



# 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  
Live Stream: [www.olgcva.org/live](http://www.olgcva.org/live)

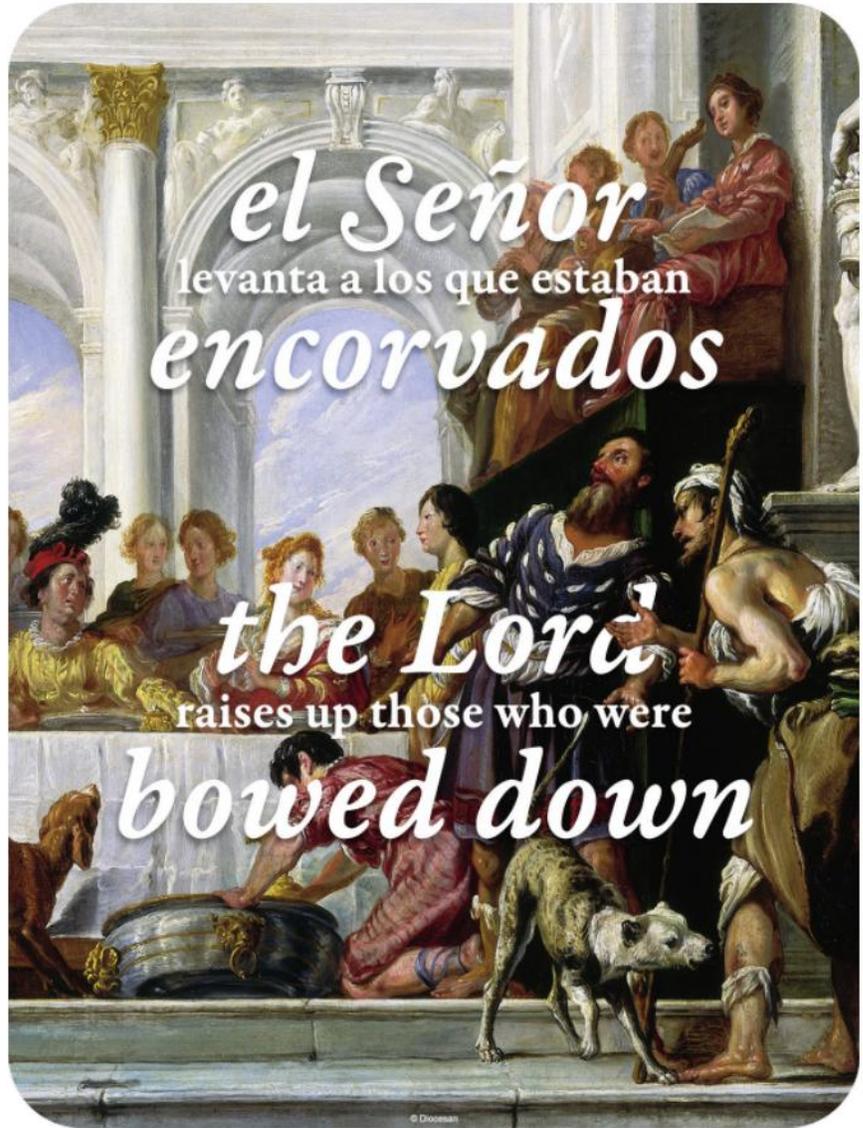
**Chapel** open for prayer  
Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm

**Confessions** Saturdays 9:00am  
or by appointment

**Parish Office Hours**

Mon - Thu 9am - 4:30pm,  
Closed 12-12:30pm  
[welcome@olgcva.org](mailto:welcome@olgcva.org)

September 28, 2025 | 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



We, as members of Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, strive to be witnesses 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.

**OCTOBER OUTREACH PROJECT  
WINTER COAT DRIVE**

The OLGC Coat Drive is October 11-12, before and after all Masses. We are accepting donations of clean, gently used, or new, winter coats. There will be collection boxes inside the narthex. Coats are distributed to our local neighbors through various outlets. Please only donate puffer, ski, or other winter coats.

Please consider volunteering to help sort the coats. Adults and youth welcome. Sign up for a shift here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E44AAAB2BA31-58580152-copy#/>



## Mass Intentions Intentions de la Misa

[olgcv.org/liturgy-worship/devotions/mass](http://olgcv.org/liturgy-worship/devotions/mass)

**Saturday, September 27, 2025 /  
Sunday, September 28, 2025**

† Nicolas Tarquino  
† Roberto M. Rodriguez, Jr.  
† Joseph B. Belen  
† Olga Ordoñez  
† Elisa Montoro Canosa

The OLGCV Parish Community

**Monday, September 29**  
8:30am † Lucille Komarinski

**Tuesday, September 30**  
8:30am † Lois & Dave Bennett

**Wednesday, October 1**  
8:30am † Miss Cindy Boyce

**Thursday, October 2**  
8:30am † Lorraine Nicole Fagan

**Friday, October 3**  
8:30am Maria Saucedo

**Saturday, October 4**  
8:30am † All Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday, October 4, 2025 / Sunday,  
October 5, 2025**

† Saxon & Zdancewicz Families  
† Shelling & Van Lierde Families  
† Carmen & Julio San Clemente  
† Francisco Funes  
Cathy Colleli

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

† Encarna Gómez Diez  
† Maria Aurora Rey Marquez

**Please pray for those for whom  
candle are lit.**

**Church** - The OLGCV Community  
**Chapel** - No Dedication  
**Our Lady** - No Dedication

### SANCTUARY CANDLES

To "light a candle for someone" indicates one's intention to say a prayer for another person, the candle a symbol of that prayer. For a donation of \$25, you may have the candle burn for a week in memory of a deceased loved one, for a celebration or for a special intention. Visit [olgcv.org/liturgy-worship/devotions/candle](http://olgcv.org/liturgy-worship/devotions/candle) to light a candle.

## CALENDAR

(Subject to change, updates and presider schedule at [www.olgcv.org/about-us/](http://www.olgcv.org/about-us/))

Sunday	Sept. 28	Spanish CCF 11 am CCF Sundays 6:15 - 7:45 pm Nighlife 6 pm	
Monday	Sept. 29	Our lady's Quilters 11 am - 3 pm Funeral: Diana Vegas Middle School Youth Group	St Joseph Center
Tuesday	Sept. 30	CYO Track & Field	School gates closed
Wednesday	Oct. 1		
Thursday	Oct. 2	Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30 - 11 am	St. Joseph Center
Friday	Oct. 3	Adoration 9 am - 12 pm Coffee Social 9 am	Church De Sales Hall
Saturday	Oct. 4	Elementary CCF 8:30 am	
Sunday	Oct. 5	Donut Social (after Mass) Spanish CCF 11 am CCF Sundays 6:15 - 7:45 pm Nighlife 6 pm	De Sales Hall

**Evening Prayer begins Monday October 6th at 7 pm in the Chapel**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK/LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

For the Week of September 28, 2025

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels</b> Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church</b> Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 9:51-56
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</b> Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Lk 9:57-62
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels</b> Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 18:1-5, 10
<b>Friday</b>	Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Lk 10:13-16
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi</b> Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-35, 36-37; Lk 10:17-24
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

### VOLUNTEER BACKGROUND CHECKS & TRAINING

If you are interested in volunteering with children, you are required to have training. All first time volunteers, must to fill out a request form to start the process. : [www.olgcv.org/outreach/serve/volunteer-children](http://www.olgcv.org/outreach/serve/volunteer-children).

### WEEKLY & SECOND COLLECTIONS

Give with checks, cash envelopes, or online. [faithdirect.net/VA875](http://faithdirect.net/VA875), or text amount to 703.810.7674.

### UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION

10/05 Shrine of the Immaculate Conception  
10/12 Little Sisters of the Poor  
10/19 World Mission Sunday

### MONTHLY COLLECTIONS

Fiscal Year July 2025 - June 2026		
	July	August
Offertory	219,499	207,991
Total Budgeted	185,000	175,000
Variance (un)favorable	34,499	32,991
YTD Received	219,499	427,489
Budgeted YTD	185,000	360,000
Variance (un)favorable	34,499	67,489

## PARISH

### A Message from Fr. Matt Hillyard

Dear OLG Community,

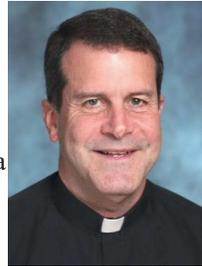
At the request of the provincial, Fr. Jack Kolodziej, OSFS, I will be entering a treatment program in Pennsylvania today to address personal needs. I am sorry for the circumstances, but I am hopeful about the journey ahead. At the end of my treatment, I will receive a new assignment from the Oblates, as directed by Fr. Kolodziej. However, I will have the opportunity to return for a weekend to thank you in person and to say goodbye.

Your support, your goodness, and your concern for all members of our parish—including me—make OLG such a vibrant and loving community. I am thankful to Fr. Kumar, who will serve as parochial administrator, and to Frs. Metzger and Fiorelli for taking on additional responsibilities.

Please keep me in your prayers during this time. I will be praying for all of you. I remain deeply grateful for the privilege of serving our parish these past nine years as pastor.

Gratefully,

Fr. Matt



<https://www.olgcva.org/about-us/clergy-staff>

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Betsy Argauer betstim@gmail.com

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#### Knight of Columbus Santa Maria Council #4654 [www.knightsvienna.org](http://www.knightsvienna.org)

**Counseling** Catholic Charities  
**Consejeria** Caridades Catolica  
703.425.0109

Join the Parish

[olgcva.org/about-us/register](http://olgcva.org/about-us/register)

Schedule an Event:

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

OLGC Funerals:

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

Add Item to Bulletin/Media:

[olgcva.org/about-us/communications](http://olgcva.org/about-us/communications)

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

We warmly invite parishioners to join the upcoming Eucharistic Minister training at OLG. Follow this link to complete and submit a Liturgical Ministry Form: <https://www.olgcva.org/liturgy-worship/liturgical-ministries/ministry-form>

**Training Date : OCTOBER 15th at 7 pm in the Church. Questions: Cheryl Jones, [cjones@olgcva.org](mailto:cjones@olgcva.org)**

### DIOCESAN MINISTRY FORMATION WORKSHOPS FOR EMHCs

Each year the Diocese of Arlington hosts in-person Ministry Formation Workshops for Eucharistic Ministers. Your attendance at one of these workshops is required if you are a: 1. New candidate for EMHC; 2. Recently-trained EMHC who has not yet attended a workshop; or "Seasoned" EMHC for whom it's been ten (10) or more years since having attended a workshop.

Attendance at a workshop does not take the place of Eucharistic Minister training at your home parish but rather, provides additional church doctrine information that enhances and compliments your ministry. Follow this link to register: <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/divine-worship/liturgy-workshops/>.

*Upon completion of attending a workshop, please email Charles Fulghum ([minschedule@olgcva.org](mailto:minschedule@olgcva.org)) and Cheryl Jones ([cjones@olgcva.org](mailto:cjones@olgcva.org)) to let us know which workshop you attended in order that we may maintain accurate records. you.*



### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3RD AFTER THE 8:30AM MASS.

Adoration occurs in the Church on the first Friday of the month from September - May after the 8:30 am Mass and continues until 12 pm. Please sign up for a Holy Hour using the code the Tuesday prior. We prefer to have at least two people signed up for a Holy Hour. If you sign up online you will receive a reminder of your time slot 2 days before. <https://sugeni.us/ebRG>



### WEDDING BANNs

Mary Desmarais & Bill Birsic  
September 20

<https://www.olgcva.org/sacraments/matrimony>



### BAPTISMS

Baptisms are generally celebrated on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month at 10:00 am.

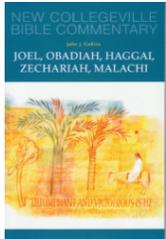
<https://www.olgcva.org/sacraments/baptism/>

## FAITH FORMATION – [www.olgcva.org/faith-formation](http://www.olgcva.org/faith-formation)

### OCIA – Looking for Catechists

We are growing! OCIA (formerly RCIA) prepares adults, teens, and children over 7 years old to become Catholic. Our parish OCIA is seeking strong catechists to join our team and share the Faith in our Adult program. All Catechists must have a strong love for Jesus, be in good standing with the Catholic Church, and possess a solid understanding of Catholic doctrine, worship, Scripture, Tradition, and Church history. Support and training can be accessed through diocesan courses, workshops, institutes, conferences, and online offerings. Currently, OCIA meets on Sunday mornings from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm, and we are hoping to expand our offerings of available days and times as more candidates and catechumens join the program. This is an incredibly rewarding ministry, and if you believe the Lord is calling you to it, we invite you to give it prayerful consideration.

If you would like to learn more about this important role, please contact our Director of Faith Formation, Joe Flaherty, and he will be happy to provide you with additional information: [jflaherty@olgcva.org](mailto:jflaherty@olgcva.org)



### LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY OF THE MINOR PROPHETS

The first six prophets are the pre-exilic Amos, Hosea, Micah, Nahum, Zephaniah, and Habakkuk who condemn corrupt leadership, injustice to the poor, and worship of false gods while offering the unfailing promise of a faithful and forgiving God. The second six are the post-exilic Joel, Obadiah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi who speak with immediacy to the generation that was responsible for writing down the Hebrew Scriptures and founding Judaism as a religion, not just an ethnic identity. The study will be on Zoom on Mondays from 10:00 am to 11:30 am throughout the school year beginning on September 8. Please contact Mike Plett at [mike.plett1@gmail.com](mailto:mike.plett1@gmail.com) for further details.

### PATHWAYS TO PEACE

Looking for a deeper sense of calm and joy? Join us this October for a four-week spiritual enrichment series designed to help you live with greater peace and happiness each day. Guided by our facilitator and adult catechist, **Ann Marie Mack**, we'll explore mindfulness practices rooted in God's love and the wisdom of our Catholic faith. Drawing from *Creating True Peace* by Thich Nhat Hanh and the spiritual treasures of our own rich history of the Church, you'll discover simple, faith-filled ways to nurture inner peace, deepen your relationship with God, and share Christ's peace with others. All are welcome! Take this step toward a more centered, joy-filled life in Christ.

**When:** Tuesday evenings, October 7, 14, 21 & 28

**Time:** 7:00–8:30 p.m.

**Where:** Brisson Room, SJC

To ensure adequate seating, please email Cheryl Jones at [cjones@olgcva.org](mailto:cjones@olgcva.org) if you plan to attend.

### Homeschool CCF Families

Keep an eye out for an email inviting you to the CCF Homeschool Program. If you have not received the email, reach out to Email [jflaherty@olgcva.org](mailto:jflaherty@olgcva.org)

## Youth Ministry Dinner

Bring a homecooked meal or order out for the OLG youth ministry! We have high school and middle school events! Please bring allergy friendly foods (no nuts!) An approximate headcount will be given to you the week leading up to your selected date.

MS Monday Dinner Sign-up

HS Sunday Nightlife Dinner Sign-up

EMAIL CARMEN CLEM [CLEM@OLGCVA.ORG](mailto:CLEM@OLGCVA.ORG) WITH ANY QUESTIONS

## SEVEN SISTERS PRAYER GROUP

PRAYER GROUP FOR OLG PRIESTS

Join over 1,000 women in the Arlington Diocese praying for our parish priests. Pray one hour a week on a designated day. For more information, please contact Bernadette Songer at [bdeely16@gmail.com](mailto:bdeely16@gmail.com).



## OUTREACH – [www.olgcva.org/outreach](http://www.olgcva.org/outreach)



### THANK YOU FROM COMMITTEE FOR HELPING OTHERS (CHO)

Thanks to the entire OLG Community for their tremendous support of the grocery/gift card drive for the Committee for Helping Others (CHO) Christmas Store to be held this December. OLG parishioners contributed over \$6,300 in cards and donations, which will be used to give families in need a little extra for groceries and gifts during the holiday season, something especially needed at this time. All of us at CHO appreciate your taking part in this effort that makes Christmas a bit brighter for others.

## Nanotechnology

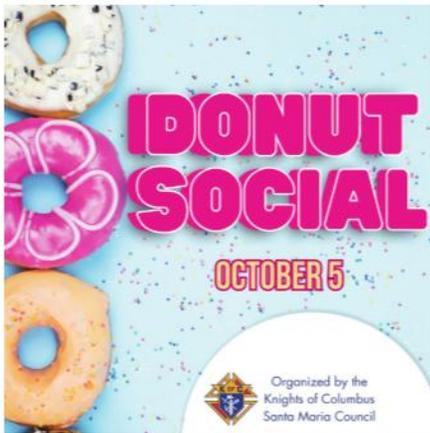
OLGC students in the Nanotechnology elective recently experienced the challenges of building and creating at the nanoscale. Using tools like gloves and tweezers, they model the need to use additional tools while working at the nanoscale, ie, creating microchips, layering atoms, etc.



## SAVE THE DATE: OLGC School Open House November 16th, 11 – 12:30 pm

Attending the House is the best to meet our teachers, administrators, current students and parents. Tours are given at both the Preschool and Kindergarten - 8th Grade School. No prior registration is needed. Please reach out to [Admissions@olgcschool.org](mailto:Admissions@olgcschool.org) any additional questions you may have.

## FELLOWSHIP – [www.olgcva.org/fellowship](http://www.olgcva.org/fellowship)



### FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE SOCIAL

Please mark your calendars as we resume our First Friday Coffee Socials on Friday, October 3, 2025. We look forward to seeing you in DeSales Hall after the 8:30 Mass.

### CALLING OLGC BASKETBALL REFEREES

OLGC House League Basketball is coming. This is a great way for you to help teach our 4th and 5th graders the proper way to play basketball, interact with adult coaches, and earn a few shillings for your time and mentorship. If you are a high school parishioner of OLGC and are interested in becoming a referee, please email Mark Hinnenkamp at [mjhinnenkamp@gmail.com](mailto:mjhinnenkamp@gmail.com) with your name and your interest in refereeing.



### BE OUR NEXT GALA CHAIR!

Do you love bringing people together? Have a passion for planning unforgettable events? Want to make a meaningful impact on our OLGC community? We're looking for an enthusiastic, organized, and creative leader to serve as our 2026 Gala Chair! *As Gala Chair, you'll:*

- \*Lead the planning and vision for the annual Spring Gala, including fundraising initiatives.
- \* Work with a team of dedicated volunteers and staff members
- \* Oversee logistics, decor, auction, sponsorships, and more
- \* Help make the event a joyful and successful fundraiser for OLGC

Whether you're a seasoned event planner or just someone with big ideas and a heart for service, we want to hear from you! The 2026 Gala of Eden is on Friday, April 24th at the Ritz-Carlton in Tysons Corner. For those interested in taking a leadership role in Gala planning, or in getting involved, please email [olgcvalgala@gmail.com](mailto:olgcvalgala@gmail.com)



## SAVE THE DATE



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL'S ANNUAL SPRING GALA

**FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2026**  
THE RITZ CARLTON, TYSONS CORNER

### Check out our OLGC Golf Classic Swag Store!

We have custom designed a variety of golf-inspired, Wildcat & OLGC embroidered items to help support our fundraising efforts for Tuition Assistance at OLGC School. This store is not limited to those joining us on November 3rd! This is for our entire community to enjoy! Check in out and share the link with your friends! Please contact [golf@olgcva.org](mailto:golf@olgcva.org) with questions!

**OLGC Golf Classic is November 3<sup>rd</sup> at Westwood Country Club**



**DID YOU CAPTURE A MEMORABLE MOMENT WITH YOUR FAMILY AT FALL FEST OR BINGO NIGHT? WE'D LOVE TO INCLUDE THEM IN THE NEXT BULLETIN ISSUE. EMAIL YOUR PICTURES TO [COMMUNICATIONS@OLGCVA.ORG](mailto:COMMUNICATIONS@OLGCVA.ORG) OR TAG US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!**

**THANK YOU FOR MAKING EACH EVENT A SUCCESS.**

## INFORMACION PARROQUIAL EN ESPANOL

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

### DOMINGO 26 DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

#### Énfasis Sugerido

"Pelea la pelea buena de la fe."

*Perspectiva Salesiana*

Ambos, la lectura del profeta Amos y la parábola del Evangelio de Lucas nos advierten en contra de ser complacientes, lo cual se define como estar "satisfecho hasta el defecto; esto es, la autosatisfacción y la falta de preocupación." La primera y tercera lecturas sugieren que aquellos que son complacientes son aquellos que están en más peligro de experimentar un desastre personal.

Muy pocas personas deciden estar "satisfecho hasta el defecto" todo al mismo tiempo. Usualmente esto ocurre lenta y sutilmente. Nosotros permitimos que los buenos tiempos y las experiencias nos den una falsa sensación de seguridad. Entonces comenzamos a creer que de alguna forma estamos por encima de las pruebas y las tribulaciones de otras personas. Entonces nos sentimos que de alguna forma hemos "llegado" aun cuando el hecho es que la travesía de la vida – con sus responsabilidades, demandas y retos – está muy lejos de acabarse.

San Pablo ciertamente reconoció la tentación de sentirnos "satisfechos hasta el defecto." ¿Su remedio? "Peleen la buena pelea de la fe. Busquen la integridad, la piedad, el amor, la fe y un espíritu gentil."

Integridad – una adherencia a un código moral o ético

Piedad – una devoción o reverencia religiosa con Dios y con los demás.

Fe – una creencia en la verdad, el valor, y la confianza de una persona, una idea o una cosa.

Amor – una emoción profunda, dulce, inefable de afecto y de solicitud hacia los demás; un sentido de ser uno mismo.

Firmeza – la lealtad, la constancia, algo inmutable

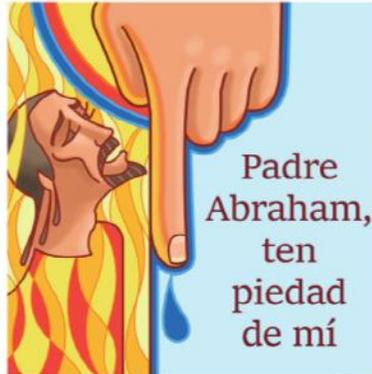
Gentil – considerado o dulce; sin severidad

Pelear la buena pelea requiere un esfuerzo constante. Requiere energía. Requiere vigilancia. Es una preocupación continua. Nosotros escuchamos los ecos de esto en el

entendimiento de San Francisco de Sales sobre la devoción: "Hacer lo que está bien es bueno de manera cuidadosa, frecuentemente y prontamente."

Puesto de forma simple, la vida espiritual es un proceso que dura toda la vida. Sin importar cuanto progreso estemos haciendo en un momento determinado del camino debemos evitar volvernos complacientes, o volvernos "satisfechos hasta el defecto." No importa cuánto hayamos logrado individualmente y colectivamente en el amor a Dios y al vecino, siempre hay muchas más cosas buenas que debemos hacer.

Cuidadosamente, frecuentemente y prontamente.



### REGISTRACIÓN EN LA PARROQUIA:

Para recibir una carta de padrinos, preparación sacramental, bautismo, catequesis, matrimonio, una carta de recomendación para inmigración o recibir nuestros correos electrónicos semanales, debe de estar registrado en la parroquia por lo menos tres meses, entre otros requisitos. Para registrarse visite nuestra página web [www.olgva.org](http://www.olgva.org)



### Clases en inglés en línea para adultos

Caridades Católicas está organizando grupos de conversación en inglés para adultos en línea. Escanee el código QR para inscribirse. Horario: Lunes y miércoles de 7-8:30 p.m. Duración: 15 octubre al 17 diciembre Precio: \$50 \*La fecha límite para inscribirse es el 10 de noviembre 2025. También se ofrecen cursos de ciudadanía en línea. Las clases comenzaron el 2 de septiembre, pero aún hay plazas disponibles. Escanee el código QR para inscribirse. Horario: Martes y jueves de 9:30-11:30 o 7-9 p.m. Duración: 2 septiembre al 18 diciembre Precio: \$125

## Hora Santa por las Vocaciones Hispanas

Organizada por el Club Serra de Arlington y el Apostolado Hispano de la Diócesis de Arlington

### en la Iglesia Católica Cristo Redentor

46833 Leesburg Pike  
Sterling, VA 20164

### Viernes, 7 de noviembre de 2025 a las 7:30 p.m.

Ofrecida por el sacerdocio, la vida consagrada y la perseverancia de todas las vocaciones.

¡Te invitamos a unirte a nosotros!

Patrocinado por El Club Serra de Arlington

El Club Serra de Arlington está formado por católicos de todas las edades y de todos los ámbitos de la vida que promueven las vocaciones al sacerdocio y la vida consagrada, apoyan a los sacerdotes en su ministerio sagrado y ayudan a los demás miembros reconocer y responder en sus propias vidas al llamado de Dios a la santidad en Jesucristo y a través de Espíritu Santo.

Para obtener mas informacion, visita [serraclubarlington.org](http://serraclubarlington.org).



# SENIOR MOMENTS – Marge Van Leirde (@gmail.com 571.831.3951)

September 28, 2025

**SEASONED CITIZENS!** – “Viva Italia”, next month’s luncheon for OLG seniors will be on Thursday, October 16 at noon in DeSales Hall. The menu will be more substantial, reflecting the passage of summer into autumn. As always, it’ll feature delicious food for your dining pleasure. In addition, The Sunshine Band will be there to entertain you! There’s no charge for this event but reservations are important and required. It’s easy: RSVP at <https://sugeni.us/e334>, email [seasonedcitizens@olgcva.org](mailto:seasonedcitizens@olgcva.org), or call Dagny, 703-281.5525. Note that meals are only available for homebound OLG parishioners. Email Heidi, [heidilinksnyder@gmail.com](mailto:heidilinksnyder@gmail.com) to make arrangements. Please do this in a timely fashion to allow for planning and shopping.

The Book Swap Table will be open to accept your donations of recent used books, and for selecting something to take home. As well, any unused greeting cards and blank notes you may wish to donate to Greeting Card Outreach may be dropped off at the sign-in table. Contact Valerie with questions about this: 703.677.4267.

**MEDICARE & YOU 2026** – If you haven’t gotten it yet, this official U.S. government Medicare Handbook should be arriving in your mail box soon. If you don’t receive it, call 1,800.633.4227 or visit Medicare.gov.

**ACCESS SERVICES LIBRARY** -This branch of Fairfax County Public Library provides home delivery of materials to people who can’t visit a library due to age/disability. Come to the Community Center on Monday, September 29, 10-11 am to learn all about it in a free presentation. Tell them you’re coming: 703.255.6360

**POSITIVE AGING SOURCEBOOK** – If you’re thinking about relocating to a retirement community or care facility, this magazine is the most valuable resource you can use to help in decision making. It’s free: call 1.800.394.9990; request the NOVA/MD/DC version. Or go to [www.positiveagingsourcebook.com](http://www.positiveagingsourcebook.com) where you’ll be able to view it on line. The paper copy is more convenient to use. In it you’ll find details on thousands of resources, including housing options and articles on moving, downsizing, aging in place, and legal,

financial and care management resources, among others.

**LUNCH N LIFE** - The Shepherd’s Center of Northern Virginia invites you to its “Murder Mystery Lunch N Life” on October 8 from 12 pm-2 pm at Floris United Methodist Church, 13600 Frying Pan Rd., Herndon, VA. The \$20 fee covers lunch and entertainment. Register at 703.281.0538. This will be an exciting, immersive show during which you’ll work together to find out exactly who the murderer is and why.

**FIRST FRIDAY FLICKS** – Come and enjoy an afternoon of free entertainment at the Vienna Community Center on Friday, October 3 at 2:00 pm. The feature film will be “Goldfinger” (1964). Free popcorn too!

**OKTOBERFEST!** – This traditional Vienna festival with beer, wine, food, entertainment, craft vendors, and family games and activities will be Saturday, October 4, 11am-7:00 pm on Historic Church Street. Come on out to enjoy the spirit of Gemutlichkeit!

## Elder Wisdom - Aging gracefully is a nice way of saying you’re slowly looking worse.





**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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## DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY EVENTS

### CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

**Bishop O'Connell High School** will hold its annual Open House for current 7th and 8th grade families on Sunday, October 5, 2025 from 1-3pm. Use the following link to Register: <https://www.bishopoconnell.org/admissions/open-house>

**John Paul the Great High School** will hold its Fall Open House on Sunday November 2, 2025 from 1-4pm. This year's Open House will be fun for the whole family! Learn more about our rigorous college-preparatory curriculum, competitive athletics, inspiring visual and performing arts, and abundant extracurricular opportunities! We look forward to introducing you to our unique Bioethics program as well as our beloved House System and robust Special Services! Meet students, faculty, and coaches to learn more about the programs you love. RSVP Today! Use the following link to RSVP: [https://jpthegreat.fsenrollment.com/portal/new\\_inquiry](https://jpthegreat.fsenrollment.com/portal/new_inquiry)

**Bishop Ireton High School** will hold its annual Open House for prospective families on Sunday, October 19, 2025 from 1-3pm. Arrive any time between 1pm -3pm to explore Bishop Ireton and learn more about the school from faculty, administrators, students and coaches. Please visit [www.bishopireton.org](http://www.bishopireton.org) click on admissions, and inquire to RSVP. Bishop Ireton High School is a catholic, coed, college preparatory high school serving grades 9-12 in the Diocese of Arlington. Located just outside of Old Town, Alexandria, at 201 Cambridge Rd., Alexandria, VA22314  
Bishop Ireton offers a challenging academic curriculum and robust opportunities in sports, arts, clubs and STEM. Together with its community of families, Bishop students with the foundation and relationships for a lifetime of success, helping to ready the next generation to be exemplary and ethical leaders in an ever-changing world. Please email [admissions@bishopireton.org](mailto:admissions@bishopireton.org) any questions.

### St. Martin de Porres Senior Center call for Volunteers

Catholic Charities St. Martin de Porres Senior Center (SMdP) is looking for volunteers with various opportunities. SMdP provides services to prevent isolation of seniors and promote their wellness, independence, and happiness. Volunteers are needed for breakfast and lunch; activities, arts and crafts, exercise instructor, computer/tech instructors, nutritionist, and more opportunities listed online at <https://www.ccca.net/seniorservices>. Center hours are Monday-Friday from 9:00 am - 1:30 pm. Flexible schedules based on availability. SMdP is located at 4650 Taney Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304. Contact maria.mellor@ccda.net; phone: 703-751-2766.

### Catholic Charities is offering online English & Citizenship courses for adults.

Registrations are open. Class Days: Monday & Wednesday/ Tuesday & Thursday Class Times: 9:30-11:30 a.m./ 7-9 p.m. Schedule: August 11—December 18, 2025/ September 2—December 18, 2025. Cost: English: \$200; Citizenship: \$125 Scan the code to register today! For questions, call (571) 208-1572 or email [ewd@ccda.net](mailto:ewd@ccda.net)



### Mass for Respect Life Month and Persons with Disabilities

October 12 @ 10:00 am - 12:00 pm at [Holy Spirit Catholic Church](http://www.holyspiritcatholicchurch.org) (8800 Braddock Road, Annandale, VA)

Join Most Rev. Michael F. Burbidge and families across the Diocese of Arlington for this annual Mass for Respect Life Month and Persons with Disabilities. Come give thanks to God for the blessings that our brothers, sisters, and children with disabilities bring to our lives! This yearly Mass celebrates disability awareness for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and the need for us to provide opportunities for them to reach their full potential through inclusive education and meaningful employment throughout the Catholic Diocese of Arlington. Porto Charities will host a light breakfast after the Mass where you can enjoy fellowship.

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Mass in Observance of  
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October 4<sup>th</sup> | 4:30pm

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For more about how Catholics care, go to [www.catholicsforfamilypeace.org](http://www.catholicsforfamilypeace.org)

## CRUSADER AFTERNOON

Christendom College invites you to attend her Crusader Afternoon on Columbus Day, October 13, from 1-4 PM. Visitors will get a chance to learn more about an education for Wisdom steeped in the Catholic intellectual tradition by hearing from Christendom's leadership, touring campus, and meeting personally with Admissions Staff. This afternoon event is perfect for anyone with the day off of school who's interested in learning about the Diocese of Arlington's only Catholic School recommended by the Cardinal Newman Society's Guide for Choosing a Catholic College.



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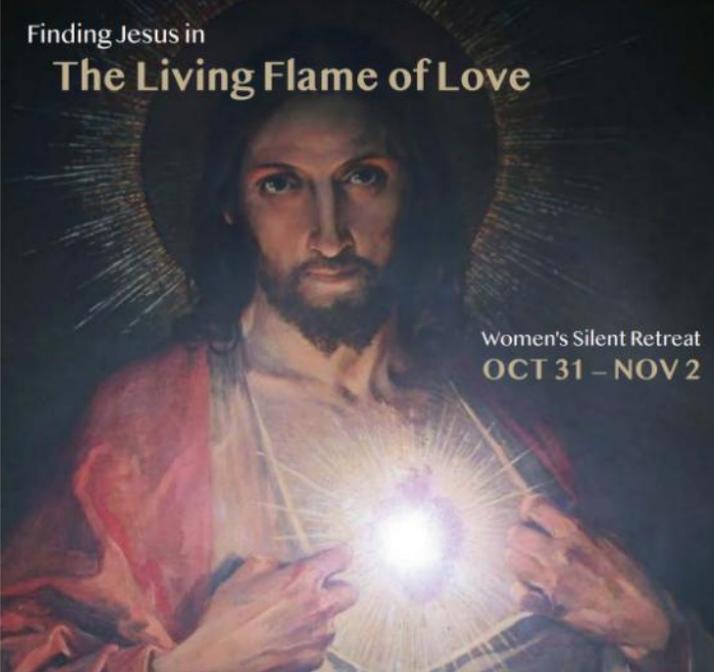
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Father John Riley will lead and serve in this endeavor at the San Damiano Retreat Center. Cost is \$299 and financial assistance may be available. For more information email Fr. Riley at [retreat@sacredheartwinchester.org](mailto:retreat@sacredheartwinchester.org) or go to [www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat-events](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat-events)

# RESPECT LIFE MONTH



October 2025  
[respectlife.org/celebrate](http://respectlife.org/celebrate)

## Spanish Holy Hour for Hispanic Vocations

Cosponsored by The Serra Club of Arlington and the Diocese of Arlington  
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