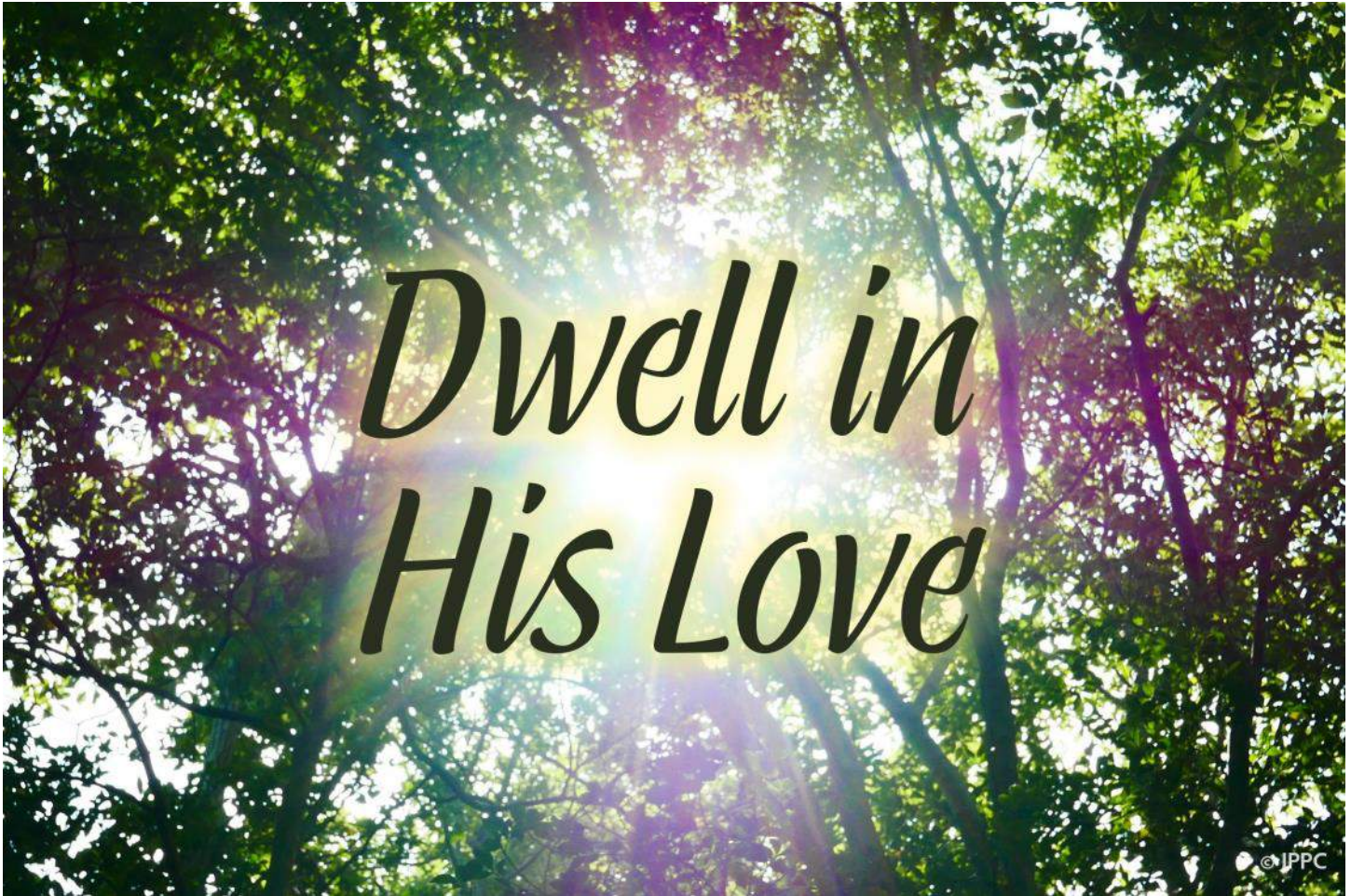




ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
LAKE RIDGE, VA

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May 25, 2025 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PARISH OFFICE:

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Monday: 7:00pm - 7:45pm

Friday: 9:30am - 10:00am

Saturday: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

MASS SCHEDULE:

Daily: Monday - Saturday: 9:00am
(Rosary at 8:25am)

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sun.: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:30pm

First Friday Evening Mass: 7:00pm;
(7:30pm during Lent)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Tues/Thurs All Day Adoration:
9:30am - 8:30pm

First Friday All Night Adoration:
7:30pm - 8:30am (Sat.)

MOTHER SETON FOOD PANTRY

Thursday 12:00pm - 2:00pm

MOTHER SETON GIFT SHOP

Sunday.....8:15am - 2:00pm

Monday.....CLOSED

Tues-Thurs.....9:30am - 12:00pm

*Friday.....CLOSED

(*5:00pm - 8:00pm during Lent)

Saturday.....4:00pm - 6:30pm

PARISH LIBRARY

Sunday.....8:15am - 2:00pm

Mon/Wed.....9:00am - 8:00pm

Tues/Thurs/Fri.....9:00am - 4:00pm

WELCOME TO ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH MISSION AND VISION

Here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, it is our mission to grow with and accompany those within our parish boundaries, fostering a community that journeys together in the faith in a way that is personal, purposeful, and prayerful.

New to the Parish?

Welcome to Seton Lake Ridge! We are excited to connect with you! Please complete your Parish Registration Card by stopping by the Parish Office or online at setonlakeridge.org/parish-registration.

If you are a returning Catholic, we welcome you home. Everyone is invited to rediscover the gift of our faith and the unique role that each of us has in this family of God!

Becoming Catholic (OCIA)

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or becoming Catholic, please contact our OCIA Director, Catherine Mays at ocia@setonlakeridge.org.

Baptisms

Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life; it is the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. At our parish, Baptisms occur every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. To register for the required Baptism Workshop and schedule a date for the Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

Matrimony – Congratulations on your engagement!

Registered Parishioners that wish to be married here or elsewhere, are asked to contact one of the Parish Clergy at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding date to begin the Pre-Cana preparation process.

Blessings

Sacramental Blessings - A priest will bless Sacramentals every 1st Saturday of the Month | After 9:00am Mass Near Baptismal Font

Please Note: Previously blessed items are not to be blessed again.

Seeking information about the priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated religions life?

If you are seeking more information about **Holy Orders and Consecrated Life**, please contact one of the Parish Clergy or the Diocesan Office of Vocations (703-841-2514).

Pastoral Care of the Sick

If there are any parishioners who are hospitalized or homebound, please notify us so that we may best assist and accompany them. **Holy Communion**, the **Sacraments of Penance**, and **Anointing of the Sick** are arranged by the Parish Office. In a danger-of-death situation, call the parish emergency line, 571- 455-0402.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

All submissions to the bulletin must be sent in using the **Communications Submission Form**. This form can be found on setonlakeridge.org/bulletins, and must be submitted on **Monday, two weeks before the Sunday publication date**. *Note: Due to space limitations, submissions are not guaranteed a space.*

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FROM OUR PAROCHIAL VICAR



Here's little reflection by St. Bede the Venerable, priest, on our being "a chosen race, a royal priesthood" thanks to our baptism (Cap. 2:PL 93, 50-51):

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood (1 Pet 2:9ab). This praise was given long ago by Moses to the ancient people of God, and now the apostle Peter rightly gives it to the Gentiles, since they have come to believe in Christ who, as the cornerstone, has brought the nations together in the salvation that belonged to Israel.

Peter calls them a chosen race because of their faith, to distinguish them from those who by refusing to accept the living stone have themselves been rejected. They are a royal priesthood because they are united to the body of Christ, the supreme king and true priest. As sovereign, he grants them his kingdom, and, as high priest, he washes away their sins by the offering of his blood. Peter says they are a royal priesthood; they must always remember to hope for an everlasting kingdom and to offer to God the sacrifice of a blameless life.

They are also called a consecrated nation, a people claimed by God as his own (1 Pet 2:9cd), in accordance with the apostle Paul's explanation of the prophet's teaching: My righteous man lives by faith; but if he draws back, I will take no pleasure in him. But we, he says, are not the sort of people who draw back and are lost; we are those who remain faithful until we are saved (Heb 10:38-39). In the Acts of the Apostles, we read: The Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the Church of God which he bought with his own blood (Acts 20:28). Thus, through the blood of our Redeemer, we have become a people claimed by God as his own, as in ancient times the people of Israel were ransomed from Egypt by the blood of a lamb.

In the next verse, Peter also makes a veiled allusion to the ancient story, and explains that this story is to be spiritually fulfilled by the new people of God, so that, he says, they may declare his wonderful deeds (1 Pet 2:9e). Those who were freed by Moses from slavery in Egypt sang a song of triumph to the Lord after they had crossed the Red Sea and Pharaoh's army had been overwhelmed; in the same way, now that our sins have been washed away in baptism, we too should express fitting gratitude for the gifts of heaven. The Egyptians who oppressed the people of God, and who can also stand for darkness or trials, are an apt symbol of the sins that once oppressed us but have now been destroyed in baptism.

The deliverance of the children of Israel and their journey to the long-promised land correspond with the mystery of our redemption: we are making our way toward the light of our heavenly home with the grace of Christ leading us and showing us the way. The light of his grace was also symbolized by the cloud and the pillar of fire, which protected the Israelites from darkness throughout their journey, and brought them by a wonderful path to their promised homeland.

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Truth and Love Walk Hand in Hand

Jesus calls the Advocate the "Spirit of truth" (Jn 16:13). Perhaps one would have expected him to call him the Spirit of love, since the Holy Spirit *is* the love between the Father and the Son. But Jesus often makes surprising and unexpected statements.

The Advocate is the Spirit of truth. He helps us by leading us into truth. This may be what we desire the least. We love our illusions that protect us from the harsh and threatening reality.

We long for love. Do we also, truly, long for the truth? Are we not rather fleeing from it? Then we betray love as well, because love can never unfold if it isn't grounded in truth.

No one can enter into a lasting relationship with another without knowing who he or she is in himself or herself or without trusting that the other knows who he or she is. If we really wish to do something meaningful for each other, we must climb out of our roles and meet as authentic human beings. If we are dressed up mannequins, there is no chance that we should ever reach each other and enter into deep relations. If we want to learn how to love each other, we must practice honesty and truth toward ourselves and toward each other.

Love can't be built on feelings. Feelings are subjective, they come and they go. But if we are led by the Spirit of truth, we will step out of our subjectivity and enter the objective reality, which is an everlasting love.

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SPRING SPRUCE-UP

Sat., May 31 | After 9:00am Mass | Seton Hall

Love working outdoors or just want to lend a helping hand? This is a great opportunity to serve, connect with others, and honor the Lord through the care of His Creation. All ages are welcome – families – teens – seniors – everyone can help!

Join us after the 9am Mass in Upper Seton Hall to fuel up on coffee and donuts. Immediately after, we'll head out to work on beautifying our Parish Grounds.

TO REGISTER: Please register by scanning the QR code with your phone camera or visit setonlak-eridge.org and click the Spring Spruce-Up slider photo.



FIRST FRIDAY FEATURING EXALT

Friday, June 6 | 7:00pm – 8:30pm | Main Church

Each First Friday of the month, all are invited to join us for First Friday Mass, Holy Hour with Praise and Worship, Confessions, and Healing Prayer and special for the month of June, we will be joined by **EXALT** to lead us in Praise and Worship!

Whether you are seeking physical healing or would simply like to spend some time with the Lord, this is a wonderful opportunity to escape the busyness of life, slow down, and encounter the Lord.

All are invited to join us anytime throughout the night. All Night Adoration will continue in the Chapel at 8:30pm

REACH MORE: EMPOWERING DISCIPLES TO SHARE THE GOSPEL

Our parish is excited to once again launch *Reach More* by Evangelical Catholic, a transformative series that equips you to confidently and effectively share your faith in everyday life. Rooted in the Church's mission to evangelize, this training will help you grow as a disciple and become a missionary in your own community.

Reach More Training provides practical tools, spiritual formation, and ongoing support to help you live out your calling as a disciple of Christ. Over the course of this training, you'll learn how to:

- Deepen your personal relationship with Jesus through prayer and scripture.
- Build authentic relationships with others and invite them to encounter Christ.
- Lead small groups that foster meaningful conversations about faith.



A STEP ON OUR PARISH'S CLEAR PATH...

As part of our Clear Path to Discipleship – Connect, Encounter, Grow, and Accompany – Reach More Training is central to the Accompany step.

Designed to empower you to bring the joy of the Gospel to others, by participating in Reach More, you'll play a vital role in our parish's mission to create a vibrant community of disciples who are equipped to evangelize in their families, workplaces, and beyond!



THE GREATEST HOUR YOU WILL SPEND ON EARTH.

We are in need of additional adorers to ensure that Our Lord is never left alone. More than a ministry, this is a personal invitation from Him to draw near, to rest, and to listen. Each Tuesday and Thursday, our parish offers All Day Adoration and we are in need of additional Adorers for 5pm on Tuesdays and 5pm on Thursdays. In addition to All Day Adoration, we are also seeking Adorers for First Fridays.

Jesus waits for us in the Blessed Sacrament – will you spend an hour with Him? If you've felt a tug on your heart to grow closer to Christ, consider answering the call to be with Him in this quiet, grace-filled time. To sign up or learn more, please contact Raquel at adorers@setonlakeridge.org

THE ANNUAL MISSION COOPERATIVE PLAN APPEAL

Second Collection for June 7/8



Karonga Diocese
We Shall Go to Them!



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Our Parish Mission Organization: Diocese of Karonga

As part of our parish's missionary outreach, we are proud to support the Diocese of Karonga through this year's Missionary Cooperative Plan (MCP) Appeal. This mission serves our brothers and sisters who lack access to essential pastoral care – such as Mass, the Sacraments, and faith formation – as well as basic human needs like food, shelter, and healthcare. You can help bring hope and healing to these communities through our second collection on the weekend of June 7/8. If donating by check, please make it payable to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church and write "MCP" in the memo line. Your generosity helps build vibrant, faith-filled communities and strengthens the Body of Christ around the world!



COME AND ENTHRONE JESUS IN YOUR HOME PARISH-WIDE HOME ENTHRONEMENT

Saturday, June 14 | 9:30am (After 9AM Mass) | Main Church

The Legion of Mary is sponsoring a parish-wide Home Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and your family is invited!

What is the Home Enthronement?

The Home Enthronement is when the family declares Jesus as the King and center of their family. The Legion is asking each family to bring an image or statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and an image or statue of the Immaculate Heart of Mary to Mass that morning. You can purchase these items in our Seton gift shop. Father will bless these items on June 14 and will lead the Consecration prayer.

After the prayer, the family can then display the images or statues in their living room or in a prominent place in their home.

In 1673 Jesus appeared to St Margaret Mary and asked her to promote His Sacred Heart. During one of Jesus' apparitions to St Margaret Mary, He made twelve promises to her for those souls who are devoted to His Sacred Heart. Jesus said "I will bless the homes in which the image of My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and honoured."

Come and Enthroner Jesus in your home.

If you have any questions, please contact Lorna Wickham at bdwickham@verizon.net.



GIVE A GIFT FOR LIFE THIS MOTHER/FATHER'S DAY

Sponsored by the Seton Lake Ridge Respect Life Ministry, **Give a Gift for Life** is a beautiful and meaningful way to honor (living) or remember (deceased) a special mother or father in your life!

When you make a donation in their name, your contribution will directly benefit the following Pro-Life Diocesan Programs: Gabriel Project, Catholic Charities Pregnancy and Adoption Services, and Project Rachel. Please take one of our fillable cards to send to your loved one or survivor to make them aware of this special gesture made on their behalf. For more details or to make a donation, please visit our display in the Narthex or scan the QR code above.

VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

During the 2025 Virginia General Assembly session, your state senator and delegate cast key votes on critical issues impacting human life, dignity and the common good. Legislators' votes on the "Opposing Extreme Abortion Amendment" are

listed on the Virginia Catholic Conference (VCC) website (vacatholic.org). Please join the VCC email network to receive important updates.



CATHOLIC POLITICAL THOUGHT

Sunday, June 1 | 1:45pm – 3:30pm | Trinity 1

Please join the Seton Lake Ridge VCC Advocacy Team on Sunday, 1 June from 1:45-3:30 pm in Trinity 1 room.

We will look at the French Revolution and its Civil Constitution of the Clergy which stripped the Church of her authority. We will also discuss how Pope Pius VI fought to defend the Church against these attacks.



CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN 2025

Your gift to this campaign helps amplify the voice of the Church and bring the Gospel message to more people through powerful, modern means. This national campaign plays a vital role in supporting the Diocese of Arlington's Office of Communications, helping us engage our community through news, events, and digital outreach.

With the Diocese of Arlington retaining 50% of funds raised within the diocese, your donation directly funds local key initiatives including website enhancements, new studio equipment for audio and video recording, social media strategy and implementation, and improved coverage of diocesan news and events. These efforts allow us to better share stories of faith, hope, and service – reaching Catholics where they are, and inviting others into a deeper relationship with Christ. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this important campaign. Together, we can continue to build a vibrant, connected, and informed Catholic community. We invite you to contribute generously at your parish or donate online at bit.ly/CCC-CDA-2025.

2025 JUNE PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

Tuesday, June 17 | 6:00am – 7:00pm | For additional information: pwcvotes.org

The Democratic ballot has races for Lt. Governor and Attorney General. Since the Republican Party has only one nominee per race, they will not have a June Primary. **Check out the listed Important Dates and Times below:**

- Online Voter Registration Deadline.....Monday, May 26, 2025
 - By Mail Voting Deadline (must be postmarked by)..... Monday, May 26, 2025
 - Absentee/Mail-In Ballot Online Request Deadline.....Friday, June 6, 2025
- Early Voting Begins
(at the Office of Elections in Manassas – 9250 Lee Ave, Suite 1, Manassas, VA 20110).....May 2
- Early Voting at Satellite Locations (incl. DMV Woodbridge – 2731 Caton Hill Rd.).....June 7-14
- Early Voting Hours:
 - Weekdays: 8:30am - 4:30pm (7pm on Wednesdays)
 - Saturdays (June 7 and June 14 ONLY) 8:30am - 5:00pm
 - Sunday (June 8 ONLY) 11:00am - 5:00pm

POWER AND PURPOSE CONFERENCE

June 20-22, 2025 | Steubenville University

Find freedom and encounter the Holy Spirit! At the Power and Purpose Conference, you'll join a vibrant community where you can build lasting friendships and experience the joy of Catholic fellowship on Franciscan University's campus in Steubenville, Ohio. Our parish is organizing a bus to the conference, making it easier than ever to attend. **Use Group Code: 25KFISCHER when registering for the conference!** Scan the QR Code to learn more.





FOR CHILDREN



SAVE THE DATE:

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) 2025!

July 14 – 18 | 8:30am – 12:00pm | Seton Hall

Vacation Bible School is a week-long half-day camp where children can explore, learn, and grow in their Catholic faith! This year's theme is The Great Journey With Jesus: Through the Church Year!

Each day will begin with Mass followed by an opening assembly, five small group stations, and a closing assembly where parents are invited to join us for a song performance by the kids; the stations will include faith, crafts, games, music, and snacks!

VBS is open to all 2024-25 Kindergarteners through 2024-25 5th Graders. Registration will open soon, so keep an eye out for new details and updates!

SUPPORT THE ST. THOMAS AQUINAS REGIONAL SCHOOL PTO WITH A SPARKLING FUNDRAISER AT DC EXPRESS CAR WASH!

Fundraise Ends: May 31, 2025



Help our regional school, St. Thomas Aquinas Regional School, shine – literally and figuratively! Take your car to DC Express Car Wash and support the Aquinas PTO in their mission to enhance student life and school programs. Every wash helps the school get closer to its fundraising goals!

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR VBS?

July 14 – 18 | 8:30am – 12:00pm | Seton Hall

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner – and we're seeking enthusiastic and committed volunteers – teens and adults alike – to serve as station leaders, small group guides, snack helpers, and behind-the-scenes support. Whether you can give one day or the whole week, your time and energy can help create lasting memories and spiritual growth for our kids. Come be part of something truly meaningful – join us in bringing the love of Christ to life this summer!

Sign-Up to Volunteer using the QR code on the SAVE THE DATE image on the left! All adults MUST BE Virtus Trained, to be approved to volunteer at VBS.



FOR YOUTH



MASS FOR GRADUATING SENIORS

Fri., June 13 | 7:00pm – 10:00pm | Main Church/Seton Hall

Join us as we celebrate and send forth our graduating high school seniors with a special Mass in their honor. This beautiful liturgy is a chance to recognize their hard work, achievements, and the new journey ahead as they prepare to begin the next chapter of their lives. Following Mass, graduates and their loved ones are invited to stay for a reception/fellowship as we continue the celebration together.

Graduating Seniors, please register using the QR on the left!

DIOCESAN KINGS DOMINON DAY

Saturday, July 26

Join hundreds from across the Diocese of Arlington for a day of faith and fun! We will begin the day with Bishop Burbidge as the principal celebrant and homilist of the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Fredericksburg. After Mass, we will head to Kings Dominion and be ready to go as the gates open!

This event is open to anyone in the Diocese of Arlington. All tickets, at a reduced rate, also include Soak City. Scan the QR for more details or to register!



YOUTH MINISTRY GATHERING

Sun., June 1 | 6:30pm – 8:30pm | Bayley's Cellar (HS); Youth Center (for MS)

Through thought-provoking videos, small group discussions, and a shared meal, Alpha Youth creates a space for real conversations about life and what we believe. Whether you're curious about your faith or looking to deepen your relationship with Christ, this is the place for you. Bring a friend and come see what it's all about – we'd love to have you! To learn more or to register, please scan the QR code!



FOR WOMEN

FINDING JESUS WITH ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX: WOMEN'S RETREAT

Friday – Saturday, June 13-15 | San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA

St. Therese is a magnificent manifestation of "the Feminine Genius" and a "Wise Woman" in the fullest sense of the words. Pope St. Pius X called her "the Greatest Saint of Modern Times" and Pope St. John Paul the Great declared her a Universal Doctor of the Church. St. Therese's spiritual doctrine is easily understood and can be practically applied in our very occupied, day-to-day lives. Her counsel can ably assist us in enduring and embracing difficulties in prayer, overcoming scruples, and patiently putting up with people who challenge us.

Join Fr. John Riley at the San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post, VA in silence and solitude to learn about this great Saint. This retreat begins at 6 pm Friday June 13th and concludes Sunday June 15th at noon. Retreat cost is \$285. For further information, please contact Father John Riley at: john.riley@arlingtondiocese.org For more information about San Damiano and retreats being offered in the months ahead, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat

FOR MEN

FOLLOWING ST. JOSEPH TO JESUS – MEN'S SILENT RETREAT

Friday – Saturday, July 11-13 | San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA

He played an essential role in the greatest event in human history; husband to Mary, adopted Father of Jesus Christ, a quiet carpenter... and a righteous man. Aside from these things we don't know much about St. Joseph – but what we do know can help us to be better Men...husbands, and fathers.

Join Fr. John Riley at our Arlington Diocese Retreat Center at the edge of the Shenandoah Mountains in White Post, VA to "rest and pray" with Christ. This retreat begins at 6 pm Friday July 11th and concludes Sunday July 13th with lunch at noon. Retreat cost is \$285. For further information, please contact Father John Riley at: john.riley@arlingtondiocese.org

For more information about San Damiano and retreats being offered in the months ahead, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat

FOR COUPLES

LIVING THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE – MARRIED COUPLE'S RETREAT

Friday – Saturday, July 11-13 | San Damiano Retreat Center, White Post, VA

A retreat for married couples to contemplate the gift of their Sacrament. We will pray individually and together, pondering the graces of Marriage and reflecting on God's promises and Presence in the life of a family. We shall also consider how God elevates the capacity of spouses to love each other and their children, and how He makes the home of a family a privileged place of healing and sanctification. Join Fr. Daniel Hanley, coordinator of the blessed Stanley Rother House of formation at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, at the San Damiano Retreat Center in White Post, VA for this unique retreat opportunity. Retreat cost is \$285. For further information, please contact Deacon Mark Maines at:

mark.maines@arlingtondiocese.org. For more information about San Damiano and retreats being offered in the months ahead, please visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/retreat.



MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, May 25th

5:00 p.m. † Guy Gabaidon
Vigil
 7:30 a.m. † Colby Smith
 9:00 a.m. † Concepcion Borja
 10:45 a.m. For the People of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 12:30 p.m. Lamberto J. Santos

Monday, May 26th

9:00 a.m. Violet LaVille

Tuesday, May 27th

9:00 a.m. † Daniel Mays

Wednesday, May 28th

9:00 a.m. Mark Brandt

Thursday, May 29th

9:00 a.m. † John Fallon

Friday, May 30th

9:00 a.m. Healing Ministry

Saturday, May 31st

9:00 a.m. Silver Foxes
 5:00 p.m. † Stan Fowler
Vigil

Sunday:

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 Rv
 21:10-14, 22-23 Jn 14:23-29

Monday:

St. Philip Neri (M)

Acts 16:11-15 Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b Jn
 15:26 - 16:4a

Tuesday:

St. Augustine of Canterbury (m)

Acts 16:22-34 Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 Jn
 16:5-11

Wednesday:

Acts 17:15, 22 - 18:1 Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13,
 14 Jn 16:12-15

Thursday:

St. Paul VI (m)

Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 1:17-23
 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23 Lk 24:46-53

Friday:

Acts 18:9-18 Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Jn 16:20-23

Saturday:

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin (F)

Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16 Is 12:2-3,
 4bcd, 5-6 Lk 1:39-56

Key: Memorial (M), Optional Memorial (m), Feast (F), S (Solemnity)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The sick of our parish family: Catherine Resko

The deceased members of our parish family:

Pope Francis, Kiera Maybielle, Luciana Rocha
 Ferreira, Bill Gleichsner, Chieko Uza, James
 Glowacki

COLLECTIONS FOR APRIL 2025

Collection (<i>Average Weekly</i>)	\$	35,123.11
Capital Improvements	\$	5,305.00
Poor Box	\$	978.00
Votives	\$	1,661.50
Flowers	\$	1,228.00

Holy Days and Special Collections

Catholic Homes Mission Appeal	\$	3,912.00
Holy Land Shrines	\$	4,804.00

Thank you for your generous donations!

FROM YOUR BUSINESS MANAGER #10

Dear Parishioners: I hope you've all been enjoying the Easter season! First up in this edition is the Fiscal Year 2026 budget. Fiscal Years in the Diocese of Arlington run from July thru June, so with just a couple of months left in this fiscal year, we're right in the peak of budget preparation season. The final draft of the budget will be presented to the Finance Council for approval in June. The Parish will receive a summary of the budget with the Annual Financial Report to parishioners this Fall (contact me if you have any budget-related questions). A related issue is collection numbers which continue to exceed last year's numbers by a respectable margin! This is great news for our Parish, our Pastor and the Diocese (and for me - less gray hair!). I see the sustained increase as a reflection of the great faith our Parish has in Our Lord Jesus Christ and His Church.

That's enough business for this edition; why don't we close with a prayer for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis, a request for the Holy Spirit to guide the Cardinal electors as they choose our next Holy Father, a sky full of white smoke and sound of the joyful words, "Habemus Papam," in the very near future!

Robert Yates, Business Manager (703-494-4008)

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Daily Rosary: Mon-Sat | 8:25am – 8:55am | Main Church
Daily Mass: Mon-Sat | 9:00am – 9:30am | Main Church

Sat. Vigil Mass: 5:00pm | Main Church
Sun. Masses: 7:30am, 9am, 10:45am, 12:30pm | Main Church

Sunday, May 25th - Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00am – 10:00am	Nursery	Nursery
10:45am – 11:45am	Nursery	Nursery
6:30pm – 8:00pm	Youth Ministry Girls Bible Study	Lower Seton Hall

Monday, May 26th - Parish Office Closed

ALL DAY Parish Office Closed; NO 7pm Confessions

Tuesday, May 27th - St. Augustine of Canterbury (m)

9:30am – 8:00pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am – 10:30am	Blue Army Devotion	Chapel

Wednesday, May 28th

9:30am – 11:30am	Divine Mercy Cenacle	St. Mary Room
9:45am – 11:30am	Wednesday Bible Study	Sts. Peter and Paul Room
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Alpha	Fellowship Hall
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Mother of Joy Prayer Group	St. Paul Room
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Finance Meeting	Office Conference

Thursday, May 29th - St. Paul VI (m)

9:30am – 8:30pm	All Day Adoration	Chapel
9:30am – 10:45am	Divine Mercy Holy Hour	Chapel
12:00pm – 2:00pm	Mother Seton Food Pantry	Fellowship Hall
6:00pm – 7:30pm	American Heritage Girls	Lower Seton Hall
7:00pm – 8:30pm	Thursday Bible Study	St. Mary Room
7:15pm – 8:45pm	Traditional Choir Rehearsal	Music Room

Friday, May 30th

9:30am – 12:00pm	Mom's Group	Nursery
9:45am – 12:15pm	Friday Morning Faith Sharing	St. Peter Room
10:00am – 11:30am	Legion of Mary	Trinity 3 Room
3:00pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	Chapel

Saturday, May 31st - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin (m)

8:00am – 1:00pm	Trail Life USA Planning Meeting	Bayley's Cellar
8:25am	Daily Rosary	Main Church
9:00am – 12:00pm	Spring Spruce-Up	Parish Grounds/Upper Seton Hall
9:45am – 12:00pm	Silver Foxes	Fellowship Hall
6:00pm – 9:00pm	Young Adult Movie Night	Bayley's Cellar
6:00pm – 9:00pm	Small Group Facilitator BBQ	Parish Grounds/Seton Hall



PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

In observance of Memorial Day, the Parish Office will be closed TOMORROW, Monday, May 26. There will be NO 7pm Confessions. We will reopen and resume our regular operating hours on Tuesday, May 27.

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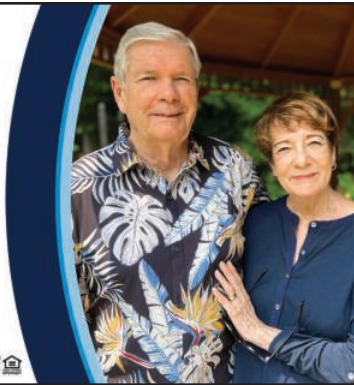


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