

Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 29, 2018



*One more colorful
VBS 2018 pic
before the summer is out!*

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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.

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The eyes of all look hopefully to you, and you give them
their food in due season.

- *Psalm 145:15*

WEEKLY MIRACLE

This week marks the beginning of a kind of "liturgical detour." We have been listening to Saint Mark's Gospel during this liturgical year (Year B). Today we begin to hear a long section from John's Gospel, starting with the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. This miracle story is a prelude to the Lord's statements that we will begin hearing in a few weeks, in which Jesus refers to himself as the "bread of life." Each week we witness a miracle at Mass. We do not see a multiplication of loaves before us. What our eyes of faith allow us to see is the miracle of the transformation of common elements—bread and wine—into the Lord's Body and Blood. Once we have received the Lord, the multiplication begins, for in the Eucharist we are strengthened to multiply our efforts to feed the poor, shelter the homeless, and bring comfort to the despairing.

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All parishioners are invited and encouraged to spend a Holy Hour in Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament every Friday. Join us for an hour after the Noon Mass this Friday, through 8:45am Saturday morning.

Please contact Mark Donofrio at m_donofrios@gmail.com or (540) 338-8133 if you would like to become a regular adoror, substitute or have any questions.



This devotion, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, is a time of silence spent before Jesus physically present before us in the Eucharist, placed in the monstrance and exposed upon the altar for all of us to visit and adore - a time to develop that deeper, more personal relationship with Jesus. It is the very core of our Faith and a true gift for our soul and spiritual well-being.

Rosary at 12:30pm
Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm

Readings for the Week

Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

This Week

Sun., July 29 Adult Basketball 8:30pm
Tue., July 31 Senior Luncheon - 12noon, Parish Hall
Mary, Queen of Heaven 10am, Library
Saints and Suds Dirt Farm Brewery, see ad
Wed., August 1 Mary, Queen of Heaven 7pm, Library
Thu., August 2 Stump the Chump Patio, 7pm (come early!)
Rosary Group 7pm, Church
Sun., August 5 Adult Basketball 8:30pm

Masses for the Week

+ *deceased*

Saturday, July 28

9:00 am

Saturday, July 28

5:00 pm

Sunday, July 29

7:00 am

8:30 am

10:30 am

12:15 pm

5:00 pm

Monday, July 30

9:00 am

Tuesday, July 31

6:30 am

Wed., August 1

9:00 am

Thursday, August 2

6:30 am

Friday, August 3

12:00 noon

7:00 pm

Saturday, August 4

9:00 am

Saturday, August 4

5:00 pm

Sunday, August 5

7:00 am

8:30 am

10:30 am

12:15 pm

5:00 pm

Weekday

Father Tewes

Vigil: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Andrea Todd

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

People of the parish

+ Patricia Sciliano

+ Nicola Arduini

+ Sheila Lashley St. Francis

Joanne and David Harrington

Weekday

Patty Simmons

Saint Ignatius of Loyola

+ Angela R. Lyons

Saint Alphonsus Liguori

+ Anne Marie Hooks

Weekday

Angel Isidro

Saint John Vianney; First Friday

+ Margie Torrence

+ Zachary Miller

Weekday; First Saturday

+ Gabriel Stocks

Vigil: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ Ellen and Pierce Bragg

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ Neal Brown

People of the Parish

+ Emilio and Beatrice Salcido

Fr. Buckley F.S.S.P.

+ Philippe Lafitte-Smith

Parish Financial Status

In-pew Offertory - July 22 \$ 10,724

2nd Collection - Banica Missionary Cooperative \$ 6,663

YEAR TO DATE \$ 33,055

No 2nd Collection today

Next week's 2nd Collection - Parish Maintenance

Mass Celebrant Schedule

Saturday, July 28

5pm: Fr. Mullaney

Sunday, July 29

7am: Fr. Mullaney

8:30am: Fr. Mullaney

10:30am: Fr. Escalante

12:15pm: Fr. Escalante

5pm: Fr. Escalante

Saturday, August 4

5pm: Fr. Escalante

Sunday, August 5

7am: Fr. Escalante

8:30am: Fr. Escalante

10:30am: Fr. Mullaney

12:15pm: Fr. Mullaney

5pm: Fr. Mullaney



Escaping the Duck Boat accident

Several years ago I heard about the great live shows and lake water recreation in Branson, Missouri. What appealed to me about this place was that it was unlike sin city, Las Vegas. It has a family-friendly reputation and regarded as a safe place for vacation. So this summer I decided to visit Branson when I managed to get away for a few days. The live shows were spectacular and the food was very good. On some super late nights I went on rosary walks on the main strip without any problems. What could go wrong on an ideal family vacation? Wouldn't you know it, the week I decided to visit was the infamous week that had fatalities on the duck boat tour accident on Table Rock Lake in Branson. An unexpected freak storm hit the area with hurricane-like winds.

That Friday, July 20, I had on my original list of possible things to do to go on the duck boat but scratched it off because I chose to squeeze in a 7pm variety/magic show. It was a very hot day and felt it was an uncomfortable to do outside activities. While picking up my ticket at the booth, we saw from a distance a weird storm hovering over Table Rock Lake. That turned out to be the storm that capsized the duck boat that killed 17 people. The town in Branson turned into mourning especially in the local churches. In scripture, we read how Jesus and the disciples endured life-threatening storms in the Sea of Galilee (a lake) so we shouldn't be surprised just how treacherous lakes can be. I ended up joining the Branson community in prayer. The local Catholic Church priests had to cover two funerals from separate fatal car accidents that killed two of their young parishioners. At the parish where I had been concelebrating, I offered my services to the local pastor was asked to cover a weekday Mass for them.

At first, I wondered if I may have picked the wrong time of the year to come to Branson. In reality, I visited at a perfect time when an extra priest came in handy to help out. When I go on vacation I make an effort to celebrate the Mass at the local parish and offer to celebrate Mass if needed. Even though I'm away from our parish for vacation, I never forgot this wise reminder we heard as seminarians: a priest may go on vacation, but he does not take a vacation from the priesthood. It was great feeling to exercise my priestly ministry in different community experiencing tragedy. It shows the amazing universality of the Catholic Church that every parish is our home away from home. On the bright side, I still had a superb time visiting Branson and look forward to future visits. What happened there was an anomaly. I found Branson to be a very family-friendly place to visit as the town proudly advertise.

Your shepherd in Christ,
Father Escalante



MAC-PAC SUMMER CAMP

SENIORS LUNCHEON

Join us for lunch and conversation at noon on **Tuesday, July 31** at 12:30pm in the Parish Hall. Who is a senior? Whoever wants to be - no age minimum!

Catholic Mom's Group

Are you a Mom with young children interested in getting to know other Moms? St. Francis de Sales is starting a Catholic Mom's Group! Beginning August 20, we will meet on Mondays in Room 106 at 10am. Crying babies and toddlers are most welcome. For more information, contact Kayla at sfscatholicmoms@gmail.com

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.]

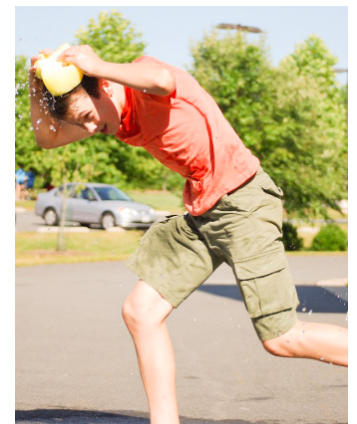
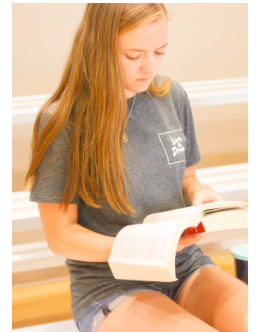
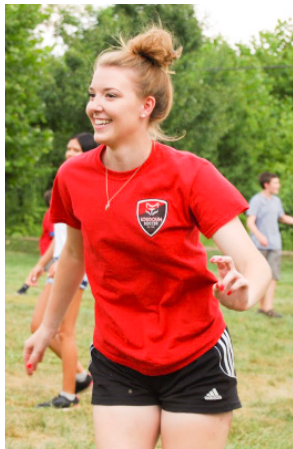
You may contact me directly for your response by phone (540-338-6381 ext. 102), by email countryparishpriest@gmail.com, by "snail mail" or in person

Got 'em!

• Thank you, *Josh Roach* and HS Volunteer Crew, for holding a most successful MAC-PAC Middle School Summer Camp! All the participants were inspired by your leadership and for leading them closer to Jesus & our Catholic faith.

• 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!



MAC-PAC
summer camp
2018

Religious Education Office

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✠ "Cook the truth in Charity until it tastes sweet" ✠
- St. Francis de Sales -

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.

Early tuition discount ends July 31!!!



Dear Parents and VBS Campers,

I want to thank you for all the support you provided to the VBS Mission as we supported the St. Isidore Project. Over the course of VBS week, we collected an impressive 1,215lbs of fresh produce. All the produce, which was donated to the Catholic Charities food pantry in Leesburg, will go directly to the poor and needy of our local community.

Hunger is a problem, even in our affluent Loudoun County, and the food that we collected was just a drop in the bucket of the actual need. The St Isidore Project hopes to provide the Leesburg food pantry with another 1,500lbs of food by the end of the summer. If you have a home garden and lots of extra produce you can donate it to the St Isidore Project. To learn how to donate it, please contact me at j.blankenship@saintfrancisparish.org.

Thanks again for your participation in this years VBS Mission. The Lord will reward you for your generosity.


James Blankenship

CATECHIST'S NEEDED!!

Sunday, 10:45am - 4th Grade

Monday, 4:45pm - 8th Grade

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.



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

HOMELESS SHELTER – We will cook for the homeless shelter on Monday, August 13 from 4:30-6:00 PM in the Education Center kitchen. We will serve the food on Tuesday, August 14 from 4:45-7:00 PM.

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.



Please take the time to look at the photo montage of VBS 2018 on our website www.saintfrancisparish.org/vacation-bible-school/! Thank you to Bob and Sheila Cowling for creating this memory of a happy week. You will enjoy seeing all the drama settings and our Babylon market stalls and how much fun we all had!

RCIA for TEENS

Mondays, 7-8:15pm . 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, complete student assignments, and participate in a retreat. For more information contact the RE Office or visit us online at www.saintfrancisparish.org/religious-education/sacramental-prep/rcit/

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 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 info.

Early registration is strongly suggested.

ST. FRANCIS COUNCIL 11136

Next Council Meeting: Our next council business meeting will be on Monday, August 13, at 7:30pm. We will pray our Rosary in the chapel beginning at 7:00 pm. Any parishioner is welcomed to join our Rosary!



Why Are You A Knight?: Be more than a Knight in name only. We help in the parish, the community and the world. Contact GK Tracy Beglau 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 Tracy Beglau or Chancellor Scott Grimard (Grimster845@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
Grandknight11136@gmail.com



The Parish is seeking the donation of quality and/or like new items for the silent/live auctions to be held during this year's Bella Notte fundraising gala on October 27 in the Parish Center. This event is the largest fundraiser of the year for our Parish and is vital toward ensuring that we are able to meet the financial obligations associated with the construction of the Parish Center. Please consider making a donation. Of course, all donations are tax deductible. Please contact Lynne Borneman for inquiries: bornel@aol.com

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.



Thursday, August 2nd at 7pm on the Patio

Have a burning question about the Catholic faith you're dying to know?

Friends ever ask you questions you can't answer?

- Why do Catholics Baptize babies?"
- Why do we go to confession when we can talk directly to Jesus?
- Why is Mary so important?

These questions can all be answered equipping you to go into the world.

Don't miss this engaging evening and your chance to Stump the Chump!

James Blankenship, our faithful DRE, has agreed to "take one for the team" and field the tough questions from you about our faith. Let's see if we can stump him!

Arrive a little early for social time and snacks...and maybe conspire on some great questions

All are welcome!

WOMEN'S COUNCIL UPCOMING EVENTS

Mercy & Mary Retreat - August 24 & 25, 2018 in Gainesville at Holy Trinity Parish - with Father Michael Gaitley, author of [33 Days to Morning Glory](#). Visit their site for more information: events.marianmissionaries.org/events/mercy-mary-retreat-arlington-va/



Women's Council of
ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

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!

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

Classes will begin September 4.

Wine & Wisdom

Summer Lecture Series for Women



Tuesday, August 21 - Ordinary Time, Ordinary Life:

Living Supernatural Grace in Everyday Life, by Laura Accettullo

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 31

Holy Zeal: How to Avoid Being Lukewarm in A Culture of Indifference
by Fr. Paul Scalia

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

Parish Homeless Ministry

Upcoming Opportunities to Serve:

Join us on the 2nd Saturday of each month as we serve breakfast and lunch to the homeless alongside St. Teresa of Calcutta's Missionaries of Charity in their DC soup kitchen! Our next visit will be on Saturday, August 11, from 8:30 to 11:15am. Volunteer to serve meals and/or prepare food for the homeless guests – this is a rewarding opportunity! Contact Meghan Christian (e-mail below) for details.



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

"At the end of our life, we shall all be judged by charity."
- St. John of the Cross

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: A Walk through the RCIA Process

How does our parish attract inquirers each year 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)

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