

Mass Intentions



MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2007

6:30 AM Margaret Quinn
8:00 AM Mark Blazeovich
12:10 PM Neal Davis

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2007

6:30 AM Mary Joyce Metcalfe
8:00 AM William Walch
12:10 PM Shirley Karau
7:30 PM Special Intention: Victor Cizanckas, Jr.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2007

6:30 AM Eileen Sullivan
8:00 AM James A. Murray
12:10 PM Rosie Santillo
7:30 PM Special Intention: John Grassi and Family

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 2007

6:30 AM Special Intention: Mr. Personperry
8:00 AM Richard J. Gainey
12:10 PM Michael & Margaret Rusnak

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17, 2007

6:30 AM Maria Milagros Cruz Rowencak
8:00 AM Stephen Mikalic, Anniversary
12:10 PM In Thanksgiving to the Infant Jesus of Prague

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18, 2007

8:00 AM Barbara Victoriano
5:00 PM Margaret Mary Zielinski

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19, 2007

7:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's
8:30 AM Rosemary Louise Schott Stevens
10:00 AM Edward L. & Virginia Carey
11:30 AM Richard Murphy
1:00 PM Letha Ashton
5:00 PM Victor, Gertrude & Matthew Cizanckas

Baptisms

We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Giselle Arnold, Antonio Clark and
Patrick Kopplin

FROM GREEN TO GOLD

I appreciate Fr. De Celles filling in for me here last week as I was gone the week before visiting my family in Wisconsin. Father presented a wonderful overview of Pope Benedict's recent statement on the "old" Mass. Also a quick update on Fr. Ruskamp, he is doing better but is still dealing with his blood clots. He has resumed his usual schedule. I mentioned two weeks ago that we cancelled his Sermon on the Mount talk. That was written before the Tuesday evening on which his talk should have occurred. We tried to get the word out, but evidently did not do too well as many of you showed up only to find out his talk was cancelled. I apologize for the confusion and any inconvenience this all may have caused any of you. Fr. Bork is also doing better.

As an update on myself, I had a wonderful time in Wisconsin. I always enjoy getting back to "God's country," as it is an opportunity to see my family. My father's 75th birthday party was great. When I returned to Virginia one of the first things I heard was the horrible news of the bridge collapse in Minneapolis. I have been on that bridge more than once, but not in recent years. What a sad event. Things like this very much bring to home how tentative our lives are here on earth. Such events make us ever more aware of how necessary it is to always be ready to meet Our Lord for we know neither the day nor the hour. I am next to certain those five, maybe it will be more by the time you read this, who died that day had no idea it was their last day here. Something similar happened much closer to home.

I left for Wisconsin on Wednesday, July 25th. On that preceding Monday morning, as they often do, Betty and Frank Nieman were here to count the remainder of the Sunday collection. I was shocked to get a call on Tuesday informing us that Frank had been called home by God during his sleep earlier that morning. We never know the day or the hour! Frank's wife has been very ill, although she is amazing. Betty has been in and out of hospitals, as recently as the week before. Through it all Frank as her loving husband has been at her side. Each time Betty seems to make, or God provides, a miraculous recovery.

Anyone who knew Frank knows what a wonderful and holy man he was. As I mentioned he volunteered here at the parish. He was a money counter and had responsibility for all the coins. He inherited this job primarily because he was the only one who knew how to run the coin machine. It's a vintage machine that breaks down often. In addition Frank coordinated our bells and the evening music that rings out from the church bell tower daily. That too is a science which Frank took the time to learn. More importantly Frank was a loving husband and a great father to his four children. He was also a wonderful grandfather to his ten grandchildren, one of whom was baptized here just over a week after Frank's death. He had been looking forward to that baptism. Most importantly Frank truly was a great Catholic, a man devoted to God, the Church, his parish and his family. He was kind to everyone. Selfishly, we will miss him; even more I imagine his family will. May God grant him eternal rest in the glory of heaven and may his death serve as a reminder, again, that we know neither the day nor the hour.

In Christ,
Fr. Kleinmann

CELL PHONES: A wonderful invention but a distraction during Mass! Please remember to set on vibrate or turn off when entering the Church. Thank you!

VOCATION PRAYER: Mary of Nazareth, in your maternal care of your children, please obtain for all those discerning their vocation, the objective knowledge and spiritual insight necessary for recognizing the invitation of your Son to love and serve Him and His Church. Amen.

If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, call Father Brian Bashista (703) 841-2514, or write b.bashista@arlingtondiocese.org.

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YOUTH GROUP NIGHTS – August 12th & 19th: All teens are invited. We meet from 7-9 PM in the parish Lyceum Auditorium. There is always good food, fun times, and great discussion. Also, all incoming freshman students are welcome to join us. Hope to see you there!

***TEENS*:** If you have questions about any of these events, please contact Theresa at tjmowbray@gmail.com or 703-836-4100 extension 13.

WOMEN'S GROUP Night: August 23rd For women in their 20's and 30's, single or married. The night begins at 7:30pm. Please arrive at the church by 7:30pm for the first fifteen minutes of the parish Holy Hour. By 7:45pm, meet around the corner at the "white house" at 314 Duke St., next door to the rectory. Please contact Theresa at tjmowbray@gmail.com or 703-836-4100 if you have any questions.

THEOLOGY ON TAP: All young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to attend Theology on Tap on Mondays, July 23rd through August 27th, at Pat Troy's Irish Pub on the corner of King and Pitt Streets in Old Town Alexandria. Theology on Tap is a popular speaker series sponsored by the Diocese of Arlington Office for Family Life /Young Adult Ministry. For more information, or to receive our newsletter, please contact Mary-Rose Lombard at yam@arlingtondiocese.org or call 703.841.2550. You may also visit our website at: www.arlingtondiocese.org.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19TH, 2007, 7:00PM AT ST. AGNES IN ARLINGTON, VA: Join Bishop Loverde and the Young Adults of the Diocese of Arlington for the first ever Diocesan-Wide YAM Mass and Social! St. Agnes will be the site of this historic event and all young adults are invited to attend. Parish Young Adult Leaders are invited to represent their parishes at the Mass and at the social afterwards. This is a great opportunity to meet our Bishop and young adults from the Diocese of Arlington! For more information please contact Mary-Rose Lombard at yam@arlingtondiocese.org

PRO-LIFE CORNER

The Bible teaches that God is a God of justice. An act of justice is an act of intervention for the helpless, an act of defense for those who are too weak to defend themselves. Abortion is a reversal of justice. It is a destruction of the helpless rather than a rescue of them. "If God's people do not intervene to save those whose lives are attacked, then the people are not pleasing or worshipping God," states Father Frank Pavone, founder of Priests for Life. (PFL Newsletter, March-April, 2007)



COME PRAY THE ROSARY every third Saturday following the 8:00 am Mass in front of the Annandale Women's Clinic, 2839 Duke St. (near Bishop Ireton H.S.), with other St. Mary's parishioners. Our next gathering to pray for pregnant mothers and unborn children will be August 18th.

WELCOME ST. MARY'S SCHOOL PRINCIPAL MRS. JANET CANTWELL: Please join the St. Mary's Home and School Association at a welcoming reception for St. Mary's School's new principal Mrs. Janet Cantwell on Sunday, August 19 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Lyceum Auditorium. While Mrs. Cantwell has been preparing this summer for the start of the new school year, she is anxious to meet the many parents, friends and supporters of St. Mary's School. Light refreshments will be served. For more information contact: H.S.A. President Trudi Boyd at 703-765-7226 or Trudi.boyd@dittus.com.

ARE YOU AN ADULT CATHOLIC AND NOT CONFIRMED? - Adult Confirmation is incorporated into our RCIA process here at St. Mary's. Classes are from late November-February on Mondays from 7:30 -9:00 pm and are required as preparations for Adult-Confirmation at either the Parish Confirmation in February 2008 or the weekend of May 10th-11th, 2008, with the Diocese. Please contact the Religious Education Office at 703.836.5450 and sign up as soon as possible.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? Know anyone who does? St. Mary's RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) begins Mondays in September at 7:30 pm in the Lyceum. RCIA is for all who wish to inquire into the Catholic faith and does not automatically mean a full commitment. For more information or to sign up, please contact any of the priests or Luis Brown, DRE, at 703.836.5450 or brownluis@hotmail.com. RCIA Registration and information is also available on the St. Mary's website.

REGISTRATION FOR ST. MARY'S 2007-2008 CCD PROGRAM NOW TAKING PLACE: Religious Education for K, 1-8, and High School begins on Sunday, Sept. 16th from 10-11:15am in St. Mary's School. Registration forms in Church, rectory, website, or contact Luis Brown, DRE at 703.836.5450. High School "Coffee and Catechism" will be a free of charge round-table teaching and discussion on hot topics with coffee and donuts.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading — When you punished our adversaries, you glorified us whom you had summoned (Wisdom 18:6-9).

Psalms — Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — By faith Abraham sojourned in the promised land (Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]).

Gospel — Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom (Luke 12:32-48 [35-40]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27
- Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
- Wednesday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
- Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
- Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15
- Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus
- Tuesday: St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe
- Wednesday: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Thursday: St. Stephen of Hungary
- Saturday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal; Blessed Virgin Mary

Pray For

Please pray for all those who are ill, including:

Charmaine Atkenson	Garret Golubin	Teresa Milazzo
Chris Ballard	Lovanne Graham	Mairiad Catherine Molloy
Joe Barbano	Jean Gray	Gregory Naile
Lucy Campo	Merle Guidry	Leslie O'Brien
Stella Carrolls	Todd Hansen	Toni Obichere
Jane Casey	Daniel Scott Holden	James Orrigo
Liz Clark	David Hsu	Laura Palmer
Buster Cloud	Robert Kloska	John Pierpoint
Columbine Delenclos	Patricia Leon-Duarte	Bob Radam
Dan Doherty	Jane Lewis	Jean Scully
Edward Drinkard	Thomas Lovely	George Stelluto
Etelvina Duarte	Mrs. C. Martin	Mary Jane Steuber
Maura Dunn	Emma T. Matheson	Larry Steuber
John Dupuy	Malcom Matheson, Jr	George Thomas
Michael Flood	Heather McCafferty	Etenesh Woldekidan
Michael Giancarlo	Joanne McManus	Rosemary Wolf Hogan

New additions to the sick list are in bold print.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who have died, including:
Alice McCaffery and Joe Wagner

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2007

This Wednesday, August 15th we will celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of our Blessed Mother.

It is a Holy Day of Obligation.

The Mass Schedule for this Holy Day is as follows:
Tues. Aug. 14th: 7:30 pm Vigil Mass, Wed. Aug. 15th: 6:30 am, 8:00am, 12:10pm and 7:30 pm

INTERNATIONAL PILGRIM STATUE

On Thursday, August 16th the International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be brought to St. Mary's at 1:00 pm. It will be with us through Saturday, August 18th. We invite all our parishioners to come and pray. We encourage you to invite your family and friends as well.

ST. MARY'S REBUILDING BILOXI: We will be returning to Biloxi to rebuild a third home from September 7 to September 29. The first day and the last day will be travel days. Please join Fr. Kleinmann and Fr. Jean Claude and fellow parishioners in this continuing endeavor. We welcome both skilled and unskilled volunteers. You can stay as long as three weeks or as short as a long weekend. Our team travel coordinator is Karen Lutz. 703-960-4373 or kmf859@yahoo.com. Please provide Karen your travel plans as early as possible. For general information only, contact Elizabeth Scheuren at 202 258 7459 or elamscheuren@aol.com.

SOCIETY OF THE PATRICIANS All Catholic adults are invited to meet from 9-11am on Saturday, August 25th in Holy Family Auditorium of St. Mary's Lyceum for a discussion of "Our Lady, Source of Consolation". Sponsored by the Legion of Mary, the monthly meetings of the Society of the Patricians give ordinary Catholics an opportunity to build the knowledge of their faith by means of a discussion in a prayerful, family setting. Fr. De Celles serves as our Spiritual Director and summarizes the discussion. Refreshments are provided. For more information, please contact Kathleen McKeon at 703.581.5233 or by email at jwilliamsfan@hotmail.com

THIS WEEKEND THERE WILL BE A DISPLAY OF BEAUTIFUL OLIVEWOOD HANDMADE CARVINGS FROM THE HOLY LAND IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH. These carvings are made by the Christians of Bethlehem who use them as their source of income. These brothers and sisters of ours are enduring hardships at this moment because of the volatile situation in their home country. You can help them by purchasing some of these beautiful carvings after Mass. For more info, please visit www.BethlehemCarvings.com or contact Feras at 2023025889.

WINE TASTING The Catholic Daughters invite you to attend our **Tour de Vine— Your Passport to the World of Wine on Saturday, October 6th at 6:30pm!** Watch the bulletin for more details on our 2nd annual Wine Tasting.

THE CATHOLIC HEALING MINISTRY OF THE DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON will celebrate a Mass and Healing Service on Thursday, July 19 at 7:30pm at Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church located in Lake Ridge, VA. Fr. Tuck Grinnell will be the celebrant. For further information call 540.347.0809 or www.healingministry.net.