISCAN GATHERING Saturday, July 9, 9:15 a.m. at Saint Mary Lyceum, Saint Joseph Room. Join us to pray and study. Tom White, 703.307.2378, or Rita Evans, 540.2700667. http://stjohntbasfo.org/.

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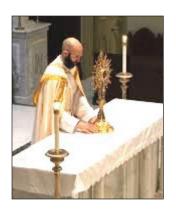
This weekend, **June 25** and 26, there will be a display of beautiful, handmade wood carvings from the Holy Land outside the Basilica. Sales of the carvings provide Christians

living there with a source of income. These brothers and sisters of ours continue to endure hardships. Christians in the Holy Land used to be more than 37 percent of the population; they comprise less than one percent today. Support them by purchasing their unique carvings after Mass. For more information, please contact them at 202.302.5889 or visit www.BethlehemCarvings.org.

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FAREWELL TO FATHER DAVID!

Thank you, Father David, for four years of exemplary service to the Basilica of Saint Mary. God has truly blessed many people through your life and priesthood. We wish you the very best in your new assignment at Saint Charles Borromeo Church in Arlington. God bless you! Ad multos annos!













The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus. — St. John Vianney, patron saint of parish priests













AROUND OUR PARISH & BEYOND



ON THE CAMINO WITH OUR BASILICA PILGRIMS

Father Edward Hathaway, Basilica Rector, and Father Noah Morey, priest-in-residence, led a group of parishioners on a pilgrimage to Portugal and the Camino de Santiago, June 5-17. On June 11 (left), the pilgrims started the day with morning prayers in the plaza in Portomarín outside the church of Saint Nicholas. Along the way (right) they encouraged each other, took short breaks, prayed, walked in silence, made friends with other pilgrims and encountered God in many ways. (Photos by Emma Lopo-Sullivan). See more photos at https://stmaryoldtown.org/ pilgrimage-portugal-camino-june.



Daughters of Saint Paul Discernment Retreat Join the Daughters of Saint Paul in Alexandria **July 8-10** to experience the life, spirituality and mission of the sisters. In addition to prayer time, conferences on discernment and religious life, and community time with the sisters, participate in the perpetual profession Mass of Sister Chelsea Bethany. Open to single Catholic women ages 18 to 33 who are discerning a vocation to religious life. For information or to register, visit https:// connect.pauline.org/final-vows/ or contact Sister Emily Beata, vocations@paulinemedia.com or 703.549.3806.



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FROM THE ARCHIVES A periodic look at the history of our Basilica of Saint Mary parish since its founding in 1795



FATHER O'KANE, LAST JESUIT PASTOR



Father Dennis J. O'Kane came to Saint Mary in 1872. He was the last Jesuit (Society of Jesus) pastor to serve the parish. He also holds the distinction of staying the longest — 20 years! He left in 1892, when the Jesuits adopted a policy of administering only to those parishes attached to their colleges, except for their old estates in Southern Maryland.

A native of Ireland, Father O'Kane was a robust, active and experienced administrator.

On Christmas Eve in 1872, as he was celebrating midnight Mass at Saint Mary, a noisy group of men, obviously inebriated, attempted to disrupt the service. In those days, the priest celebrated Mass *ad orientem*, "to the east," facing in the same direction as the people in the pews, so they might — together — offer their prayers and Christ's sacrifice to God the Father. Angered by the rudeness of the boisterous intruders, Father O'Kane turned around to face the congregation. In a booming voice, he said, "Will the ushers please remove these men immediately!?!?"

There was never any doubt who was in charge at Saint Mary thereafter.

-Kitty Guy, Parish Historian



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