The Baptism of the Lord

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We’re glad you’re here!

We are most happy to welcome new members to our community and invite new members to introduce themselves to a member of the Staff. We want to know and serve you. We pray that you will also become involved in your parish by joining us with your prayers, presence, talents, and financial assistance according to your means.

Parish registration forms are available in the churches and by contacting the Collaborative Office. Registered parishioners are asked to notify the Office of any address changes.

Contact us!

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HOLY MASS ON THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
53RD WORLD DAY OF PEACE
PAPAL MASS
HOMILY OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
VATICAN BASILICA
WEDNESDAY, 1ST JANUARY 2020

“But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman” (Gal 4:4). Born of woman: Jesus came in this way. He did not appear in the world as an adult but, as the Gospel tells us, he was “conceived in the womb” (Lk 2:21). It was there that he made our humanity his own: day after day, month after month. In the womb of a woman, God and mankind are united, never to be separated again. Even now, in heaven, Jesus lives in the flesh that he took in his mother’s womb. In God, there is our human flesh!

On the first day of the year, we celebrate this nuptial union between God and mankind, inaugurated in the womb of a woman. In God, there will forever be our humanity and Mary will forever be the Mother of God. She is both woman and mother: this is what is essential. From her, a woman, salvation came forth and thus there is no salvation without a woman. In her, God was united to us, and if we want to unite ourselves to him, we must take the same path: through Mary, woman and mother. That is why we begin the year by celebrating Our Lady, the woman who wove the humanity of God. If we want to weave humanity into this our time, we need to start again from the woman.

Born of woman. The rebirth of humanity began from a woman. Women are sources of life. Yet they are continually insulted, beaten, raped, forced to prostitute themselves and to suppress the life they bear in the womb. Every form of violence inflicted upon a woman is a blasphemy against God, who was born of a woman. Humanity’s salvation came forth from the body of a woman: we can understand our degree of humanity by how we treat a woman’s body. How often are women’s bodies sacrificed on the profane altars of advertising, of profiteering, of pornography, exploited like a canvas to be used. Yet women’s bodies must be freed from consumerism; they must be respected and honoured. Theirs is the most noble flesh in the world, for it conceived and brought to light the love that has saved us! In the Gospel, Mary does this a second time: at the end of the hidden life of Jesus, we are told that “his mother kept all these things in her heart” (v. 51). This repetition makes us realize that “keeping in her heart” was not something nice that Our Lady did from time to time, but something habitual. Women typically take life to heart. Women show us that the meaning of life is not found in making things but in taking things to heart. Only those who see with the heart see things properly, because they know how to “look into” each person: to see a brother apart from his mistakes, a sister apart from her failings, hope amid difficulty. They see God in all persons and things.

As we begin this new year, let us ask ourselves: Do I know how to see with the heart? Do I know how to look at people with the heart? Do I take to heart the people with whom I live? Or do I tear them down by gossip? And above all, do I put the Lord at the centre of my heart, or other values, other interests, like advancement, riches, power? Only if we take life to heart will we know how to take care and overcome the indifference all around. So let us ask for the grace to live this year with the desire to take others to heart and to care for them. And if we want a better world, a world that will be a peaceful home and not a war field, may we take to heart the dignity of each woman. From a woman was born the Prince of peace. Women are givers and mediators of peace and should be fully included in decision-making processes. Because when women can share their gifts, the world finds itself more united, more peaceful. Hence, every step forward for women is a step forward for humanity as a whole.

Born of woman. Jesus, newly born, was mirrored in the eyes of the woman, in the face of his mother. From her, he received his first caresses; with her, he exchanged the first smiles. With her began the revolution of tenderness. The Church, looking at the Baby Jesus, is called to continue that revolution. For she too, like Mary, is both woman and mother. The Church is woman and mother, and in Our Lady, she finds her distinctive traits. She sees Mary immaculate, and feels called to say no to sin and to worldliness. She sees Mary fruitful, and feels called to proclaim the Gospel and to give birth to it in people’s lives. She sees Mary a mother, and she feels called to receive every man and woman as a son or daughter.

In drawing close to Mary, the Church discovers herself, she finds her centre and her unity. The enemy of our human nature, the devil, seeks instead to divide, to highlight differences, ideologies, partisan thinking and parties. But we do not understand the Church if we regard her by starting with structures, programmes and trends, ideologies and functions. We may grasp something, but not the heart of the Church. Because the Church has a mother’s heart. And we, as her sons and daughters, invoke today the Mother of God, who gathers us together as a people of believers. O Mother, give birth to hope within us and bring us unity. Woman of salvation, to you we entrust this year. Keep it in your heart. We acclaim you, the Holy Mother of God. All together now, for three times, let us stand and acclaim the Lady, the Holy Mother of God. [with the assembly] Holy Mother of God, Holy Mother of God, Holy Mother of God!
SAINT AGNES MUSIC NOTES

With the Christmas Season behind us, we begin to put away our decorations and symbols of this most beautiful season. Looking ahead in the church liturgical year, we can see that Lent and Easter are not very far off. Ash Wednesday is next month on the 26th of February. Soon we will be making preparations to begin the celebrations of these events in our church. Our choirs will begin rehearsing music for these upcoming seasons and will take on a different sound of praise and prayer as we move into Lent. It is with that thought in mind that I invite you to consider joining our choristers. The Parish Choir rehearses on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the church and sings at most 10:30 AM Sunday Masses. The Children’s Choir also rehearses on Tuesdays, but at 5:00 PM, beginning this week on January 14th.

If you have given thought to joining your voice in song and praise, this is a wonderful time of year to get involved as we begin to plan and learn music for the Lent and Easter Season. Singing is a healthy exercise that feeds our spirit and soul. It is also a great gift to our parish that many dedicated people give weekly, enhancing our liturgies.

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We return to singing the settings of the Mass parts: Glory to God, Holy, Holy, and Lamb of God, from the Mass of the Resurrection. They can be found in the Breaking Bread Hymnal beginning at number 850. We will continue to sing Memorial Acclamation number 11 and the Amen from the Chant Mass as well as the Lord’s Prayer when it is intoned by the priest. These are found in the order of the Mass at the front of the hymnal. Please lend your voice to our liturgy and join the singing of the hymns and the Mass.

He who sings prays twice! St. Augustine
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Have you checked out the website formed.org? You can use it from your computer, or download it as an app on your phone or television. The Catholic Parishes of Arlington subscribes to it, so it is no direct cost to you. There are movies, presentations, and audio-books to help you learn more about the Catholic faith. Register free with our collaborative’s access code: Fj47GD.

COULD GOD BE CALLING YOU?
Vocational Discernment Events for Men and Women
St. John’s Seminary and Betania II Spiritual Life & Marian Center
February 21-23, 2020
For Men ages 18-30
Cardinal O’Malley will preach at this retreat
Pope Saint John XXIII National Seminary
February 21-22, 2020
For Men Ages 30+
Cardinal O’Malley will be present at this retreat
For more information Men contact: Fr. Michael Zimmerman / 617-746-5969 / mzimmerman@rcab.org
St. Paul’s Parish, Harvard Square
Women Ages 18-35
February 22, 2020 from 9AM to 5PM
For more Information Women Contact: Sr. Germana Santos / 617-746-5637 / gsantos@rcab.org

JOYCE PATRIACCA
It is with great sadness that we inform you that Joyce Patriacca, our long time and beloved Director of Religious Education at St. Agnes Parish, passed away during the Christmas Break.

At this time the family has not announced plans for a funeral or a memorial. When that information becomes available we will post it on our social media platforms.

Please, remember Joyce in your daily prayers. May she rest in peace.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WEATHER UPDATES
If public school classes are cancelled in Arlington, due to inclement weather there will be no Religious Education classes. For both weekday and weekend classes, we recommend you check the CBS/WBZ website: boston.cbslocal.com/closings and click on Religious category along with our website and social media.

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WEATHER RELATED ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAINT CAMILLUS PARISH
NO CLASSES JANUARY 20TH.
TUESDAY CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT THE USUAL TIME.
GRADES 1, 2 and 3 - 3:30-4:45 PM - TUESDAY
GRADES 4 and 5 - 3:30-4:45 PM - MONDAY
GRADES 6, 7 and 8 - 7:00-8:00 PM - MONDAY
Mrs. Barbara Rachwal - Director, Grades 1-8

SAINT AGNES PARISH
CLASSES RESUME ON JANUARY 26TH
WE WILL GATHER IN BARTON HALL BEFORE CLASS ON JANUARY 26TH FOR A SPECIAL PRAYER SERVICE IN MEMORY OF JOYCE. PARENTS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.
DECEMBER 28/DECEMBER 29 OFFERTORY: $3,166
WEEKLY BUDGET: $4,000
CHRISTMAS: $9,477
GRAND ANNUAL: $17,200

BOSTON SOCK EXCHANGE
Boston Sock Exchange serves our homeless and needy brothers and sisters on Boston Common on the second Saturday of each month. With the arrival of winter, we welcome donations of long-sleeved shirts, sweatshirts, sweaters, jackets, hats and gloves. We are in need of bottles of water, small-sized juice or Gatorade for individual distribution, along with granola bars and jars of mayonnaise and mustard for making sandwiches. Join us in the St. Agnes Parish Center on Friday, February 7th, at 7:00 PM, to prepare sandwiches and organize donations. We also need volunteers to help with distribution on Saturday, February 8th, at 11:00 AM on Boston Common. Please note that anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult. For information, please contact Sheila O’Brien (obriersmo@hotmail.com).

ARLINGTON FOOD PANTRY
In this season of giving, please continue to be generous in your response to the needs of the hungry. We collect food for our local food pantry year round. There are bins located at the main entrance of each Church to accept non-perishable items along with toiletries.

PICK UP A FREE DYNAMIC PARISH DREAM BOOK AT THE ST. AGNES PARISH CENTER.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

SAINT CAMILLUS PARISH
DECEMBER 28/DECEMBER 29 OFFERTORY: $3,166
WEEKLY BUDGET: $4,000
CHRISTMAS: $9,477
GRAND ANNUAL: $17,200

SAINT AGNES PARISH
DECEMBER 28/DECEMBER 29 OFFERTORY: $21,884
WEEKLY BUDGET: $14,000
CHRISTMAS: $28,498
GRAND ANNUAL: $83,827

WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO ALL OUR COLLECTIONS.
SECOND READING

SECOND COLUMN

Acts 10: 34-38

Ever notice how rare it is to hear a homily about the Sunday Mass second reading? Sometimes, it's not even mentioned in a sermon. Well, here's a column drawing upon the last thing we hear before we stand and sing the Alleluia.

This week, it's not that big of a deal to champion the cause of the second epistle. The readings have the same theme: the Baptism of the Lord. The first reading and the Gospel teach us that Jesus is the chosen servant of the Father. In the Acts of the Apostles Chapter 10, Peter takes up this theme. His speech in the house of Cornelius has two distinct points. In his recap of the life of Christ, St Peter claims that John the Baptist prepared the way and Christ began to preach and heal.

These two points are actually signs of things to come for us at Mass. Next week, the Gospel contains John the Baptist's testimony about Christ. We have, therefore, a two-week bridge joining Christmas and Ordinary Time. Furthermore, St Peter mentions the preaching and healing ministry of Christ. That just about covers most of the Sundays of the year.

But here's what I really want to talk about to you. Let's focus on what happened to Peter before his speech. He had a vision about eating unclean animals, meant to teach him about baptizing Gentiles. He refused to eat the animals three times before he realized the divine purpose. Not getting it the first time around was nothing new for St Peter. Christ actually called him Satan after the saint's overconfidence when he was called "The Rock." And perhaps Peter himself demanded that all four Gospels contain his denial of Christ. But through all of this frustration, Christ still kept him as the first pope.

God was patient with Peter. This truth gives hope to us all. How many of us beat ourselves up over going to confession with the same old sins? For how many years have we made the same New Year's resolutions? But Pope Francis frequently reminds us of this good news: God never tires of forgiving us. We get sick of saying sorry to the Lord. We may lose patience with ourselves. For his part, however, the Lord always forgives us, showing us mercy and patience. Few know this better than St Peter.

As we begin this new year, the first pope can be our friend in heaven. He can help us to have patience with ourselves when heaven sends us the same lessons over and over again.

DIVORCE CARE

DIVORCECARE is a 13-week program of healing and support for those who have experienced divorce. The current series begins on Monday, January 13th at 7:00 PM at St. Eulalia Church, 50 Ridge Street, Winchester, in the Msgr. McGann Conference Room. Each week there is a video presentation on the challenges that divorced people face, followed by discussion and prayer. The sessions last approximately 90 minutes. The workbook and materials cost $15.

If you would like to participate in DIVORCECARE, please contact Marge McGlone (margie_mcglobe2004@yahoo.com).

Did you receive your copy of Rediscover the Saints?

Books like this are one of the many resources we’ll be providing to parishioners regularly because of our parish’s partnership with Dynamic Parish.

We invite you all to read just a few pages a day and see how it infuses your life with meaning and purpose.

COPIES ARE STILL AVAILABLE IN BOTH CHURCHES. PLEASE TAKE ONE OR MORE TO SHARE.
ARLINGTON YOUTH + YOUNG ADULTS CALENDAR

JANUARY 12  GRADE 10
DECISION POINT AT 5:00 PM MASS - 7:30 PM

JANUARY 17  GRADES 9-12
SNOW TUBING ADVENTURE - 6:00 PM - 10:30 PM

JANUARY 23-25  GRADES 9-12
MARCH FOR LIFE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

JANUARY 26  GRADE 9
DECISION POINT AT 5:00 PM MASS - 7:30 PM

FEBRUARY 2  GRADES 9 + 10
VOCATIONS AND SPORTS TALK FOLLOWING 12 PM MASS

FEBRUARY 9  GRADE 9
DECISION POINT AT 5:00 PM MASS - 7:30 PM

FIDELITY HOUSE

Winter Brochure - Fidelity House’s Winter brochure is available or check us out online! Programs starting in January include: Tot Sports, Instructional Floor Hockey on Tuesdays, Gymnastics, Cooking, Basketball for grades K-5 on Fridays, “Explore Art”, Volleyball, Polar Bear Football, Jr. NBA Basketball, Soccer for younger children and a clinic for grades 5-8, Chess, Arts and Crafts, Tot Time, Piano Playtime, Nancy Drew Book Club, Fitness, and Jazz Dance. Membership to Fidelity House’s Open Recreation Program is open to all. There are game rooms, gym time and many other programs you can register for. Join the fun at Fidelity House!

Preschool and Pre-K Openings - Fidelity House’s Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten Program have immediate openings. Children ages 2 year 9 months and up are welcome. The program is in its 42nd year and is licensed by the Department of Early Education and Care. Children are welcome to attend 8:30 AM-12:30 PM. There are limited afternoon openings.

Tot Time - Free program open to all toddlers, (parents and care givers remain with child). Meets on Wednesdays in our large gym from 10:15 AM – 11:00 AM. Mats, balls, tricycles, theme play areas, and much more offered each week.

Job Opportunities – Senior Staff positions, afternoon hours working with children are available. Stop by Fidelity House for more information.

Friday Night Fun - Floor Hockey, Dodgeball and 3 on 3 Basketball games are played every Friday night. The main game room has televisions, video games, pool tables, and ping pong. The building is open until 10:00 PM on Fridays for grades 5 and up. High schoolers can use the gym until 10:30 PM.

Preschool, Pre K Sports – Basketball with lower hoops meets on Mondays at 12:30 PM. Floor hockey meets on Wednesdays at 12:30 PM, and Indoor Soccer meets Fridays at 12:30 PM. Please see our Winter Brochure for other great youth programs.

Full Day and Early Release Day Program – Fidelity House offers full day programs on all days school is not in session. Upcoming Full Day Programs include Monday, January 20th. Program is open to children in Preschool through grade 6.

SNOW TUBING ADVENTURE!
All youth in grades 9-12 are welcome to join us for snow tubing at the Nashoba Valley Ski Area on Friday, January 17th from 6:00 PM to 10:30 PM. $35 includes transportation. Meet at St. Camillus Lower Church at 6:00 PM. Register by Monday, January 13th with your payment and Permission Form - Drop-off at Confirmation PREP or the St. Agnes Parish Center, 51 Medford Street. Download the permission form at our website under Evangelization/Youth or here: https://tinyurl.com/ayyaform

DISCIPLESHIP WEEK REGISTRATION
This is a great opportunity for Catholic teens (Grades 9-12) who want to go deeper in their faith and spend five days with other teens from all over the diocese. Takes place June 24th-28th, 2020 at Assumption College in Worcester. For more information and to register, visit: disciplesinmission.com/discipleshipweek

VISIT WWW.FIDELITYHOUSE.ORG TO- REGISTER ON-LINE OR CALL 781-648-2005 FOR MORE.
ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) gathers on Sundays in the Arlington Catholic High School Library (16 Medford Street) from 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM. Most meetings will be in tandem with the Adult Faith Formation program, but RCIA candidates (and their sponsors) will sit together at tables for the discussion. Sponsors are encouraged to attend all sessions; talk to Fr. Michael with your specific situation (need help finding one, is far away, etc.)

### FOLLOWING CHRIST/RCIA CALENDAR

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**LET US CELEBRATE TOGETHER**
**OUR LADY OF LA VANG**

Monday, January 27th
Saint Camillus Church

We encourage you to bring flowers for the procession. If you have any questions or would like to help, email daughters@cparl.org

*Part of the of the Catholic Parishes of Arlington Marian Mondays Series*

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**ST. CAMILLUS MUSIC MINISTRY**

**Adult Choir:** Calling all singers to join us in song on Tuesdays from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM and Mass on Sunday mornings at 11:00 AM.

**Children’s Choir:** Practices will be held on Tuesdays at 4:45 PM in the Choir Room.

**Handbell Choir:** For all ages.

If you would like to sign up, please contact Kristyn. No music experience is necessary.

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**SATURDAY MORNING ROSARY**

A group of parishioners meets to God’s healing presence in front of Planned Parenthood from 7:00 AM – 8:00 AM on Saturdays. We meet at 6:30 AM in the Saint Agnes School parking lot for carpooling. Anyone is welcome to join us. Contact Eileen (saparishforlife@gmail.com).

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**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. We celebrate this feast a couple of weeks after Christmas in just the same way that many of us were baptized within weeks of our birth. It takes place at the beginning of the year so that we can reflect upon new life as we strive to dedicate the New Year to Christ. In reality we know that Christ did not need a baptism because he was free from sin and he was the Church. We were baptized to take away original sin and to be welcomed into the Church. It is our prayer that God the Father feels the same way about us as he did Jesus. This is my beloved son/daughter, with whom I am well pleased. May 2020, be a year of grace for each one of us.

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**EVERY LIFE**

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HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

St. Camillus Parish will hold a holy Hour for life, presided over by Deacon Peter Bujwid, on Saturday, January 25th at 5:30 PM (following the 4:30 PM Mass)
St. Agnes Parish will hold a holy hour for life on Sunday, January 26th, 2020 at 3:30 PM, presided over by Deacon Alexander Boucher (prior to the 5:00 PM Mass).
**Presentations Made at the Convocation on Prayer, Study, Generosity, and Evangelization**

Collaborative presentations were made at the Convocation on Prayer, Study, Generosity, and Evangelization. After each presentation, small groups discussed what they heard and then shared what they discussed. We collected that information and are presenting it to you each week, starting this week with Prayer. Want to share your thoughts? Email us at info@cparl.org. We are grateful to Chris Doyle for compiling this information, which will be used to create our Pastoral Plan — more on this next week.

### What we do well

- 9AM @ St. Camillus (time)
- Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Confession very accessible
- Adoration of Blessed Sacrament @ St. Agnes
- Sodality
- Plentiful Masses
- Good Homilies
- Bulletin write-ups
- Marian Chapel @ St. Camillus

### Personal Prayer

- Make our homes domestic altars
- Open dialog with God
- Humility
- HELP
- Pray for happiness
- "Thy will be done"
- Tragedy on news = prayer
- Pray for someone who has no one to pray for them
- Before/after meals
- Before bed (EXAMEN)
- Listen to Catholic Radio

### Community Prayer

- Rosary
- Adoration (simple but powerful impact) - have at more accessible times
- Marian Mondays
- Novenas/Missions/Retreats (eg. Sisters of St. Joseph)

### Importance of prayer routine

- Daily Mass
- Daily prayer (start small, increase in length)
- Rosary on family car trips
- Regular prayer habits help through difficult times
- Pray while doing chores
- Keep rosary beads in pocket
- Booklets that help: Liturgy of the Hours/Office of Readings/Magnificat/Give us this Day
- Drop in to Church when you pass by

### Prayer

- Simple prayers: Lord's Prayer
- Getting back to prayers of our childhood
- Prayer Line
- Listening during prayer

### Mass

- Reverence at Mass, especially at Communion
- Reverence by priest (Fr Marc) attracts holiness
- Soundproof rooms for children
- Stress on good homilies (more relevant to today's world)
- Different Languages
- Quiet Mass without Music
- Personal intentions @ Prayers of the Faithful
- Children's Mass: More roles for children
- No applause during Mass
- More welcoming
- Hail Mary at every Mass

### Challenges

- Reaching young adults, especially after confirmation
- Reach out to Vietnam Vets
- Bringing children to Mass
- No need/privilege
- Don't hear "I love you" often
- Sunday Obligations vs Encounter with Jesus
- Cultural influences
- Conflicts with other activities (priorities?)
- Distractions (electronic, mind-drifting)
- Scheduling of events for different groups of people (midday for stay at home parents, evenings for professionals)
- Sound system very bad at St. Agnes

### Bulletin/Website

- Provide Mass times online
- Put convocation presentations/witness in bulletin or on website
- Regular parishioner witness/story in bulletin
- Place guided meditations in bulletin

### Opportunities

- Encourage Scripture reading
- Sacrifices during Lent
- Charismatic Prayer Group
- Pilgrimages/Trips
**COLLABORATIVE NEWS**

**FEAST OF SAINT AGNES FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST**
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 19**
10:00 AM
BARTON HALL
ST. AGNES SCHOOL
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Join us for this special event marking the Feast of Saint Agnes. We appreciate the leadership of the Marino Family in making this event possible.

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**TWO WEEKS AT A GLANCE**

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### JANUARY 19

**2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
**FEAST OF ST. AGNES PANCAKE BREAKFAST 10:00 AM BH**

### JANUARY 12

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**
COFFEE + DONUTS 10:00 AM AC
CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD 10:00 AM SAPC
ADORATION 1:00 PM-4:30 PM SAC
DISCOVERING CHRIST 3:00 PM ACL
GRADE 10 CONFIRMATION PREPARATION SESSION 5:00 PM

### JANUARY 13

**ROSAry 8:30 AM SCC**
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GRADES 4-5 - 3:30 PM SCPC
GRADES 6, 7, 8 - 7:00 PM SCPC

### JANUARY 14

**ROSAry 8:30 AM SCC**
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GRADES 1, 2, 3 - 3:30 PM SCPC
CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSALS 4:45 PM SCC
5:00 PM SAC
CHOIR REHEARSALS 6:00 PM SCC
7:00 PM SAC
FATIMA APOSTOLATE PRAYER HOUR 7:00 PM SAPC

### JANUARY 15

**ROSAry 8:30 AM SCC**

### JANUARY 16

**ROSAry 8:30 AM SCC**

### JANUARY 17

**CONFESSION 3:00PM SAC**
SNOW TUBING ADVENTURE 6:00 PM SCC

### JANUARY 18

**CONFESSION 3:00PM SAC**
CONFESSION 3:45 PM SCC
CONFESSION 4:15 PM SAC

### JANUARY 19

**CONFESSION 3:00PM SAC**
**CONFESSION 3:45 PM SCC**
**CONFESSION 4:15 PM SAC**
**HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE 5:30 PM SCC**
BAPTISM
Celebrated on the first and third Sunday of the month at 2:00 PM. Contact Charlene in the Collaborative Office to learn more.

RECONCILIATION
Celebrated on Saturdays from 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM, 4:15 PM to 5:00 PM at Saint Agnes and from 3:45 PM to 4:15 PM at Saint Camillus. First Fridays 4:15 PM to 5:00 PM at Saint Agnes. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available by appointment.

MARRIAGE
Congratulations on your engagement! Contact a priest to book your wedding and begin the preparation process.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK
The Rite of Anointing tells us there is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the sacrament. Contact a priest to celebrate this sacrament.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS
Adults wishing to become Catholics or complete the Sacraments of Christian Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist) should contact Fr. Michael Sheehan.

HOME-BOUND
Please inform Fr. Robert of any family member who is ill (hospitalized or at home) or if anyone is unable to attend church services because of a disability, illness or age.

THE SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL
We strive to serve individuals and families in Arlington, providing those in need with short term assistance and life improvement possibilities. Contact the Society at extension 450.