

Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church

15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 15, 2018



Vacation Bible School 2018

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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.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Friday 10:30am
Saturday 8am and 3:30pm; and anytime by appointment
Confessions are heard in Rooms 107 & 113 in Catholic Ed. 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.

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 Extraordinary Form (Latin Mass)
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 and the 7pm Mass, and ends with Benediction at 8:45am on Saturday.

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
July 15, 2018

Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.

- *Psalm 85:12*

CALLED BY GOD

Today's scriptures invite us to listen to two calls. The first is the call issued by the LORD to the prophet Amos, the "shepherd and a dresser of sycamores" (Amos 7:14). The second is the call the Lord Jesus issued to the Twelve, whom he sent out "two by two" (Mark 6:7). These faithful people responded to the call, prophesying and preaching to the people to whom they had been sent. Each of us received a call when we were baptized. The second reading invites us to ponder that call as we are reminded that we are chosen in Christ and that, in love, God "destined us for adoption" (Ephesians 1:5). As adopted daughters and sons of God we are called to bring the presence of Christ into our marriages, families, schools, and places of work. Let us be inspired today to say yes to the call we hear once again through God's living word.

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Special Collection Next Week

Next weekend the second collection will benefit the Bánica Mission. Since 1991, the Arlington Diocese has provided clergy to two parishes in the rural highlands of the Dominican Republic. The two parishes, in the neighboring towns of Bánica and Pedro Santana on the Haitian border, minister to over 13,000 souls, most of whom live in extreme poverty. Your generosity will allow the diocese to continue to provide spiritual and material assistance to those who need it most. For more information on how you can support the Bánica Mission, go to: www.arlingtonmissions.org/banica-mission/

Readings for the Week

Monday: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
 Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
 Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
 Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
 Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8
 Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
 Sunday: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

This Week

Sun., July 15 Adult Basketball 8:30pm
 Tue., July 17 Mary, Queen of Heaven 10am, Library
Wine and Wisdom see announcement
 Wed., July 18 Mary, Queen of Heaven 7pm, Library
 Thu., July 19 Rosary Group 7pm, Church
 Fri., July 20 Padre Pio Cenacle after noon Mass
 Sun., July 22 Adult Basketball 8:30pm

Masses for the Week

+ *deceased*

Saturday, July 14
 9:00 am
Saturday, July 14
 5:00 pm
Sunday, July 15
 7:00 am
 8:30 am
 10:30 am
 12:15 pm
 5:00 pm
Monday, July 16
 9:00 am
Tuesday, July 17
 6:30 am
Wed., July 18
 9:00 am
Thursday, July 19
 6:30 am
Friday, July 20
 6:30 am
 12:00 noon
Saturday, July 21
 9:00 am
Saturday, July 21
 5:00 pm
Sunday, July 22
 7:00 am
 8:30 am
 10:30 am
 12:15 pm
 5:00 pm

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

Joe Pultro

Vigil: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ Lester White

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tammy Jencen and family

The Schindler Family

The Fitzgerald Family

People of the Parish

+ Paul Kuczowski

Weekday

+ Angela R. Lyons

Weekday

William Griffith, Jr.

Weekday

Rika Stanek

Weekday

+ Noemi Isidro

Weekday

Holy Souls in Purgatory

+ Sebastian Cramaro

Weekday

+ Sebastian Cramaro

Vigil: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ Nicola and Francesca DiBenedetto

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ John Michael

John Wright Prohaska

Loretta and Fior Farley

John Bischoff

People of the Parish

Parish Financial Status

In-pew Offertory - July 8 \$ 11,379
 2nd Collection - Pastoral Solidarity fund for Africa \$ 2,032
 Parish Giving for month of June no yet available
 YEAR TO DATE \$ 11,379
 2nd Collection today is for Parish Center Debt Reduction
 2nd Collection next week is Missionary Cooperative

Mass Celebrant Schedule

Saturday, July 14

5pm: Fr. Escalante

Sunday, July 15

7am: Fr. Escalante

8:30am: Fr. Escalante

10:30am: Fr. Mullaney

12:15pm: Fr. Mullaney

5pm: Fr. Mullaney

Saturday, July 21

5pm: Fr. Jason Webber

Sunday, July 22

7am: Fr. Jason Webber

8:30am: Fr. Mullaney

10:30am: Fr. Jason Webber

12:15pm: Fr. Mullaney

5pm: Fr. Jason Webber



Another Fun (and holy) Week of VBS!

We filled the *Vacation Bible School* week long program again to capacity last week with over 220 kids from pre-school to 5th grade. The 80 plus kids and adult volunteers wearing their beautiful multi-colored uniforms swelled the entire group participation to over 300. We're certainly one of the biggest, if not the biggest, VBS groups around since we are now blessed with a parish center that can accommodate a large crowd.

I want to thank all of the volunteers that helped our Religious Education staff make VBS a very successful faith-filled experience for the kids in learning about God and the Catholic faith in a fun way. We have so many who signed up to volunteer and we regret that we couldn't fit everyone in. Please sign up early for next year's VBS and we look forward to having you on our volunteer team.

Banica Missionary Preaching Next Week

Next Sunday, *Father Jason Webber* will be preaching at all the Masses to promote raising funds for his mission churches in the Dominican Republic. The *Arlington Diocese* supports two parish missions there and *Father Webber*, one of our own diocesan priests, has decided to spend a few years working with the poor people in Banica, Dominican Republic. You will be in for a treat listening to *Father Webber* share his adventures ministering to the poor, but beautiful, people in the Banica region. Please be generous in contributing to the 2nd collection next Sunday.

New K of C Grand Knight: Tracy Beglau

Congratulations to *Tracy Beglau*, the new parish Knights of Columbus Grand Knight! *Tracy* has been a very active member of the Knights and we're blessed to have him as the new leader of our parish K of C Council 11136. What's amazing about *Tracy* is that he just became a Catholic five years ago (RCIA Class 2013) and now he's heading one the most active and prestigious Catholic fraternity/charity organizations not just in the Catholic Church but *in the history world!* We are so blessed to have a local chapter of the K of C that's very active in serving the parish. We look forward to *Tracy's* leadership and please pray that he will have a most fruitful success in the Knights' mission and have many new members join the council.

Your shepherd in Christ,
Father Escalante

Ask the Priest

Q. If someone goes to confession but the priest does not speak his or her language, would that person's sins still be forgiven even if the priest does not really understand what was just confessed?—C. O.

A. Yes, absolutely! The person is forgiven unless there was some impediment that would prevent the absolution. It is really Jesus who does the forgiving of sins anyway and the priest is only there as an agent representing Christ. Language would not be a barrier for the person to receive the sacrament of Penance. [Example of impediment: If the person is married outside of the Catholic Church but unknown to the priest, he may say the absolution prayer but the forgiveness cannot really take effect.]

Q. Why do priests not give a homily on weekday Masses?—*Conor Orender*

A. The Church teaches that homilies are strongly encouraged for weekday Masses but not required. [But I do give homilies on weekdays as recommended by the Church! —Father Escalante]

Q. What kind of wood was Jesus nailed on the cross?—*Kendall*

A. No one really knows for sure. However, early saint-historians have given their opinion that the cross was not all made with one type of wood. There was a beam, upright, footrest and the INRI sign. The kinds of wood they commonly mentioned that were used could include *oak, cypress, cedar, pine* and *box*. If you can access this online, there is a nice article about the origin of the wood of the cross that you might be interested in: <https://catholicexchange.com/the-origin-of-the-wood-of-the-cross>

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS - JULY 201

Evangelization – Priests and their Pastoral Ministry
That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

Birthright of Loudoun County

Thanks to the Parishioners!

A very special thank you to all those at St Francis who contributed to the 2nd collection the weekend of June 16th & 17th for benefit Birthright! We were overwhelmed with the amount donated & cannot thank you enough for your generosity! A special thank you to Kenny McWilliams, for his announcements for our ministry during the Masses that weekend & for Fr. Escalante for all his support of our ministry! We could not accomplish all the work we do for our Moms & their babies without the generosity of people like you. Thank you so much from all of us!

Elaine Marshall, Executive Director
Birthright of Loudoun County



Got a Bumper Crop of Veggies??

We'll be happy to take your surplus off your hands and deliver them to Catholic Charities as a part of our St. Isidore Project. You can bring your fresh vegetables to the RE building during office hours or when you come to Mass. Visit www.isidoreproject.org to find out what's happening with the St. Isidore Project!

Our thoughts and prayers are with ...



Our Military Members:

Major Chuck Marshall; Lcpl John Owen Patterson; Sgt. Tim Marshall; 2nd Lt. Patrick Gutierrez, Capt. 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 Pultrio, COL Greg Cannata, 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

The Sick: Dominic Corcoran, Jack Lehtonen, Mary Jane Arens, Zach Miller, Phyllis Heller, Madeline Gonzalez, Joyce Sparbanic, Mike O'Brien, Bill and Valerie Wieliczko, Bud and Sarah Nolan, Jim Dueppen, Paul Young

The Deceased: Shannon Stotlar, Edie Rokus, Philippe Laffitte-Smith, Jon Hink., Lewis Daniel Miller, Rudy and Cathy Bartoldus, Mona Bakke, Sophie and Pedro Macaraeg, Rita Hockenbury, Kim Castellano, David Young

*** PASTOR'S WISH LIST ***

• **Keep praying the rosary & report the number of times you've prayed!**—We're trying to reach our goal of 100,000 rosaries prayed since September 12, 2015 and we're up to almost 75,000. This year is *Our Lady of Lourdes'* 160th anniversary of appearance to Saint Bernadette (1858-2018) and it is our hope to reach 100,000 before the end of 2018. As you have seen, great things have happened to our parish since our Rosary Campaign of 2015 so let's keep it going! Send your rosary numbers prayed (simple number, e.g., "5 rosaries" will do) to this email: rosarychallenge@yahoo.com. Our parishioner, *Meghan Christian*, generously volunteered to do the tabulating. I send my number every week but you can do it bi-weekly or even monthly if you wish.

• **Looking for Ushers for the "New Ushering Ministry"**—Pat Orender is heading the new ushering ministry and we're looking for new ushers to serve the parish community to help the worshipers who come to Mass. This will be a great opportunity to volunteer in the parish. We need more adult volunteers but we also welcome *Junior Ushers* (young kids) to serve with the adults. Contact Pat to sign up: theorenders@gmail.com

• **Oberammergau/Divine Mercy European Pilgrimage in 2020** -- There is a *Passion Play* that's held in a German town of *Oberammergau* once every ten years for nearly 400 years that pilgrims have been attending. We have a chance to go in August 2020 if we start planning soon. Included in this 11-day package is a visit to the *Divine Mercy Shrine* in Krakow, Prague, Salzburg, Vienna and Munich. It is a long journey to cover Oberammergau and Eastern Europe and the estimate cost is between \$4.5k-\$5k per person through *Navas International* pilgrimage tour. So far there are 15 signed up for the trip and let me know if you're interested in joining us. The trip is definitely on!

• **Donate to our new Ambo (Pulpit)** I'm inviting you to donate any amount for the new *Ambo (Pulpit)* and be a part of the **"Book of Life Circle."** Donations of \$1k or more will give you the option to add a dedication to our future Memorial Wall to be displayed in the narthex. We need \$35k for this important part of the sanctuary where we hear the Word of God is proclaimed. As of May 14, 2018, we have received \$21,000. (See the July 30, 2017 *Shepherd's Notes* to read more about the *Ambo*.)

• **Pipe Organ" donation**—Please help us pay for the church organ that was installed in April. To date we have received \$46,810. We now owe just \$70,890 for this incredible organ! [See *Shepherd's Notes* column (2/26/2017 issue) for organ details.]

• **Write your dedication on a brick...on church property!**—You now have an opportunity to place your permanent dedication etched on a brick on the church property: in front of the new parish center. Proceeds go directly to pay our center's mortgage. See enclosed flyer for details or go to our website: www.saintfrancisparish.org

• **Hosting the Pilgrim Virgin statue sign up** - You can now schedule to sign up for hosting the *Pilgrim Virgin* in your home. Email our coordinator, Diane Waller, at dianewaller@msn.com. Go to our parish website and click under Pilgrim Virgin Statue and pick a date. Then just sign up and pick up the statue in the Narthex, left of the glass doors, 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! [Note: No need to wait six months to repeat reserving the *Pilgrim Virgin* anymore.]

You may contact me directly for your response by phone (540-338-6381 ext. 102), by email countryparishpriest@gmail.com, by "snail mail" or in person

Got 'em!

• Thank you to all the Vacation Bible School volunteers for a job well done!

• We received over 1,500 written pledges from the *Rosary Challenge* drive to pray a minimum of one rosary a week. As of this writing we have reached the 74% mark (74,723 total reported) of our goal (100,000) of the rosaries that have been reportedly prayed at our website since September 12, 2015. Keep it up, faithful children of Mary. We've been getting many nice blessings lately as a parish and we can only expect more!

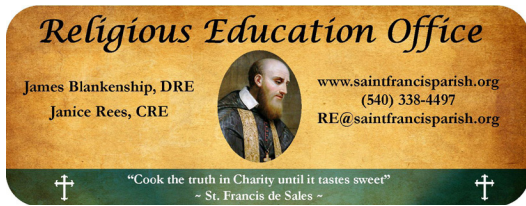


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CCD Registration

Registration for 2018-2019 Religious Education school year has begun! You can get a copy of the Registration form at the parish office, Religious Education office, or by downloading it from the St. Francis website www.saintfrancisparish.org/youth-religious-education/. Classes are on a first come, first served basis. Get your registration forms in quickly and receive the early registration discount. For any questions about registration please contact the Religious Education office at RE@saintfrancisparish.org.

There Is A Financial Benefit If You Register Before July 31!!!

1st Communion photos are available for viewing and purchasing on-line. An email has been sent with the photographer's link. Or you can go to our website www.saintfrancisparish.org and visit the 1st Communion page for the link.

CATECHIST'S NEEDED!!!

Monday 4:45pm - 3rd and 4th Grades

Wednesday 4:45pm - Pre-School

Please consider volunteering your time to teach the children of the parish about Jesus Christ. Requirements for teaching are a passion and love for the Lord. To volunteer please contact James Blankenship at J.blankenship@saintfrancisparish.org. The Lord will reward you for your generosity!



MAC-PAC SUMMER CAMP STARTS TOMORROW!

Watch for an email we sent with details of the next three days!



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

KINGS DOMINION TRIP – The Diocesan Kings Dominion Day is on Friday, July 27th. We will drive together from St. Francis de Sales, details coming soon. Reserve a ticket early by contacting Emily at e.glass@saintfrancisparish.org. All high schoolers are welcome! \$36 per person.

MOVIE DAY & ICE CREAM SUNDAE BAR – Join us in the Upper Room on Tuesday, July 24th at 1:00 PM to watch I Can Only Imagine. Bring your favorite ice cream topping to share and I will bring the ice cream for the sundae bar!

NO GIRLS BIBLE STUDY – There is no Girls Bible Study this Wednesday, 7/18. See you at MAC-PAC camp!

5:00 PM MASS – Every Sunday at 5:00 PM, join us in the front 4 left rows to celebrate Mass together. All high school students are welcome!

YOUTH NIGHT – Join us on Sundays from 6:00-8:00 PM for fellowship, food, and fun. Bring a friend!! All high schoolers are welcome! Come to grow in friendship with Christ and one another.

BIBLE STUDY FOR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS – Join us at Market St. Coffee on Wednesdays from 5-6 PM for Bible study.

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.

VBS was the Best!

Over 225 children joined in the faith filled fun by participating in bible based activities as we learned about Daniel living in captivity in Babylon.

The children sang songs and learned bible verses that taught them that God is with us through good *and* bad times! A daily morality play was acted out each, teaching the bible lesson. The church time was filled with the Adoration, the rosary, and other Catholic devotionals and lessons. Themed snacks were served. Fun games were played and crafts were made. We talked about God Sightings and built the entrance to Babylon, with our God Sighting Stones.

The VBS mission this year brought in fresh vegetables that were delivered daily to Catholic Charities in Leesburg. The children learned that many of the poor in Loudoun County do not know where their next meal is coming from, and that we can follow Christ's command to feed his sheep.

We are very grateful to ALL of our youth and adult volunteers who worked tirelessly for months in advance to make each day a success and tons of fun for the kids. We truly could not have such a successful week without the dedication of our volunteers: 25 adults and over 100 youth volunteers!

We especially thank Sheila Cowling and Cheryl Rider for their remarkable continuing efforts to create a memorable experience with their settings, this year a Babylon Marketplace with bazaar stalls, and Daniel's Captivity in Babylon drama station.

Our volunteers are the very best!!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS BEGINNING SEPTEMBER

Join Fr. Mullaney for his next adult education class, Catholic Social Justice. A core teaching of the Catholic Church, it is often misunderstood or reduced to simplistic terms, losing the fullness of the teaching. A core tenant of the Church from the beginning, and clearly enumerated in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Fr. Mullaney will cover the topic comprehensively.

Based on the truth that society is to provide the conditions that allow associations or individuals to obtain what is their due, according to their nature and their vocation. Social justice is linked to the common good and the exercise of authority. Social Justice expects respect for the human person, recognizes equality and differences among men, and seeks human solidarity. It presupposes respect for the fundamental rights that flow from the dignity intrinsic of the person. The differences among persons belong to God's plan, who wills that we should need one another. These differences should encourage charity. Solidarity is an eminently Christian virtue. It practices the sharing of spiritual goods even more than material ones.

Exploring the concept with real world situations, the fullness of this Church teaching will be explored. Too many secular sources try to use social justice as a springboard for modernist ideas. As always, the Catholic Church has provided a proper charitable solution for all human situations.

We will begin class on Septem-



Sat Prep Classes Now Forming At St. Francis

Hunt Test Preparation will offer their SAT Prep Course beginning Saturday, October 13th!

Class dates are: Saturday and Sunday, October 13, 14, 20, 21 and 28

From: 9am to 12 noon (Saturday) and 1pm to 4pm (Sunday)

For a total of five three-hour classes!

Hunt has prepared Virginia students for the SAT since 1976. The Hunt Course is Virginia's oldest independently operated preparation program for the SAT.

St. Francis students will receive a tuition discount on a first-come first-served basis. Seating will be limited. Please call 703-425-7656 for registration information.

Early registration is strongly suggested.

The Catholic Homeschool Ministry (CHRSM)

is pleased to announce that there are still spots available for the following classes for the upcoming school year. Class offerings are available for homeschool families with children ages infant through high school! Courses are held on Tuesdays and Fridays (and some Thursdays for upper level students).

- Infant-Pre-K/K: Joyful for Jesus Music & Movement (infant/toddler), Kingdom Kids (ages 3-4)
- Elementary: Spanish I, Art, Early Church History, Classically Catholic Memory, IEW Writing/Geography, PE
- Middle: Latin, Early Church History, General Science, Physical Science, Art, PE
- High: Latin, Spanish IV, Early Church History, Biology w/ Lab, Theology (Apologetics), Early American/English Lit, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Precalculus

Please email sfchrsm@gmail.com for more information on how to register.

Attention Class of 2018: The Associates of St. John Bosco invites rising college freshmen to attend a College Night at one of the following parishes:

July 18th: Basilica of St. Mary in Alexandria (Location: St. Mary's Lyceum – 313 Duke St.)

July 25th: St. Mary's in Fredericksburg (Location: Parish Life Center)

College Nights are free to all students and provide resources and support for keeping your Catholic faith when entering college this fall. Catholic student representatives from George Mason, UVA, The University of Mary Washington, William & Mary, Virginia Tech and other private and public schools will be on hand to share their experiences of being a Catholic college student. This is a great opportunity to network with other Catholic students and to receive resources for the transition to college only a few months away. The Nights begin at 7pm, and students are encouraged to wear their college t-shirt to the event! To register for one of the College Nights and for additional information, visit our website at www.asjb.org. Registration is limited to 50 students per night.

Opening for Teacher of 3 Y-O's at St. John's Preschool

St. John the Apostle Preschool is seeking a part-time teacher for our three year-old students for the 2018-2019 school year. The teacher will work with three year-old students on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:15am to 11:45am. Applicants must have a bachelor's degree and be a practicing Catholic. Preference will be given to applicants with experience in early childhood education and/or relevant experience working with children. We are looking for a caring, dynamic individual who will help our children grow spiritually and educationally, and who wants to be part of a great team in a very special working environment. Interested individuals should send a cover letter and resume to Preschool Director Jane Taylor at jane@stjohnleesburg.com and/or call (703) 777-7873.

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).

Help give the church a new storage shed- \$400 to Go!!

My name is Matt Lanzer, a prospective Eagle Scout. My Eagle project is to build a new storage shed as the old one was in dire need of a refresh. The plan is to build a larger shed (approx. 14'x16') to house maintenance tools and future snow removal equipment. Donations are tax deductible and payable to Saint Francis de Sales Church. For more information, please contact me at matt.lanzer1300@comcast.net. Thank you and God bless!

SFDS SUMMER BOOK CLUB TWO DAYS TO CHOOSE,

So pick ONE, and COME! Room 206 in Catholic Ed. Ctr.

- 1) Sunday, July 22nd, following the 5pm Mass (approx. 6:15pm - 8pm) OR
- 2) Tuesday, July 24th from 7pm - 9pm

We will meet and discuss the book: 'The Fourth Cup' by Dr. Scott Hahn. We hope to see you there! - The Evangelization Committee of SFDS (Any questions or to RSVP, please email: Stacey Warner at nrwsrw@gmail.com. RSVPs are not necessary, but appreciated.)

Bilingual Assistant Needed

St. John the Apostle in Leesburg is seeking a full-time, bilingual, front office assistant. Must be fluent in both Spanish and English. Customer service and data entry experience a plus. Monday through Friday, 9-5. Please submit resume and cover letter to Leona@stjohnleesburg.com, or call Leona at 703-777-1317.

Wine & Wisdom

Summer Lecture Series for Women



Tuesday, July 17 - Birds of a Feather: Cultivating Catholic Friendships
by Laraine Bennett

Fellowship begins at 6:30pm, talk begins at 7:15pm at Bluemont Vineyard
18755 Foggy Bottom Road, Bluemont

All women are invited to attend

For more information sfswineandwisdom@gmail.com

Saints & Suds

Summer Lecture Series for Men



Tuesday, July 10 - Modern Day Knights:

Finding our Masculinity in Devotion to Our Lady, by Fr. Jordan Willard

Fellowship begins at 6:30pm, talk begins at 7:15pm at Dirt Farm Brewery.
18701 Foggy Bottom Road, Bluemont

Sponsored by the St. Francis TMIY Men's Group
j.blankenship@saintfrancisparish.org

All men are invited to attend

Parish Homeless Ministry

Thank you to those who served breakfast and lunch to the homeless this weekend at St. Teresa of Calcutta's Missionaries of Charity soup kitchen in DC, and thank you to all who donated food and other items for the visit!



Upcoming Opportunities to Serve:

On **Saturday, August 11**, from 8:30 to 11:15am, we will be serving breakfast and lunch to the homeless alongside the Missionaries of Charity in their DC soup kitchen. Our group will also be providing the meals. Contact Meghan Christian (e-mail below) to sign up for serving meals, donating food, and/or preparing dishes for the homeless guests.

On **Saturday, August 18**, from 9 to 11:30am, volunteer with the Archdiocese of Washington's Catholic Charities at the Cup of Joe Breakfast Bagging event in Landover, MD, assembling breakfast bags for the homeless. Without these bags, homeless guests at area shelters would have no morning meal. Register at <https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteercalendar/cup-joe-breakfast-bagging/all/>

If you would like information about the Homeless Ministry to be e-mailed directly to you, send a note to MeghanChristian1212@yahoo.com

"Jesus pays me a visit every morning in Holy Communion, and I return the visit in the meager way I know how, visiting the poor."

- Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

Donate Blood. Host a Blood Drive. Spread Awareness.



St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church Blood Drive

Sunday, July 22
7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Purcellville Fire Station
500 North Maple Avenue, Purcellville, VA
Inova Blood Donor Services will be located
in the Fire Station Training Room.

Make your lifesaving appointment today!

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