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)

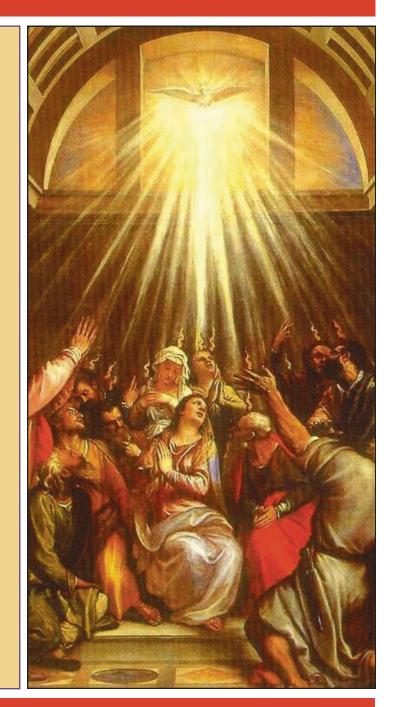
Weekdays: Monday - Saturday: 8:30am Monday - Friday: Noon Wednesday: 7:00pm (Spanish)

Sacraments

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

Baptism: Contact Parish Office

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



MAY 19, 2024 ~ PENTECOST SUNDAY

MASS INTENTIONS May 20 – 26, 2024

MONDAY MAY 20

Mary Mother of the Church 8:30am Mother's Day Novena 12:00pm Luke Francis

TUESDAY MAY 21

Weekday / St Christopher Magalianes & Companions 8:30am Richard Peck 12:00pm +Jack Hirsch

WEDNESDAY MAY 22

Weekday / St Rita of Cascia 8:30am Kathleen Brown 12:00pm P Suzanne Traeger 7:00pm +Eocardo Luna

THURSDAY MAY 23

Weekday 8:30am +Sheridan Reaver 12:00pm Jay & Julia Butler

FRIDAY MAY 24

Weekday 8:30am +Christopher M Anthony 12:00pm Sr. Marie Francois

SATURDAY MAY 25

Weekday / Bede the Venerable 8:30am Madeleine Furtado

SATURDAY VIGIL

Most Holy Trinity 5:00pm Michael Jamieson

SUNDAY MAY 26

Most Holy	Trinity
7:00am	Dr Donald &
	Lucille Jansen
8:30am	Mike Hilleary
10:30am	Parish Family
12:30pm	Alfaro Family
5:00pm	+Larry Pavlish
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CONFESSION TIMES

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

Saturday: 8:30am & 3:30pm

May 19, 2024 Pentecost Sunday

This Week

Sun May 19 Wonderfully Fashioned Teas & Fashion Show

Tues May 21 7:30pm FRH WOSJ Spring Social



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/ Jn 19:25-34 Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23/Mk 9:30-37 Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17/Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11/Mk 9:38-40 Thursday: Jas 5:1-6/Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20/ Mk 9:41-50 Friday: Jas 5:9-12/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12/Mk 10:1-12 Saturday: Jas 5:13-20/Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8/Mk 10:13-16 Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 (12b)/ Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

Keep in Touch:

Sign up to receive St John's email updates by going to http://eepurl.com/djz4OT to subscribe. www.sjtb.org

> Second Collection on May 25/26: St. John's Social Outreach

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE FOR MAY 25/26		
5:00pm	Greg, Luke, Mark & Isaac Hsu	
7:00am	Greg Bauer, Kyle & Patrick Foltz	
8:30am	Max & Dominic Kelly, Jerome Butler, John & Andrew Mavretich, Declan & Christopher Uhlenkott	
10:30am	Mark & Seamus Kelly, Liam & Marty Clark, James Chapman, Don Sternfels, Vincent & Becket Zepeda	
12:30pm	Leobardo Reyes, Juan Aviles, Geovanni Miramontes	
5:00pm	Finn Sweeney, Brendan Purciel	

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



Happy Birthday to the Catholic Church!

Since that day (Pentecost), the Kingdom announced by Christ has been open to those who believe in him: in the humility of the flesh and in faith, they already share in the communion of the Holy Trinity. By his coming, which never ceases, the Holy Spirit causes the world to enter into the "last days," the time of the Church, the Kingdom already inherited though not yet consummated. CCC 731-732

God Bless You, Deacon Goldsmith!

Deacon Goldsmith is retiring after many years of dedicated service as a deacon. We are so grateful for his vocation and his joyful presence here at St. John's! **All are invited to a retirement party** for Deacon at 1:30pm on Sunday June 2 in Fr Ruehl Hall.

NEW St. John the Baptist Moms Group

The newly formed SJTB Moms Group seeks to accompany the mothers of our parish in their vocation, both spiritually and socially, through monthly events, meetings, and play dates with their children. Follow SJTB Moms Group on social media or contact sjtbmomsgroup@gmail.com for regular updates.

Diaper & Formula Drive Thank You

Thank you for your generosity in donating diapers and formula for those seeking assistance at the Pregnancy Center!

Happy Graduation

Congratulations to all students graduating this spring. God bless you in your future endeavors. You'll always have a home here at St. John's.





Congratulations and God bless all of St. John's First Communicants!

"Holy Communion is the shortest and safest way to heaven." ~Pope Pius X

ST JOHN'S STAFF

Rev. Daniel Gee

Pastor, fathergee@gmail.com **Rev. Tom Shepanzyk** Parochial Vicar frtom@sitb.org **Rev.** Michael Duesterhaus Parochial Vicar, frmrd@sjtb.org **Deacon Rafael Goldsmith** Permanent Deacon **Deacon Mark Jerge** Permanent Deacon **Deacon Gerald Solitario** Permanent Deacon 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@sitb.org

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00am-Noon & 1:00pm-4:00pm 540-635-3780 (phone) 540-635-2683 (fax) 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.

Coffee & Donuts

Welcome to our parish! Please join us for coffee & donuts after Sunday morning Mass and introduce yourself.

Handy Helpers:

The outreach ministry occasionally receives calls from people in need of someone to perform household repairs. If you are willing and able to occasionally assist with these needs, please contact outreach@sjtb.org.

Volunteers needed:

Saint John's is starting a food pantry! If you would like more information or are interested in volunteering for this worthwhile endeavor, please contact outreach@sjtb.org.

How can we honor Mary during this month of May?

Keep fresh flowers near a Marian statue in your home; make a pilgrimage to a church dedicated to Mary; add the Litany of Loreto to your rosary;

be more attentive in your recitation of the rosary; perform works of charity.

FORMED

Access video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. www.formed.org Parish Code: QBKRGW Find content on Pentecost, the Blessed Mother during the month of May and Catholic kids shows.

Vocation Awareness

What is the soul of holiness...it means: - never leaving a Sunday without an encounter with the Risen Christ in the Eucharist; this is not an additional burden but is light for the whole week. - never beginning and never ending a day without at least a brief contact with God. And, - on the path of our life, following the "signposts" that God has communicated to us in the Ten Commandments, interpreted with Christ, which are merely the explanation of what love is in specific situations.

I would like to ask all to open themselves to the action of the Holy Spirit, who transforms our life, to be, we too, as small pieces in the great mosaic of holiness that God continues to create in history, so that the face of Christ may shine out in the fullness of its splendour. Let us not be afraid to aim high, for God's heights; let us not be afraid that God will ask too much of us, but let ourselves be guided by his Word in every daily action, even when we feel poor, inadequate, sinners. It will be he who transforms us in accordance with his love.

-Pope Benedict XVI, Audience 20110413

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



RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS Arlington Diocese

"When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth." Will you let the Holy Spirit lead you to your true vocation in the Risen Lord... perhaps as a priest or consecrated religious? Contact Fr. Michael Isenberg, michael.isenberg@ arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-2514.

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.

First Mass at St John's

Reverend Mr. Sean Nypaver will be ordained to the holy priesthood on Saturday June 1st. Please keep him in your prayers. He will be offering his First Mass at St. John's at 10:30am on June 2nd.





Activities & Events

Women of St. John Spring Social

7:30pm Fr Ruehl Hall Please join us for an end of the season celebration. All women of the parish age 18+ are welcome.

Retirement Party for Deacon Goldsmith

1:30pm on Sunday June 2 Fr Ruehl Hall Thank you Deacon for your joyful, dedicated service!

Parish Picnic - Save the Date!

On Saturday June 22 St. John's will hold a parish picnic lunch here on church grounds and Bowman Park. It will be followed by 40 Hours Devotion leading up to the feast day of St. John the Baptist on the 24th. Lots of help is needed to help the picnic run smoothly. Please contact the parish office to volunteer.

John XXIII Montessori Summer Camps

We are delighted to share that John XXIII Montessori Center will be offering Summer Camps this year for children ages 3 - 18 years! Registration is open now! You can view the full list of offered camps and register online on our website: john23mcc.org If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to us at admin@john23mcc.org or at (540) 631-0900.

We can't wait to have you join us this summer!



Save the Dates: Catholic Community Baseball Night at Bing Crosby Stadium Fri June 21 and Fri July 19 at 7pm

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. Kick off the festival giving thanks to God with the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, celebrated by Bishop Burbidge. Following Mass, enjoy live music by headliner Celtic rock band, Scythian. This is a free event for all ages! Registration is required to receive a complimentary meal. To learn more visit Arlingtondiocese.org/ jubilee-fest and register!



Blessed Carlo Acutis Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit

Saint Raymond of Penafort Church June 14-16, 2024 This exhibit, along with a firstclass relic of Blessed Carlo, will be on display in the Parish Hall (8750 Pohick Road, Springfield, VA) Friday 2-7 pm, Saturday 9 am -7 pm and Sunday 9 am - 4pm. You can browse through the exhibit at your own pace, take time to venerate the relic, as well as enjoy a 35-minute video on the life of Blessed Carlo Acutis. During these years of Eucharistic Revival, let us take advantage of this opportunity, to not only learn more about this Saint of our times, but to also draw closer to the Real Presence of our Eucharistic Lord.

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

That Man Is You Seasonally Saturdays 6:30am FRH Forest Selby 703-268-3554

RCIA classes September - April Mondays 6pm Frassati Hall

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

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

Flame of Love Rosary Mondays after the noon Mass

Knights Corner John Carrell Jenkins Council #7771 www.kofc7771.org



Thank You! Thanks to everyone who purchased our Knights of Columbus Cinnamon Buns last week-

end. Another successful event. Thanks to Brothers Larry Gniewek, Michael Turner, and all Brothers who assisted in the preparation and sales.

Fight Night! Join the Knights of Columbus and our local Battleground Boys' Boxing Clubs – Riverbend, St. Sebastian's and St. Joseph the Just – for an evening of friendly competition and testing of boxing skills. Fight Night! will benefit the Catholic Education Tuition Assistance (CETA) fund. Fight Night! will be held Saturday, May 25, 5-9 p.m, at Battleground Fitness, 35 East Jackson Street, Front Royal. Concessions will be manned by the Knights of Columbus so come hungry!

Save These Dates:

- Saturday, May 25: Fight Night! Battleground Fitness, 35 E Jackson Street, Front Royal, 5:00-9:00 p.m. Fundraiser for the Catholic Education Tuition Assistance (CETA) fund.
- Sunday, June 2: Corpus Christi Procession, immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass.
- Saturday, June 8: Diocesan Jubilee Fest, Warren County Fairgrounds

Saturday, June 22: St. John the Baptist Parish Picnic in Bowman Park. Stay tuned for more details.

Sunday, June 30: Fifth Sunday Rosary, 4:30 p.m., immediately preceding the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

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

Thank You

to all the organizations, families and individuals volunteering to provide Sunday Coffee & Donuts to our parish community!

DIVINE MERCY'S MOTHER SAID: "The soul's

"The soul's true greatness is in loving God and in humbling oneself in His presence, completely



forgetting oneself and believing oneself to be nothing, because the Lord is great, but He is well-pleased only with the humble, He always opposes the proud." (St. Faustina's Diary, 1711) (Used with permission of the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M.)



Come participate in good conversations, fan activities, spiritual enrichment and new friendships!

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

For full list of ministries, go to www.sjtb.org or call the parish office for specific inquiries.

PRAYER LIST

Gabby Abril Nellie Adkins John Alsberry Allison Andrews Brenda Bailey Rozie Baker Rose Britain Elijah Carino Tony Casarotti Joseph Centrella Jorge Daniel Chang Laura Hibl Clark Josh Conlon Dominique DeClue Linda Donahue Clara Anne Duda Al Dudeck Kelly Duvall Ignatius Ehlinger Kathy Elar Ned Farinholt Mike Ferris Tahlia Fernandez Laura Fusto Gary Garcia

Paul Gerrick Michael Greco Marilyn Gutekenst Eileen Hawkins Cecilia Hawkins Billy Hooten Norman Hunt John Janaro Stephen Jerome Erik Jurek Donald Kerns Susan Kirby Peggy Leonardi Maureen Lewis Christopher Martin Manuel Reyes Martinez Carol B. May Laura McMahon Edward Meinsen Merridee Michelsen Marie Miller Peter Monfasani Barbara Ann Orozco Kris Pondo Carmela Rao

Judy Ratigan Manuel Reyes Avila Shoana Riccio John William Rice Mary Alice Rice Maggie Roberts Gabbi Rodgers Elaine Ryan Judy Samborsky Truman Sayre, Jr. Dan Schneible Mary Shaffer Sophie Shannon Sophie Sheppard Robin Spencer Anee Stanford Deby Stears Mary Ellen Sullivan Judith Thompson Suzanne Traeger Karen Waldron Nancy Wing Kathy Winkle John Yarborough Geneve Yarborough

Pope's Prayer Intention for May 2024 For the formation of religious and seminarians We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

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Witness the Ordination to the Priesthood!

The ordination of men to the priesthood is a beautiful and inspiring event for our entire diocese, and all are welcome to witness them. The Mass of Ordination to the priesthood is Sat. June 1st at 11am at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Gainesville. Come and pray for our future priests! The ceremony will also be livestreamed. www.ArlingtonDiocese.org/ Ordinations

Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of

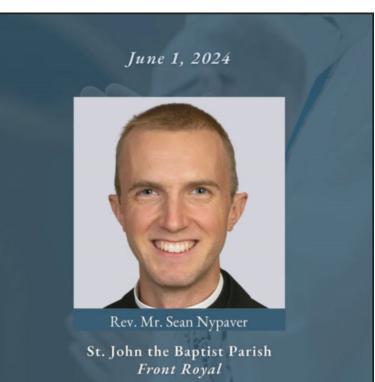
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Active Military Prayer List

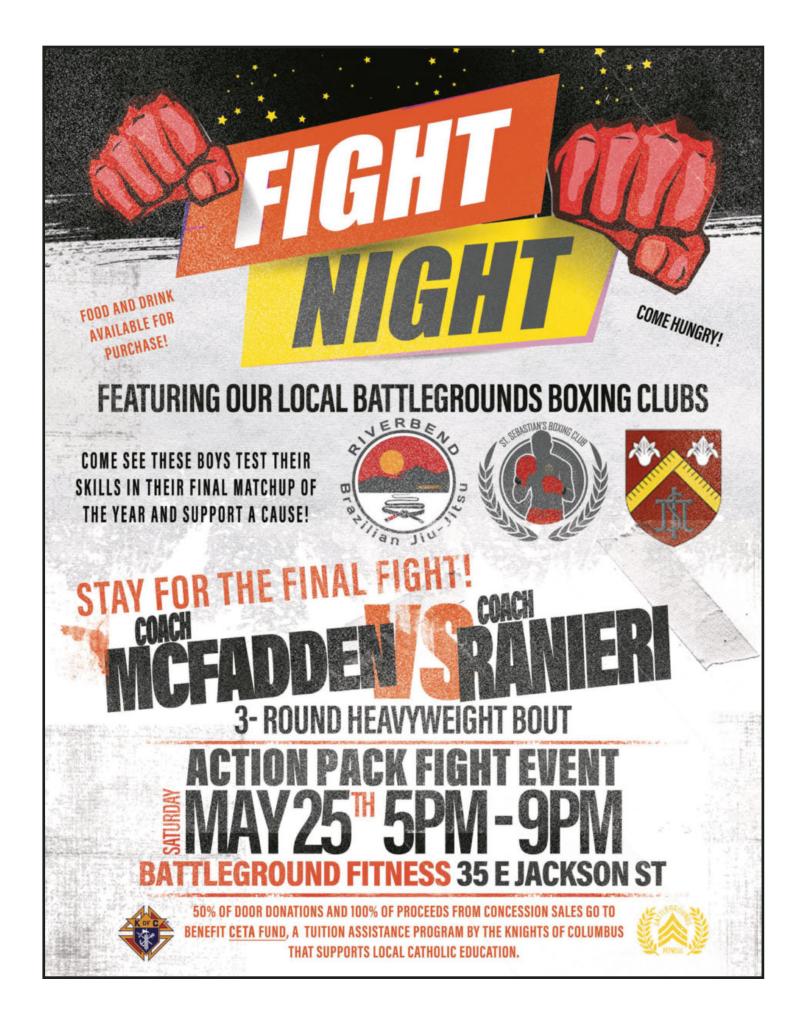
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Zachary Francis Jasmine Frank Dustin Goard Kristina Grdina Steven Gregg Benjamin Gregory Jonathan Hamilton Steven Held, Jr. Daniel Heywood Peter Hickson Erik Hickson David Kelleher David Larsen Glen Lash Timothy Marra Joseph Marsch Christine Marsch Matthew Mooney Clement M. O'Reilly Daniel Nejia David Parnes Justice M. Parrott Jason Pettingill John C. Price

Jason Pugh Chris Reinhard Michael Reuwer Anthony Reyes Jose Reyes Lxex Robles David Rogers Alex Rojas Bobby Saxon David Schmitt Forest Selby Paul Shannon Andrew Shorter Richard Skelton, Sr. Devon Smith **Timothy Smith** Sean Smith Keegan J. Thomas Brian Tilley Jamie Troutman Manuel A. Vicente Kieran Vieira Samatha Wilkinson Michael Wood Mark Zepeda



Ordinations *to 🚔 the* Priesthood



WOMEN OF ST JOHN

Spring Gocial

Please join us for a spring social and end of season celebration!

All women of the parish 18 and older are invited, nursing babies welcome.

> Tuesday May 21st 7:30 pm in Fr Ruehl Hall

Refreshments will be provided

THE LEGION OF MARY AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH 120 WEST MAIN STREET, FRONT ROYAL, VA

INVITES ALL PARISH FAMILIES AND NEIGHBORING PARISHES TO



MORNING REFLECTIONS DR. SEGGY ACOSTA, author of "DIABOLICAL OR PSYCHOLOGICAL"

SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2024

FR. RUEHL HALL (basement)

08:30 am- 09:00 am	HOLY MASS (Church)
08:30 am- 10:00 am	CONFESSIONS (Church)
09:15 am - 10:00 am	LIGHT BREAKFAST/FELLOWSHIP (basement)
10:00 am - 11:00 am	THE REALITY OF EVIL
11:00 am – 11:15 am	BREAK
11:15 am - 12:15 pm	THE POWER OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST
_	AGAINST EVIL
12:15 pm - 12:30pm	QUESTIONS/ANSWERS
12:30pm -01:00pm	BOOK SIGNING

FREE EVENT (for teens & adults only) **Please RSVP**

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