

# St. Leo the Great

3700 Old Lee Highway Fairfax, Virginia 22030

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Rev. Stephen J. Schultz

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"Participation in Christ's Body and Blood does nothing less than transform us into that which we consume. We bear in soul and body Him in whose fellowship we died, were buried, and are risen" St. Leo the Great

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#### **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Submissions are due in writing on Friday at Noon, one full week prior to publication. If a holiday occurs during the week, the deadline is the prior Thursday at noon.

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am 1:00 pm (en español), 5:00 pm

Weekdays 6:15 am and 9:00 am (Saturday 9:00 am only)

Holy Days Consult Inside of bulletin

#### CONFESSIONS

Tuesday after the 6:15 and 9:00 am Masses

Friday 7:00 pm Saturday 3:30 pm or anytime by appointment

**HOLY HOUR** 

Friday 7:30 pm

#### **BAPTISMS**

Sunday at 2:30 pm. Offered weekly. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements. Parents must attend a preparation class.

#### **MARRIAGES**

Couples wishing to be married MUST contact a parish priest at least six months prior to the wedding date.

#### **HOSPITALIZED AND HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS**

Please notify the Rectory so that hospitalized or homebound parishioners can receive the pastoral care of the Church.

#### PARISH REGISTRATION

If you live within our parish boundaries and have not as yet registered, registration forms are available in the church vestibule.



Dear Friends,

This Monday October 22 we celebrate the Memorial of Pope St. John Paul II. It was Pope St. John Paul who beatified Mother Teresa on October 19, 2003. For me, these two saints go "hand in hand". They formed a strong spiritual bond with each other sharing intensely and mystically in both the joy and the suffering of Christ. I think of her especially in light of our Scripture reading this Sunday.

In 2007 (ten years after her death) a collection of her private letters was published: Mother Teresa: Come Be My Light: The Private Writings of the "Saint of Calcutta." Many of the words she uses in opening her heart to her spiritual directors and ecclesiastical authorities go against the image many of us have long associated with Saint Mother Teresa—a pious, selfless individual who was as steadfast in her faith as she was to her service to the poor. She appeared always as one who never wavered from her faith. She was firm and resolute. The reality is that for half of her life – the entire time she served the poorest of the poor she did give voice to interior doubt and the complete absence of any consoling "feeling" of God's presence.

Some are scandalized to learn this about Blessed Mother Teresa. But, in reality, knowing that she struggled with her faith—even doubting whether God even existed—gives us great hope and encouragement. It shows us that Blessed Mother Teresa endured hardships, struggles, and most importantly doubted her faith just like many of us can do at times.

Blessed Mother Teresa always greeted the world with her iconic white and blue-striped sari and her endearing smile. Inside, however, she was secretly tormented and suffering over her lost faith. She even referred to her smile as "a mask" or "a cloak that covers everything." Blessed Mother Teresa's personal letters were never meant to be viewed by the public. In fact, it was her wish that all her letters be destroyed. The Vatican insisted that some of her letters be preserved as relics should she one day become a saint. Very few people knew how anguished she was about her faith, but for nearly 50 years, Blessed Mother Teresa used pen and paper to express how she felt "no presence of God whatsoever."

One letter in particular touches my heart. She writes this to her spiritual director on July 3, 1959:

"Lord, my God, who am I that You should forsake me? The child of your love – and now become as the most hated onethe one You have thrown away as unwanted – unloved, I call, I cling, I want – and there is no One to answer – no One on Whom I can cling- no One. Alone. The darkness is so dark – I am alone. Unwanted, forsaken. – The loneliness of the heart that wants love is unbearable. - Where is my faith? Even deep down, right in, there is nothing but emptiness and darkness. My God - how painful is this unknown pain. It pains without ceasing. I have no faith. I dare not utter the words and thoughts that crowd my heart and make me suffer untold agony. So many unanswered questions live within me - I am afraid to uncover them because of the blasphemy – If there be God, - please forgive me.-Trust all will end in Heaven with Jesus. When I try to raise my thoughts to heaven- there is such convicting emptiness that those very thoughts return like sharp knives and hurt my very soul.- Love- the word- it brings nothing. I am told God loves me - and yet the reality of darkness and coldness and emptiness is so great that nothing touches my soul....In spite of all- this darkness and emptiness is not as painful as the longing for God....If this brings You glory, if you get a drop of joy from this – if souls are brought to You - if my suffering satiates Your Thirst- here I am Lord, with joy I accept all to the end of life- and I will smile at Your hidden Face - always."

Why did Blessed Mother Teresa suffer so much darkness and even moments of apparent despair in her life? Why didn't God release such a dedicated, selfless woman from her misery? It took almost her entire life, yet Saint Mother Teresa (with the help of one of her spiritual advisers) came to the realization that her suffering was meant to bring her closer to the suffering Jesus endured on the cross and the suffering of the poor she served. She finally realized her feelings of being abandoned by God only heightened her sensitivity to the feelings of abandonment and despair the poor and sick people around her were experiencing.

After reading her letters, I will never again see St. Teresa a woman who did really good things and became famous. No. She is one of the greatest saints of all time. She is the model of what true faith is. St. Teresa and Pope St. John Paul pray for us.

In Christ,

Father Whitstone

Rev. David A. Whitestone



We ask you to please remember those in need of our daily prayers.

Please also remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of the faithful departed.

Extraordinary Form Traditional Latin Mass at Saint Leo's will be celebrated at 7:00 pm on: October 25, November 29, and December 13, 2018. All are welcome!



## Next Faith and Food: November 5th!

Please join us on Monday, November 5th for an evening of fellowship and lively discussion over dinner (appetizers on us!) at P.J. Skidoos. Father Tipton will lead our discussion. Appetizers will

be served at 7:00pm followed by the talk at 7:15pm. Be sure to bring your friends! All ages are welcome!

#### ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): is a process for bringing into the Catholic Church both those who have never been baptized & those who were baptized in a non-Catholic church. RCIA is also the way for adult Catholics who have never been confirmed to prepare for the final Sacrament of Initiation, Confirmation. We invite any adult who would like to join the Catholic Church, be confirmed, or who is simply interested in learning about the teachings and customs of Catholic Christianity to come and join us. While classes are part of the process, RCIA is more than a class; it is a gradual introduction to the customs, beliefs, practices, and devotions of Catholicism. There is no obligation, only an opportunity to learn! RCIA 2018 has begun! Classes are Tuesdays from 7:30-9:00 PM in the Guadalupe Room. There is no need to register in advance. Registration will take place in class.

Adult Confirmation: Adults who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2018 need to attend the RCIA classes on Tuesday evenings, Classes continue through Easter 2019. Adult Confirmation will take place in the Spring of 2019.

Please contact Carolyn Smith, Director of Adult Faith Formation: 703-273-7277 or carolynsmith.stleos@gmail.com.

The St. Leo's ADULT BIBLE STUDY is held Thursdays at 7:00 pm, in the St. Matthew Room. We are studying the theology of St. Paul and his Letter to the Philippians. Bring a Catholic edition of the Bible and come join us! We will use reading, discussion, and video lectures by Dr. Tim Gray on St. Paul. Questions? Contact Norma Jo Shore at 703 -978-3361 or shore3361@aol.com.

Classes on Bishop Robert Barron's newest study program, THE MASS, is held on Fridays, at 9:45am in the Parish Hall, St. John Room. There is no charge for this study. If you wish to buy the guide, the cost is \$25.00. No need to preregister. Questions? Please contact Carolyn Smith at carolynsmith.stleos@gmail.com or 703-273-5369.

# Liturgy of the Word



Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

Eph 2:1-10 Lk 12:13-21 Eph 2:12-22 Lk 12:35-38 Wednesday Eph 3:2-12 Is 12:2-6 Lk 12:39-48 Eph 3:14-21 Lk 12:49-53 Eph 4:1-6 Lk 12:54-59 Eph 4:7-16 Lk 13:1-9 Jer 31:7-9 Heb 5:1-6 Mk 10:46-52

### MASS INTENTIONS

October 22 through October 28, 2018

Mon.:	6:15 9:00	Brendon Lauderdale William Paul DeForest
Tues.:	6:15 9:00	Angela Marchese Peg Armstrong
Wed.:	6:15 9:00	Joseph & Rose Cesarini Joseph Le
Thurs.:	6:15 9:00	Agnes Cate Viinicio Vannicola
Fri.:	6:15 9:00	Joseph Pangrazio Mary Rodriguez
Sat.	9:00 5:00	Special Intention Lenora E. O'Sullivan
Sun.:	7:30 9:00 11:00 1:00 5:00	For The Parish Bernard Cardinal Law John Jones Special Intention John Quill

In addition to the regular schedule of Masses, Mass has been offered for the following intentions: Jennifer Gibson, Special Intention, Raymond Kayne, Jorge Bonilla, Jorge Bonilla.

BAPTISM CLASS IS MANDATORY at Saint Leo. The next class is Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 7:30 pm in the Saint Matthew room. Please call the Rectory office at: 703-273-5369 to register.



Low Gluten Hosts are available for those who need them. Please inform the sacristan before Mass begins.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

We need a kindergarten catechist for the Monday class (4:45 pm-6:00 pm). Please call Toni Haaland at 703 273-4868 if you are interested and able to teach our children.

There will be a **First Communion Parents Meeting** for all parents who have children who will receive First Communion in the **spring of 2019.** The meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 24 at 7:00 pm in the school gym.** We will be giving you important information about your child's preparation for First Communion.



## Youth Ministry: Known Fall 2018 Schedule HIGH SCHOOL:

NO SNL TONIGHT! Since we will be attending the Diocesan Youth Rally, we

will not have SNL tonight. Join us next week for our All Saints Party on October 28<sup>th</sup>! Dress up as your favorite saint! Prizes, games, dinner, and talk, "Known Today: Saints of the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Century".

LEAD Team returns this Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>. Join us from 7-8:30pm in the Youth Ministry Office to grow deeper in your faith through a study of Salvation History. Bring a friend! We are doing a Lectio of the Sunday Gospel and reading Scott Hahn's, "A Father Who Keeps His Promises."

Join us on Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-8:15pm for a special night of service with St. Mary of Sorrows Youth Ministry. We will meet at St. Leo at 4:30pm and then shuttle to St. Mary's for Mass at 5pm; we will return to St. Leo by 8:30pm. If you can't attend Mass with us, then you can meet us at St. Mary's at 6pm. Permission forms for this event can be found in the Youth Ministry Office as well as online. We hope to see you there!

#### Middle School:

Thursday Takeovers return this week in the Guadalupe Room from 3-5pm. Come for prayer, snacks and fun: be sure to bring a friend!

Questions about fall events? Email Melissa at: <a href="mailto:stleosyouth@gmail.com">stleosyouth@gmail.com</a>. For permission forms, schedules and more, check out our website: <a href="www.stleosyouth.com">www.stleosyouth.com</a>. We are also on Twitter, so follow us at <a href="mailto:@stleosyouth">@stleosyouth</a>!

#### ALL SOULS DAY MASS AT FAIRFAX MEMORIAL PARK

Please join Bishop Burbidge and brother priests as he celebrates a Mass of Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed at 11 a.m. on Friday, November 2, at Fairfax Memorial Park, 9900 Braddock Road, Fairfax. We will remember our deceased relatives and loved ones in this moving outdoor liturgy. In the event of inclement weather, please visit <a href="https://www.fmpark.com">www.fmpark.com</a> for details.

#### SAINT LEO THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Saint Leo the Great Catholic School community leads by the example of Jesus, with respect and compassion for all, to foster faith and academic growth.



Visit our school and learn what makes us a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence



PreK-8th Grade applications for the 2019-2020 school year are available in the school office. You may stop by to pick one up during school hours (7:30 am until 3:00 pm) or access forms on our website at: <a href="https://www.saintleothegreatschool.orgAdmissions.">www.saintleothegreatschool.orgAdmissions.</a>

Please join us for an OPEN HOUSE on any of the following dates: Nov. 14, 10am (Guadalupe Room); Dec. 19, 10am (Guadalupe Room), and Jan. 27, 2019 12pm (Gym) or call the school office to make an appointment for a tour 703-273-1211 ext. 645.

#### Financial Aid packets available upon request.

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> Saint Leo parishioners receive preferential status in Pre-School through eighth grade applications. In-parish families must be registered.



#### **LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR**

During the weekend of October 27th & 28th, 2018, a second collection will be taken to help the LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR, who have been caring for the aged poor in the state of Virginia for 144

years. Their home in Henrico, VA provides care for the aged regardless of race, color, nationality, or creed. The Sisters will be present at all the Masses to explain their mission and to ask for your support. They go out to the community to beg for the needs of the Home. They count on your generosity to continue their work of mercy as much as you can count on their grateful prayers for you and your loved ones. You are invited to visit the web site – www.littlesistersofthepoorvirginia.org.

#### SUNDAY TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

The Diocese of Arlington, in partnership with the Archdiocese of Washington, produces a weekly Sunday TV Mass filmed in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Viewers can watch the TV Mass Sundays from 10:30-11 AM on the DCW50 network. It is a wonderful opportunity for Mass and Spiritual Communion for those members of our Catholic family who are ill and unable to be physically present for the Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy. Please visit: www.arlingtondiocese.org/tv-mass.

#### TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



#### **SOCIAL MINISTRY NEWS**

<u>Seniors.</u> Finding it a challenge on a limited income? Let us give you some hope, and a food basket...Call 703/352-2324.

\_CloSys mouthwash & toothpaste, needs: Hibiclens, disposable medical disposable bed pads, gloves, sanitizing wipes, paper towels, eyeglass wipes, and Ensure Clear.

Pantry needs: toothpaste/toothbrush/floss, toilet paper, tissues, and dish washing liquid.

You are a wonderful blessing because every prayer, every penny, and every encouragement you've given us has been used by God to help someone else. Sharing Christ and loving people, and helping people who are hurting is one of our best ways to show God's love. Please donate any amount to St. Leo Social Ministry.

**Contact:** tammysimpson.stleos@gmail.com. Line: SFF. Or call: 703-352-2324 Contact:

Energy Fuel Assistance Applications are open on the Fairfax County Website: dss.virginia.gov

Fairfax County Services for Older Adults Resources Line: 703-324-7948. M - F, 8am - 4:30pm.

Please make checks payable to: ST. LEO SOCIAL MINISTRY

Your generosity is truly appreciated!!

#### LEGION OF MARY

A Catholic lay organization whose members serve the Church on a voluntary basis in almost every country.



Mystical Rose Juniors - Children up to 17 years old: Sundays at 10:20 am St. Mark's Room in Parish Hall.

Mary, Queen of Peace -Adults; Sundays at 6:15 pm St. Matthew's Room in Parish Hall.

Our Lady of the Assumption - Adults; Mondays at 7:30 pm. St. Matthew's Room.

Contact: legionofmary1110@gmail.com or call 703-273-2877.



Know Someone Who Is Pregnant and Needs Help? Have them call the Gabriel Project Hotline: 1-866-444 -3553. The St Leo The Great Gabriel Project Coordinators are: Melissa Rihl and Alison Rizzuto. Email: stleogabrielproject@gmail.com. Gabriel Project

helps pregnant women with long or short-term physical, material, spiritual, and emotional needs.

Calling all prayer warriors! Join us First Saturday of each month for the 9am Mass and the Holy Half Hour, followed by a meeting in the Conference Room to pray and discuss outreach opportunities.



All St Leo's parishioners, families, friends are invited to a free organ recital showcasing the versatility of the King of instruments by organist Carlos Ibay at All Saints Catholic Church in Manassas, VA. No reservations required. A small reception will follow after the recital.

### **FATHER DIAMOND COUNCIL Events & Calendar**

**MEETINGS -**2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> TUESDAYS 8:00 PM in the K OF C Hall



10/21 - Family Breakfast @ Hall after 7:30am and 9:00am Masses – all invited

10/23 - 7:30 Rosary, 8:00 - 2nd Degree & Meeting 10/27 & 28 – Consider joining the Knights of Columbus Talk to a KofC Member after all masses

#### \*\*\*\* COMING EVENTS \*\*\*

November 17 - Thanksgiving Food Basket Delivery and Feed the Homeless in DC

Giant, Shoppers Food Warehouse & Safeway Food Cards for sale – at KofC Hall weekdays at 3:00 PM or call Larry Novak 703-978-6137

> Join the Knights-Contact Mark Walther @ 703-766-5054 or go to www.kofc.org/joinus

PAUL VI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL will be hosting our annual OPEN HOUSE ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28TH FROM 1 TO 4PM at the Fairfax Campus.

Group presentations will take place at 1:15 and 2:15 in Father Heet Auditorium. This is a perfect opportunity for 6th, 7th and 8th graders and their families to explore the benefits of a Catholic high school education. Visit www.paulvi.net or ehanley@pvipanther.net for additional information.

Current 8th graders are encouraged to set up a PANTHER FOR A DAY experience by emailing gfarello@pvipanther.net. Middle School students and their families are invited to Middle School Night Under the Lights at Paul VI Catholic High School in Fairfax. Join us at 6:00PM on Friday, November 2 for pizza, tee shirts, games and tons of prizes. All are invited to join the VI Man cheering on our Panther varsity football team. Free to all and no reservations are needed.

#### SAINT JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

All families are welcome to come JOHN PAUL the Great visit Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School on Sunday Nov 4th - 1-4pm - for our annual Fall Open House. Come see



what you've been missing the last 10 years at this GREAT Catholic High School. Tour our gorgeous building, meet students and families, chat with coaches and club moderators and see why the JP experience has families traveling from all over Northern VA to come to our GREAT school!

Register at www.jpthegreat.org for a free gift for your 8th grader!

The 20th Annual CHRIST THE KING MEN'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION, directed by Rev. Paul D. Scalia, will be held on Sat. Oct. 27 from 9:15am--1:15pm at St. John the Beloved Church, 6420 Linway Terrace, McLean.

The \$40 charge includes lunch and materials. To register go to <a href="https://www.waywomen.com">www.waywomen.com</a> or send a check, payable to WAY to Jennifer Lawler, 5464 Mersea Ct., Burke, VA 22015. Student rate \$25. Pay-at-the-door \$45. For more information, contact Robin Maas at <a href="mailto:robinmaas@verizon.net">robinmaas@verizon.net</a>.

#### **CITIZENSHIP ASSISTANCE**

**Do you want to become a CITIZEN?** Apply now! Come to a citizenship application workshop hosted by Catholic Charities Hogar Immigrant Services. **WHEN:** November 3<sup>rd</sup>, doors open 10 am – 1 pm **WHERE:** Clarendon Presbyterian Church, 1305 N Jackson Street, Arlington VA 22201 **COST:** \$110, cash or credit. CONTACT US TO PRE-REGISTER: **(571)** 208-1572 or hogarimmigrantservices.org/workshop. \*\*You must have been a legal permanent resident for 5 years to qualify for citizenship.

¿Quiere hacerse ciudadano? ¡Aplica ahora! Venga a un taller para aplicar para la ciudadanía ofrecido por las Caridades Católicas, Hogar Immigrant Services.

CUANDO: el 3 de noviembre, abierto 10 am – 1 pm.

DONDE: Clarendon Presbyterian Church, 1305 N Jackson Street, Arlington VA 22201 PAGO: \$110, efectivo o crédito. CONTÁCTENOS PARA PRE-REGISTRARSE: (571) 208-1572 o hogarimmigrantservices.org/

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#### ESCUELA DE HOMBRES SAN JOSÉ

El grupo de hombres se reune cada primer y tercer jueves del mes en el salon Guadalupe a las 7:00 pm. Para mayor información hablar con Valerio Delgado, tel. 571-353-5448.



COMUNIÓN DE ENFERMOS—Por favor, llame a la rectoría si usted o un miembro de su familia están enfermos o no pueden asistir a misa los domingos. En el primer viernes de mes Fr. Whitestone, Tipton. Ilevarán la comunión a los enfermos y celebrarán la unción a los enfermos que no pueden salir de casa. Los domingos los ministros extraordinarios de la comunión llevan la comunión a los enfermos y a los que no pueden salir de casa. De nuevo, por favor llame a la rectoría si quisiera una visita de los sacerdotes y recibir la comunión en su casa.



<u>Hora Santa:</u> El grupo de oración de la parroquia los invita a una Hora de Adoración delante del Santísimo normalmente todos lo últimos sábados del més.

<u>Grupo de Oración</u> Sábados 6-8:30pm, Salon de Nuestra Sra de La Guadalupe. Alma Coreas: 571-212-1369.

THE DIVINE MERCY CARE BLOOMS OF JOY GALA will be held Nov.10th at 6pm at the Hilton Washington Dulles Airport Hotel. DMC's primary program is support for Tepeyac OB/GYN. Tickets are \$175 and sponsorships start at \$2,000. Oct. 26th is the last day to sponsor and Nov. 2nd is the last day to get a ticket. If you cannot attend, consider making a donation towards the event, submitting an auction item (by Oct. 22nd), or participating in pre-event online bidding (starts Nov. 1st). Find a link at <a href="mailto:divinemercycare.org">divinemercycare.org</a> to join DMC's communications list for updates, and contact <a href="mailto:info@divinemercycare.org">info@divinemercycare.org</a> with questions.

#### **EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA 2018-2019**

Habrá una reunión de Primera comunión para los padres que sus hijos recibirán la Primera Comunión en la primavera del 2019. La reunión se llevará a cabo el Miércoles 24 de Octubre a las 7:00 PM en el gimnasio de la escuela. Les estaremos dando información importante acerca de la preparación de sus hijos para la Primera Comunión.

#### **HORARIOS E INFORMACIÓN SANTAS MISAS**

Español: domingos a la 1:00 pm

Inglés: sábados–5 pm (Vigilia), domingos–7:30, 9, 11:00, 5pm

Para programar eventos en la Parroquia, contáctese con Beatrice: bszele@stleofairfax.com.

Para preguntas sobre el ministerio, los sacramentos o para reunirse con un sacerdote, consulte el sitio web o llame a la rectoría en cualquier momento. Las secretarias que hablan español están programadas: lunes, martes y jueves de 4 a 9 pm., los miércoles de 8 am. a 4 pm., y los sábados de 9 am. a 2 pm.

**Confesiones en español**: Los mismos días de la parroquia (martes, viernes y sábado) más los domingos de 12:00 p.m. a 12:30 p.m.

Bautizos: Preparación-llamar a Carlos Cea: 703-836-2139

**Matrimonio:** Todo Católico que desee contraer matrimonio debe contactar la parroquia por lo menos seis meses antes del evento. Para mayor información comunicarse con Diacono Jose Lopez 703-825-1983

Las clases de convalidación matrimonial serán del 8 de septiembre al 20 de octubre, 2018, en el salón San Juan (St. John) de 6:30 pm a 9:00 pm. Para mayor información, llamar al Diácono José López.

**Sacramentos para Estudiantes de Secundaria**: llamar a la Oficina de Jovenes al teléfono 703-591-6089, ó email a <a href="mailto:stelosyouth@gmail.com">stelosyouth@gmail.com</a>.

**Grupo divina misericordia.** Colaboran con los sacerdotes en el ministerio de los enfermos, visitándolos y orando con ellos. Contacto Gilma Orozco (571-238-6634).

Programa "Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos" (RCIA) El programa RCIA comenzará el 16 de septiembre a las 10:30 am en el salon San Juan. Este curso es para aquellos adultos (18 años o mayores) que les falta recibir los sacramentos de Bautizo, Comunión o Confirmación. Las clases toman lugar todos los domingos hasta Mayo del próximo año. El programa es gratis pero deben registrarse. Para mayor información llamar a Sandra Solares, 202-696-0867.





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