

St. Michael Church

ANNANDALE, VIRGINIA 22003

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Celebrating
65 years:
1953~2018

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.

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Weekday Masses: See Inside Bulletin

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 12:30 p.m. 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.

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

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.

WEEKLY HOLY HOUR:

Suspended over the Summer, and will resume again in September. Confessions still at 6:30 p.m.

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

CLERGY OF PARISH

Pastor: Rev. Alexander R. Drummond

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Brian B. McAllister

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



16th Sunday
in Ordinary Time

July 22, 2018

The Priest's Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 22

7 a.m. Jose Manuel Santamaria +
8:30 a.m. People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. John Rolston
12:30 p.m. Paul Mulcahy +

Monday, July 23

8:30 a.m. Robert F. Downey +
12 noon Unborn Helpless Souls +

Tuesday, July 24

8:30 a.m. Dr. Salvatore J. Culosi +
12 noon Patrick A. Haring +

Wednesday, July 25

8:30 a.m. Julianne Ivins +
12 noon Regina Plunkett

Thursday, July 26

8:30 a.m. Dolores Wisecarver
12 noon Maria Gracia E. Kong

Friday, July 27

8:30 a.m. Rev. Father John Lubey
12 noon Russell Jorns +

Saturday, July 28

8:30 a.m. Terry Chuppe +
5 p.m. Denis Finch +

Sunday, July 29

7 a.m. James (Raphael) Lee & Grace Young
8:30 a.m. People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. Christopher D. Thornton +
12:30 p.m. Ethelvina Justiniano +

A Word from Father Drummond

This Wednesday, July 25th, is the fiftieth anniversary of the release of Pope Paul VI's seminal encyclical letter *Humanae Vitae*, of Human Life. The encyclical has its origins in Vatican II's Pastoral Constitution *Gaudium et Spes* (Joy and Hope), paragraph 51 of which says, "...sons of the Church may not undertake methods of birth control which are found blameworthy by the teaching authority of the Church in its unfolding of divine law." A footnote to this statement then states, "Certain questions which need further and more investigation have been handed over to the Supreme Pontiff to a commission... that after it fulfills its functions, the Supreme Pontiff may pass judgement." The big question was *the pill* (which the German's with specific accuracy referred to as the

"anti-baby" pill), and whether this constituted a morally acceptable means of regulating births. Pope Pius XII had in fact already addressed the issue of chemical means of contraception, condemning it in a 1958 address, which curiously enough was not among the documents cited in the aforementioned footnote of *Gaudium et Spes*. Pope Paul VI reserved the issue to himself as Supreme Pontiff and after much prayer and scientific study released *Humanae Vitae*. The encyclical was roundly mocked and condemned in the general media even *before* anyone had the chance to read it! Reporting of the encyclical boiled down to "Pope bans Pill." The Pope did not ban the pill but simply *reaffirmed* Church Teaching which has condemned contraception since her earliest days.

Pope Paul VI made it clear that he was reiterating long held Church Teaching with citations from Pope Pius XI's 1930 encyclical *Casti Connubi*, On Christian Marriage, various discourses of Pope Pius XIII, Pope John XXII's 1963 encyclical *Pacem in Terris*, Peace on Earth, as well as the Council of Trent in the 16th century and even the *Didache* from the early part of the 2nd century. No one with a basic understanding of Catholic Teaching on the issue should have been taken by surprise.

A short document of only 24 pages, *Humanae Vitae* is beautifully and sensitively written. In paragraph 12 of the document 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 to Man's highest calling to parenthood."

The heart of the document is paragraph 14 which reaffirms the Church's teaching on the immorality of abortion, sterilization, and contraception, and does so unequivocally.

The prophetic part of the encyclical is found in paragraph 17, entitled "Grave Consequences of Methods of Artificial Birth Control." Among these consequences are increased marital infidelity, a general lowering of morality, the objectification of women by men. Contraception is further viewed as a dangerous weapon of government as well as leading Man to believe that he has complete domination over his own body. All of these consequences have come to pass in the fifty years since Blessed Paul VI released this document, and many others that he could not even have imagined as well.



The Pope realized that this teaching would not be well received: "Too numerous are those voices-amplified by the modern means of propaganda — which are contrary to the voice of the Church," says the Holy Father in the final paragraph. However he also states, "In defending conjugal morals in their integral wholeness, the Church... defends the dignity of man and wife."

In the fifty years since the release of *Humanae Vitae* the world has sadly degenerated in a way that even Blessed Paul VI could not have anticipated; the grave consequences of he spoke have been realized to the nth degree. What is morally unacceptable has in the world at large not simply been accepted but embraced as a new kind of "virtue." The Church herself has been affected, or rather *infected* and gravely wounded as the clerical sexual scandals evidence. In the moral chaos and darkness that engulfs us, it is all the more important that we heed the authentic teachings of the Church such as *Humanae Vitae*. It is so important that Catholics know —truly *know*— both the what and the why of Church Teaching. Church teaching on Faith and Morals is true, not because the Church teaches it but because it *is* indeed the *Truth*.

In Our Parish

The Second Collection -- this weekend, July 21/22 is for Special School Needs.

Faith Direct -- is an easy, convenient, and secure way to make your weekly donations to St. Michael parish! Enroll online today by going to www.faithdirect.net. If you have any question about the Faith Direct program, please call 1-866-507-8757 [toll free] or e-mail info@faithdirect.net.

Mass Changes -- Please note that the 7 a.m. Sunday Mass is now be celebrated in English. Beginning in August, the 12:30 p.m. Sunday Mass will be a Novus Ordo Latin Mass.

Wednesday Holy Hour -- is suspended July through August. Confessions will continue to be offered though at 6:30 p.m. *sharp*.

The Lazarus Group -- was created to demonstrate the care and concern of St. Michael Parish for all parishioners who lose a loved one. Our mission is to comfort the family, pray for the deceased, attend the viewing and funeral and ensure the parish community is aware of any recent deaths. We are in need of some new members who have some flexibility in their schedules and would be able to assist in this mission. The Lazarus Group will meet on **Saturday, July 28th** in the Jr. School All-Purpose room immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Please join us to learn more or contact Mary Kennedy 703-628-5922.

Homebound Visits -- If you know of anyone sick or homebound, and unable to make it to Mass on a regular basis, please give a call to the parish office, 703-256-7822, and we can add them to our homebound visitation list.

Men: Are You Ready to Accept the Challenge?

-- Our communities need strong Catholic men to answer the call to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend our values. Visit kofc.org/joinus to learn more about the many benefits of membership in the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Paul Walhout of the Msgr. Scannell Council here at St. Michaels at paulwalhout@protonmail.com or 703-508-8437 for additional information.

KofC Columbia Magazine -- please take a copy of Columbia magazine for great summer reading. There are copies in English and Spanish. Why not join the St. Michael Knights? Please contact Paul Walhout via paulwalhout@prontomail.com or 703-508-8437 for more information.

EnCourage -- is a support group for faithful Catholics with same-sex attracted loved ones. What distinguishes the work of EnCourage is its commitment to offer faithful witness to Catholic teachings on sexual morality while addressing the needs of its members with charity and compassion. To this end, the group both professes an orthodox position on the immorality of homosexual acts and respects the human dignity of persons who have homosexual feelings. For more information about Courage International and other resources, visit <http://couragerec.org>.

Legion of Mary -- "*You are a movement of lay people who propose to make faith the aspiration of your life up to the achievement of personal sanctity.*" ~ St. Pope John Paul II The Legion of Mary began in Dublin, Ireland, on September 7, 1921. It is now the largest lay apostolic organization in the Catholic Church, with well over six million active Legionaries throughout the world. If we want to become good at something, we have to practice it every week (sport, hobby, music). The same is true with holiness! The Legion gives us this opportunity in that it provides an ideal expression of the Catholic vocation. It is a unique privilege and great blessing to be counted in its membership:

- Learn more about the Catholic faith
- Enrich your prayer life
- Develop close Catholic friendships
- See Christ in others and serve Him there
- Join hand-in-hand with Mary, Mother
- Submit yourself to the Holy Spirit as an instrument in his grace
- Give new meaning to your life

All potential members are part of a parish group called a Praesidium. During the introductory period, you sample the Legion spirituality and take part in the Legion activities. At the end of this time, you can decide whether or not you wish to take on full membership. If you are a practicing Catholic, over 17 years of age, wish to play your full part as a lay member of the Church, and are interested in the Legion, you are eligible to join! The Legion of Mary Praesidium presently meets every Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the CCD Conference Room, subject to change. The first step is to be a guest at a meeting. Guests are always welcome! Contact Pavo James at 571.730.7347.

Trail Life Troop 894 -- Boy's Scouting Program is open to all boys in grades Kindergarten-Grade 12. If you are interested, come to a meeting! Both youth members and adult leaders are needed to help make our new program successful. Please contact Jim Perkins at 703-615-2607 or jim@jim-perkins.com with any questions.

Let FORMED.ORG Come Along on your Summer Travels - Access to the abundance of material on FORMED.ORG is not confined to the bounds of our parish. Let it go with you on your summer vacations and other travels. I would specifically suggest the audio resources: audio dramas, talks on the faith, audio books for your spiritual growth, and more. Download the free FORMED app to your mobile device (iphone or android, ipad, or tablet) and remember to take our parish code with you (6VZDHB). There is a very wide range of topics and interests spoken to. There is something for every age. If you have any questions contact Deacon McCaffrey at dsmjr1@gmail.com.

Please Pray for: Irma Barrera; John Carlson; Charles Salvo*; Elizabeth Medved*; Beatrice Clark*; Robert and Courtney Villareal*; Tracy Wilson; Michael Malovic*; Rosemary Doolley*; Ariadne Pasa; Maria Kerrinckx*; Richard Owen*; Marissa Ann Wuerthele*; Diana Pascoe; Jean O. Cole; Cecile McNeill*; Tuy Nguyen*; Cathy Callaghan*; Ellen Louise Daily; Steve Maitland*; Rosemary Furcher*; Dan Keller; Lili Lang; Patrick Fox*; June & Norman Grimm*; Julia & Sophia Lattanzio; Mauricio Posada; Carlton Hanson; Sr. Paul Marie; Dan Weiler*; Yoshimi Kadota; Delia Sinn; Julie Molony Lee; Joe Meister; William Jeoff Robbins; Mary Roche*; Marco Tulio Gamba; Sean Campbell; Joan Coleman*; Terry Spragens; Patricia Tynan*; Madelyn Respicio Cabatic; Rose Bledsoe; Bob Cafarella; Elsa Noriega*; Paul McEnrue*; Julia Garcia; John and Marie Sibenik*; Theresa Corcoran*; Mike Dante*; Col. Warren E. Murray*; Priscilla Chaney*; *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; John P. Hoang USMC; LCpl Gabriel P. Martino, USMC; Jean Kratochvil*; and.... [call Mary at the parish office, 703-256-7822, and we'll keep our prayers going for our military in harms way.]

Perpetual Adoration -- Develop your prayer life in front of the Blessed Sacrament! At the moment, we are in most need for members on: Tuesdays: 3-4 a.m., 10-11 a.m.; Thursdays 1-2 p.m.; Saturdays 1-2 p.m.; and Sundays 10-11 p.m., and 11 p.m.-midnight. If you would like to sign up for an adoration hour, or for more information, please contact Rosemary Duffy at 703-256-4468.

School News

UNIFORM SWAP -- The Saint Michael School Uniform Swap will be held on **August 1st** from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the school gym.

REGISTRATION 2018-2019

Saint Michael School is now accepting registration for the 2018-2019 School year. Registration is open for PK3 - 8th Grade. For registration information or to schedule a tour, please call the school office 703-256-1222.

At Saint Michael School...

- *our students attend weekly Mass
- *we have a low student/teacher ratio
- *we offer full and half day classes for preschool students
- *morning care and extended day is available
- *weekly STREAM classes for K-5
- *coding instruction for 6-8

Call 703-256-1222 or email

michelle.kennedy@stmikes22003.org to schedule your tour!

CCD/Religious Education

CCD REGISTRATION

-- for the 2018/2019 school year. Registration is by appointment. To schedule an appointment and for additional information, please e-mail Adina Ordonez at ccdstm@outlook.com.

Catechists and aides are needed

-- to assist in the CCD/Religious Education Program. If you are interested in helping, please e-mail Adina Ordonez at ccdstm@outlook.com.

St. Michael's High School Students:

the regularly scheduled Sunday night meetings of the Young Disciples will resume in September. If you would like information on the Young Disciples high school group, please e-mail Adina Ordonez at ccdstm@outlook.com.

In Our Diocese

#AskTheQuestion

-- Professor Chad Pecknold, PhD, will be hosting a Twitter discussion entitled "HV50: Ask the Question" It is taking place now through July 24th, culminating in a Twitter symposium on July 25. Follow us @arlingtonchurch (Twitter and Instagram) and @arlingtondiocese (Facebook) and join the conversation, commemorating *Humanae Vitae's* 50th anniversary.

Join the First Saturday Rosary Team

-- Did you know that the 'no-show' rate can go up by 70% when there are people peacefully praying outside an abortion facility? Please join the prayer team every First Saturday to pray the rosary at 10:30 am at the Falls Church abortion facility on August 4 and September 1. The facility is located at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA 22046 For inquiries, contact Amy McNerny at 703-841-3817 or respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org.