



### September 11, 2022 Twenty-fourth 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**

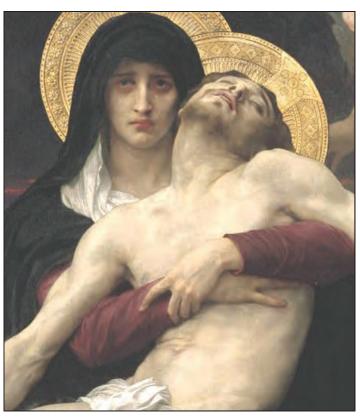
8:30 a.m.\* and 5 p.m. (Vigil for Sunday)

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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.

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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

(Pre-K to 8th grade) 400 Green Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

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Learn more about our parish apostolates at www.stmaryoldtown.org/apostolate/



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### Oremus pro invicem "Let us pray for each other"

### Father Edward C. Hathaway, Rector

#### **WELCOME TO DEACON DANIEL DIONESOTES!**

This past weekend, we welcomed our new transitional deacon, Deacon Daniel Dionesotes, to the Basilica family. He will be here most weekends during the academic year and return to his home diocese for holidays. As a deacon, he will assist at Mass, preach the Gospel and officiate at weddings, baptisms and burials, experiencing the life he will ultimately lead as a parish priest. Please welcome Deacon Daniel and pray for him as he continues his path to the priesthood. I'll let Deacon Daniel introduce himself:



Hello! I'm Deacon Daniel Dionesotes and I have as my pastoral assignment your parish, the Basilica of Saint Mary. I am currently in my final year of seminary at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland. I am from the Diocese of Peoria, Illinois, which covers most of central Illinois.

I come from a family of three with an older sister and a younger brother, and I grew up in the city of Bloomington, Illinois. There I attended Catholic school all the way from preschool up until the present moment where I am

in the seminary. I find it rather comical that the Lord has called me to be a priest because, when I was a little kid, I despised going to Mass for the simple reason that I had to wear a collared shirt. Yet, because my parents were persistent in bringing me (sometimes dragging me) to Mass and sending me to Catholic school, the Lord slowly won me over and now I will only ever be wearing a collar!

It was during high school that a sense of vocation, a sense of purpose for which I was created, began to grow within me. It wouldn't be until my time in college at Marquette University in Milwaukee that God would show me my vocation to the priesthood. After two years of college, I entered seminary, and five years later I was ordained a transitional deacon just this past May (2022). This upcoming May (2023) will be my ordination to the priesthood back in Illinois and I am deeply grateful for this awesome calling. I am excited to begin my year at the parish and I hope to meet many of you throughout this next year. May God bless you! — Deacon Daniel

#### **REMEMBERING 9/11**

This year marks the 21st anniversary of the tragic events of 9/11 that claimed the lives of nearly 3,000 people and injured thousands more at the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon in Washington, DC, and in Somerset County, Pennsylvania. On that day, we saw how easily buildings can fall, how quickly our earthly lives can end and how our world can be profoundly wounded by evil acts.

As Catholics, we can draw on our faith to make this anniversary a time to remember that God alone is our true security. It also can be a time to strengthen our active participation in efforts to build a more just and peace-filled nation and world. May God grant us hope and solace as we continue to face uncertain times.

#### OUR LADY OF SORROWS — September 15

Thursday, September 15, is the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows, recalling the Seven Sorrows of Mary: The presentation of Jesus in the Temple; the flight into Egypt; Jesus being lost in Jerusalem; the meeting of Mary and Jesus on the way to Calvary; the crucifixion; the taking down of Jesus' body from the cross; and His burial. Reflecting on such moments in Our Lady's life reminds us that as she experienced serious challenges, she "learned obedience from what He suffered" (Hebrews 5:8). We, too, are called to do the same.

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

### **DAILY MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Sunday, September 11

7 a.m. — Marianne Coates ♥ 8:30 a.m. — Robert E. Dolan ♥ 10 a.m. — Joann Ribelin ♥ 11:30 a.m. — Bob Gardenier ♥

1 p.m. — Parishioners of Saint Mary 5 p.m. — Patricia Dillaber Mickley and All 9/11 Victims  $\updownarrow$ 

#### Monday, September 12

6:30 a.m. — Edwin Aranza ♥ 8 a.m. — Special Intention: The Naegele Family 12:10 p.m. — Edward Heiden ♥

#### Tuesday, September 13

6:30 a.m. — Special Intention: Fr. John Ziegler 8 a.m. — Florence Trapasso ♥ 12:10 p.m. — Florence Trapasso ♥

#### Wednesday, September 14

6:30 a.m. — Special Intention: Fr. Edward Hathaway 8 a.m. — Special Intention: Emily Liutkus 12:10 p.m. — Robert Wood Parlett ♥

#### Thursday, September 15

6:30 a.m. — Persecuted Christians Worldwide 8 a.m. — Special Intention: The Dechert Family 12:10 p.m. — Larry Richardson ⊕

#### Friday, September 16

6:30 a.m. — Special Intention: Fr. David Dufesne 8 a.m. — Special Intention: Ashley Woodson 12:10 p.m. — Kathy Stachura ♥

#### Saturday, September 17

8:30 a.m. — Lucia Fritz ∜ 5 p.m. (Vigil) — Maria C. Sollitto ∜

### MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

#### Sunday, September 11

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32

### Monday, September 12

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 7:1-10

### Tuesday, September 13

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 7:11-17

#### Wednesday, September 14

Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1b-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

### Thursday, September 15

1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

#### Friday, September 16

1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b, 15; Lk 8:1-3

#### Saturday, September 17

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14; Lk 8:4-15

#### WE WELCOME THROUGH BAPTISM

Elizabeth Cordelia Lane and Tinsley Mae Wakeham

#### PRAY FOR THE ILL, INCLUDING

Mike Anderson, Suzanne Aragona, Keith Beggs, Glenn Bogdonoff, Mary Bourke, Maria Campo, James Cecil, Quinn Copps, Henry Dagenhart, Jean Edwards, Joe Frazier, Gina Gonzalez, Michael Hahn, Richard Harris, Michael Henderson, Foltzy Huttman, Eric Jaramillo, Ed Jones, Juan Carlos Luis, Bill McCarthy, Terry Nunan, Patrick C. O'Donnell, Marianne Petrino Sheehan, Kathryn Phillips, Anne-Marie Pierce, Alfie Rodriguez, Jennifer Santiago, Kate Schroeck, Alexander Staron, Adriano Varner and Amy Wilkinson

### PRAY FOR ALL THE RECENTLY DECEASED

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

Alex Deerr, Parker Ward Hull, 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

September 11 — Rev. James C. Bruse
September 12 — Rev. Christopher M. Buckner (Retired)
September 13 — Rev. Tarsicio D. Buitrago (Retired)
September 14 — Rev. Jason C. Burchell, LT, CHC, USN
September 15 — Rev. Richard T. Carr
September 16 — Rev. Mark F. Carrier
September 17 — Rev. Thomas R. Cavanaugh

### **PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**

### He was lost and has been found.

Do you want to bring others to life in Christ as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother?

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 PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

**Abolition of the Death Penalty.** We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

### **WORSHIP & ONGOING FAITH FORMATION**

### Liturgical Calendar This Week

**September 12. The Most Holy Name of Mary.** God the Father is glorified by the exalted role in salvation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Thus, her name is a name of honor, a holy name.

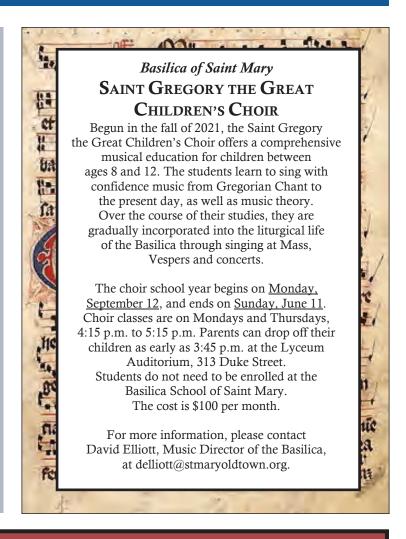
September 13. Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church. Bishop of Constantinople in 397. Outstanding preacher — his surname means "golden mouthed." Sought reform of the clergy; twice exiled due to royal opposition. One of four great doctors of the Eastern Church.

September 14. The Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Commemorates the finding of the True Cross by Empress Helena in 320 A.D. and construction of churches in Jerusalem at the traditional site of Christ's crucifixion and burial.

**September 15. Our Lady of Sorrows.** This feast day is a call to reflect on Mary's sorrows as the Mother of Christ and her example of perseverance through the many trials of her life.

September 16. Saint Cornelius, Pope, and Saint Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs. Cornelius died in exile in 253 A.D. Opposed apostates in the early Christian Church who renounced their faith under Roman persecution. His ally, Cyprian, was decapitated in 258 A.D. First African bishop to be martyred.

September 17. Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church. Jesuit scholar and teacher from Tuscany; canonized in 1930. Patron of catechists and catechumens.



### 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:

## Q: Why do we use unleavened bread for Communion in the Roman Catholic Church and leavened bread in Eastern Churches?

A: Christ instituted the Eucharistic sacrifice during Passover, sometimes called the Feast of Unleavened Bread. The bread He broke at the Last Supper was unleavened bread and the tradition of using unleavened bread during Mass continued. At one point, the Church began to use leavened bread, or bread that had risen, to highlight the resurrection of Christ and to combat various heresies. The East continued the practice of leavened bread as a sign of discontinuity with Judaism and in favor of symbols of the resurrection. The West continued to emphasize that which was in continuity with Judaism's ritual works and prefigurements. Thus, there are different emphases in the Eastern and Western liturgies, which complement one another and preserve all memories and emphases of the church.



### **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, 4:30 to 6:30 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.



### Saint Mary's Tots Play Group

All mothers and caregivers of young children are invited to join Saint Mary's Tots this fall. Playdates are held at area playgrounds weekly on Monday mornings, and monthly on Saturdays during the school year.

Regular playdates will resume starting Saturday, September 10, and Monday, September 12.

Please email saintmarystots@gmail.com for more information.

# PRO-LIFE





### **FELLOWSHIP & SERVING OTHERS**

### From Your Saint Vincent de Paul Society



Alexandria Faces Unprecedented Eviction Crisis. Legal Services of Northern Virginia, a non-profit serving low-income individuals and families, estimates we will witness 130 eviction filings in court per day. PER DAY! Nothing even close to

this number has ever happened in our city. It means thousands of our low-income neighbors face losing their homes this month. How can that be in a wealthy city like ours? It defies belief. But the reality is that rising prices for rent, food and necessities have left families with arrears in their rent, beyond their ability to pay. With your generosity and the hard work of our SVdP volunteers (please join us...we need you!), we can help keep many families in their homes. Please pray for us as we carry out our mission, but also pray for those families unaware of us and other resources. In their extreme stress, fear and despair, they either self-evict or never go to their court hearing, resulting in automatic eviction. The crisis is here and now...is this your time to step forward and help us help our neighbors? If so, contact us at svdp@stmaryoldtown.org to volunteer or donate.

### **ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK!**

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### 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.

### 2022 ANNUAL K of C WINTER COAT DRIVE

Beginning with the weekend Masses on September 10 and ending October 2, the Knights of Columbus Council 459 will conduct their annual coat drive. Thanks to your generosity in the past, an average of more than 500 coats per year have been collected for men, women and youth, providing warmth and comfort to those in need through the winter season.

Please bring your gently used winter coats to weekend Masses at the Basilica of Saint Mary where Knights will be curbside to accept them. Coat collection boxes also will be available in the rear of the church throughout the week. A collection box will be available in the lobby of the main school building as well. There is a particular need for youth and children's coats, gloves and hats! All donated coats will be cleaned before being distributed to those in need.

Thanks for supporting this worthy effort. Questions? Please contact Larry Clark at hlclark63@gmail.com.

God Bless!



### NEW YEAR OF ACTIVITIES BEGINS FOR PARISH SENIORS GROUP

The Saints Anne and Joachim Society (Saint Mary's senior group) will begin an exciting year with a Meet and Greet and Getting to Know You event on **Thursday, September 15**, in the Lyceum auditorium following the 12:10 p.m. Mass. All parishioners 55 and over who would like to meet (or reunite) with other senior parishioners and friends are welcome to attend. Our parish priests have been invited to stop by too! Light refreshments will be provided along with music to lighten your hearts. We hope to see many familiar faces and encourage new folks to join us, and hear and sign up for planned activities (some with limited tickets, so first come, first served).

Please call Barbara Juszczyk at 703.683.6834 or email bjuszczyk@stmaryoldtown.org if you plan to attend or need further information.

### **AROUND OUR PARISH & BEYOND**

# After the Five's Saturday, September 24

The next "After the Fives" will be held immediately after the 5 p.m. vigil Mass on Saturday, September 24, at 6 p.m. in the Basilica Courtyard, 314 Duke Street. Hosted by Serra International USA and the Serra Club of Arlington, this parish social is a special celebration in honor of Priest Appreciation Day. All are invited to celebrate all priests, especially our wonderful clergy at the Basilica, with great Spanish foods, fellowship and conversation. Also stop by to show your support for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life throughout the world. For more information about membership in the Serra Club of Arlington to support vocations, please contact Elizabeth Scheuren, the club's president, at elamscheuren@aol.com.



#### **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEETING**



THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS of the AMERICAS, Court Kavanaugh #54, a group dedicated to charity, will hold its next monthly membership meeting on **Monday, September 12**, in the Saint Joseph Room at the Lyceum, immediately after our Installa-

tion of New Officers Mass in the church starting at 6:30 p.m. All women interested in learning about or joining the Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) are invited attend. Contact CDA Regent, Cecily Crandall at CDA\_Regent@proton.me with any questions.

#### SPREADING THE MESSAGE OF FATIMA

The Luminaries of Holy Mary is a Fatima prayer group affiliated with the Alianca de Santa Maria, a Portuguese religious order. The prayer group's mission is to learn, live and spread the messages of Our Lady of Fatima, so urgent and relevant in these times. They meet on the **third Saturday** of each month, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass and rosary, in the Saint Joseph room located in the Lyceum at 313 Duke Street, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The next meeting is **Saturday, September 17**. All are welcome. For more information, call Frank Spicer at 571.334.5925. Also learn more in Episode #290 of our Basilica podcasts at https://stmaryoldtown.libsyn.com/.

# 10 GREAT

Date Night at the Basilica is presenting a new, free, monthly program called "10 Great Dates" starting on Saturday, September 17.

The program is designed to help spark intimacy, romance and fruitful conversations between married/engaged couples. Couples begin their Great Date in the Lyceum Auditorium, 313 Duke Street, at 6 p.m., with social time with other couples, before everyone watches a short video. Then the couples go on dates to places they choose.

You can register to attend at https://stmaryoldtown.org/10greatdates.

If you can't make it on September 17 but would like to hear about future Date Night events, please email datenightatthebasilica@hotmail.com.

# DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON JUBILEE RECITAL! TODAY, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11!!!!!

You are invited to a concert offered as part of the Catholic Professional Musicians Recital Series, celebrating the Diocese of Arlington Jubilee.

Enjoy an evening of exceptional and beautiful music by local Catholic professional musicians serving in our nation's top military ensembles. Will include works by Bach, Brahams, Gabrielli, Gershwin, Rutter and more.

7 p.m., Sunday, September 11 The Basilica of Saint Mary Lyceum 313 Duke Street in Alexandria

Refreshments will be provided. Free admission — all are welcome!



### **AROUND OUR PARISH & BEYOND**

### KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS – Fall Food Drive



The **Saint Lucy Project** is a food pantry and delivery network of the Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington (CCDA)

that is striving to achieve a Diocese without hunger -- one county, one neighborhood, one parish, one family at a time. The many Arlington Knights of Columbus Councils and parish volunteers are a main reason this is now a major

program. As such, Council 459 will be supporting the Fall Food Drive by handing out Saint Lucy food bags after Mass the weekend of September 18 and collecting the filled bag with the goods listed below, at Mass the weekend of September 25. Thank you for your generosity!!! The Saint Lucy Project is specifically in need of the following items (no glass please) ------

- ✓ Canned Meat/Fish ✓ Cereals, Hot & Cold ✓ Canned Sauce & Pasta ✓ Dried & Canned Beans
- ✓ Canned Green Beans/Corn ✓ Canned Fruit ✓ Children's Snacks ✓ Juice
- ✓ Peanut Butter & Jelly ✓ Rice & Grains ✓ Soups & Baking Items ✓ Boxed Shelf Stable Milk

Checks made out to CCDA welcomed. Gift cards from Walmart, Giant and Aldi are also welcomed.

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



### SAINT MARY'S STAINED-GLASS WINDOWS, Part 5

Continuing our look at the large stained-glass windows in the Basilica nave (main section), we find two beautiful depictions of saints on the north wall, on your left as you face the statue of Saint Joseph in the sanctuary.



Saint Helena and the True Cross, and Our Lady of Perpetual Help. This window was donated in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Quinn. Mr. Quinn (1839-1908) was born in County Galway, Ireland, and came to the United States in 1859. He and his wife, Bridget (1843-1901), had seven children. They owned and operated a grocery store and saloon at the northeast corner of Oronoco and Saint Asaph Streets for 46 years. His local newspaper advertisements promised the freshest food and finest spirits. He was a member of the Catholic Benevolent Society.

Saint Helena (250-33 AD) was the mother of Constantine the Great, Emperor of Constantinople, who ended the persecution of Christians. At the age of 80, Helena made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem and discovered the three crosses from Mount Calvary. Only one of the three was found to have the power to cure a sick woman and, therefore, deemed to be the True Cross of Christ.

In the window of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Mary is shown wearing her Royal Crown, holding the Child Jesus, who has just envisioned His future death on the Cross. Mary is comforting Jesus while reaching out to remind us she is always there when we need her help. — Kitty Guy, Parish Historian



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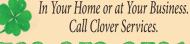


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