Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

APRIL 9, 2023



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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-4pm (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 Mass

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

Daily Mass

Monday through Thursday - 6:30am and 8:30am

Friday - 6:30am and 12noon

Saturday - 9am

Benediction/Adoration

<u>Friday</u> - Adoration is held every Friday following the 12noon Mass through the evening and overnight until Saturday morning before the 9am Mass <u>Wednesday</u> Holy Hour at 7pm

Sacraments

Confessions:

Friday 11am

Saturday 8am and 3:30pm; Wednesday 8pm;

One-half hour before Mass on Sunday.

Anytime by appointment. Confessions are held in the Church.

Matrimony: Parish couples planning to be married must

arrangements with the Office at least six months prior to the intended date of marriage.

<u>Baptism</u>: Baptisms are held on Sundays at 1:30pm. Baptism class is the Friday before the 3rd Sunday of the month 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.

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"Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay."

- Mt 28:5b-6



Alleluia!

The Divine Mercy Novena continues this week. The Novena, offered at St. Francis De Sales, will be prayed every day at 3pm in the church, The Novena will conclude during a Holy Hour in the church from 3-4pm on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16. Father Gould will lead us in praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Holy Rosary.

The Parish and Religious Education Offices are closed Easter Monday, April 10th.

This Week

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Mon. April 10	Consoling the Heart of Jesus 10am, Rm.113
	Catholicism 101 5pm Knights Hall
	Knights of Columbus Business Mtg. 7pm,
	Knights Hall
	RCIA 7pm, Room 107
Tue., April 11	Consoling the Heart of Jesus 7pm, Rm.113
Wed., April 12	SoulStitch 12noon, Knights Hall
·	Women's Council Social 7pm, Rm. 207
	TMIY 7pm, Room 202
	Holy Hour for Miraculous Medal 7pm, Church
Fri., April 14	Women's Prayer Group 7am, Chapel
	Divine Mercy Bible Study 10am, Rm 113
Sat., April 15	TMIY 6:30am, OLVH

Masses for the Week

+ deceased	
Sat., April 8	Vigil: Easter Sunday
8:30 pm	Newly Initiated
Sun., April 9	Easter Sunday
7:00 am	+ Jerome Miles
8:30 am	People of the Parish
10:30 am	+ John Bischoff, Jr.
12:15 pm	+ Hans Joachim Englisch
5:30 pm	Celeste Brown
Mon., April 10	Monday within the Octave of Easter
6:30 am	+ Edward Widzinski
8:30 am	+ Wayne Gardiner
Tue., April 11	Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
6:30 am	Bernadette Sieple
8:30 am	+ Jolynn Swedo
Wed., April 12	Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
6:30 am	Bishop Emeritus Paul Loverde
8:30 am	+ Daryl Tewell
Thu., April 13	Thursday within the Octave of Easter
6:30 am	Dan and Lisa Gannon
8:30 am	+ Mary K. Stinemeyer
Fri, April 14	Friday within the Octave of Easter
6:30 am	Isla Stansfield
8:30 am	+ Renato Sinjian Torrijos and Salome
	Lim Torrijos
Sat., April 15	Saturday within the Octave of Easter
9:00 am	Noah Magin
Sat., April 15	Vigil: Divine Mercy Sunday
8:30 pm	Manning, Mallen & Badowski families
Sun., April 16	Divine Mercy Sunday
7:00 am	+ Marion and Frank Decataldo
8:30 am	Andrew Sylvester
10:30 am	People of the Parish
12:15 pm	+ Roger Dean
5:30 pm	+ Emma Jane Dillman

Readings for the Week

Sun:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22- 23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10
Mon:	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
Tue:	Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/ Jn 20:11-18
Wed:	Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
Thu:	Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
Fri:	Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
Sat:	Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18,

19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Dear Folks,

God bless one and all on this most wonderful day when we celebrate the Lord's resurrection. Such a week has preceded this glorious day. Palm Sunday with the great entrance to Jerusalem on the back of an ass. It was truly the King to claim his own in peace.

Betrayal by Judas would follow and then corruption in the ranks of the authorities who wanted him removed... by death. If the walls could speak they would have



reverberated... "Crucify Him." More subtle words would follow, "Father, forgive them...", "This day you will be with me in paradise." "It is finished." "Truly, this was the Son of God." It was quite a week.

Many thanks to all the wonderful folks who participated in the spiritual devotions of the parish. Mr. Mark Forest offered another lovely holy hour to start Holy Week. Mark generously gave his free-will donations to the Workcamp fundraising effort.

Michael Galdo was a lifesaver in the music and liturgical preparations for the parish. Many thanks to the many many folks who made it to the Box, Confession... and a few were "Big Fish." May the Lord be praised and hearts and souls be washed by His sacramental graces. You know who you are. You did great.

Many thanks to Mrs. Alicia Meng for organizing the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Holy Saturday. Great job by one and all in helping to foster a lovely family for our lovely home.

Coming up, we have Confirmation on April 22, and First Holy Communion on May 13, the day before Mother's Day. I am hopeful we can have a May Crowning on Mother's Day where the little ones can wear their suits and white dresses. I make the promise, the priests will buy all the ice cream and ask the parish bakers to make the pies, cakes, cookies, brownies, and other treats... like Chocolate eclairs like all our mothers used to make.

In closing, thank you goes out to the many many folks who were a part of the Bishops Lenten Appeal (BLA). God bless you and many thanks from the many you will bless in your generosity and yet never meet on this side of the gates of Heaven.

Let us pray for one another.

LIVE ROSARY FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

Join Fr. Gould each night at 9pm as he leads the rosary and pray for peace in Ukraine. You can participate in person or on video - go to <u>saintfrancisparish.org</u> and click on Live Video Streams.

Congratulations to our new brothers and sisters in Christ who celebrated Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Thank you for your witness that renews the faith of your parish family



We joyfully welcome those who have joined our parish family by entering into our Catholic Faith through the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation:

Juliette Wickman

We joyfully receive info full communion with the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Eucharist, and Confirmation:

Michael Carr Eileen Grove Tarja Kippenbrock Carter Langhofer Caroline Molloy Sandra Nave Conrad Speak Kathleen Vernuccio

Completing their Christian initiation with the Sacrament of Confirmation:

Ainsley Cates Gabriel Cates Noelle Cates Kimberly Donohue Ashley Mastracci Mark Muller Taylor Ragano

Our thoughts and prayers are with ...

Our Military Members: SGT
Peter Audi, MAJ Andrew Cahan,
SGT Ernesto Castro, LCpl Paul
Cotter, LT Scott Cypher, CPT Patrick
Godfrey, CPT Ryan Patrick Grady, 2LT
Patrick Gutierrez, CPT Jamie (Jovene) Liddle;
SSG Joshua Jovene, CPT Rachel (Jovene) Mallets,
CPT Vincent Jovene, MAJ Chuck Marshall; SSG
Tim Marshall, CPT Ross Mentzer; Lcpl John Owen
Patterson; PFC Jorge Pedroza, GY Sgt Jose Pedroza; Joe Pultro, 1Lt Matthew Ryan, LCpl Frankie
Thyson, 1LT Jared Willard, PFC Joseph Jovene,
A1C Joshua Wilk, 2LT Alexandra Goodnow; 1LT
Caleb McGowan

The Sick: Dominic Corcoran, Mike O'Brien, Sarah Nolan, Liz Keller; Joanne Harrington, Charles Williams, Patricia Naomi Alvarenga, Joe Graber, Rodney and Christina Huth, Candace Daly, Melissa Jewel, Peggy Johnson, Frederick Campos, Grace Costello, Daniel Ramirez, Cynthia Ramirez, Silvia Vizcarra, Elaine Marshall, Olga Howard, Diane Shirley Brooke Cheney

Shirley, Brooke Cheney **The Deceased:** Susan Keelor, Bob Zurschmeide,
Jean Pelkey, Jeanne Sweet, Michael Craig, Edward
Konchan, Patrick Gaine, Judith Miller, Jean Young,
Colette Baine, Ellen Sullivan, Nicholas Misiti,
Timotha Rainey, Mary Kay Madigan Ledue, Joan
Jasinski, Heather Miles, Salome Torrijos, Jack
Burden, James Lippert, Jack Spisak, Rose Lippert



St. Francis de Sales Religious Education

He is Risen! Alleluia!

Happy Easter to all our wonderful families. We look forward to celebrating all 50 days of the Easter season with you. Blessings on warmer weather, good health, and holiness for all.

We continue our break from classes this week; classes will resume on April 16, 17, and 19 with final classes for the school year on May 10, 14, and 15 (this is a change from the original calendar).

God Bless, Diane

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

This Saturday! April 15 from 3-10 PM

All 8th graders are expected to attend this in-house retreat. If you must miss the retreat, you need to let the RE office know.

- Confirmation Saturday, April 22, at 10 am
 Rehearsal Friday, April 21 at 6 pm for student and sponsors
- First Holy Communion Saturday, May 13, at 10:30 am and 1:30 pm Rehearsal Friday, May 12 at 5 and 6:30 pm

<u>Lent Challenge for Kids</u>: If your child completed the Lent challenge page, please have him/her bring in the paper to the RE office for a prize.

<u>Check your emails:</u> The RE office uses email to communicate important information about classes, events, and sacraments. Not getting the messages? Be sure to check your spam box or call the office to be added to the email distribution list.

Registration for 2023-2024 School Year: Registration for the next school year will begin in May. All children are expected to successfully complete their current grade-level curriculum before registering for the upcoming school year.



All middle schoolers are invited...

Sunday, April 16th 6:30pm-8:00pm in the gym

Hang out with friends, meet new ones, play games, have great discussion, and learn about Jesus. Dinner will be served followed by s'mores on the patio.



Lindsay Glass
Director of Youth Ministry
540-338-6381 or
l.glass@saintfrancisparish.org

High School

SUNDAY YOUTH NIGHT: <u>ALL</u> high schoolers are invited to Youth Nights most Sundays after 5:30pm Mass in room 213. Deepen your relationship with God, learn more about Jesus, and grow your desire for life-long discipleship with Him. New friends are always welcome! Our next meeting is **Sunday, April 16th** (due to spring break and Easter).

SHELTER COOKING Meet us in the kitchen **Monday, April 10th from 5:00-6:30pm** to cook for the Loudoun County Homeless Shelter. Let me know if you can make it!

DINNER WITH CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: High school teens are invited to enjoy dinner with the 8th graders at their Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, April 15th. Share with them how you live your Faith in high school, and invite them to be a part of Youth Ministry next year! Let me know if you can make it!

PARISH 5K & FUN RUN

All parishioners and friends are invited to our 2nd biannual Parish 5K & Fun Run on **April 23rd at 2pm** to support Youth WorkCamp! Early registration cost is \$15/person and \$30/family. Price goes up on race day. Get more information and registration forms from the Youth Office, on our parish website (saintfrancisparish.org) under Youth Ministry, or by emailing me!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Mark your calendar for the May 7th Pancake Breakfast! Proceeds from this breakfast will go directly towards WorkCamp 2023, thanks to the Knights of Columbus! The WorkCamp team will step up to volunteer, but all teens will be invited to lend a hand. Let me know if you can help!

WORKCAMP Adult volunteers needed! June 17th-23rd, 2023 in Frederick County, VA ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Contractors will be trained to lead small groups through a basic construction project during the days of June 19th-23rd. Training date is May 30th. Security Volunteers will help provide a safe environment for our campers and adult crew leaders on June 21st from 2:00-7:30pm. Reach out to Shahin or Maggie Uddin (familyuddin@gmail.com) if you can help. Come bring your gift to the altar!

SAVE THESE DATES:

SENIOR BACCALAUREATE CEREMONY & RECEPTION - Friday, June 2nd

PARISH CAR WASH - Sunday, June 11th COLLEGE NIGHT at ST. MARK'S (for seniors) - Wednesday, June 28th "GOD SQUAD" HS SUMMER CAMP FOR 9th-12th – July 19th-21st Volunteers are needed for this event!

Middle School

Saturday, April 22nd 3:30-8:30pm. Hundreds of middle schoolers will gather at Bishop O'Connell HS for a day of music, games, food, speakers, and Mass with the bishop! The cost is \$20 and includes transportation, entertainment, dinner, ice cream, and a t-shirt! We'll leave SFDS at 2:30pm and return at 9:30pm. Email Lindsay Glass by April 14th to register. Adults are needed to help chaperone/drive. Reach out to volunteer!

St. Francis Council 11136 News

SAVE THE DATE COUNCIL 30th ANNIVERSARY:
On Sunday 30 April at 08:30 am Mass, the 5th
Sunday of April, we will celebrate two momentous
events with. 1) The 30th Anniversary of our Council and
2) We will honor all members of our Council who have
been Knights for 30 years or more. If you are interested
in helping plan this event, please contact GK Jay Hallam or Joe Borne-

APRIL COUNCIL MEETING: We will hold our April council meeting on Monday 10 April at 7:30 pm in the Knights Hall. Rosary at 7:00 pm in the church. We will finalize the coordination for our Council Anniversary Mass and other events.

APRIL SHARE SUNDAY CHANGE: Due to the timing of Easter this month, we have changed the Share Sunday collection date to the weekend of April 15/16; however, we will still distribute Blue Bags today. Speaking of Share Sunday, a very special THANK YOU! to you, our fellow SFDS Parishioners for donating a record 3+ TONS of food so far this year. Your generosity in these very tough economic times is quite humbling. n addition, our Knights' "Food Warriors" (Michael Corrigan, Scott Grimard, Bill Talamantes, Scott Cypher, Randy Fraysher., Barret Lawson, Vern and Thomas Conaway, Kenny Jenkins, Dennis Arkelkian), are getting quite a workout delivering the food to Catholic Charities. May God Bless our Knights' "Food Warriors" and you, our fellow Parishioners.

As we enter Holy Week, we again look to the Knights' Supreme Chaplain, Archbishop William E. Lori. Archbishop Lori, in the March 2023 edition of the Columbia Magazine inspires us with the following: Lent is "about opening the heart anew to God's love. It is a gift from God, a time rich in grace when He helps his children get rid of all that hinders us from sharing in His life and love. Bodily penances and spiritual exercises are the means the Holy Spirit employs to purify our hearts, enabling us to renew and deepen our relationship with God and neighbor. The more deeply we grow to love God, the more we will be like God and love like Him."

Jay Hallam, Grand Knight St. Francis Council #11136. Knights11136@gmail.com; www.facebook.com/knights11136/

SAVE THE DATE!

Vacation Bible School - July 10-14

EGYPT Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace

There are few openings for youth and adult volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, go to saintfrancisparish.org/vacation-bible-school/

Registration for campers (Pre-K thru 5th grade) will begin May 1

We have a great need for a team to help build the sets in the gym. The sets are already created, we just need the manpower to put them together. If you have simple building skills, please consider lending us a hand in the days before the start of VBS

We really a teenage tech person to be on-hand 8:30am-noon during VBS week to help with the audio-visual aspect of the Drama Station.

Please contact j.rees@saintfrancisparish.org

Share Sunday

The Knights will be collecting for the Share Sunday food collection next weekend, April 15/16 Pick up your blue bags at any Mass this weekend. Please return your full bag next weekend. PLEASE NO JUICE BOXES, PERISHABLES, FRUIT OR PASTRIES. Thank you!

IVIRTUS

VIRTUS training is a diocesan requirement for all adult volunteers (18+ years) who come in contact with children in any capacity including Vacation Bible School, Religious Education, Youth Ministry activities, and WorkCamp. The course is being offered at St. Bridget's in Berryville on *Saturday, April 15th*. REGISTER ASAP!!! Go to virtusonline.org, "First-Time Registrant", and view sessions listed under "Arlington, VA (Diocese)".

Save the date! TALENT SHOW

Saturday evening, May 20 in OLOV Hall

Performing is open to any adult parishioner and entry forms will be available In late April. Questions? Contact Chris Grande at <u>chris-w-g@comcast.net</u> or 240-409-1641

Project Rachel Post Abortion Healing Ministry: 888-456-HOPE or visit: <u>www.helpafterabortion.</u> <u>org</u>.

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

Holy Father Prayer Intentions for April

For a culture of peace and non-violence We pray for the spread of peace and nonviolence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

Homeless Ministry

"Never let anything so fill you with sorrow as to make you forget the joy of Christ risen." - Mother Teresa



Christ is Risen! Hallelujah! Happy Easter from the Homeless Ministry! Thank you for all your prayers and service to the homeless and hungry!

- Missionary Sisters of Charity in Anacostia Serve between 60 and 100 meals.
 - o We prepare and serve meals every 2nd Saturday of the month. All donated items are due to Knights Hall the preceding Thursday by 2pm.
 - Items due, May 11th; meal delivered and served, May 13th.
- Loudoun Homeless Shelter Serve between 40 and 80
 - o We prepare and serve meals every 4th Thursday of the month. All items are due to the Knights Hall the preceding Wednesday by 5pm.
 - Items due, April 26th; meal delivered and served, April 27th.

Join us in works of charity by signing up to purchase items, prepare the main dish, bake cookies and cakes, or to transport meals and supplies.

"The openness of our hearts and minds can be measured by how wide we draw the circle of what we call family." -Mother Teresa

Contact one of us, and we will direct you to the Signup Genius lists:

- Fran Beebe <u>franbeebe7@gmail.com</u>
- Carie Losinski: <u>skigators@me.com</u>
- Suzanne Robinson suzannedrobinson@gmail.com



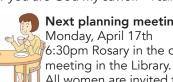
The Mother Teresa's Garden is seeking an individual to help organize the volunteers and guide the ministry to its full potential to help feed the hungry. Gardening expertise is not necessary. Please contact Jaclyn.Jenkins@ onedayfarm.com for details.

PLANT A ROW~ As you plan your backyard garden, be sure to plant a little extra to donate to this ministry. We will start collecting donated bounty in the late spring. Check out our ministry page online for suggested items to plant. Thank you!

saintfrancisparish.org/ministry/mother-teresas-garden/

Women's Council Corner

"Make known to me your ways, Lord; teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior." Psalm 25:4-5



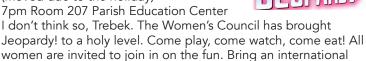
Next planning meeting-Monday, April 17th 6:30pm Rosary in the chapel I 7pm

All women are invited to our business meeting where we plan our spectacular socials, special

events and current news. We welcome your ideas.

Executive Team Nominations- Interested in joining our Executive Team? Please come to our next business meeting to find out more about the President, Marketing & Secretary positions coming up for election.

Next social- Jeopardy! & Committee Nominations - Wednesday, April 12th (moved due to the holiday)



New to the parish or not getting our emails? Contact us: womenscouncil.sfds@gmail.com

themed dish to share, we will provide the drinks.

WIN A CAR or CA\$H

The Knights of Columbus will have a table set up in the Narthex to sell additional car raffle tickets and collect tickets prior to and following all the masses for the following weekends:

April 15/16

The Knights will not sell or collect car raffle tickets Easter Weekend. If you have any questions, you can contact Tracy Beglau at tracywbeglau@aol.com. Thank you.

THE MINISTRY OF PRAISE

St. Francis de Sales' group of dedicated people of prayer, is on its third decade of service. The Ministry of Praise is a Spiritual Ministry in which prayer, joys and suffering are offered to God for the salvation of souls. Membership includes the sick, the handicapped, the homebound and senior citizens. We are currently inviting anyone interested in joining our team of pray-ers to contact Leslie Sheldon at the parish office l.sheldon@saintfrancisparish. org (please designate Ministry of Praise on e-mail). Those who wish to have concerns prayed for may write their prayers and slip them into the Ministry of Praise box attached to the wall in the Narthex. You can also visit our webpage at www.saintfrancisparish.org/prayer-requests/ and fill out the form and send the request



SoulStitch is a ministry that knits and crochets for those in need. Our members make whatever they would like and we find a place to donate what is made. Soul Stitch

meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 9:30 to 11:30am; and the second Wednesday of the month 12noon to 2pm (new date and time). Anyone who knits, crochets or would like to learn is welcome to join us. We provide the yarn. We have patterns or you can use your own. If you are unable to meet with us but are interested in making things to donate please contact us. For more information contact Karen Gaylord at windingwoodsfarm@gmail.com

A Jubilee Journey with Mary

Did you know there are 11 churches in the Diocese of Arlington which are named for Our Lady? During this second year of preparation for the Golden Jubilee of the Diocese in 2024, we are all encouraged to focus upon Mary and her role in pointing us to Jesus. To this end, Bishop Burbidge has invited all of us to visit as many of those 11 churches as possible and spend time in prayer at each! Visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/jubileejourney/ for more information about this Jubilee Journey with Mary! We hope that this initiative encourages you to grow in your understanding of Mary and your devotion to her!

Looking for a way to help support Women who Choose Life?

Birthright of Loudoun, a crisis pregnancy center in Leesburg, maintains an Amazon Gift Registry with a wish list of reasonably priced items most wanted by new moms in need. Access the registry at www.amazon.com/registries/custom/JIJ2X48CEMTI/guest-view or by going to Amazon.com, "Find a Gift", "Custom Gift List" and entering "Birthright of Loudoun".

If you prefer, cash donations can be sent to: Birthright of Loudoun, ,16 Royal St, SE, Leesburg, VA 20175

ADULT CONFIRMATIONS

If you are a baptized Catholic adult, have received First Communion, but have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Church welcomes you to take part in this grace-filled Sacrament. Individuals who desire to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation should contact Diane Taylor at <a href="https://disabs.com/disabs



Military Tribute and Prayers

Please help us expand our Saint Francis de Sales parish tribute to our military by sending us your prayer requests for active military members – send in name and branch of service.

In addition, we are so blessed with many military veterans at SFDS and we want to honor them as well – send us your name and branch to Team McRoberts at <u>BMcRoberts13@gmail.com</u> or text to 703.727.9613.



2023 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA)

The 2023 BLA is underway! The BLA theme this year is "My soul rejoices in the Lord," which is shared with the second preparatory year of the

Diocesan Jubilee. After reflecting upon the blessings God has given you, please prayerfully consider a pledge. The BLA funds programs and ministries that serve thousands of people in our diocese. Through the inspiration of the BLA theme, let us joyfully make a pledge to support God's Kingdom in our diocese! You make a gift at: www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA or scan the OR code

Below are the names of people from our parish who died **during the month of Apri**l since the time St. Francis de Sales became a parish in 1967. Scripture tells us to pray for the living and the dead. Let us commend to the Lord's mercy the following:

Thomas McGorry, April 15, 2021 John Robinson, April 17, 2019 Rose Marie Bighouse, April 4, 2019 Edie Rokus, April 14, 2018 Barbara Pollard, April 10, 2018 John Arthur Boswell, April 26, 2016 Lloyd Tracey, April 5, 2015 Don Mowe, April 1, 2015 Lucy Koch, April 24, 2014 Gail Kelley, April 24, 2012 Naomi Magliato, April 28, 2011 Hailey Alepa - April 22, 2010 Frank Udy - April 28, 2009 William Whitehurst - April 16, 2009 John Lindsay – April 22, 2008 Robert Driscoll - April 2, 2005 Patrick Vaughan, Jr. – April 10, 2005 John Walsh – April 29, 2005 Robert Zuber, Sr. - April 17, 2004 Earl Hall - April 3, 2004 Jeanette Henriksen – April 24, 2002 James Rowley, Jr. – April 7, 2000 Robert Remuzzi – April 20, 2000 Henriette Begley - April 12, 1996 Mary W. Holden – April 11, 1995 Genevieve Mallon - April 15, 1995 Joan Devereux - April 30, 1994 Evelyn Boswell – April 2, 1989 Constance Lyon – April 9, 1987

Pastoral Resources for Those Suffering After Miscarriage, Infertility & Infant Loss

For those who are suffering the cross of infertility and miscarriage, you are not alone. Visit the diocesan website for a list of resources to support you and your family during your most difficult days. www.arlingtondiocese.org/find-support/miscarriage-and-infant-loss/

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