Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church

13th Sunday of Ordinary Time June 30, 2019

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Welcome!

Please register and become part of our parish community. You may fill out a registration form in the parish office during business hours.

Office Hours - M-F 8:30am-4:30pm

(Office closed between 12noon and 1:15pm daily)

Moving? If you are leaving the parish, please let us know by calling or dropping a note.

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil - 5pm
Sunday - 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:15pm
5pm (Mass with contemporary music)

Daily Masses

Monday and Wednesday - 9am
Tuesday and Thursday - 6:30am
Friday - 6:30am & 12 noon;
First Friday - 12 noon & 7pm
Saturday - 9am
Check the bulletin for Holy Days of Obligation

Adoration/Benediction

Friday - Adoration is held every Friday following the 12 noon Mass until 5pm. The Rosary is prayed at 12:30pm and the Divine Mercy Chaplet is at 3pm.
First Friday - Adoration follows the 12noon Mass until the 7pm Mass.

Sacraments

Confessions: Friday 10:30am
Saturday 8am and 3:30pm; and anytime by appointment, Confessions are heard in Rooms 107 & 113 in Catholic Education Center

Matrimony: Parish couples planning to be married must make arrangements with the Office at least six months prior to the intended date of marriage.

Baptism: The Sacrament is celebrated each month on the second and third Sunday at 1:30pm. Baptism class is the last Friday of the month at 7pm. Call the office for details.

Anointing of the Sick: We are privileged to bring Holy Communion and administer the Holy Anointing to the sick and homebound upon request. Please call the office to let us know your needs.

13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
June 30, 2019

"No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what left behind is fit for the kingdom of God."
— Luke 9:62

RADICAL TRANSFORMATION

On this Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, the readings describe anything but an ordinary time. They are disturbing and they leave us disturbed. The Old Testament reading recounts a young man's radical break with the past to follow a new path. The Gospel describes how life as we know it is abruptly changed if we follow the call of Christ. The psalm and Paul assure us that such life-altering change is possible only because of the power of God's love. We are presented with a stark choice. To love as God loves, we must leave our old lives behind. We must leave behind not just the bad, the selfish, and the evil but the ordinary, our daily work, and the important, our families, our lives. Loving as God loves requires a radical transformation, not a smooth transition.

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Readings for the Week

Monday:	Gn 18:16-33; Ps 103:1b-4, 8-11; Mt 8:18-22
Tuesday:	Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday:	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29
Thursday:	Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8; or, for Independence Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Country or a City," nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice," nos. 887-891
Friday:	Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-5; Mt 9:9-13
Saturday:	Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17
Sunday:	Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 [10:1-9]

Parish Financial Status

In-Pew Offertory - June 23	$ 9,482
2nd Collection - Maintenance Fund	$ 1,980
Parish Giving for May	$ 25,066
YEAR TO DATE	$1,009,245

This week's 2nd Collection - Peter's Pence (Holy Father)
Next week's 2nd Collection - Missionary Coorperative Collection

Masses for the Week

+ deceased

Saturday, June 29	***Saints Peter and Paul***
9:00 am	+ Richard Hawley
Saturday, June 29	***Vigil: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time***
5:00 pm	+ Marion DeCataldo
Sunday, June 30	***13th Sunday in Ordinary Time***
7:00 am	+ Kay Santorum
8:30 am	+ Ben Ruf
10:30 am	Grace Schilling
12:15 pm	People of the Parish
5:00 pm	+ Susan Harney
Monday, July 1	***Weekday***
9:00 am	Shelby Decker
Tuesday, July 2	***Weekday***
6:30 am	Renza Bartlett
Wed., July 3	***Saint Thomas***
9:00 am	+ Mary Ann Szustak
Thursday, July 4	***Weekday***
6:30 am	+ Walt Shearrow, Sr.
Friday, July 5	***Weekday; First Friday***
12:00 pm	Kay Tewell
7:00 pm	All victims of sexual abuse and their continued healing
Saturday, July 6	***Weekday; First Saturday***
9:00 am	Maria Willard
Saturday, July 6	***Vigil: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time***
5:00 pm	David Krebs
Sunday, July 7	***14th Sunday in Ordinary Time***
7:00 am	Deceased members of the Butts and D'Elia Families
8:30 am	+ John O'Shea
10:30 am	The Fitzgerald Family
12:15 pm	+ Irene Guzik
5:00 pm	People of the Parish

God bless America
Happy 4th of July!

The Parish Office and Religious Education Office will be close on Thursday, July 4 and Friday, July 5 in observance of Independence Day.

This Week

Sun., June 30	Adult Basketball 8:30pm
Wed., July 3	SoulStitch 9:30am, Parish Hall
Thu., July 4	Rosary Group 7pm, Church
Sun., July 7	No Adult Basketball
	VBS Training 6pm, Gym

MISSIONHURST MISSIONARY TO VISIT JULY 6-7

Please join us in welcoming Fr. Leoyd Sanggaria, a Missionhurst - CICM the Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary missionary who will be visiting our parish the weekend of July 6-7 to present a mission appeal. Fr. Leoyd is from the foreign mission Province of Asia and will be sharing his life and dedication to the people he serves with us.

Missionhurst - CICM was originally founded in 1862 for the conversion of China. Today, Missionhurst - CICM serves in some of the most remote places of Mongolia, Indonesia, Africa, Asia and Latin American. Unlike some relief organizations that come only when there is a news-making crisis, Missionhurst - CICM missionaries come prepared to stay, living among the people, sharing in their privations, and participating in the day-to-day effort needed to achieve life-long spiritual and material changes. In response to the people's most urgent need, Missionhurst - CICM missionaries may start a new farming project, build a new chapel or school or lay clean water supply lines.

Fr. Leoyd will be preaching at all the masses and a second collection will be taken with proceeds going to Missionhurst - CICM

Write your Dedication on a Brick

You have an opportunity to place your permanent dedication etched on a brick on the church property: in front of the parish center. Think of honoring someone on their wedding anniversary or birthday! Proceeds go directly to pay our center's mortgage. Go to our website: www.saintfrancisparish.org/commemorative-brick-campaign/

Our thoughts and prayers are with ...

Our Military Members:
MAJ Chuck Marshall; Lcpl John Owen Patterson; Sgt. Tim Marshall; 2nd Lt. Patrick Gutierrez, MAJ Andrew Cahan; 1st Lt Matthew Ryan, Capt. Patrick Godfrey, Cpl Zachary Gingras, LT Scott Cypher, Cap. Vincent Jovene, 1st Lt. Jamie (Jovene) Liddle, A1C Joshua Jovene, 1LT Jared Willard, Joe Pultro, LCpl Paul Cotter, 2dLt Rachel Jovene, GySgt Jose O Ruiz Pedroza, PFC Jorge A Lara Pedroza, LT Ross Mentzer, 2nd LT Ryan Patrick Grady; PFC Stephen G. Beard, Sgt. Ernesto G. Castro, LCpl Frankie Thyson

The Sick: Dominic Corcoran, Jack Lehtonen,Mary Jane Arens, Zach Miller, Phyllis Heller, Madeline Gonzalez, Mike O'Brien, Bill and Valerie Wieliczko, Sarah Nolan, Liz Keller

The Deceased: Edward Versprille, Nancy Anderson, Arthur Busher, Jim Dueppen, Dorothy Gessner, Ellen Delaney, Daniel Duggan, Bud Nolan, Marilyn Cote, Michael Konopa, Renato Torrijos, Rosemarie Bighouse, John Robinson, Michele Mackey, Margaret Maykrantz

HOST THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE

You can schedule to sign up for hosting the Pilgrim Virgin in your home. Go to saintfrancisparish.org/hosting-the-pilgrim-virgin/ and pick a date. Then just sign up at j.rees@saintfrancisparish.org and pick up the statue in the narthex after the Sunday Mass you attend and return it no later than Saturday afternoon for the next person to host our Blessed Mother. Great blessings will come along your way when you invite Our Lady and pray the rosary in your home. She will not be outdone in generosity!

DIVINE MERCY SAID: "Apostle of My mercy, proclaim to the whole world My unfathomable mercy. Do not be discouraged by the difficulties you encounter in proclaiming My mercy. These difficulties that affect you so painfully are needed for your sanctificatoin and as evidence that this work is Mine. My daughter, be diligent in writing down every sentence I tell you concerning My mercy, becuase this is meant for a great number of souls who will profit from it." (S. Faustina Diary, 1142)

Divine Mercy Chaplet every Friday at 3pm during Adoration

CHRSM SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

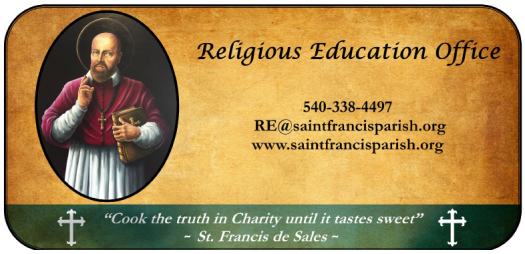
If you love seeing the joyful smiles of children, the Catholic Homeschool Resource & Support Ministry (CHRSM) may be the place for you! CHRSM will begin its second year in August and is seeking interested parishioners that would like to volunteer to greet families at the door, help out in a classroom, or make goodies for our bakes sales and special events. We will hold classes on Tuesdays from 9:30-3:00 and Thursdays from 8:30-3:15 and would be very grateful for any amount of time you would like to help out. If you feel called to share your time and talent with our homeschool ministry, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Beth McKenna at mckennau@gmail.com, 540-822-5741. Thank you for your consideration.

Mass Intentions

Most often we think of offering a Mass for someone who is deceased. There are occasions, too, such as anniversaries, birthdays, and special events or intentions that are nice to remember with a Mass. These Mass requests are printed in the bulletin and offered up with the prayer of the faithful. Stop by the office with any request you may have.

Lectors Needed

Lectors (adults and teens) are needed for all Masses. As a lector, you may choose which Mass and dates you would like to lector through an online scheduling system. Adults may lector at any Mass. Teens are used exclusively at the Teen Mass, as well as opportunities on Holy Days of Obligations and subs for weekend Masses. If you have a love for the scriptures and a commitment to live the message of the scriptures, consider joining the Lector Ministry. Training is provided. Please contact Michael Galdo (m.galdo@saintfrancisparish.org) or call the Parish Office for more information.



WHAT IS A CATECHIST? Catechists are those who are called to serve through teaching, witness, prayer, service and building community. Through word and example, catechists teach the Catholic faith and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

WHO IS A CATECHIST? YOU are! If you are a confirmed Catholic, over the age of 18, who lives a faithfilled life and wishes to share the love of Jesus with the young people of our parish, then you would be a great candidate to be a catechist. Our Religious Education program is staffed by volunteer catechists only and the need is great. This is one of the largest ministries in the Catholic Church and one of the most rewarding.

WHAT GRADES ARE CATECHISTS NEEDED?
Right now, the definite openings are are:
Monday 4:45-6pm - 5th Grade
Wednesday 4:45-6pm - Kindergarten (we have a good aide!)
More grades will be posted as our needs become clearer.

Registration for 2019-2020 Religious Education

is ongoing.You can download the form from the St. Francis website www.saintfrancisparish.org/youth-religious-education/. Registration is on a first come, first served basis. Get your registration forms in quickly and receive the early registration discount.
Please note that we will not have a pre-school this year, but we are adding a Kindergarten on Wednesday afternoon.
For any questions about registration please contact the Religious Education office at j.rees@saintfrancisparish.org.
We look forward to having your children enrolled in class and learning with them the truth of Jesus Christ!

RCIA for TEENS

Monday evenings. Exact time TBD. The RCIA for Teens (RCIT) is a class for all high school students who have not yet received the Sacraments of Baptism, Penance, First Holy Communion, and/or Confirmation. Students are required to attend class regularly, attend parent/child meetings, and participate in a retreat. For more information contact the RE Office or visit us online at saintfrancisparish.org/youth-religious-education/sacramental-preparation/rcit/

Emily Glass Director of Youth Ministry
540-338-6381 or
e.glass@saintfrancisparish.org

THANK YOU! – HUGE thank you to the entire parish community for helping us get to Workcamp 2019 in East Bank, WV. Thanks to your gifts of time, tools, vehicles, monetary donations, and most importantly, your prayers, a huge number of young people from our parish will spend this week serving individuals and families in need. Please keep us in your prayers this week and please pray for the residents we will be serving. Thank you again, we truly cannot do this without your generous support!

WORKCAMP REUNION BBQ – On Sunday, July 14th after the 5:00 PM Mass, we will have a Workcamp Reunion BBQ on the patio. Families and friends are all invited!! Come to hear our teens' stories of how they encountered God at Workcamp, sign up for next year's Workcamp, sing Workcamp songs, and watch a recap video from our week in East Bank. Bring a side dish or dessert to share!

YOUTH NIGHT – Join us on Sundays from 6-8pm in room 213 for fellowship, food, and fun. Bring a friend!! All high schoolers are welcome! Come to grow in friendship with Christ and one another. There will be no Youth Night on Sunday, 7/7.

BIBLE STUDY FOR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS – Join us at Market Street Coffee on Wednesdays from 5-6pm for Bible study. *No Girls Bible Study on Wednesday, 5/15.*

YOUTH GROUP ANNOUNCEMENTS – If you would like to receive text message announcements about time changes, event cancellations, etc., you can go to this link: remind.com/join/eglass16 and enter your information to be added to the recipient list! Also, follow the Youth Ministry Instagram account St.FrancisYouth for event updates and announcements

Registration for VBS is over!

An email will be sent home the week previous to VBS with the details of the week. If you don't get your email, check your spam file, then contact the RE office. The letter will also be posted on our website saintfrancisparish.org/vacation-bible-school/
Tee shirts should be here the week before camp, I will email when they can be picked up.

MAC-PAC CAMP
Rising 6th graders thru 8th graders, you are invited to participate in 3-day MAC-PAC (Middleschoolers Acting in Christ – Prayer-Action-Charity) Camp run by our high school youth group There will be games, competition, faith building, prayer, Mass, Confession & loads of fun that you don't want to miss. High school parishioners are invited to help w/the camp. Contact Sara Matheson at if you wish to sign up as a volunteer. sara.matheson01@gmail.com (see ad next page),

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Summer Lecture Series for Men

Sponsored by
Men's Group
of St. Francis de Sales

July 9
Capt. Joseph McInerney, PhD
Chair, Dept. of Leadership, Ethics and Law, U.S. Naval Academy
"Lead Like Jesus: Becoming the Leader God Calls You to Be"

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Dirt Farm Brewing
18701 Foggy Bottom Road
Bluemont, VA 20135

6-7pm Fellowship/social and meal (kitchen closes at 7pm)
7:15pm Speaker begins
9pm Event concludes

FOR ALL RISING 6TH, 7TH AND 8TH GRADERS!
For registration forms, please go to
saintfrancisparish.org/mac-pac-camp/

ATTENTION CLASS OF 2019

This summer, the Associates of St. John Bosco will be hosting four College Nights throughout the Arlington Diocese for graduated high-schoolers headed to college in the fall. The dates and locations are as follows. All events begin at 7pm and go until around 9pm:

July 1: All Saints, Manassas.
July 17: Basilica of St. Mary, Alexandria.
July 24: St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Fredericksburg.

The purpose of these free events is to help students keep their faith while transitioning into college. Catholic college students from George Mason, Mary Washington, UVA, Virginia Tech, William & Mary and others will be in attendance to meet students and share their experiences of being a Catholic college student. It's a wonderful chance to meet fellow peers going to your school before even stepping foot onto campus! Free dinner with registration and the chance to win door prizes! Student registration can be found by visiting this link: www.asjb.org. Registration is limited to 50 students per night.

Retreat for the Seriously Ill

The Retreat for People Facing Serious Illness offers a unique opportunity for men and women who face serious physical illness to come away for a weekend of refreshment and spiritual renewal in the love of the Lord Jesus. The retreat is offered at no cost to participants. Held at the San Damiano Spiritual Life Center in White Post, VA, from July 12-14, the retreat is staffed by a team of health care professionals who ensure medical needs are met, as well as priests and volunteers. Email contact information to Retreat@ccda.net or call the main phone line at (703) 335-2779 and dial option "9" for information on the retreat. To leave a message dial ext. 14.

Sign Up For the Diocesan E-Newsletter!

Receive special video messages from our bishop, learn about unique opportunities to get involved, and be the first to know the news about our Diocese — straight to your inbox. Sign up here: http://bit.ly/CDAsignup
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Ladies Auxiliary

There will be no meetings or social gatherings the rest of June, July or August.

Who can join?
Any practicing Catholic woman aged 18 or older!

What is the Ladies Auxiliary?
A service-oriented Catholic women's group that works hand in hand with Knights of Columbus, our church, local community and each other through social activities, fund raising, charitable works and other parish events.

Does my husband or father have to be a Knight for me to join?
No.

How much are the dues?
Dues are $25 per year and are used to benefit the activities of the Council in the activities mentioned above.

WE NEED YOU!

Volunteer of yourself - become a member or an officer.

There is **no minimum time commitment** when you become a member - participate or don't based on your availability and desire.

May the Holy spirit guide you to volunteer and to choose to be an officer within the Ladies Auxiliary!

"Remember the past with gratitude. Live the present with enthusiasm. Look forward to the future with confidence." Saint Pope John Paul II

Please Give to our Poor Box

Have you thought of practicing giving alms? Please remember to donate to our parish poor box located at the narthex. Proceeds help the needy people in our area. *"Give alms and everything will be clean for you"* (Lk 11:41).

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS - JUNE 2019

The Mode of Life of Priests
That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

CALLING ALL PRO-LIFE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS!
CAMP JOSHUA 2019

Sponsored by the Virginia Society for Human Life
To register, please call: 804-560-8745
or go to: www.CampJoshuaVA.org

The purpose of Camp Joshua is to inspire and educate high school students to be pro-life leaders. Participants learn about all areas of the pro-life cause: abortion, euthanasia, stem-cell research, etc.

July 26-28, 2019

Augusta Camp and Conference Center
(formerly Augusta Military Academy)
1640 Lee Highway, Ft. Defiance, Virginia 24482
Arrival: Friday, 7/26, 3:-5pm
Departure: Sunday, 1pm., following Mass and lunch
8 Adult Chaperones
Cost: $100 per student
Speakers include:
Dr. David Prentice PhD
Expert on stem cell research
Family Research Council
David Daulton
Adoption Consultant
With his wife has adopted nine children with Down Syndrome

Come learn to be a voice for the voiceless!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON

St. Lucy Food Project
316 E. Market Street • Leesburg, VA 20176
Office 703-443-2481 • Fax 703-443-2483
StLucyProject-LRO@ccda.net

Msgr. John Cregan
37730 St. Francis Court
Purcellville, VA 20132

May 15, 2019

Dear Msgr. Cregan,

He is Risen, Alleluia!

During this joyous Easter season, I want to take the opportunity to express my gratitude to you and the parishioners of St. Francis de Sales Parish for your generous food and gift card contributions to the Catholic Charities, St. Lucy Food Project, Leesburg Pantry. Your continued monthly support, since July 2018, of 11,468 lbs. of food has contributed to feeding 6,347 individuals, many of whom are children, who don't know where their next meal will come from.

I am exceptionally grateful to the Knights of Columbus, Saint Francis Council 11136, for their faithful organizing of food collections each month, and to the many volunteers from St. Francis de Sales parish who generously give of their time every week to serve our clients. They are always joyful and treat our clients with the dignity they deserve.

Just as Jesus is hidden in the poor and hungry, so too are the fruits of our merciful acts often hidden from us. However, as the Pantry Administrator I am blessed with the unique privilege to see the fruits of your parish's mercy. I could not be more grateful to see the many families who walk through our doors with heavy hearts and faces visibly uplifted and smiling as they leave with a cart full of groceries. St. Francis de Sales donations not only feed the body, but also give our clients the precious gift of hope!

May God continue to bless you, the Knights and your parishioners for the good works you are doing to help feed the poor in our diocese.

Sincerely,

Christina Harrington

Thank You for Your Continued Support!

Christina Harrington
Pantry Administrator
St. Lucy Food Project
Leesburg Regional Office
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington

Cc: Grand Knight, Saint Francis Council 11136, Knights of Columbus

St. Francis Council 11136

Next Council Meeting: Our next council business meeting will be in July following the installation of the new officers for the 2019-2020 fraternal year. See next week's bulletin for further details.

Share Sunday Collection the Weekend of June 8/9: The St. Francis Food Warrior team delivered a total of 948 pounds of food to Catholic Charities in Leesburg that was collected over the second weekend in June. Thank you to all the parishioners who donated the food.

A Letter from Catholic Charities to St. Francis de Sales Parishioners: On May 15th, Christina Harrington of Catholic Charities, St. Lucy Food Project, Leesburg Pantry, sent a letter to the Knights of Columbus expressing her gratitude for our church's generous food and gift card contributions to Catholic Charities. "Our continued monthly support, since July 2018, of 11,468 pounds of food contributed to feeding 6,347 individuals, many of whom are children, who don't know where their next meal will come from." "Thank you" to everyone who participated in the Share Sunday program this past fraternal year and "Thank you" to the St. Francis Food Warrior team who each month delivered the food to Catholic Charities in Leesburg.

Have You Ever Considered Becoming a Knight and Helping Others in Your Parish and Community?: Find out how you can be a part of the largest Catholic men's organization in the world. With nearly 2 million members and growing, discover how the Knights can support you, your family, your faith and your community. Contact GK Tracy Beglau or Chancellor Scott Grimard (scottgrim86@gmail.com), or look for any man wearing a Knights of Columbus name badge. The needs are many, but the laborers are few.

May God bless you!

Tracy Beglau, Grand Knight
St. Francis Council #11136
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Project Rachel Post Abortion Healing Ministry:
888-456-HOPE or
visit: www.helpafterabortion.org.

Gabriel Project Pregnancy Assistance Ministry:
866-444-3553 or
info@helpfor pregnantwomen.org

Parish Homeless Ministry

Many families are enjoying their summers, celebrating their graduates, organizing and coordinating their plans to send young adults off to college. Meanwhile, the Homeless Ministry is moving forward to bring stability to our local population of our "Most Vulnerable Youth". And, maybe this is surprising to some, our "Most Vulnerable Seniors". There has been an increased influx of Seniors in the local area, needing housing and food, whose families cannot help and or are not able to afford assisted living. These are all neighbors in need. We are planning, in addition to our Soup Kitchen meal in Anacostia on the 2nd Saturday of each month, to provide a meal at the Leesburg Homeless Shelter on the 4th Thursday each month. We hope to serve the first meal in July, and would love to hear from anyone interested in helping. There will be a Sign Up Genius for that meal as well, or email us, we can assist you! We will also be hosting a Blessing Bag bagging event for several hundred bags needed for our local population. The items needed will be specific, for the purpose of nutrition, hydration, and comfort for those living precariously. The list will be provided soon, and the details of the bagging event as well. Thank you everyone for all you do!

We are wondering if there are willing volunteers to help us can and blanch/freeze fresh organic produce in the coming weeks and months from Squire Oaks Farm. There will not be huge quantities, but these are perishable items we want to preserve for future use.

Joanne Gibbs - Squire Oaks Farm jlgibbsjl@aol.com

Tracy Ippoliti - Tracy.ippoliti@gmail.com 703-727-4125
Mark Ippoliti - Mark.ippoliti@gmail.com 571-748-8584

Join the First Saturday Rosary Team

Did you know that the 'no-show' rate can go up by 70% when there are people peacefully praying outside an abortion facility? Please join the prayer team every First Saturday to pray the rosary at 10:30am at the Falls Church abortion facility. The next First Saturday is on July 6. The facility is located at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church. For inquiries, contact Amy McInerny at (703) 841-3817 or respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org

GABRIEL PROJECT

Gabriel Project serves any expectant or new mom in need of support – rich or poor, married or unmarried, Catholic or not. Through friendship and support we seek to bring the love of God to her in her time of need and to proclaim the message of the Angel Gabriel: *Do not be afraid. God is with you. Nothing is impossible with God.* Mothers do not need to be in crisis to be served by the Gabriel Project. Some of our expectant moms are simply new to the area or just need some temporary support while welcoming a new baby. For help with meals for moms on bedrest or post-partum call Kati Pultro 717-817-3743, kathryn.pultro@gmail.com. Could you use some extra support during your pregnancy? Perhaps you would like to have a friend to accompany you on your journey to motherhood. Expectant or new moms in need of emotional, spiritual, or material support, can call our confidential helpline 866-444-3553 for assistance.