

# SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## *Welcome to St. John's Church*

### **Mass Schedule**

#### Sundays:

5:00pm (Saturday Vigil)  
7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm  
12:30pm (Spanish)

#### Weekdays:

Monday - Saturday: 8:30am  
Monday - Friday: Noon  
Wednesday: 7:00pm (Spanish)

### **Sacraments**

#### Confession:

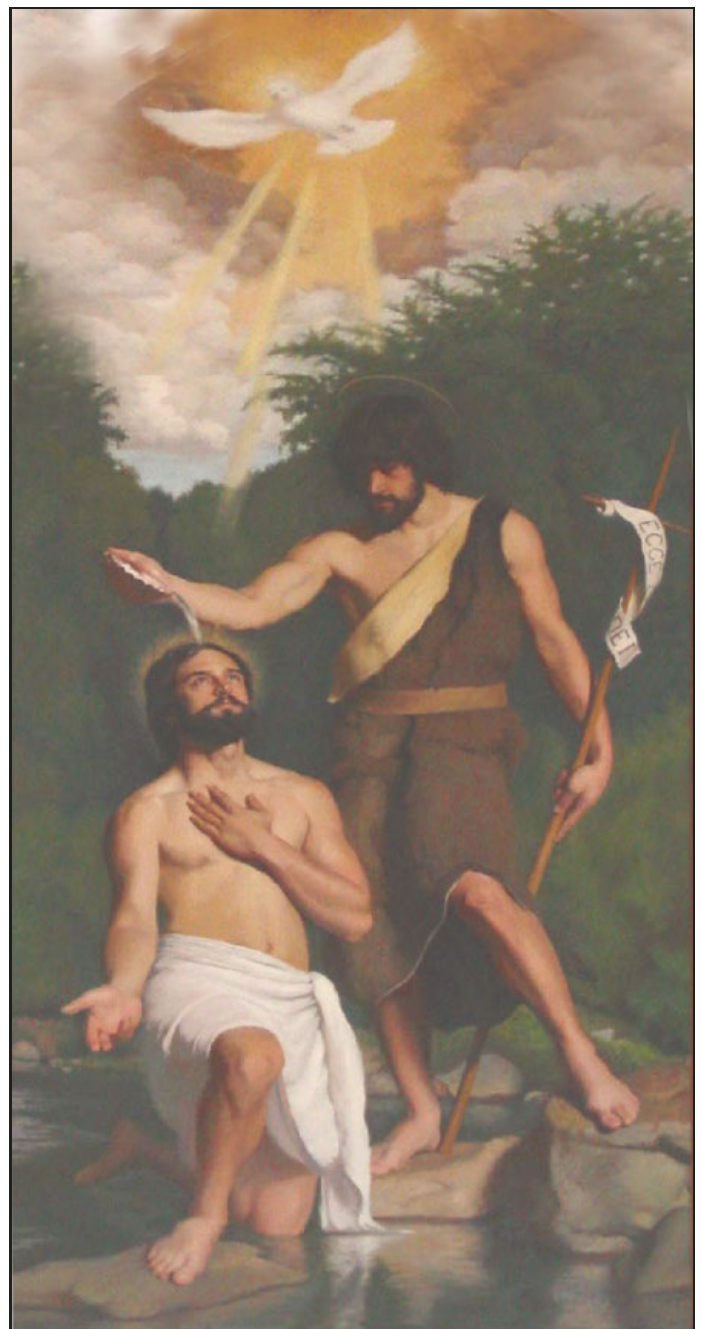
Monday-Friday, 8:30am  
Monday-Friday, 6:30pm  
Saturday, 8:30am & 3:30pm

#### Baptism:

Saturdays at 10:00am  
Parish membership is required and an instructional class is required for parents.

#### Marriage:

Arrangements must be made at least six (6) months in advance. Parish membership is required.



**APRIL 14, 2024 ~ 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

## MASS INTENTIONS

April 15 –21, 2024

### MONDAY APRIL 15

*Easter Weekday*

8:30am Bernard Pilon  
12:00pm Margaret Miller

### TUESDAY APRIL 16

*Easter Weekday*

8:30am +Gloria Roberts  
12:00pm Souls in Purgatory

### WEDNESDAY APRIL 17

*Easter Weekday*

8:30am +George Elliott  
12:00pm Fiona Mitchell  
7:00pm Maria Arellano

### THURSDAY APRIL 18

*Easter Weekday*

8:30am +Zander Ward  
12:00pm Samantha Wilkinson

### FRIDAY APRIL 19

*Easter Weekday*

8:30am Jonah Clowes  
12:00pm +Joan Middleton

### SATURDAY APRIL 20

*Easter Weekday*

8:30am Sara & Dennis Ward

### SATURDAY VIGIL

*4th Sunday of Easter*

5:00pm Rich Spiewak

### SUNDAY APRIL 21

*4th Sunday of Easter*

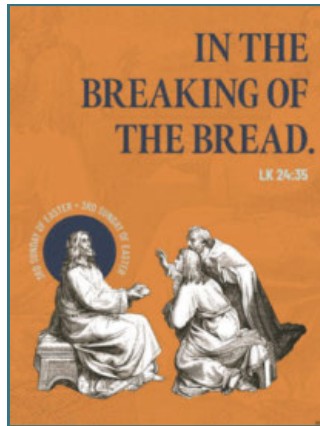
7:00am George Guettler  
8:30am +Ad Brault &  
Anna Seymour  
10:30am Parish Family  
12:30pm Allison Chavez  
5:00pm Ashley Vonder-Muelin

### CONFESSION TIMES

Monday - Friday:  
8:30am and 6:30pm

Saturday:  
8:30am & 3:30pm

APRIL 14, 2024  
3rd Sunday of Easter



*This Week:*

**Tues April 16**

WOSJ speaker  
7:30pm FRH

**Sat April 20**

Altar Server Training  
9:30am church

Mail in your car raffle  
tickets to All Saints Church

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/  
Jn 10:11-18

### *Keep in Touch:*

Sign up to receive St John's email updates

by going to <http://eepurl.com/djz4OT> to subscribe.

[www.sjtb.org](http://www.sjtb.org)

*Second Collection* on April 20/21:  
Social Outreach

### ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE FOR April 20/21

5:00pm	Greg, Luke, Mark & Isaac Hsu
7:00am	Elijah McMahon, Adam Reeves
8:30am	Declan Thomas, Brooks Reuwer, Joe & Jack Nolan, Jack Leonard, Matty & Jack Akers
10:30am	Mark & Seamus Kelly, Liam & Marty Clark, James Chapman, Don Sternfels, Vincent & Becket Zepeda
12:30pm	Santiago & Francisco Rodriguez, Leobardo Reyes, Juan Aviles
5:00pm	Aidan, John & Louis Barragan

*Call the parish office if you'd like to volunteer  
as an altar server (age 10+), lector or usher. Thank you!*



### **April: Month of the Holy Eucharist**

The month of April is traditionally dedicated to devotion to Jesus in the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. The Catholic Church teaches that the Blessed Sacrament is the real and living presence of Christ - His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity - received into our souls with every reception of holy Communion. Our Eucharistic Lord is the source and summit of our Christian life, the ultimate proof of His infinite love for us!



### **Thank You St. John's Choirs!**

A heartfelt thank you to Dr. Jeff Alban and the St. John's Singers and Schola who dedicated time and talent to help make our Triduum and Easter Mass truly inspirational.

### **ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**

On Saturday, April 20th, at 09:30am will be training for new altar boys. Any boy in the parish who has made his First Holy Communion and is a rising 4th grader is invited to this training. There are a handful of younger brothers who have tagged along with their older brothers, but have not been through the formal training, so this is an opportunity to formally get on the teams. Please direct any questions to the parish office.

### **Land of Peace Goods for Sale Next Weekend**

Next week, our brothers and sisters representing the Land of Peace mission (a nonprofit organization) will be with us speaking about the Christian situation in the Holy Land and selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries- all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the holy land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. The goal of this mission is to help the poor and needy families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have "something" authentic from the holy land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion. Check out their website: [www.landofpeace.org](http://www.landofpeace.org)

### **WELCOME!**

Welcome to our parish! We are so glad to have you here to join us during the Easter season. If you are interested in learning more about us or about the Catholic faith, we invite you to contact us ([stjohns@sjtb.org](mailto:stjohns@sjtb.org) or 540-635-3780). Please join us for coffee & donuts after Mass and introduce yourself.

## **ST JOHN'S STAFF**

### **Rev. Daniel Gee**

*Pastor, [fathergee@gmail.com](mailto:fathergee@gmail.com)*

### **Rev. Tom Shepanzyk**

*Parochial Vicar*

*[frtom@sjtb.org](mailto:frtom@sjtb.org)*

### **Rev. Michael Duesterhaus**

*Parochial Vicar, [frmrd@sjtb.org](mailto:frmrd@sjtb.org)*

### **Deacon Rafael Goldsmith**

*Permanent Deacon*

### **Deacon Mark Jerge**

*Permanent Deacon*

### **Deacon Gerald Solitario**

*Permanent Deacon*

*[Gerry.solitario@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:Gerry.solitario@arlingtondiocese.org)*

### **Patty Sonak**

*Administrative Assistant*

### **Karen Pondo**

*Parish Secretary*

### **Tina Furtado/Michelle Bodoh**

*Parish Secretaries*

### **Phil Rexrode**

*Facilities Manager*

### **Dr. Jeffrey M. Alban**

*Director of Music & Organist*

### **David Wallace**

*DRE/Business Manager*

*[dwallace@sjtb.org](mailto:dwallace@sjtb.org)*

### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday - Friday

9:00am-Noon & 1:00pm-4:00pm

540-635-3780 (phone)

540-635-2683 (fax)

[stjohns@sjtb.org](mailto:stjohns@sjtb.org) (email)

### **Parish Membership**

Welcome! Registration forms are available on the bulletin board in the Church or on the parish website. Please notify the office when you are moving outside or within the parish and if your contact information is changing.

### **Hospitalized & Homebound Parishioners**

Please notify the office if a parishioner is hospitalized or homebound that they may receive the pastoral care of the Church.

### **Bulletin Deadline**

Tuesday of the previous week at 10:00am. All announcements must be in writing or sent via email.

## Opportunities

### “Dinner Together”

Dinner Together is a ministry that provides take-out meals Monday - Thursday at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall for those in need. Meals are provided, coordinated, served and delivered by Front Royal/Warren County's faith and civic communities. St. John's community provides a single meal per month (first Thursday of each month), and yet we are very much in need of volunteers to help out. In particular, we need volunteers to cook (at home and drop off to Fellowship Hall) and also 2 male volunteers to deliver meals to the homebound. Numbers of those in need are increasing and we are in need of help. If you think you and/or your family can provide this wonderful work of mercy, please contact Cathy Remmers at [remmers66@gmail.com](mailto:remmers66@gmail.com) Thank you!



### Bishop Lenten Appeal

Thank you to all who have pledged to the BLA - St. John's is in reach of it's goal! From this date forward, please send your donation directly to the diocese rather than St. John's. You may use the QR code or send a check to: Bishop's Lenten Appeal 200 N. Glebe Rd. Suite 811 Arlington, VA 22203.

### Speakers Wanted

SJTB Seniors Group is looking for volunteer speakers to present topics of their choice to the seniors on the 3rd Saturday of the month. If you are willing to donate an hour of your time to speak to the group in a particular month, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

### Vocation Awareness

“May the working of Thy power, we beg Thee, O Lord, be increased in us, that, being nourished by divine sacraments, we may by Thy grace be prepared to obtain that which they promise.” – Postcommunion, Ordinary of Mass  
How do the sacraments produce grace?

1. The first five sacraments especially perfect the individual, while the last two perfect society.
2. The sacraments of the dead (baptism and penance) give grace to anyone spiritually dead through original or mortal sin, while the sacraments of the living (confirmation, Eucharist, extreme unction, holy orders, matrimony) increase grace in those who are already in the state of grace.
3. Christ is present in every sacrament by His power and action, but in the Eucharist also by His permanent and substantial presence.
4. Three sacraments imprint an indelible character (baptism, confirmation, holy orders) upon the soul and so may only be received once, while the others do not imprint a character and may be received more than once. -Credo, 238

Life of grace...

Born – baptism	Made strong – confirmation
Fed – Eucharist	Healed/resurrected – penance
Prepared for death – extreme unction	
Governed in spiritual society of the Church – men in holy orders	
Fostered – matrimony	

Sign up to have the Vocations Crucifix in your home for 1 week: use QR code



### RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

Arlington Diocese

*“Now by this we may be sure that we know Him, if we obey His commandments.”*

Jesus makes Himself known to you through the vocation He chose for you. Do you hear a call to the priesthood or consecrated life?

Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg at 703-841-2514 or [michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org)

### Weekend Discernment Retreat for Women

The annual diocesan discernment retreat for single women who feel called to a religious vocation is Friday-Sunday, June 14-16, led by the Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles. For more information or to register, contact Fr. Michael Isenberg at [vocations@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:vocations@arlingtondiocese.org).

**Please Pray** for all the young men in our area who recently attended the St. Andrew's Dinner with Bishop Burbidge. St. Andrew is known as the "First Called" as John the Baptist invited him to follow Jesus. After doing so, Andrew then brought his brother Simon Peter to the Lord. Like Andrew the Lord is asking priests to bring others to Him so that they may discover their vocations as well. Let us pray for and encourage our young people to be open to religious vocations.

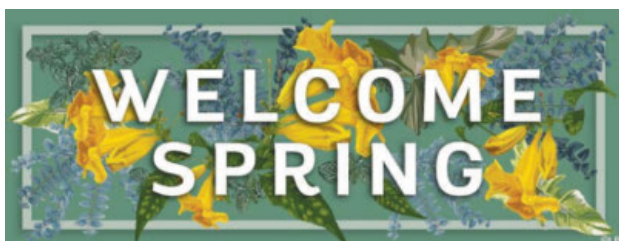
## Activities & Events

### Women of St John's April Speaker

Join us on Tuesday April 16 as we hear Kathleen Wilson share her journey of rediscovering her faith and founding Mary's Shelter. Doors open at 7pm, talk begins at 7:30pm.

### Marriage Help – Retrouvaille

has helped thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. For confidential information about how to register for the program beginning on the weekend of April 26, 2024, please call 703.351.7211 or visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org)



### Christendom College Open House

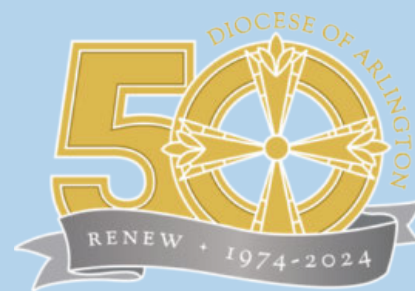
Are you frustrated with the increasingly anti-religious and hedonistic state of Colleges in the US today? Come experience an authentically Catholic collegiate atmosphere at Christendom College's last spring open house on Saturday, April 27, 2024! Located in the diocese of Arlington, Christendom is a college where students learn the Truth, live the Faith, and thrive as Catholics. Interested high schoolers can sign up at [www.christendom.edu/openhouse](http://www.christendom.edu/openhouse).

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### Diocesan Jubilee Festival Saturday, June 8, 2024

Bishop Burbidge invites you to the Diocesan Jubilee Fest at Warren County Fairgrounds in Front Royal, Virginia on Saturday, June 8, 2024! Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Diocese of Arlington with your parish family and thousands of faithful from across northern Virginia. Head to [arlingtondiocese.org/jubilee-fest](http://arlingtondiocese.org/jubilee-fest) for a preview of events.



### CAR RAFFLE proceeds benefit St. John's programs

All parishioners received information and tickets by mail for the All Saints' annual car raffle. The drawing is April 27th and all tickets need to be **returned to All Saints by April 23rd** (not St. John's). Each ticket has a chance to win cash drawings (including one for \$20,000) and 4 vehicles! Money raised will go to St. John's teen WorkCamp and Outreach programs. Thank you for your participation!

## Ongoing Activities

### SJTB Seniors Group

Meets every third Saturday in Padre Pio Hall from 9:30-11:00am.

### The Women of Saint John's

Monthly activities for women parishioners aged 18 and up. Email [thewomenofstjohn@gmail.com](mailto:thewomenofstjohn@gmail.com)

### Young Adults of St. John's

In your 20's or 30's? Looking for community? Get in touch! FB [youngadultsofstjohnthebaptist](https://www.facebook.com/youngadultsofstjohnthebaptist) IG [st\\_johns\\_young\\_adults\\_va](https://www.instagram.com/st_johns_young_adults_va) Email [youngadultsofstjohnthebaptist@gmail.com](mailto:youngadultsofstjohnthebaptist@gmail.com)

### That Man Is You

Saturdays 6:30am FRH

### RCIA classes

Mondays 6pm Frassati Hall

### Youth Group

Twice/month on Mondays 7-8:30pm FRH

### The Divine Office (Lauds)

Mon-Sat at 8:10am in main church

### Vespers (Evening Prayer)

1st, 3rd & 4th Sundays of the month, 3:30pm in main church

### Rosary &

### Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Prayed after 8:30am Mass M-Sat.

### Legion of Mary

Tuesdays 6:30pm – PPH

### Junior Legion of Mary

Thursdays 4:30-6:30pm – PPH

### Children's Holy Hour

Thursdays 3:00-4:00pm

### Little Flowers

Monthly meeting for registered girls in grades 1-6 4-5:45 FRH Sept-May

### Flame of Love Rosary

Mondays after the noon Mass

**Knights Corner**  
**John Carrell Jenkins Council #7771**  
[www.kofc7771.org](http://www.kofc7771.org)



**Thank you!** The Saint John the Baptist Knights of Columbus extend our gratitude and appreciation to all parishioners for the help in funding the Catholic Education Tuition Assistance (CETA) endowment. Through your generosity in the second collection of March 16-17, nearly \$8200 was raised. These funds will be used to build the St John's education endowment and to directly help pay tuition for our parish children. Please look for updates on the program and we humbly ask for your continuing financial assistance until every parish child has an opportunity to attend one of our eight in-person parish schools.

**Thank you, Roadside Cleanup Crew!** Thanks to Brother Lewis Kapell for organizing this weekend's roadside cleanup of the Council's section of Route 340. Thanks, too, to all Knights and their families who participated!

**Join the Knights!** The Knights of Columbus John Carrell Jenkins Council 7771 here at St. John The Baptist is more than 200 members strong. Our common bond is our devotion to the Catholic Faith and our brotherhood in Christ. We have joined together to help one another become better Catholics, better husbands, better fathers, better providers for the financial protection of our families and better citizens here in Front Royal. Contact Grand Knight John Stieb at 703-755-5345, or Council Membership Chairman Leo Carling at 540-631-7555 for more information.

**Save These Dates:**

Sunday, June 2: Annual Corpus Christi Procession.  
 Saturday, June 22: St. John the Baptist Parish Picnic in Bowman Park. Stay tuned for more details.

**Contact us:** Grand Knight John Stieb, 703-755-5345, or [gknightjs@gmail.com](mailto:gknightjs@gmail.com). Field Agent Cory Cook, 703-665-1388, or [cory.cook@kofc.org](mailto:cory.cook@kofc.org).

**SAINT FAUSTINA OF THE DIVINE MERCY SAID:**

"One day, I saw interiorly how much my confessor would have to suffer ... I saw that God himself seemed to be opposing him and I asked the Lord why He was acting in this way toward him, as though He were placing obstacles in the way of his doing what He himself had asked him to do. And the Lord said, **I am acting thus with him to give testimony that this work is Mine. Tell him (38) not to fear anything; My gaze is on him day and night. There will be as many crowns to form his crown as there will be souls saved by this work. It is not for the success of a work, but for the suffering that I give reward.**" (St. Faustina Diary, 90)



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**FORMED**

Access video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) Parish Code: **QBKRGW** Lots of great resources for the Easter Season!

<b>Altar Guild</b>	Marlene Lundberg, 635-0541	<b>Outreach Committee</b>	<a href="mailto:outreach@sjtb.org">outreach@sjtb.org</a>
<b>Church Flowers &amp; Decor</b>	<a href="mailto:julie.thedaughter@protonmail.com">julie.thedaughter@protonmail.com</a>	<b>Parents' Support Group Children w/Special Needs</b>	Winnie Ehlinger, 636-1688 Laurie Adams, 540-683-1767
<b>Divine Mercy for the Dying</b>	<a href="mailto:mbodoh@sjtb.org">mbodoh@sjtb.org</a>	<b>Prayer Chain</b>	Marlicia Fernandez, 622-2637 <a href="mailto:setonmom@gmail.com">setonmom@gmail.com</a>
<b>Dominicans Third Order</b>	Rene Bergeron 540-664-1186 <a href="mailto:rene.l.bergeron@gmail.com">rene.l.bergeron@gmail.com</a>	<b>Prison Ministry</b>	Chris Manion, 540-635-9166
<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>	<a href="mailto:adoration@sjtb.org">adoration@sjtb.org</a>	<b>Religious Education</b>	David Wallace, 540-635-3780
<b>Fasting Brothers</b>	<a href="mailto:tracy.terwilliger@comcast.net">tracy.terwilliger@comcast.net</a>	<b>RCIA</b>	Parish Office, 635-3780
<b>Flame of Love</b>	Boots Sargis <a href="mailto:bootssargis@yahoo.com">bootssargis@yahoo.com</a> .	<b>Seven Sisters</b>	<a href="mailto:tracy.terwilliger@comcast.net">tracy.terwilliger@comcast.net</a>
<b>Lectors</b>	Mary Kay Moose, 635-7628	<b>Saint Johns Athletics</b>	<a href="http://www.saintjohnsathletics.com">www.saintjohnsathletics.com</a>
<b>Legion of Mary/Adults</b>	Andrew Armstrong, 540-631-4620	<b>That Man is You!</b>	Forest Selby 703-268-3554
<b>Legion of Mary (Juniors)</b>	Viviano Rodriguez, 559-347-4585	<b>Vocations Liaison</b>	Cindy Rhodes, 443-440-0121 <a href="mailto:sjtbvocations@gmail.com">sjtbvocations@gmail.com</a>
<b>Little Flowers (Gr. 1-6)</b>	<a href="mailto:littleflowersofsjtb@gmail.com">littleflowersofsjtb@gmail.com</a>	<b>Youth Drama Club</b>	<a href="http://www.stjohnsdrama.org">www.stjohnsdrama.org</a>
<b>Meals for New Moms / Postpartum Support</b>	<a href="mailto:thewomenofstjohn@gmail.com">thewomenofstjohn@gmail.com</a>	<b>Front Royal Pregnancy Center</b>	(540) 635-6181 <a href="http://frontroyalpregnancy.org">frontroyalpregnancy.org</a>
<b>Music &amp; Choirs</b>	Jeffrey Alban, 635-3780		<a href="http://abortionpillreversal.com">abortionpillreversal.com</a>

*For full list of ministries, go to [www.sjtb.org](http://www.sjtb.org) or call the parish office for specific inquiries.*

## PRAYER LIST

Gabby Abril	Paul Gerrick	Judy Ratigan
Nellie Adkins	Michael Greco	Manuel Reyes Avila
John Alsberry	Eileen Hawkins	Shoana Riccio
Allison Andrews	Cecilia Hawkins	John William Rice
Brenda Bailey	Nancy Heywood	Mary Alice Rice
Rozie Baker	Billy Hooten	Maggie Roberts
Rose Britain	Norman Hunt	Gabbi Rodgers
Elijah Carino	John Janaro	Elaine Ryan
Mary Ann Carlson	Stephen Jerome	Judy Samborsky
Tony Casarotti	Erik Jurek	Truman Sayre, Jr.
Joseph Centrella	Donald Kerns	Dan Schneible
Jorge Daniel Chang	Susan Kirby	Mary Shaffer
Dominique DeClue	Peggy Leonardi	Sophie Shannon
Linda Donahue	Maureen Lewis	Sophie Sheppard
Clara Anne Duda	Christopher Martin	Robin Spencer
Al Dudeck	Manuel Reyes Martinez	Wendy Stout
Kelly Duvall	Carol B. May	Anee Stanford
Ignatius Ehlinger	Laura McMahon	Deby Stears
Kathy Elar	Edward Meinsen	Mary Ellen Sullivan
Maggie Elliot	Merridee Michelsen	Judith Thompson
Ned Farinholt	Marie Miller	Karen Waldron
Mike Ferris	Peter Monfasani	Nancy Wing
Tahlia Fernandez	Barbara Ann Orozco	Kathy Winkle
Laura Fusto	Kris Pondo	John Yarborough
Gary Garcia	Carmela Rao	Geneve Yarborough

Please pray for the Poor Souls in Purgatory and for their loved ones grieving their loss.

## Active Military Prayer List

Esther Alger	Zachary Francis	Jason Pugh
Brady Anderson	Jasmine Frank	Chris Reinhard
Colin T. Barrett	Dustin Goard	Michael Reuwer
Nick Barton	Kristina Grdina	Anthony Reyes
Jeffrey Bayne	Steven Gregg	Jose Reyes
Mark Belton	Benjamin Gregory	Lxex Robles
David Berry	Jonathan Hamilton	David Rogers
Stephen Bill	Steven Held, Jr.	Alex Rojas
Heather Bill-Blanchard	Daniel Heywood	Bobby Saxon
John Bowes	Peter Hickson	David Schmitt
Shannon Brugh	Erik Hickson	Forest Selby
Joseph Buono	David Kelleher	Paul Shannon
Paul Buono	David Larsen	Andrew Shorter
Ben Cabreva	Glen Lash	Richard Skelton, Sr.
Christian Carino	Timothy Marra	Devon Smith
Hannah N. Christman	Joseph Marsch	Timothy Smith
Nathan T. Christman	Christine Marsch	Sean Smith
Sean Conroy	Matthew Mooney	Keegan J. Thomas
Robert Cooke	Emma Morgan	Brian Tilley
Kevin Corella	Clement M. O'Reilly	Jamie Troutman
Rory Crooks	Daniel Nejja	Manuel A. Vicente
Vince E. Cruz	David Parnes	Kieran Vieira
Trey Dusseault	Justice M. Parrott	Samatha Wilkinson
Matthew Farrall	Jason Pettingill	Michael Wood
Parker Feiring	John C. Price	Mark Zepeda

## Pope's Prayer Intention for April 2024

### FOR THE ROLE OF WOMEN

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world..

**Finding Christ in the Virtuous Life**

**MAY 10-12**  
Fri-Sunday

**YA**  
YOUNG ADULTS  
RETREAT



Fr. Oetjen

**A Well-Ordered Life in Christ**

God's law orders us towards goodness — towards union with God Himself. But God does not only order us from the outside. His grace transforms us from within, ordering every aspect of our lives towards union with Him, and this is the essence of the virtuous life.




**ST. THOMAS AQUINAS**



Retreat cost is \$285. Financial assistance may be available.  
For more information or to register, please contact Deacon Maines:  
[mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org) or visit our website at [ArlingtonDiocese.org/Retreat](http://ArlingtonDiocese.org/Retreat)

Finding Jesus with


*St. Thérèse of Lisieux*



*St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face*

*Thérèse's spiritual doctrine is easily understood and can be practically applied in our very occupied, day-to-day lives. Her counsel can ably assist us in enduring and embracing difficulties in prayer, overcoming scruples, and patiently putting up with people who challenge us.*

**WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT**  
Friday through Sunday  
May 3 - 5, 2024  
**San Damiano Retreat Center**  
White Post, Virginia



Fr. Jack Riley has been a priest for over 30 years, serving in the Arlington Diocese and beyond. He has taught and led hundreds of conferences, missions, and retreats for priests, religious sisters, and laity around the country and as far afield as Calcutta, India. Carmelite Spirituality and the life and experience of St. Thérèse of Lisieux permeate his courses and spiritual conferences. Fr. Riley currently serves as Spiritual Director for the Arlington Diocese's San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post, VA.

*St. Thérèse is a magnificent manifestation of "the Feminine Genius" and a "Wise Woman" in the fullest sense of the words. Pope St. Pius X called her "the Greatest Saint of modern times" before Pope St. John Paul the Great declared her a "Doctor of the Church."*

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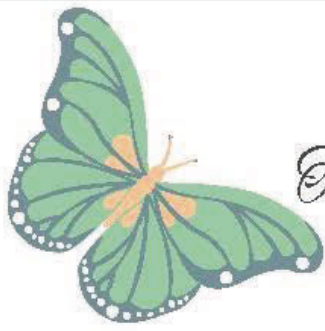
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