



From the Friars

I had the privilege on June 28th to attend the Retirement reception for Marty Rendon, a member of our parish. Marty worked for 50 years on Capitol Hill and 25 years for UNICEF USA. The reception was attended by representatives of Congress, Leaders of UNICEF (flew in from New York), members of advocacy organizations, and friends.

Several individuals spoke praising Marty's work over the years and how his efforts saved the lives of countless children in countries where poverty and malnutrition are prevalent. Congratulations, Marty!



I am happy to announce that due to last minute efforts by our parish staff, and the great generosity of so many of you, we were able to increase the sales of raffle tickets from \$18,000 to \$37,000. That will bring us a net profit in the area of \$20,000 dollars! Again, my thanks.

A reminder, even though we are now very much into the Summer season, schools closed, folks planning vacations, the need to help feed those who have less than we do does not take a vacation. Please continue to be as generous as possible with your weekly donations of food and canned goods.

Please save the date of September 3rd on your calendars. We will once again have our annual Labor Day picnic at Locust Shade park.

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


The **Rosary Guild** meetings will resume on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. beginning **Tuesday, September 11th**. All are welcome. For more information, please call Otella Cregan at 571-264-0312.



Stephen Ministry
Bear one another's burdens

H-O-P-E grows in Stephen Ministry. It grows because we care, show empathy, and listen! Stephen Ministers are ready to help you find hope. Please call Kathy Walker at 703-221-4044, ext. 233 or email kwalker@stfrncis.org to start growing again.


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!



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 Sunday, August 19th 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.

If you are moving/changing your address, please notify the Parish 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 Parish Office would also like that information. Please call us at 703-221-4044. Thank you.



St. Francis House Corner



Thanks to the donations from all of our parishioners, the items of the month have been very much appreciated by our clients. With your generosity we will continue to serve those that are in need.

Item of the Month: Toilet Paper

- Canned Vegetables
- Spaghetti, Pasta, etc.
- Spaghetti Sauce
- **Paper bags and Reusable bags**

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



When did I see You Hungry, Lord? St. Francis has pledged to provide **Saturday breakfasts to the Drop-In Shelter in Woodbridge from April to October and we are in dire need of your help.** Sign-up sheets are available on the bulletin board in the vestibule.

For more information, please contact Francia Salguero at 571-572-5862. Thank you very much for your support!

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.



Votive Candles—Envelopes are provided for the candle money. **Please place them in the new boxes located on the wall (next to the candles) in the church.**

LEAVING IT BETTER THAN YOU FOUND IT



SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank **Todos Supermarket** for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

Boletín Semanal

Charlas Bautismales—Las próximas charlas bautismales en español serán el **miércoles, Julio 11**. Las charlas bautismales Son a las 7:00 p.m. en el Salón del Hermano Juniper (Br. Juniper Room). Para más información por favor llamar a la **Señora Salguero al 703-221-6344.**



Dispensa de Comida de La Casa de San Francisco: Gracias a las donaciones de todos nuestros feligreses el Artículo del mes ha sido bien recibido por nuestros clientes. Con sus donaciones podremos continuar ayudando a los más necesitados.

Artículo del mes: Papel Higienico

- Vegetales enlatadas
- Espagueti, Pasta, etc.
- Salsa para Espaguetis
- **Bolsas de Papel y Reusables**

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

Please Pray For All those who are sick: Brian Lapinski; Johanna Yoka Ryan; Herb Harmon; Aaron Childs.

And for those recently deceased: Laura Ann Grieco.

Please pray for the following who are serving abroad in harm's way: Matthew Byron; Tyler Jones; Drew; Leo N. Company; S. Defibaugh; Brianna French; James Moore; Kyle McVay; Kyle Traylor; Marc Gendron; and Darryl Saungweme.

Readings for the Week of July 8, 2018

- Monday** Hosea 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Matthew 9:18-26
- Tuesday** Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:32-38
- Wednesday** Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Matthew 10:1-7
- Thursday** Hosea 11:1-4, 8e-9; Matthew 10:7-15
- Friday** Hosea 14:2-10; Matthew 10:16-23
- Saturday** Isaiah 6:1-8; Matthew 10:24-33
- Sunday** Amos 7:12-15; Ephesians 1:3-14 or 1:3-10; Mark 6:7-13

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.



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.

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 2018

Have a Blessed Summer!
Classes will resume again in September.



I would like to offer up a heart-filled Thank You to everyone who offered up their time to volunteer for our "Ship Wrecked" VBS. We are blessed with our volunteers. We would

not have been able to hold our VBS without their help. We had an amazing 149 children and over 75 volunteers. It was an amazing week learning that Jesus rescues!

Sharon Gardner
VBS Coordinator

Religious Education Registration for 2018-19 began on May 6th for all registered parishioners children grades 1st—8th. High School Sacramental Preparation Class Registration forms are available in the back of the church or online at stfrncis.org.

For more information, please contact the Religious Education Office at 703-221-3127 or recoor@stfrncis.org.

Religious Education is in need of Catechists for the upcoming 2018-19 school year. Training is provided and takes place in August. If you would like to share your faith with the children of the Parish, please contact Marianne Hayes, DRE at 703-221-3127 or recoor@stfrncis.org.



All RE fees are waived for Catechists and Co-Catechists.

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.

Baptismal Preparation Class

Our next class will be held this Sunday, July 8, 2018 from 1:30 p.m.—2:30 p.m. in the Br. Juniper Room.



St. Francis High School Youth Ministry is 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!



SUMMER 2018
Activities will be announced
As they are scheduled

Follow us on Facebook



Sign-up with remind To stay up-to-date



Questions? Please contact Brandon Jubar at bjubar@stfrncis.org.



St. Francis of Assisi School is currently accepting applications for admission (**Preschool—8th Grade**) for the 2018-2019 school year.

Please visit the school website, www.stfas.org, or contact the school office, 703-221-3868 or phillipss.sfas@gmail.com, for more information and to schedule a tour of the campus.

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 4-8 as are sports. All teachers are Virginia certified and assisting teachers have degrees.



St. Francis of Assisi School Office—Summer Hours

July 10th-August 16th
(Tuesdays-Thursdays)—9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



Mass Intentions

- SATURDAY, July 7—Weekday**
 4:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation
 5:30 PM †Cy Kelly
 †Anthony Catalano
 †Gladys L. Berger
- SUNDAY, July 8—14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 7:30 AM †Philip Clark
 †Frank Kovalchik
 Elizabeth Ryan
 9:00 AM †Deacon Kenneth Klear
 †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik
 †Esther Jean Matochik
 10:45 AM †Eileen Bolen
 †Patricia Loner
 †Marla Hughes
 12:15 PM †George Beck
 †Clara Kennedy
 †Clyde Richardson
 1:30 PM Misa en español
 5:30 PM †Will MacDonald
 People of the Parish
- MONDAY, July 9—St. Augustine Zhao and Companions**
 8:45 AM †Cecelia Zink
- TUESDAY, July 10—Weekday**
 8:45 AM †Jon Hughes
- WEDNESDAY, July 11—St. Benedict**
 8:45 AM †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik
 †Kathryn Gonsorcik
 †Faust Villareale
- THURSDAY, July 12—Weekday**
 8:45 AM John Scott
- FRIDAY, July 13—Weekday**
 8:45 AM †Samuel C. Deitz
 †Scott Campbell
- SATURDAY, July 14—St. Kateri Tekakwitha**
 4:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation
 5:30 PM †Paul Krieger
 †Cy Kelly
 People of the Parish

Mass Intentions on Sunday, July 15, 2018

- 7:30 AM †Paul and †Connie Arcudi
 †Therese Burroughs
 †Elias Macarayo Eugenio
 9:00 AM †Dwayne E. Gonsorcik
 †Sergio A. Valdes
 †Kathy Morton
 10:45 AM †Evelyn Lincourt
 †Elias Macarayo Eugenio
 12:15 PM †Timothy Halpin
 †Clara Kennedy
 †Philip Clark
 1:30 PM Misa en español
 5:30 PM
 7:30 PM

HEALING MASS

Hello, Dolly!

URTM Presents *Hello Dolly!*: July 17th—22nd

Do not miss the Upper Room Theatre Ministry's production of the beloved Broadway musical, *Hello Dolly!*, July 17th-22nd at the All Saints Performing Arts Center stage in Manassas. Considered one of the great American musicals, this family-friendly Broadway favorite features a cast of delightful characters with a fabulous ensemble and well-loved music backed by a live orchestra. With a record 10 Tony Awards, including Best Musical, it is currently one of the Top 20 all-time longest running shows. Tickets for this enduring treasure are available online at www.UpperRoomTickets.com.



Mary's Shelter

Seating is limited
RESERVE TODAY
 RSVP by July 23

NO COST TO ATTEND • RESERVATIONS REQUIRED • marysshelterva.org



"HOW CAN THERE BE TOO MANY CHILDREN?"
That's like saying there are too many flowers."

—Mother Teresa

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: JASON JONES

Film producer, author, activist, and human rights worker.

9th Annual Summer Soirée & Fundraiser

AUGUST 4, 2018 • 6-10PM

Fredericksburg Expo Center, Fredericksburg, VA

For more information, visit marysshelterva.org

1601 PRINCESS ANNE ST., FREDERICKSBURG, VA 22401 • 540-374-3407 • MARYSSHILTERVA.ORG

Photography: Kathryn Mandel Photography, mandel.smugmug.com • Graphic Design: The Design Room, Inc., thedesignroominc.com