

St. Michael Church

ANNANDALE, VIRGINIA 22003

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Celebrating
64 years:
1953~2017

RECTORY, 7401 St. Michaels Lane 703-256-7822

SCHOOL, 7401 St. Michaels Lane 703-256-1222

CONVENT, 7421 St. Michaels Lane

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD) 703-941-9403

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00 a.m. (Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite)

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

12:00 noon

Weekday Masses: See Inside Bulletin

PREGNANT AND NEED HELP? CALL 1-800-848-5683

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and at 7:00 p.m. SHARP.

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. SHARP. Advent & Lent special schedule.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are celebrated on the first and third Sundays of the month, after the 12 noon Mass. All parents must attend a class prior to the baptism of their child. Please call the rectory for information and assistance. (Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)

HOLY MATRIMONY: Please notify one of the priests at least six (6) months before the wedding. Cohabitation (living together before marriage) is not lawful; such couples will be asked to separate.

ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL:

Pre-K3 through grade 8. For information, contact the school office at 703-256-1222. Website: stmikes22003.org. Principal: Daniel V. Cinalli, daniel.cinalli@stmikes22003.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

For all children attending public school, Pre-School through grade 12. Director of Religious Education: Adina Ordonez, 703-941-9403 or ccdstm@outlook.com.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Registration forms are available from the ushers after Mass on Sunday or you may stop by the rectory during the week. Parish membership is required for the reception of either Baptism or Matrimony. Please notify the rectory when your telephone number changes and also when you are moving within or outside the parish.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: 9 a.m. — 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

SICK CALLS: Please notify the Rectory for visits and/or Communion Calls to the sick, shut-ins and those in the hospital.

WEEKLY NOVENA: will start up again in September.

CLERGY OF PARISH

Pastor: Rev. Alexander R. Drummond

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Richard T. Carr

Permanent Deacons: Deacon David S. McCaffrey, Deacon Roger T. Ostrom (retired)



15th Sunday
in Ordinary Time

July 16, 2017

The Priest's Mass Intentions

	<u>Monday, July 17</u>
8:30 a.m.	Deceased Catholic Priests +
12 noon	Lyda Tanco +
	<u>Tuesday, July 18</u>
8:30 a.m.	Terry M. Chuppe
12 noon	Rey Gotiangco +
	<u>Wednesday, July 19</u>
8:30 a.m.	Kim-Chi Thi Duong
12 noon	The Doerrer Family
	<u>Thursday, July 20</u>
8:30 a.m.	Deacon Joseph Benin +
12 noon	Pedro DeJesus +
	<u>Friday, July 21</u>
8:30 a.m.	David A. Temeles Sr. +
12 noon	Jose D. Moreno, Sr. +
	<u>Saturday, July 22</u>
8:30 a.m.	Paul Mulcahy +
5 p.m.	Jose Manuel Santamaria +
	<u>Sunday, July 23</u>
7 a.m.	John Rolston
8:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
10:30 a.m.	Socorro Fuster (in Thanksgiving)
12 noon	Todd Leebery +

A Word from Father Drummond

Humanae Vitae is not a lengthy document, consisting of 24 pages including notes. Divided into three parts, the Encyclical makes five main points. Firstly in part I, it establishes the competency of the Magisterium to speak on this issue. The second part lays out the Doctrinal Principles, setting forth the *moral* principles for the transmission of life, then *reaffirming* Church teaching on the immorality of contraception, while allowing for recourse to periods of infertility if used responsibly for a justified regulation or spacing of births. Finally the Pope sets forth *pastoral* directives.

In paragraph 12 the Pope makes clear that the unitive and procreative aspects of the conjugal act are inseparable: "Indeed by its intimate structure, the conjugal act while most closely uniting husband and wife, capacitates them for the generation of new lives, according to laws inscribed in the *very being of man and woman*. By safeguarding... the unitive and the procreative, the conjugal act preserves in its fullness the sense of mutual love and its ordination towards man's highest calling to parenthood."

Of course the center of the encyclical is paragraph 14 which reads in part:

"...we must once again declare that the direct interruption of the generative process already begun, and above all, directly willed and procured abortion, even if for therapeutic reasons, are to be absolutely excluded as licit means of regulating birth.

Equally to be excluded, as the teaching authority of the Church has frequently declared is direct sterilization, whether perpetual or temporary, whether of the man or of the woman. Similarly excluded is every action which, either in anticipation of the conjugal act, or in its accomplishment, or in the development of its natural consequences, proposes, whether as an end or as a means, to render procreation impossible.

To justify conjugal acts made intentionally infecund, one cannot invoke as valid reasons the lesser evil... it is not licit, even for the gravest reasons, to do evil so that good may follow therefrom."

It is, I think, important to stress here that Pope Paul VI was in his own words — "we must again declare" — simply restating what had been long accepted Catholic teaching. The footnote to the very first sentence of the paragraph lists the Council of Trent's Catechism of the Church, Pius XI's encyclical *Casti Connubii*, various discourses of Pius XII and John XXIII's encyclical *Pacem in Terris*. This teaching, however, goes back even further than Trent — the earliest reference in the footnote, all the way to the beginning of the 2nd century with the *Didache* which is basically the first catechism.

The third sentence of Paragraph 14 specifically mentions every action *in anticipation* of the conjugal act which might render it infertile. This is in reference to the Pill, which taken well before the conjugal act, changes the woman's chemistry to make her infertile. This is different from a physical barrier, such as a condom, or from coitus interruptus. The —to my mind— specious question of the commission was whether or not the chemical interruption of a woman's biology constituted contraception in the same way as did the previous methods. And here again we see the disingenuous nature of the aforementioned footnote of *Gaudium et Spes* which omitted Pius XII's condemnation of chemical means. *Roma locuta est, causa finite est.*

The encyclical goes on to allow recourse to infertile periods — what we now refer to as NFP — Natural Family Planning. This means determining when the woman is most likely to conceive and the *abstaining* from conjugal intimacy. The encyclical points out that there are "essential differences" between abstinence and direct contraception. In the first, the act is not posited, and in the second, the act is posited and purposefully rendered infertile. In other words, is NFP allowed not because it is "natural" so much as because it is technically *not* an act of contraception. Even here, however, Pope Paul VI cautions its use for only when "there are serious motives to space out births..." However the "serious motives" are not really spelled out.

In Our Parish

Happy 55th Wedding Anniversary -- to Tom & Charlene Sheffler who recently celebrated this marriage milestone. Congratulations!

Display of Blue and Pink Flags -- St. Michael Church is having a display of over a thousand six hundreds blue and pink flags to represent the thousands of baby boys and girls who were aborted yearly at 101 S. Whiting Street in Alexandria, VA. This is to bring awareness to the number of abortion victims in one of several abortion mills within our area. Please continue to pray for the unborn. Contact Anh Tu Do at 703-919-4370 or e-mail anhdo18@gmail.com for any further questions.

The Wednesday Miraculous Medal Novena -- will not be held during the Summer, but will resume again in September.

EnCourage -- a ministry dedicated to the spiritual needs of parents, siblings, children, and other relatives and friends of persons who have same-sex attractions. The next meeting will take place on Friday, July 21st, at 7:30 p.m. We will meet in Room 2, in the Lower Level of the Junior School building. Park facing the empty field and enter the school at the ground floor door behind you.

Altar Server Picnic -- Bishop Burbidge invites the altar servers to the annual Altar Server Picnic on Tuesday, August 8, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Lake Fairfax Park. Please contact the parish office, 703-256-7822, and submit the required permission slip by Wednesday, July 26th. If there are enough of our servers interested, a charter bus will be arranged for transportation.

Busch Gardens -- altar boys are invited to come on a fun, day-trip to Busch Gardens on Monday, July 24th. The required permission slip must be submitted to the parish office by Wednesday, July 19th. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office, 703-256-7822.

American Heritage Girls Troop VA 0894 -- Our St. Michael Parish AHG troop is open to girls in grades K-12. We currently have 7 girls in our relatively new scouting troop and are looking to expand our membership. Our troop meets September through mid-June. Please email or call Jermaine Perkins for additional info: wrauthor@gmail.com or 703-658-4876.

Trail Life Scouting Troop 0894: **Help Needed** --

The Boys Trail Life Scouting Program at St. Michael needs your help to get the program off the ground, up and running. We would like to have our first organizing meeting for adult volunteers in April. *Success of this great program is dependent on adult volunteers and youth membership.* If you are interested in volunteering to help organize our boys scouting program or if you have a son in grades K-12 interested in scouting, please contact Jim Perkins at 703-615-2607 or email jim@jim-perkins.com.

Perpetual Adoration -- “Could you not keep watch with me one hour?” If you have been considering answering Jesus’ call to adore Him in the Blessed Sacrament, please contact Rosemary Duffy at 703-256-4468. Currently, we are in most need for members on: Mondays 3am-4am; Saturdays 9am-10am and 10am-11am.

Pine Street Gate -- during the week, Monday-Friday, note that this gate will be CLOSED during the Summer. Please use the main Ravensworth Road entrance.

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE
OLD RELIGIOUS PICTURES, CARDS,
BOOKS, OR OTHER OBJECTS
IN ANY OF THE CHURCH VESTIBULES
OR LIBRARY—
THEY WILL BE THROWN OUT.**

FORMED – What is it and why is it a unique source of all things Catholic?

FORMED is something like Catholic Netflix only better. It has the full scope of media – video study material (many with study guides), audio study material, ebooks, movies, and audio books. The number of resources has almost tripled since a year ago when we first took a parish subscription. The material is age appropriate from pre-reader to senior adult. If you already registered, check out what is now to study, watch, listen to, or read. Go to FORMED.org with your email and password.

If you did not already register, go to FORMED.org and register (St. Michael’s parish code is: **6VZDHB**). The code is for anyone registered in the parish or living in the parish bounds.

Call Deacon McCaffrey (571-643-6895) if there are any questions.

Please Pray for: Bob Cafarella; Terry Chuppe; Elsa Noriega*; Julia Garcia; John and Marie Sibenik*; Josie Soriente*; Margaret Johnson*; Jean Kratochvil*; Irma Barrera; John Carlson; Charles Salvo*; Elizabeth Medved*; Beatrice Clark*; Robert and Courtney Villareal*; Tracy Wilson; Maria Pozar*; Rosemary Dooley*; Ariadne Pasa; Maria Kerrinckx*; Paul McEnrue*; Etta Hook*; Richard Owen*; Marissa Ann Wuerthele*; Jean O. Cole; Lilia Prieto; Tuy Nguyen*; Cathy Callaghan*; Ellen Louise Daily; Steve Maitland*; Rose Guinan*; Dan Keller; Lili Lang; June & Norman Grimm*; Julia & Sophia Lattanzio; Carlton Hanson; Sr. Paul Marie; Dan Weiler*; Delia Sinn; Julie Molony Lee; Joe Meister; William Jeoff Robbins; Mary Roche*; Marco Tulio Gamba; Terry Spragens; Madelyn Respicio Cabatic; Rose Bledsoe; Margarida Balla; *with apologies to anyone we dropped; to re-add names call the Parish Office for next week.*

Here are the names of family members -- of parishioners who are serving our country overseas: PFC Mark Haugh, USMC; Cdr. David Stabish, USNavy; Alex Puentes USNavy; Sgt. Ramsey Hamilton; LtJG Grace Dalton, USNavy; Ens. Andre Acevedo, USNavy; Maj. John D. Barringer, III, USAF; Maj. Eric Van Balen, USAF; and.... [call Mary at the parish office, 703-256-7822, and we'll keep our prayers going for our military in harms way.]

School News

School Office Summer Hours: -- The school office will be open from 9am-2pm during the summer. Please call the office to schedule a tour or inquire about registration for the 2017-2018 school year.

Uniform Swap -- Our uniform swap will be held on August 3rd from 6-7:30 in the school gym. Please bring gently used uniforms to return and pick up what you might need for the new school year.

PRESCHOOL -- Saint Michael Preschool has availability for next school year. We offer both half day and full day classes for 3 year olds (must be 3 by 9/30/17) and full day classes for 4 year olds. Aftercare is available for full day students. Please contact Michelle Kennedy at 703-256-1222 or michelle.kennedy@stmikes22003.org for a tour or more information.

We are very excited to announce -- that next year we will have a state of the art STREAM Lab! STREAM stands for Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts, and Math. This will be a dedicated space where teachers and students are able to conduct STREAM activities that will be fun and educational.

Registration is NOW OPEN for Preschool 3 – through 8th Grade -- Saint Michael School is dedicated to teaching the whole child. Our teachers and staff are committed to the success of each student. For a tour of our school, or if you have any questions, please call Michelle Kennedy at the school office 703-256-1222.

CCD/Religious Education

CCD REGISTRATION -- for the Fall is **ongoing**. To schedule an appointment please contact Adina Ordonez at 703-941-9403 or e-mail her at ccdstm@outlook.com.

HIGH SCHOOL -- age students will meet Sunday evenings (starting September 10) from 6 - 7 PM to explore, discuss, and expand their knowledge of the Catholic Faith. ***All young adults of high school age in the parish are strongly encouraged to attend (whether Catholic, private, public, or home schooled).*** We meet in the All-Purpose Room of the Junior School Building.

Catechists and aides are needed -- to assist in the CCD/Religious Education Program. If you are interested in helping, please contact Adina Ordonez at 703-941-9403 or e-mail her at ccdstm@outlook.com.

Around the Diocese

John Paul Golf Tournament -- Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School is hosting "Golfing with Wolves" on Thursday, September 21, at the spectacular Potomac Shores Golf Club. This is the only publicly accessible Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course in the DC area! Join friends and make new ones while enjoying a beautiful day on the greens in support of Catholic education. Sponsorship opportunities also available! For more information, and to register, please visit www.saintjohnpaulthegreatgolf.org or call 703-445-0306, or e-mail: golf@jpthegreat.org.