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Please call Mickie Abatemarco at 703-390-2340, to inquire about becoming Catholic.

**MARRIAGE:** Begin preparation with one of our parish priests at least six months before the desired marriage date.

**SICK:** Please call the office if you know of someone who is hospitalized, seriously ill, or home-bound.

*\*Please Note: Material for the bulletin must be submitted no later than Thursday, ten days prior to the intended publication date.*

**THIS WEEK AT SJN...**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23**

Faith Formation Classes

Boy Scout Troop 124 - Donut Sale and Membership Drive After Morning

Masses

Sunday Morning Coffee: 8:30am; Brown-McCarthy Auditorium

RCIA Dismissal: 10:00am; Conference Room

"Breaking the Myths of Alcohol Addiction": 6:15pm; Brown-McCarthy Auditorium

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 24**

Faith Formation Classes

Road to Emmaus: 10:00am; Conference Room

Boy Scout Troop 124: 7:00pm; A1/A2

Cub Scout Pack 1971: 7:00pm; B7

Power of Story: 7:00pm; Conference Room

Lectio for Lectors and Anyone Else: 7:30pm; Youth Room

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25**

Faith Formation Classes

French Conversation: 9:30am; A1

Pax Christi: 7:00pm; Conference Room

Young Adult Bible Study: 7:00pm; A2

RCIA Catechumenate: 7:30pm; A1

RCIA Inquiry: 7:30pm; Bridal Room

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26**

Faith Formation Classes

Angel Choir: 5:00pm; Music Room

Children's Choir: 5:30pm; Music Room

Health Ministry: 7:00pm; Conference Room

Legión de María: 7:00pm; B4

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27**

Moms' Group Playgroup: 9:30am; Early Religious Room

Contemplative Prayer and Lectio Divina: 10:00am; Marian Chapel

Altar Server Training: 5:30pm; Church

Contemplative Prayer: 7:00pm; Church

Legion of Mary: 7:00pm; B4

Life After Sunday: 7:00pm; B1

Parish Chroniclers: 7:00pm; Conference Room

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28**

Moms' Group Bible Study: 10:00am; Conference Room

Voce Chamber Singers Concert: 8:00pm; de Sales Chapel

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29**

Brown Bag Weekend

Spanish Prayer Group: 6:30pm; de Sales Chapel

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30**

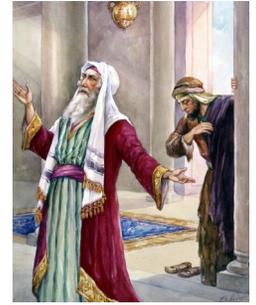
Faith Formation Classes

Brown Bag Weekend

Sunday Morning Coffee: 8:30am; Brown-McCarthy Auditorium

RCIA Dismissal: 10:00am; Conference Room

High School Teens: 6:15pm; Brown-McCarthy Auditorium



# THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

## Prayer and Liturgy



### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS:

**Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18;**  
**Psalm 34:2 - 3, 17-18, 19, 23;**  
**2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18;**  
**Luke 18:9-14**

Today's readings remind us that God responds without delay to the cry of those who repent of their wrongdoing. St. Francis de Sales notes:

With unrivaled mercy God opens the door of the penitent's heart. This soul would have remained lost if God had not come to its assistance. To be truly sorry for not living up to the image of God in us, we must empty our heart of all things in order to enable our Lord to fill it with Himself. Alas, all the nooks and corners of our hearts are cluttered with thousands of things unworthy to be seen in the presence of our Savior. It seems that we thus tie His hands in order to prevent Him from giving us the gifts and graces that He is ever ready to shower on us if He finds us prepared.

Yet in repentance, the wonderful humility of our dear Savior enters our heart. Humility of the heart makes us aware of God's goodness that is worthy of supreme love. Humility of the heart also gives us knowledge of our inability to love perfectly, and thus the need for our Savior who will raise us up from our lowliness until He makes us one with His greatness.

The value of the virtue of penitence is that it leads us to wholeness. We must be like the archer who in discharging a large arrow draws the string of his bow lower, the higher he wants it to go. We aim at the highest, to be united to God. Thus we must lower ourselves much by letting go of our self-sufficiency, and open ourselves to God's help. Let us pour out all our tribulations before our ever-caring Savior so as to submit our whole being completely to Him. When we give our consent to let God love us the way God desires to love us, God will receive us in mercy, as well as reinvigorate and restore us completely to our true spiritual health, that is, sacred love.

*(Adapted from the writings of St. Francis de Sales)*

**HEARING IMPAIRED?** Amplification devices are available for anyone having difficulty hearing the Mass. If you would like to use one, just ask an usher before Mass. Also, the parish has purchased large-print Sunday Missals to help you worship. If you would like one for your personal use contact Jo-Ann Duggan at [jduggan@saintjn.org](mailto:jduggan@saintjn.org) or 703-860-6149.

<b>SATURDAY</b> 5:00pm	<b>OCTOBER 22</b> People of the Parish
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30am	<b>OCTOBER 23</b> Carolyn Chard †
9:30am	Jacquelyn DeCoster Schwerzler †
11:30am	Jove Trinidad †
1:30pm	Sivia Correla †
5:00pm	Grace Breidy †
<b>MONDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>OCTOBER 24</b> John and Mary Duffy ††
12:10pm	Dr. Joseph Falcone †
<b>TUESDAY</b> 6:30am	<b>OCTOBER 25</b> Elizabeth Wilson †
9:00am	Paul McGinnis, Jr. †
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>OCTOBER 26</b> Kay and Francis Thompson ††
12:10pm	Brian Berry †
<b>THURSDAY</b> 6:30am	<b>OCTOBER 27</b> Ernest Vance Lenzi †
9:00am	Richard Provencher †
<b>FRIDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>OCTOBER 28</b> Leonard Mandrgoc †
12:10pm	Angela Bennett †
<b>SATURDAY</b> 5:00pm	<b>OCTOBER 29</b> Vinton and Ruth Brown ††
<b>SUNDAY</b> 7:30am	<b>OCTOBER 30</b> People of the Parish
9:30am	John Paolucci †
11:30am	Rose Elizabeth Eldering †
1:30pm	Rose Digna Espinal †
5:00pm	Lisa Maciel †

### HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASSES!

We will celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints, a Holy Day of Obligation, at these liturgies:  
 October 31, Vigil Mass at 5:00pm  
 November 1, 6:30am, 9:00am, 12:10pm, 5:00pm  
 and 7:00pm (Spanish)

### LITURGY PRESIDERS NEXT WEEKEND

Assuming there are no changes, the presiders for the weekend of October 29 - October 30 are:

Saturday	5:00pm	Father Don
Sunday	7:30am	Father Bob
Sunday	9:30am	Father Bill
Sunday	11:30pm	Father Dave Kenehan, OSFS
Sunday	1:30pm	Father Russo
Sunday	5:00pm	Father Jerry

**NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:** Next weekend we celebrate **Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**. Please prepare for Mass and the Homily by reflecting on these texts from God's Word:

**Wisdom 11:22-12:2** Salvation comes not to those fixated on sin but to those open to the signs of God's love in all creation.

**Psalms:145:1-2, 8-9; 10-11, 13, 14** I will praise Your Name forever, my king and my God.

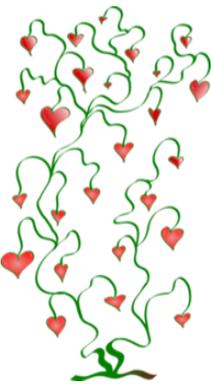
**2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2** All claims of inside knowledge about the proximity of Christ's return can do nothing but lead us astray and frighten us uselessly. An active faith leads us to participate now in the salvation brought by Christ and even in His glory.

**Luke 19:1-10** Jesus takes advantage of Zacchaeus' curiosity to invite himself to his house. Thus Jesus reveals God's impatience to save sinners.

**PLEASE PRAY** for those who have asked for our prayers, David Bossie and Francheska Woods, and for all the sick.

*When you call to add a name to our prayer list, please leave your name and number as a contact and let us know what the illness is. Before calling, please be sure that you have spoken to the person or a member of the family about adding their name—we do not want to inadvertently disregard someone's desire for privacy.*

*Names of those who are sick or injured will be kept on the list for three weeks unless you specifically request a shorter period of time or call to ask that the name be removed. **Boldface type is used for names that are new this week.***



## SHARE YOUR MEMORIES WITH US

Each year at our parish we remember our departed loved ones in a special way, not just on the Feast of All Souls but throughout the month of November. We place a table in the bell tower area and invite you to display photographs of those family members and close friends who are no longer with us, regardless of when they died. Bring your framed pictures early in the month

and place them on the table. You may include the name of your loved one on the front so we know who this soul is. We will see your loved ones, remember them and pray for them whenever we come into the church. The table will be dismantled early in Thanksgiving week given that Advent begins the following Sunday. Please remove your pictures the weekend of November 19-20. Include your name and phone number on the back of the frame so that we can be sure it can be returned to you if you forget to retrieve it.

## REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES ON ALL SOULS' DAY



The Mass for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls) will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 2, at 7:00pm. A special candle lighting will take place during the Mass to remember our loved ones and a reception will follow. All parishioners who have lost a family member during the past 12 months are invited to participate. If you will be attending and remembering a loved one at this Mass please call the Liturgical Ministries Office at 860-6151 to RSVP. Leave your name and the name of the person you wish to remember, and let us know how many from your family you expect will attend.

## ARE THERE A FEW MORE OF YOU WHO COULD HELP WITH BAPTISMAL BIBS?

Are you handy with a sewing machine? Do you like to do simple embroidery? We have a wonderful ministry for you! The Baptismal Bib committee is in need of some more volunteers to sew these beautiful simple mementos that are used during the Rite of Baptism. This flexible ministry is done at home on your own schedule. Instructions and all materials are provided. If you are willing and able please contact Patty Bartnick in the Liturgy Office at 703-860-6151 or at [pbartnick@saintjn.org](mailto:pbartnick@saintjn.org).

## WHAT IS PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY?

In 2003, the USA Council of Serra International, an organization whose mission is to foster and affirm vocations to the priesthood and vowed religious life, organized the first Priesthood Sunday. By our Baptism as Catholics, we are all called to spread the Gospel, and to foster the growth of our Church. Some of us are called to lay vocations, while others are called to sacramental or vowed religious life. With the decline in religious vocations it is important that we remember to acknowledge the work done by the priests and vowed religious and to support this work through our assistance and prayers. We need to take time to talk with friends and family about religious vocations, and to plant seeds of encouragement in those who may be interested in pursuing religious life. We also need to pray daily that generous hearts will joyfully accept God's call. You could celebrate Priesthood Sunday, which occurs next Sunday, November 30, by sending a note of appreciation to a priest or vowed religious who has helped you recently or one from your past. Let these stewards of our faith know the difference they have made in your life!

## UPCOMING SPECIAL LITURGIES

Saturday, November 5	5:00pm	Baptism
Saturday, November 5	5:00pm	Family Mass in de Sales Chapel
Sunday, November 13	9:30am	Baptism

## THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**PRAY FOR A PRIEST DAILY** We continue our daily prayers for the priests in the Arlington Diocese by praying this week for:

- October 24 Reverend Carroll L. Oubre
- October 25 Reverend Francis J. Peffley
- October 26 Reverend Edwin E. Perez
- October 27 Reverend John P. Peterson, Y. A.
- October 28 Reverend Peter Hough Pham, O. P.
- October 29 Reverend Charles Phukuta Khonde, CICM
- October 30 Reverend Mark A. Pilon

### Parish Information

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** Family of Man Council #7566 announces the Family of the Month award for October goes to Jim Hanley and his family. Jim and Laura have been selected because of their dedicated contributions to youth and special needs activities in our community. Jim has been a Knight since February 2010, is on the Council's Communications Committee, and has served as both a player and support staff at Special Olympics softball and basketball games and tournaments. He was the coordinator for and spearheaded the Council's first ever participation in the Special Olympics Plane Pull (which began in 1993) at Dulles Airport this year. Laura is a student counselor with the Fairfax County School System and assists Jim at Special Olympics events. The Hanleys have been parishioners here for six years and have lived in Fairfax for eight years. Congratulations,!



**COOKIES FOR KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY** *"For I was hungry and you gave me food . . . in prison and you visited me" Mt. 25:35-36)*

We are again in need of cookies for Kairos prison retreats. By baking cookies, you can help live this Gospel message! The men's Kairos weekend at Sussex I State Prison is happening now, with the women's Kairos weekend at the Virginia Correctional Center for Women beginning November 3.

To help, we can:

- bake cookies (**We need 200+ dozen by October 30 for the women; cookies can be made anytime and kept frozen in the church freezer. Recipes and specific guidelines for what can and cannot be used in or on the cookies are available on a poster in the narthex.**)
- make posters, and/or sign up to pray during the weekend of November 3-6.

Families, individuals, RE classes or other groups can remind these imprisoned men and women that they are not forgotten. Prayer and cookies are the start of many miracles!

For more information and specific directions, please email or call any of the following: Patricia Schambach at [pschambach@verizon.net](mailto:pschambach@verizon.net) (703-860-1809), Carol Eager at [eager.c@gmail.com](mailto:eager.c@gmail.com) (703-899-5090), Barbara Emery at [memery1@gmail.com](mailto:memery1@gmail.com) (703-855-3060), or Joanna Fiedler at [joanna.fiedler@gmail.com](mailto:joanna.fiedler@gmail.com) (571-213-7167).

### DO YOU KNOW WE HAVE A CUB SCOUT PACK HERE?

Pack 1971 is currently recruiting Cub Scouts and is in need of Pack Leaders! Please join us for our upcoming Parent Information Meeting on Monday, October 24 in Room B7 from 7:00p - 8:00pm. Cub Scouting is a year-round program designed to meet the needs of young boys ages 7-10 and their families. In the National Capital Area Council, Cub Scouts and their families enjoy participating in age-appropriate camping opportunities, service projects, games and other fun activities that guide boys through Cub Scouting's core values and give them a sense of personal achievement. Parents, leaders, and friends play an active role in the program as they encourage boys to live by the Cub Scout Motto: "Do Your Best!"



### BROWN BAG WEEKEND COMING SOON!

The Cornerstones van will be here after all the Masses next weekend, October 29 - 30. Please remember to bring your donations for those in need in our community. This month they especially need vinegar, condiments (ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard), canned soups (especially chicken and vegetable soups), canned fruit, sugar, flour, and coffee. They also need toothpaste and hand lotion. Thank you!

### VOCE CHAMBER SINGERS CONCERT

Join us at a concert presented by Voce, this Friday, October 28, at 8:00pm. Two parishioners are actively involved in Voce: CJ Capen, our Director of Music Ministries serving as keyboard artist (although not this evening), and Nikki Rosengren, who cantors, accompanies, and directs the Women's Ensemble sings with Voce and also serves as President of their Board of Directors. Come celebrate autumn and its imagery with Voce! The centerpiece of our program is Brahms's moving Alto Rhapsody. Also featured are the partsongs of Brahms and Schubert, and Lauridsen's contemporary setting of poetry by Robert Graves. A light reception follows the concert. Tickets: Adults: \$25; Seniors (62+): \$20; Students: \$10 (under 18 free) are on sale through the website ([www.voce.org](http://www.voce.org)) and will be available at the door.

### PRE-K -5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FAMILY NIGHT

Join us for Family Dinner and Outreach from 6:00 -7:30pm on Monday, November 7. We will decorate bakery boxes and cupcakes for Christ House, with at least one for you! Please email your RSVP by November 1 to Mickie Abatemarco at [mabatemarco@saintjn.org](mailto:mabatemarco@saintjn.org).



### FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Calling all families! Please join us Friday, November 4 when we will be showing "The Jungle Book". We will begin at 6:30pm with Ice Cream Sundaes, with the movie starting at 7:00pm. Raised by a family of wolves since birth, Mowgli (Neel Sethi) must leave the only home he's ever known when the fearsome tiger Shere Khan (Idris Elba) unleashes his mighty roar. Guided by a no-nonsense panther (Ben Kingsley) and a free-spirited bear (Bill Murray), the young boy meets an array of jungle animals, including a slithering python and a smooth-talking ape. Along the way, Mowgli learns valuable life lessons as his epic journey of self-discovery leads to fun and adventure.



# Parish Thanksgiving Food Drive For Cornerstones

*"For I was hungry and you gave me food,  
I was thirsty and you gave me drink..." Mark 25:35*

## Suggested Shopping List



Canned Vegetables (Assorted; no green beans)  
Canned Fruit (Assorted)  
24-ounce bottles of Olive or Canola Oil  
2- to 5-pound bags of Flour or Sugar  
Instant Potatoes, Macaroni and Cheese  
Stuffing, Rice (Boxes or 2 to 5-pound Bags)  
Biscuit or Muffin Mixes  
Snacks (Pretzels, Chips, Nuts, etc.)  
Dessert Mixes

If you prefer, financial support is welcome. Make checks out to St. John Neumann Church, with "Thanksgiving Food Drive" in the memo line. Cash may be placed in an envelope clearly marked "Thanksgiving Food Drive". Either may be put into the collection basket at Mass or brought to the Parish Office during regular office hours.

The last day to contribute is Sunday, November 13. Food donations can be left in the parish hallway. If you have questions, contact Patti Hancock at 703-620-6242.

## THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

### ANOTHER EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT CLOSE TO

**COMPLETION** On Columbus Day Weekend, amidst the rain-filled clouds and the smoke of the Octoberfest grill, over 20 volunteers from Boy Scout Troop 124 collectively contributed 150+ hours to rebuild the St. John Neumann playground located behind the church in support of Trent Ballard's Eagle project. Our parish has been the host church for Troop 124 since it relocated from a local parish two years ago, and Trent's project was the first of many projects the troop hopes to take on at the church. The troop replaced the retaining wall around the playground with treated wood to keep the rocks in so they no longer spill through the joints of the prior plastic wall. The project also leveled the wall and enhanced the playground appearance. Most importantly, the changes will make it easier for the toddlers to climb the retaining wall. Troop 124 is expanding its membership. For more information, call David Shacochis at [daveshac@gmail.com](mailto:daveshac@gmail.com) or phone 703-930-5205.

### HEADS-UP FOR THREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**NOVEMBER EVENTS** Family of Man Council #7566 will be very busy next month, and you might want to take note now of three opportunities to feed your body and your soul.

- **“Keep Christ In Christmas” Card Sales** On two weekends, November 5-6 and again on the 12-13, the Knights will help us keep the real meaning of Christmas in the forefront by offering us an opportunity to purchase beautiful religious Christmas cards to send to our friends and relatives. They will be available after all the Masses both weekends.
- **Charity Fundraising Breakfast** On Sunday, November 6, from 8:30 to 11:30am we can gather with other parishioners to enjoy a hearty breakfast cooked and served by Knights, and support a wonderful charity at the same time. Your donations this month will go to the Culmore Clinic, an interfaith non-profit healthcare clinic serving low-income adults for little to no cost. And don't forget that the Knights will have another new entrée for us to sample, and they will want our feedback. What a satisfying morning...we can honor and praise our Lord and Savior at Mass, shop, and have a great breakfast without leaving the building! Watch next weekend's bulletin for more information about this worthy charity.
- **Italian Dinner Night** On Monday, November 21, the Knights are hosting an Italian Dinner Night from 5:30 to 7:30pm to help raise funds for their Knights of Columbus Scholarship Program, benefitting several college students from the parish. The date has been selected to accommodate families who are busy getting their children to and from Faith Formation classes at the beginning of the week, to save parents from worrying about dinner. Again, watch future bulletins for more details about the menu, which is always has a nice selection

## Fellowship

### ONGOING FELLOWSHIP AT SJN:

- **Sunday Coffee** Join us for coffee, juice, muffins, and fellowship each Sunday from 8:30—11:30am. All are welcome!
- **9:00am Daily Mass and Fellowship:** Following Mass in the Chapel, join us in the Bridal Room for coffee and cookies.

- **Knights of Columbus:** Are you a male, age 18 years or older and a practicing Catholic, and wish to embark on a journey that emphasizes faith, fraternity, and fellowship with a real commitment to service in our community? If so, please consider becoming a member of the K of C Family of Man Council #7566. Take that first step and contact us at [info@kofc7566.us](mailto:info@kofc7566.us).
- **Legion of Mary** Would you like to have the Pilgrim Virgin Statue visit your home for two weeks? If interested, the Legion of Mary will deliver and retrieve the Holy Virgin at your convenience. For information email [pilgrimvirgin-marystatue@gmail.com](mailto:pilgrimvirgin-marystatue@gmail.com) or call 703-968-3337.
- **Life+Savers:** 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teens gather on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month, (except December) for fun activities, guest speakers and refreshments from 3:00 - 4:30pm. Drop into the Youth Room to relax or play after Sunday Faith Formation class while waiting for parent pickup or siblings attending Agape. Contact Kevin McManus at [lifesavers@saintjn.org](mailto:lifesavers@saintjn.org).
- **Mothers' Group:** Join us for weekday, evening and weekend playgroups, nights out, special events and more. Membership is open to all new, veteran and expectant caregivers of small children. Membership is free and participation is voluntary in all group activities. For more information please send email to [momsgroup@saintjn.org](mailto:momsgroup@saintjn.org).
- **Praying College Moms:** Join us on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday morning or the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday evening for shared prayer, support and fellowship. For evening sessions email [kmonroe58@gmail.com](mailto:kmonroe58@gmail.com), and for evening sessions email [gallo.kellymarie@gmail.com](mailto:gallo.kellymarie@gmail.com).
- **Shawl Ministry:** On the afternoon of the third Sunday of every month we gather to pray, talk, and create beautiful handmade shawls for those who are ill or grieving. Contact Teresa Westhues at 703-969-8430 to join or request a shawl.

**YOUNG ADULTS:** Watch here for upcoming activities for singles and couples in their 20s and 30s. Unless otherwise noted, for more information on any event, or to be added to the YA email distribution list, email Thomas Patchan at [saintjnya@gmail.com](mailto:saintjnya@gmail.com).

- **Saturday, October 28th, 6:00pm: Pumpkin Patch Trip:** Join us as we celebrate autumn and head out to a local pumpkin patch to enjoy the season, and the festivities that come with it! Apple cider, music, hay rides and corn mazes could be some events you'd see here! E-mail to RSVP and join us at the parish at 6:00pm to carpool.
- **Saturday, either November 5 or 12, Habitat for Humanity Project:** We're looking into finding a day to participate in a service project through Habitat for Humanity! Email [Deanna.bucciarelli@gmail.com](mailto:Deanna.bucciarelli@gmail.com) to let her know if you're interested in joining either Saturday as we need to know how many we have to sign up for a project.
- **Friday, November 18 at 7 pm: Monthly Happy Hour at P.J. Mulligan's:** Come to a great restaurant at Woodland Crossing in Herndon to catch up with friends and celebrate the start of the weekend with music, food, and fun! Please e-mail Gina at [gcordell@udel.edu](mailto:gcordell@udel.edu) to RSVP.
- **Thursday, November 24 at 9:00am: Fairfax Turkey Trot Race:** Start your Thanksgiving morning early as we form a group to run this family-friendly 4-mile race together! Registration is \$30 until November 22 and supports several local charities. Contact Katie at [Kathryn.c.harris@saic.com](mailto:Kathryn.c.harris@saic.com) if you're interested in joining us.

### 50+ CLUB ACTIVITIES:

- **Tuesday, October 25 -Thursday, October 27: Fall Fling at New Hope, PA.** The final itinerary will be available soon. We will stay at the Roadway Inn and Suites in New Hope, where the cost for the two-day stay, including taxes, will be from \$195 - 233 depending on room selection.
- **Thursday, December 15: Christmas Luncheon at Chez Francois in Great Falls.** We are limited to 100 reservations. If you would like to be put on the list of people who are interested in attending, please email Jill Thurman at [jillront@verizon.net](mailto:jillront@verizon.net) as soon as possible.

## Faith Formation

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### ONGOING ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES:

Unless otherwise noted, for more information on any program, contact Mickie Abatemarco.

- **Becoming A Catholic** Are you or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church? Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) meets year-round on Tuesday evenings. Email [rcia@saintjn.org](mailto:rcia@saintjn.org) for information.
- **Contemplative Prayer** There is quiet prayer together every Thursday evening at 7:00pm. We also meet on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 10:00am with Lectio Divinia.
- **Road to Emmaus** This Scripture Study group meets Mondays at 10:00am in the Conference Room.
- **Bible Study for Mothers With Young Children** This group meets on Fridays from 10:00 to 11:30am, with child care provided. Email Christy Cottrell for more information at [christylc23@gmail.com](mailto:christylc23@gmail.com).
- **Independent Online Bible Study** This 8-session course, "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible" will help uncover the story woven throughout Scripture, to get the "big picture" of the Bible. Details and registration link are available on our website under Faith Formation/Adults.
- **Power of Story** This program, presented by William R. Stott, Jr. meets Monday evenings at 7:00pm in the de Sales Chapel. Class schedule and registration forms are in brochures available at the Welcome Desk.

### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY (AGAPE)

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### UPCOMING AGAPE EVENTS:

Mark your calendars for the following exciting, fun-filled upcoming Agape or Agape related events and make plans to attend:

- **Sunday, October 23** – Diocesan Youth Rally; 12:00 -8:00pm; Bishop O'Connell High School
- **Sunday, October 23** – High School Teen Night: "Breaking the Myths of Alcohol Addiction": 6:15 – 8:00pm; Brown-McCarthy Auditorium

## "BREAKING THE MYTHS OF ALCOHOL ADDICTION"

This Sunday evening, October 23, addiction experts from Caron Treatment Center will be with us in the Brown-McCarthy Auditorium to help us explore the myths, to help us become more aware of our own behaviors and risk factors, and to become better educated to many important aspects of this disease. **All adults, especially parents of college, high school, or middle school kids and all teens are strongly urged to attend.** For further information contact Susan Infeld at [sinfeld@saintjn.org](mailto:sinfeld@saintjn.org) or Doug Johnson, SJN Youth Minister at [djohnson@saintjn.org](mailto:djohnson@saintjn.org).

### DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH RALLY - Attention

all High School Teens! Sign up now for the Annual Diocesan Youth Rally on Sunday, October 23 at Bishop O'Connell High School from 12:00 until 8:00 pm. You are invited to this dynamic celebration of our faith featuring food, music, inflatable games, inspirational guest speakers, Mass with the Bishop and lots and lots of fun! We will meet at St. John Neumann at 11:00am and return at about 9:00 pm. **We need parent volunteers to chaperone and drive to and from the event!** Parent volunteers and their teens will attend this event for free. The cost is \$25 (scholarships available). Permission slips (available in the Religious Education Office) and checks are due now! Registration must be coordinated through Doug Johnson in the Christian Formation Office. For further information, contact Doug by at 703-860-6141 or by e-mail at [djohnson@saintjn.org](mailto:djohnson@saintjn.org). Don't miss the fun - sign up now and invite a friend! Friends do not have to be members of Saint John Neumann Parish or Catholic to attend.

### HIGH SCHOOL TEEN MINISTRY E-MAIL LIST:

Contact Doug Johnson at [djohnson@saintjn.org](mailto:djohnson@saintjn.org) if you wish to be placed on the SJN High School Teen Ministry email list. This is a great way to learn the latest information on events, programs and opportunities to serve in our high school teen program.

## Around the Diocese

### OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL K-8 SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13,

10:30AM - 1:00PM

Our Lady of Good Counsel School in Vienna, VA is accepting applications for Kindergarten - Grade 7. For over 50 years, OLGC School has provided a quality Catholic education taught in the Salesian tradition. We focus on the development of the whole child realizing their full potential academically, socially and spiritually while emphasizing personal responsibility and service to others. We offer all day kindergarten, religious instruction daily, Spanish for all grades, eight special classes each week and an after school program. Contact the school office for registration information, 703-938-3600 or visit our website at [www.olgcschool.org](http://www.olgcschool.org). In-parish tuition is offered to members of the St. John Neumann parish. Registration begins Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

## THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**BISHOP IRETON HIGH SCHOOL** at 201 Cambridge Road, Alexandria, is hosting an Open House for prospective students today, Sunday, October 23 from 1:00 – 3:00pm. Presentation begins at 1:00pm. For more information call 703-751-7606.

*“Nothing is more like a wise man than a fool who holds his tongue.”*

*St. Francis de Sales*

### DO YOU NEED HELP APPLYING FOR U.S. CITIZENSHIP?

Catholic Charities Hogar Immigrant Services will be hosting a citizenship workshop on Saturday, October 29 at St. Mark's Catholic School, 9970 Vale Road, Vienna. Registration will be from 10:00am-1:00pm. Please call [571-208-1572](tel:571-208-1572) for questions or further information about which documents you should bring. There will be a fee of \$120 for a consultation with an attorney, preparing your N-400 citizenship application and photographs. We will accept cash or credit card payments.

### TEMPORARY EXHIBITION ON SAINT THOMAS MORE

In a new landmark exhibition, “God’s Servant First: The Life and Legacy of Thomas More”, the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, D.C. presents the life, martyrdom, and legacy of the 16<sup>th</sup> century English philosopher-statesman whom Pope John Paul II named the heavenly Patron of Statesmen and Politicians. The exhibition also explores the connection between Thomas More, the Carroll Family of Maryland, and the foundations of religious liberty in America. It features more than 60 artifacts from England and the United States, including numerous period objects from Stonyhurst College in the United Kingdom that have never been exhibited in the United States. The exhibition runs through March 31, 2017, and is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and The Christian Heritage Centre at Stonyhurst. The Saint John Paul II Shrine is located at 3900 Harewood Road, NE, Washington, D.C. Additional information can be found at [www.jp2shrine.org](http://www.jp2shrine.org).

### FALL MEN’S RETREAT: Perfecting the Soul through Faith, Hope, and Charity – November 18-20

To conclude the Year of Mercy, take a weekend for quiet prayer and reflection at San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post. The retreat will be led by Father Basil Cole, O.P., Professor of Moral, Spiritual and Dogmatic Theology at the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, D.C. The cost is \$265 until November 4 and \$290 after that date; need-based scholarships are available. For more information, please visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/)

### SJN Weekly Stewardship

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION** *“...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”*  
*LUKE 18:14*

Pride and ego is the root cause of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable, your talent is better than anyone else and your money gives you status is another way of making those things “gods” before God.

### Special Collection Stewardship

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION** Today is World Mission Sunday! In announcing his decision to declare a Holy Year of Mercy, Pope Francis said, “Dear brothers and sisters, I have often thought about how the Church might make clear its mission of being a witness to mercy.” Supporting the young churches throughout the world with your prayers and generous gifts is indeed a merciful witness of this mission. The collection today will help missionaries offer the poor of these areas practical help as they share the mercy of God. It will ensure the development of local dioceses, and support the work of priests, religious, and lay leaders who serve those on the margins and in most need. Extend your merciful witness to the whole world through your gift in today’s collection.

### HURRICANE MATTHEW RELIEF—NEXT WEEKEND

Hurricane Matthew devastated significant parts of the Southeast coast of the United States as well as a number of Caribbean nations, particularly Haiti. While many have begun to assist, the road to restoration will be long and additional support will be needed. The Church is always a primary source of healing and peace, but it is often the case that the Church in areas affected by natural disasters is both an aid responder and a victim – many of the Church’s structures have been damaged and local dioceses’ resources have been depleted. This makes it more difficult to provide aid, comfort and pastoral outreach to those in need.

In light of this, the dioceses of the United States have been asked to take up a second collection for those impacted by Hurricane Matthew. In the Diocese of Arlington, this collection will be held on next weekend, October 29-30. One-third of the proceeds of our collection will go to Catholic Relief Services to support their work in Haiti and other affected nations, one-third will go to Catholic Charities USA to support their efforts in the Southeast, and one-third will go to the Catholic Diocese of Raleigh due to the devastation caused by flooding in eastern North Carolina and also in recognition of our diocese’s present particular relationship with Bishop Burbidge of Raleigh.

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