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April 28, 2024 *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

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EUCHARIST

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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2024 Bishop's Lenten Appeal "Behold, I make all things new"



Currently our parish has reached <u>98%</u> 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!

SISTER PARISH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Help children at Santa Ana School to receive a quality Catholic education.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY in sponsoring students at our Sister Parish School. Almost all of the envelopes have been taken already. Please remember to return your donations by May 5th so that we can get the check sent to them as soon as possible. If you were unable to take part in this fundraiser, please know that any small donation for the Sister Parish School would be appreciated, as they have many needs. Thank you!

Questions? Please call:
Sharon or Terry Danner 703-680-0860
terrydanner@verizon.net

The Lion's Club has 2 donation drop boxes located on the window sill in the vestibule. Please consider donating your used eyeglasses to the Lion's Club. Your unwanted glasses will help someone see better. Thank you for always being so generous.





The SFA VOICE Ministry will present information on Catholic Social Teaching (CST), why it is an important part of our faith, how SFA Ministries such as VOICE, Respect Life, and Care for Creation support CST and what you can do to help.

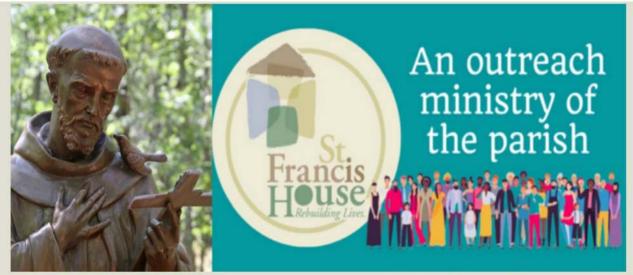




COME JOIN US
SUNDAY
May 5th
10:30 AM
Parish Dining Facility

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Social Justice/Change with Charity/Direct Service St. Prescie of Assisi Parish Advocacy and Action



Francia Salguero (703)-221-6344 francias@stfrncis.org Located at 2606 Heth Court Dumfries, VA 22026

Food Pantry Needs:

- Cereal
- Jelly
- Canned Fruit
- Paper Bags

Thank you for all that you do!

Item of the Month:

Cooking Oil

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

Breakfast for the Shelter at The Ferlazzo Building

St. Francis of Assisi Church has now shifted to providing breakfast for our brothers and sisters at the Prince William County shelter. If you would like to donate ingredients for the preparation of breakfast, please scan the QR code below. As always thank you so much and may the Lord multiply your blessings.

Sign-up to provide breakfast for the shelter



Don't have time, but want to help? It is okay!
You can donate the following items milk,
juice, fresh fruit, and other breakfast items.
Or donate gifts cards from BJs, Costco, Sams,
Food Lion or Walmart.

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. 28 Sunday CFF Session

May 2 Thursday CFF Session

5 Sunday CFF Session9 Thursday CFF Session

12 NO CFF—Mother's Day Weekend

19 Sunday CFF Session

Vacation Bible School

(June 17th-21st, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.)



Vacation Bible School is returning to St. Francis this summer! Before registration opens for children, we are seeking volunteers to help with VBS. The number of volunteers we have will determine how many children we may register, so please consider volunteering if you can! Please contact **Angelica Silva** (asilva@strfrncis.org) if you are interested and keep checking back for the VBS children's registration which will be coming soon!

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.stfrncis.org.



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School An Exemplary High Performing National Blue Ribbon School for 2019



Sally A. Nicholson, Principal

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School News

In April, we celebrate the month of the military child. April 15th was Purple Up Day! Faculty and students were purple to celebrate military children who serve alongside our nation's service members.













FRIDAY, MAY 17TH 5 - 8:30 PM PARISH GROUNDS

Join fellow parishioners for a family friendly evening of food, games, sports, and community!

Please let us know that you plan to attend online, using the QR code below.



SATURDAY. April 27—Easter Weekday

4:00 PM Reconciliation 5:30 PM †Alice Tippit

> †Carlton Evans, Jr. †Nadine M. Caroll

April 28—Fifth Sunday of Easter SUNDAY,

†John A. Shookster 8:00 AM

Bill and Lorraine Thomas

†Jim Riordan

9:30 AM Marklaine Cherv †Romeo Miranda, Sr.

†Jean Howell

11:00 AM †Ronald Quasebarth

†Paterna and †Apolonio Mojica

†Leonardo Deguzman †Catalina Rostro

People of the Parish 5:30 PM †Bea Stephenson

MONDAY. April 29—St. Catherine of Siena

8:45 AM †Jane Wilson

12:30 PM

TUESDAY, April 30—Easter Weekday

8:45 AM †Miriam Longo

WEDNESDAY, May 1—Easter Weekday

8:45 AM †Manuela A. LAndeza Castaneda

†Nenita Miltenberger

THURSDAY, May 2—Easter Weekday 8:45 AM †Dorothy Ann Barber

FRIDAY, May 3—Sts. Philip and James, Apostles

8:45 AM Bill and Nesha Ignatuck SATURDAY, May 4—Easter Weekday

Reconciliation 4:00 PM †Alice Tippit 5:30 PM †Carlton Evans, Jr.

†Bea Stephenson

Mass Intentions on Sunday, May 5, 2024

8:00 AM †Jack Haneklau

†Mark Haneklau †Sheila Ragold

9:30 AM **†Spencer and †Nieves Sagudan**

> †Elizabeth W. Angle **†Loretta Infiesto**

†Jean Wagner **†Frank Morgan**

†Conrado Servellon 12:30 PM

5:30 PM †John Lawson

People of the Parish



11:00 AM





A Novena of Masses will be offered for all Mothers, living and deceased, and will begin on May 12th. **Spiritual** Bouquet Cards are available on the tables in the vestibule of the Church. Please drop the inside envelope in the Catch-All Slot in the vestibule or in the Parish Office no later than Friday, May 10th.

Readings for the Week of April 28, 2024

Monday Acts 14:5-18; John 14:21-26 Tuesday Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a Wednesday Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8 **Thursday** Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11

Friday 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14

Saturday Acts 16:1-10: John 15:18-21 Sunday Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

Please Pray For

All those who are sick:

Gerard Anthony Laffman;

Ann Tekverk; Patricia Cruz; Donna Leeds; Jim Casey; Bill Saliski; Dolly Brunk; Sarah Morgan; Maria Suarez; Jeff Dietze; Phyllis Mitchell; Kate Schell-Smith; Cecilia Fellner; Mary Kay Jones; Gaston Gianni; Mirian Yanet Segovia; Maira Pena; Larry Evans; Andrew Wagner; Randy Chapman; Kevin Sliwinski; Estrella Monzon; JJ Powell; Michelle Fornelli; Collin Callahan; Ricardo Sayson; Recaredo Monzon; Juliet Erasmo; Maureen Caddigan; S.J. Defibaugh; Corazon N. Atienza; Eric Brown; Jan Bond; Delores Baytan; Tomas Bernardo; David Back; Chad Burns; Bill Myers; Sue Long; Gary Ward; and Ted Zamerski.

And for those recently deceased: Pedro F. Corleto Recinos (husband of Ana Garcia De Corleto).

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.



Craft Ministry

If you like to knit, crochet, quilt, or sew to help spread God's love and comfort to those in need, please join us:



What: Fellowship while working on

our own "unplugged" projects for charity. The Craft Ministry also provides baptismal stoles and prayer shawls for the parish, along with other parish related projects.

(no sewing machines or irons, please) When: Tuesday, April 30th 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Where: Dining Facility (Parish Center)

Who: Adults (ONLY) who sew, knit, quilt, crochet, etc.

(No childcare is provided)

For more information, please contact Michelle Pippin at daperfectmix@gmail.com.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank Lake Ridge Automotive for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.





April 28, 2024 | Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31 | 1 Jn 3:18-24 | Jn 15:1-8

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"Where do they get their energy!" Maybe you've said that about your children as they run around the yard while you're trying to wrangle them inside for bedtime. Jokes abound about how sugar and caffeine are what keep most adults going, but we know it's proper nutrition, exercise, and rest that enable us to do well whatever it is we do. That is all relevant to us physically. What about spiritually? Bishop Barron, writing on the Gospel, says, "Jesus declares that he is the vine and we are the branches. He is the power and energy source in which we live." (Word on Fire Bible, 548) Just as we see the effects of sugar and caffeine on people, we see the supernatural effects of Jesus' love on, and in, people. As he nurtures us with his perfect love, and that flows into us who are grafted onto him, it changes us. It transforms us and converts us away from sin and toward God. We fill up on that spiritual fuel in the sacramental life of the Church and become a witness to it in how we go about our days - loving one another.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

"Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth." These words from John in our second reading provide the perfect bridge between the ministry of Paul, about whom we heard in the first reading, and Christ's message in the Gospel. With Jesus as "the power and energy source in which we live," we not only can profess the truth, but live it. We not only give our own account of Christ working in us, as Paul did, who came to them speaking out "boldly in the name of the Lord," but we stand beside one another, as Barnabas did, vouching for Paul to the Apostles. We are united in baptism, in love, in profession of faith, and in communion with one another. When we consistently act in a Christian manner toward others and keep God's commandments, John says, we "remain in him, and he in [us], and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us." In other words, those who remain in Christ "will bear much fruit" - a tangible sign that easily answers the question, "where does he/she get her energy?"

PRAY Is there anything in your life that is an obstacle to Jesus being the power and energy source in which you live? Are your days fueled more by anger, frustration, or ambition than his love? Pray this week in thanksgiving to God for where he has given you conversion of heart, and ask him for the grace to see where improvement is needed and the will to make it happen.





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