

SEPTEMBER

9 | 8 | 2024

23RD 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

*“All of our actions
should rise above, that
is, should lead us to
heaven.”*

- Blessed Louis Brisson, OSFS

*“Todas nuestras
acciones deben elevarse
por encima, es decir,
deben llevarnos al cielo.”*

- Beato Louis Brisson, OSFS

B-I-N-G-O!



200 parishioners and friends came for an evening of fun! More than \$500 in cash prizes were awarded, as well as donated gifts including a Great Harvest Bread Company bread bundle and gift certificates from Bruster's, Smoothie King, Tony's Pizza and Nothing Bundt Cakes. Two lucky students won OLGCS School baskets that included dress-down passes, spirit coins, OLGCS spirit wear and more!

Guest callers included Fr. Metzger, Principal Williams, and CYO Coaches Eric Hernandez and Erik Binkowski.



Mass Intentions/ Intenciones de la Misa

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

Sat. Sept. 7 / Sun. Sept. 8, 2024

+ Marion & Joe O'Connor
+ Marcel & Lucy Dinka
+ Maria Hang & Family
+ Goldie Simmons
+ Lucas Saucedo

Monday, September 9, 2024

8:30am + Jose R. Rodriguez

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

8:30am + Nicholas Robert Hoy

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

8:30am + Khoai D. Vo

Thursday, September 12, 2024

8:30am For the OLGC Community

Friday, September 13, 2024

8:30am + Dr. Danilo Gutierrez Lee

Saturday, September 14, 2024

8:30am + Karl & Constance Schechter

Sat. Sept. 14/ Sun. Sept. 15, 2024

+ James Kevin Cotter
+ Dr. Danilo Gutierrez Lee
+ Roberto M. Rodriguez
+ Ruth & Abraham Pestana
+ Jose Donato Paz
+ Christopher Spagnoli

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

+ Leonel José Estrada Martínez
+ Kevin McCartin, brother of Eileen
McCartin, brother-in-law of Charles
Fulghum

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

Church In thanksgiving for
Lucas & Caroline Horacek

Chapel In loving memory of
+Nicholas Robert Hoy

OL Votive For World Peace

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..... fhillyard@olgcv.org

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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/Devotional Candles: olgcv.org/liturgy-worship/devotions/mass



Fall Fest sales are now open! Purchase wristbands and tickets at a 15% off discount at olgcva.org/fellowship/fall-fest through Sept. 20. Wristbands and tickets will be sold at the event. Wristbands allow for full access to games and rides at Fall Fest. Tickets can be redeemed

for all consumables including food, snacks, drinks, beer, face painting, crafts and also for premium entertainment and games for those without a wristband.

We need volunteers! Sign up at bit.ly/fall-fest-2024-volunteers.

SEPTEMBER OUTREACH

Gift/Grocery Card Collection for CHO

On September 14 and 15, CHO (The Committee for Helping Others) will be collecting gift cards to major local grocery stores (Giant Food, Target, Walmart, Aldi, Lidl & Safeway) and monetary donations.

Gift cards are distributed at our Christmas Store in December to help families stretch their grocery budget and provide presents for their older children. CHO has helped 150-240 families (700-800 individuals) at its Christmas Store each year for the last five years. OLCG has always been a generous contributor.

CHO is a local interfaith nonprofit that provides food, clothing and emergency financial services to neighbors in need.

We need volunteers to collect

donations that weekend. To help out, go to bit.ly/2024-CHO-card-volunteers.

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



FR. MATT'S MUSING: AUGUST 23

Beauty

Saint Francis De Sales loved the beauty of nature, especially in Annecy, France and its surroundings. He also loved the beauty of words because all of this reminded him of the beauty of God...

Read more at bit.ly/FrMattsMusing-Aug23-2024

EM Training—Feed the Flock

Grow your faith by joining the team of

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Training session
Monday, September 16
at 7p.m. in the Church.



A training session for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be held on Monday, September 16th at 7pm in the Church. If you are interested in attending the training session, please complete and submit a Ministry Information Form found on the OLCG website: olgcva.org/liturgy-worship/liturgical-ministries/ministry-form by Sunday, September 15th. For additional information and/or questions, please contact Cheryl Jones at cheryl.mcmillan.jones@gmail.com.

Readings for the Week/
Lecturas de la Semana
Week of September 8-15, 2024

SUNDAY Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

MONDAY Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest
1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11

TUESDAY
1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a and 9b; Lk 6:12-19

WEDNESDAY
1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26

THURSDAY Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Mary
1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38

FRIDAY Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42

SATURDAY Feast of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

SUNDAY Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

Monthly Collections	
Fiscal Year July 2024—June 2025	
	July 2024
Offertory	179,174
Total Budgeted	181,936
Variance	(2,762)
YTD Received	179,174
Budget YTD	181,936
Variance	(2,762)

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

9/1 Catholic University

9/8 Religious Ed-CCF

9/15 Mission Co-op Plan Appeal

9/29 Special Kids-Special Needs

Calendar (Subject to change, updates at www.olgcva.org/about-us/calendar)
September 8-15

SUNDAY			8
Christ House Food Collection	9:30 AM - 1 PM	SJC parking lot	
Children's Liturgy of the Word	10 - 10:30 AM	Chapel	
OCIA Breaking Open the Word	10:30 - 11 AM	Reconciliation Rm	
Girl Scout Troop 50296	3:30 - 5 PM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
Nightlife Kick Off	6 - 8 PM	DeSales Hall	
Jr. High CCF	6:15 - 7:45 PM	School	
MONDAY			9
CYO Track Practice			
Lamb Center Breakfast	6:45 - 7 AM	Parking Lot-Bell Tower	
Rosary Makers	10 AM - 12 PM	SJC-Aviat Rm	
Little Rock Scripture Study: Job	10 - 11:30 AM	Zoom	
Quilters	11 AM - 3 PM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
Middle School Monday Kick Off	6 - 7:30 PM	DeSales Hall	
Evening Prayer	7 - 7:45 PM	Chapel	
TUESDAY			10
Tuesday Morning Bible Study	9:45 - 11:45 AM	DeSales Hall	
Book Study: Tattoos on the Heart	7 - 8 PM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
Mystagogy	7:30 - 9 PM	SJC-Aviat Rm	
WEDNESDAY			11
BSA Troop 976 meeting	7 - 8:30 PM	Counsel Rm	
OCIA	7 - 9 PM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
Men's Basketball	8 - 10 PM	Fr. Brisson Gym	
THURSDAY			12
8th Grade - Bishop O'Connell HS Visit	8:15 AM		
Prayer Shawl Ministry	9:30 - 11 AM	SJC-Brisson Rm	
Men's Basketball	8 - 10 PM	Fr. Brisson Gym	
FRIDAY			13
Open Mic Night	7 - 10 PM	DeSales Hall	
Hot Lunch Ordering Closes	11:55 PM		
SATURDAY			14
Elementary CCF	8:30 - 10 AM	School	
SUNDAY			15
Children's Liturgy of the Word	10 - 10:30 AM	Chapel	
OCIA Breaking Open the Word	10:30 - 11 AM	Reconciliation Rm	
Nightlife	6 - 8 PM	DeSales Hall	
Jr. High CCF	6:15 - 7:45 PM	School	

Second Collections

RELIGIOUS ED-CCF
The mission of Our Lady of Good Counsel's CCF program is to proclaim Christ's message and help students apply it to their lives to foster community, prayer, worship, and the desire to serve the Lord. Your contribution directly supports our parish.

MISSION COOPERATIVE PLAN
This appeal helps our brothers and sisters who do not have access to basic pastoral services, like Mass and religious education, as well as basic needs—like food and shelter, and healthcare. Our parish mission organization is **Diocese of Karonga**. Bishop Martin Mtumbuka will visit on Sept. 14 & 15 to speak at all the Masses.



Join Us as a Sponsor!

The 23rd Annual Golf Classic

Skip the waitlist & support the school by becoming a sponsor!
Your Tournament sponsorship includes one or more player registrations!

The proceeds generated by the OLGC Golf Classic directly support need-based tuition assistance for our school families. In 2023, the Golf Classic raised over \$65,000 for families in need of financial support at OLGC School.

TOURNAMENT

RECEPTION (1 AVAILABLE) \$6,500

One Foursome (4 players) with 4 Reception tickets; welcome remarks to the community and VIP table at the Reception; print, social media, and in-person marketing placement.

GOLD (3 AVAILABLE) \$5,500

One Foursome (4 players) with 4 Reception tickets; print, social media, and in-person marketing placement.

SILVER (1 remaining) \$3,500

2 player registrations with 2 Reception tickets; print, social media and in-person marketing placement.

BRONZE (3 Remaining) \$2,500

1 player registration with Reception ticket; print, social media and in-person marketing placement.

CONTESTS

MARSHMALLOW LONG DRIVE \$1,500

Print, social media, and in-person marketing placement. Engagement with golfers.

HOSPITALITY

FLEET \$3,500

Brand recognition and messaging across all newly upgraded electric golf carts. Includes 2 Reception tickets. Print, social media and in-person marketing placement.

BAR CART (2 AVAILABLE) \$3,000

Branding on beverage cart with sponsor representative at the wheel; engagement with all attendees throughout event; 2 Reception tickets; print, social media and in-person marketing placement.

LUNCH \$2,750

Branding of all golfer lunches; 1 Reception ticket; print, social media, and in-person marketing placement.

GOLFER SWAG \$2,500

Branding of golfer swag; 1 Reception ticket; print, social media, and in-person marketing placement.

FLAG (18 FLAGS AVAILABLE) \$350

Custom Flag with personal or corporate recognition used during the event and then given as commemorative item after event.

TEE BOX (18 TEE BOXES AVAILABLE) \$300

18 x 24 signage at the Tee Box or near the Green with personal or Corporate Brand Recognition; Engagement with golfers at hole.

RECEPTION TICKET \$100

Add a reception ticket for your spouse or non-player for the cocktail hour & dinner.

OLGC PATRON begins at \$100

Your patronage directly supports Tuition Assistance for our Wildcats.

**In August, we welcomed
our newest members to the
OLGC community through
the waters of baptism:**

Alexander Michael Aitkens
Jackson Paul Floria
Hayden Webster Hodges
Maeve Eileen Shers
Matteo Padilla Rosell



2024 Santa Maria Council, Knights of Columbus Officers

Please welcome the incoming Santa Maria Council, Knights of Columbus Officers installed on Tuesday, July 9, at 7:30 pm in the Knights of Columbus Hall at 214 Lawyers Rd. [Join Us | Knights of Columbus](#)



Back row (left to right): Ward West, Recorder; Matt Housley, Warden; EJ Thomas, Treasurer; Steve Stoupa, Financial Sec.; Tom Reed, Chancellor.
Front row (left to right): John Rovinski, District Deputy; Andy Zaso, Trustee; Jim Hathaway, Inside Guard; Mike Churma, Grand Knight; Fr. Kumar, Chaplain; Henry Asherbranner, Deputy Grand Knight; Caleb Reed, Outside Guard; Mark Vitalie, Trustee. **Not pictured:** Nestor Folta, Lecturer; Chris Fortier, Trustee



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@olgva.org



TALLERES DE CAPACITACIÓN PARA MINISTROS EXTRAORDINARIOS DE LA SAGRADA COMUNIÓN

Ministros Eucarísticos de la Sagrada Comunión de la Diócesis de Arlington, llevara a cabo sesiones de Formación para aquellos que deseen ser Ministros Eucarísticos.

La información presentada en estas sesiones se centra en la teología de la Eucaristía y en su papel como Ministro Eucarístico de la Sagrada Comunión. La asistencia a un taller es obligatoria para todos los nuevos voluntarios que deseen servir como Ministros Extraordinarios de la Sagrada Comunión y para aquellos que hayan completado 10 años de servicio como ministros. Para registrarse y obtener más información sobre estos talleres,

visite arlingtondiocese.org/emhc.

Los próximos talleres en español serán:

- El sábado 7 de septiembre del 2024 - 1:30 p. m. en la Catedral de Santo Tomás Moro, en Arlington
- El sábado 12 de octubre del 2024 - 10:00 a. m. Iglesia Todos los Santos, en Manassas

Los próximos talleres en ingles serán:

- El sábado 14 de septiembre del 2024 - 10:00 a.m. en Saint Thomas à Becket, en Reston
- El sábado 19 de octubre del 2024 - 10:00 a. m. en All Saints, Manassas
- El Sábado 26 de octubre de 2024 - 10:00 a. m. en Nativity, Burke.



Senior Moments

Marge Van Lierde
Gittkagirl@gmail.com
571.831.3951



SEASONED CITIZENS' LUNCHEON

The first luncheon of the season for OLGc seniors will take place on Thursday, September 19 at noon in DeSales Hall. "A Welcome Back Harvest" will give you an opportunity to visit and catch up with friends you haven't seen in the last few months. That, together with a delicious menu Heidi is planning, guarantees a lovely time! You'll need a reservation, easily made by email:

seasonedcitizens@olgcv.org; call Dagny, 703.281.5525. or RSVP at bit.ly/seasoned-citizens-sep2024. Please note that take-home meals are only available for homebound OLGc parishioners. Email Heidi at heidilinksnyder@gmail.com to make arrangements. The Book Swap Table will be up and running again. Please bring a book or two or a jigsaw puzzle to stock it, (nothing else, please), and feel free to take something home.

NARFE CHAPTER MEETING

You're invited to attend this free event at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, September 10 at the Vienna Community Center. Jennifer Gittins-Harfst, Certified Professional Organizer, will present "Organizing for Seniors." You'll learn how to realistically bring order to your home, receive tips for getting organized, for maintaining progress, and about specialized resources for disposing of items. Afterwards, you'll be motivated and better positioned to organize, simplify, and enhance your life. All NARFE members and their guests are welcome.

APPLE PIE AND BINGO

There's no better way to end the summer than with apple pie and

Bingo! Join your friends for a traditional game of Bingo in a friendly atmosphere while you win white elephant prizes. Bingo cards are \$2 for 2 (limit 2 cards per person.) Please bring in a white elephant item in good condition to donate for the prize table. This event for those 55+ takes place on Friday, September 13 from 1:30-3:30 pm at the Vienna Community Center. Registration is required: do it at the front desk or online at viennava.gov/WebTrac. Activity #241563-A1. If you have questions about your user name or password, call the Center, 703.255.6360.

BIG SCREEN ON THE GREEN

Join friends on the Town Green Friday, September 13 for a 6:30 pm showing of the film "Trolls Band Together." The story line is about Poppy, who discovers that Branch was once part of the boy band "BroZone" with his five brothers. When one of them is kidnapped, Branch and Poppy embark on a rescue journey. Free. Go to www.viennava.gov/bigscreen for more information.

MEDICARE AND SOCIAL SECURITY

Come and learn to choose a Medicare plan that's right for you, and how to match the right plan to your needs and goals. There will be two free presentations at the Community Center on Wednesday, September 18: 10-11:30 am and 5-6:30 pm. Sharon Accardo, Senior Insurance Advisor/Community Educator, and Guy Wong, Certified Financial Advisor will be the presenters. Call the Center, 703.255.6360 to let them know you'll be there.

Elder Wisdom

"It does not matter how slowly you go, as long as you do not stop."

Confucius

Evening Prayer

MUSIC, REFLECTION,
SCRIPTURE & PRAYER

Monday, Sept. 9
7 pm in the chapel

Evening Prayer

At 7pm, in the Chapel, all are invited to gather and fulfill Jesus' command to "pray always" (Luke 18:1). Through this prayer we sanctify the day by praising God and offering prayers of intercession for the needs of the world. The service lasts about a half hour and is a peaceful way to give thanks and praise to God as you conclude the first day of the week.

The first Evening Prayer of the season will be on September 9 because of the Labor Day holiday. We hope to see you there.

Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord!

OLGC Music Ministry would like to become a part of your life this Fall. All our music ensembles are ready to welcome you with open arms! We love new music ministry members. Whether you sing or play an instrument, answer the call to become a member of the OLGc Music Ministry! As St. Augustine said, "Singing is for the one who loves." Please come up after Masses or email kdejardin@olgcv.org



MUSIC MINISTRY

YOU'RE INVITED!

IN HIGH SCHOOL?

KICKOFF

SEPT 8

Join us for dinner, games and prayer Sunday nights 6-8pm




In Middle School?

KICKOFF

SEPT 9

Join us for dinner, games and prayer Monday nights 6-7:30pm




LOOKING FOR A WAY TO GIVE YOUR TIME OR TALENT?

To read about our programs, scan this QR code!

HELP!

OLGC'S YOUTH MINISTRY IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

To get involved, fill out this form!





Reach out to Carmen Clark with any questions: cclark@olgcva.org (703)696-7414 ext214

IN HIGH SCHOOL, WANT TO TAKE YOUR FAITH TO THE NEXT LEVEL?

APPLY FOR THE SERVANT LEADERSHIP TEAM!




DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

Faithful Citizenship: Forming Your Conscience for Voting

Join us on September 19 at 7 p.m. at Saint John Neumann, for a non-partisan discussion of the true meaning of "Faithful Citizenship"

Based on the USCCB's "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship," and "Introductory Note for Forming Your Conscience," and Pope Francis' thoughts on "A Better Kind of Politics," St. John Neumann's Racial Justice Ministry will host a lively dialogue investigating ways to align your choice of candidate with

your value system within the framework of Catholic Social Teaching. The discussion will be led by Fr. Tom Ferguson, pastor of Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Alexandria, with SJN parishioner Chris Offen assisting with the flow of questions. All are invited to join us—you bring the questions, and we will provide the refreshments! Please RSVP saintjn.org/serving-our-parish-family/racial-justice-ministry so we may plan for this event.



SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation spans five weeks between the **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation** (September 1) and the **Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi** (October 4). This "time for creation" offers, in the words of Pope Francis, "individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."

Below are some ways to live out these three dimensions of Pope Francis' call.

- 1. REAFFIRM OUR VOCATION AS STEWARDS OF CREATION**
Counteract the "Throwaway Culture" In your daily life, try to identify the ways in which you can choose reusables, rather than disposables, such as coffee mugs, reusable bags, or cloth napkins, and commit to making one change during this month.
- 2. THANK GOD FOR HIS WONDERFUL HANDIWORK**
Meal Prayer Before and after meals, say a short prayer of thanksgiving for the lifegiving food that sustains and nourishes us. Briefly consider how all nourishment ultimately comes from the earth, and give thanks for all the human hands that helped bring this food to your table.
- 3. IMPLORE GOD'S HELP AND ASK HIS PARDON**
Confession In calling for a deep "ecological conversion," Pope Francis has emphasized the importance of examining one's own conscience, of recognizing one's sins against creation, however great or small. Seeing the interconnectedness of our world leads to an understanding that "[e]very violation of solidarity and civic friendship harms the environment."



DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Diocese of Arlington holds Ministry Formation sessions for those wishing to become a Eucharistic Minister.

Information presented in these sessions focus on the theology of the Eucharist and your role as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion ("EMHC"). Attendance at a workshop is required for all new volunteers who wish to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and for those who have completed 10 years of service. To register and learn more about these workshops, visit:

www.arlingtondiocese.org/emhc/.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Saturday, Sept. 7

10am (English)

1:30pm (en español)

Cathedral of Saint Thomas More

Saturday, Sept. 14

10am (English)

Saint Thomas à Becket

Saturday, Oct. 12

10am (en español) All Saints

Saturday, Oct. 19

10am (English) All Saints

Saturday, Oct. 26

10am (English) Nativity

Upcoming Diocesan Events

Visit arlingtondiocese.org/events

for details

Manassas Theology on Tap - David Bereit
September 9 @ 6:30 pm

Praise and Worship Holy Hour for Healing and Conversion in Families
September 10 @ 7:30 pm

Life-Giving Wounds: Ministry for Adult Children of Divorce
September 13 @ 6:30pm

Rescue Project
September 18 @ 8:00 am

St. Paul VI Catholic High School Applications are Live!

Paul VI looks forward to welcoming your family to their caring Catholic community, where they inspire the extraordinary in one another.

Please visit www.paulvi.net/admissions to learn more about the application process and how

applicants can spend a day at PVI to learn more about the school.

Please reach out to the Enrollment team at admissions@paulvi.net with any questions you may have. Paul VI looks forward to welcoming you to their community!

An Invitation to Widows

If you seek a deeper commitment to Christ, while remaining in your daily life of family and work, there is a group known as the Community of Our Lady of the Resurrection, an international association of widows who have made a commitment to Christ, to pray for families and couples, and to explore our individual missions. We live out of a spirituality which holds that "Love

is stronger than death", and to quote 1Cor 13:8, "Love never fails."

Join us for an information session, including refreshments, at 12:30 pm, on September 20 at St James Rectory, 905 Park Ave, Falls Church.

Please contact Sandy Crowley to find out more; 703.893.0017 or thecrowleys1@aol.com

Volunteers Needed for Fall 2024!

St. Mark English as a Second Language (ESL) Program is seeking volunteers to participate in our in-person Fall Term. We need experienced teachers and classroom aides to 'welcome the stranger' and provide a program where adults from all ethnic and religious

backgrounds can learn English and acclimate better to life in the U.S.!

For additional information on classes, email stmarksesl@gmail.com or see the website at www.stmarkesl.org. For more information about volunteering, call Monica at 703.980.9380.



BELOVED!
OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Order of Malta Cycling Event to Benefit the Sick and Poor

The Order of Malta Northern Virginia Region is holding its first-ever Mercy Ride for the benefit of Catholic Charities Mother of Mercy Free Medical Clinic.

Mercy Ride organizers are seeking riders, donations, sponsorships, and non-riding volunteers to help operate the event. The Mercy Ride will take place on Sept. 14 at 7:00 am. Riders choose between three routes, depending on their abilities—7-mile, 20-mile, or 35-mile. All three routes will start and finish at Our Lady of Good Counsel.

Riders each commit to raising at least \$250 in private donations sponsoring their ride.

For more information or to sign up, please go to mercyride.org.

Contact: mercyrideinfo@gmail.com

Diocesan is proud to be printing

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