



Discover: Salvation

Salvation is reflected in God's activities in bringing humans into a right relationship with God and one another, through Jesus Christ. We are saved from the consequences of sin and given eternal life.

It is in the activity of the person Jesus (his life, ministry, teachings, death and resurrection) that God is revealed to us. Faith, a free gift from God, is belief in God and belief in all God has said and revealed to us through Jesus Christ. Believing in Jesus Christ and the One who sent him for our salvation is necessary for obtaining salvation.

The effects of salvation are transformative. God offers us inspiring hope, saving grace, and the promise of eternal life in the midst of the difficult challenges we face every day. We respond through actions which continue Jesus Christ's mission of renewal.

Here are four, important characteristics of salvation:

- Salvation is a "present" experience and not merely a promise of a future reality. It should be a part of living out our faith every day.
- Salvation does not come *from* the world, but its effects impact our freedom and activity *in* the world.
- Salvation is experienced "socially." Our individual destiny necessarily involves the destiny of other people, who make up society, religion, nation, and the whole race.
- Salvation today is "eschatological," that is, it connects human action with the end purpose for the whole of creation.

Do you have expertise in these areas?—We are looking for a part-time Communications Specialist who will work as an independent contractor from an office offsite. The candidate should have a four-year bachelor's degree and at least two years of experience working in the communications field. Proficiency with a variety of digital communication media is a must, and the ability to develop and implement video products is desired. The candidate should also be organized and experienced in managing communications projects from conception through development and implementation, while maintaining websites, updating social media, and communicating routinely with ministry leads to improve and update parish communications methods. **If interested, please contact Lisa Ostendorf at lostendorf@stfrncis.org or call 703-221-4044 ext. 277.**



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The **VIRTUS Protecting God's Children** is the adult safe-environment program being offered by the Diocese of Arlington. **The Diocese requires all adult employees and also volunteers who have substantial contact with children to attend the seminar. This includes:**

- ⇒ Vacation Bible School volunteers
- ⇒ Nursery volunteers
- ⇒ Confirmation retreat parent volunteers
- ⇒ School parent volunteers, who chaperone field trips, volunteer in the classroom, etc.
- ⇒ Mommy & Me volunteers
- ⇒ Coaches for all sports
- ⇒ Boy Scout/Girl Scout leaders and assistants (regardless of whether they are parishioners)
- ⇒ Catechists and Assistant Catechists
- ⇒ CYM and MSYM volunteers
- ⇒ All church and school employees

St. Francis of Assisi Parish will host a seminar on **Saturday, August 9th from 11 am—3 pm** in the Parish Center Dining Facility (begins promptly at **11 am**). To attend this workshop you must pre-register with your full legal name. The seminar is **limited to 60 people**, but there are a number of seminars offered throughout the Diocese; please check availability on the VIRTUS website.



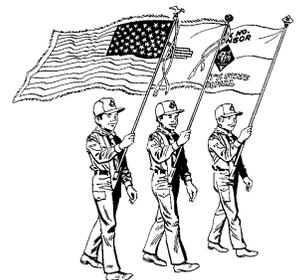
To register: Go to www.virtus.org and click on the yellow link labeled "Registration" (you may either view a list of sessions or begin the registration process). To register for a specific session, select "Begin the Registration Process". Then, from the pull-down menu, select "Diocese of Arlington, VA". Then follow the online prompts.

Every adult member of the parish is invited to register and attend the workshop—it is our duty as members of this community of faith to be aware of how we can support and protect all children.

St. Francis' Cub Scout Pack 1385 will be marching in this year's **Dale City 4th of July parade at 10 am.**

You are invited to come and cheer the Pack on, or if you are of Cub Scout age (rising 1st-5th graders) welcome to join the Pack and march! **For more information please contact Chanel Marquis (Membership Chair) at**

awlk2rmberva@yahoo.com or visit our website at www.pack1385triangle.scoutlander.com.



The parish office will be closed on Friday, July 3rd in observance of Independence Day.

Franciscan Action and Advocacy (FA&A)

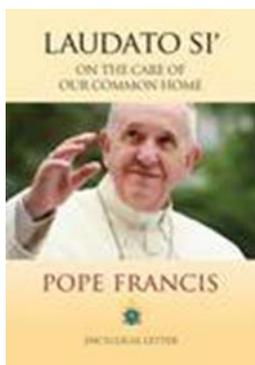
This Sunday, June 28th, at 9 a.m. in the **St. Catherine Room**, our **Care for Creation Committee** is meeting to discuss environmental issues and upcoming plans. All are welcome!

Our Care for Creation Committee is starting a **Parish Book Club** to read and discuss Pope Francis's new encyclical on the environment and human ecology, "**Laudato Sii**" (Praised Be). We hope as many people as possible will join! Br. Casey is planning to be with us in our discussions. Please contact Rob next week to sign-up. Thank you!

Upcoming meetings (all are welcome!): Our **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, July 8th, at 7 p.m.** in the **Grade 6 Classroom**. The parish **V.O.I.C.E.** (Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engagement) team is meeting to work on community issues on **Sunday, August 2nd, at 10 a.m.** in the **Br. Juniper Room**. Our **Respect Life Committee** (advocating for the consistent ethic of life from conception to natural death) is meeting on **Saturday, August 15th, at 11:45 a.m.** in the **St. Catherine Room**.

Our parish **Franciscan Action and Advocacy Council (FAAC)** is meeting on **Saturday, August 15th, at 9:30 a.m.** in the **St. Catherine Room**. (FAAC meetings are only open to council members. Parishioners are encouraged, however, to submit questions or ideas for FAAC discussion or consideration.)

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 or 703-221-4978, ext. 228.



If you would like to read Pope Francis's new, just-released encyclical on the environment and human ecology, "**Laudato Si**" on Care for Our Common Home, please contact **Rob Goraieb** at rgoraieb@stfrncis.org.

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](tel:703-221-3127).



St. Francis House Corner



The St. Francis House Food Pantry Provided food for **65** families this week. We are in need of **Hamburger Helper, Peanut Butter & Jelly, and Tuna**. For more information, please call Francia at **703-221-6344**. Thank you for your continuing support.

Hilda Barg Shelter

It is time once again for St. Francis Parish to assist in providing dinner to the families at the **Hilda Barg Shelter in Woodbridge**. We will be serving the week of **July 19th through July 25th**. This is a great opportunity for the whole family to serve. Sign-up sheets and more information are available in the vestibule of the church. **For more details please contact Francia at 703-221-6344**. Thank you for your continued generosity in helping those who do not have as much as many of us do.



Boletín Semanal

Charlas Bautismales—Las próximas charlas bautismales se realizarán el viernes, **julio 17 a las 7:15pm** en el Salón del San Catherine. 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 **65** familias. Muchas gracias por su apoyo constante.

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**.

Promesas de contribución a la Petición Cuaresmal del Obispo—¡Gracias a todas las personas que prometieron contribuir a la Petición Cuaresmal del Obispo! La Petición Cuaresmal del Obispo financia muchos ministerios y programas importantes en la Diócesis como los de Vocaciones, Ministerio Juvenil, Escuelas Católicas, Caridades Católicas, Educación Religiosa y muchos más. Si usted hizo una promesa de contribución que todavía está en proceso de pago, recibirá extractos mensuales a manera de recordatorio. Puede pagar en línea o por cuotas en www.arlingtondiocese.org. Si tiene alguna pregunta, **por favor llame a la oficina de la BLA al teléfono 703-841-2570 o 703-841-3848 por ayuda en español**.

Please Pray For All those who are sick: CAPT. Evan Applequist, U.S.N., Jim Kearns, Fran Phoenix, Eric Smith.

And for those recently deceased: Joan Weber (Sister of Maureen Britt).

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.

Hearing Assistance Earphones are available for those who would like sound amplification. They have been checked and are functioning well. See one of the friars or come to the sacristy before Mass.



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.stfrancis.org.

There is a book located in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel next to the Tabernacle for you to write your own prayers of petition. During the *Prayer of the Faithful* during weekend liturgies, an intercession will call to mind those prayers in a general way. In this manner, the public prayer of the church is bound to the many prayers of the faithful who live in the body of Christ!



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!

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank **Reeds Handyman Service** for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

Summer Hours

Faith Formation Office
Phone: 703-221-3127 Fax: 703-221-3246
Office Hours: **Monday—Thursday: 8:00 am—2:00 pm**
Friday: Closed



RE Registrations for 2015-2016 Catechetical Year

Registration is well underway for next year's Religious Education. Forms are available in the vestibule of the church and online (<http://www.stfrancis.org/Ministry/Religious%20Education-441-Home/>).

Volunteers Needed

Be a Catechist! We are in need of Catechists for grades 1st-8th for our Religious Education Program. Please volunteer for this wonderful ministry. No experience is necessary, training will be provided and ongoing support will be available.



Questions? Or for more information, please contact Marianne Hayes, DRE at 703-221-3127 or recoor@stfrancis.org.

St. Francis of Assisi School has several openings available in our *Kindergarten, 1st grade, 2nd grade, 3rd grade, 4th grade and 5th grade classes for the 2015-2016 school year.* Our Kindergarten has always been a full day program with a strong curriculum and a stimulating learning environment. Spanish, Music, PE, Health, Art and Technology are all part of the K through 8 curriculum. Band is offered from grades 4th-8th as are sports. All teachers are Virginia certified and assisting teachers have degrees. **Please call the school office for more information at 703-221-3868.**



We would like to invite all college aged students to join us for a **free dinner** and an opportunity to hang out together and discuss their thoughts and opinions on a variety of topics, including their relationship with God. Please join us in the Parish Center Dining Hall on **Tuesday evenings, at 7:00pm** and please contact **Sheila Noble in the Religious Education office, at 703-221-3127 with any questions.**



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.



Baptismal Preparation Class—Our next class will be held on **Sunday, July 12, 2015 from 1:15p.m.—2:00p.m.** in the Br. Juniper Room. **Please call the parish office to register at 703-221-4044.**

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, June 28—13th Sunday In Ordinary Time
 5:30 PM Father's Day Novena
 †Fred Hodgins
 †Joan McCue
 7:30 AM †Matt McCain
 9:00 AM †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik
 †John Enzmann, Sr.
 10:30 AM †Marie Marjorie Caroline Webb
 †Phillip Ray Burcham, Sr.
 12:00 PM David Kastner
 †Clara Kennedy
 †George Beck
 †Adrian Steven Robinson
 1:30 PM Misa en español
 5:30 PM People of the Parish

MONDAY, June 29—Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles
 8:45 AM Father's Day Novena
 Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, June 30—Weekday
 8:45 AM Father's Day Novena

WEDNESDAY, July 1—Weekday
 8:45 AM †Joyce McVay
 †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik

THURSDAY, July 2—Weekday
 8:45 AM †Angelina Santella
 †John Anton
 †John Enzmann, Sr.

FRIDAY, July 3—St. Thomas, Apostle
 8:45 AM †Rocco Nuzzo
 †Ted Geary

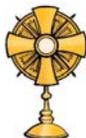
12:00 PM †Joyce McVay
SATURDAY, July 4—Weekday
 4:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

Mass Intentions on Sunday, July 5, 2015

5:30 PM †Thomas and †Ellen Sheehan
 †Ann Kowalcheck
 7:30 AM Thomas Lee
 †Charles Holtzlander
 9:00 AM †Ben Badami
 †Nicholas Colletti
 †George Beck
 †Peter Schwartz
 †John Enzmann, Sr.
 10:30 AM
 12:00 PM †Mary Byrnes and †Julia Clarke
 †Clara Kennedy
 1:30 PM Misa en español
 5:30 PM People of the Parish

First Friday—July 3rd

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.



The **Rosary Guild** meetings will resume on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month, beginning **Tuesday, September 8th**. All are welcome. For more information, please call 703-221-2517.



Readings for the Week of June 28, 2015

Monday Acts 12:1-11; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19
Tuesday Genesis 19:15-29; Matthew 8:23-27
Wednesday Genesis 21:5, 8-20a; Matthew 8:28-34
Thursday Genesis 22:1b-19; Matthew 9:1-8
Friday Ephesians 2:19-22; John 20:24-29
Saturday Genesis 27:1-5, 15-29; Matthew 9:14-17
Sunday Ezekiel 2:2-5; 2 Corinthians 12:7-10; Mark 6:1-6a



Intelligence is the ability to adapt to change—Stephen Hawkings.
 So I ask, How Smart Are You?
 Smart enough to ask for help when your trials, problems, or self-destruction gets out of hand? That is why Stephen Ministry is here to help you when you ask. **Please call 703-221-4312 and then press 4 to get started.**

CURSILLO PICNIC!

Saturday, July 25, 12 to 4 pm
St. Peter Catholic Church, Rappahannock County
12762 Lee Hwy, Washington, VA 22747
 the parish of Fr. Tuck Grinnell.

Join the Arlington Cursillo community and get better acquainted with your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, whether you are a long-time Cursillista or a babe chick, young or old or in-between, or a kid of any age. And be a friend and bring a friend. There will be games (volleyball, croquet, and hopefully badminton) for the active set. There is also a playground for the kids.

Bring your own meat/main dish and drinks, and a side dish/ dessert to share. There are gas grills for barbecuing. Napkins, paper plates, picnic ware, cold cups, hamburger and hot dog buns, condiments (ketchup, mustard, pickles and relish) and ice will be provided.

There are shaded areas and picnic tables, but please bring your own blankets, chairs, beach umbrellas, as you wish. For planning purposes, let us know if you are coming, how many, and the number of children. **Please contact Diane Bayne at dianebayne@gmail.com. Thank you!**

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