



The Christian community of St. Francis of Assisi welcomes with great joy the following new members of our parish baptized in the month of July:

*Sofia Elisabeth Avila Gonzalez  
Ivan Benitez Rosas  
Luis Mateo Garcia Estevez  
Jason Alberto Garcia Torres  
Jayden Armando Garcia Torres  
Richard Gonzalez  
Montserrat Guzman Castro  
Samuel Danso Gyenai  
Eleanor Joy Hayden  
Myles Nikolas Rodelito Homoroc  
Michael Olivier  
Ericson James Lee  
Jonah Quinn Maue  
Sofia Mayorga Castro  
Alexander Molano  
Ashley Molano  
David Molano  
Colette Magnolia Mulholland  
Jon Liam Perez Sanchez  
Johana Esperanza Requeno  
John Anthony Requeno  
Tatiana Olivia Irene Ruff-Hobday  
Tyson Dominick Sarlo  
Camille Isabelle Slagle  
Lucas Patrick Sochacki  
Abigail Solis-Mondragon  
Kevin Solis-Mondragon  
Charlotte Jane Stinson  
Julian Luren Tinajero Ramirez  
Isla Rose Uddyback  
Jesus Vargas-Mayorga  
Chelsea Amy Villeda  
Ruby Jane Yourczek  
Valery Sophia Zaragoza Mercado*

**Baptismal Preparation Class**—Our next class will be held on **Sunday, August 21, 2016 from 1:30p.m.—2:00p.m.** in the Br. Juniper Room. **Please call the parish office to register at 703-221-4044.**

Live for what tomorrow can bring, not for what yesterday has taken away. We have Stephen Ministers ready and willing to help by listening, praying and talking through your losses and dreams. **Please give Kathy Walker a call at 703-221-4312 and then press 4 or email at [kwalker@stfrancis.org](mailto:kwalker@stfrancis.org).**



**Save the Date, and Please Plan to Help!**



Our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Francis Fest is scheduled for **Sunday, October 2 from 1-5pm on** the parish grounds. Great food, activities for all ages, entertainment and comradery guaranteed!

Lots of assistance from parish members is needed to make the festival the great success it has been in past years. Here is what you can do to help:

- **Check your wine cellar for overstock and start perusing your favorite cake/cookie recipes for our Wine/Cake Wheels.** These two events are very popular and help to offset the cost of the festival. Look for further information in upcoming bulletins, but plan to drop off your wine donations the two weekends before the festival. Cakes/baked goods for cake wheel should be dropped off in the school foyer the morning of the festival.
- **Volunteer to help for a shift at the festival.** We need set up and clean-up crews as well as assistance for the various activities during the festival. Volunteer sign up is simple and is done completely online. Look for detailed instructions in the bulletin a few weeks before the festival.
- **Please note:** there will **NOT** be a tag sale at this year's festival.

**Thomas Marquis (St. Francis' Boy Scout Troop 138) Life Scout, Eagle Scout Project:**

An **outdoor Stations of the Cross** will be constructed here at St. Francis of Assisi in late September. The site will be located to the right of the labyrinth.



Please stop by the information table after all the Masses the weekends of **August 20th-21st and August 27th-28th**, to learn more about this project. Or please contact **Thomas Marquis at [bsatrop138.stfrancis@gmail.com](mailto:bsatrop138.stfrancis@gmail.com)**. There will also be naming opportunities to honor or remember a loved one as a lasting tribute.

**Please Pray For** All those who are sick: Clyde Richardson; Ricky Mendez; Gene Wilhem; and Annelies Gendron.

**Please pray for the following who are serving abroad in harm's way:** Glenn Harms; Bo Bosak, Joseph Sheridan, Jeffrey Monken, James Moore, Kyle McVay, Kyle Traylor, Kasey Eggie, Eustaquio Castro-Mendoza, Marc Gendron, and Darryl Saungweme.

## Franciscan Action and Advocacy (FA&A)

The Franciscans (OFM) have released a new study guide on the care of creation: "The Cry of the Earth and the Cries of the Poor." If you would like a free PDF copy, email Rob (at address below).

More FA&A summer reading recommendations, this time from Br. Casey Cole, O.F.M.: "The Working Poor: Invisible in America" by David K. Shieler.

Our **Respect Life Committee** (advocating for the consistent ethic of life from conception to natural death) is meeting on **Saturday, August 20th**, at **11:45 a.m.** in the **St. Catherine Room**.

Our **Care for Creation Committee** (focused on environmental work/integral ecology) is meeting on **Sunday, August 21st**, at **9 a.m.** in the **Br. Juniper Room**.

Our **Franciscan Action and Advocacy Council (FAAC)** is meeting on **Saturday, August 20th**, at **9:30 a.m.** in the **St. Catherine Room**. (FAAC meetings are only open to council members. Parishioners are encouraged, however, to submit questions or ideas for FAAC discussion or consideration.)

Our **Anti-Human Trafficking Committee** (engaged in action, awareness and advocacy efforts in the fight against human trafficking) is meeting on **Wednesday, September 14th**, at **7 p.m.** in the **St. Catherine Room**.

A V.O.I.C.E. team will meet on **Sunday, September 4th**, at **10 a.m.** in the **Br. Juniper Room**.

For more information on any of the above and/or to get involved in justice/advocacy, please visit the FA&A section on the parish website

(<http://www.stfrncis.org/welcome-introduction/>) and/or contact Rob Goraieb, O.F.S. at [rgoraieb@stfrncis.org](mailto:rgoraieb@stfrncis.org) or 703-221-3127, ext. 228.

### Calling all Women and Men to celebrate!

Would you like the opportunity to examine and rejoice in yourself, your relationship with Christ and your relationship with the Christian community? Arlington Diocese will hold a **Women's weekend on September 15th-18th** and a **Men's weekend on October 13th-16th**. This is a chance to reflect and refresh in the beautiful surroundings at San Damiano retreat Center. **If interested, please contact Pequitte Schwerin at 703-590-8492 or [wislady@comcast.net](mailto:wislady@comcast.net). Or access the [arlingtondiocese.org](http://arlingtondiocese.org) website for more information.**

**Christ Centered Yoga Retreat on Saturday, September 17, 2016 at St Francis.** Rita Evans and Tracy Morgan, of the Christ Centered Yoga Ministry, invite you to a day of yoga, meditation, breath work and more. **The cost of the retreat is \$10.** All are welcome. **Information can be found on the parish website or email [breathofheavenyoga@outlook.com](mailto:breathofheavenyoga@outlook.com) or [spiritualyogava@gmail.com](mailto:spiritualyogava@gmail.com).**



## St. Francis House Corner

Thanks to the donations from all our parishioners we were able to provide food for **65** families this week. Because of the increase of families in need we are in need of:

- Spaghetti Sauce
- Pasta
- Cereal



For more information, please call **Francia at 703-221-6344**. Thank you for your continuing support.

**When Did I see You Hungry, Lord?** St. Francis has pledged to provide *Saturday breakfasts to the Drop-In Shelter in Woodbridge from April to October* and we are in dire need of your help. Sign-up sheets are available on the bulletin board in the vestibule. For more information, please contact **Francia Salguero at 571-572-5862**. Thank you very much for your support!



## Boletín Semanal

### Despensa de Comida de La Casa de San Francis

gradecemos a todos nuestros parroquianos por todas sus ofrendas a la Despensa de Comida; con sus donaciones pudimos ayudar a **65** familias. En estos momentos estamos necesitados de:

- Salsa para Espaguetti
- Pasta
- Cereal

**Muchas gracias por sus donaciones. Para mas información contactar a la Señora Salguero al 703-221-6344.**

**Charlas Bautismales**—Las próximas charlas bautismales en español serán las siguientes fechas: Viernes, agosto 12. **Las charlas bautismales son a las 7:00pm en el Salón del Hermano Juniper (Br. Juniper Room)**. Para más información por favor llamar a la **Señora Salguero al 703-221-6344**.

**Se llevará a cabo un Matrimonio Comunitario el Sábado, 24 de septiembre.** Eso es una misa con varias parejas con el motivo de compartir una misa por su casamiento. Es una opción económica y alegre. Si se interesa, pronto comuníquese con el Padre John.

### Votive Candles

Envelopes are provided for the candle money. **Please place them in the Catch-All slot located in the vestibule of the church.**



**Hearing Assistance Earphones** are available for those who would like sound amplification. They have been checked and are functioning well. See one of the friars or come to the sacristy before Mass.

## Faith Formation Office

Phone: 703-221-3127 Fax: 703-221-3246  
Office Hours: Monday—Thursday: 8:00 am—2:00 pm  
Friday: Closed

### Registration has begun for Religious Education for 2016-2017

Just a reminder that there are changes for next year in the RE Program, please read the registration packet and Parent Handbook carefully.



The RE Parent Handbook and registration packet are online on the RE homepage [www.stfrancis.org](http://www.stfrancis.org). Please read and turn the forms at the end of the handbook in to the RE Office. The handbook will take the place of the General Parent Meeting that typically takes place in the Fall.

For questions regarding Registration call or e-mail the RE Office Liz Brack: [lizb@stfrancis.org](mailto:lizb@stfrancis.org), Marianne Hayes, DRE [recoor@stfrancis.org](mailto:recoor@stfrancis.org), Sheila Noble [snoble@stfrancis.org](mailto:snoble@stfrancis.org) ADRE (Sacramental Preparation) 703-221-3127.

### Bishop Barron's Catholicism Series

Join us in the library of the parish center on Fridays at 7pm to view and discuss Bishop Barron's Catholicism series. The sessions do not build upon each other, so please feel free to drop in any Friday night that you are in town and available. All are welcome! Please see the schedule for remaining topics and contact Sheila Noble, [snoble@stfrancis.org](mailto:snoble@stfrancis.org), with any questions.

August 19th Lesson Ten: *The Last Things*

### RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you or someone you know is considering being initiated into the Roman Catholic faith, make plans to attend our first RCIA meeting on **Wednesday, August 31st at 7:30 pm in the Br. Juniper Room**. It will be a great opportunity to discover more details about the program and ask questions. You may also contact **Friar Henry Fulmer** at [friarhenry@stfrancis.org](mailto:friarhenry@stfrancis.org).

### RCIA Sponsors Needed

Sponsoring an RCIA Candidate/Catechumen is a unique opportunity to share your faith. If you are a confirmed Catholic and are interested in sharing the journey with an adult seeking full initiation, please contact **Friar Henry Fulmer** at [friarhenry@stfrancis.org](mailto:friarhenry@stfrancis.org).

### SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank  
**Montclair Family Restaurant**  
for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

All women in the parish are invited to join the Women's Group, which meets Thursday mornings a couple times per month, for a book study and fellowship. Childcare is available for those who have small children. We will start the year on **Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am – 10:15am in the Parish Center Dining Facility**. Dues are \$20.00 for the year and an additional \$20.00 if you need child care. We will be studying the book, **Unleashed: How to Receive Everything the Holy Spirit Wants to Give You** by Sonja Corbitt. To participate, please register online at [www.stfrancis.org/groups/#women](http://www.stfrancis.org/groups/#women) and purchase the book (available on Amazon for approximately \$16.00) then join us. If you require childcare, please contact Mary Smith [errolmary@gmail.com](mailto:errolmary@gmail.com) ahead of time to secure your spot.



**St. Francis will be offering the Called and Gifted Program again this Fall.** This program, created by the Catherine of Siena Institute, helps people discern how to answer God's call to discipleship in our every day lives. Watch the bulletin, parish website, and parish newsletter for more information. If you have questions about this program, you can contact **Bill Sydow** at [Bill.sydowjr@gmail.com](mailto:Bill.sydowjr@gmail.com) or at 719-393-5826.

### Pope Francis's Encyclical:



"Nature cannot be regarded as something separate from ourselves or as a mere setting in which we live. We are part of nature, included in it and thus in constant interaction with it."

(Chapter 4, paragraph 139)

—Compiled by  
*Chelsea Miller and Adam Petrizza*  
from our parish *Care for Creation*  
Committee

### John Paul Golf Tournament

Saint John Paul the Great High School is hosting "Golfing with Wolves" on **Thursday, September 15th, at the spectacular Potomac Shores Golf Club**. This is the only publicly accessible Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course in the DC area! Join friends and make new ones while enjoying a beautiful day on the greens in support of Catholic education. Sponsorship opportunities also available! **For more information, and to register, please visit [www.jpthegreat.org](http://www.jpthegreat.org), or please call 703-445-0306, or email: [golf@jpthegreat.org](mailto:golf@jpthegreat.org).**



### Are You New to the Parish??? Welcome!!

Registration forms are available on the tables in the vestibule, from the parish office or from the parish website [www.stfrancis.org](http://www.stfrancis.org).



Readings for the Week of August 14, 2016

<b>Monday</b>	Revelation 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
<b>Tuesday</b>	Ezekiel 28:1-10; Deuteronomy 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Matthew 19:23-30
<b>Wednesday</b>	Ezekiel 34:1-11; Matthew 20:1-16
<b>Thursday</b>	Ezekiel 36:23-28; Matthew 22:1-14
<b>Friday</b>	Ezekiel 37:1-14; Matthew 22:34-40
<b>Saturday</b>	Ezekiel 43:1-7a; Matthew 23:1-12
<b>Sunday</b>	Isaiah 66:18-21; Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13; Luke 13:22-30

The **VIRTUS Protecting God's Children** is the adult safe-environment program being offered by the Diocese of Arlington. **The Diocese requires all adult employees and also volunteers who have substantial contact with children to attend the seminar. This includes:**

- ⇒ Vacation Bible School volunteers
- ⇒ Nursery volunteers
- ⇒ Confirmation retreat parent volunteers
- ⇒ School parent volunteers, who chaperone field trips, volunteer in the classroom, etc.
- ⇒ Mommy & Me volunteers
- ⇒ Coaches for all sports
- ⇒ Boy Scout/Girl Scout leaders and assistants (regardless of whether they are parishioners)
- ⇒ Catechists and Assistant Catechists
- ⇒ CYM and MSYM volunteers
- ⇒ All church and school employees

St. Francis of Assisi Parish will host a seminar on **Sunday, August 21st from 11 am—3 pm** in the Parish Center Dining Facility (begins promptly at **11 am**).



To attend this workshop you must pre-register with your full legal name. The seminar is **limited to 60 people**, but there are a number of seminars offered throughout the Diocese;

**please check availability on the VIRTUS website.**

**To register:** Go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and click on the yellow link labeled "Registration" (you may either view a list of sessions or begin the registration process). To register for a specific session, select "Begin the Registration Process". Then, from the pull-down menu, select "Diocese of Arlington, VA". Then follow the online prompts.

Every adult member of the parish is invited to register and attend the workshop—it is our duty as members of this community of faith to be aware of how we can support and protect all children.

If you are moving/changing your address, please notify the office so we can keep our records up-to-date. If you are changing your phone number because you are using a cellular phone and/or forgoing your land phone, the office would also like that information. Please call us at 703-221-4044.



**Mass Intentions**

<b>SUNDAY,</b>	<b>August 14th—20th Sunday In Ordinary Time</b>
5:30 PM	†Thomas and †Ellen Sheehan †Helen and †Frank Cordes †Mary and †Samuel Deitz †Diane Tomasinski †Louis Mancine †Jane and †Ted Radigan
7:30 AM	†Naldo Ponsi †William Zatt †Betty Tomaine
9:00 AM	†Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Esther Santos †Francis John Manalo
10:30 AM	Special Intention
12:15 PM	†Gayle Chaney †John J. McGrath †Clara Kennedy
1:45 PM	Misa en español
5:30 PM	†Gene Montague
<b>MONDAY,</b>	<b>August 15—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
8:45 AM	†Rocco Nuzzo
<b>TUESDAY,</b>	<b>August 16—Weekday</b>
8:45 AM	†Vivian Deal
<b>WEDNESDAY,</b>	<b>August 17—Weekday</b>
8:45 AM	Kristen Floom †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Kathryn Gonsorcik
<b>THURSDAY,</b>	<b>August 18—Weekday</b>
8:45 AM	
<b>FRIDAY,</b>	<b>August 19—Weekday</b>
8:45 AM	†Michael Brough
<b>SATURDAY,</b>	<b>August 20—St. Bernard</b>
4:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Mass Intentions on Sunday, August 21, 2016**

5:30 PM	†Catherine Moran †Claudina Wright †Diane Tomasinski †Louis Mancine †Kay Haffey †Bogdan J. Zaborowski
7:30 AM	Jose Guadalupe Rodriguez Barbosa
9:00 AM	†Buck Van Cleef †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik
10:30 AM	†Don and †Joyce McVay Mary and †Charles Devoe Special Intention
12:15 PM	†David Stephen Ballatine †Charles I. York †Clara Kennedy †Loretta Garzke
1:45 PM	Misa en español
5:30 PM	People of the Parish