

JANUARY 14, 2018
SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

+ *May their souls rest in peace*

Saturday, January 13

6:00pm Eugene Hanlon +

Sunday, January 14

7:30am Bobby Nolan +

9:00am Gloria Fontenot +

10:30am Kate Stufano

12:00n Elaine Patrick +

1:30pm Parishioners

5:00pm Katie McClure

Monday, January 15

9:00am Gloria Fontenot +

Tuesday, January 16

9:00am Many Tubella

Wednesday, January 17

9:00am Deceased members of the
Wheatley Family +

Thursday, January 18

9:00am William McCarthy +

Friday, January 19

9:00am Elizabeth Miller

Saturday, January 20

9:00am Deceased members of the
Pulzone Family +

6:00pm Col. Paul Kelley +

Sunday, January 21

7:30am Deborah Barbara McNeill +

9:00am Theresa O'Hara +

10:30am Kerry & Matt Mazzocco

12:00n Col. Paul Kelly + and Easy 40

1:30pm Walter Steven Veazey +

5:00pm Parishioners

For daily readings go to

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/index.cfm>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Weekly parish budget requirement = \$15,450

December 16-17 Offertory	\$13,635
December 23-24 Offertory	\$13,793
December 24-25 Offertory	\$18,578
Christmas Collection for the School	\$ 5,236
December 30-31 Offertory	\$12,729
January 1 Offertory	\$ 532
January 6-7 Offertory	\$18,942
January 6-7 Building Fund	\$ 6,459

SECOND COLLECTIONS

January 20-21 *Christians in Iraq*

END OF THE YEAR TAX STATEMENTS

for 2017 will be mailed on January 30.

If you would like your statement emailed to you, please contact the parish office at stpatschurch@comcast.net

Statements for Faith Direct

will be mailed by them at a later date.

FAITH DIRECT FOR 2018

If you do not wish to change your contributions for 2018, no action is required. If you wish to change your contributions or enroll in Faith Direct visit www.faithdirect.net

or phone 1-866-507-8757

Our parish account is VA49

PARISH INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

For the parish registration form, past bulletins, and current events visit the parish website www.saintpatrickparish.org

For the parish calendar visit

www.saintpatrickparish.org/calendar.htm

Follow the news from the Virginia Catholic Conference Bishop Burbidge and the Bishop of Richmond have statements about faith and on current social issues in the VA Commonwealth.

See how you can get involved. www.VACatholic.org

Visit **FORMED.ORG** and enter Parish Code **PWQ2Y4**

Please do not sign up as an individual.

The parish access code provides more content than the individual subscription

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS *Third Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm in the Rectory Conference room. Please contact the Parish Office to register.*

ENGAGED COUPLES *Please contact the rectory at least six months before your desired wedding date.*

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES *Contact the rectory if you have been asked to be a sponsor/godparent and require a Sponsorship Certificate.*

ALTAR AND ROSARY *Beth Bottorff wmjunc53@comast.net 972-2463*

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS *Bill Phillips 540-972-3649*

Discover Your Irish Heritage! Men of Irish birth or descent are invited to join the oldest Catholic lay organization in the USA. We support local Catholic charities! www.fredericksburgaoh.org

BOOK STUDY (G. K. Chesterton) *Religious Education Office 785-7857 Mondays in the Parish Hall at 10:00am*

CHURCH HISTORY *Religious Education Office 785-7857*

Study of Church Fathers, Thursdays in the Conference Room at 10:30am

CURSILLO *Mary Lou McGonigle 972-4673*

DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE *Ethel Malley 785-4753*

Meet 1st Tuesday after the 9am Mass in the Rectory Conference Room to discuss St Faustina's diaries.

FOOD DRIVE *St. Patrick Parish holds a food drive on the second weekend of every month. Non-perishable food may be dropped off outside the front of the church. Next food drive = February 10-11*

GUARDIAN ANGELS *To contribute to the Guardian Angels who assist families in our parish with food, clothing medication and other basic needs, please see Jim Duffy or call the Parish Office at 540-785-5299.*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – BATTLEFIELD COUNCIL

Meets second and fourth Tuesdays of the month Greg Gordon, Grand Knight dggordo@comcast.net 540-786-0488

LADIES AUXILIARY

Meets on the third Tuesday of the month Kathy Major, President katmer66@comcast.net 540-207-1918

LEGION OF MARY *George Perreault gperreau@mac.com 412-5724*

Elena Wiechowski emwiechowski@gmail.com 540-412-5865

Meet in the Rectory Conference Room - One Praesidium meets each Monday at 7:30pm. Another Praesidium meets each Friday at 10am.

MARTHA'S CARING HANDS *Parish Office 785-5299*

A service providing funeral receptions in our parish hall. Please call the office if you need this service. Donations are gratefully accepted to support this service!

PILGRIM VIRGIN *John Gladis at 891-7408 or Tim Dimond at 854-8479*

Have the Pilgrim Virgin statue of Our Lady of Fatima grace your home for two weeks

SACRED HEART OF JESUS HOME ENTHRONEMENT

A service of the Legion of Mary To set a date: Terri Miles 406-0710

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Meets on the first Saturday of each month after the 8am Mass and on the third Thursday at 7pm. Meetings are held in the St. Matthew Activity Center.

USHERS *Greg Gordon, dggordo@comcast.net or 786-0488*

VISITATION APOSTLES *Parish Office 785-5299*

Please call if you know a member of our Parish, homebound or in a nursing home, who would like to be visited or taken the Eucharist.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Holy Hour

Opportunity for Confession
Each Thursday evening
from 7:30 to 8:30pm

Perpetual Novena

in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
Each Monday at 7:00pm

THE MARCH FOR LIFE

Friday, January 19

St. Patrick Parish has chartered buses for this event.
Buses will be leaving St. Patrick parking lot at 9:30am
(after the 9:00am Mass)

and will be returning at approximately 5:30pm.

A donation of \$12/person is suggested to defray costs.

Suggestions: bring a bag lunch and drink.

Watch weather forecasts and dress appropriately.

Wear comfortable clothing and shoes.

Please sign-up on the sheets in the back of the church.

Be sure to indicate the number of people in your party
and your phone number

should we need to contact you for any reason.

If you find out that you cannot attend,
please phone the rectory 785-5299 as soon as possible
or contact Christine Sumner at 540-845-2214.



DAY OF RECOLLECTION

FOR ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH

Saturday, January 27

Fr. Wooton is our guest speaker

Father's message will be "Marian Spirituality"

We will start with Mass at 9:00am,
take a short break for bagels, donuts and coffee,
return to Church for Father Wooton's talks.

Lunch will follow

~ Sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Battlefield Council ~

Please contact Mary Ryan at

(540) 972-9392 to RSVP if you plan to stay for lunch

DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR ALL MEN OF THE PARISH

Saturday, February 17

The day will begin with Mass at 9:00am
followed by coffee/snack, a two-part presentation,
opportunities for Confession, and lunch.

We will conclude after lunch at about 1:00 pm

The day offers a time for prayer,
silent reflection and inspirational talks by

Rev. John Cregan, Associate Chaplain,

Virginia State Council Knights of Columbus

Sponsored by the Battlefield Council Knights of Columbus

There is no charge for this event.

For reservations please sign up in the vestibule or contact
Alan Clune at 972-2168 or email: aclune@msn.com

SAINT PATRICK SCHOOL

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

beginning January 17 at 9:00am
for preschool 3 year olds through
8th grade for the 2018/2019 school year.

The mission of St. Patrick School is to
embrace the Catholic faith and

lead our students to do God's will in this world.

The administration and faculty of St. Patrick School are
committed to providing every student with an
education that is academically challenging.

You may pick up applications ahead of time in the church
vestibule, school office or download one from our

website www.saintpatrickschoolva.org



OPEN HOUSE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Sunday, January 28, 2018

8:00am - 1:00pm

Please join us for light refreshments
and a tour of the school.

The Diocese of Arlington features three tuition assistance
programs to fit family needs.

Please don't let the cost of a Catholic education prevent
you from exploring a Catholic education at
St. Patrick School.

Tuition assistance information is available on the Catholic
Diocese of Arlington website www.arlingtondiocese.org

Information will also be available at our Open House
or you may contact Mr. Elliott at (540) 786-2277

SCIENCE FAIR JUDGES NEEDED

You are invited to judge the St. Patrick School 2017/2018
Science Fair on the morning of January 30, 2018.

This is a great opportunity to support the students as they
prepare to compete in the Diocesan Science Fair.

For more information, please contact

Morgan Stower: mstower@saintpatrickschoolva.org

ST. PATRICK 5K MUD RUN & 1 MILE FUN RUN

All proceeds will benefit

St. Patrick School's Technology Fund

Saturday, March 17 at Miller Farms Market

The 5k Mud Run begins at 9am with the
Fun Run following at 10am.

5k Mud Run - \$25 Registration Fee

until Jan 31st, when price increases.

1 Mile Fun Run - \$15 Registration Fee

Sign up

at <https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/LocustGrove/StPatrickMudRun>

Follow us on Facebook

at <https://www.facebook.com/StPatrickMudRun/>

ALTERNATIVES TO ABORTION

Birthright of Fredericksburg 540-898-8558

Catholic Charities (United Way #6404) 371-1124

Mary's Shelter www.marysshelterva.org

Rappahannock Pregnancy Help Center 370-1800

Paul Stefan Homes of VA (CFC # 47774) 540-854-2300

www.paulstefanhomes.org

**The Parish Offices will be closed
Monday, January 15 for
Martin Luther King's Birthday**

PLEASE PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY

January 15	Rev. Matthew DeForest
January 16	Rev. Stephen Schultz
January 17	Rev. Robert Wagner
January 18	Rev. Edward Bresnahan
January 19	Rev. Michael Kelly
January 20	Rev. Jason Weber
January 21	Rev. Jeb Donelan

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

January

- 17 St. Patrick School Registration begins
- 19 The Annual MARCH for LIFE
2 Buses have been chartered for the event
- 20 Bluegrass/Gospel JAM
- 27 Ladies' Day of Recollection
All women of the parish are welcome
- 28 Catholic Schools Week begins

February

- 4 Ladies' Auxiliary Cookie Sale
- 10 First Penance Workshop for
students and parents
- 10 Spaghetti Dinner
- 14 Ash Wednesday – Lent begins
- 17 First Penance (CCD)
- 17 Men's Day of Recollection
All men of the parish are welcome
- 17 Parish Mission begins
- 23 Honor the Clergy Dinner
- 26 Confirmation Meeting for Parents

April

- 1 Easter

For the Glory of God

Thank you, thank you dear Parishioners
for your continued generosity.
I am truly amazed at your continued commitment
and dedication to our Glory of God campaign to
build a new church and middle school.
May God reward you immensely for your
marvelous generosity!

Fr. John A. Ziegler

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GOAL: \$ 6,000,000

As of January 9, 2018

Pledged: \$ 5,843,446 Paid to Date: \$ 4,933,763

To contribute or for questions contact Father Ziegler or
Deacon Stenstrom in the parish office ~ (540) 785-5299

To help us reach our financial target,
a generous parishioner agreed to
match up to \$100,000 for any new pledges
The 100K challenge exceeded the goal by \$23,303
Thank you for your support of this effort

JAM WITH FR. ZIEGLER

Saturday, January 20 from 11am to 3pm

Parishioners and local musicians are invited
to come and play and sing or just listen.

Father Ziegler will provide burgers, hot dogs and drinks.
Please feel free to bring a covered dish and/or dessert to share!

A few people needed to help.

To volunteer, please contact the office at 540-785-5299

2018 MEN'S CONFERENCE – MARCH 3

ALL MEN are invited to this year's Men's Conference –
entitled Marked Men: Made For Greatness – will feature
one of the most celebrated Catholic speakers in the world
of social media: Fr. Mike Schmitz, who will be joined by
Bishop Burbidge and Billy Atwell, Chief Communications
Officer of the Diocese. Continental breakfast and lunch
will be served.

To REGISTER, go to www.arlingtondiocese.org/men.
Ticket price is \$55 through Feb. 1; \$65 after. Make sure to
register ASAP as slots get filled quite easily!

2018 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE – MARCH 10

All women of the Catholic Diocese of Arlington are
invited to the 2018 Women's Conference, "From Darkness
Into Light," at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Herndon,
VA. Featuring Diane Foley, mother of slain journalist,
James Foley, and Sr. Grace Dominic, writer and national
speaker. Holy Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael
Burbidge. Registration is \$55 through February 1; \$65
after. Please register ASAP to reserve your slots!

To REGISTER, go to www.arlingtondiocese.org/women

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH
ACTIVITIES**

For info or to RSVP please
contact Lisa Schumacher
stpatyouth@comcast.net



Sunday, January 14 ~ 6 - 8pm ~ Parish Hall
"We Walk by Faith"

The final session of Altaration by Ascension Press
Altaration is designed to stir thought, create
conversation, dispel myths, and inspire young
souls to a deep and lasting love for the Mass.
Dinner & dessert will be provided.

Sunday, January 21 ~ 6-8pm ~ Parish Hall.
1st WORK CAMP 2018

Parish Preparation Meeting
Dinner & dessert will be provided.

Sunday, January 28 ~ 6-8pm ~ Parish Hall
Movie Night

Movie title to be announced when we get
closer to the date.
Dinner & dessert will be provided. Popcorn too!

THE GIFT SHOP IN THE PARISH HALL

is open on Sundays after the 7:30am Mass until noon.
We have statues for your garden and other new items.
If you need items during the week
please call Mary Gladis 891-7408

The Battlefield Council of the Knights of Columbus
is spearheading local efforts to assist in the
relocation of Iraqi Christians displaced by the ISIS fighting in Iraq.
ISIS destroyed their homes.

**With your help, Christian families living as refugees in Erbil
will now be able to move home.**

It costs approximately \$2,000 dollars to move a displace family so
the goal of the Battlefield Council is to raise \$2,000

~ as part of a \$2 million drive by the Knights of Columbus worldwide ~
to raise and donate money to resettle an entire village of families in Karemlash,
a town on the Nineveh Plain, 18 miles outside Mosul.
Most of the families are Chaldean or Syriac Christians, with some Shabak families

**100 percent of the funds raised will
go to help Christians rebuild their homes.**

There are roughly 200,000 Christians still in Iraq – down from 1.5 million in 2003 who are increasingly feeling a sense of hopelessness over the situation

The Islamic State swept through large swathes of Syria and Iraq in 2014, giving families of Christians and other religious and ethnic minorities an ultimatum – convert to Islam, die, or leave.

When ISIS took the town, everybody fled, and militants began their campaign of cultural genocide: burning homes, desecrating parishes, destroying Christian symbols, and even digging up the body of a local priest to desecrate his grave.

They wanted not just to erase the Christians from the town, they wanted to erase whatever was reminiscent of Christianity from the town as well. Many Christians fled eastward to the Kurdistan region of Iraq, where around 70,000 Christians were living in and around the city of Erbil, dependent upon aid groups for their basic needs.

Since 2014, the Knights have already provided over \$13 million in aid to Christians in Iraq and Syria who have suffered persecution, most notably at the hands of Islamic State.

Even as the Islamic State has been forced back from the Nineveh Plain and Mosul, many Christians have still not been able to return to their homes, which were vandalized, damaged, or destroyed by Islamic State militants. Their future is in question as they are currently living as displaced persons in Kurdistan. The situation is so bleak that local Church leaders are saying that if something is not done to remedy the problem, Christians could leave Iraq for good.

If that is the case, it would be an ideological victory for Islamic State, whose program was the de-Christianization of Iraq, the total obliteration of any religious minorities. Furthermore, with Christians gone, it could further destabilize Iraq by helping eliminate religious pluralism. Christians are an enormous example of forgiveness, and they've been praised by imams in Iraq, by television commentators in Egypt, for this capacity of forgiveness.

And if the Christians have no more roots in the land where they have lived for centuries, a priceless cultural vestige could be gone as well.

The money will go to provide materials for Christians to repair their homes
from the destruction that the Islamic State inflicted.

It's an important step if Christianity is going to survive in Iraq.

**There will be a second collection at Masses
at St. Patrick on January 20 and 21.**

Please make checks payable to St. Patrick Church and note Iraqi Christians in the memo.

Donations are tax deductible

