



St. Patrick Catholic Church – Lexington, Virginia
 Newsletter for June 18, 2020
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Dear Parishioners,

As our churches reopen, as weekend and weekday Masses are reinstated, as temporary restrictions are minimized or lifted, it reminds me of when I was a teenager and then Pope John XXIII (now Saint John XXIII) called the Catholic Church a “Pilgrim Church” and stated that we were in an “aggiornamento” as a faith community.

In brief, aggiornamento from the Latin and Italian definitions was considered a reawakening from our traditions and roots and then bringing all the good things up to date and implementing them in the modern world.

For those of us who have been spiritually dormant since mid-March, perhaps we should ask ourselves spiritually what do we want to reawaken in our lives with Jesus and others? Also, how do we shake off lethargic attitudes when it comes to religious reawakening in our families? Are we willing to wear protective masks, wash our hands, wear gloves and become bold enough to practice social distancing within our beautiful little church and participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass?

May all of us be reawakened from fear and timidity into the loving arms and embrace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Sincerely,

Fr. Joe

Fr. Joseph A. D’Aurora
 Pastor



Mass Sign-ups for June 20 and 21 are available:

Mass will be offered at 5 p.m. on Saturday for adults only. The 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass will be for individual adults, couples, and families. This will help us to meet the Diocesan and CDC distancing guidelines and to maximize seating for each Mass. We can have up to 45 parishioners at each Mass, so during this reopening phase you will be required to sign-up to attend Mass using Eventbrite. It is very easy, however, if you have any trouble, please call the parish office and have Leslie or Cindy sign you up. Click [here](#) to sign up for the [June 20 and 21 Mass](#). You can also find the link on the parish website and Facebook page.

**MASS INTENTIONS
 FOR THE WEEK**

Friday, June 19

12:15 PM †Teresa Carter McCoy by
 Jennifer Palmer

Saturday, June 20

5:00 PM John & Barbara Czekner for their
 50th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, June 21

10:30 AM People of St. Patrick

Monday, June 22

12:15 PM †Jo Lupsha by Family

Friday, June 26

12:15 PM †Lolita Perez-Cornet by Lupsha
 Family

Saturday, June 27

5:00 PM People of St. Patrick

Sunday, June 28

10:30 AM †Ann Dudley Mohler by Family



Rest in Peace

Rest in Peace: Our faith community’s prayers, sympathy and condolences are with Patricia Coss and her family on the recent, untimely death of her husband and their father †Michael Coss. A faithful parishioner, Grand Knight and District Deputy of the Knights of Columbus, and outstanding, kind gentleman, he will be greatly missed. May his soul be welcomed into the Kingdom of Heaven.

Ordination: Congratulations to the new Fr. James F. Waalkes on his recent ordination to the priesthood at St. Thomas More Cathedral in Arlington.

He was a member of the last graduating class of our former Guardian Angel Regional Catholic School. Fr. James’s first assignment will be as Parochial Vicar at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Falls Church, VA. His mailing address is: 3305 Glen Carlyn Road, Falls Church, VA 22041.





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Anniversary: Prayers and best wishes are extended to John and Barbara Czekner on the occasion of their Golden 50th Wedding Anniversary. May the Christ of Cana continue to bless this fine couple, their children and grandchildren with good health, continued happiness and abundant graces.

Blessing of Fathers

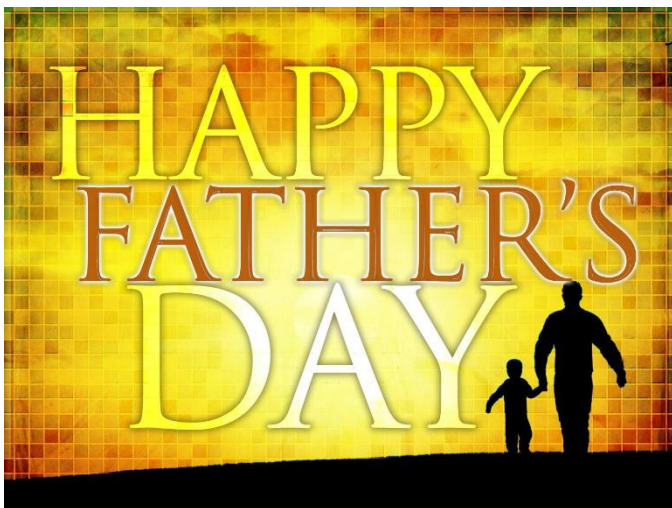
God and Father of all creation,
 we come before you today with humble hearts.
 You are our model of a loving father.
 When we fail and fall short of your expectations,
 you are always there at the end of the day with open arms,
 ready to heal the cuts and scrapes of the day
 and to encourage us to try again and not to give up.

We hold up these men in our midst who act in the world
 as fathers to their children or models of fathers for others.

Bless them in their moments of doubt and frustration with
 their children.

Give them warm and open hearts to forgive failures.
 Provide them with the words needed for encouragement and
 perseverance.

We ask all this in the name of Jesus.
 Amen.



Reception of Holy Communion: Although The Diocese of Richmond encourages reception of Holy Communion in the hand, it is now allowing reception on the tongue. Fr. Joe asks that the latter recipients kindly come at the end of the line.

Weekly Schedule

Friday, June 19 – Office Closed

10:00 AM Preschool Graduation - Church
 11:45 AM Rosary with the Association of Marian Helpers
 12:15 PM Mass

Saturday, June 20 – First Day of Summer

4:00 PM Reconciliation – AFF Meeting Room
 4:15 PM Cantor Rehearsal
 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 21 – Father's Day

8:30 AM "Kindle My Fire" Radio Program on 96.7-3WZ
 9:45 AM Cantor Rehearsal
 10:00 AM Catholic Radio Program on 96.7-3WZ
 10:30 AM Mass

Monday, June 22

11:45 AM Rosary with the Association of Marian Helpers
 12:15 PM Mass

Tuesday, June 23 – Office Closes at 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 24 – Office Closes at 2:00 p.m.

11:00 AM Adoration

Thursday, June 25 – Office Closes at 2:00 p.m.

Friday, June 26

11:45 AM Rosary with the Association of Marian Helpers
 12:15 PM Mass

Saturday, June 27

4:00 PM Reconciliation – AFF Meeting Room
 4:15 PM Cantor Rehearsal
 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 28

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 10:30 AM Mass

Our Monday daily Masses will resume beginning Monday, June 22 at 12:15 p.m.

Save the dates:

Fri., August 14, 5:30 p.m. – Summer Latino Festival
 Sun., October 4 – Parish Outdoor Mass and Picnic

Please continue to check the parish website at stpatrickslexington.com for updates.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention:

For Evangelization – the Way of the Heart: That all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

Scripture Readings for this weekend: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33.



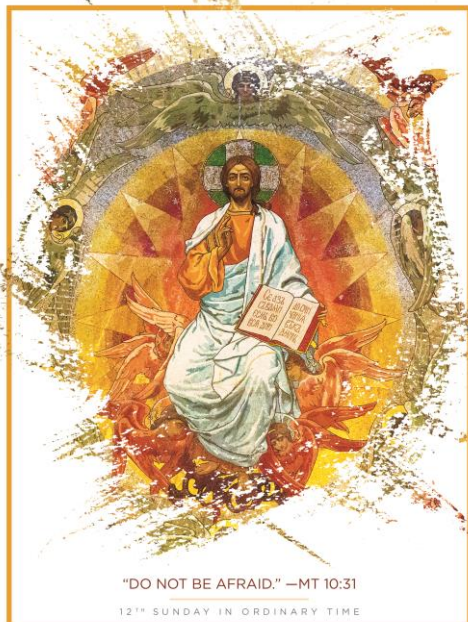
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**From the Director of Religious Education,
 Kathleen Nowacki-Correia:**

*“Everyone who acknowledges Me before others,
 I will acknowledge before My Father in heaven.”*

In this Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus calls His disciples and us to bear witness to Him before all people and to “speak in the light,” “to proclaim it from the rooftops,” and to “fear no one.” But, in our Covid-19 circumstances, how are we called to acknowledge Our Lord before others, and merit His promise to acknowledge us to His Heavenly Father? As we all know so well, we proclaim the Gospel message to others, not only by outright evangelization, but by the witness of our lives. Many may recall a photograph widely circulated online at the start of the pandemic shut-down of a priest, fully-vested, who walked across the cross-shaped roof of his church in Paris, carrying a golden monstrance exposing Our Lord in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist as he blessed the city below in the brilliant light of day. May we be inspired by his example to bear witness to the Lord in doing all we can within our particular limited circumstances! May we, too, rise to every occasion to “speak in the light,” “to proclaim our faith from the rooftops” and to “fear no one,” secure in Christ’s promise to acknowledge us to His Father in heaven. ~ K.N-C.



Liturgy Notes by Justin Soutar:



On this Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, our Scripture readings exhort the righteous who are unjustly persecuted to trust in God’s protection and deliverance. The embattled prophet Jeremiah declares that the Lord will rescue him from the grasp of the wicked. Saint Paul explains to the Romans that the tyranny of sin and death ushered in by Adam was conquered by Christ. And in the Gospel, Jesus urges his apostles not to be afraid of those who will persecute them for preaching the Word of God.

“Being a Christian has nothing to do with social status, it is not a lifestyle that makes one feel good; being a Christian means being a witness of obedience and the life of a Christian is full of insults and persecutions” (Pope Francis, Homily, 4/27/17). May our unswerving fidelity to Christ and the Church amid a radically secularist culture be an attractive witness to our fellow men and women.

*** **A Musical Note:** We are greatly in need of cantors under age 65 to sing at our 5 PM Saturday and 10:30 AM Sunday Masses. Please contact Justin Soutar at music@stpatrickslexington.com or 463-3533 if you would like to serve as a cantor. ***

FORMED: Take advantage of our free parish subscription to FORMED for the best Catholic movies, e-books, study series, webinars, and top speakers! Go to formed.org, scroll down, click Register, enter parish code T2WDQ3, your personal email, click Submit, and fill in your information for free access.

Parish Finances:

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|---------------------------------|------------|
| Collection for 6/14/2020 | \$ 5,664 |
| Weekly Budgeted Need | \$ 7,469 |
| Operating Income YTD | \$ 380,171 |
| Budgeted Operating Income YTD | \$ 373,450 |
| Over YTD Budgeted Income | \$ 6,721 |
| Collections not included above: | |
| Maintenance Reserve | \$ 465 |
| Sound & Video Upgrade Project | \$ 175 |
| Peter’s Pence | \$ 922 |



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Prayer Net: Barbara Ekin; Amanda Soutar; Mary Ann DeLuca; G. John D'Aurora; Matilda Tinsler; Patricia Burch; Knox Thomas; Michele Fletcher; Mary Lou Olszewski; Ryen Frost; Rachel, Sean & baby Duffy; Antoinette Warzinski; Tom Greenwood; Matt Hemp; Jerry Beckley; Noel MacDermott; Terry Early; Antonietta Scire; Mrs. Donald; Dean Batterman; Fr. Chapin Engler; Lou Ramsey; Carol Leninger; Carolyn & Julie Rapoza; Kathy Crawford; Jeanette Luke; Sally Ann Bulger; Deborah Soutar; Ted DeLaney; John Hilt; Wendell Tucker; Isabella; Aailiyah & Joseph Slagle; Rita Rooney; Frances Farrell; Maria Rosenberger; Margaret Strong; Cathy Keyser; Carol Melvin; Barbara Thomas; Clare Kulle; Janet Nablo; Carolyn Miller; Eleanor Skip Knight; Ruby Ramsey; Hector Guerrero; our parishioners in nursing homes and those who are homebound; those addicted to alcohol & drugs; the underemployed and unemployed; our military and their families; families affected by the coronavirus; those struggling financially because of this crisis; first responders, medical personal and all government leaders; and for the repose of the soul of †Michael Coss and †Maria Cruz Lopez. (For Prayer Net requests, contact Cher McCoy at chergrindlemccoy@gmail.com or 540-570-2111.)



Giving Options: Thank you for your continued financial stewardship during this difficult time. For your convenience, please consider giving online at offertory.richmonddiocese.org or through our direct debit program at [Direct Debit](#). Both can be accessed through this link or our website. Alternatively, you can mail checks (no cash please) to P.O. Box 725, Lexington, VA 24450 or drop your envelopes in the locked mailbox on the side door of the Parish House.

Magnificat Online: Here are the links for a *free* subscription to Magnificat Online to meet devotional and spiritual needs for adults and children – magnificat.com/free, magnificat.com/gratis (Spanish), magnifikid.com/free.

Pentecost & Confirmation 2020

Mary Conway (Sponsor), Dr. Percita Ellis (Confirmand) and Kathleen Nowacki-Correia, DRE



Parents of Kindergarten through Grade 8 Rel. Ed. Students: As of Saturday, June 13, your children's text books will be sanitized, labeled, and available for you to pick-up in the screened porch located in back of the parish house, next to the church. It will remain unlocked, so you can take the books at your convenience. These books belong to your children, so please be sure to take them home as soon as possible.

Parents of All Rel. Ed Students: Since five Sunday classes had to be cancelled, our catechists are preparing a final lesson, inspiration, or course summary for your children and teens, and will email them to you to review as a family. We hope many online links provided in our parish newsletters have been helpful.

Parents of all First Eucharist Students: Based on new diocesan guidelines, plans are underway for preparation to continue this summer for First Holy Communion in early September.

God bless you and your families! Thank you for your continuing devotion to your children's religious education and thanks to our wonderful catechists for their hard work and dedication!

~Kathleen Nowacki-Correia, DRE



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Hymns for this weekend's Masses:

Entrance Chant: A Mighty Fortress

Offertory Chant: Shelter Me, O God #689

Communion Chant: Be Not Afraid #673

Hymn of Praise: Only a Shadow #676

Recessional: Glory and Praise to Our God #574

A MIGHTY FORTRESS

EIN' FESTE BURG

1. A might - y for - tress is our God, A bul - wark nev - er
2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, Our striv - ing would be

1. fail - ing; Our help - er he a - mid the flood
2. los - ing, Were not the Sav - ior on our side,

1. Of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing; For
2. The man of God's own choos - ing; Dost

1. still our an - cient foe Doth seek to work us
2. ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus, it is

1. woe; His craft and pow'r are great, And armed with
2. he; Lord Sab - a - oth, his name, From age to

1. cru - el hate, On earth is not his e - qual.
2. age the same, And he must win the bat - tle.

Text: 87 87 66 66 7; based on Psalm 46; Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. by Frederick H. Hedge, 1805–1890.
Music: Martin Luther; adapt. by Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685–1750, alt.

SHELTER ME, O GOD

Bob Hurd

Refrain
Shel-ter me, O God; hide me in the shad-ow of your wings. You a-lone

Verses
are my hope.

1. When my foes sur-round me, set me
2. As a moth - er gath - ers her
3. Though I walk in dark - ness, through the

to Refrain
1. high a - bove their reach. Hear me when I call your name.
2. young be-neath her care, gath - er me in - to your arms.
3. nee-dle's eye of death, you will nev - er leave my side.

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BE NOT AFRAID

Bob Dufford, SJ

Verse 1

1. You shall cross the bar-ren des-ert, but you shall not die of
1. thirst. You shall wan-der far in safe-ty though you do not know the
1. way. You shall speak your words in for-eign lands and all will un-der-
1. stand. You shall see the face of God and live. to Refrain

Refrain

Be not a-fraid. I go be-fore you al-ways. Come fol-low
me, and I will give you rest. 1, 2 to Vss 2, 3 Final 2

Verse 2

2. If you pass through rag-ing wa-ters in the sea, you shall not
2. drown. If you walk a-mid the burn-ing flames, you shall not be
2. harmed. If you stand be-fore the pow'r of hell and death is at your
2. side, know that I am with you through it all. to Refrain

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BE NOT AFRAID (CONT. 2)

Verse 3

3. Bless-ed are your poor, for the king-dom shall be theirs. Blest are you that
3. weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh. And if wick-ed tongues in-sult and
3. hate you all be-cause of me, bless-ed, bless-ed are you! to Refrain



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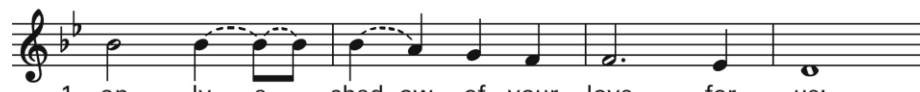
ONLY A SHADOW

Carey Landry

Verses



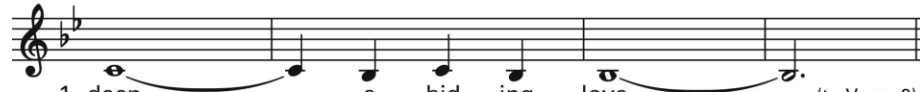
1. The love we have for you, O Lord, is —
2. The bread we take and eat, O Lord, is —
3. Our own be - lief in you, O Lord, it is
4. The dreams we share to - day, O Lord, it are
5. The joy we share to - day, O Lord, it is



1. on - ly a shad-ow of your love for us;
2. your bod - y bro - ken and shared with us;
3. on - ly a shad-ow of your faith in us;
4. on - ly a shad-ow of your dreams for us;
5. on - ly a shad-ow of your joys for us;




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2. your bod - y bro - ken and shared with us; the
3. on - ly a shad-ow of your faith in us; your
4. on - ly a shad-ow of your dreams for us; if
5. on - ly a shad-ow of your joys for us; when




1. deep a - bid - ing love. (to Verse 2)
2. gift of your great love. (to Refrain)
3. deep and last - ing faith. (to Verse 4)
4. we but fol - low you. (to Refrain)
5. we meet face to face. (to Refrain)

Refrain



Our lives are in your hands, our lives



are in your hands. Our love for you will



grow, O Lord; your light in us will shine.



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GLORY AND PRAISE TO OUR GOD

Dan Schutte

Refrain

Glo-ry and praise to our God, who a-lone gives light to our days.
Man-y are the bless-ings he bears to those who trust in his

Verses 1-3

ways. 1. We, the daugh-ters and sons of him who
2. In his wis-dom he strength-ens us, like
3. Ev-ry mo-ment of ev-ry day our

1. built the val-leys and plains, praise the won-ders our
2. gold that's test-ed in fire. Though the pow-er of
3. God is wait-ing to save, al-ways read-y to

to Refrain

1. God has done in ev-ry heart that sings.
2. sin pre-vals, our God is there to save.
3. seek the lost, to an-swer those who pray.

Verse 4

4. God has wa-tered our bar-ren land and spent his mer-ci-ful rain.

to Refrain

4. Now the riv-ers of life run full for an-y-one to drink.

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