

COVER SHEET

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MassSchedule

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

- 6:30 AM William F. Buckley Jr.
8:00 AM Special Intention: Mark Blazeovich
12:10 PM Mary Murphy & Family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- 6:30 AM Edward W. Sudder, Sr.
8:00 AM Brian G. Cassedy
12:10 PM Nicholas Ceruzzi, Anniversary

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

- 6:30 AM Special Intention: Anallyn Bannon
8:00 AM Steve Blazeovich
12:10 PM Virginia Merilic

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

- 6:30 AM Mary Champion McGahey
8:00 AM Mary McLaughry
12:10 PM Special Intention: A Special Priest

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

- 6:30 AM Leonard C. Copeland
8:00 AM Juan Francisco Castillo
12:10 PM Franklin Oliverio

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

- 8:00 AM Louis Pate
5:00 PM Pauline C. McNamara (Fr. Jean Claude)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

- 7:00 AM Dee & Fred Burk (*Fr. Hanley*)
8:30 AM Margaret Zielinski (*Fr. Jean Claude*)
9:15 AM Parishioners (*Fr. Hanley*)
10:00 AM Jeremiah O'Leary (*Fr. Jean Claude*)
11:30 AM Susan Torres (*Fr. Hanley*)
1:00 PM Andrew Sutsko (*Fr. Jean Claude*)
5:00 PM Chester Cooper (*Fr. Hanley or Visitor*)



Baptisms

We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism

Hayden John Painter

VOCATIONS RETREAT FOR WOMEN: The annual Women's Vocation Discernment Retreat will be held at the Seton Retreat Center in Emmitsburg, Maryland, from 7:00 PM on Friday, February 24th until after lunch on Sunday, February 26th. All women 17 or older considering a vocation to consecrated religious life are invited to call the Office of Vocations at 703-841-2514 by February 17th to ensure a reservation.

FROM GREEN TO GOLD

I start the column this week with an update on Fr. Ruskamp as we have received many inquiries as to the status of his health. When I last wrote about him he was still in the hospital. He has actually been home at the rectory for two weeks now. Overall he is doing better; however, his road to a complete recovery is a long one. He continues to have almost no voice and he gets very short of breath with any exertion due to the blood clots. He is on medication for this problem, but that is a long process as well. He appreciates your prayers and hopes to be at the altar as soon as possible. Please continue to keep him and all the sick in your prayers.

A note on Fr. Hanley seems appropriate here also. His health is fine, although he might be a bit overwhelmed with all that is going on, especially for a new priest. However, he has truly risen to the occasion. You might even say he now is on "cloud nine" after the Super Bowl game last Sunday. As you may know since he was born in Pittsburgh he is a Steelers fan. Personally, I was hoping the Packers would win; I guess it would have helped if they were playing in the Super Bowl. That Fr. Hanley's team won has been a cause of some excitement for him. I'm certain there is some lesson in all of this with the Packers dismal season, the Redskins reasonably good season, and the Steelers great season. I'm just not sure what it is other than sports really can be a good thing in its proper context. The next big sports event is the 2006 Winter Olympics, which began Friday. Even Pope Benedict has gotten into the spirit, having blessed the Olympic torch on the feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 8th, before sending it on to Turin. I'm sure there will be a lesson or two to be learned there in the weeks ahead.

Another update, this one is related to the March for Life. I often find fault with *The Washington Post*, but when credit is due, I believe it should be given. It is interesting, as Cathy Ruse, who formerly worked on pro-life issues for the U.S. Bishops, has noted that *The Post* said that the March for Life was more of a party this year than a protest and attributed this to Justice Samuel Alito, who she says has a strong record opposing abortion. We can pray that inroads are being made to end this atrocity in our country.

Finally, on an entirely different note, I want to inform you that the Bishop's Lenten Appeal is about to begin. Next weekend someone will speak at all Masses about this annual collection. In addition the following weekend is Commitment Weekend when we will hear Bishop Loverde's comments and have an opportunity to pledge a gift to this appeal. This is somewhat similar to last year's program. You were extremely generous last year for which I again thank you. We have had an increase in our parish goal for this year which is \$275,500. This is a fair amount of money, so I simply ask you two Sundays from now or as you receive by mail the letter from the bishop asking for your participation that you again be as generous as you can be. In this way we help fund many of the diocesan programs such as Catholic Charities and the education of seminarians, our future priests. God bless you and please know all of you are in my prayers.

In Christ,
Fr. Kleinmann

SERMON ON THE MOUNT MOVED TO PAT TROY'S RESTAURANT THIS WEEK:

This Tuesday, February 14th, Fr. Kleinmann will be speaking for the Diocesan Theology on Tap at Pat Troy's Restaurant in Old Town Alexandria at 111 N. Pitt St. The restaurant is reserved specifically for this event from 7:30-9 PM. Come join us for good Catholic fellowship, Irish food, and a pint of beer and support our pastor as he leads the talk and discussion

CONGRATULATIONS TO C.J. HANCOCK, ST. MARY'S 8th GRADER, FOR MAKING HIS PROFESSION OF FAITH INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH THIS MONDAY AT AN 8th GRADE MASS!

YOUNG ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION CLUB: Continues this Wednesday, February 15th, from 7:30-9PM in the St. Mary's White House on 314 Duke St. Drinks and social followed by discussion led by Fr. Hanley. All young adults invited. This week's reading is Benedict XVI's encyclical, *Deus Caritas Est* (God is Love).

CONFIRMATION MASS at St. Mary's is Thursday, February 23rd at 7:30 PM in St. Mary's Church followed by a reception in St. Mary's Gym for friends and families of confirmandi. All confirmandi must be at the Lyceum with their sponsors by 6:45 PM.

CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL is from 7-8:30 PM on Wednesday, February 22nd, beginning in the Lyceum.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL HSA CAR RAFFLE: Win a Passport 2006 BMW 325ci Convertible. Only 600 tickets to be sold. Tickets are \$100 each. For applications and information contact Diane Hynes at 703-768-0631 or dianehynes@cox.net.

SOCIETY OF THE PATRICIANS: All Catholic adults are invited to meet on Saturday, February 25th, 9 AM to 11 AM, in Holy Family Auditorium of the Lyceum for a discussion of Ascetic and Devotional Practices for Lent. Sponsored by the Legion of Mary, the monthly Society of the Patricians meeting gives ordinary Catholics an opportunity to build their knowledge of the Catholic faith by means of discussion in a prayerful, family setting. Fr. Daniel Hanley serves as spiritual director and summarizes the discussions. Refreshments are provided. For more information, please contact Phil Cooper at 703-960-6296 [phil.patcooper@verizon.net] or Antoinette Crandell at 703-768-5559 [crandella@verizon.net].

FOLK GROUP: All Are Welcome. It's not only a song but a chance to share your musical talents to praise God. St. Mary's Contemporary Folk Group is looking for all ranges of singers and instrumentalists (especially guitars, woodwinds, strings) to join us in providing music for the 8:30 AM Mass. Practice is usually Wednesday from 8:00-9:00 PM in the church. If you are interested, please contact Ed Rovetto at 703-922-4473 or erovetto@universalservice.org.

FREE MINISTRY TO TRAVELING CATHOLICS: For nationwide Mass times and locations visit www.Masstimes.org.

PRO-LIFE CORNER

"What is a human being? ... Who is God? ...

The Bible gives one consequential answer to these two queries: the human being is created in the image of God, and God himself is love.

It is therefore the vocation to love that makes the human person an authentic image of God: man and woman come to resemble God to the extent that they become loving people. ~ Pope Benedict XVI, Address to the Participants in the Ecclesial Diocesan Convention in Rome.



COME PRAY THE ROSARY every third Saturday following the 8 AM Mass, in front of the Annandale Women's Clinic, 2839 Duke Street (near Bishop Ireton H.S.), with other St. Mary's parishioners. Our next gathering to pray for pregnant mothers and their unborn children will be **February 18th**.

CATHOLIC ADVOCACY NETWORK: The Virginia Catholic Conference, which represents the Catholic bishops of the Arlington and Richmond dioceses in public-policy matters, has created a new e-mail advocacy network, so that those who wish to contact their state legislators about respect-life, social-justice, family, and education issues can receive regular alerts on measures considered during the 2006 Virginia General Assembly session (from mid-January until mid-March). To join this network, visit www.vacatholic.org, click on JOIN NOW in the Legislative Action Center box, and complete the short form that is provided. Your free membership will enable you to communicate directly with your local legislators without looking up their address or composing a letter. Alerts include pre-drafted messages that you can send ("as is" or modified to suit your own style) to your elected representatives with just a few mouse clicks. It's effective advocacy with very little time commitment!

PRIME TIME SINGLES is a group of over 230 Catholic adults in the Northern Virginia area, ranging in age from 40 to 70+. PTSC is open to all those who are eligible to marry in the Catholic Church. During the year, we hold many social, cultural, service and religious activities. Saturday, February 18th, there will be a Talk, Discussion, and Party at 7 PM. Contact Bob Thome at 703-818-3872 for more information.

ST. PATRICK'S TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL GAELIC MASS:

The Ancient Order of Hibernians No. 1 of Arlington, VA, is sponsoring its Twenty-Sixth Annual Gaelic Mass in honor of St. Patrick. This year's Mass will be held on Monday, March 13th at 7:30 PM in St. Charles Borromeo Church in Arlington, VA. Singers who would like to praise God and honor St. Patrick in Gaelic are invited to join the "Gaelic Choir" which will sing at the Mass. Please contact John Thieman for rehearsal information, evenings at 703-938-1954 or 703-938-2526.



ST. MARY'S CHOIR rehearses weekly in the Lyceum at 7:30 PM on Wednesdays. We have an exciting season planned, and welcome singers in all voice ranges. Please call Dr. Saik at 703-684-5308 to arrange an appointment.



TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading — The leper will dwell apart, making an abode outside the camp (Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46).

Psalm — I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation (Psalm 32).

Second Reading — Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31 — 11:1).

Gospel — The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean (Mark 1:40-45).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13
- Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21
- Wednesday: Jas 1:19-27; Mk 8:22-26
- Thursday: Jas 2:1-9; Mk 8:27-33
- Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26; Mk 8:34 — 9:1
- Saturday: Jas 3:1-10; Mk 9:2-13
- Sunday: Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25; Ps 41; 2 Cor 1:18-22; Mk 2:1-12

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day
- Tuesday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine's Day
- Friday: The Seven Founders of the Order of Servites
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Please pray for all those who are ill, including:

Father Robert Ruskamp

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| Nancy Alfery | Garrett Golubin | Walter Mullikin |
| Harold Allen | Devan Gounaud | Mae Poppen |
| Joe Barbanio | Brendan Griffith | Josephine Pulvari |
| Julie Biegun | Lewis Harper | Susan Richardson |
| Warren Bishop | Mary Herr | Novine Sandherr |
| Rosemary Burgess | Suzanne Higgins | Elizabeth Santos |
| Patty Carroll | Barbara Kramer | Tom Sheeran |
| Ann Ceruzzi | Bradford Laperouse | Alex Sestak |
| Terri Clark | Jason Leone | Elijah Spoon |
| Beth Cops | Thomas Lovely | Carrie Spruiell |
| Skip Davidson | Betty McLaughlin | William Stapleton |
| Patricia DiGeorge | Robert Marshall | George Stelluto |
| Bernie Doherty | Nathaniel Maylor | Baby Stewart |
| Francis W. Doherty | Jean (Sallie) Midkiff | Peter Turnbull |
| Kim Flowers | Robin Munari | Pat Uram |
| Joe Franze | | Marylou Willison |
- Baby Maddie Laperouse Speizman, Baby Brayden Kelleher, and Baby Casale James Rizzo

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who have died, including:

- Elizabeth Ann Barber, Carole Fontana, Clifford Knauss, Mary Pagnella and Edward Zaporowicz

THEOLOGY ON TAP is a series of talks concerning the Catholic Faith in a relaxed setting at a local pub. The series takes place every Tuesday night from January 10 – February 14. All young adults over 21 are welcome. The talk will begin at 7:30 p.m., followed by Q & A at 8p.m at **Pat Troy's Ireland's Own** located at **111 North Pitt Street Alexandria, VA.** Come for food and drink before. Bring your friends and your coworkers! This week, February 14th, our very own **Fr. Dennis Kleinmann** will speak on the topic of **Dating and Relationships: Where does God fit in?** For more information, please visit: www.arlingtondiocese.org/offices/family/tot-home.html

COURAGE is an apostolate that assists individuals with same-sex attractions to live chaste lives according to the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. We now have a chapter in the Diocese of Arlington. Meetings are for men and women and strict confidentiality is maintained. For more information, contact Fr. Paul Scalia at 703-836-1640 or Courage@arlingtondiocese.org.

WORKSHOP on END-OF-LIFE-ISSUES: St. Veronica parish in Chantilly will offer a workshop for healthcare providers on end-of-life issues. *Dying to Know* will be held on Saturday, March 4th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Upon completion of this 1-day workshop doctors, nurses, and other healthcare providers will possess the ability to apply ethical principles of natural law to medical situations as well as articulate the language with which to speak of ethics to other health care providers and to patients. Speakers include Marie Anderson, MD, Rev. J. Daniel Mindling, OFM, Cap., STL, STD, and Rev. Marcus Pollard. Contact Claire Pagliara-Miller, RN, PhD at 703.773.2013 or cmiller@stveronica.net or visit www.stveronicahealth.org for more details.

SEPARATED? DIVORCED? WIDOWED? Two programs for separated, divorced, widowed individuals will be offered in Northern Virginia beginning Sunday evening, February 26th. The Coping program is a six week program on Sunday evenings at St. Phillip's Catholic Church in Falls Church, VA and is designed to help individuals get through the trauma of losing a spouse to separation, divorce or death. Cost is \$3 per session, payable at the door. The Rebuilding program is a nine week program on Sunday evenings at St. Martin DePorres Center in Alexandria and is designed to help people move ahead with their lives after they have recovered from the trauma and feel ready to get on with life. \$20 fee also covers cost of book. For more information about Coping, call Gerri Ellenberger at 703-670-4845 or Dave Bodek at 703-729-1945. For more information about Rebuilding call Marsha Davis at 703-680-9335 or Carie Schaffer at 703-519-1751 or e-mail eightball1751@hotmail.com.

THE CATHOLIC HEALING MINISTRY of the Diocese of Arlington will celebrate a Mass and Healing Service on Thursday, February 16th at 7:30 PM at St. Philip Catholic Church, 7506 St. Philip's Court, Falls Church, VA. For further information call 540-374-0809 or visit www.healingministry.net.