



**Twenty-eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
October 9, 2011**

I can do all things in him
who strengthens me.
— *Philippians 4:13*

GOD REVEALED TO THE NATIONS

What wonderful images we have today of the reign of God! Isaiah speaks to us of a great feast—a heavenly feast—a feast of abundance with rich foods and choice wines. It is the Lord’s own affair, Isaiah explains, when God will unite all nations, dry every tear, and destroy death forever. Then, too, will the entire earth rejoice in the Lord and bask in God’s saving grace.

Jesus speaks of heaven in terms of a feast as well. Here, the kingdom of heaven is likened to a king’s wedding feast given for his son. This is a feast of abundance also, with the fattened cattle prepared just so. But many of the people invited don’t want to come, so the king invites anyone who would honor his son by their presence there. And Paul tells us that whether we live abundantly or in humble circumstances, we can do all things in the Lord who strengthens us.

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“FEAST OF FAITH”

A weekly series on the parts of the Mass that will help us prepare for the changes in the English translation of the Roman Missal coming at Advent 2011.

Agnus Dei

After the sign of peace, the priest breaks the host into pieces, and prepares the patens or plates of hosts for the assembly. In the early church, “the breaking of the bread” was the name given to the entire Eucharistic liturgy, so central was this action to the meaning of the Christian life. For just as the one bread is broken and given to many people, the many are made one in receiving it.

During this ritual action, we sing an ancient litany, calling on Jesus as the “Lamb of God”—the words used by John the Baptist when he pointed to Jesus walking beside the Jordan River (John 1:29, 36). In calling Jesus “the Lamb of God,” John was already pointing to the death that Jesus would die: in giving his life, Jesus would become the Paschal Lamb of the new covenant. During the Mass, when we call on the Lamb of God, we call to mind his self-sacrificing love, his blood poured out for us, and we ask this compassionate Lord for mercy and peace.

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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

ALL FRIDAYS, at 9:00 a.m.

Benediction & Reposition is 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

COLUMBUS DAY



Monday ~ October 10th

Masses will be said at 6:30, 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.
Parish Office will be closed.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

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

ALTAR LINENS for October 10th: Annie D’Souza

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10 - Weekday

6:30 a.m. ~ Sarah Sullivan (Ed Moran)
8:30 a.m. ~ Ethel Tolker (Barbara Wash)
10:00 a.m. ~ Diego Osuna (Paula Nasca)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11 - Weekday

6:30 a.m. ~ Spec Int of Jennifer Sampsell (Therese Bempohl)
8:30 a.m. ~ Joseph Caporaletti (Antony & Angie Giuseppe)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12 - Weekday

6:30 a.m. ~ William Thorpe (Lucya Bell)
8:30 a.m. ~ Lisa Reinshuttle (Antony & Angie Giuseppe)
7:00 p.m. ~ Millicent Gompertz (Maureen Dunne)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13 - Weekday

6:30 a.m. ~ Greg Varhall (Deborah Kircher)
8:30 a.m. ~ Francis Cole, Jr (Kathleen Cole)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14 - Saint Callistus I

6:30 a.m. ~ June C Page (Paul Page)
8:30 a.m. ~ Lisa Reinshuttle (Bernadette Chang)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 - Saint Teresa of Jesus

8:30 a.m. ~ Doris & Milburn Petty (Barbara Wash)
5:00 p.m. ~ Karen Burgett (Mark Piccolo)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16 - Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. ~ Mass for the People
9:00 a.m. ~ Jack Steward (Kathy Steward)
11:00 a.m. ~ John Michael & John Joseph Sullivan (Henshaw Family)
12:30 p.m. ~ Laura Lynam (Her Parents)
2:00 p.m. ~ Mario-Cesar Jaramillo (M/M Richard Quigley)
5:00 p.m. ~ Ada Di Zebba (Marie Tolley)

Dear Rev. Fr. Cregan, brother priests and Blessed Sacrament Parishioners,

Words cannot express my deepest gratitude for your hospitality in making my stay at Blessed Sacrament a most enjoyable experience. I feel blest to have shared this time with you. Thank you for the gift of your time in prayer and friendship.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness, generosity and warm invitations which have introduced me to your American culture through sightseeing, cuisine and lifestyle. You will always be in my prayers and in my heart in Poland.

May God bless you and may the Mother of God surround you with her mantle.

Fr. Dominik Szczygielski



Visit our new parish **BLOG!**

<http://www.blessedsacramentva.blogspot.com/>

Get parish news & information about our Catholic faith!

Parish groups are invited to submit news articles and photos of events. Volunteer writers also needed.

Contact blessedsacramentva@gmail.com for information

“There’s an APP for that!”

‘The Faith Explained’ has created a smartphone app on the Roman Missal changes which presents old & new texts, along with the reasons behind the changes— a great tool for understanding this great moment in the English-speaking Church:

<http://itunes.apple.com/app/the-new-mass/id379776541?mt=8>



“Indeed, the character and beauty of the place and all its furnishings should foster devotion and show forth holiness of all the mysteries celebrated there.”

(294, General Instruction on the Roman Missal)

... The concept plans for our beautiful new courtyard garden are now on display in the

*Gathering Space ... There are opportunities for everyone to become a part of a lovely, new and prayerful space ... Buy a brick to honor family & friends or choose to support plantings or other furnishings... A self-funded project, this is “Phase One”... designed to determine how much money can be raised to proceed with the next phase... **The first deadline for engraved brick orders is November 10th** ...Forms can be brought to the parish office or put in the offertory ...*



“What a Blessing”

Saint Joseph’s Catholic Church Gospel Choir
35th Anniversary Celebration
Sunday ~ October 16th ~ 4:00 p.m.
711 North Columbus Street

Guests include: **Brotha Jeff Corry & the JC Singers, The John Carroll Chorale, The Incarnation Fellowship Choir, & more!**

ATTENTION: High School Youth (grades 9-12)

October 1, 2011

Dear young person of Blessed Sacrament Church,

I pray that this letter finds you well at the beginning of this new school year! I remember very clearly the mixed emotions each September as I bid summer farewell but also anticipated with some excitement the year ahead. Be assured of my prayers for you daily as you navigate the sometimes difficult years in high school.

I write today to invite you to join me at this year’s **RALLY** for high school students on **Sunday, October 16, 2011**. **RALLY** is a day-long celebration of nearly 1,000 young Catholics from across the diocese. There are many aspects to the day; from inflatable games, bands, pizza, ice cream and entertaining speakers - there is something for everyone.

While the entertainment is certainly a significant draw for many, the highlight of the day for me is gathering in prayer with young people from nearly every high school and parish in the diocese. This unity brings great joy and hope to my heart. It makes me feel years younger! Even more importantly, this day encourages you to grow closer to Christ through the discovery that there are many other young men and women seeking the same faith.

You are not alone in asking questions about the Church, searching for meaning in your life and in struggling to discern where God is calling you! Please consider my invitation to join me at the **RALLY** as another step in your journey to finding answers to these questions.

I am very much looking forward to gathering with the young Church and pray that you will be able to join us! **For more information about the event, please contact your Coordinator of Youth Ministry, Chris Hitzelberger at 703-998-6100 x 20 or bsygdigs2000@yahoo.com.**

Please know that you remain in my prayers and I humbly ask for yours. It is a great joy to serve as your bishop!

Faithfully in Christ,

+Paul S. Loverde

Most Reverend Paul S. Loverde
Bishop of Arlington

Let the K of C fix dinner for you!

Saturday ~ October 13th ~ 6 pm

CHICKEN PARMESAN

w/ spaghetti & meatballs



\$7 adult ~ \$3 kids (under 4 free) ~ \$20 family pricing!
(tickets at parish office)

Quinn Hall



“KCIC”- Keeping Christ In Christmas

keeps alive the very heart & meaning of the Christmas celebration - **the birth of the Son of God**. To help deliver the **KCIC** message, the Knights of Columbus will sell Christmas cards after Masses from Oct. 8th to

Dec. 11th. Or send an email to wbolton22126@msn.com, subject: **KCIC** & get a brochure.



Our Offertory Collection on **September 25th**, was \$31,606.47; this does include 326 participants in **Faith Direct**. We also received \$175.00 for the Poor Box, \$249.00 for Building Fund and \$3,307.00 for Catholic University of America.

Sharing recipient on September 25th ~ **Bread for the World, DC; working to change policies that allow hunger to persist.** They'll receive \$1,738.36.

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



"...and our blessings will be returned 100 fold..."

"Sharing" is a 30+ year tradition at Blessed Sacrament that responds to the biblical command to share our resources with the less fortunate. **Sharing** recipients include a wide range of local, national & international organizations that assist the needy with health care, education, food, clothing & shelter, as well as religious & social justice ministries. Particular consideration is given to recipients suggested by members of the parish. *To make a recommendation, leave information about the organization with a note about your suggestion at the parish office or attend our next quarterly meeting.*

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.

Don't forget to get your **White House**

Christmas Ornaments from us! \$18 each.

Proceeds benefit our nursery staff.

Visit Quinn Hall or call Jo Allen at (703)521-7223



SENIORS 50+ INFORMATION

LINE DANCING (1:30 – 3 pm, Mon & Wed, Quinn Hall)

...ALL ARE WELCOME!...

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

MAH JONGG Interested? Call Lana (703)299-8389

ST. MARTIN De PORRES SENIOR CENTER

4650 Taney Ave, Alexandria, VA Monday - Friday, 9 am - 2 pm
St. Martin De Porres Center has a great activities — indoor exercise classes, informal presentations, live music, wellness programs, parties, dancing and more! Come and make some new friends! We also serve a nutritious breakfast & lunch. Visit www.cdda.net or call (703) 751-2766 for information about transportation & lunch.



ALIVE! (ALexandrians InVolved Ecumenically!)

Visit: www.alive-inc.org

There is a long tradition here at Blessed Sacrament of parishioner support of **ALIVE!** programs. **Food Pantry ~ Home Furnishings Program ~ Child Development Center ~ Transition Shelter** ~ If you have questions about ways you can help, please contact: **Vivian Webb - vwebbb@comcast.net**

NOW you can also assist in helping needy families on a

FOOD DISTRIBUTION SATURDAY

OCTOBER 29th ~ 8 am - 12:30 pm

Church of the Resurrection ~ 2280 N. Beauregard Street
Pack grocery bags, distribute food and produce, carry items to vehicles, etc. Teens, adults & families welcome to help.

2011 marks the **LAST** year the

Fannie Mae "Help the Homeless" Walkathon will be held.

Over 1/3 of the **ALIVE!** House 2011 budget came from this source.

You can still help **ALIVE!** House by

- Walking and raising sponsors on for the walk on **Saturday, November 19th on the National Mall**
- or Sign up to be a **"Virtual Walker"**, any day, any time.

Register for either at

www.helpthehomelessdc.org ~ **ALIVE! House, Code VA 03**



Our "Christmas in Nicaragua" Mission

needs (2) volunteer **DOCTORS** to see children during the mission trip — December 1st - 8th, 2011.

In-country transportation & lodging will be provided; you'll only pay for your own airfare.

Please contact: Ignacio Gutierrez (703) 684-6405

Divorced? Catholic? Now What?

Do you have questions about what the Church really teaches or the truth about the annulment process or the reception of sacraments?

This 12-week diocesan ministry for those hurting after divorce is the program for you. (The cost is \$35)

WOMEN: Tuesday evenings starting October 18th, 7:30 - 9 pm
St John the Beloved, 6420 Linway Terrace, McLean, VA 22101

MEN: Wednesday nights starting October 19th, 7:30 - 9 pm
St Luke Catholic Church, 7001 Georgetown Pike, McLean, VA 22101

Info? Contact Office for Family Life at <http://www.arlingtondiocese.org>



We need **COOKIES!** (as many as you can) by **Wednesday, October 26th!** Help support **KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY**, an inter-denominational team

of clergy & lay people, working to build a strong Christian community at Buckingham Correctional Center. Please put 12 cookies in quart zipper bags (**NO** nuts or raisins)& bring to the parish office. Visit kairos.com for recipes.

Call Bud Hart (703) 370-3977 for info. **Thanks!**

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

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



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 am *

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

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



"For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also" - James 2:26
Put your faith into action! Join the Alexandria 40 Days for Life Campaign & take a stand for the unborn.
September 28th thru November 6th we will fast, pray & keep peaceful vigil.

Visit the website: www.40daysforlife.com/alexandria

VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

Well informed Catholic voters can make a difference in the outcome by understanding the issues in light of Church teaching before casting their ballots.

Find out more and join the Conference's
E-mail Advocacy Network at www.vacatholic.org
or call (804)225-8565

Gabriel Project



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

Project Rachel



Do you know someone who is carrying the grief & sorrow of past abortion? Share the good news of God's merciful love. **Project Rachel** can make a confidential referral to a priest and/or counselor:

(888) 456-HOPE or www.arlingtondiocese.org/rachel

"Come Back Home"

A 3-minute video message from our Bishop.

Visit: www.helpafterabortion.org

All can participate in this prayer effort to set suffering souls free.

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



YOUNG ADULTS (20's/30's) -
bsacya@yahoo.com
<http://groups.yahoo.com/blessedsacramentya>
Meetings ~ Tuesdays ~ 7 pm ~ Parish Ctr.



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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS -
gk11947@vakofc.org
Invites men, age 18 & older, to serve Christ through service to one another, our parish & our community.
Info? George (703) 836-5140



MOM'S ROSARY GROUP - Tuesdays @ 10 am @ 1601 W. Braddock Road (little house)
ALL moms ~ new, experienced, or soon-to-be! and kids ~ are welcome!
Contact: Michelle Haworth (703)644-2005
Join us on Facebook @ "Blessed Sacrament Moms"



CHILDREN'S ADORATION - First Fridays, 3-4 pm.
Join us & stay as long as you are able. Chapel.



MAGNIFIKIDS! - Youth publication by *Magnificat* for ages 6 - 12. Ask a greeter for a copy ~ take home your copy or return to greeter for others to use. *Enjoy using Magnifikids!*



ST. FIACRE GARDEN GUILD - Plant, discuss, admire, pray about or visit flowers & gardens?
Come on 1st & 3rd Saturdays at 9 am in Quinn Hall.

VOCATIONS PRAYER

Lord Jesus, You have risen from the dead and ascended into Heaven to prepare a place for us in eternal glory of the Father's house. Grant to all those discerning Your call, the understanding that faithfulness to their vocation is the way to the Father. Amen.



"What profit would a man show if he were to gain the whole world and ruin himself in the process?"

Are you being called to life as sister, brother, deacon or priest? Call Fr. Brian Bashista, 703-841-2514 or write: 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, Oct. 20th ~ 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? ~ Fr. Brian Bashista 703-841-2514 bbashista@arlingtondiocese.org



**Are you MOVING
or just CLEANING UP at home?**

Catholic Charities

has 4 great ways to "recycle" your stuff !

1 - ST. MARGARET OF CORTONA TRANSITIONAL RESIDENCES

Homeless families are in need of the following: couches, chairs, small dining room sets, cookware, glassware, towels, bookshelves, dressers, night stands, end tables, wall art, coffee pots, toasters & TWIN sheets, pillowcases, blankets & comforters. **If you can deliver to us**, contact Paula Hummel 703-910-4845 phummel@ccda.net

2 - "WELCOME THE STRANGER"

The Diocese Office of Migration & Refugee Services ~ works with documented refugees & asylees. Currently they are in need of metal bed frames, box springs, lamps & kitchen tables & chairs. **Call 703-841-3867.** Tax deductible & pick-up available.

3 - CATHOLIC CHARITIES THRIFT SHOP

Provides clothing & other items at no cost to those in need & sells items inexpensively to raise money for the poor.
131 S. West Street, Alexandria, VA. Open daily 11 am to 3 pm.
Info? Ana Gutierrez 703-548-4881

4 - CATHOLIC CHARITIES CAR MINISTRY

Make a dramatic change in the life of one of more than 20 poor, elderly or disabled people currently waiting for a car. Please, your donated car must be in working order; it will be tax deductible.
Call Harry Burke 703-841-2531 ext. 658

...LOCAL TELEVISED MASS...

Sundays ~ WDCW-50 ("the CW") ~ 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

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?** 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!

Are you UNEMPLOYED? "CAN" Wants to Help!

(Christians Are Networking) Job Ministry

CAN provides a venue where job seekers can prayerfully receive free professional career counseling & take advantage of networking opportunities with other professionals.

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

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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Support needed to help open the facility, greet/register job seekers, coordinate speakers and speakers' calendar & to maintain supplies & inventory, etc.

For more information & details about CAN,
Contact: Elizabeth Lucas (703)683-7704 or elizabeth22305@verizon.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.



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 Coordinator, **Pat Mudd**, 703-841-2350

All calls are confidential.

Prayer Service for Victims/Survivors of Sexual Abuse

Rev. Mark Mealey, presiding

Saturday ~ November 5th ~ 10:30 am

Saint Leo the Great Catholic Church
3700 Old Lee Highway ~ Fairfax, VA 22030