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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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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.

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.
Dear Friends,

A special thanks to all who made our annual Eucharistic Procession last Sunday on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus (Corpus Christi) beautiful and spiritually uplifting and powerful. I particularly want to thank the Knights of Columbus who acted as Honor Guards and traffic control, members of the Legion of Mary and Ladies of Father Diamond Council (Knights of Columbus), all of our altar servers, and in a special way the choir. Just as the Jewish people were guided from Egypt to the Promised Land by the Lord appearing as pillars of fire and of smoke, and as the Lord led them in battle as they carried the Ark of the Covenant before them, so too may we always follow our Lord Jesus Christ through our journey of life. The gift of the Eucharist is the sure sign of our Lord’s great love for us. He desires nothing less than perfect union with us. He remains with us strengthening, nourishing, and encouraging us.

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Summer is in full swing. Although for many, this time will be marked by a different daily schedule and vacations, it is important that we not only make time for prayer, worship, and the celebration of the Sacraments, but see that in doing so we are refreshed and renewed in a unique way. I am posting the following reflection on the Sacraments found on the USCCB website: http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacraments-and-sacramentals/index.cfm

We recognize that the Sacraments have a visible and invisible reality, a reality open to all the human senses but grasped in its God-given depths with the eyes of faith. When parents hug their children, for example, the visible reality we see is the hug. The invisible reality the hug conveys is love. We cannot “see” the love the hug expresses, though sometimes we can see its nurturing effect in the child.

The visible reality we see in the Sacraments is their outward expression, the form they take, and the way in which they are administered and received. The invisible reality we cannot "see" is God’s grace, his gracious initiative in redeeming us through the death and Resurrection of his Son. His initiative is called grace because it is the free and loving gift by which he offers people a share in his life, and shows us his favor and will for our salvation. Our response to the grace of God's initiative is itself a grace or gift from God by which we can imitate Christ in our daily lives...Through the Sacraments, God shares his holiness with us so that we, in turn, can make the world holier.

In Christ,

Father Whitestone
Rev. David A. Whitestone
We ask you to please remember those in need of our daily prayers especially, Kevin Murray.

Please also remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of the faithful departed especially, Nancy Chotiner.

**FIRST SATURDAY DEVOIONS** — Next Saturday, July 6th we will have our regular First Saturday Devotions beginning with the 9:00 am Mass and ending with Benediction. Come and pray for peace and for an end to abortion.

**FIRST SATURDAY PRAISE, WORSHIP, & ADORATION** will resume in October.

**BLESSING OF PARENTS FIRST SUNDAY, JULY 7**— On the First Sunday of each month, a Blessing for New and Expectant Parents is offered immediately following the 9am Mass near the statue of the Blessed Mother.

**THE 11 AM MASS FIRST SUNDAY, JULY 7** will be for the souls of those parishioners, family members and friends who have died during the last month. If you would like to have someone remembered in the Prayers of the Faithful at this Mass, please call 703-273-5369.

**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 Diocesan prayer team every First Saturday to pray the Rosary at 10:30 am at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA 22046. The next Rosary Team meets on Saturday, July 6th. For more information, please contact Amy McInerny at (703) 841-3817 or respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org.

**RETREAT FOR THE SERIOUSLY ILL**

The Retreat for People Facing Serious Illness offers a unique opportunity for men and women to come away for a weekend of refreshment and spiritual renewal in the love of the Lord Jesus. There is cost to participants. The retreat, held at the San Damiano Spiritual Life Center in White Post, VA, from July 12-14, is staffed by a team of health care professionals as well as priests and volunteers. Email contact information to Retreat@ccda.net or call the main phone line at (703) 335-2779 and dial option “9” for information on the retreat. To leave a message dial ext. 14.

**BAPTISM CLASS IS MANDATORY** at St Leo. The next class is Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 7:30 pm in the Saint Matthew room. Please register at: 703-273-5369.

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

Faith and Food at P.J. Skidoos
Please join us on Monday, July 1st at 7pm, for an evening of fellowship and lively discussion over dinner (appetizers on us!). Presenter will be Fr. Robert Wagner. Be sure to bring your friends! All ages are welcome!

For more information concerning Bible Study, The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) or Adult Confirmation, please contact Carolyn Smith, Director of Adult Faith Formation at 703-273-7277 or carolynsmith.stleos@gmail.com.

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 www.saintleothegreatschool.org/Admissions.

If you wish to visit the school, please call the school office to make an appointment for a tour 703-273-1211 ext. 645.

Financial Aid packets available upon request

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

URTM Presents Mary Poppins — July 16-21

One of the most popular movies of all time is capturing hearts... as a “practically perfect” Broadway musical presented by Upper Room Theatre Ministry now in its 18th season at All Saints Catholic Church in Manassas.

Based on the stories of P.L. Travers and the classic Disney film, this musical is filled with spoonfuls of imagination, heart, and whimsy. You and your family will be swept away by such iconic tunes as “Step in Time,” “Chim Chim Cher-ee” and, of course, “Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious.” Tickets are available at UpperRoomTickets.com.

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.

SOCIAL MINISTRY NEWS

DONATIONS - We do not operate a thrift store and are unable to receive used adult/youth clothing donations. If you would like to donate CLEAN, gently used clothing (no holes/rips/broken zippers) please donate to the FISH walk-in clothing closet. (Best to call or check their website for any updates)

Need clothing? No referral is necessary to use the clothing closet. Open for donations and clothing needs every Tuesday & Thursday, 9:30 am-noon, except for holidays. Also, open the first Saturday of each month from 9:30 am-noon. Located in the Fairfax Presbyterian Church, 10723 Main Street, Fairfax VA 22030.

The SLSM office does not accept: used mattresses, used car seats/baby walkers/baby swings, and used plastic baby bottles.

We always welcome new greeting cards (inspirational, encouragement, thank you, thinking about you) to use in our ministry. Please drop off at the rectory.

Seeking assistance? Please contact the Social Ministry Office @ 703/273-7576 (SLSM), or tammysimpson.stleos@gmail.com for donations/volunteering.
Help us raise money to send our teens to Steubenville Youth Conference!
When: Friday, July 12
Where: Woody’s Ice Cream in Fairfax City!
What: Woody’s will donate 10% of all purchases that day. Bring your friends, family, dog (they have free pup cups!) and support a weekend that changes lives.

Questions about spring and summer events? Email Melissa at youthministry@stleosfairfax.com. For permission forms, schedules and more, check out our website: www.stleosyouth.com. We are also on Twitter, so follow us at @stleosyouth! To sign up to receive our weekly emails and text message updates, text STLYM to 845-76.

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.
**SAINT LEO THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA**

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...and the chance to win door prizes! Student registration can be found by visiting this link: www.asjb.org.

**SAINT LEO THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH**

De nuevo, por favor llame a la rectoría si quisiera una visita de los ministros extraordinarios de la comunión a los enfermos y a los que no pueden salir de casa.

Los domingos los ministros extraordinarios de la comunión llevarán la comunión a los enfermos y no pueden asistir a misa los domingos. En el primer viernes de cada mes Fr. Whitestone, Tipton, llevarán la comunión a los enfermos y no pueden asistir a misa los domingos. En el primer viernes de cada mes Fr. Whitestone, Tipton, llevarán la comunión a los enfermos y no pueden asistir a misa los domingos. En el primer viernes de cada mes Fr. Whitestone, Tipton, llevarán la comunión a los enfermos y no pueden asistir a misa los domingos.

**BUSCANDO CATEQUISTAS PARA EL AÑO ESCOLAR 2019-2020**

Necesitamos catequistas y asistentes para el año escolar 2019-2020. Por favor llamar a Toni Haaland al 703-273-4868 si usted quisiera ayudar a enseñar la Fe. Nosotros proveemos entrenamiento. Todos los voluntarios tienen que estar certificados en el programa de Virtus y tener su verificación de antecedentes. Por favor aplique lo más temprano posible para que podamos ayudarle en este proceso.

**ESCUELA DE HOMBRES SAN JOSÉ**

El grupo de hombres se reúne 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, llevarán la comunión a los enfermos y celebrarán la unión a los enfermos que no pueden salir de casa. Los mismos días de la semana 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.

**SHEPHERD’S CENTER,** in ministry with St Leo’s & a nonprofit organization providing support services for the elderly. For details please visit www.scfbva.org.

**Transportation Program**—If you need transportation to a medical appointment (Mon – Fri) or an accompanied shopping drive (offered Tues p.m. and Fri a.m.), contact the Shepherd’s Center of Fairfax-Burke transportation phone number 703-323-4788 at least five days in advance to make arrangements for your driver.

**Dementia Caregiver Support Group**—Meetings are held in the Fr. Ready Room of Nativity Catholic Church in Burke from 12:00pm-1:30pm, second Tuesday of each month. Please contact Eileen Thompson 703-451-8626 or eileen.thompson1@gmail.com to sign up.

**Attention Class of 2019:** This summer, the Associates of St. John Bosco will be hosting four College Nights throughout the Arlington Diocese for graduated high-schoolers headed to college in the fall. The dates and locations are as follows. All events begin at 7PM and go until around 9PM:

- **July 1, 2019:** All Saints, Manassas.
- **July 17, 2019:** Basilica of St. Mary, Alexandria.
- **July 24, 2019:** St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Fredericksburg.

The purpose of these free events is to help students keep their faith while transitioning into college. Catholic college students from George Mason, Mary Washington, UVA, Virginia Tech, William & Mary and others will be in attendance to meet students and share their experiences of being a Catholic college student. Free dinner with registration and the chance to win door prizes! Student registration can be found by visiting this link: www.asjb.org.

**Independent You**

Independent You is offering classes from 1:00pm—2:00pm in Farrell Hall at Saint Mary of Sorrow’s in Fairfax, including free lunch from 12:30 pm to 1:00 pm. For RSVP or questions, please contact Mary Beth Crosson at 703-350-2364 or via email at MaryBeth@independentyou.net. More Information: www.independentyou.net

**CLASS SCHEDULE:**

- July 19 - Taking Care of Yourself

**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 secretarías que hablan español están programadas: lunes y miércoles de 9 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

**Sacramentos para Estudiantes de Secundaria:** llamar a la Oficina de Jóvenes al teléfono 703-591-6089, ó email a stleosyouth@gmail.com.

**Hora Santa:** El grupo de oración de la parroquia los invita a una Hora de Adoración delante del Santísimo Sacramento para reunirse con un sacerdote, consulte el sitio web o llame a la rectoría en cualquier momento. Las secretarías que hablan español están programadas: lunes, martes y jueves de 9 am. a 4 pm., y los sábados de 9 am. a 2 pm.

**Sanctuary Caregiver Support Group**—Meetings are held in the Fr. Ready Room of Nativity Catholic Church in Burke from 12:00pm-1:30pm, second Tuesday of each month. Please contact Eileen Thompson 703-451-8626 or eileen.thompson1@gmail.com to sign up.

For information or to join the St. Leo Rosary Makers please call: Jim Haynes 703-731-9436

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