

**Schedule for  
Holy Week and Easter Sunday  
April 9th—April 16th**

<b>April 9</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
<b>Regular Mass Schedule</b>	
<b>April 12</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
7:30-8:30 PM	Individual Confession
<b>April 13</b>	<b>Holy Thursday</b>
9:00 AM	Morning Prayer
7:30 PM	Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:30 PM	La Cena del Señor en el Gimnasio
<b>April 14</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>
9:00 AM	Morning Prayer
3:00 PM	Musical Meditation on the Stations of the Cross (Presented by all of St. Francis' Choirs and Musicians)
6:00 PM	Via Crucis/The Way of the Cross—Church Parking Lot
7:30 PM	Liturgy of Good Friday
7:30 PM	Liturgy of Good Friday en español en el Gimnasio
<b>April 15</b>	<b>Holy Saturday</b>
9:00 AM	Morning Prayer / Blessing of Easter foods
<i>Note: <u>No Saturday 5:30 p.m. Mass</u></i>	
8:00 PM	Easter Vigil
<b>April 16</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
7:30 AM	Mass—Church
9:00 AM	Mass—Church
9:00 AM	Mass—in Parish Center
10:30 AM	Mass—Church
10:30 AM	Mass—in Parish Center
12:00 PM	Mass—Church
12:00 PM	Mass—in Parish Center
1:30 PM	Misa en Español

**Note: No 5:30 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday**



If you would like to make a donation for **Easter Memorial Flowers**, and remember your loved ones in this way please fill out the information on the envelope on the table in the vestibule and drop it in the catch-all slot. These names will be listed in the bulletin during the Easter Season.

**Confession Schedule for Lent**

Confessions will be heard on **Wednesday, April 12, 2017** from 7:30 pm until 8:30 pm.

**(No Confessions will be heard on Holy Saturday)**

**During Holy Week, Mass will be celebrated at 8:45 am Monday through Wednesday.**

**There will be NO Mass at 8:45 am on Holy Thursday and Good Friday.**

For all lectors, ushers, servers, and Eucharistic ministers who wish to serve during the Easter Vigil and/or Easter Day masses, the **sign-up sheets are located on the bulletin board in the vestibule.**



**The essence of discipleship** is that we stand with Jesus and align our own identity with his, and accept self-denial and self-giving, and in this way walk with him to the cross. Disciples go wherever the Master goes. But what if we have lost our way? Please call Stephen Ministry and talk with someone so that this Holy Week journey and beyond can be that time in your life that you find and build a closer relationship with God. **Please call 703-221-4312 and then press 4.**

The **Rosary Guild** meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. Please join us **Tuesday, April 11th** from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the **St. Catherine Room**. All are welcome. For more information, please call Otella Creegan at 571-264-0312.



**All ticket stubs with payment and unsold tickets need to be returned by this Monday, April 10, 2017 by the close of business (4:00 p.m.).** The drawing will take place on



**Saturday, April 29th at All Saints Catholic Church in Manassas** and you do not need to be present to win. Winners will be contacted by telephone immediately after each drawing. A list of winners also will be

posted at (<http://www.allsaintsvachurch.org>). **This is the largest parish fundraiser and we thank you for your support. GOOD LUCK!**

**BE A FRANCIS-CAN  
NOT A FRANCIS-CAN'T**



**Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, April 14th and on Monday, April 17th**

### St. Francis House Corner

Thanks to the donations from all our parishioners we were able to provide food for **65** families this week. Because of the increase of families in need we are in need of:



- **Item of the Month: Laundry Detergent**
- Mac and Cheese
- Pasta (Spaghetti, Penne, Elbow, Shells, etc.)
- Hamburger Helper

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

**ST. FRANCIS MEN'S GROUP**—Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday, April 11th at 7:30 pm in the Br. Juniper Room**. Due to weather related cancellation of our March meeting, this month's topic will be **Promoting Good Wealth—A Catholic Perspective**. Living in a society blessed with such material abundance, it is sometimes difficult for us as men to understand the meaning of the Gospel on this issue. Faced with the responsibility of providing a good life for our families, we sometimes ask ourselves—How much material wealth must we amass to fully carry out this responsibility? **For more information, please contact Tony Mercogliano at [amercogliano@gmail.com](mailto:amercogliano@gmail.com) or 571-332-7048.**

**Please Pray For** All those who are sick: Steve, Thompson; Fred Wolfe; Angela Menjivar; and Phyliss Shaw.

**And for those recently deceased:** Mary Jane Perry; and Julie Durbin.

**Please pray for the following who are serving abroad in harm's way:** Andrew Wagner; Leo N. Company; Nicholas Tsougas; S. Defibaugh; Josh Bookout; Brianna French; Glenn Harms; Joseph Sheridan; James Moore; Kyle McVay; Kyle Traylor; Eustaquio Castro-Mendoza, Marc Gendron; and Darryl Saungweme.

### CALLING ALL YOU IRISH LADIES By BIRTH OR MARRIAGE



The Fr. Mychal Judge, O.F.M. Ladies Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians **will be meeting on Monday, April 10, 2017** in the **Parish Center Library!** We will gather at 6:45 pm. The meeting will last from 7:00-8:00 pm.

**Criteria to join this group of ladies?** You must be an Irish Catholic female of 16 years of age or older, Irish descent OR married to an Irish gentleman.

Once a part of this Irish Catholic Organization—all we would ask is for you to live our motto of:

**"Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity"**

Come by and see what is going on within our group! We would enjoy meeting you and having you JOIN us. **For more information or/and if you are eligible and interested in joining, please contact Mary Kay Jones at 540-287-4383 or [jonesmk@aol.com](mailto:jonesmk@aol.com).**

## Boletín Semanal

**Despensa de Comida de La Casa de San Francisco**—Agradecemos a todos nuestros parroquianos por todas sus ofrendas a la Despensa de Comida; con sus donaciones pudimos ayudar a **65** familias. En estos momentos estamos necesitados de:

- **Artículo del mes: Detergente De Lavar Ropa**
- Pasta
- Espaguetis

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

**Charlas Bautismales**—**En el mes de abril no tendremos** charlas bautismales. Las próximas charlas bautismales en español **serán el viernes, mayo 12**. 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**.

### Horario de La Semana Santa.

**Sábado, 1 de abril**— Misa en honor a la Virgen de los Dolores – 7 p.m. en el Templo.

**Domingo de Ramos** – 9 de abril—la Misa de la llegada en Jerusalén—1:30 p.m. en el Templo.

**El Jueves Santo** – 13 de abril—la Misa de la Última Cena – 7:30 p.m. en el gimnasio.

**El Viernes Santo** – 14 de abril

**El Vía Crucis** a las 4:30 p.m.:

En "Grayson Village", Rt 234, Dumfries Rd, at Shell Station (near I-95) En "Old Triangle Rd Trailers", En "Crystal Lake Trailers", Route 1 en Stafford.

La Liturgia de la Pasión de Jesús comienza a las 6 p.m. frente de la escuela y termina en el gimnasio a las 8 p.m.

**Domingo de Pascua** – 16 de abril – misa de la Resurrección a las 1:30 p.m. en el Templo.

### 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!



### NEW Votive Candles

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



### SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank **Precision Painting and Powerwashing** for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

**Faith Formation Office**

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

**Religious Education for 2016-2017**

April 9th—April 23rd NO RE, Easter Break. Classes will resume on April 27th.

**Encounter Lent**—Join our faith community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States in a life changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS (Catholic Relief Services). Each Religious Education student and SFAS student have received a rice bowl. We will also provide additional rice bowls for anyone who would like one in the vestibule of the church. They are available in English and Spanish. This is a great form of Almsgiving for children. Perhaps they can give up a movie, toy, fast food or do some chores in order to donate to Rice Bowl. **At the end of Lent, please return all Rice Bowls to the RE or Parish Office.**



**Please do NOT put them in the catch all-slot.**

Join us in working together to better the lives of others this Lent. For more information, please contact **Marianne Hayes, DRE** at [recoor@stfrancis.org](mailto:recoor@stfrancis.org) or on our website at [stfrancis.org](http://stfrancis.org).

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. Please come see what **REAL** is all about!



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

**Sunday, April 16th**  
† EASTER †  
**NO REAL ACTIVITIES**

**Sunday, April 23rd**  
Off-Site Leadership Retreat  
**NO REAL ACTIVITIES**

**Baptismal Preparation Class**—Our next class will be held this **Sunday, April 9, 2017 from 1:30p.m.—2:30p.m.** in the Br. Juniper Room.

Adult Confirmation classes will begin **Tuesday, April 25th at 6:30 p.m. in the Br. Juniper room** (church side of campus). This six-week program is for Catholic adults who have already received the sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist (First Communion) and would like to complete their initiation with Confirmation. **Please register with Lisa Ostendorf to obtain the paperwork and to reserve a textbook** [lostendorf@stfrancis.org](mailto:lostendorf@stfrancis.org) or 703-221-3127, ext. 277.



**Looking for Help with Cyber Seniors Ministry**



If you are familiar with the basics of using phones, tablets, PC's and/or Macs to send emails, attach documents, share photos, download apps, etc. and you are available to help parishioners during the week to use their devices, please contact **Lisa Ostendorf** at

[lostendorf@stfrancis.org](mailto:lostendorf@stfrancis.org). Thank you for sharing your expertise!

"Totally Awesome 80's—the Decade that Made Most of Us"  
**2017 St. Francis of Assisi Annual Spring Auction**  
St. Francis of Assisi Parish Center  
**Saturday, April 29th 6:30 pm**



\$30 per person/\$50 per couple  
Tickets to go on sale April 10th

Costumes are welcomed

**Readings for the Week of April 9, 2017**


<b>Monday</b>	Isaiah 42:1-7; John 12:1-11
<b>Tuesday</b>	Isaiah 49:1-6; John 13:21-33, 36-38
<b>Wednesday</b>	Isaiah 50:4-9a; Matthew 26:14-25
<b>Thursday</b>	Isaiah 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Revelation 1:5-8; Luke 4:16-21; Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-15
<b>Friday</b>	Isaiah 52:13—53:12; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1—19:42
<b>Saturday</b>	Genesis 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a; Genesis 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Exodus 14:15—15:1; Exodus 15:1-2, Isaiah 54:5-14; Isaiah 55:1-11; Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Baruch 3:9-15, 32—4:4; Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28; Romans 6:3-11; Matthew 28:1-10
<b>Sunday</b>	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; John 20:1-9 or Matthew 28:1-10 or Luke 24:13-35



<b>SATURDAY,</b>	<b>April 8—Lenten Weekday</b>
4:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 PM	†Janice A. and †James F. Callahan †Claudina Wright †Valerie Shaw
<b>SUNDAY,</b>	<b>April 9—Palm Sunday</b>
7:30 AM	†John Restante †Harry Ravert †Keith Bassett
9:00 AM	†Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Normand Richard Marquis †Kristin Adcock
10:30 AM	†Clara Kennedy †Josephine Papio †Charles Justin Johnson
12:00 PM	†Giovannina and †Gaetano Corvetto †George Beck †Clyde Richardson
1:30 PM	People of the Parish
5:30 PM	†Merrit Causey †Anita Marasigan †Eugenio Tecson
<b>MONDAY,</b>	<b>April 10—Monday of Holy Week</b>
8:45 AM	†Margaret Williams †Diane Conrad †Herb Petty
<b>TUESDAY,</b>	<b>April 11—Tuesday of Holy Week</b>
8:45 AM	†Eileen Bolen †Veronica Tokar †Clara Kennedy
<b>WEDNESDAY,</b>	<b>April 12—Wednesday of Holy Week</b>
8:45 AM	†James F. Callahan, II †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik †Kathryn Gonsorcik
<b>THURSDAY,</b>	<b>April 13—Holy Thursday</b>
8:45 AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
9:00 AM	Morning Prayer
7:30 PM	Mass of the Lord's Supper †Roseanne Scruggs †Joseph and †Julia Flood †Deborah McGrath
7:30 PM	Misa en español (Gym)
<b>FRIDAY,</b>	<b>April 14—Good Friday</b>
8:45 AM	<b>NO MASS</b>
9:00 AM	Morning Prayer
3:00 PM	Musical Meditation on the Stations of the Cross
7:30 PM	Liturgy of Good Friday
7:30 PM	Liturgy of Good Friday en español el Gimnasio
<b>SATURDAY,</b>	<b>April 15—Holy Saturday</b>
9:00 AM	Morning Prayer/Blessing of Easter Food
<b>8:00 PM</b>	Easter Vigil †Paul Kriegar †Eileen Bolen †Roseanne Scruggs

Mass Intentions on Sunday, April 16 2017

<b>8:00 PM</b>	Easter Vigil
7:30 AM	†Patricia and †Michael Ryan Cecelia Kim †Robert Earl Williams
9:00 AM	†Mary Mancuso †Celine Nebbia †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik
9:00 AM	(Gym) In Thanksgiving People of the Parish
10:30 AM	†Helen C. Buckley †Valerie Shaw †Clara Kennedy
10:30 AM	(Gym) Sharee Sonner Cathy Bennett Moser
12:00 PM	†Innocent Bobick †Elizabeth Young †David Reader
12:00 PM	(Gym) †Emile Zambo †Philomele Akomo †Alice Akomo
1:30 PM	Misa en español
5:30 PM	<b>NO MASS</b>



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.



Future with Hope Women

**Catholic women over 40:** Register now for the Future with Hope women's conference on **October 20-21, 2017**, at the Falls Church Marriott Fairview Park! Speakers include Pat Gohn, author of *All In: Why Belonging to the Catholic Church Matters* and *Blessed, Beautiful, and Bodacious: Celebrating the Gift of Catholic Womanhood*, and Mary Lenaburg, Blessed Is She blogger.

**Lenten Special! \$129 through Easter Sunday; \$149, Easter Monday-Labor Day; \$175, thereafter.**

Learn more at [www.futurewithhopewomen.com](http://www.futurewithhopewomen.com) or email [info@futurewithhopewomen.com](mailto:info@futurewithhopewomen.com). Sponsors include the Arlington Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

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