

APRIL 2 • 2023

# PALM SUNDAY



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CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Mass Schedule

Mon-Sat - 8:30am; 9am on holidays

Saturday Vigil 4pm

Sunday 8am, 10am (online),

12pm (en español), 5pm

## View Mass Online

[www.youtube.com/c/StreamingOLGC](http://www.youtube.com/c/StreamingOLGC)

## Chapel open for prayer

Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm

## Confessions Saturdays 9:00am

or by appointment

## Office Hours

Mon - Fri 9am - 4:30pm,

Closed 12-12:30pm for lunch

*“Do all by love  
and nothing  
by force.”*

— St. Francis de Sales

*“Haz todo  
por amor y nada  
a la fuerza.”*

— San Francisco de Sales

## Maundy Thursday

I do not have the greatest memory. I am constantly setting reminders on my phone and sending emails to myself so that I remember to do certain tasks, whether it is a grocery list or my mass timings. It is possible I am just getting little older, or perhaps the stresses of the day take my attention. Maybe I just have too much on my plate and in my schedule. Regardless of the reason, I am a man in need of reminders if I am going to get done what needs to be done.

I used to wonder if the Israelites had short-term memory. I mean every time I read the Old Testament it seemed as though God the Father had to say to them, “Remember this and remember that.” They were told to remember the Sabbath (Ex 20:8), to remember the Exodus (Dt 5:15), to remember God’s fidelity at Jericho (Jos 4:7), to remember what Amalek did (Dt 25:17), and so forth.

Long before Siri, God’s children relied on his divinely inspired “to-do” lists. The proverbial string was constantly being tied around the Jews’ fingers to help them to remember. So why did God so constantly warn them not to forget (Dt 4:9)? Why did the Father have to keep telling us to remember, anyway?

Put simply, God warns us to remember because he knows we will forget. We will forget his faithfulness in times of suffering, his love in times of desolation and his promise in times of drought. We will forget he is always with us, that he fights the battle for us and that he has given us everything we need to emerge victorious. When we “remember” God and his promise, his fidelity is no longer a distant memory but a present reality.

## ONE LAST SUPPER

Taken, blessed, broken, and shared. It was a formula the disciples had seen before when Jesus fed the multitudes. It was the formula again during the Passover meal that Thursday night, but its effects would prove eternal.

This was no ordinary Passover meal. The ritual may have looked similar, but Christ’s words would breathe new meaning and usher in the New Covenant. As Christ washed the feet of the Apostle, we were given a new vision of what servant leadership necessitates. As the Lord instituted the Eucharist, we were given an invitation to intimacy the likes of which the world had never known and could never top. In that Eucharistic institution, too, we were given a new sacramental priesthood through which God’s children could regularly receive his divine mercy and taste salvation.

The elements are the same. The actions and words are the same. Not just in the Gospel episodes, but also in every single Mass—every liturgy from then until now, and from now until the end of time. They signify more than we comprehend, because it is not only the bread and wine upon the altar

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## Mass Intentions/ Intenciones de la Misa

Presider schedule available at:  
[bit.ly/PresiderSchedule](http://bit.ly/PresiderSchedule)

**Sat. / Sun., April 1/2, 2023**

+ Ed Zdancewicz  
+ Emil Van Goethem  
+ Dolores Lennon  
+ Nicanor P. Cagampan & Julita Cadiz  
+ Joseph Chung and family

**Monday, April 3, 2023**

8:30am + Melica Murphy

**Tuesday, April 4, 2023**

8:30am + Charles Fissenne

**Wednesday, April 5, 2023**

8:30am + Rian Taylor Bachman

**Thursday, April 6, 2023**

8:30am The OLGC Oblates and The  
Oblates throughout the World

**Friday, April 7, 2023**

No mass

**Saturday, April 8, 2023**

8:00pm All who have been initiated  
into the Church

**Sunday, April 9, 2023**

+ Maebell Fuselier  
+ John A. Sanbrailo  
+ Luz & Rogelio Delpozo  
+ Rev. Francis A. Kelleher O.S.F.S.  
Chela, Kevin & Susan Sejas  
Eli Daniel Gallegos  
The OLGC Community

**Please keep those listed in the prayer  
intention book and the recently  
deceased in your prayers.**

+ Jose Abraham, father of Maria Gupta,  
Grandfather of Rani, Leela, & Anil  
+ Michael Underwood, husband of Lisa  
Underwood, father of Sarah, Rachel, and  
Emily  
+ Norma Eileen Orr, mother-in-law of  
Holly Orr

**Please pray for those for whom  
candles are lit:**

Church	Special intention for Cheryl Keamy
Chapel	In Loving Memory of +Tran Le
OL Votive	Special intention for William Bridgham

## Welcome to Our Lady of Good Counsel

**W**e, as members of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, strive to witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ by proclaiming our faith, educating ourselves and our children, sharing our persons, resources and gifts in the care and service of one another. We are called to foster an environment of hospitality in accordance with the Spirituality of St. Francis de Sales.

Please be in contact with our staff if you have questions about any matter related to the life of the church. Below is a list of the many people here to help.

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Our website, [OLGCVA.org](http://OLGCVA.org), is a source of lots of information about our parish life. There are a number of ways you can communicate with staff for specific needs through the site. The links below provide first steps to various things you may need.

OLGC Funerals: [www.olgcva.org/liturgy-worship/funerals](http://www.olgcva.org/liturgy-worship/funerals)

Devotional Candles: [www.olgcva.org/liturgy-worship](http://www.olgcva.org/liturgy-worship)

Join the Parish: [olgcva.org/register](http://olgcva.org/register)

Schedule an Event: [olgcva.org/about-us/facilities](http://olgcva.org/about-us/facilities)

Add Item to Bulletin/Media: [olgcva.org/about-us/communications](http://olgcva.org/about-us/communications)

Mass Intention Request: [olgcva.org/liturgy-worship/devotions/mass](http://olgcva.org/liturgy-worship/devotions/mass)



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that are being taken and blessed, broken and shared, but we ourselves, the mystical body of Christ, that are being changed, as well.

Simple elements: bread and wine—completely humble in form. Wheat ground down into flour. Crushed grapes left to sit in a barrel until they change their composition. It is these humble things that the God of the universe uses to speak the language of his covenant, to bring his presence in a uniquely profound way into the world. It is in this action of God's Spirit, active in the priesthood, that we as Catholics are given our greatest gift—the gift of Holy Eucharist. It takes the Pascal Mystery of Jesus' Passion, death, and resurrection, and makes it continually present to us.

### MORE THAN WORDS

God knows that in the midst of our weeks and years—whether they be joyful or sorrowful—we will need to be reminded of his fidelity, mercy, and great love. Consider our Savior's words from the upper room, now.

Jesus' command was "Do this in remembrance of me" (Lk 22:19). The word "remembrance" means more than to "recollect." Jesus wasn't saying, "Hey, guys, after I'm gone, why don't you all get together and reminisce. Tell some funny stories, sing some songs, check in with one another because accountability is important, and then, you know, 'remember' me. Just think about all the good times we had."

Through the Eucharist, Christ remembers us as he promised (Mt 28:20), and in doing so renews our relationship with the Father, again and again. It's in this moment after receiving the God of the universe in his most Blessed Sacrament, more than at any other time in the course of our week, that things are finally on earth as they are in heaven. It's for this reason, as well, that St. Paul warns us against receiving Christ's body and blood if we are not in a state of grace (1 Cor 11:27-29); our souls ought to be properly disposed and prepared to become walking tabernacles if we walk forward to receive him. Christ sacrificed for us. It is the understatement of a lifetime to say that the least we can do is reconcile any serious sin before he humbles himself to remember us and consume us with his love, as we remember and consume him.

This is why the Father invites us to his table weekly if not daily—that we would never forget—that we might remember. Christ knows your suffering. The Cross is the eternal reminder that God understands your pain but with that recollection the one who is timeless also offers us a timely solution in his Eucharist.

Even if you forget everything else in your calendar and on your grocery list. Even if age or stress or busyness leave you wandering about aimlessly like me, remember this: The God of the universe invites you to consume his flesh and blood that you might be consumed by his love. He has invited you to become a walking tabernacle. There is no higher affirmation in creation that the Creator could offer you.

The only question you have to answer is, "Will you accept this invitation to love and to serve?"

God would rather die than risk spending eternity without you. Never forget that fact. "Do this in remembrance of me" is not just a command...it is an invitation. Choose wisely and you will be reminded what made this particular Thursday so very holy.

—Rev. Mathias Kumar, OSFS



### FR. MATT'S MUSING: Climbing

This morning, because of the weather, I decided to change my exercise routine. I went to Tysons Center and parked on the first level of their parking lot....

Read more at [bit.ly/FrMattsMusing-Mar25](http://bit.ly/FrMattsMusing-Mar25)

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

A question to reflect on based on this week's scripture readings:

In whom am I challenged to see Jesus? How can I help Christ's cross by carrying my neighbor's cross?

### PREGUNTA DE LA SEMANA

Domingo de Ramos

¿En quién me retan a ver a Jesús?  
¿Cómo puedo ayudar a la cruz de Cristo llevando la cruz de mi prójimo?



## Readings for the Week/ Lecturas de la Semana

For the Week of April 2, 2023

**SUNDAY** Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion  
Procession: Mt 21:1-11

At Mass: Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20,  
23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66

**MONDAY** Monday of Holy Week

Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 & 17;  
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**TUESDAY** Tuesday of Holy Week

Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; Jn 8:21-30

**WEDNESDAY** Wednesday of Holy Week

Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 & 33-34;  
Mt 26:14-25

**THURSDAY** Holy Thursday of the  
Lord's Passion

Chiasm Mass: Is 61: 1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22,  
25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13,  
15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

**FRIDAY** Good Friday of the Lord's Passion

Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25;  
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42

**SATURDAY** Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of  
Easter

Gn 1:1-2:2 or Gn 1:1, 26-31a; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10,  
12-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; Gn 22:1  
-18 or Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16:5, 8-11;  
Ex 14:15-15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; Is 54:5-14; Ps  
30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; Bar 3:9-  
15, 32-4:4; Ps 19:8-11; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps  
42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps  
51:12-15, 18-19; Rom 6:3-11; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17,  
22-23; Mt 28:1-10

**SUNDAY** The Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;  
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or  
Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35

### Monthly Collections

Fiscal Year July 2022—June 2023

	Jan. 2023	Feb. 2023
Offertory	200,665	180,930
Total Budgeted	244,437	184,645
Variance	(43,772)	(3,715)
YTD Received	1,403,982	1,584,912
Budget YTD	1,403,016	1,587,664
Variance	965	(2,752)

## Calendar (Subject to change, updates at [www.olgcva.org/about-us/calendar](http://www.olgcva.org/about-us/calendar))

### April 2-8

#### SUNDAY

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Mass	8 AM, 10 AM, 12 PM, 5 PM	
Donut Social Hosted by OLGC School	9 AM - 1:30 PM	DeSales Hall
Children's Liturgy of the Word	10 - 10:30 AM	Chapel
Nightlife	6 - 8 PM	Counsel Rm & Gym

#### MONDAY

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Easter Vigil final Music Rehearsal	7 - 9 PM	Church
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#### TUESDAY

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Music Ministry (Hemmingson)	7 - 8:30 PM	Church
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#### WEDNESDAY

5

Music Ministry (Jones)	7 - 8:30 PM	Chapel
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#### HOLY THURSDAY

6

Early Release day, No ECAP	8 - 11:30 AM	
Morning Prayer	8:30 - 9:30 AM	Church
Mass of the Lord's Supper	7 - 8 PM	Church
Reposition of the Eucharist	8 - 11 PM	DeSales Hall
Night Prayer	11 - 11:30 PM	DeSales Hall

#### GOOD FRIDAY

7

##### No School & Offices Closed

Morning Prayer	9 - 10 AM	Church
Passion of the Lord	3 - 4 PM	Church
Decorate for Easter	5:15-6:30 PM	Chapel, Church, Gym

#### SATURDAY

8

Morning Prayer & Blessing of Food	9 - 10 AM	Church
Easter Vigil Mass	8 - 10 PM	Church
Easter Vigil Reception	10 - 11 PM	DeSales Hall

**PLEASE NOTE:** The parish office will be closed Monday, April 10 and Tuesday, April 11.

THE LORD SAYS,  
*"I am doing a new thing"*

### Weekly & Second Collections

You may give with checks or cash via  
envelopes, give online at  
[membership.faithdirect.net/VA875](http://membership.faithdirect.net/VA875),  
or text amount to 703.810.7674.  
Thank you.

### April Second Collections

- 2 Oblates Annual Appeal
- 30 Catholic Home Missions



## The Passion of Jesus and Me

**S**t. Francis de Sales wrote his celebrated *Treatise on the Love of God* to help his readers learn how, in actual practice, to love God above all things with one's whole heart, will and strength, and thus to fulfill as perfectly as possible the expectations of the First Commandment.

Knowing that human nature, which is both fallen and graced, needs to be powerfully motivated in order to love God with such a "deep, powerful and fiery" love, St. Francis de Sales urges his readers to move from a general appreciation of God's goodness and love for the whole human family to a deeply personal acknowledgement of that truth: "Ah, he has loved me! I say he has loved even me, even me myself, I say, such as I am, and has delivered himself to his passion for me." As Creator, "[God] meditated and planned, yes, determined, the hour of my birth, of my baptism, of all the inspirations he would give me, and in sum, of all the benefits he would do for me and offer to me." As Redeemer, "the Savior's soul knew all of us by name and by surname."

In that spirit, when Francis addresses "Theotimus" in the text below, he wants every reader to substitute his or her own name for Theotimus, for the name simply means anyone who loves God.

**"O Theotimus, the Savior's soul knew all of us by first and last name. Above all, on the day of his passion when he offered his tears, his prayers, his blood, and his life for all people, he sent up for you in particular such thoughts of love as these: 'Ah, my eternal Father, I take upon myself and charge against myself all the sins of poor Theotimus, to undergo torment and death so that he may be freed from them and may not perish but live. Let me die, provided that he may live! Let me be crucified, provided that he may be glorified!'"**

**"O supreme love of the Heart of Jesus, what heart can ever bless you as devoutly as it ought?!"**

—Rev. Lewis Fiorelli, OSFS

St. Francis de Sales, *Treatise on the Love of God*, Book 12, chapter 12.

## Holy Week Schedule

### **Holy Thursday Apr. 6**

Morning Prayer 8:30 am

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7 pm

Reposition of the Eucharist 8 pm

Night Prayer 11 pm

### **Good Friday Apr. 7**

Morning Prayer 9 am

Passion of the Lord 3 pm

### **Holy Saturday Apr. 8**

Morning Prayer 9 am

### **Easter Vigil Apr. 8**

Easter Vigil Mass 8 pm

### **Easter Day April 9**

Mass 7:30 am (church), 9:00 am (church), 9:30 am (gym), 10:30 am (church), 11 am (gym), 12 pm (Spanish)

## Horario de Semana Santa

### **Jueves Santo Abril 6**

Oración de la Mañana 8:30 am

Misa de la Cena del Señor 7 pm

Reposo del Santísimo Sacramento en el

Salón De Sales 8 pm

Oración de la Noche 11 pm

### **Viernes Santo Abril 7**

Oración de la Mañana 9 am

Celebración de la Pasión del Señor 3 pm

### **Sábado Santo Abril 8**

Oración de la Mañana 9 am

### **Vigilia Pascual Abril 8**

La Vigilia comenzando en e

l campanario 8 pm

### **Misas de Pascua de Resurrección Abril 9**

Misas 7:30 am (en la ingles), 9 am (en la ingles), 9:30 am (en la ingles), 10:30 am (en la ingles), 11 am (en la ingles), 12 pm (en la Iglesia, en español)

## The Paschal Fast

Did you ever get so wrapped up in an upcoming important event in your life that you were too excited to eat? Or do you remember a time when, anticipating a special meal, you purposely delayed eating so that you could more deeply savor what was to come? Or a time when you were so engrossed in what you were doing that you simply forgot to stop for food? It is to such a fast that we are called during the Sacred Triduum. This fast, observed from the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday through the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, is not a Lenten fast of repentance but one of excitement and anticipation, a fast of reverence and preparation for the most important event of the liturgical year. It is a fast which marks these three days as holy, set apart, a time when even our eating and drinking is different. By this fast, we remove distractions from our lives and prepare as a family to refocus our lives on the Lord, culminating in our renewal of Baptismal promises at the Vigil. Having fasted together, we feast together, first at the table of the Eucharist and later as a parish family in a reception after the Vigil as we gather to celebrate the Lord's Passover and therefore our own.

## How Is the Date of Easter Determined?

Easter is the first Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox. The spring equinox this year was March 20, the first full moon will be on Thursday, April 6, therefore Easter is the following Sunday, April 9.

When the spring equinox comes, daytime grows longer than night. Springtime begins. When the moon is full, it rises in the east at the same time the sun sets in the west. So there is never a moment either the sun or the full moon isn't shining in the heavens.





## Easter Egg Hunt: Calling ALL kids!

Join us on the side lawn of the Church on Easter Monday, April 10th at 9:00am. Bring a basket! There will be a special appearance of the Easter Bunny, so bring your cameras/cell phones to take pictures.

Plastic Easter eggs, stickers, and individually-wrapped candy without nuts are needed. Place your donations in the Easter boxes at the doors of the church.



## April Outreach

In April, we will support KOVAR, a Virginia Knights of Columbus charity which supports organizations providing training and opportunities to persons with intellectual disabilities. Sign up to help out on Saturday, April 22 or Sunday, April 23. You can volunteer when you are already at church. Please sign up at [bit.ly/KOVAR-volunteer](http://bit.ly/KOVAR-volunteer)



## APRIL DINING FOR DOLLARS



Wed., April 5  
3 - 7 pm  
167 Glyndon St.  
Vienna

Show this or mention OLGC  
and 15% of your purchase  
will support the PTO.

## Co-ed Softball Preseason Gathering and Information Session

### Come Find Out About OLGC Softball!

Did you know that OLGC has an adult co-ed softball league? Have you thought about playing? Now is your chance to find out all about it. The league is having a preseason gathering on Saturday, April 22 at 7pm in DeSales Hall. There will be players there to answer all your questions and show you how much fun it is to play.

Please bring a dish to share and whatever drinks you would like. Please RSVP to Jackie Madden at [jfkmadden@gmail.com](mailto:jfkmadden@gmail.com).



## NEW Youth Summer Camps Offered at Bishop O'Connell!

This summer Bishop O'Connell High School is launching "Knights of Adventure," a fun and enriching summer program for rising 5th through 8th graders. Morning or afternoon sessions are being offered in areas that include digital game development, video production, theatre, debate, entrepreneurship and much more. Find out more at [www.bishopoconnell.org/summercamps](http://www.bishopoconnell.org/summercamps). It's going to be a GREAT summer!



## Field Hockey Clinic

Bishop O'Connell and Yorktown varsity coaches and players are offering a Field Hockey Clinic for 4th-8th graders of all skill levels.

Sat. April 22 10 am - 12 pm at Yorktown High School  
Sat. April 29 10 am - 12 pm at O'Connell High School

\$100/player

Email Megan Sullivan, head field hockey coach at O'Connell, with any questions.

[arlingtonfieldhockey@gmail.com](mailto:arlingtonfieldhockey@gmail.com)

Register at [go.teamsnap.com/forms/358266](http://go.teamsnap.com/forms/358266)





# Información Parroquial en español

Preguntas o sugerencias, ofrecer misas, pedir oración durante la misa por recién fallecidos, funerals, comuníquese con Maria 703.896.7419, [mromero@olgcv.org](mailto:mromero@olgcv.org)

EL SEÑOR DICE,  
*"Estoy haciendo algo nuevo."*

**La oficina parroquial estará cerrada por las festividades de Semana Santa desde el Viernes Santo, 7 de abril hasta el martes 11 de abril.**

## **NORMAS PARA EL AYUNO Y LA ABSTINENCIA**

El miércoles de ceniza y el viernes santo, 7 de abril, son días de abstinencia y de ayuno. Asimismo, los viernes durante la Cuaresma son días de abstinencia, [los viernes durante la Cuaresma](#) todas las personas a partir de los 18 años y los que no hayan cumplido los 59 años, deben ayunar. Se permite comer una vez durante el día de ayuno, aunque también pueden comer dos veces para mantener la energía, según la necesidad de cada individuo. Sin embargo, estas dos comidas no deben igualar a la cantidad de una comida completa. No se puede comer entre comidas, pero está permitido tomar líquido, incluyendo leche y jugos. La abstinencia se debe cumplir desde los 14 años en adelante. En los días de abstinencia, no se debe comer carne, aunque si la salud o la habilidad para cumplir su trabajo se ve seriamente afectado, la ley no lo obliga. Si tiene alguna duda sobre la práctica del ayuno o de la abstinencia, consulte al Sacerdote de su parroquia. El ayuno, la limosna y la oración, son las tres disciplinas tradicionales durante la Cuaresma. Los feligreses y los catecúmenos deben realizar estas prácticas con seriedad en espíritu de penitencia y en preparación para la Iniciación a la Iglesia o para la renovación de las promesas Bautismales durante la Semana Santa.

## **SACRAMENTO DEL BAUTISMO DE NIÑOS MENORES DE 6 AÑOS:**

Comuníquese con Maria Romero 703.896.7419 [welcome@olgcv.org](mailto:welcome@olgcv.org)  
Sacramento del bautismo: para Charlas de padres y padrinos deben inscribirse de antemano, una vez completada esta y entregado los documentos requeridos le confirmaremos su fecha del bautizo. [olgcv.org/sacraments/baptism](http://olgcv.org/sacraments/baptism)

## **LAS SEGUNDA COLECTAS EN ABRIL SON**

### **Apelación Anual de Los Oblatos**

La Apelación Anual de Los Oblatos se utiliza para ayudar a financiar los diversos ministerios apoyados por los Oblatos de San Francisco de Sales. Su donación juega un papel importante para ayudar a los Oblatos a avanzar en la sagrada misión que se les ha confiado: predicar el Evangelio con mansedumbre y humildad a ejemplo de San Francisco de Sales.

### **Llamado para las Misiones Católicas**

El Llamado para las Misiones Católicas Fortaleciendo la Iglesia Aquí. ¡Muchas Gracias por su contribución para ayudar a fortalecer la iglesia aquí! Para informarse más acerca de los fondos y actuales beneficiarios de las Misiones Católicas, por favor visite [www.usccb.org/moe-missions](http://www.usccb.org/moe-missions).

## **BÚSQUEDA DE HUEVOS DE PASCUA ESCONDIDOS**

¡Se le hace un llamado a TODOS los niños! Acompañenos en el jardín lateral de la Iglesia el lunes de Pascua, 10 de abril a las 9:00 am. Habrá una aparición especial del Conejo de Pascua, así que traiga sus cámaras/teléfonos celulares para

tomarse fotografías. Necesitamos huevos de plástico, calcomanías y dulces envueltos individualmente sin nueces. Coloque su donación en las cajas de pascua en las puertas de la iglesia.



## **CATEQUESIS**

para niños, adultos y bautizó de niños mayores de 6 años, sacramento de la confirmación y comunión. Comuníquese con Amy MacKinnon, 703.896.7426 o [amackinnon@olgcv.org](mailto:amackinnon@olgcv.org).

## **CONFESIONES**

Confesiones en español durante el mes de abril son el sábado 22 de 9 - 9:30 a.m. o de lunes a jueves únicamente con cita. Puede llamar para hacer una cita con el Padre Mateo al 703.938.2828 o envíe un correo electrónico a [frhillyard@olgcv.org](mailto:frhillyard@olgcv.org). No se escuchan confesiones los domingos antes o después de la misa.

**Semana Santa**, caminar con Cristo Por Anwar Tapias Lakatt Iniciamos la Semana Mayor, el tiempo en el cual vivimos la Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Es un tiempo muy importante, en el cual como cristianos católicos estamos llamados a seguir los pasos de Jesús en los acontecimientos del Kerygma. Todo aquel que anhele la vida eterna, todo aquel que vislumbre el poder glorioso de la Resurrección, sabe que debe pasar por la Muerte primero. San Pablo nos hace comprender este caminar, este designio de Dios: Y si hemos muerto con Cristo, creemos que también viviremos con él (Rom 6, 8) En esta entrada se unen varios elementos que nos ayudan a comprender el reinado de Cristo.



# Senior Moments

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## SEASONED CITIZENS' LUNCHEON

"Spring is in the Air" is around the corner! It's a time of hyacinths, tulips and daffodils, and the sweet scent of something different in the air. This month's luncheon for OLGC seniors will take place on **Thursday, April 20** at Noon in DeSales Hall. I don't know yet what the menu will be, but for sure, it's going to be delicious! I don't think there's anything that's going to top the St. Patrick's Day festivities, which were a huge success last month, but we're going to try!



There's no cost, but reservations will be required, for planning purposes. Instructions for saving yourselves a seat at the table will appear in next week's column.

The Book Swap Table will be available again, thanks to your generous donations of books and jigsaw puzzles. Without them, this feature wouldn't be possible. It's a win-win situation: you get to rid yourselves of books previously read, and have the opportunity to pick something new to take home with

you, at no cost. Please continue to bring books and puzzles (nothing else, please) so that this offering can continue.

## ADVENTURES IN LEARNING OPEN HOUSE/REGISTRATION

The Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia invites you to attend this event on **Thursday, April 13** at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road in Oakton from 10 am-1:30 pm. You'll learn about upcoming speakers, schedule of events and more. This is a perfect opportunity to meet up with friends and enjoy coffee and sweet treats.

## ORGANIZING YOUR IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

**cont'd**—This is the "How Long Should I Keep...." segment of this series. We'll begin today with **bank statements**. How long should we save them? Bank statements: what are they even good for? It's tempting to chuck them right in the nearest trash can as soon as you get them. But wait a minute! They're a great way to see all your monthly transactions at a glance in one tidy place. So, the next time you get one in the mail, take a few minutes and look for anything out of the ordinary. It's an easy way to watch for red flags that could alert you to identity theft. If everything looks normal, file it with your other financial records and keep it for at least a year. If you're still working, the same goes for your pay stubs. You might need them to provide proof of income when you're making a big purchase or to dispute any suspicious behavior that pops up on your accounts later.

How long should I keep my **medical records**? The Federal Trade Commission suggests keeping your paid (and undisputed) medical bills for at least one year. People make mistakes. That intern at the hospital's Billing Department?

They probably haven't learned the ins and outs of their job yet, so you may or may not receive the same bill twice. But your medical bills will come in handy as a record of which bills you've already paid. Then you can kindly let the billing department know you've been double-dipped on. And if you haven't paid or you're disputing the bill, you'll want to keep those records until the dust settles and everything is resolved.

How long should I keep my **utility bills**? Not long, unless you know you've got a trip to the DMV coming up and need to prove your identity or place of residence. In cases like those, you'll want to have last month's utility bills with your name and address front and center. Otherwise, you can shred them.

How long should I keep my **tax statements**? Seven years. Yes, seven! You never know when you might need them. Maybe the IRS wants to do an audit. Maybe you'll be buying a new house and need to prove you've been responsible in the finance department. You truly never know, so it's best to keep anything tax-related around for that long, just in case.

This series will conclude in next week's column, where you'll read about how long to keep receipts, and property records.

## Elder Wisdom

"We shall steer safely through every storm, so long as our heart is right, our intention fervent, our courage steadfast, and our trust fixed on God."

St. Francis de Sales





# DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

## Car Raffle & Cash Prizes

OLGC is again participating in the Annual All Saints Church, Manassas, VA car & cash raffle. All Saints Church (Manassas, VA) has invited our parishioners to participate in their Multi Car Raffle. Prizes include four 2023 vehicles from Ourisman Ford of Manassas (Ford Escape, Mustang, Ranger Truck and Bronco Sport). One \$5.00 ticket offers the purchaser a chance to win all four vehicles plus \$40,000 in cash prizes. Lots of chances to win—if you purchase a ticket.

You should have received your tickets in the mail, if not, please visit the Parish Office to purchase tickets.

With your support, everyone is a winner. Your purchase provides additional financial support for the church and you could win a prize too. **Please return tickets, sold and unsold, to the parish office by Thursday April 20 or directly to All Saints by Tuesday, April 25.**



Pictures are representative of the vehicles but not actual vehicles, as they have not arrived yet.

## Divine Mercy Retreat for Women

Join Monsignor Charles Mangan, from Mount St. Mary's Seminary, to celebrate the end of the Octave of Easter at San Damiano Spiritual Life Center. "Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption." The Body and the Blood of Christ are the extension of the Divine Mercy of Jesus to us. We will explore God's Goodness to us found in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We begin with dinner at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 14, the seventh day of the Octave of

Easter and conclude on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16. Cost: \$285. For more information contact: [mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org) or call 540.868.9220.



## Upcoming Diocesan Events

Visit [arlingtondiocese.org/all-events](http://arlingtondiocese.org/all-events) for details

### Chrism Mass

April 4 | 11:00am

### 7 Churches Pilgrimage

April 6 | 8:00pm

### Praise and Worship Holy Hour for Healing and Conversion in Families

April 11 | 7:30pm

### Divine Mercy Women's Silent Retreat

April 14 | 5:00pm

### Transitional Diaconate Ordinations 2023

April 15 | 11:0am

### Sunday with the Sisters

April 16 | 2:00pm

### Lourdes and the Miraculous Cures

April 18 | 7:30pm

## 2ND COLLECTION APRIL 2

## Oblate Annual Appeal

The second collection today is taken up to assist in funding the various ministries supported by the Oblates of St. Francis De Sales. Your donation plays a central role in helping the Oblates to advance the sacred mission entrusted to them: To preach the Gospel with gentleness and humility in the example of St. Francis de Sales.





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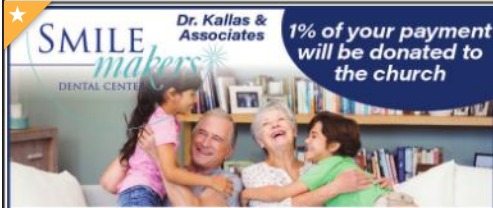
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