SEPTEMBER 3 • 2023

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Our Lady of Good Counsel 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

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

"Live joyfully! Our Lord is looking down on you lovingly. Holy joy, or as we should say, joyful holiness would be a good motto for our time."

- St. Francis de Sales

"Vive con Alegria!! Nuestro Senor te mira con amor. Santa Alegria o como deberíamos decir Gozosa Santidad seria un buen lema para nuestro tiempo"

- San Francisco de Sales



In a world filled with tasks, responsibilities, and challenges, it's easy to lose sight of God's will for us. "Do All Things with Great Love," our theme for this year, serves as a gentle reminder to infuse our every action, no matter how big or small, with a spirit of genuine affection, care, and intention.

As we embark on this year together, let's allow the love of God to guide our actions, to inspire our choices, and to uplift our spirits. In doing so, we'll not only create a more compassionate world but also find a sense of fulfillment within ourselves.

SEPTEMBER OUTREACH DRIVE

Gift Cards for CHO

On **September 9 and 10**, we will collect gift cards to major local grocery stores for CHO (The Committee for Helping Others. CHO is an all-volunteer organization that was organized in 1969 by a group of concerned churches and individuals in the Vienna, Oakton, Dunn Loring, and Merrifield area to provide simple, loving charity to those in need of goods and



services they were unable to provide for themselves or obtain from government social service organizations. CHO provides food, clothing and emergency financial services to neighbors in need.

Giant Food, Target, Walmart, Aldi, Lidl & Safeway gift cards and monetary donations will be accepted before and after Mass on Sept. 9 and 10.

Gift cards are distributed at the CHO Christmas Store in December to help families stretch their grocery budget and provide presents for their older children. In 2022, they helped 178 families (610 family members, over 300 children) with toys, clothes, and food & gift cards, and provided \$50 food cards to 33 seniors and those living on Social Security and disability. OLGC has always been a generous contributor.

Contact Anne Moran Hamisevicz, amoranelm@gmail.com, with any questions.

The Cornerstone Project

Our Progress in July-Your Generosity in Action

Thank you for continuing to share your generosity with the OLGC community. We are very grateful for all those who have prayerfully given or made pledges to this effort throughout the summer. We are pleased to announce that in the month of July, we raised \$351,083. Therefore, in the first two months of our public phase, we have raised \$718,292 towards the remaining \$3 million (24% of our public phase goal).

Ways to Support The Cornerstone Project

OLGC is inviting parishioners, school families, and friends of the parish community to prayerfully consider making a sacrificial and meaningful gift to The Cornerstone Project, one that is above and beyond your annual offertory support. Together, we can look forward in hope and reach our goal.

There are five ways to give to The Cornerstone Project:

- Faith Direct Gifts
- Check
- Capital Pledge
- Securities
- Corporate Matching Gifts

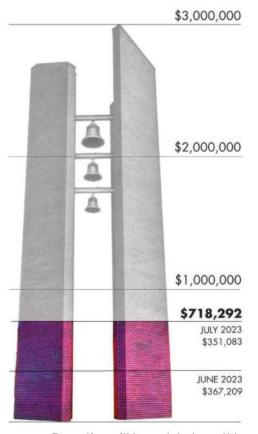
For details, please visit www.olgcva.org/support/the-cornerstone-project.







REACHING OUR REMAINING GOAL



Reporting will be updated monthly



The Cornerstone Project

HELP SECURE THE FUTURE OF OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Use this card to pledge your support for OLGC. The card can be mailed to The Office of Advancement at OLGC, 8601 Wolftrap Road, Vienna, Virginia 22182, or dropped off at the Administration building during business hours. For assistance, contact advancement@olgcva.org

To make your gift now, scan the QR code at right to visit the Cornerstone page on our website.



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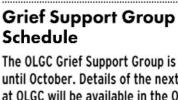
EM Training—Feed the Flock

Experience the reward and fulfillment of growing your faith by joining the team of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. A training session will be held on Wednesday, September 20th at 7pm in the Church. What a wonderful way to both attend Mass and at the same time give back in service to the Lord by distributing Communion to members of the OLGC Community. If you are interested in attending the training session, please complete and submit

a Ministry Information Form found on the OLGC website:

www.olgcva.org/liturgy-worship/ liturgical-ministries/ministry-form by Monday, September 18th. For more information, please contact Chervl Jones at







Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Classes beginning in September Would you like to discover Christ and His Church? Have you thought about becoming Catholic? If you would like to explore the RCIA process, we are here to answer your questions. Classes will begin in September. For more information, please contact Barb Steele at rcia@olgcva.org or 703.405.2776

The OLGC Grief Support Group is on break until October. Details of the next sessions at OLGC will be available in the October bulletins. In addition, the Grief Support Group at St Mark's is currently offering a new 9-week program, which will meet at St Mark's. For questions or information on either program, please contact Brad Frison at frison@verizon.net.

Mass Intentions/ Intenciones de la Misa

Presider schedule available at: bit.ly/OLGC-Presider-Schedule

Sat./Sun. September 2-3, 2023

- + Luane Cindea
- + Brian Beatty
- + Baby Jacob Alan Quintana
- + David Dziedzic
- + Paul & LaVerne Brumbaugh The OLGC Community

Monday, September 4, 2023 9:00am + Edward & Mary Lux

Tuesday, September 5, 2023 8:30am Mark A. Manalo

Wednesday, September 6, 2023 8:30am Maria Ester Madocks

Thursday, September 7, 2023 8:30am + Joe & Marion O'Connor

Friday, September 8, 2023 8:30am John F. Meehan

Saturday, September 9, 2023

8:30am + Celia Mendez de Trigo & Julie E. Trigo

Sat./Sun. September 9 - 10, 2023

- + Khoai D. Vo
- + Maria Hong & Family
- + John Richard Berg
- + Sami Awad
- + Dr. Miles R. DiGennaro The OLGC Community

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

Please pray for those for whom candles are lit:

Church No dedication
Chapel No dedication

OL Votive In Loving Memory of

+ Antony Champ

To "light a candle for someone" indicates one's intention to say a prayer for another person, and the candle symbolizes that prayer. Visit olgcva.org/liturgy-worship/devotions/candle to light a candle.

Welcome to Our Lady of Good Counsel

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.

Pastor Rev. Matthew Hillyard, OSFSfrhillyard@olgcva.org
Parochial Vicar Rev. Mathias Kumar, OSFSmkumar@olgcva.org
Retired Rev. William Metzger, OSFS william.metzger@olgcva.org
Retired Rev. Lewis Fiorelli, OSFSlfiorelli@oblates.org
Deacon Christopher Moore
School Principal Robin Williams 703.938.3600 rwilliams@olgcva.org
School Admissions & Testing Valerie Taylor 703.938.3600 vtaylor@olgcsva.org
Liturgy/Music/Funerals 703.896.7411 liturgy@olgcva.org
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Faith Formation Office Jackie Madden 703.896.7415 jmadden@olgcva.org
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Child Protection Liaison Christine Moan 703.896.7423 cmoan@olgcva.org
Advancement/Annual Giving Alison McKee & JoAnne Kinyon . advancement@olgcva.org
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Events & Fellowship Coordinator Pam Trimble 703.896.7457 ptrimble@olgcva.org
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Intentions/Ministry of Care Maria Romero 703.896.7419 welcome@olgcva.org
RCIA/Adult Sacraments Barb Steele rcia@olgcva.org
Información en español Maria Romero 703.896.7419 welcome@olgcva.org
Pastoral Council (Tina Wickham)
Finance Council (Regina Stranix) FinanceCouncil@olgcva.org
Society of St. Vincent DePaul (Linea de Ayuda) 703.938.3210 svdp@olgcva.org
Respect Life/Gabriel Project Betsy Argauer 703.255.3744 betstim@gmail.com
Knight of Columbus Santa Maria Council #4654 www.knightsvienna.org
Counseling Catholic Charities Consejería Caridades Catolica

Our website, 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
Devotional Candles: www.olgcva.org/liturgy-worship

Join the Parish: olgcva.org/register

Schedule an Event: olgcva.org/about-us/facilities

Add Item to Bulletin/Media: <u>olgcva.org/about-us/communications</u>
Mass Intention Request: <u>olgcva.org/liturgy-worship/devotions/mass</u>

Faith, Screens, and Our Families

Please join us in DeSales Hall at 7pm on Thursday, October 12 for a presentation by Peter Ryan to discuss how screen usage is impacting our children and families.

Peter is a Catholic husband and father of four who has studied the profound effects that screen-based personal technology is having on our lives. He and his 18-year-old daughter speak together on this topic in the Diocese of Arlington after she gave up her smart phone over three years ago. Come learn how screen-based technology usage is impacting your family and get advice for protecting your children from its harmful effects.

This OLGC PTO-sponsored event is open to the entire OLGC community. We hope to see you there.

Support the OLGC PTO at Pizza Vienna

Don't want to cook Tuesday, September 12th? Join us for Dining for Dollars at Pizza Vienna (235 Maple Ave E; Vienna) any time between 10:30am-9:30pm and a portion of your meal will be donated to the OLGC PTO. Pizza, wraps, calzones and so much more. Check out the menu at <u>pizzavienna.com/menu</u>

School Hot Lunch Orders Open

Hot Lunch orders are now open. This year we will alternate offering Chick-fil-A, Baja Fresh, Ledo pasta and Tony's pizza on most Thursdays. September 28 is the first hot lunch of the school year. Visit olgcschool.org/parents/hot-lunch for more information and a link to order. The Hot Lunch program does not include the preschool students.

Join Scouting Night

Friday, Sept. 8th, 5-8PM at Southside Park (1317 Ross Drive SW Vienna)

Enjoy pizza, launch air rockets and try more fun activities!

Love to camp and be outdoors, race



pinewood derby cars, learn new skills, meet new friends and most importantly have lots of fun!? Then Cub Scouts is for you! We invite all interested families to an open house sign up—where you can learn more about the Cub Scouts and how this great program can benefit your children in grades K-5.

In addition to what we are known for—outdoor activities like camping and hiking—the Cub Scouts build self-confidence, self-efficacy, and self knowledge through activities like fitness, crafts, working with one's hands and building (including the pinewood derby race!), civic and national pride, and an emphasis on acceptance, generosity, and kindness through our motto, "do your best!"

Sept. 3 Second Collection: Catholic University

Established as a papally-chartered graduate and research center, The Catholic University of America officially opened as an institution of higher education on Nov. 13, 1889.

Catholic University became the principal channel through which the modern university movement entered the American Catholic community.

The University continues to be the flagship Catholic educational institution in the United States and to maintain its unique status as the bishops' university.



Fall Fest will be Sunday, September 17th at OLGC, from 11:30 am - 4 pm, following a **10:30am bilingual Mass**. There will not be Mass at 10:00 or at noon on this day. Please visit the olgcva.org/fellowship/fall-fest to purchase wristbands and tickets in advance at a discounted rate.

THE GRNERSTONE PROJECT

Purchase your **Cornerstone Wristband** to support the Cornerstone Project at Fall Fest! Recently added to our Fall Fest online ticketing is a Cornerstone Wristband which includes a \$25 donation to the Cornerstone Project, a Fall Fest t-shirt, 2 food items, 2 beverages, and a commemorative wristband. See you at Fall Fest!

Please consider lending a hand. Sign up at bit.ly/fall-fest-volunteers.



Readings for the Week/ Lecturas de la Semana

Week of September 3-10, 2023

SUNDAY Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

MONDAY

1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1 & 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13; Lk 4:16-30

TUESDAY

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37

WEDNESDAY

Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10, 11; Lk 4:38-44

THURSDAY

Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11

FRIDAY Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or Mt 1:18-23

SATURDAY Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest

Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6 & 8; Lk 6:1-5

SUNDAY Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

Monthly Collections

Fiscal Year July 2023—June 2024

	July 2023
Offertory	185,545
Total Budgeted	181,936
Variance	3,609
YTD Received	185,545
Budget YTD	181,936
Variance	3,609

Weekly & Second Collections

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

September Second Collections

- 3 Catholic University
- 10 Religious Education-CCF
- 17 Special Kids-Special Needs

Calendar (Subject to change, updates at www.olgcva.org/about-us/calendar) September 4-10

MOND	AY			
	No School & Office Closed—Labor Day Ho		420 (0)	
	Holiday Mass	9 AM	Chapel	
TUESD	AY			10
	Daisy Girl Scout Troop 50296	3 - 5 PM	School-Loft	
	Girl Scout Troop 50274	3 - 4:30 PM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
WEDN	ESDAY			
	Girl Scout Troop 50198	3 - 4:30 PM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
	BSA Troop 976 Adult Mtg	6:30 - 8:30 PM	School	
	RCIA Catechumenate	7:30 - 9 PM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
	St. Vincent DePaul Society	7:30 - 9 PM	DeSales Hall	
	Book Study	9:30 - 11 AM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
	Men's Basketball	8 - 10 PM	Fr. Brisson Gym	
THURS	DAY			
	Prayer Shawl Ministry	9:30 - 11 AM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
	Preschool Back to School Night	7 - 8:30 PM		
	Men's Basketball	8 - 10 PM	Fr. Brisson Gym	
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	Girl Scout Troop 50118	2:45 - 4:45 PM	DeSales Hall	
	Open Mic Night	7 - 10 PM	DeSales Hall	
SATUR	DAY		BOSE SALV SONA HESSE	N.
	Confessions	9 - 9:30 AM	Reconciliation Room	
	OLGC Softball Tournament & Cookout	11 AM - 5 PM	Lower Field	
	Gift Card Collection	3:30 - 6:15 PM	Bell Tower circle	
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	Gift Card Collection		Bell Tower circle	
	Christ House Food Collection	9:30 AM - 1 PM	Parking Lot-	
			St Joseph Center	
	Children's Liturgy of the Word	10 - 10:30 AM	Chapel	
	Troop 976 Eagle Scout Court of Honor	2 - 4 PM	DeSales Hall	

Book Study: Our Thoughts Determine Our Lives

Fr. Thaddeus (1914-2003), a Serbian Orthodox monk who, after many hardships, "realized that we all worry about ourselves too much and that only he who leaves everything to the will of God can feel truly joyous, light and peaceful."

Join OLGC parishioner and experienced adult catechist, Ann Marie Mack for a 6-week discussion of Fr. Thaddeus' book, *Our Thoughts Determine Our Lives*.

Wednesdays Sept. 6 - Oct. 11, 9:30 - 11:00 am in Fr. Brisson Room. The book is available at amzn.to/43Q4VHC. To learn more, email annmariemack@gmail.com



Open Mic Night this Friday, September 8

Join us for Open Mic Night, a free family-friendly event where anyone who would like to perform (music, song, poetry, storytelling, comedy, etc.) will find a friendly audience. Even if you don't want to perform, please come be part of audience!

Informacion Parroquial en español

Preguntas o sugerencias, ofrecer misas, pedir oración durante la misa por recién fallecidos, funerals, comuníquese con Maria 703.896.7419, mromero@olgcva.org



SACRAMENTO DEL BAUTISMO DE NIÑOS MENORES DE 6 AÑOS:

Comuníquese con Maria Romero 703.896.7419 welcome@olgcva.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. olgcva.org/sacraments/baptism

CATEQUESIS

iInscríbase AHORA para la Catequesis! <u>bit.ly/CCF-in-person-2023-24</u> o comuníquese con Amy MacKinnon, 703.896.7426, <u>amackinnon@olgcva.org</u>.

CONFESIONES

Confesiones en español durante el mes de septiembre son el sábado 9 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@olgcva.org. No se escuchan confesiones los domingos antes o después de la misa.

CORNERSTONE

El mes de junio lanzamos nuestro Proyecto Cornerstone; Pueden encontrar información adicional en nuestro correo electrónico semanal, en el mostrador de bienvenida o en nuestra página web. Nuestro Párroco P. Hillyard les pide como comunidad en espíritu de oración, consideren donar yayuden a recaudar 12.5 millones de dólares. La parroquia tiene urgencia de hacer reparaciones de nuestra

instalaciones de la iglesia y la escuela.
Recuerde no importa la cantidad solo le pedimos que cada familia se comprometa apoyarle. Puede usar el código QR. Gracias por su generosidad.

REZAR EL ROSARIO

Acompañemos en el jardín de Ntra. Sra. del Buen Consejo, los domingos a las 11:15am y los lunes a las 7:30pm vía Zoom. Comuníquese con Carlos Berrios berrioscg@gmail.com.

VOLUNTARIOS

"La oportunidad de hacer grandes cosas no llega a menudo, pero en todo momento, podemos hacer pequeños actos con gran amor." - San Francisco de Sales

Como seguidores de Cristo, somos llamados por medio de nuestro Bautismo a servir a nuestros hermanos en nuestra parroquia, comunidad, país y el mundo entero. Es nuestra esperanza que todos los feligreses tengan la oportunidad de descubrir y desarrollar sus dones dados por Dios. Si desea participar como Sacristán, Ministro Extraordinario de La Sagrada Comunión, Lector, Portero/Ujier, Ministerio de La Bienvenida o Monaguillo por favor pase por el mostrador de Bienvenida o llame al 703.896.7419 o visite nuestra página web de la parroquia para ver la variedad de formas en que puede ayudar en olgcva.org/outreach/ serve.

UN CAMINO DE JUBILEO CON MARÍA

A María se le han dado títulos de las Escrituras, de las enseñanzas de la Iglesia y de muchos casos en los que María visitó lugares de la tierra para animar a las personas a pasar más tiempo en oración con Jesús. Hay 12 iglesias en la Diócesis de Arlington que llevan el nombre de María o uno de sus muchos títulos.



Como parte del segundo año de preparación para el Jubileo de Oro, el Obispo Burbidge le anima a visitar estas diversas iglesias y pasar tiempo allí en oración. Estas miniperegrinaciones lo ayudarán a usted o a su familia a aprender más sobre un título particular de María, conocer la vasta historia de las parroquias de la Diócesis y lo animarán a pasar tiempo en oración con el Señor. Hay una oración para este año de preparación que se encuentra a arlingtondiocese.org/ Jubilee/Year-II-Prayer-Card-Spanish.pdf y hermosas reflexiones del rosario para coincidir con este año de preparación que se encuentran aquí: www.arlingtondiocese.org/ prayerguides.

Senior Moments

Marge Van Lierde Gitkagirl@gmail.com 571.831.3951



SEASONED CITIZENS' LUNCHEONS RETURNING!

Yes, it's that time of year when a new season opens for these popular luncheons! After many years, they've become a tradition to honor our older parishioners. Heidi Snyder will be back with her trusty kitchen crew, and plans are in the works for the first event of the new season on Thursday, **September 21** at noon in De Sales Hall.

The "Welcome Back Friends" menu will feature Chicken Francese, Tomato Caprese Salad, Summer Squash, Pesto Pasta, Italian bread, and dessert will feature ice cream and watermelon. Summer isn't over yet, so plan to come and enjoy this wonderful seasonal meal. Reserve your place at bit.ly/Seasoned-Citizens-Sep2023.

NO, IT'S NOT TOO EARLY

To ensure those who are interested in these two holiday trips offered by Vienna Parks and Recreation will have adequate time to make reservations, I'm providing details earlier than usual.

The first trip is "A Williamsburg Christmas" scheduled for Monday, December 4 from 7:30 am-8:30 pm, Enjoy the sights and sounds of Colonial Williamsburg, the world's largest living history museum. It features iconic sights, working tradespeople, historic taverns, and two world-class art museums. You'll have a customized 3-hour guided tour visiting trade shops and historic houses, and learn about the everyday life of Williamsburg's 18th century residents.

First, there'll be time to take in the charm of Merchants Square with

colonial architecture draped in garlands. The shop owners of this quaint area take great pride in their holiday window displays. Lunch at the Blue Talon Bistro is included in the trip fee. There'll be a significant amount of walking and standing on uneven surface, so wear sturdy shoes. This adventure is in collaboration with the Young at Heart Senior Center. You will travel in a 55-passenger bus with a restroom. Vienna residents pay \$125; non-residents pay \$125. Activity #241241-A1.



The second trip is "Miracle on 34th Street" on Wednesday, December 20 from 9:30 am-4:30 pm. It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas at Toby's in Columbia, Maryland. This musical adaptation of the classic film is the holiday tale of a young girl who doubts the existence of Santa Claus until a very special, white-bearded old man changes her mind. Recreating the magic of the classic story, "Miracle on 34th St." is a joyous, heartwarming musical. Toby's is a unique venue, with amazing performances "in the round," providing each guest with a dynamic, interactive experience, and a great view with no seat more than 30 feet from the stage. Additionally, Toby's is one of the few regional dinner theatres featuring a live orchestra. Included in your ticket fee is a 25-item salad bar, carving station, and a plentiful buffet. The trip fee is \$103 for Vienna residents; non-residents pay \$128.75. Activity #241-242-A1.

Use your Vienna Community

Center's WebTrac account to register for these trips, or stop by to do it in person. Don't wait too long!

LUNCH 'N' LIFE

The Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia invites you to its next luncheon program on Monday, September 18 from 12 noon to 2:00 pm at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2589 Chain Bridge Road in Vienna. After a delicious and nutritious meal, you'll be entertained by Mike Hall with his authentic Mark Twain impersonation. Tickets are \$20 each. Call 703.281.0538 or visit www.snova.org to register. I've always found these luncheons to be delightful events. They're conveniently located, and there's plenty of parking. If you haven't attended in the past, why not give it a try?

FYI: RSV VACCINE NEWS

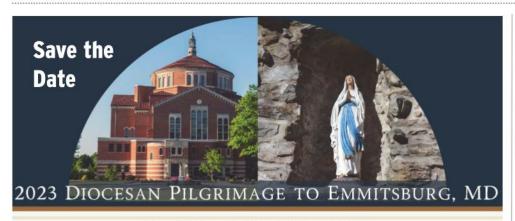
Kiplinger Retirement Report announced that older adults have another option to protect against a deadly lower respiratory infection. The FDA has approved Abrysvo, the second vaccine for respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) for people age 60 and older. The first one to be approved was Arexvy.

The vaccines should be available for older adults before the RSV season this fall. The exact price of the drugs was not definite at the time of Kiplinger's article, but an early estimated price range was between \$180 to \$295 per shot, depending on the manufacturer, and exact Medicare coverage was also uncertain.

Elder Wisdom

I've reached the age where my train of thought often leaves the station without me.

DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS



Join Bishop Michael F. Burbidge on a pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton and the National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes Saturday, October 7, 2023

Students & Volunteers Needed!

St. Mark Catholic Church English as a Second Language (ESL) Ministry

St. Mark ESL Program is seeking students and new volunteers to participate in our upcoming inperson term for the Fall 2023, Sept. 26 – Dec. 5. No experience is necessary to volunteer! All classes

take place on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

For more on this important ministry, call Monica at 703.980.9380, email <u>stmarksesl@gmail.com</u>, or see the Web site at www.stmarkesl.org.

Mass for Marriage Jubilarians

Celebrating A Golden or Silver Wedding Anniversary This Year? Were you



married in 1973 or 1998? Then join Bishop Michael F. Burbidge for the 2023 Mass for Jubilarians on Sunday, October 15 at 3 p.m. at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Arlington.

Download the registration form found here: bit.ly/Jubilarian2023-form and return it to the parish office.

Upcoming Diocesan Events

Visit <u>arlingtondiocese.org/all-events</u> for details

Holy Hour for Healing Thursday, September 7 | 7:00pm

Life-Giving Wounds: Ministry for Adult Children of Divorce

Friday, September 8 | 6:30pm

Mass Honoring Military & First Responders Sunday, September 10 | 11:00am

Yearly Subscription of The Word Among Us (WAU)

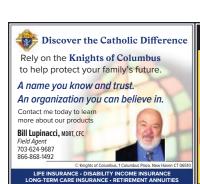
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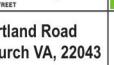


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