



**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 27, 2011**

Can a mother forget her infant,
be without tenderness for
the child of her womb?
Even should she forget,
I will never forget you.
— *Isaiah 49:15*

DON'T BE ANXIOUS

People have, it seems, a natural penchant for misplaced emphasis on important things. They can easily get caught up with what they're having for dinner or what they will wear.

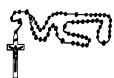
Often it is a tragedy that helps people to refocus on what is really important. What I shall wear is an irrelevant question when I am facing surgery or chemotherapy. What's for dinner is immaterial to those living through grief or unemployment.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us not to worry. He doesn't say, "Don't eat. Don't cook. Don't buy clothes." He says, "Don't worry." Jesus asks us not to relinquish our responsibilities but to let go of our anxiety. Anxiety betrays a lack of trust and Jesus reminds us that "Your heavenly Father knows" all that you need (Matthew 6:32).

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...LOCAL TELEVISED MASS... Sunday- WDCW-50 - 10:30 am

...WMET 1160 AM ~ Guadalupe Radio Network ...
7 am to 7 pm, Daily ~ "It's Radio For Your Soul!" ~ www.gmonline.com



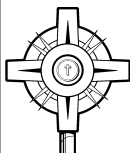
**ROSARY ~ 8 a.m., Monday - Saturday
Main Worship Space**

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

ALL FRIDAYS,

following the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Benediction & Reposition at 8:30 p.m. Visit the Daily Chapel & spend time in quiet prayer, adoration and contemplation of the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.



Blessed Sacrament Adoration Society

For information & to sign up,
please contact: Jenny Grover at 202-669-7214 / jdrivera7@aol.com
or Julie Lineberry at jr.lineberry@verizon.net

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Mk 10:32-45
Thursday: Sir 42:15-25; Mk 10:46-52
Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13; Mk 11:11-26
Saturday: Sir 51:12c-20; Mk 11:27-33
Sunday: Dt 11:18, 26-28, 32; Ps 31;
Rom 3:21-25, 28; Mt 7:21-27

"FEAST OF FAITH"

A weekly series on the parts of the Mass to help us prepare for the changes in the English translation of the Mass coming at the end of the year.

Postures of the Mass

In the Mass, we pray not only with our lips, but with our bodies as well. We stand when the ministers enter. In Western culture, standing is a sign of attention, a mark of respect: all stand when the judge enters the courtroom, for example. Standing is also an ancient posture of prayer, mentioned frequently in the Old Testament. When the readings begin, we sit down: a listening posture. Mary sat at Jesus' feet to listen to his teaching; the crowds sat on the hillside or the seashore to hear his words. Kneeling is another posture that is full of meaning. It expresses adoration and worship, but it can also express humility and contrition. We bow: a sign of honor and reverence, acknowledging the presence of God, especially when we receive the Eucharist. And there are other ritual gestures as well—striking the breast, genuflecting, and of course making the sign of the cross. The liturgy invites us to pray with our whole person—with heart and mind, voice and body.

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Ash Wednesday ~ March 9th

Mass Schedule:

6:30, 8:30 am, 12 noon, 5:00, 7:00 pm
8:30 pm in Spanish



First Friday in Lent ~ March 11th

... Join us for ...

Evening Mass at 7 pm followed by **Stations of the Cross** at 7:30 pm



... and begin the evening with a ...

FISH DINNER!

4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy Fish, Pierogi, Coleslaw, Potatoes & Fellowship!

\$7 adults / \$2 children in **ADVANCE** or \$8 adults / \$3 children **DOOR**
(\$20 maximum - kids under 3 eat free!)

A Letter From Our Pastor
The New Roman Missal



Dear Parishioners of Blessed Sacrament Church,

There is a new English edition of the Roman Missal to be used at Mass beginning the First Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2011.

- While the *parts* of the Mass will not change, some *prayers* of the Mass have been revised with a new English translation.
- This translation was prompted by the third edition of the Roman Missal in Latin. This third edition updates the Missal with the Masses for the many new saints and blessed which were named during the pontificate of Pope John Paul II. It also adds several texts for Masses of the Blessed Virgin Mary, as well as Masses for various needs.
- The new English text will match more closely the Latin text, which draws on the richness of Sacred Scripture, as well as on other prayers from the Church's tradition. The language has been described as more elevated, poetic, and humble in style. It directs our attention to the fact that at Holy Mass we are not doing something ordinary or routine. At every Mass we offer a special act of worship to God, Who is unlike any other person in our experience. The language we use at Mass helps us to keep that in mind.
- The translation in the new Missal presents a richer expression of the two-thousand-year tradition of prayer in the church.
- The new Missal better reflects our identity as the Catholic Church. English-speaking peoples throughout the world will be praying the Mass with thoughts and ideas which more closely reflect those of our brothers and sisters who speak other languages. A revision of the Missal in other languages is also underway.

This is an exciting time for our parish, our diocese, and the universal Church. Throughout this year, we will have continuing education in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and the new Roman Missal. Please plan to attend!

See the changes to the '*Text for the People*' at the website: www.usccb.org/romanmissal/samples-people.shtml
 Printed copies are available at the parish office.

ALTAR LINENS for February 28th: Jackie Marson

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28 - Weekday

6:30 a.m. ~ Mary Jo Johnson (Joseph Adams)
 8:30 a.m. ~ Wayne K Quinn (Marian McLain)

TUESDAY, MARCH 1 - Weekday

6:30 a.m. ~ Juanita F Clark (Ed Moran)
 8:30 a.m. ~ Marion Verbelia (Beth Kilker)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2 - Weekday

6:30 a.m. ~ Margaret Bilbo (Joseph Malloy)
 8:30 a.m. ~ Victor Dowling (Annie & Zach D'Souza)
 7:00 p.m. ~ Emilio Talbo (Wille & Amy Sablada)

THURSDAY, MARCH 3 - Saint Katherine Drexel

6:30 a.m. ~ Seth Mitcho (BS School Faculty & Staff)
 8:30 a.m. ~ Donald Kearns (Rita Kearns)

FRIDAY, MARCH 4 - Saint Casimir

6:30 a.m. ~ Emeterio Supapo (Namata Family)
 8:30 a.m. ~ Joseph Ferrar (Irene Ferrar)

SATURDAY, MARCH 5 - Weekday

8:30 a.m. ~ Matthew Donahue (Lorraine, Michelle & Patrick)
 5:00 p.m. ~ Rose Piccolo (Mark Piccolo)

SUNDAY, MARCH 6 - 9th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. ~ Armond Capitanio (LOu Capitanio)
 9:00 a.m. ~ Pauline Worley (Armelle Tallec)
 11:00 a.m. ~ John Marini (Elizabeth Marini)
 12:30 p.m. ~ Mass for the People
 2:00 p.m. ~ Jesus Delgado (Diana Delgado)
 5:00 p.m. ~ Spec Int of Mac Sparrow (Nonni & Poppie)



SENIOR MASS & LUNCHEON

Thursday ~ March 17th
 Mass - 11 a.m. in Daily Chapel - Lunch following in Quinn Hall
 To help out or to donate a casserole,
 call Carol Foster at 703-590-3536 ~ *Bring a friend!*



"Cinema Catechism"

Movies through the eyes of faith!

Next Showing: "Joseph of Nazareth: the Man Closest to Christ"

Thursday ~ March 10th ~ 7:00 pm ~ Parish Center
Discussion to follow / Refreshments offered
 For more info, visit: <http://cinemacatechism.blogspot.com>

Mardi Gras "Unmasked"



Blessed Sacrament Community Auction

Saturday ~ March 5th

Tickets on sale after Masses
February 19/20 & 26/27

\$50 each ~ GRAND PRIZE: One year (2011-12) free tuition to Blessed Sacrament School or \$3500!

(need not be present to win)

Info? Call Rosie Lowenkron (703) 329-6738



Our Offertory Collection on *February 13th* was \$33,683.77; this includes the 325 participants in *Faith Direct*. We also received \$223.00 for the Poor Box and \$453.00 for The Catholic Herald.

Our *Sharing* recipients were the *ALIVE! Child Development Center, Children's Garden Project (Alex Wolz' Eagle Scout project)* They'll receive \$500.00. ...and... "*New Chapel for a New Century Fund*", the rebuilding fund for the fire-damaged chapel at the *Virginia Theological Seminary*. They'll receive \$1,352.61.

Faith Direct: Secure automatic giving. Please visit www.faithdirect.net to securely enroll online or call toll free at 1-866-507-8757. Code VA12
NOTE to Faith Direct Enrollees: Please check your Faith Direct accounts - the rate for The Arlington Catholic Herald newspaper is now **\$22.00**, an increase of \$2 from 2010 & \$5 from 2009. Thank you for your continued support.

School & Early Childhood Center REGISTRATION



... Calling all **REGISTERED** parishioners interested in applying to Blessed Sacrament Grade School &/or ECC for the 2011-2012 academic year ! ...

... **In-Person** registration for *parish families* will be held February 28 thru March 2, 2011. Updated applications are available, **beginning February 22, 2011**, on the BSS website: www.blessedsacramentcc.org at "Downloadable Forms".
 ... Please come to the school office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. & 3:30 p.m. to submit your registration forms in person, or to complete & submit a paper application.
 ... **A non-refundable application fee of \$25 is due at this time.** You must also bring a copy of your child's birth and baptismal certificates.
 ... Acceptance is determined by longevity of parish membership. After priority parish membership closes on March 2nd, all remaining slots will become available to non-parishioners on March 7th.
Questions? Call (703) 998-4170



Vacation Bible School comes to BSCC!
 July 18th - 22nd ~ 9 am to Noon

Can you help? We're having an Information Meeting Thursday ~ March 10th ~ 7 pm ~ Quinn Hall

Registration, cost & other info will be forthcoming. Contact Susan Doyle in the parish office. To see the program content, visit www.k4j.org

MOM'S CORNER

JOIN US ON FACEBOOK @
 "BLESSED SACRAMENT MOMS"

MOM'S ROSARY GROUP

Tuesdays @ 10 am ~ 1601 West Braddock Road (little house)
 ALL moms & kids ~ new, experienced, or expectant are welcome!



Blessed Sacrament ADORATION SOCIETY - Visit, pray & be at peace with Our Lord.
 Fridays 9 a.m. - 8:45 p.m. Info? Jenny Grover, 202-669-7214 or jdrivera7@aol.com or Julie Lineberry ~ jr.lineberry@verizon.net



ROSARY OF LOVE - Join us on Thursday evenings from 6:30-7 p.m. in the Daily Chapel to pray the *Rosary of Love* to remove the scourges of terrorism, violence & hatred.
 Colleen Meissner 703-236-2448



LEGION OF MARY - THURSDAYS from 7:30-9 p.m. in the Meeting Room for prayer and works.
 Call: Fr. Killian at 703-998-6100



The ST. PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP of Northern Virginia - Meets at 3 p.m. on the 4th Sunday of every month in the Daily Chapel.
 Art 703-931-0497 or Sanpio@verizon.net



FAMILY LIBRARY - In the **MEETING ROOM** between Sunday Masses to borrow books & videos to read, study & enjoy at home.
 Want to help? Please call Susan Doyle



YOUTH GROUP - Chris Hitzelberger 703-998-6100 x 20
bsygdigs2000@yahoo.com



39+ SINGLES GROUP
 Mary Terlep 703-820-4058
maryterlep@aol.com

YOUNG ADULTS (20's & 30's)
bsacya@yahoo.com



<http://groups.yahoo.com.blessedsacramentya>.
 Meetings ~ Tuesdays ~ 7 pm ~ Parish Center



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Invites men, age 18 & older, to serve Christ through service to one another, our parish & our community. Info?
 Justin 703-328-9374 or gk11947@vakofc.org



SCRIPTURE READING, PRAYER & FAITH SHARING
 Tuesday mornings after 8:30 Mass (around 9 am) in the Meeting Room
Bring your Bible!

ALL ARE WELCOME !!

RESPECT LIFE

Visit www.usccb.org/healthcare and www.vacatholic.org
For information & resources on a continued, prayerful defense of human life.



Respect Life Ministry *All are welcome!*

9:30 a.m. ~ First Saturday ~ Meeting Room
Want more info? Visit - <http://bsccrespectlife.blogspot.com>



Rosary for Life *Each Saturday ~ 9 a.m. **

Meet in the Gathering Space ~ Pray in the Daily Chapel
*2nd Saturday of the month ~ following 8:30 a.m. Mass
(approx. 9:15 a.m.) Meet at the clinic at 2839 Duke St (near Ireton H.S.)

Friday Morning Pro-Life Prayer Vigil

7:30 a.m. until Noon at 2839 & 2853 Duke Street, Alexandria
Stop by as your schedule permits, or commit to an hour or substitute.
Info? Mary Ellen McElfresh (703) 780-2922 or zero.spam@verizon.net

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

March 9th ~ April 17th

Prayer & Fasting ~ Peaceful Vigil ~ Community Outreach

visit: www.40daysforlife.com/alexandria
or contact: Jacinta.40days@gmail.com



Gabriel Project

How can we help? 866-444-3553
Our "Angels" are ready to provide assistance, peer support & prayers to mothers ~ new, expectant or in other circumstances.



Do you know someone who is carrying the grief & sorrow of past abortion? Share the "good news" of God's merciful love. Call **Project Rachel** for a confidential referral to a priest and/or counselor: (888) 456-HOPE or www.arlingtondiocese.org/rachel

VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

The Bishops of VA have an e-mail **Advocacy Network** that provide alerts & updates on public policy issues that impact human life and dignity in the Commonwealth of Virginia & across our country. Register your 'voice'!

www.vacatholic.org.

SENIORS 50+

LINE DANCING - Monday & Wednesday,
1:30-3 pm in Quinn Hall. Line dancing is **Free!**
Call Vicki Santoro 703-998-6959 for information.



TUESDAYS at the Parish Center ~

CANASTA group meets 10-12 pm & 12:30-3:30

BRIDGE group meets 12:30-4:30 pm

Stella Perry (703)751-8429 or Ann Corro (703)370-3664

ST. MARTIN De PORRES SENIOR CENTER

4650 Taney Ave, Alexandria, VA

Monday - Friday, 9 am - 2 pm

Call (703) 751-2766 for lunch, transport & information.



VOCATIONS PRAYER

Heavenly Father, fill the hearts & minds of all your children with the light & love of Jesus Christ, Your Son, that all may discover & be faithful to their unique vocation, to the glory of the Blessed Trinity & their eternal salvation. **Amen.**

"Thus should one regard us, as servants of Christ..."

Is your vocation to holiness to be lived out as a priest or in the consecrated life?

Call for info: Fr. Brian Bashista, 703-841-2514 or
b.bashista@arlingtondiocese.org

Do you think you are too old for a religious vocation? If the idea of serving God as a priest, religious brother or monk continues to cross your mind & you are aged 30 to 45, please call Fr Killian, 703- 998-6100 x 17.

ARLINGTON WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT GROUP

Are you wondering if God may be calling you to the consecrated religious life? Join us on the 3rd Thursday of the month. We read various vocation resources and talk about the steps in discerning God's call. **NEXT MEETING: Thursday, March 17th ~ 6:15-7:15 p.m., Dinner & Discussion** at 200 N. Glebe Rd. Ste 901 ~ then 7:30-8:30 p.m. ~ a *Holy Hour for Vocations* at The Cathedral of St. Thomas More.
Info? ~ Celia Schmitt 703-841-3829 C.Schmitt@arlingtondiocese.org

Hispanic Men's Discernment Retreat (in English), February 25-27th, San Damiano Spiritual Life Center, White Post, VA
INFORMATION: vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or call 703-841-2514

HOLY WEEK VOCATION RETREAT ~ Daughters of St Paul ~

Motherhouse ~ Boston, MA ~ April 20-25th ~ Single women 17-30, Holy Week & Easter, meet Sisters & Novices, see us evangelize with media, time for deeper prayer & reflection on your vocation. Sr. Margaret Michael



TUTORING OPPORTUNITIES

COMMUNITY LODGINGS ~ A local program that helps families transition from homelessness, is in need of adult volunteers to help with an after-school tutoring program. BIG need...Flexible times...Wonderful kids...Please call Ann Bruno 703-906-4874

ALEXANDRIA TUTORING CONSORTIUM ~ Join "COW" - (Concept of Word) to develop reading readiness in local kindergarteners. Twice a week for 15 minutes. 9 tutors needed at Geo Mason Elem & 18 Patrick Henry. Training & lesson plans provided.
www.alexandriatutors.org or call Gwen at 703-549-6670 x. 119

CHILDREN'S CORNER

MAGNIFIKIDS!

This youth publication by *Magnificat* is recommended for ages 6 - 12. Ask a greeter to show you a copy for use at Mass. Take home your copy or return to greeter for others to use.

We hope you enjoy using your copy!

SUNDAY NURSERY

During the 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses on most Sundays, all children who are walking age to age 6, are welcome to spend their time at our **NURSERY**. Very friendly staff, very small fee! Come to the ECC - (Early Childhood Center) of the school.

CHILDREN'S ADORATION

First Friday each month, 3 - 4 pm. *Special prayers & teachings about the Eucharist. Join us & stay as long as you are able.*

FROM THE DIOCESE



Latest news from around the Diocese ~

- Stay informed about the latest news & upcoming events by visiting www.arlingtondiocese.org.
- Follow the Arlington Diocese on **Twitter!** Visit www.twitter.com/arlingtonchurch
- On **Facebook?** We are there too - become a fan by searching "Catholic Diocese of Arlington"
- "**The LOCATOR**" ~ Parishioners & visitors to the Diocese can now search for parishes, schools, Masses, confessions & adoration times with "**The Locator**" (yellow box) www.arlingtondiocese.org
- "**Encourage and Teach**" Diocesan Blog! www.encourageandteach.wordpress.com
Feedback welcome!

"Placing Our Gifts at the Service of Others" ~ 2011 BLA
We all have a Christian responsibility to share our blessings with others in need. Think about the many blessings in your life & the gift of your faith. Please give prayerful consideration & make a sacrificial pledge of support.



The Victim Assistance Ministry is a program of outreach to victims/survivors of childhood sexual abuse by clergy, religious or lay employees of the Catholic Church, as well as those abused through incest, by acquaintances, or through violent attack. For more information about services offered through the Victim Assistance Ministry, visit our website www.arlingtondiocese.org.
You may also contact the Victim Assistance Coordinators, Pat Mudd at 703-841-2350 or Kathryn Kramer at 703-841-2759.

All calls are confidential.

Bilingual Mass to Pray for Healing of Victims/Survivors of Sexual Abuse ~ Monday ~ March 14th ~ 7:30 pm
Our Lady Queen of Peace ~ 2700 S. 19th St ~ Arlington
Bishop Loverde will preside. Reception following.

Are you UNEMPLOYED? "CAN" Wants to Help!

(Christians Are Networking) **Job Ministry**

Join us every **Thursday evening** ~ 7 - 9 p.m.

St. Martin de Porres Center, 4650 Taney Ave, Alexandria, VA 22304

For more information & details about CAN,

Contact: Elizabeth Lucas (703)683-7704 or elizabeth22305@verizon.net

Or Bill Hummel at (703)830-5467 or hummel830@cox.net

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

At the Diocese of Arlington, we are enriching the experience of following your faith through the commitment and exceptional performance of our most valuable resource: our employees. We are seeking innovative individuals with the talent, ability, and energy to excel with us.

Visit: www.arlingtondiocese.org for additional details.

ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

For information on professional, clerical and Catholic school job openings in Maryland and Washington, DC. Please visit www.adw.org/employment/



Feed the Hungry

CHRIST HOUSE ~ ALEXANDRIA

Join in Blessed Sacrament parishioners' 30 year commitment to Christ House to feed the hungry.

First Wednesday of every month.

VOLUNTEERS are needed to 1) prepare casseroles at home and/or 2) to serve the meal at Christ House between 3:30 & 6 pm.

For more information & to sign up, please contact:

Mary Kilkenny at mary.kilkenny@yahoo.com or 571-296-6969



"WELCOME THE STRANGER" ~ The Diocese Office of Migration & Refugee Services ~

works w/ documented refugees & asylees. Currently they are in need of donations of toiletries, dressers, metal bed frames, sheets, lamps, alarm clocks, pots& pans, vacuums, diapers & formula, DVD players, DTV converters/coupons, microwave ovens & used cars. MUST be in good working order. **Call 703-841-3873.** Also ~ VOLUNTEERS needed to move furniture donations & to TUTOR. **703-841-3873.**



CHILDREN'S SERVICES OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON, INC. ~ Adoption Information Meeting Schedule

Wed., Mar. 9 & Wed. Apr. 6—6:30–8:30 pm, 5294 Lyngate Ct, Burke, VA, 703-425-0100 RSVP. Presentation will cover Domestic, International, Interstate & Parental Placement Adoption programs with emphasis on home study, placement & supervision resources also discussed.

DIOCESAN MEN'S YOUNG ADULT GROUP - Young adult single & married men seeking to grow in faith, virtue, self-knowledge & Christian fraternity are all welcome. 3rd Monday of the month , 6:30-9 p.m., Rosary, Mass, pizza dinner & discussion. BS Daily Chapel & Parish Center. Info & RSVP: Joe Jordano - joe.jordano@gmail.com

JUSTICE FOR IMMIGRANTS ~ "New Year's Resolution Project"



Be inspired & renew your commitment to build more welcoming communities & advocate for humane immigration policies in 2011.

Share your commitment with others!

Visit the Diocese of Arlington's Multicultural Ministries website:

www.arlingtondiocese.org/multicultural/index.php



Mark your Calendar 2011 DIOCESAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday, March 12th ~ Burke Hall ~

Cathedral of St. Thomas More ~ 9 to 2 p.m.

Speakers include: **Helen Alvare**, Consultor to Pope Benedict XVI's Pontifical Council for the Laity and **Theresa Notare**, PhD, Assistant Director, Natural Family Planning Program, Secretariat for Laity, USCCB. Registration begins January 1st. \$35 before February 11th / \$45 after. Call the Office for Family Life (703) 841-2550 by March 10th.

2011 DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday, March 19th (feast of St Joseph) ~ St. Joseph's Parish Hall ~ Herndon, VA ~ Mass, confession, talks by terrific speakers, breakfast, lunch, & time to meet other Catholic men. Registration begins January 1st. Want to be a parish 'captain'?

Tom O'Neill - toneill@arlingtondiocese.org

Please keep the conferences in your prayers!