

**From  
the  
Friars**



We received the news last week that Bishop Michael Burbidge has been appointed the new Bishop of the Arlington Diocese. I know Bishop Burbidge quite well from my years serving as Provincial of Holy Name Province. Bishop Burbidge currently serves as Bishop (now administrator) of the Raleigh

Diocese. We Franciscans have a large parish in his diocese.

Bishop Burbidge and I were in touch last week. I congratulated him on his appointment and he said he looked forward to getting together when he arrives in the diocese.

We welcome Bishop Burbidge and wish him the Lord's many blessings as he takes on this new ministry as leader of our diocese.

*Fr. John O'Connor, O.F.M.*

**Stephen Ministry formation classes start this week.** Please keep the new trainees and all the commissioned Stephen Ministers in your prayers. We know that your support is a driving force of this ministry and we all truly appreciate it! Keep watching for updates on how the year progresses.



**REMEMBER**

**THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US.**



Available in the vestibule are envelopes for the "All Souls Novena" where you may list the names of your loved ones who have died. They will be remembered at the Novena of Masses during November. Please drop the envelope in the catch all slot or leave in the parish office.

**FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP** means being sure that you VOTE. *You must be registered to vote no later than October 17<sup>th</sup>.* If you need to register you can do so on line at [www.pwcvotes.com](http://www.pwcvotes.com). Forms are also available at the library, DMV, and in the back of the church for your convenience.

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.



**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](http://www.stfrancis.org).

**SALUTE TO THE BIG BAND ERA**



**BIG BAND CABARET SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22nd**

The 20 member Bob Gibson Big Band will have a special appearance at St. Francis of Assisi on **Saturday, October 22nd at 7:30 PM**. Please come and enjoy live **big band music and dancing**. Proceeds from the Hibernian sponsored entertainment will be used to help our parish community.

All Cabaret tables seat 8 at \$25 per ticket. Get your group together and have one person buy the table (\$200). The AOH will provide the first round of beverages FREE.

Watch the Band perform and  
**Purchase tickets at [www.aohconcerts.org](http://www.aohconcerts.org)**  
For more information, please call,  
**703-221-4044, and then press 5**

The 20 member Bob Gibson Big Band was formed in 2006 to explore the full dimension of Big Band Jazz. Their repertoire includes classics from the great Big Bands of Duke Ellington, Glenn Miller, Count Basie, Benny Goodman, Cab Calloway, Tommy Dorsey, and many more.

**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!



**Please Pray For** All those who are sick: Peggy Flynn; Walter Przybysz; and Annelies Gendron.

**And for those recently deceased:** Jo Rita Murray; and Mary Mulholland.

**Please pray for the following who are serving abroad in harm's way:** William Place, Glenn Harms; Bo Bosak, Joseph Sheridan, James Moore, Kyle McVay, Kyle Traylor, Kasey Eggie, Eustaquio Castro-Mendoza, Marc Gendron, and Darryl Saungweme.

## St. Francis House Corner

Thanks to the donations from all our parishioners we were able to provide food for **60** families this week. Because of the increase of families in need we are in need of:

- Canned Fruit
- Tuna
- Paper Bags
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Hamburger Helper



For more information, please call **Francia at 703-221-6344**. Thank you for your continuing support.

**Mommy & Me Program at St. Francis House**—We are looking for volunteers who love to share their knowledge with children 4 and 5 years old. The M&M program meets every *Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00am to 11:30am*. Our goal is to get preschoolers ready for kindergarten. No experience is needed, our schedule is very flexible, you can help once a week or once a month. If you are interested, please call **Francia at 571-572-5862** or email her at [calisa3@verizon.net](mailto:calisa3@verizon.net).



**Angels and Goblins Wanted...Costumes that is!** If you have accumulated unused/used Halloween costumes, please consider donating them to St. Francis House this month. **Please place costumes in the container out in the vestibule.**



**October is Respect Life Month!** In the foyer is a table bounding with resources to inform and educate about matters from conception to natural death. Do you know someone in need of pre-natal care? Do you know how to talk to a friend who has aborted a child? Are you in need of healing? Why would we need a Catholic Medical Directive? **Please take a look and find some great information based on Sacred Scripture and Catholic teaching.**

**The Lunch Bunch** will be meeting on **Thursday, October 20th at 12:00 PM in the St. Catherine Room**. If you are 55+ please feel free to join us by bringing a brown bag lunch and enjoying provided refreshments and good company. We will be visiting for the first 30 minutes and then, weather permitting, heading up to tour the historic Rippon Lodge in Woodbridge. **The cost is \$5.00 and we will carpool to make transportation easier.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact **Becky Traver at [Tandovi@aol.com](mailto:Tandovi@aol.com) or 540-699-2175.**



## Boletín Semanal

**Despensa de Comida de La Casa de San Francis**—gradecemos a todos nuestros parroquianos por todas sus ofrendas a la Despensa de Comida; con sus donaciones pudimos ayudar a **60** familias. En estos momentos estamos necesitados de:

- Fruta enlatada
- Atún
- Bolsas de papel
- Macarrones con queso
- Crema de maní y Jalea

Muchas gracias por sus donaciones. Para mas información contactar a la **Señora Salguero al 703-221-6344**.

**Charlas Bautismales**—Las próximas charlas bautismales en español serán el viernes, octubre 14. **Las charlas bautismales son a las 7:00pm en el Salón del Hermano Juniper (Br. Juniper Room)**. Para más información por favor llamar a la **Señora Salguero al 703-221-6344**.

**El voto es uno de los privilegios** más importantes que tiene un ciudadano de los Estados Unidos, y es una manera de participar en la democracia del país. El Grupo VOICE de San Francisco quiere recordarle que usted debe registrarse para votar a más tardar octubre 17. Además, Tiene que registrarse de nuevo cada vez que cambie de dirección o cambie su nombre. Si necesita registrarse puede hacerlo en línea en [www.pwcvotes.com](http://www.pwcvotes.com). Los formularios también están disponibles en la biblioteca y el DMV.

**A new 5-week session of Christ Centered Yoga Saturday, October 29, 2016 in the St. Catherine Room at 7:45 AM.** All levels are welcome. Information can be found on the parish website or by emailing **Tracy Morgan at [spiritualyogava@gmail.com](mailto:spiritualyogava@gmail.com).**



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.

If you or a family member is in the **hospital or homebound**, please call the parish office if you would like a visit from one of the friars. The hospitals are not permitted to give out the names of patients, so the only way we will know if you are in the hospital is if you or a family member informs us.



**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.

### **Faith Formation Office**

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

### **Registration has begun for Religious Education for 2016-2017**

Religious Education classes began on, **September 18<sup>th</sup>** for all Sacramental grades. All registration information can be found on our website at <http://www.stfrancis.org/welcome-and-introduction/> or by filling out registration forms found in the vestibule and website. Parent Handbook also available on our website in both English and Spanish.

For questions regarding Registration call or e-mail the RE Office/Liz Brack: [lizb@stfrancis.org](mailto:lizb@stfrancis.org), Marianne Hayes, DRE [recoor@stfrancis.org](mailto:recoor@stfrancis.org), Sheila Noble [snoble@stfrancis.org](mailto:snoble@stfrancis.org) ADRE (Sacramental Preparation) 703-221-3127.

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Communion Parent meeting (with child)**

*Sunday and Thursday RE students*—meeting will take place during class session time on **October 13<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>** in the **Parish Center Dining Hall**.

*Homeschool and St. Francis School students*—**Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> (6:30pm-7:45pm)** in the **Parish Center Dining Hall**.

#### **Year I Confirmation (7<sup>th</sup> grade) mini retreat with parent**

*Sunday and Thursday RE students*—meeting will take place during class session time on **October 20<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>** in the **Parish Center Gym**.

*Homeschool and St. Francis School students*—**Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> (6:30-7:45pm)** in the **Parish Center Dining Hall**.

#### **Year II Confirmation (8<sup>th</sup> grade) mini retreat with sponsor**

*Sunday and Thursday RE students*—meeting will take place during class session time on **October 27<sup>th</sup> and October 30<sup>th</sup>** in the **Parish Center Gym**.

*Homeschool and St. Francis School students*—**Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> (6:30-7:45pm)** in the **Parish Center Dining Hall**.

**Baptismal Preparation Class**—Our next class will be held on **Sunday, November 13, 2016 from 1:30p.m.—2:30p.m.** in the Br. Juniper Room. **Please call the parish office to register at 703-221-4044.**

#### **SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**

We would like to thank  
**Dumfries Heights Apartments**  
for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

St. Francis High School Youth Ministry is now called **REAL!** **REAL** stands for Respect, Engage, Accept, Live! **REAL** is open to all High School teens. It is a place to connect your life and your faith, to share, support and have fun with other teens who are trying to live out God's call in their everyday lives. Come see what **REAL** is all about!



**Sunday, October 16th**  
6:30 PM—8:30 PM  
St. Catherine Room  
**REAL Time (Youth Group)**  
All teens grades 9-12

**Sunday, October 23rd**  
**NO REAL Activities**

**Sunday, October 30th**  
6:30 PM—8:30 PM  
St. Catherine Room  
**REAL Halloween Party**  
All teens grades 9-12

**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!**

#### **New! Monday Morning Bible Study**

Are you intrigued by reading the Bible but do not know where to begin? *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* is an 8-part study which provides an excellent overview, simplifies the complex timeline, and demonstrates how the Bible is the foundation of our faith. Register and purchase your workbook through the website <http://www.stfrancis.org/programs-retreats/#biblestudy> and bring it to the first, weekly session, **October 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in the St. Catherine Room**, when we will discuss the first chapter.

Please contact **Lisa Ostendorf** at [lostendorf@stfrancis.org](mailto:lostendorf@stfrancis.org) with any questions.



**Mass Intentions**

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| <b>SATURDAY,</b><br>5:30 PM            | <b>October 15—St. Teresa of Jesus</b><br>†George Selepak<br>†Katie and †Michael Columbo<br>†Diane Tomasinski                                      |
| <b>SUNDAY,</b><br>7:30 AM              | <b>October 16—29th Sunday In Ordinary Time</b><br>People of the Parish<br>†Patricia and †Michael Ryan<br>Thomas Lee                               |
| 9:00 AM                                | †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik<br>†Pauline Misenko<br>†Maria Tang Thi Pham  |
| 10:30 AM                               | †Don and †Joyce McVay<br>†Mary and †Charles Devove<br>†Helen C. Buckley   |
| 12:15 PM                               | †Clara Kennedy<br>†Harold DeBarr<br>†Joseph and †Julia Flood  |
| 1:45 PM                                | †Paula Joubert Delgado<br>†Eric Munoz Candanedo   |
| 5:30 PM                                | Special Intention<br>†Russell Vullo   |
| <b>MONDAY,</b><br>8:45 AM              | <b>October 17—St. Ignatius of Antioch</b><br>Dorothy Lee<br>†Thelma Reifsnnyder<br>†Maria Cristina Cracchiolo                                     |
| <b>TUESDAY,</b><br>8:45 AM             | <b>October 18—St. Luke, Evangelist</b><br>†David John Butts<br>†Diane Tomasinski<br>†Rachele Garrott  |
| <b>WEDNESDAY,</b><br>8:45 AM           | <b>October 19—Sts. John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues and Companions</b><br>†Dwayne E. Gonsorcik<br>†Kathryn Gonsorcik<br>†William H. Marceau          |
| <b>THURSDAY,</b><br>8:45 AM            | <b>October 20—Weekday</b><br>Jacob Staten<br>†Carole Zovak<br>†Marie and †Alfred Vogts  |
| <b>FRIDAY,</b><br>8:45 AM              | <b>October 21—Weekday</b><br>Maira Peña<br>†Mary Rita King  |
| <b>SATURDAY,</b><br>4:00 PM<br>5:30 PM | <b>October 22—Weekday</b><br>Sacrament of Reconciliation<br>†Bill and †Marion Richmond<br>†Diane Tomasinski<br>†Patrick Mullany<br>†Louis Gendron |

**Catholic Charities Ball Committee Volunteer**—Help plan the Catholic Charities Premier Event, the Gala Ball. Proceeds from the Ball are used to support programs operated by Catholic Charities to serve those in need throughout the Diocese. Volunteer to join a Committee and make a difference. Event planning experience helpful, but is not mandatory. Meetings are held one Tuesday a month from 10 a.m. until noon, from September until the night of the Ball on Friday, February 24th. Please contact **Sally O'Dwyer** at [sodwyer@ccda.net](mailto:sodwyer@ccda.net) for more information.

**Mass Intentions on Sunday, October 23, 2016**

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| 7:30 AM  | †Thelma Reifsnnyder<br>The Campbell and Minor Families<br>Aaron James             |
| 9:00 AM  | †John Francis Carpino<br>†Dwayne E. Gonsorcik<br>†Pauline Misenko<br>†Luke Misyak |
| 10:30 AM | †Joseph Piorkowski<br>Clyde Richardson  |
| 12:15 PM | †Clara Kennedy<br>†Julia Williams<br>†Mary Simmons                                |
| 1:45 PM  | Misa en español   |
| 5:30 PM  | People of the Parish<br>Bill Ignatuck<br>†Rebecca and †Gordon Fedder              |

**Readings for the Week of October 16, 2016**

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| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>Ephesians 2:1-10; Luke 12:13-21</b>                                  |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>2 Timothy 4:10-17b; Luke 10:1-9</b>                                  |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>Ephesians 3:2-12;<br/>Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Luke 12:39-48</b>    |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>Ephesians 3:14-21; Luke 12:49-53</b>                                 |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>Ephesians 4:1-6; Luke 12:54-59</b>                                   |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>Ephesians 4:7-16; Luke 13:1-9</b>                                    |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18;<br/>2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14</b> |



**BISHOP IRETON HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**

Bishop Ireton High School, 201 Cambridge Road, Alexandria, VA, is hosting an Open House for prospective students on **Sunday, October 23rd from 1:00-3:00 PM**. Presentation begins at 1:00 PM. **For more information, please call 703-751-7606.**

**To all our dear Filipino parishioners,** I am inviting you to join us for our planning session with regards to our upcoming First Simbang Gabi at St. Francis of Assisi, which will be held on December 17, 2016 at 7:00 pm. Our planning meeting will be held on **November 12th, at 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Center Dining Hall**. Everyone who would like to be a part of this "great festivity" is welcome!

Thank you,  
Alma Jabay  
**EI Shaddai-Filipino Ministry Coordinator**

**Votive Candles**

Envelopes are provided for the candle money. **Please place them in the Catch-All slot located in the vestibule of the church.**



**LEAVING IT BETTER  
THAN YOU FOUND IT**