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March 31, 2024

Easter Sunday

Parish Office Hours - Mon.-Thurs. 9:00 AM—3:00 PM

Fri. 9:00 AM—12:00 PM

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EUCCHARIST

Saturday Vigil - 5:30 PM

Sunday - 8:00 AM; 9:30 AM; 11:00 AM; 5:30 PM

12:30 PM - Español

Monday - Friday - 8:45 AM

BAPTISM

Baptismal preparation is required of all parents who have not attended a class within the last three years prior to the celebration of baptism. Please call the parish office.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 PM—5:00 PM and by appointment (English)

Saturday: 4:00 PM—5:00 PM and by appointment (Spanish)

MARRIAGE

Arrangements are made with the parish office.

VISITS TO AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Inform the office when someone needs a visit from a Communion Minister or one of the Friars.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

To register in the parish, please fill out a registration form found in the vestibule, at the parish office, or on the Parish website, and return it to the office.

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“Happy Easter – Halleluia”

**From
the
Friars**



The message of Easter does not stand in isolation but flows from the proclamation and invitation of Ash Wednesday. Jesus’ proclamation began with the words, *“This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand.”* Jesus’ invitation flows

from this proclamation as we heard on Ash Wednesday: *“Repent and believe in the gospel.”* (Mark 1:15). God’s message to us during Lent and especially during Holy Week is that he is with us and “walking with us on the journey of our life.” The Easter message is the message of life, even life through death.

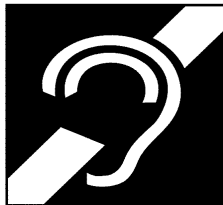
We have encountered Jesus in many ways during this season of repentance, of turning to God. As the children with joy and exuberance brought up food for the poor and the needy, we learned to see Jesus in the “least.” We have encountered Jesus as we shared soup together and walked the way of his cross each Friday and heard the refrain, “Padre, perdónanos, Father, forgive us.” Jesus invites us to receive the gift of God’s mercy and forgiveness.

Most of all the message of Easter is a message of joy and hope. We come to God this Easter with our joy but also with our sorrow and heavy burdens. In our darkness we receive the light of Christ and are invited to let our light shine. We are challenged to bring that light to all without judgment or condemnation. We welcome all as God has welcomed all of us, both saints and sinners. So let us give thanks to God for being “at hand” and next to us each day. Let us turn to God so that he may embrace us once again. We respond to God’s embrace with the acclamation “Halleluia, Praise God.”

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Jim Scullion, O.F.M.

Hearing Assistance Earphones are available for use during the Mass, for those who would like sound amplification. They have been checked and are functioning well (all brand new). See one of the ushers, parish staff, or come to the sacristy before Mass.



Please Note: The parish office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 1st in observance of Easter.

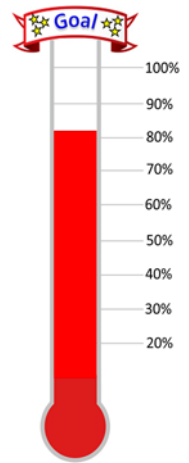
**2024 Bishop’s Lenten Appeal
“Behold, I make all things new”**



Currently our parish has reached **81%** of our goal for the Bishop’s Lenten Appeal (BLA). We are very grateful to those who have already supported this year’s appeal.

We know that there are families who have not yet made a pledge to the BLA and we are asking for support from every parish household.

You may go online to make a donation at: www.arlingtondiocese.org/BLA or scan the QR code below:



The BLA funds many programs, services and ministries that serve people in need and furthers the Gospel mission of Jesus Christ in our diocese. Let us join together to do the Lord’s work—works that touch



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the lives and souls of thousands of people. Please reflect on your blessings and consider joining in support of the BLA. Every pledge is important! Thank you!

The Easter flowers were donated in memory of the following:

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There is a book located in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel next to the Tabernacle for you to write your own prayers of petition. During the *Prayer of the Faithful* during weekend liturgies, an intercession will call to mind those prayers in a general way. In this manner, the public prayer of the church is bound to the many prayers of the faithful who live in the body of Christ!



An outreach
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Food Pantry Needs:

- Cereal

At this time we do not need any canned soup, canned vegetables, or spaghetti sauce. Thanks to your generosity we have plenty of these items. Thank you for your support!

Thank you for all that you do!

Items of the Month:

Toilet Pater
Paper Towels

If you or your family find yourself in need, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Francis House is open:

- Tuesday 9:00 am until 12:00 pm
- Wednesday 9:00 am until 1:00 pm
- Thursday 9:00 am until 1:00 pm

Meals for Prince William County Homeless Shelter

Dinners for the Shelter at The Ferlazzo Building

Thank you very much to every single one of our parishioners who helped with the Meals Ministry. With your support, we were able to provide a total of **1,320 meals!**

Your support and generosity are a vital part of the Meals Ministry. Starting April 6th, we will switch to start providing breakfast. If you would like to provide support for the homeless shelter, please scan the QR code below.

As always thank you much and may the Lord multiply your blessings.

Sign up to
provide
dinner for the
shelter



Don't have time , but want to help? It is okay!
You can donate the following items milk, juice, fresh fruit, desserts, bags of green salad, other deli salads. **Or donate gifts cards from BJ's, Costco, Sams, Food Lion or Walmart.**

St. Francis House Donation Request

We are looking for the following donations for disabled clients at St. Francis House:

- Wheelchairs (new or gentle use)
- Walkers (new or gentle use)
- Men and women Slip-on shoes (new)
- Magnifying glass or screen reader (new or gentle use)
- Grabber (new or gentle use)
- Wheelchair or walker side store bag (new or gentle use)



Thank you very much for your generosity and support. Questions?
Please contact **Francia Salguero** at francias@stfrncis.org.

Faith Formation Office

Phone: 703-221-3127 Fax: 703-221-3246
 Office Hours: Monday—Thursday: 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
 Friday: **Closed**

Children's Faith Formation



Children's Faith Formation for 2023-2024

Apr. 4	Thursday CFF Session
7	Sunday CFF Session
11	Thursday CFF Session
14	Sunday CFF Session
18	Thursday CFF Session
21	Sunday CFF Session
25	Thursday CFF Session
28	Sunday CFF Session

**Acts of the Apostles:
 A Church in Crisis, A Listening Church**



Fr. Jim Scullion, O.F.M. will be presenting a 6-week bible course on the Acts of the Apostles. The Evangelist Luke wrote a two-volume work, a Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. Acts tells the story of how the story of Jesus continued in the story of the early church. As the early church faced various crises, they were challenged to listen to one another and to listen to the holy Spirit as it both directed and challenged them. Like the early church the process of synodality (“journeying together”) calls us as a church to listen to one another and the holy Spirit. Classes are on Mondays (in the St. Catherine Room) from 9:30 a.m.—10:45 a.m. on the following dates: April 8th, 22nd, 29th, May 6th, 13th, and 20th. There will be no class April 15th.



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.

CAR RAFFLE

You have to play to win! **April 23rd is fast approaching** - 4 Vehicles will be raffled along with a \$20,000 cash drawing, plus other cash drawings. Lots of chances to win - if you purchase a ticket.



With your support, everyone is a winner. Your purchase provides additional financial support for the church and you could win a prize too. Car raffle tickets have been mailed to each family. **One \$5.00 ticket offers** a more generous venture than purchasing a vehicle on our own and each purchaser has a chance to win four cars plus \$40,000 in cash drawings! This makes “selling” at work or to family and friends more like an opportunity—just show them the ticket—it will sell itself!

Any questions, or in need of more tickets, please contact Chanel Marquis at 703-221-4044, ext. 222 or cmarquis@stfrancis.org.

*Please take note—All tickets (used or unused and money) can be mailed back directly to **ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH**; turned into the Parish Office; placed in the collection basket; or the Catch-All Slot. **St. Francis will STILL receive the normal proceeds from the Raffle.***

This is our Parish's largest fundraiser, and we thank you in advance for your support.



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School is seeking a full-time 2nd Grade Teacher and an instructional assistant for the 2024-2025 school year.



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Easter 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During this Easter Season, I reflect on how blessed we are as followers of Christ to live in a diocese that has been given abundant blessings. Our Risen Lord invites us to take those blessings and walk in newness of life as his sons and daughters, each and every day.

As we celebrate our 50th anniversary as a diocese, we are renewed in the joyful hope of witnessing and celebrating our Lord's resurrection. Now strengthened in this hope-filled faith, we can better respond to his call to witness to the Risen Lord with greater authenticity, to follow his commands, and willingly proclaim our faith and the truth of the Gospel boldly and lovingly.

By relying on God and trusting in his grace, may we strive daily to live in Christ Jesus, who rose from the dead, bringing a message of new life in him. Jesus Christ is risen today; he is victorious, and his victory is ours. For this reason, we sing 'Alleluia! Alleluia!'

Please be assured of a special remembrance in my prayers for you and your family. May Our Risen Lord shower his abundant blessings upon you at Easter and always.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington



SATURDAY, March 30—Holy Saturday
 9:00 AM Blessing of the Easter Foods
8:30 PM †Alice Tippit
 †Lewis Kent Carter
 †David Wall

SUNDAY, March 31—Easter Sunday
 8:00 AM †Gregory Edward Sanderson
 †Normand Richard Marquis
 †Jerri Gall
 †Tom Dibbley
 9:30 AM †John A. Shookster
 †Robert Piccoli
 †Gwendolyn Owens Pishock
 9:30 AM **(GYM)**
 Alice Morgan
 11:00 AM †Betsy P. Dennison
 People of the Parish
 †Esteban Andres
 11:00 AM **(GYM)**
 †Romeo Miranda, Sr.
 12:30 PM Maria Elena Giraldo
 †Sabas Elvir
 †Esperanza Peña
 5:30 PM **NO MASS**

MONDAY, April 1—Easter Weekday
 8:45 AM †Romeo Miranda, Sr.

TUESDAY, April 2—Easter Weekday
 8:45 AM Maira Pena
 †Tobias Cunningham Ganey

WEDNESDAY, April 3—Easter Weekday
 8:45 AM †Judy Boyd
 †Frankelly Santana
 †Tobias Cunningham Ganey

THURSDAY, April 4—Easter Weekday
 8:45 AM †Jeanne Allen
 †Arismendi Pena
 †Tobias Cunningham Ganey

FRIDAY, April 5—Easter Weekday
 8:45 AM †Conrado Servellon
 †Tobias Cunningham Ganey
 †Pamela Yandle

SATURDAY, April 6—Easter Weekday
 4:00 PM Reconciliation
 5:30 PM Hugo Morales
 †Mendell Knighton
 †Tobias Cunningham Ganey

Mass Intentions on Sunday, April 7, 2024
 8:00 AM †Robert Joseph Alley
 †Mark Haneklau
 †Jack Haneklau
 9:30 AM †Linda Wood
 †Salvacion Jalique
 Mark Laine
 11:00 AM †Mary Lou Ilano
 †Charles St. Clair
 †Oligario and †Claudia Tornes
 12:30 PM †Juliett Ballesteros
 5:30 PM †Gwendolyn Owens Pishock

Readings for the Week of March 31, 2024

Monday Acts 2:14, 22-33; Matthew 28:8-15
Tuesday Acts 2:36-41; John 20:11-18
Wednesday Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35
Thursday Acts 3:11-26; Luke 24:35-48
Friday Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14
Saturday Acts 4:13-21; Mark 16:9-15
Sunday Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6;
 John 20:19-31

Please Pray For

All those who are sick:

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Votive Candles

Envelopes are provided for candle money. **Please place them in the boxes located on the wall (next to the candles) in the church.**



SISTER PARISH SCHOLARSHIP DRIVE begins in two weeks! The 2024-25 school year has started at Santa Ana School in our Sister Parish. We will again support students whose parents need assistance in paying the very small tuition. Watch for more information in the next week and watch for the bulletin board array on **April 13th!**



To learn more, please scan the QR code.





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