



The Christian community of St. Francis of Assisi welcomes with great joy the following new members of our parish baptized in the month of April:

*Lucas Andres Arboleda*  
*Alexander Victoriano Arroyo-Urias*  
*Gregory Scott Ashton*  
*Dalliam Michael Chergosky*  
*Trevor Lee Goff*  
*Lily Rose Johnson*  
*Madelyn Christine McLean*  
*McKenna Sofia McLean*  
*Max Mercedes*  
*Winter Mercedes*  
*Datzary Nohemy Romero Ordonez*  
*Alayna Lynn Perez*  
*Camila Ayelen Rivera*  
*Katherine Valentina Rivera*  
*Diego Romero*  
*Pablo Nicolas Romero*  
*Giuliana Kaylee Savage*  
*Matthew Nicholas Schaidle*  
*Stephen Tefft*

**Baptismal Preparation Class**—Our next class will be held on **Sunday, June 14, 2015 from 1:15p.m.—2:00p.m.** in the Br. Juniper Room. **Please call the parish office to register at 703-221-4044.**

For anyone interested in becoming a **Lector**, please attend training on **June 13th from 11:30-1:30 in the Br Juniper Room.** All persons currently in this ministry are invited to come and hear a short talk on the prophets, listen to the Word, meet fellow Lectors, and hone their speaking skills. There will be time to practice speaking in the church. **For information, please call Pequitte at 703-590-8492 or email at [wislady@comcast.net](mailto:wislady@comcast.net).**



**Due to a high volume of calls, an additional phone line/number has been added at the church.** If the main 703-221-4044 line is busy, please call **703-221-3127.**

**Tiara a little tarnished?** Maybe your unicorn didn't get delivered on time. Or the troll under your bridge of doubt is bigger than you thought. There are no magic words to help you. But there are caring, compassionate and empathetic people in Stephen Ministry that can help you get out of your fairy tale world through prayer, listening and finding and trusting in the unwavering love of God. **Please call 703-221-4312 and then press 4 to get started!**



**Do you have expertise in these areas?**



1. **Graphic Design**—Create logo to be used in digital and print media. Please contact **Lisa Ostendorf [lostendorf@stfrncis.org](mailto:lostendorf@stfrncis.org)** to provide a resume and examples of prior, logo designs.
2. **Counseling**—Professional, licensed counselors are needed for a variety of situations. If you would like to have your name placed on a referral list, please contact **Lisa Ostendorf [lostendorf@stfrncis.org](mailto:lostendorf@stfrncis.org)** with a description of your area of expertise and your contact information.
3. **Spiritual Direction**—Certified Spiritual Directors are requested periodically. If you would like to add your name to a list of certified Spiritual Directors, please contact **Lisa Ostendorf [lostendorf@stfrncis.org](mailto:lostendorf@stfrncis.org)** with your credentials and contact information.

### **Bible Basics**

**The Bible is the most important book** any Catholic can own. What other book can bring us the *word of God*? With 73 books and more than 1600 pages, many Catholics find the Bible overwhelming, confusing, and even boring. Does this sound like you? Don't be afraid, you're not alone! Many people struggle to read the Bible because they have never been taught *how* to read it.

**Join Br. Casey** for an interesting and engaging look at the history, literature, theology, and social aspects of the whole Bible. Br. Casey will use videos, pictures, activities, and even humor to give every parishioner, young and old, the confidence to read the Bible on a regular basis. **Classes will meet on Wednesday nights at 7:30pm in the St. Catherine room, beginning on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and running through July 15<sup>th</sup>.**

### **Catholic Boot Camp**

**What does it mean to be Catholic?** What is in the Bible? Who wrote it? When was it written? How did the Church form through key, historical time periods? What is behind what we believe as Catholic Christians?

Br. Casey will be addressing these topics and more on **Sunday afternoons at 3:30pm in the St. Catherine room, beginning on June 7<sup>th</sup> and running through July 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**St. Francis House Corner**



The St. Francis House Food Pantry Provided food for **69 families this week. We are in need of **Hamburger Helper, Cereal, and reusable bags.** For more information, please call Francia at 703-221-6344. Thank you for your continuing support.**

**Franciscan Action and Advocacy (FA&A)**

**June FA&A meetings (open to all!):** Our parish V.O.I.C.E. team is meeting to discuss community issues on **Sunday, June 7th, at 10 a.m. in the Br. Juniper Room.** Our parish Anti-Human Trafficking Committee (engaged in action, awareness and legislative advocacy efforts in the fight against the evil of human trafficking—sex and labor) is meeting on **Wednesday, June 10th, at 7 p.m. in the Grade 6 Classroom.** Our parish Respect Life Committee (advocating for the consistent ethic of life from conception to natural death) is meeting on **Saturday, June 20th, at 11:45 a.m. in the St. Catherine Room.**

**Be a job coach for a new refugee!** Catholic Charities is seeking volunteer job coaches to assist job seekers who are recent refugees from other countries. This opportunity is for a one, four-hour shift during the work week. Are you recently retired and looking for a way to give back? Do you have a professional background in human resources, talent management, human resources, and/or hiring/recruiting? This program offers support in resume writing, self-marketing, job searching, interviewing and networking skills. **For more information, please contact [sodwyer@ccda.net](mailto:sodwyer@ccda.net).**

**Our parish Care for Creation Committee** is starting a Parish Book Club this summer *to read and discuss Pope Francis's highly anticipated upcoming encyclical (a papal letter) on the environment and human ecology.* We hope as many people as possible will join! Br. Casey is planning to be with us in our discussions. Once the release date is set, we will provide more details. Please contact Rob ASAP to sign-up on our interest list!

**For more information on any of the above and/or to get involved in justice/advocacy, please visit the FA&A section on the parish website and/or contact Rob Goraieb, O.F.S. at [rgoraieb@stfrncis.org](mailto:rgoraieb@stfrncis.org) or 703-221-4978, ext. 228.**

**Many Members One Body**, a support group for gay and lesbian Catholics and their families and friends will hold a pot luck on **June 11th at 7pm, in the Br. Juniper Room.** For more information, please contact Fr. Kevin Downey at 703-221-4044.



**Boletín Semanal**

**Charlas Bautismales**—Las próximas charlas bautismales se realizarán el domingo, **junio 21 a las 10:00pm** en el Salón del Hermano Juniper. Por favor recuerde que para tomar la charla y recibir el sacramento del bautizo los padres tienen que estar registrados en nuestra parroquia y registrarse para la charla con anterioridad. Ambos padres y padrinos deben asistir a la charla y no se permiten niños. Para más información por favor llamar a **Francia al 703-221-6344.**

**Despensa de Comida de La Casa de San Francis**—Agradecemos a todos nuestros parroquianos por todas sus ofrendas a la Despensa de Comida; con sus donaciones pudimos ayudar a **69 familias.** Muchas gracias por su apoyo constante.

**Grupo de Oración**—El grupo de oración se reúne todos los viernes a las 7:00PM en el Salón de Santa Catherine. Todos están cordialmente invitados acompañarnos en oración y en amistad.

**Preparación Matrimonial**—Invitamos a todas las parejas que deseen casarse por la iglesia a participar de las charlas de preparación matrimonial. Para más información por favor llamar al **Padre John Heffernan al 703-864-2053** o al Señor **Jesús Funes al 703-371-1420.**

**Are You New to the Parish??? Welcome!!**

Registration forms are available on the tables in the vestibule, from the parish office or from the parish [website www.stfrncis.org](http://www.stfrncis.org).

If you are moving/changing your address, please notify the office so we can keep our records up-to-date. If you are changing your phone number because you are using a cellular phone and/or forgoing your land phone, the office would also like that information. Please call us at 703-221-4044. Thank you.



**Open AA Step Study Group Friday night**  
Group meets 7-8:00 p.m. in the **Br. Juniper Room.**  
Come study the 12 Steps to Recovery.



**Centering Prayer—Tuesdays 12-1 pm**  
in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel  
in the church. **All are welcome.**

The **Lion's Club** has **2 donation drop boxes** located on the **window sill in the vestibule.** Please consider donating your used eyeglasses to the Lion's Club. Your unwanted glasses will help someone see better. Thank you for always being so generous.



**Please Pray For** All those who are sick: Annelies Gendron, Corrine McCann, Joan Matochik, Donna Stoyas, Celine Nebbia, Jim Kearns, Cheryl McNierney, Fran Phoenix, Lisa Sweeney, John Moretti, and Jonathan Ottman.

**And for those recently deceased:** Matthew McCabe; George Beck (Husband of Yvonne Beck).

**Please pray for the following who are serving abroad in harm's way:** Andrew Wagner, Tom Giraldi, Michael Beatty, Elizabeth L. Keegan, Stephen Hudson, James Moore, Kyle McVay, Kyle Traylor, Kasey Eggie, Eustaquio Castro-Mendoza, Marc Gendron, and Darryl Saungweme.

**Father's Day 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament!**

Attention all athletes aged 8 to 68 who can dribble and shoot a basketball! Come participate in the Second Annual Father's Day 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament! It will start at 11 AM on June 27, 2015 at the St. Francis Parish Center Gym.

Teams of up to four may be formed, and each team will play at least three games.

**Teams may be sponsored for \$50**, and donations are greatly appreciated. All proceeds from this event will go to St. Francis of Assisi School. **For further details, please contact either:**

Dr. Ken Dunn at [dunnkd@comcast.net](mailto:dunnkd@comcast.net);  
phone: 540-657-9006

or

Kevin Horwath at [kev89@comcast.net](mailto:kev89@comcast.net);  
phone: 703-508-0294.



**Votive Candles** are available in the church by the statues of St. Joseph and Mary. **Please use the box** at each statue to deposit your dollar for each candle.

**Keep those used printer cartridges coming!** Faith Formation has been helping to reduce the debt and be good stewards of our earth by recycling. With your contribution of used ink cartridges we can help reduce the debt and take care of the earth and it is so easy to do.



**PLEASE DO NOT DROP THEM IN THE CATCH-ALL SLOT**

(No laser cartridges.)

**You can drop the cartridges off in the basket on the table in the vestibule or stop by the Faith Formation Office. Thank You For Your Continued Support!**

Faith Formation Office  
Phone: 703-221-4978 Fax: 703-221-3246  
Office Hours:  
Monday—Wednesday: 8:00 am—2:00 pm  
Thursday: 5:00 pm—6:15 pm  
Friday: Closed  
Sunday: 8:45 am—12:00 pm

**RE Registrations for 2015-2016 Catechetical Year**

Registrations for next year were emailed on **April 27<sup>th</sup>** to all those families currently registered in the RE Program to begin registration for next year. **On May 26<sup>th</sup>** RE registration opened to all new RE families. **Forms will be available in the back of the church and our website on May 26<sup>th</sup>.** Please begin to consider volunteering, we are in need of Catechists, Co-Catechists, Special Needs Catechists, Catechists Aides. **Please contact Marianne Hayes, DRE at 703-221-4978 or [recoor@stfrncis.org](mailto:recoor@stfrncis.org).**



**Congratulations and many blessings** to Thomas Marquis



and Claudia Houtz who joined their classmates the weekend of May 16th during Confirmation services. Both had been previously Confirmed, but received additional blessings as they completed Confirmation preparation with their classmates. Thomas received a blessing from Archbishop

Timothy Broglio on May 16th and Claudia will be recognized and receive a blessing during the St. Francis school Baccalaureate mass. **Congratulations!!**

**The registration deadline for VBS is this Sunday, May 31st.**

VBS will be held **June 22nd—June 26th from 9:00 am-12:30 pm in the Parish Center.** It is open to all children ages 4 years to entering 6th Grade. Kids come join us as we "trek" through Everest VBS, exploring one of the most majestic, beautiful (and sometimes dangerous!) places

on earth as we discover God's power and promises all along the way. Adults and teens—volunteer and join the fun! Do you have little ones (under 4 years) at home? They can join in the nursery as you volunteer. Registration and Volunteer forms are in the foyer at Church and also available on the website. Questions? **Please contact Sharon Gardner at [gardners.vbs@gmail.com](mailto:gardners.vbs@gmail.com) or the RE Office at 703-221-4978.**



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



**First Friday—June 5th**

The celebration of Holy Hour with Benediction will take place on **Friday morning immediately following the 8:45 am Mass. Mass will also be celebrated at 12 noon.** All are welcome.

**Readings for the Week of May 31, 2015**

**Monday** Tobit 1:3, 2:1b-8; Mark 12:1-12  
**Tuesday** Tobit 2:9-14; Mark 12:13-17  
**Wednesday** Tobit 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Mark 12:18-27  
**Thursday** Tobit 6:10-11, 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Mark 12:28-34  
**Friday** Tobit 11:5-17; Mark 12:35-37  
**Saturday** Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tobit 13; Mark 12:38-44  
**Sunday** Exodus 24:3-8; Ps 116; Hebrews 9:11-15; Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

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**Around the Diocese**

**Weekly Diocesan TV Mass Brings the Mass to the Homebound**

Do you know someone who cannot get to Mass? Invite them to join in the Sunday TV Mass filmed in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. **Every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. on WDCW-50**, this Mass airs for the members of our Catholic family unable to be physically present for Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy.

**Bilingual Mass to Pray for Healing for Victims/ Survivors of Sexual Abuse**

In 2004, Bishop Loverde began a series of diocesan-sponsored Masses for the community to gather together to pray for healing for victims/survivors of sexual abuse. The masses are followed by a reception. The next **Mass will be on June 16th at 7:30 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 1427 W. Braddock Road, Alexandria 22032.** Bishop Loverde will preside.

**Theology on Tap (TOT)- Great Talks and Live Music, the Second Monday of Every Month at O' Sullivan's Irish Pub in Clarendon.**

Join young professionals from around the Diocese of Arlington for inspiring talks and live music the **second Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at O'Sullivan's Irish Pub, 3207 Washington Blvd, Arlington.** Mark your calendars for our next TOT on **June 8th featuring Elise Italiano, Director of Communications for the Diocese of Arlington.** Her talk is "Pope Francis: *Who Am I to Judge?*" Music will be provided by Tandem North. Hope to see you there!



**SUNDAY, May—31st—Holy Trinity**  
 5:30 PM †Eladio Elomina  
 †John F. O'Connor, Sr.  
 7:30 AM Tina Lee  
 Michael O'Connor  
 9:00 AM †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik  
 †George Beck  
 †Matthew McCabe  
 10:30 AM †Alice Bernadine Maiello  
 †Rene Tiamson  
 12:00 PM †Federico Casupang, Sr.  
 †Gordon and †Wallace Moore  
 †Clara Kennedy  
 †Eileen Miller  
 †Oligario Tornes  
 †Moises Adong  
 †Gerald Bigalke  
 1:30 PM Misa en español  
 5:30 PM People of the Parish  
**MONDAY, June 1—St. Justin**  
 8:45 AM †Joyce McVay  
**TUESDAY, June 2—Weekday**  
 8:45 AM †Mary Jo Pirko  
 Gretchen May  
**WEDNESDAY, June 3—St. Charles Lwanga**  
 8:45 AM †Mielen Garlit Arquines  
 †Florence and †Stan Rezler  
 †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik  
**THURSDAY, June 4—Weekday**  
 8:45 AM †Mielen Garlit Arquines  
 †Dick Murray  
**FRIDAY, June 5—St. Boniface**  
 8:45 AM †Mielen Garlit Arquines  
 †PFC Anthony Sanzaro  
 †Joyce McVay  
**SATURDAY, June 6—Weekday**  
 4:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation  
**Mass Intentions on Sunday, June 7, 2015**  
 5:30 PM †Mielen Garlit Arquines  
 Olivia Choi  
 7:30 AM †Patricia Ryan  
 †Mielen Garlit Arquines  
 Thomas Lee  
 9:00 AM †Joseph Murphy  
 †Barney Tesoriero  
 10:30 AM †Eladio Elomina  
 †Stephanie Anderson  
 12:00 PM †George McElroy  
 †Robert Kastner  
 †Clara Kennedy  
 †George Beck  
 1:30 PM Misa en español  
 5:30 PM People of the Parish

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