

Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time September 13, 2020



New sign for Education Center - thank you Ben Lovingood!

Parish Staff

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Reverend John Heisler, Parochial Vicar
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Mrs. Kim Livaudais, Director of Religious Education
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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 Masses

Saturday Vigil - 5pm
Sunday - 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:15pm,
2pm (masks required)
5:30pm* (Mass with contemporary music)
***note new time**

Daily Masses

Monday through Thursday - 6:30am and 8:30am
Friday - 6:30am and 12noon
Saturday - 9am

Adoration/Benediction

Friday - Adoration is held every Friday following the 12noon Mass through the evening and overnight until Saturday morning before the 9am Mass

Sacraments

Confessions:

Friday 10:30am; Saturday 8am and 3:30pm ; Wednesday 8pm
Anytime by appointment
Confessions are held in the Church

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: Baptisms are typically held on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday of the month 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.

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September 13, 2020

The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger,
and rich in compassion. - Psalm 103

Masks are required for anyone attending Sunday 2pm Mass.

Live streaming of all **weekend** and weekday Masses:
vimeo.com/event/31282

Modifications for the Weekend Schedules:

- Every other pew will be available for seating but please sit apart from each other. Families may sit together.
- Masks are encouraged as we are still in the throes of the pandemic. No gloves for Communion in the hand.
- All parishioners over 60 and/or those who have health concerns will continue to have the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass in Phase Three.

The Parish Administration offices will continue to be closed through September 15. If you need to contact someone, email Leslie Sheldon at lsheldon@saintfrancisparish.org

Readings for the Week

Sunday:	Sir 27:30 – 28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8]; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35
Monday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Tuesday:	1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 31:2 and 3b, 3cd-4, 5-6, 15-16, 20 [17]; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Wednesday:	1 Cor 12:31 – 13:13; Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22 [12]; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday:	1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28 [1]; Lk 7:36-50
Friday:	1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15 [15b]; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14 [14]; Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday:	Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 [18a]; Phil 1:20c- 24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

Parish Financial Status

September 5th/6th	
1st collection:	\$ 13,863
2nd collection (Catholic University of America):	\$ 412
August 29th/30th:	
1st collection:	\$ 10,042
2nd collection (Maintenance Fund):	\$ 482
Our weekly monetary parish needs:	\$ 32,000 (average)

Thank you for continued donations and generosity!

Masses for the Week

+ *deceased*

Saturday, Sept. 12

9:00 am

Saturday, Sept. 12

5:00 pm

Sunday, Sept. 13

7:00 am

8:30 am

10:30 am

12:15 pm

2:00 pm

Monday, Sept. 14

6:30 am

8:30 am

Tuesday, Sept. 15

6:30 am

8:30 am

Wed., Sept. 16

6:30 am

8:30 am

Thursday, Sept. 17

6:30 am

8:30 am

Friday, Sept. 18

6:30 am

12:00 pm

Saturday, Sept. 19

9:00 am

Saturday, Sept. 19

5:00 pm

Sunday, Sept. 20

7:00 am

8:30 am

10:30 am

12:15 pm

2:00 pm

5:30 pm

Weekday

Andres M. Alvarez

Vigil: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ Neal Brown

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deceased members of the

D'Elia & Butts families

Elizabeth Hortega

People of the Parish

Ross & Brianna Mentzer

+ Phylis Heller

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Ted Bronson

+ Barbara Cline

Our Lady of Sorrows

Judy Krajewski

Henry Augustine Cypher

Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

The Steiner Family

Michael Janiga

Weekday

+ Joanna Derby

+ Mitchell Cizler

Weekday

Thanksgiving

+ Anne Marie Gonterman

Weekday

+ Michael Konopa

Vigil: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ Salvatore Biscardi

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Special Intention of Jennifer Dize

Students Returning to College

Betty Sutherland

People of the Parish

+ Vito Pappano

Kaitlin Dante

Women's Prayer Group

The purpose of the Women Prayer Group is to reflect on the Sunday's Readings and seek spiritual growth together as we pray, pray, pray... All prayers are welcome; thanksgiving, praise, forgiveness, and petitions (i.e., Church, Holy Father, Parish, personal). We practice social distancing. Masks are optional. We hope you can join us!

Saturdays, 8-8:50 AM

9AM Mass (optional)

Knights Hall (Church basement)

Email Maria Byrd at maria.nog.byrd@gmail.com for more information.

Recently, a parishioner asked me if we were going to have a voter registration program for the parish. Below are details offered by the diocese in that regard.

Dear Pastors and Administrators:

As the November elections approach, parishes have made several inquiries regarding voter registration drives, candidate forums, and other election-related issues. Excellent information on these and other topics is available in the VCC Political Activity Guidelines booklet and the VCC How to Conduct Voter Registration Drives resources, available online at the website of the Virginia Catholic Conference. Jeff Caruso and his VCC staff offer very helpful "how-to" guidance for parishes interested in such efforts.



During campaign season, we also are likely to face issues with political campaigns or other groups that may seek to conduct campaign activities – leafleting and flyers, candidate appearances, etc. – on parish property. For this reason, it is a good time to review our policies regarding political activities on Church property. (These policies are discussed in more detail in the VCC booklet linked above).

A few principles to keep in mind:

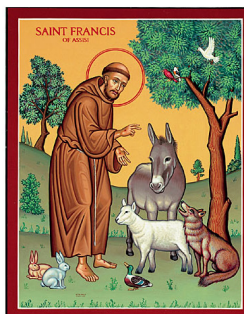
- Distribution of partisan campaign literature (i.e. leaflets, bumper stickers, etc., that tend to support or oppose a candidate) on Church property is not permitted. The same is true for any voter guides or other election-related materials (other than those prepared by Bishop Burbidge, the Virginia Catholic Conference or the USCCB). If you discover someone distributing such materials, politely ask them to stop and escort them off the property. If they will not comply with a polite request, the police (or sheriff) may be called to assist.
- Candidates for political office may not be endorsed or opposed, either at Mass or through any official Church channel.
- If one candidate in a particular race is invited to speak at a parish event, his or her opponent(s) should also be invited.
- Voter guides or election-related materials other than those prepared by Bishop Burbidge, the Virginia Catholic Conference or the USCCB, may not be distributed.
- Be aware that issue advocacy or lobbying groups, community organizing groups, labor organizations, and other nominally non-partisan groups sometimes endorse or campaign on behalf of political candidates or otherwise promote partisan platforms or agendas during election seasons. Be sure to notify the Chancery and comply fully with diocesan policies regarding outside speakers and/or events addressing public-policy issues if such groups approach you about conducting any activity on parish property.

If you become aware of any violations of our diocesan policies on political activity, please inform the Office of General Counsel.

Many thanks for your attention to these issues at your parish.

Please go to Page 6 for Virginia Voting Guide

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



Please remind your little creatures of God that we will have the blessing of animals on Sunday October 4th, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. We will meet in front of the Church, at the bottom of the stairs, at 3pm. All are welcome. Please invite the neighbors too. Bring beasts of all kinds, great and small alike, for the annual blessing.

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. Call the office with any request you may have 540-338-6381.

Welcome to the Family!
The following new
parishioner was
baptized on September 6



Connor John
son of Stephen and Sarah Rodd

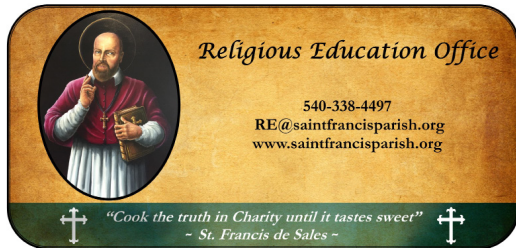
*Our thoughts and
prayers are with ...*



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

The Sick: Dominic Corcoran, Jack Lehtonen, Mary Jane Arens, Phyllis Heller, Madeline Gonzalez, Mike O'Brien, Bill Wieliczko, Sarah Nolan, Liz Keller; Bob Cote, Jerry Pollard, Joanne Harrington, Rebecca Alvarez, Charles Williams

The Deceased: Zach Miller, Danielle Krill, Carolyn Woodland. Ryan Martin, Kimberly Merline, Valerie Wieliczko, Thomas Moorcones, Mary Owen Lyon Chatfield-Taylor, Martha Ann Harlow, Ann Vaudry Williams, Steven Domine, Dick Austin, Phyllis Heller



REGISTRATION FOR 2020-2021

Looking forward to having you back very soon!

We've received registrations from 190 families...350 children so far, including 39 high schoolers! We are waiting to hear from families, please, please, please...get your registration forms in this week. It is difficult to plan classes when so many families have not yet been heard from.

Registration forms are available on the website saintfrancisparish.org/youth-religious-education/kindergarten-thru-high-school/. Hard copies are in the church narthex.

Re-Opening Guidelines and **Waivers** are posted on the website. saintfrancisparish.org/re-opening-guidelines/

Waivers All adult participants and volunteers of in-person Faith Formation must sign a waiver of liability at the beginning of the year and agree to perform a self-health screening prior to each class. Any person who answers YES to any of the required health screening questions must refrain from in-person faith formation classes and may not return until they have met the CDC criteria to discontinue isolation or quarantine.

All parents of in-person **Faith Formation students** must sign a waiver of liability at the beginning of the year, agreeing to perform a health screening of their child prior to each weekly session. Waiver forms will be available in the Religious Education Parent handbook to be given to all families at the beginning of the year.

We ask that all families in the parish whose children do not receive a Catholic education, please sign up for either the in-class or home-school option for religious education this year. Children are required to receive catechesis in 1st and 2nd grade before First Holy Communion; children in the 7th and 8th grade prepare for Confirmation. We will assess all children at the end of each school year before promotion to the next grade level, so catechesis at all grade levels is very important.

There are still openings in all sessions, but the Sunday and Monday sessions are more popular. Class sizes will remain small, so it's important that you register now for your preferred session.

We are blessed with many volunteer catechists who are excited to work with your children. For those of you who choose to homeschool your children, we will support you throughout the year.

If you have questions, PLEASE CONTACT Kim Livaudais or Janice Rees in the RE OFFICE and we will make sure that you have all the information you need. re@saintfrancisparish.org; 540.338.4497



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

ZOOM YOUTH NIGHT! – Join us for Zoom Youth Night on Sunday, September 13th, 7:30 – 8:30 PM. The access info will be sent out through the Remind text messages. Hopefully this will be our last youth night on Zoom; back to in-person meetings on September 20th!

FALL KICK-OFF! – We're back! All high schoolers are invited to our in-person Youth Ministry Kick-Off on Sunday, September 20th, 6:45 – 8:30 PM outside of the Education Center. Come meet other teens, learn about upcoming events, play some games, win some prizes, and get pumped for a new year of youth ministry!

A signed COVID-19 Liability Waiver is required for each participant, no exceptions. Find waiver online at <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/youth-ministry/resources/covid-19-resources/>

Physical distancing will be enforced and if we need to move inside due to rain, masks will be required. Please bring your own mask just in case.

FALL RETREAT – Save the date for the Fall Retreat: November 6 – 8 at Brethren Woods in Keezletown, VA. All high schoolers are invited to come away for a weekend in the mountains; hang out with Jesus, meet new friends, hike, canoe, and relax! (Location and other details may change pending the pandemic's progression.)

HELP WANTED Paid position! Part-time/temporary employment for those 17 and over. We are seeking help from individuals to clean the classrooms and public areas in the Education Center after two different religious education sessions on Monday (after 8 pm) and Wednesday (after 6 pm) evenings. Cleaning will take approximately two hours on each evening, and must follow CDC guidelines. Training will be provided. Please contact Janice Rees at j.rees@saintfrancisparish.org if you are interested in this part-time, temporary

ASSISTANTS ARE STILL NEEDED!! so please prayerfully consider helping this year. Catechists and assistants receive free tuition.

TRAITS OF A TEACHER

All who undertake to teach must be endowed with deep love, the greatest patience, and, most of all, profound humility. The Lord will find them worthy to become fellow workers with him in the cause of truth.
–St. Joseph Calasanz

St. Francis Council 11136 News



NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: will be Monday September 14th at 7:30 pm. We will pray our Rosary in the chapel beginning at 7:00 pm. Any parishioner is welcomed to join our Rosary!

SHARE SUNDAY FOOD DONATION DROP-OFF or DRIVE-BY

September 13th from 2-5 pm

Please place your food donations in plastic grocery bags in the Narthex or come by during our “drive-by” hours. See the blurb in this bulletin for more information!

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

DATE: Sunday September 20th from 7am to 12:30pm
LOCATION: Harmony Hall at the Hamilton Fire Station - 39071 E
Colonial Hwy Hamilton

National Day of Prayer and Fasting

As men of faith, we are committed to defending the dignity of every person — regardless of race, color, ethnicity or ability. Supreme Knight Carl Anderson has urged Knights and their families to participate in the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ National Day of Prayer and Fasting to End Racism on Wednesday, Sept. 9, “to draw upon our principles of unity and fraternity to help guide our nation through this time of racial unrest.”

Why Are You A Knight? Be more than a Knight in name only. We help in the parish, the community and the world. Our Council will be focusing on the Knights of Columbus Program “Faith in Action”. We will be focusing and looking for volunteers in these four main program types: FAITH, COMMUNITY, FAMILY and LIFE. Contact GK Bob Craig and tell me what would it take for you to come help your church and community. Be active again.

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 Bob Craig or Chancellor John Losinski (skigators@icloud.com), or look for any man wearing a Knights of Columbus name badge. Let your Light Shine!

May God bless you!

Bob Craig, Grand Knight
St. Francis Council #11136
Knights11136@gmail.com
www.facebook.com/knights11136/

TMİY Year 6: All Things New



All adult men of the parish are invited to join That Man Is You on Wednesday, September 16 at 7pm (in person only) or Saturday, September 19 at 7am (in person or ZOOM). All in person meetings will take place in the Parish Education Center. This new year of TMİY will be unlike any other. It is different than all their other programs and is made up of impressive Catholic speakers like Dr. Scott Hahn, Dr. Mark Miravalle, Dr. John Bergsma and others. If you have never attended at all, or simply came to a couple of meetings, you can jump into this new content without any issue.

Due to COVID-19 rules and regulations we ask everyone to register, in advance, at SFDSMEN@GMAIL.com.

NEW SHARE SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE SUNDAY SEPT 13TH

DRIVE-BY or DROP OFF
FOR OUR CHURCH’S OPERATIONS:

If you are attending Mass on Saturday or Sunday, please leave your donation (Food, Check or Gift Card) in the Narthex in the designated area.

On Sunday, September 13th from 2-5 pm. Please place your food donations in plastic grocery bags and come to church. Drive around the circle by the Parish Center, mailbox, and food trailer. Look for the Knights. Pull your car up and either unload your donation in the designated space or pop your trunk and we will handle the rest.

You may also drop off a Check (payable to “St. Francis Council 11136”) or Gift Card if you prefer.

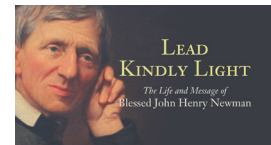
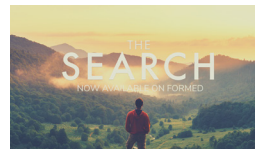
We will take the food, check and/or gift card to the Catholic Charities Leesburg Food Pantry.

ALSO FEEL FREE TO DROP OFF YOUR PARISH “COLLECTIONS” to help Father pay the Church Bills!

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WHAT TO WATCH THIS MONTH

September



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To make your vote count: act now.
by Tom Intorcio | Jul 20, 2020 |
Faithful citizenship, From the Tiber to the James, News

When Virginians head to the polls on Nov. 3, some may be in for a surprise when they arrive. Consider the recent high voter turnout in Georgia, Kentucky, Texas and Wisconsin where COVID-19 challenged election officials who were administering hotly contested primaries. Virginia could see a similar surge in turnout this November — even under social distancing. Add to that the possibility of a shortage of poll workers and the potential for longer wait times and other glitches only increases.

To help avoid those complications, planning ahead how to cast your ballot is wise. Registering now and planning ahead will keep you from missing key deadlines, and you can then devote more of your attention to the candidates and issues to cast a ballot that reflects Faithful Citizenship.

Register now

First, there is no better time to register to vote than now. The earlier you register the more likely you are to be prepared to vote and to make your ballot count on Election Day. Fortunately, you can do this entirely online; you can call your local registrar to request a registration form; or you can download, print and mail or email your registration form to your registrar or elections office. Secondly, Virginians have options to avoid potentially long lines on Election Day. This year, we will have two alternatives: 1) casting a No-excuse Absentee Ballot or 2) voting Early In-person. Both of these options would reduce potential concerns posed by large turnout at polling places.

No-excuse Absentee Voting

In Virginia, the only way to vote by mail is to vote absentee. Registered voters must first apply to do so. A recently passed state law that took effect July 1, however, eliminated a prior requirement that voters list a “valid reason” — such as illness/disability, travel or business — on absentee ballot applications. Net effect: any registered voter can vote by mail in the Nov. 3 Election. In order to do that, they first must fill out an absentee ballot application. As Dan Casey recently pointed out in The Roanoke Times, voting by mail involves some careful planning to make sure that your ballot is completed and returned properly so that it is counted.

Please see below for important deadlines and to request an absentee ballot.

Early In-person Voting

Another option is avoiding the rush on Election Day by voting in-person before November 3. Starting 45 days before Election Day, you can visit your local registrar’s office or a satellite voting location in your county or city to vote early. This year, “early in-person voting” is available from Sept. 18 through Oct. 31. (The Saturday before Election Day is the last day to vote early.) You do not have to have a reason or have to fill out an application to vote early. Regardless of which of the two above options you choose, by planning ahead you will improve your prospects for having a smooth and effective voting experience and avoid unnecessary hassles on Election Day.

We will provide voter education resources in the coming months. In the meantime, please share this information with your family members and friends now, so they will be prepared to participate in these important decisions when the time comes.

To VOTE on Tuesday, Nov. 3, 6am – 7am (General Election)

- Register/Update Address by: Tuesday, October 13, 2020
- Request Absentee Ballot by mail by: 5pm Tuesday, October 27, 2020.
- Request Absentee Ballot by appearing in person by: 5pm Saturday, October 31, 2020

Can’t make it on Election Day?

- Request Absentee Ballot by mail by: 5pm Tuesday, October 27, 2020.
- Request Absentee Ballot by appearing in person by: 5pm Saturday, October 31, 2020
- Vote Early In-person from September 18 to October 31

Leesburg Life Chain

Join fellow pro-lifers on October 4 for the Leesburg Life Chain at 2 PM on King Street in Leesburg adjacent to St John the Apostle. Signs are provided though bringing your own is great too. This is a wonderful opportunity to transition from the pew to the sidewalk advocating for the unborn. No athletic achievements required; we spread out, trying to cover as many blocks as possible to create a sense of volume, and testify quietly and prayerfully. 1600 Life Chains are held concurrently across the nation; a long chain is more likely to create serious conversation for passing motorists as little Melissa in the back seat queries Daddy-driver on what those signs are about. Block upon block coverage requires folks who care, so please attend. We will wrap up at 3:20 with a group picture. Grandma can bring a chair and hold the little one.

Good Shepherd School

Good Shepherd School (GSS) needs several substitute teachers to fill short term (half-day up to a week) planned and unplanned absences of our full-time teachers throughout the school year. An interest in working with elementary and middle school students is much more important than formal teaching experience. If this prospect interests you, please contact Bill Gehl (GSS Head of School) at 703-727 7055. or billgehl@GoodShepherdSchoolVA.com

Come Heal & Be Whole Again



Join us for Day of Prayer & Healing for Women offered in both English and Spanish on Saturday, Oct. 17 at the same location

For Confidential Help after Abortion:

(703) 841-2504 or info@helpafterabortion.org

Sponsored by the Office for Marriage, Family and Respect Life

The Legion of Mary Our Lady of Victory Praesidium

The Spirit of the Legion of Mary is Mary Herself

All registered parishioners 18 and over interested in Active membership are invited to attend a meeting on Tuesdays at 7pm in the library. All registered parishioners 18 and over who are interested in Auxiliary (praying) membership, please email us at legionofmarysfds@gmail.com for more information. See our parish website for more information saintfrancisparish.org/the-legion-of-mary/



Pilgrim Virgin Visitations

Families who pray together stay together!

All registered parishioners who live within the SFDS boundaries are invited to host the Pilgrim Virgin for one week. What better way to learn to say the rosary as a family! See parish website for more details and to sign up.

Home Enthronement of the Sacred Heart

Declare Him as "Lord of the Household!" and preserve the sanctity of matrimony

All registered parishioners who live in the parish boundaries are invited to Enthronement their home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and consecrate their family to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Images available from the Legion for free or you can use your own. Enthronements are scheduled at Pilgrim Virgin pick up or on First Fridays. See parish website for more details.

Rosaries and Prayers for our Parish

September: Military Families

During the month of September, the Legion of Mary will be praying for military families. All families with a member in the military, please take a rosary from the basket in the narthex under the Our Lady of Guadalupe image.

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association

Take the pledge!

All adult members of the parish are invited to take a pledge of abstinence from alcohol during the month of November for the poor souls in purgatory. More information coming soon!

Junior Legion of Mary

Notre Dame du Lac, Our Lady of the Lake

Children in the parish ages 8 to 17 are invited to join the Junior Legion of Mary. Junior League will meet on Thursdays in the Knights of Columbus Hall. We will meet for one hour, beginning promptly, please arrive five to ten minutes early.

Five First Friday Devotion

Take a thorn out of the Immaculate Heart of Mary!

Join the Legion of Mary after the first Saturday morning masses to pray in reparation for the five offenses against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. More information available in first Saturday pamphlets located in the narthex.



Trail Life

Attention parents of boys in grades k-8! We're establishing a new Trail Life troop at SFDS this Fall! Trail Life is a Christ-centered scouting program for boys that combines service and outdoor adventure to develop them into godly and courageous leaders. Contact Michael Shields mjcs Shields@gmail.com or Chris McKenna vamckennas@gmail.com with questions and to learn how to sign up! To learn more about Trail Life USA, visit their website: www.trailifeusa.com

Sunday, September 20th from 7am - 12noon

BLOOD DRIVE

Harmony Hall

39071 E Colonial Hwy Hamilton

Please register at: inova.org/donateblood

Use Sponsor code #3026

Walk-ins are welcome but appointments are preferred. Masks are required.

Please remember that there is a critical need for certain blood types. There is no substitute for human blood and the shelf-life is short.

All blood collected is used locally.

The best gift is the gift of life

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RCIA- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

A walk through the RCIA Process

How does our parish attract inquirers who consider becoming Catholic?

The short answer is you! When any parish has many inquirers year after year, it is the fruit of the Holy Spirit as parish members open their hearts to welcome others. Members of a welcoming and evangelizing community take seriously their call to share the Divine message of salvation. It happens in parish families, in the workplace, in gatherings with friends and neighbors, and in daily contacts. Give thanks to God as he continuously strengthens each of us who seek to do his will in offering a gentle, humble, and clear welcome to the Catholic faith. "Go out into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15). If you would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, contact Travis Moger at jtmoger@gmail.com Classes are held on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. The first class will be September 22. Classes will be via ZOOM format initially.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER

INTENTIONS - SEPTEMBER 2020

Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

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

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