SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 2018

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES
No School—Enjoy Easter Break!

FRIDAY, APRIL 6—FIRST FRIDAY
9:00am – 11:45am Eucharistic Exposition
11:45am Benediction

6:30pm Middle School FUSION — see p. 5
7:00pm Food Distribution — see p. 9
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EASTER SUNDAY

Christ Has Risen!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Mass Schedule:
Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am
12:00 noon and 7:00pm
Spanish Mass: 2:30pm
Daily: 6:30am, 8:30am & 12:00 noon
Saturday: 8:30am
Federal Holidays: 6:30am, 8:30am
Holy Days: 7:30pm Vigil
6:30am, 8:30am, 12:00 noon and
7:30pm

Reflection Question:
How can you live the reality of the
Resurrection more deeply?

CONFESSIONS:
Friday: 11:15 - 11:45am
Saturday: 3:30-4:30pm & 7:30-8:00pm
or by appointment
Eucharistic Holy Hour:
Sunday: 5:00pm
Third Thursdays: 7:00pm
First Fridays:
Exposition: 9:00am - 11:45am
Benediction of the
Blessed Sacrament: 11:45am

Join Us Next Sunday
April 8 at 5:00pm
for a very special Holy Hour
with tenor Mark Forrest
more details p. 7

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“Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.”
Colossians 3:2

On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died and rose for us. We celebrate and sing “Alleluia.” Let’s try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how He is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.
April 1, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May Our Savior’s triumph fill your hearts with peace, joy and hope this sacred day and always!

The Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus manifests His saving victory over the powers of sin and death. This sacred event filled the Apostles with new life and grace, which gave them hope after experiencing grave fear at His crucifixion. In turn, the Apostles spread the message of this wondrous mystery so that others might experience the freedom of His saving grace and joy and consolation in His promise of eternal life.

As disciples of Jesus, we are renewed once more in the hope that Christ’s triumph brings to us. He reminds us of the new life of grace that we have received, which no darkness or despair can overcome. He assures us that all sufferings united to His will lead to glory and that not even death can defeat us. May we spread this Good News by our commitment to the faithful and consistent living of our faith and the compassion we extend to others, especially those most in need.

I pray that you and your families will be filled with God’s abundant blessings during this sacred Season of Easter and always. Through the intercession of Mary our Mother, may you live in the newness of life that we share in Our Risen Lord, now and forever.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington

Weekly Reflection

Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

http://usccb.org/bible/readings/040118.cfm

Reflection Question: How can you live the reality of the Resurrection more deeply?
Mass Intentions for the Octave of Easter

Saturday, March 31
8:30 p.m. +Zacharia T. Coipuram

Sunday, April 1
7:30 a.m. Sr. Margaret John, IHM and +John and Margaret Stichter
9:00 a.m. +Danny and Ana Diaz
10:30 a.m. +Thomas T. Coipuram, Sr.
Noon +Marjorie Wall
2:30 p.m. People of St. James
7:00 p.m. +Edmundo Cadima

Monday, April 2
6:30 a.m. +Peggy Dolan
8:30 a.m. Special Intention
Noon +Julio Sosa

Tuesday, April 3
6:30 a.m. +Peggy Dolan
8:30 a.m. +Delano M. Santos
Noon +Thomas James Brady

Wednesday, April 4
6:30 a.m. +Pierette Logan
8:30 a.m. +Fr. J. Piwowarski
Noon +Mary Ann and Thomas Benedett

Thursday, April 5
6:30 a.m. +Catherine Milligan
8:30 a.m. Special Intention
Noon +Robert Nokes

Friday, April 6
6:30 a.m. +Steve and Ligaya Valentin
8:30 a.m. +Julian Warren
Noon +Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, April 7
8:30 a.m. +Souls in Purgatory
5:00 p.m. +Delano M. Santos

Sunday, April 8
7:30 a.m. People of St. James
9:00 a.m. +Deacon Fred Francl
10:30 a.m. +Philomena Bernardone
Noon +Michael Santoro
2:30 p.m. For the Sick, Especially Anyone Suffering from Cancer
7:00 p.m. +Carmela G. Mandragona

This Week’s Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter
Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter
Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter; First Friday; Julian Calendar Good Friday
Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter; First Saturday

Today’s Readings

First Reading — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).
Psalm — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

(1) Second Reading — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) or
(2) Second Reading — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).
Gospel — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) or Mark 16:1-7 (or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35).

Readings for the Week

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-21; Mk 16:9-15

Remember in Your Prayers...

the sick of our parish family:
Andrea Andrade Virginia Holmes
Brian Bulger Aida Inocente
Maddie Cabatic Ann McDermott
Dorra Dee Estes Henrietta Panlilio
Edward Hanley

and the deceased of our parish family:
Ramona Jaeger Patrick James McGinty
Eric Johnson

Pray for Those Serving Our Country

Please pray for our disabled veterans, military retirees and those serving overseas in the military and foreign service, especially Justin Berg, James Hoy, Capt. Roger (Trey) DeGeorges III, 1st Lt. Joe Paolletta, USMC, Capt. Albert C. Young, and Michele Petersen.
Send names to bulletin@stjamescatholic.org.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL FUSION MEETS FRIDAY, APRIL 6
Join Fr. Oetjen from 6:30-8:30pm for an evening of fun and service—meet us in Knecht Conference Room before we head to Heller Hall and then the gym.

HIGH SCHOOL DODGEBALL
St. James is putting together a Dodgeball team to compete with other parishes in a tournament on Sunday, April 22. High schoolers, we need you! Contact Fr. Oetjen to join the team.

Visit our website at www.stjamescatholic.org/youth or contact Fr. Oetjen at 703-532-8815 or fatheroetjen@stjamescatholic.org.

All High School Students Welcome!
Starting Tuesday, April 10
7:00-8:15pm
St. James School Library
Door 16

Meeting Four Tuesday Evenings
April 10, April 17, May 1, May 8

Details & videos at stjamescatholic.org/altaration
National Junior Honor Society Supports Christ House
Our students in the National Junior Honor Society remind us of our commitment to those less fortunate. On March 14, members worked at Christ House serving dinner; on Shrove Tuesday they raised $600 for Christ House with their annual doughnut sales. Thank you to all of these students, their parents and their advisors for their powerful witness.
Sunday, April 8 at 5:00pm
Holy Hour with Special Guest Mark Forrest

Music  Meditation  Prayer

Reflect on your personal relationship with Jesus during this special evening of Eucharistic Adoration.

Internationally known Irish tenor Mark Forrest will guide you through an evening of music, reflection and healing.

Don’t miss this special event!

Joining Us this Easter!

Please welcome the new members of St. James who have been preparing to receive the sacraments at our Easter Vigil.

Keep them in your prayers during this important moment on their faith journey.

Catechumens
Sitthidol Doysrieiam
Huy Hoang Le
Ubadi Lopez
Robin Moser
Matthew Nellor
Amy White

Candidates
Laine Bowen-Watson
Carlos Caihuara
Lyndon Diaz
Eileen Hernandez
Jeremy Lowry
**Vacation Bible School — July 16-20, 2018**

Whether the kids are attending the daily high-flying circus assembly, performing with St. John Bosco, running in the Three Ring Obstacle Course, singing “Circus of Stars” or making Ringmaster Baton snack, the kids experience non-stop fun and action. Each day, K4J Circus of Stars builds upon the teaching of the previous day so that by the end of the week the children have learned that they can know, love, and trust God the Father. Contact Sr. Regina Rosarii at 703-533-1182 x104 or dre@saintjamesschool.org.

**Grow Your Faith with FORMED.org**

This week, our FORMED Pick of the Week is a video called *Symbolon: The Paschal Mystery*. Why do Christians worship a crucified God? We’ve all heard that Jesus died for our sins and rose again at Easter, but what does this really mean? One viewer said of this video, “Symbolon is giving me an understanding of my Catholic faith that I never got growing up!” To register for your free FORMED account and watch *The Paschal Mystery*, go to www.stjamescatholicva.formed.org.

**Adult Confirmation Classes Start This Spring**

After Easter, St. James will be holding a series of three classes to prepare adult candidates for Confirmation. If you are a baptized Catholic who received First Communion but have not had the chance to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Church welcomes you to partake in this grace-filled Sacrament. Bishop Burbidge will celebrate Adult Confirmation Masses this spring on Sunday, May 20 at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington at 2:30pm and Sunday, June 10 at St. Andrew the Apostle in Clifton at 2:30pm. For more information, contact Fr. Cozzi at 703-532-8815 or fathercozzi@stjamescatholic.org.

**Get Your Free Copy Today!**

More details at www.stjamescatholic.org/mass
UNDO THE KNOTS IN YOUR LIFE

During Lent, we asked Mary, Undoer of Knots to help us undo the knots in our lives. This devotion, a favorite of Pope Francis, has been fruitful for many in our parish. An executive shared with us her story of Mary’s miraculous intervention during a major public project at a Fortune 500 company. Several people have told us how this devotion has been a deeply meaningful experience. We have not been able to keep the prayer cards in stock.

We would like to create a grotto for this devotion on our grounds to provide a space for comfort and meditation. If you would like to participate in this project, please contact our volunteer committee at 703-532-8815 or volunteer@stjamescatholic.org.

Mary, Undoer of Knots
Pray for us
Mother of fair love,
I look to you.

Take into your hands the ribbon of my life and see the snare of knots that keeps me bound to sin, anxiety, and hopelessness.

I beg you, Mother, by your powerful intercession and long fingers of love and grace, undo the knots in my heart and in my life. Free me to love as Christ loves.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
Help Needed at Food Distribution on Friday, April 6
On Friday evening, April 6, we are in need of additional volunteers to help us distribute food to the 125-150 families who receive fresh food and pantry basics. Adults, high schoolers, and middle schoolers who can help would be welcome. Middle schoolers must be accompanied by an adult. Contact Janet Qualters at 703-573-9170 or at janet.r.qualters@gmail.com if you are interested in helping.

Do you want to become more involved in St. James Catholic Church?
If you’re interested in giving of your time or have questions about our various groups, please contact the rectory at 703-532-8815, visit our website at www.stjamescatholic.org/volunteer or send an email to our volunteer coordinators at volunteer@stjamescatholic.org.

AROUND THE DIOCESE
Join Bishop O’Connell H.S. on Saturday, April 14 for 5K & Family Fun Run
Enjoy a picturesque run through the neighborhoods surrounding our school - professionally mapped and timed for the serious runner. Strollers and families welcome for the enthusiasts! Prizes for the parish, family or school team with the highest number of participants! Proceeds will benefit expanded services at O’Connell for students with cognitive and intellectual disabilities. Registration is easy - visit our website to learn more: //www.bishopoconnell.org/5k Still have questions? Email us at 5krace@bishopoconnell.org.

Community Job and Resource Fair, Saturday, April 28
Catholic Charities is hosting our first-ever Community Job and Resource Fair on Saturday April 28, 9:00am to 12:00pm at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 8710 Mount Vernon Highway, Alexandria, VA. Contact jobfairs@ccda.net or visit https://www.facebook.com/events/160672294651333/ for more details.
**April Prayer Intention of Pope Francis**

**For Those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters**
That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

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### This Week in Our Parish

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**Praise and Worship with Prayer Time — Thursday, April 5**

Join us on the first Thursday of every month through August at 7:00pm for contemporary Christian praise and worship in the style of the music of the Sunday 7:00pm Mass. We will be meeting in Heller Hall for music and in-depth prayer followed by light refreshments and fellowship.

**Tea Time with Catholic Daughters of America — Saturday, April 7**

It's “Tea Time” and all are cordially invited. Saturday, April 7, 2018 from 11:30am—1:30pm in Heller Hall. Proceeds will support Catholic Daughter's charities and projects. Reserve early. For information contact Marina Martini at 703-533-0296. For an online invitation email [doncon13@hotmail.com](mailto:doncon13@hotmail.com).

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**Connect With Us Online!**

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**COMING UP IN APRIL!**

- **APRIL 8**
  - Holy Hour with Mark Forrest, 5:00pm
- **APRIL 18**
  - Volunteer Dinner, 6:30pm
- **APRIL 21**
  - School Auction & Gala
- **APRIL 23 & 24**, Confirmation
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