

OCTOBER 29 • 2023

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church

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Administered by the Oblates of
St. Francis de Sales

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

*"No matter where
we are, we must aspire
to a perfect life."*

- St. Francis de Sales

*"No importa dónde
estemos, debemos
aspirar a una vida
perfecta".*

- San Francisco de Sales

Congratulations Confirmandi!

Congratulations to all those who were confirmed last weekend at OLGC! This is a significant milestone in your faith journey, and we celebrate your commitment to Jesus and his Church. May this sacrament strengthen your relationship with God and guide you in living a life of love, compassion, and service to others. May you continue to grow in your faith and find joy and fulfillment in your spiritual journey. God bless you all on this special occasion!

Jack	Nelle	Anna	Mary Julia	Samuel	Abigail	Steven
Wyatt	Mikayla	Emily	Gavin	Sara	Josh	Aidan
Carissa	Samuel	Isabella	Jack	Madison	Landyn	Orion
James	Claire	Colin	Jillian	Maxwell	Lucas	Thomas
Luke	Evan	Sean	Alexander	Juan-Lucas	Lucy	
Peter	Mairin	Jacob				
Paul	Caylee	Eliza				
Colin	Chase	Katarina				
Gregor	Aiden	Sara				
Andrew	Michael	Mary				
Anthony	Charlotte	Montgomery				
Stella	Austin	Andreas				
Aaron	Edmond	Evan				
Jude	Aislin	Landon				
Kyle	Ivanna	Jackson				
Brooke	Aeowyn	Ella				
Eliza	Vigo	Isabella				
Mia	Douglas	Logan				
Marabella	Sabrina	Audrey				
Andrew	Gavin	Meghan				
Carys	Kaia	Harper				
Emma	Jon	Katherine				
Aiden	Cara	Bianka				
Aidan	Aiden	Aditi				
Jade	Bowen	Peyton				
Kaiya	Peyton	Natalia				
Joseph	David	Henry				
Jonathan	Brendan	Reece				

RECEIVE THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

WISDOM

THE ABILITY TO
SEE THINGS AS THEY
TRULY ARE IN AN
OPEN-MINDED MANNER

UNDERSTANDING

THE HEART THAT
ACCEPTS, CARES,
LISTENS, UNDERSTANDS,
FORGIVES

KNOWLEDGE

THE ABILITY TO
COMPREHEND THE
TRUTHS OF THE
UNIVERSE

RIGHT JUDGEMENT

THE ABILITY TO
MAKE GOOD AND
WISE DECISIONS

COURAGE

THE STRENGTH TO DO
WHAT IS RIGHT IN SPITE
OF CHALLENGES

REVERENCE

A DEEP RESPECT FOR
GOD, FOR OTHERS AND
FOR ALL CREATION

WONDER & AWE IN GOD'S PRESENCE

A SENSE OF THE
GREATNESS AND
MAJESTY OF GOD
COUPLED WITH A
DEEP REALIZATION
OF HIS NEARNESS


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@olgcv.org.

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





THE CORNERSTONE PROJECT

PLEDGE COMMITMENT

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

In support of The Cornerstone Project, I/We pledge the following:

☐ \$100,000
 ☐ \$75,000
 ☐ \$50,000
 ☐ \$25,000
 ☐ \$15,000
 ☐ \$10,000
 ☐ \$5,000
☐ Other: \$ _____

Payable as follows:

☐ Annually
 ☐ Quarterly
 ☐ Monthly

Timeframe:

☐ 5 yrs
 ☐ 4 yrs
 ☐ 3 yrs
 ☐ 2 yrs
 ☐ 1 yr

Payment Method:

☐ Faith Direct
 ☐ Check
 ☐ Electronic Funds Transfer
 ☐ Check this box and the Office of Advancement will contact you to establish your gift.

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.olgcv.org/support/the-cornerstone-project.

MONTHLY OUTREACH Thank You!

Thank you to all who donated coats last weekend for our October Outreach drive. We received more than **275 coats** to help those in need in our community stay warm this winter. Special thanks to the volunteers who were on hand to collect and sort the donations.



CHO Holiday Bike Drive

CHO's Christmas bike collection has 4(!) different drop-off locations this year. Leave your bikes (preferably bikes suitable for teens and adults)—

- parking lot of Antioch Christian Church (1860 Beulah Rd.)
- 317 Church St. NE, Vienna (in the driveway)
- 218 Elmar Dr. SE., Vienna (in the driveway)
- 9807 Wintercress Ct., Vienna (in the driveway)

The collection ends November 25.

OLGC Joy of Christmas Giving donates these used bikes to local families in need.



A CORNERSTONE PROJECT UPDATE

From Fr. Matt & The Finance Counsel

Following the Town Hall last week, we would like to highlight the following campaign facts and figures as a parish-wide update on the status of The Cornerstone Project as of September 30, 2023:

- Completed projects include Phases 1 & 2 of the school HVAC system, school flooring, church roofing, Bell Tower repair, repair to cracks in the church walls, and a new security system.
- The overall capital project list totals \$12M.
- We expect to spend \$9M on remaining capital projects over the next four (4) years. This includes the final Phase 3 of the HVAC system, renovation of the Narthex bathrooms and Narthex flooring, new church flooring, refinishing of the church pews, new roofing for the school & Administration buildings, installation of new HVAC rooftop units, parking lot resurfacing and more.
- Over the last 9 months, we have recorded \$2.5M in pledge gifts since announcing the campaign to the parish.
- We can account for \$10M in raised funds against the \$12M project list.
- This \$2.0M gap is concerning since the Bishop has announced a moratorium on local fundraising beginning in 2024.

The time is now.

We have \$2.0M to raise by December 31st.

We ask each of you to support this effort with a gift over and above your typical offertory. Please contact advancement@olgcva.org with questions or assistance in making a donation.

What's included in the \$12M Project List

**Replace outdated
School HVAC
Air Filtration
System**

COST: \$ 5.7 MILLION

**Improve our campus
including security
system, church flooring,
Narthex bathrooms &
Narthex flooring**

COST: \$ 3.0 MILLION

**Replace roof structures
at the Church,
School and
Administration
buildings**

COST: \$ 3.3 MILLION

Mass Intentions/ Intenciones de la Misa

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

Sat. Oct 28/Sun. Oct 29, 2023

+ Therese M. Tuszka
+ Nicholas Robert Hoy
+ Christine Johnson
+ Gadell Family
+ Patrick Pagsibigan

Monday, October 30, 2023

8:30am + Therese & Herbert Jarosz

Tuesday, October 31, 2023

8:30am + Lucy & Fred Marbella

Wednesday, November 1, 2023

8:30am + Peterson Henares
+ Howard Smith
12:10pm + Nahida, Robert & Sami Awad
7:00pm + Rosa Mirian Flores

Thursday, November 2, 2023

8:30am The OLGC Community

Friday, November 3, 2023

8:30am Alex & Hillary Halili

Saturday, November 4, 2023

8:30am + Elizabeth D. Samson

Sat. Nov 4/Sun. Nov 5, 2023

+ Betty & Bill Connelly
+ Michael Anton Tuszka
+ Laura Harbour Scott
+ Thomas Vy & Maria Thuc Nguyen
+ Barbara Beatty

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	Special intention for Antonio and Nicolas Berrios
Chapel	Special intention for Holly Orr
OL Votive	In loving memory of + Nahida, Robert and Sami Awad

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

Welcome to Our Lady of Good Counsel

We, 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, OSFS..... frhillyard@olgcv.org
Parochial Vicar Rev. Mathias Kumar, OSFS..... mkumar@olgcv.org
Retired Rev. William Metzger, OSFS..... william.metzger@olgcv.org
Retired Rev. Lewis Fiorelli, OSFS..... lfiorelli@oblates.org
Deacon Christopher Moore cgmoores@olgcv.org
School Principal Robin Williams 703.938.3600 rwilliams@olgcv.org
School Admissions & Testing Valerie Taylor 703.938.3600 vtaylor@olgcv.org
Liturgy/Music/Funerals 703.896.7411 liturgy@olgcv.org
Children's Faith Formation Amy MacKinnon 703.896.7426 .. amackinnon@olgcv.org
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Child Protection Liaison Christine Moan 703.896.7423 cmoan@olgcv.org
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Events & Fellowship Coordinator Pam Trimble 703.896.7457 .. ptrimble@olgcv.org
Parish Office Manager Maria Romero 703.896.7419..... welcome@olgcv.org
Intentions/Ministry of Care Maria Romero 703.896.7419..... welcome@olgcv.org
RCIA/Adult Sacraments Barb Steele rcia@olgcv.org
Información en español Maria Romero 703.896.7419 welcome@olgcv.org
Pastoral Council (Tina Wickham) PastoralCouncil@olgcv.org
Finance Council (Regina Stranix) FinanceCouncil@olgcv.org
Society of St. Vincent DePaul (Linea de Ayuda) 703.938.3210..... svdp@olgcv.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 703.425.0109

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.olgcv.org/liturgy-worship/funerals

Devotional Candles: www.olgcv.org/liturgy-worship

Join the Parish: olgcv.org/register

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

Add Item to Bulletin/Media: olgcv.org/about-us/communications

Mass Intention Request: olgcv.org/liturgy-worship/devotions/mass

Annual Report to the Parish

Next weekend, at the homily time for the Masses, Fr. Matt and Regina Stranix (Finance Committee Chair) will give the highlights from the year, including a Cornerstone update.

The annual report, required by the

diocese, provides parishioners the opportunity to hear the financial status of the parish, as well as other updates of interest. A written summary will be available after the weekend Masses on the OLGC website.

We Want to Hear from You

The Parish Council invites all parishioners to share their thoughts about life at OLGC post-COVID. Please take a few minutes to fill out the survey at bit.ly/parish-council-survey to help us work toward growing and strengthening our parish.



The survey will be open until November 12. If you prefer a paper survey, please contact Tina Wickham at twickham96@gmail.com.

Thank you for helping make OLGC a stronger and more welcoming community.


ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



November 3 9am - 3pm
Sign up at bit.ly/Adoration-Nov2023

DONUT SOCIAL

NOVEMBER 5
Join us after Mass



Organized by the
Knights of Columbus
Santa Maria Council

Nominations for the Aviat Award—Due Nov. 1

Each year in November, OLGC recognizes teachers who embody the spirit of St. Leonie Aviat in their calling as faith-filled, dedicated Catholic School teachers. This award is made in honor of Elizabeth White, OLGC graduate and former OLGC 2nd grade teacher, who is remembered for her vivacious laugh and infectious smile.



We are now accepting nominations. Two teachers will receive the award

based upon nominations from the entire Our Lady of Good Counsel community.


To nominate a teacher, please visit olgcschool.org/support/aviat-award and complete the form found at the bottom of the page. All nominations are due by 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 1.

The award winners will receive a generous monetary award to celebrate the season of Thanksgiving in a way that will make a difference to them and their families.

2024 Is Right Around the Corner!

Mark your calendar for these two events in January that you won't want to miss.

Reception to Celebrate



The Feast of St. Francis De Sales
Wednesday, January 24th, 2024
More Details to Follow

JOIN US SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH
IN DE SALES HALL



OLGC CASINO NIGHT

\$50 PER PERSON | 7 PM - 10 PM | ADULTS ONLY
BLACKJACK | ROULETTE | TEXAS HOLD'EM | CRAPS
ADULT BEVERAGES INCLUDED

Purchase Tickets at olgcsa.org/fellowship/casinonight



FR. MATT'S Musing:
OCTOBER 24
Hiccups

Hiccups are awkward. They are unexpected, unpredictable and, at times, uncontrollably noisy. Even the word itself is odd looking and sounding....

Read more at bit.ly/FrMattsMusing-Oct24

Readings for the Week/ Lecturas de la Semana

Week of October 29-November 5, 2023

SUNDAY Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51;

1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

MONDAY

Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2 & 4, Lk 13:10-17

TUESDAY

Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6;

Lk 13:18-21

WEDNESDAY Solemnity of All Saints

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1

Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

THURSDAY The Commemoration of

All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6; Rom 6:3-9;

Jn 6:37-40

FRIDAY

Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6

SATURDAY Memorial of Saint Charles

Borromeo, Bishop

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15,

17-18; Lk 14:1, 7-11

SUNDAY Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131:1, 2, 3;

1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12

Monthly Collections

Fiscal Year July 2023—June 2024

	Aug 2023	Sep 2023
Offertory	100,832	167,258
Total Budgeted	178,304	168,507
Variance	(77,473)	(1,249)
YTD Received	268,377	453,635
Budget YTD	360,241	528,747
Variance	(73,864)	(75,112)

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.

November Collections

- 1 All Saints Day
- 5 Archdiocese for the Military Services
- 12 Retired Religious Fund
- 19 Camp for Human Development
- 23 Thanksgiving

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

October 30-November 5

MONDAY			30
Little Rock Scripture Study	10 - 11:30 AM	Zoom	
Quilters	11 AM - 3 PM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
TUESDAY			31
School Pink Out of Uniform Day			
Tuesday Bible Study	9:45 - 11:45 AM	Zoom	
WEDNESDAY			Nov 1
All Saints Day			
All Saints Holy Day Mass	8:30 - 9:30 AM	Church	
All Saints Holy Day Mass	12:10 - 1 PM	Church	
Aviat Award Nominations Due	3 PM		
Girl Scout Troop 50198	3 - 4:30 PM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
All Saints Holy Day Mass-Bilingual	7 - 8 PM	Church	
RCIA Catechumenate	7:30 - 9 PM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
St. Vincent DePaul Society	7:30 - 9 PM	DeSales Hall	
Men's Basketball	8 - 10 PM	Fr. Brisson Gym	
THURSDAY			2
Prayer Shawl Ministry	9:30 - 11 AM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
Men's Basketball	8 - 10 PM	Fr. Brisson Gym	
FRIDAY			3
Adoration	9 AM - 3 PM	Church	
Coffee Social	9 - 10:30 AM	DeSales Hall	
SATURDAY			4
Elementary CCF	8:30 - 10 AM	School	
Confessions	9 - 9:30 AM	Reconciliation Room	
Elementary CCF	10:30 AM - 12 PM	School	
SUNDAY			5
Donut Social	8 AM - 2 PM	DeSales Hall	
Children's Liturgy of the Word	10 - 10:30 AM	Chapel	
Breaking Open the Word	10:30 - 11 AM	Chapel	
Jr. High CCF	6:15 - 7:45 PM	School	

**HELP MAKE THE
GOLF CLASSIC A SUCCESS!**

Volunteer at the Golf Classic

Sign up at bit.ly/2023GolfClassic-volunteers

The proceeds generated through the Golf Classic fund tuition assistance for our School families who desire a Catholic education for their children but who are faced with varying financial constraints.



Coffee Social

Friday, November 3

Please join us following the 8:30 Mass for our monthly Coffee Social in DeSales Hall



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@olgcv.org



SACRAMENTO DEL BAUTISMO DE NIÑOS MENORES DE 6 AÑOS:

Comuníquese con Maria Romero 703.896.7419 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

CATEQUESIS

¡Inscríbese AHORA para la Catequesis! bit.ly/CCF-in-person-2023-24 o comuníquese con Amy MacKinnon, 703.896.7426, amackinnon@olgcv.org.

CONFESIONES

Confesiones en español durante el mes de noviembre son el sábado 11 y 18 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. 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 y ayuden 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 olgcv.org/outreach/serve.

OLGC Troop 976 Annual Christmas Wreath Sales

Pre-order your wreaths now!

OLGC's Boy Scout Troop 976 will conduct their annual sale of festive Christmas wreaths. The wreaths are \$34 each and usually sell out quickly—the Troop recommends pre-ordering early this year to ensure you get one!

The beautiful greenery we select is fresh from a Maryland farm, and the proceeds help keep dues accessible for many members of our Troop. For more information, visit tinyurl.com/T976wreaths.



Calling OLGC Referees

OLGC House League Basketball is coming, and we are calling **all high school students** that are interested in being a referee this season to contact Mark Hinnenkamp (mjhinnenkamp@gmail.com). Referees need to attend the referee clinic at the OLGC Gym on Nov 5th, 11:30am to 1pm (bring your whistle).

You will have a great time helping 4th and 5th grade students learn the fundamentals of hoops, being with your peers, learning to interact with adult coaches, and earning an income.

Senior Moments

Marge Van Lierde
Gitkagirl@gmail.com
571.831.3951



SEASONED CITIZENS' LUNCHEON

Yes, Thanksgiving is closer than you think, and it's time to "Give Thanks," which is the theme for next month's luncheon for OLGC seniors. It'll be on Thursday, November 16 when the doors to De Sales Hall will open at noon. Early information is that the menu will be a traditional one highlighting turkey with all the trimmings, and the dessert will feature apple and pumpkin pies. Sound good? Make your reservation by e-mailing seasonedcitizens@olgcv.org, call Dagny at 703.281.5525, or RSVP at bit.ly/Seasoned-Citizens-GiveThanks. There is no charge, but reservations are essential for planning purposes. Please do so by November 12th.

The Book Swap Table will again be there to receive your donated books and jigsaw puzzles (nothing else, please.) Thank you for helping to keep it stocked with interesting reading!

IMPOSTER SCAMS

It's been a while since I've written about this issue that's been plaguing people for years, especially seniors. I'm re-visiting it because of what happened to a friend earlier this year, and to remind you that an imposter scam can catch you, too, in a heartbeat, if you're not careful. My friend has a sharp mind and is living a full, satisfying life. She manages a large home, travels, and is independent. She received an e-mail, supposedly from her bank, telling her there was an issue with her account, and to call their Customer Service number which

was listed on the e-mail. She did, unfortunately, and the scam began. As she was telling me exactly what transpired, I was stunned to realize how business-like, how soothing and reassuring the words of these fraudsters were. I can't explain it, but there's a psychological component to what they do, and they're very, very good at it. In the end, she lost a substantial amount of money. And just recently, I heard of the exact same scam perpetrated on a friend of one of the residents in my retirement community. The only difference is that she lost all her life savings.



Imposter scam refers to a scam where a fraudster, or a team of them, impersonate a trusted individual, business, or organization to convince a target to transfer money. In an imposter scam, fraudsters will often contact you via a phone call, e-mail, text, online advertisement, or social media post. They may claim to be security/technical support for a known and reputable company such as Microsoft, or a trusted financial institution such as your broker or bank. They may ask you to download software and/or request remote access to your computer. Sometimes they send you an e-mail or text message with a link or attachment which may ask you to

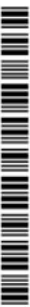
approve or deny a transaction, set up new credentials, or take some other action regarding your account. They sometimes ask you to go to a branch of your bank (not the one where you're known) and tell you to withdraw a certain amount of money, and will give you the words to say to the teller when that person asks you why you're withdrawing so much money at one time. Oh yes, they've got all the bases covered!

Preventing imposter scams requires noticing red flags and taking simple steps. You should confirm the legitimacy of the organization or person trying to reach you, especially if you didn't initiate the contact.

Text messages, e-mails and phone calls can appear to come from a trusted institution when they're actually from a fraudster. Don't assume you're speaking with an institution based on caller ID. Also, check the URL of the website or link sent to you by e-mail to validate it's a legitimate site and address (such as www.Schwab.com versus www.schwab@gmail.com for example.) It's also not a bad idea to check directly with the bank or other institution in question, by using the Customer Service telephone number listed on their statements, to verify that your account is not in jeopardy. Never click on the number that you're being asked to call. We all know how fast technology is advancing, and the unsavory scammers are becoming increasingly more sophisticated in how they go about getting your money.

Elder Wisdom

"If you judge people,
you have no time to
love them." —Mother Teresa



DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

Volunteers Needed



ST. MARTIN DE PORRES SENIOR CENTER

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

- COMPUTER AND TECH INSTRUCTORS
- EXERCISE INSTRUCTORS
- ARTS AND CRAFTS INSTRUCTORS
- PRESENTERS
- SERVING MEALS

Center Hours are
Monday - Friday
9:30 am - 1:30 pm

Flexible schedules based on availability

Location:
4650 Taney Avenue
Alexandria, VA 22304

SIGN UP HERE!!!
bit.ly/SMDPVOL

or SCAN this code



CONTACT

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES
Maria.Mellor@ccda.net
(703) 751-2766



SECOND COLLECTION NOVEMBER 5

Archdiocese for the Military Services

The Archdiocese for the Military Services was created by Pope Saint John Paul II to provide the Catholic Church's full range of pastoral ministries and spiritual services to those in the United States Armed Forces. This includes more than 220 installations in 29 countries, patients in 153 V.A. Medical Centers, and federal employees serving outside the boundaries of the USA in 134 countries. Numerically, the AMS is responsible for more than 1.8 million men, women, and



children.

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Upcoming Diocesan Events

Visit arlingtondiocese.org/all-events for details

Mass in Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)
Thursday, November 2 | 11:00am

Black Catholic History Month: We've Come This Far by Faith: Continuing to Write the Vision
Saturday, November 4 | 5:30pm

Black Catholic History Month
Sunday, November 5 | 11:00am

Retreat for Young Adults: Finding Jesus with Frassati November 10-12
Friday, November 10 | 6:00pm

Trunk or Treat

Come out for an evening of candy, costumes, music, food, & more on Sunday, October 29, 5:00 to 7:00 PM in the Vienna Presbyterian Church parking lot. Everyone in the community is invited to this FREE event.

Sign your car up here to decorate your car and be a part of Trunk or Treat! Candy donations gladly accepted. For questions or volunteer opportunities contact StaciLynne at stacilynne.smith@viennapres.org or 703.938.9050 X119.



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