

Easter – The Resurrection of The Lord



Christ Has Opened Paradise
The Gospel of John Chapter 20:11 - 23

11 ... And as she wept, she bent over into the tomb 12 and saw two angels in white sitting there, one at the head and one at the feet where the body of Jesus had been. 13 And they said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken my Lord, and I don't know where they laid him." 14 When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus there, but did not know it was Jesus. 15 Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" She thought it was the gardener and said to him, "Sir, if you carried him away, tell me where you laid him, and I will take him." 16 Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni," which means Teacher. 17 Jesus said to her, "Stop holding on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them, 'I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" 18 Mary of Magdala went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and what he told her. 19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." 20 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21 (Jesus) said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." 22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 4

8:00 a.m. The Family of Jackie Fox
10:00 a.m. Pro Populo
12:00 Fred Drummond

Monday, April 5

9:00 a.m. Anne Kullman

Tuesday, April 6

9:00 a.m. Sister Alice Grommesh

Wednesday, April 7

9:00 a.m. Joseph Tanner †

Thursday, April 8

9:00 a.m... Betty Howard †

Friday, April 9

9:00 a.m. Benacio Ramrize †

Saturday, April 10

9:00 a.m. Albert and Lude Ramriez
5:30 p.m. Wilton Pool †

READINGS AND CELEBRATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34a, 37-43, Ps 118, Col 3: 1-4, Jn 29: 1-9, Lk 24: 1-12

Monday, Octave of Easter

Acts 2: 14, 22-33, Ps 16, Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday, Octave of Easter

Acts 2: 36-41, Ps 33 Jn 20: 11-18

Wednesday, Octave of Easter

Acts 3: 1-10, Ps 105, Lk 24: 13-35

Thursday, Octave of Easter

Acts 3: 11-26, Ps 8, Lk 24: 35-48

Friday, Octave of Eastern

Acts 4: 1-12, Ps 118, Jn 21: 1-14

Saturday, Octave of Easter

Acts 4: 13-21, Ps 118, Mk 16: 9-15

Parish Stewardship

Thank you for your generous offerings of March 27/28.
The regular collection brought in \$14,516.

Snow Storm Special Collection

Thank you for your contributions for this special collection, which brought in \$4,959.



Pray for the Sick and Homebound of our Parish

Joshua Basile, Dianne Burrell, Tom Case, Bernadette Choo, Bernadette Hong Choo, Catherine Choo, Jonathan Choo, Bryan Cox, Dona Curry, Flora DeLeon, Betsabe deSoto, Marjorie Dolak, Eileen Drennan, Christa Drummond, Marilyn Flynn, Gerald Green, Brian Hack, Ed Kondracki, John Larounis, Carol McCarty, Susan McQuade, Peter Michalski, Peter Nam, John Spencer, K.L. Sypal, Chick Wilson, Jan Wouters, Anthony Yantiss

Pray for Those Who have Fallen Asleep in Christ

James Anthony, Maryann Barron, Philip Calanchini, Joe Cassella, Peter Choo, John Connor, Moira Connor, Bill Corr, Br. David Eddy, George Gibson, Bill Hale, Carol Jones, Mary Elizabeth Jones, Joan Keller

Pray for our Armed Forces Personnel

Patrick Bouchoux, Jordan Bowren, Brendan Dunne, Mark Falcon, Christopher Frediani, Michael Holtz, Brian Horn, Kathleen Mahoney, Josh Moore, Matthew O'Neil, Mathew Rowell, Justin Smallwood

The Blessed Sacrament THIS IS MY BODY – THIS IS MY BLOOD

Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour

A Holy Hour is simply an hour set-aside totally for the Lord; an hour consecrated to God. It is a time to recollect our mind, heart and spirit in order to focus them on God and more specifically our Eucharistic Lord. To make a Holy Hour is to make a decision to spend one hour with our friend, our Savior and Lord who is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar.

The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic worship. Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith, and ready to make reparation for the great faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease.

– *John Paul II*

To sign up for adoration or for information regarding adoration please contact Diane Cieslak 703-678-3919.

24 hour Eucharistic Adoration begins after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesday and ends with reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 8:55 a.m. on Thursday.

24 hour Eucharistic Adoration also begins after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on every First Friday of the month and ends with reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 8:55 a.m. on Saturday.

Holy Hour is every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m.

Communion and Blessings

A very common liturgical abuse of our times happens during the reception of Holy Communion when persons who cannot receive Communion nevertheless line up with their arms crossed over their chest, as a “message” to the priest that they want a blessing instead of Communion. This is liturgically incorrect on a number of levels. First and foremost, the time for Communion is the *time for Communion*. The Communion line is not, and should not be, the blessing line. Secondly, the liturgical actions of the priest during Mass are highly regulated, and quite specific of what to do and when to do it. The actions of a good liturgist may seem spontaneous, but they are not *and should not be*.

Unfortunately, owing to the confused time in which we live, some people are instructed to present themselves, arms crossed, before the priest at Communion time for a blessing. To make things even more confused, some people present themselves with crossed arms as a sign that they wish to receive on the tongue! Children who have not yet made their first Communion may come up with their parents who are receiving, but should not present themselves individually for a blessing. Others, who cannot receive, for whatever reason, should remain seated. The proper time for the blessing follows the prayer after Communion, which blessing all receive together.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt & Egg Roll



The Padre Pio Council of the Knights of Columbus invites all children of the Parish to participate in our 19th Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Egg Roll to be held on Easter Sunday, April 4th following the Noon Mass. There is no cost/registration required. All children should bring a basket or bag for their treats. Questions, please call Jim Hanlon at 703-759-6539.

Men's Prayer Group



Gentlemen, feeling pulled to "pick up the pace" in your prayer life? Come join our silent prayers with ours in Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament in support of our pastor, parish and school. Thursdays from 5:00 – 6:00 a.m. For further information: ksypal@yahoo.com.

Cha Cha Dance Class in Bishop Justs Hall

All are invited! 3 consecutive weeks

Sunday April 11 1:15 – 3:00 pm

Sunday April 18 3:15 – 5:00 pm

Sunday April 25 1:15 – 3:00 pm

For more information contact Kathy at mcerroni@aol.com



The Women's Association News

Wine & Cheese Tasting

The St. Catherine's Women's Association would like to cordially invite all Parishioners to a complimentary wine and cheese tasting on April 9th, between 6:00 -7:30 p.m. It will be held at Maison du vin, 756 Walker Rd. Suite D, in Great Falls Village, on the opposite corner from the Brogue. You do not have to be a member of the Association to join us. Please RSVP to Diane Hoyer by Wednesday, April 7th to reserve your spot. Telephone: 703-394-7120 or dtvoyer@hotmail.com



Siena Academy News

Mission Statement

Siena Academy is the parish school at St. Catherine of Siena. Its mission is to give glory to God and to assist parents in the role as primary educators of their children by offering specially prepared environments founded upon the principles and discoveries made by Dr. Maria Montessori in regard to the unique spiritual and developmental needs of the child from birth to adulthood.

Siena Academy's Annual Fundraiser:

Sagra del Siena, April 24th at 7:00 P.M.

Thank you to all parishioners who have already, so generously donated to our parish school. You should have received an invitation by mail last week to join fellow parishioners at the Sagra del Siena, a fundraiser for Siena Academy and celebration of St. Catherine of Siena's feast day. Come for great fellowship, Italian cuisine and wine, music, a live auction, a silent auction, a raffle, and a glimpse into life at Siena Academy. One of the auction items being offered is a tea for 6 adults prepared and served by our own Pastor, Father Drummond!

Siena Academy provides an affordable, truly Catholic Montessori education for our children. There are many ways to give if you are unable to attend the event. Please consider a sponsorship opportunity or making a tax-deductible donation. Questions? Please contact Christine Chambers at christinestor@yahoo.com or 703-689-9902.

Win a Car or Cash!

Siena Academy is participating in the All-Saints Car Raffle. In 2008, one of our parishioners won a car! If you'd like more tickets, they are available in the school or Parish Office. Siena Academy keeps \$3 of every \$5 ticket sold. All proceeds go to the Siena Academy Annual Fund.

Open Registration

Siena Academy is now accepting applications for new students for the 2010-2011 school year. Our Toddler Program is for children ages 18 months to 3 years of age. Our Children's House environment is for children ages 3-6 years old. Our Elementary environment is for children ages 6-12. For more information, please call the Siena Academy office at 703-759-4129.

Office of Religious Education
The Religious Education office fondly
Wishes all of St. Catherine parishioners
a very Happy and Blessed Easter

Please Note: *The Office of Religious Education is closed on Thursdays and Fridays.* Email the office at reoffice@SaintCatherinesChurch.org for any information.



Catechist Corner

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine

CCD Class Calendar

April

5,6 No classes – Easter Week
12 All classes in session *
13 All classes in session *
19,20 All classes in session
26,27 All classes in session

* **SCHEDULE CHANGE:** Monday classes will be held on April 12th as Fairfax County Schools will be holding classes that day

Other Important Dates

First Holy Communion

May

14 First Holy Communion Practice at 6:00 p.m.
15 First Holy Communion at 10:30 a.m.

Confirmation:

April

26 2nd Confirmation Report Due

September

8,15,22,29 Final Confirmation classes

October

TBA Confirmation



Catholic Youth Organization

Please see the CYO bulletin board for all upcoming events

Senior CYO – 8th – 12th grade

Meetings on the first Sunday of the month 6–8 p.m.

Junior CYO – 4th – 7th grades

Meetings on the first Friday of the month 6-8 p.m.

CYO (8th – 12th grades)

April 11, Sunday – Meeting from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

“Atheist Double Jeopardy – loving God in a cruel world”

April 18, Sunday 8:00 am – 2:00 pm
Blood Drive Service Project

JCYO (4th – 7th grades)

April 9*, Friday – Meeting from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

(* Not a First Friday)

At each meeting we gather for dinner, recreation and a learning opportunity about the Holy Catholic Faith.



Over 50 Club

Volunteers Needed

The Week of Graces is scheduled for the week of July 12th. Children between the ages of 5-11 are welcome to participate. We are in need of volunteers:

- ❶ People to purchase, assemble and make crafts before July 12th.
- ❷ People (adults & teenagers) to teach in the classrooms
- ❸ Someone in charge of purchasing and preparing snacks daily

If you can help, please call the Office of Religious Education at 703-759-3530.

Adult Bible Study

The Apocalypse of St. John the Divine – Christ Will Come Again!

Beginning March 24th through May 26th, Wednesday mornings from 10:00 – 11:00 am Join us as we study the last book of the Holy Bible, the mysterious and poetic book of Revelation. Through this Bible study, you will become familiar and comfortable with a book that confuses and frightens many. You will learn more about the Mass. You will learn more about the Holy Spirit and His Holy Church. You will learn about God's messengers to us, His holy Angels. And you will learn about the great Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary. And mostly, you will learn more about Jesus Christ and the heavenly palace that awaits us. "Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth . . . God will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more."

Book Corner News

Easter is a time for rejoicing - and you might want to probe deeply into the Resurrection of our Lord. We have, on our bookshelf, a DVD, *Did Jesus Really Rise From The Dead*. This is a 56 minute documentary featuring Father Mitch Pacwa and others. This documentary carefully scrutinizes the historical evidence of the Resurrection. Rather than accept Christian belief blindly, top scholars and biblical historians critically examine alternative explanations. In the end, they show why it is a matter of sound reason, as well as faith, to affirm what the early Church proclaimed: *Jesus is risen*.

The DVD is a fascinating fast-paced, exciting exploration of Jesus' fate, and shows how Jesus' Resurrection has consequences for every one of us. We have only two available and it sells for \$20.

Daily Rosary



The Rosary, a "summary of the Gospel", is a wonderful way to have daily contact with Mary, the Mother of the Lord. Visit www.theholynosary.org to learn how to pray the Holy Rosary.

◆ *May 10 – 14* Trapp Family Lodge. We stop at Lake George on the way up and back, then 2 nights at the Lodge with magnificent scenery. Visit the famous Cold Hollow Cider Mill, Stowe Village, Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream and other attractions. Breakfast and dinner included Call number below for price.

◆ *May 21-* Day Trip to National Harbor – by motor coach, then water taxi. Spend the day shopping, lunch, visit the Gaylord Hotel and surrounding area. \$40

◆ *June 1* – Day trip with Father Drummond to Mt. St. Mary's City. Lunch included and tour. Visit the Old State House and Port Tobacco, also the Carmelite Monastery (first convent in the Nation) They make rosaries from dried roses. Do not miss this wonderful trip. \$99.

◆ *September 8 -9* – Atlantic City overnight staying at the Tropicana Casino. Buffet dinner, breakfast and a bonus package, plus a show if one is scheduled. The 9th is the Resorts Casino with another bonus. Possible date change *to fit the show schedule*. \$149/dbl - \$199/single. Membership in the Club is not required to travel with us! Please call the following for more information and/or registration. Mary Ann at 703-404-8677 or Connie at 703-759-2939.



The Knights of Columbus News

Consider This Opportunity to Serve!

The Knights of Columbus are the largest Catholic Men fraternal organization – are you a Knight? For information please contact Kevin Trissell at 703-464-8393 or trissellkofc@verizon.net.

Business Meeting – Tuesday, April 6th, 7:30 p.m. in Padre Pio Hall

Pancake Breakfast – Sunday, April 11th after the 8:00 and 10:00 am Masses in Bishop Justs Hall

Social Meeting – Tuesday, April 20th, 7:30 p.m. in Padre Pio Hall, Topic: Advanced Medical Directives and Knights of Columbus fraternal benefits.

KOVAR Campaign

The Knights will be collecting donations in the local area and after Mass from April 15 -18 to benefit individuals with mental disabilities as part of the State of Virginia KofC KOVAR campaign.



In the Diocese & Other Events

Website: www.arlingtondiocese.org

Some white-collar jobs are more challenging than others

Loving Savior, at the foot of the Cross we look on You whom we have pierced through by our sins. May our hearts be transformed in Your mercy so that we may more generously respond to You and Your command to love as You have loved us. May Your Passion especially strengthen all those being called to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life. Amen. Are you being called to the priesthood or the consecrated life? Call the Office of Vocations at 703-841-2514.

Reston Study Center Presents

“Let’s Talk About College”

A Seminar on College Preparation

Saturday, April 17 – 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Where: 1810 Old Reston Ave, Reston

For Young Men in their Senior Year of High School Experienced educators and savvy college students who will team and share with you their experience, passing on helpful advice as you anticipate what to expect and wonder how best to manage, your upcoming college years.

Program

9:30 a.m. - Register; Light breakfast

10:00 - Be prepared: Some typical attacks on your faith in the classroom and how to respond

11:30 - Be choosy to make the most of it: selecting professors to get the best education possible

12:30 p.m. - Buffet lunch

1:30 - Dorm life and the dating scene: some prudent advice

3:00 - What to do with all that free time; budgeting your time; extra-curricular, etc.

Speakers are:

Alvaro de Vicente, B.A., J.D. Georgetown University
Headmaster of The Heights School

Prof. Michael Pakaluk, B.A., Ph.D. Harvard University
Clark University, Catholic University of America, Ave Maria University

Michael Moynihan, B.A. Notre Dame, M.A. Catholic University

Upper School Head, The Heights School

Please RSVP if you would like to attend:

daryl@restonstudycenter.org Fee: \$10

Men’s Discernment – April 17th -18th

Men’s Discernment visit to

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Philadelphia, PA .

The group will leave from Our Lady of Lourdes Parish at 9 a.m. and return Sunday around 6 p.m. Single men 17 - 45 who are interested please call the Office of Vocations at (703) 841-2514 by April 14th.

The Poor Clares Of Bethlehem Monastery Come and See Vocation Day

When: Saturday, April 24th 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Where: 5500 Holly Fork Rd., Barhamsville, Virginia

This is a vocational discernment event for girls and young women who are interested in the Poor Clare way of life. It will begin with Holy Mass. Talks will be conducted by the Sisters accompanied by a question and answer period. There will be opportunity for prayer, individual counseling by a priest and/or by the Sisters, and fellowship with each other. Vespers is at 4 p.m. followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. If you would like to spend the night, please bring a sleeping bag and you may "camp out" in the guest room. Please feel free to bring a parent or friend. For further information contact: Mother Mary Clare by telephone: 757-566-1684 or mtstfrancis@gmail.com

Abortion Recovery Retreats for Women

A Rachel’s Vineyard Weekend Retreat is scheduled for April 30–May 2. These retreats are a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken from abortion. They offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where you can express and release painful emotions to begin the process of healing. For more info or to register, please call Project Rachel (703) 841-2504 or (888) 456-HOPE or email: projectrachel@arlingtondiocese.org.

The Over Fifty Club of St. Catherine of Siena

Extending an invitation for any Senior to join our Social Club. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in Bishop Justs Hall from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. There are interesting speakers, trips, special luncheons and a fun social time to meet new people. We also have a social bridge group that meets the 1st Friday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Single’s or couples are warmly welcomed. For more information contact Mary Ann at 703-404-8677, or Madeline at 703-759-2605.

A Warm Welcome to Newcomers

If you are a visitor who regularly attends Mass at St. Catherine’s, it is very important we know who you are! Please fill out a simple card at the Parish Office that will allow us to serve you better.

The St Catherine of Siena Parish

Wishes all parishioners a blessed and joyful Easter

