

St. Peter Catholic Church

Gaudete Sunday
December 12, 2021



Mass & Confession Schedule

Saturday Vigil	5 p.m.
Sunday	8:15, 9:45(TLM), & 11:30 a.m.
Mon., Wed., & Fri.	8:30 a.m.
Saturdays (TLM)	8:30 a.m.
Mon., Wed., & Fri.	11:15 a.m.
Traditional Latin Mass (TLM)	
Tuesday (TLM)	6:45 a.m.
Thursday	7 p.m.
Holy Hour (Thursday)	7:30 p.m.
Adoration (Friday)	9 - 11 a.m.
Holyday of Obligation	8:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m. (TLM), & 7 p.m.

Confessions

Mon, Wed., Fri., Sat.	10 minutes after morning Masses
Thursday	7:30–8:30 p.m.
Saturday	4–4:45 p.m.

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Mass Intentions and Feasts

Gaudete Sunday

(Readings: Zep 3:14-18a/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18 (9) Pss III)

December 11 5 p.m. Vigil Mass Ellen Cameron +

December 12 8:15 a.m. Brian Kearney
9:45 a.m. TLM Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Whittaker
11:30 a.m. For all parishioners

Monday— Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

December 13 8:30 a.m. Ellen T. Finnegan
11:15 a.m. TLM Rev. John Paul Heisler

Tuesday— Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

December 14 6:45 a.m. TLM Caroline Pechie

Wednesday— Advent Weekday

December 15 8:30 a.m. Carla Di Giulian +
11:15 a.m. TLM Mary Bowes

Thursday— Advent Weekday

December 16 7:00 p.m. Alice King +

Friday— Advent Weekday

December 17 8:30 a.m. Kathleen Rowzie +
11:15 a.m. TLM Timothy and Grace Langford

Saturday— Advent Weekday

December 18 8:30 a.m. TLM Cecelia and Matthew McShurley
4 p.m. Confessions
5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass Joseph Miller
and Noelle Miller

Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for the following parishioners and their relatives:

Elaine Viguerie
Nicholas Hovey
Walt Cybrowski
Joan Gannon
Eileen Hawkins
Theresa Carney
Edna Albaneze
Charlie Coble
Jim Haley
Dr. Richard Beargie
Gregory Brooks
Ben Shealy
Nico Hernandez
Kathy Eggers
Ronin O'Neill
Don and Kathy Davies
Hans Shankle
Walt Longyear
Robert Beattie
Bill Jarrett
Ray Mifflin

Parish Collections

Sunday, November 21, 2021

General: \$2,916/ \$2,202 online

Building Fund: \$470/ \$130 online

Catholic Campaign for Human Dev.: \$135

Local Outreach: \$150/ \$150 online

Poor Box: \$112/ \$200 online

Renovation Campaign: \$1,400 / \$128
online

Retirement for Religious: \$100

Sunday, November 28, 2021

General: \$1,939/ \$1,615 online

Building Fund: \$350 / \$106 online

Local Outreach: \$275 / \$345 online

Poor Box: \$141 / \$350 online

Renovation Campaign: \$900 / \$128 online

God chose to become man to lead us in a path of righteousness. Is God calling you to grow in holiness? He may be inviting you to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life.

Call Father Michael Isenberg (703) 841-2514, or write:
michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

Legion of Mary

"The sole purpose of Mary's existence is to conceive and bring forth the whole Christ, that is the Mystical Body with all its members perfect, and fitly joined together, and one with its Head, Jesus Christ. Mary accomplishes this in cooperation with, and by the power of the Holy Spirit Who is the life and soul of the Mystical Body." (from the Legion of Mary Handbook).

All are welcome to join us in discussing such excerpts by Frank Duff at our weekly meetings on Mondays at 9:15am in the CCD room off of the Father Albert parish hall.

More Announcements

- **Sign Up For the Diocesan E-Newsletter!** Receive special video messages from our bishop, learn about unique opportunities to get involved, and be the first to know the news about our Diocese - straight to your inbox. Sign up here: arlingtondiocese.org/email

Parish Collection Envelopes

Offertory envelopes for 2022 are in the church foyer. If you would like to have a box of envelopes, please contact the office and they will be set out for you. Envelopes assist the weekly teams of volunteer money counters by streamlining the counting process. You do not need to be a registered parishioner to request a set of envelopes. Thank you for your generosity!

Christmas Mass Schedule

Please mark your calendars for the Christmas Masses. We will have two Vigil Masses on December 24th in English at 4 PM and 7 PM. There will be a Sung Traditional Latin Mass at midnight and then a Mass in English at 9:30 AM. Please note that there will not be evening confessions or Mass on Christmas day.

Going Green: The Physical, Mental, and Emotional Problems Associated with Marijuana

By Ben Johnson, DailyWire.com -- Part 5 of 11

Although scientific studies indicate that marijuana is associated with profound mental illnesses, emotional problems, and physical diseases, a shocking number of Americans believe that weed is harmless or helpful — possibly even a natural cure for cancer.

...That should be concerning for a panoply of reasons, since numerous studies show that marijuana use can harm people in (at least) the following ways:

5: Memory problems, and brain aging: Regular marijuana users had a harder time remembering new information, according to a team of researchers who studied nearly 3,400 American marijuana users over a 25-year period. Marijuana usage can reduce decision-making ability, memory, and psychical control in the short term, and some negative effects may persist for life. Harvard Medical School explained that “there’s no question that marijuana ... can produce short-term problems with thinking, working memory, executive function, and psychomotor function (physical actions that require conscious thought, such as driving a car or playing a musical instrument). This is because marijuana’s main psychoactive chemical, THC, causes its effect by attaching to receptors in brain regions that are vital for memory formation, including the hippocampus, amygdala, and cerebral cortex.” While the full effect of long-term use is unknown, a 2016 UC-San Francisco study found that even past use of marijuana made people less likely to remember words in adulthood.

Pastor's Piece

Dear Folks,

Although the Sunday celebration overrides the celebration of the feast, today is the feast of our Lady of Guadalupe. Just like an onion has multiple layers to pull back and still have more, the apparitions of Our Lady to Juan Diego have multiple layers. The most recent that I know of is that the color of the dress near Our Lady's heart briefly changed color during a devastating earthquake in Mexico a few decades ago to indicate Our Lady sympathizing with those lost. Turn to Our Lady of Guadalupe, we are most certainly in the folds of her loving mantle! God Bless!

-Fr. Beres



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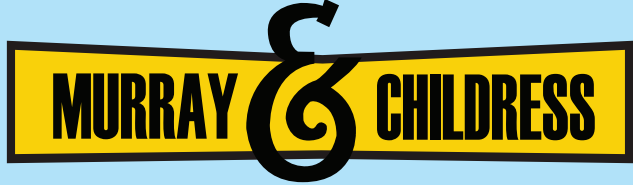
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