

"To know, to love, and to serve God"



March 1, 2020: First Sunday of Lent

MASS SCHEDULE*

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm & 7:00 pm (Vietnamese)
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:45 am & 5:00 pm;
2:00 pm & 7:00 pm (both Vietnamese)

Monday-Friday (weekdays): 8:30 am & 12:15 pm
Wednesday & First Friday: 7:30 pm
Friday (except 1st Friday): 7:00 pm (Vietnamese)
Saturday: 8:30 am

HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE*

Wednesday: 7:00 pm (includes Exposition, Holy Rosary, Benediction & Mass)

CONFESSION SCHEDULE*

Monday & Friday: 11:30 am—Noon
Wednesday: 6:30 pm—7:30 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am—10:00 am & 3:30 pm—4:30 pm
First Friday: After the 8:30 am Mass & 6:30 pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Monday: 9:00 am—**Saturday:** 8:00 am

* Please listen to pulpit announcements & parish office recordings, and consult current bulletin & website homepage for schedule changes.

** Call Adoration Chapel Hotline for up-to-date information on Chapel schedule: 703-773-2033.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION



Marriage: Congratulations on your engagement. Please contact the parish office at least six months prior to the wedding date. It is best for us to hear from you as soon as you become engaged to set up your initial appointment.



Baptisms: We welcome your new child. Generally, baptisms take place at 12:15 pm the first and third Sunday of each month, with some flexibility based on circumstances. Baptism preparation instruction is required for first-time parents or parents who have not previously attended a class. Please call the parish office to begin the process of scheduling the baptism.



Holy Communion & Anointing of the Sick: God bless you. If you or someone you know would like to receive Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick at Fair Oaks Hospital, Sunrise Assisted Living at Fair Oaks, Dulles Health & Rehabilitation Center, Harmony at Chantilly, Arbor Terrace Fairfax in Chantilly, or at home, please call the parish office to arrange a visit.



Parish Registration: Welcome. To register as a parishioner of St. Veronica, please pick up a registration form in one of the church vestibules or in the parish office. Upon completion, you may drop the form in the Sunday collection basket, or mail it. If you are moving out of the parish or have a change of address, please let the parish office know.



Initiation of Adults & Children: The RCIA process leads adults into full communion with the Catholic Church. Please call the parish office or email RCIA@stveronica.net for details.



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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 29: Saturday after Ash Wednesday

8:30 am Louis Euerle +
5:00 pm The Nufable Family

Sunday, March 1: First Sunday of Lent

7:30 am Carol Haefs
9:00 am Nicholas Joseph Annase +
10:45 am The People of St. Veronica
5:00 pm Kim Lien Nguyen

Monday, March 2

8:30 am Josef Pauli +
12:15 pm Anthony Lau +

Tuesday, March 3: Saint Katharine Drexel

8:30 am Olga Beltz
12:15 pm Max Michalak +

Wednesday, March 4: Saint Casimir

8:30 am Jim Bevans +
12:15 pm Toni Doyle +
7:30 pm Paul Ackerman +

Thursday, March 5

8:30 am Joseph F. Chalmers +
12:15 pm Peter Turant

First Friday, March 6

8:30 am Joseph Michael Begley +
12:15 pm Evelyn M. Dunn +
7:30 pm Monica Stabile +

First Saturday, March 7: Saints Perpetua and Felicity

8:30 am Joshua Clougherty
5:00 pm Kathleen Becker +

Sunday, March 8: Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 am Sean Dunn
9:00 am The People of St. Veronica
10:45 am George Monahan +
5:00 pm Joyce Starrs +

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, March 1: First Sunday of Lent

8:30 am Pancake Breakfast Hosted by Knights of Columbus and Work Camp—Parish Hall
3:00 pm Living Stations Rehearsal—Church
6:30 pm Youth Apostolate Adult Team Training—St. John Paul II Room

Monday, March 2:

8:30 am Holy Mass
11:30 am Confessions
12:15 pm Holy Mass
5:00 pm Religious Education Classes—Classrooms & Acolyte Room
7:00 pm Rangers—Parish Hall or Outdoor Classroom
7:30 pm RCIA—St. John Paul II Room
7:30 pm EnCourage—P203

Tuesday, March 3:

8:30 am Holy Mass
10:00 am 50 & Over Women's Bible Study—Acolyte Room
12:15 pm Holy Mass
6:45 pm Religious Education Classes—Classrooms
7:00 pm Legion of Mary—Acolyte Room

Wednesday, March 4:

8:30 am Holy Mass
12:15 pm Holy Mass
6:30 pm Confessions
7:00 pm Holy Hour with Exposition, Holy Rosary and Benediction
7:30 pm Holy Mass

Thursday, March 5:

8:30 am Holy Mass
9:00 am St. Catherine of Siena Ladies Faith Group—Acolyte Room
11:00 pm Bible Study, Gospel of Luke—Acolyte Room
12:15 pm Holy Mass
3:15 pm ENDOW Middle School Girls—Catacombs
4:15 pm Children's Choir—Church
5:45 pm Youth Orchestra—St. John Paul II Room

7:00 pm Adult Choir—P203

7:00 pm St. Mother Teresa Outreach Apostolate Meeting—Acolyte Room

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus—P209, Parish Hall & Kitchen

7:00 pm Bible Study—St. John Paul II Room

First Friday, March 6:

8:30 am Holy Mass
9:00 am Confessions
11:30 am Confessions
12:15 pm Holy Mass
6:00 pm IGNITE Middle School Youth Ministry—Parish Hall
6:00 pm Lenten Meatless Supper Hosted by St. Mother Teresa Outreach Apostolate—Parish Hall
6:30 pm Confessions
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross—Church
7:30 pm Holy Mass

First Saturday, March 7:

6:30 am TMIY Men's Group—Parish Hall & Kitchen
8:00 am Exposition, Rosary Meditation and Benediction
8:15 am Luminaries of Holy Mary—Parish Hall
8:30 am Holy Mass
9:00 am Holy Rosary—Church
9:00 am Confessions
9:00 am Knights of Columbus—Parish Hall
1:00 pm Our Lord's Flock—Training Room
2:30 pm TMIY Exodus 90—P202
3:30 pm Confessions

BULLETIN DEADLINE

10:00 am Friday, 9 days prior to the Sunday publication. Send announcements to bulletin@stveronica.net.

*Pray the Rosary Daily
Pray the Rosary Every Day*

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WORSHIP

FROM GREEN TO GOLD—MARCH 1, 2020

Now that we are officially entering the month of March and have begun the penitential season of Lent our focus is on growing in holiness through the typical practices of the season, prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. I addressed all of these in last week's column. It is always good to try to do something in each of these categories. We don't want to overwhelm ourselves, but we also want our selections to be at least somewhat challenging. After all the point is to practice self-denial and really make some spiritual progress. The hope is whatever we choose to do this Lent will really help us to deepen our love for Christ and our neighbor, to again increase our holiness and the practice of the virtues, and to better prepare ourselves for heaven someday. Lent, while intensely penitential, is such a beautiful time of the year. The simplicity and starkness of the Lenten season are so different from Advent with all its hype that the pre-Christmas season seems to bring. Hopefully then we can make the most of this Lent and keep it what it is meant to be. The sacrifices of this season in a sense are truly quite refreshing, particularly when we consider where our world has gone and what our society today seems to preach to us. Lent then is so counter cultural, where we do not seek personal pleasure and instant gratification but rather to suffer with Christ.

As I also mentioned here last week our parish is offering additional times for confession, which is a big part of this Lenten season. Clearing our souls of sin and the extra grace that this sacrament of mercy provides further helps us to grow spiritually. We have the additional half hour of confessions on Wednesday and the hour on Friday evenings. There is also the meatless meals at 6:00 pm and the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm on Fridays. Beyond that we have typically tried to have a three part speaker series each Lent on a selected topic. This year as I mentioned last week our topic is the Scrutinies. Liturgically, the scrutinies are rites celebrated on the third, fourth, and fifth Sundays of Lent. They involve those who are enrolled in the RCIA classes and are thinking about becoming Catholic. They are meant to be an opportunity for the parish at large to "scrutinize" or look at our new potential Catholics and see who they are that we might pray for them as they make their final decision whether God is calling them to become Catholic or not. Another reason for the scrutinies is that they are meant to be an opportunity for those involved to purify their hearts, strengthen themselves when tempted, firm up their decision making process, and more closely unite themselves to Christ Himself. The Gospels those weeks include the woman at the well, the blind man from birth, and the raising of Lazarus from the dead.

Among other themes these scrutinies remind us that with Christ our faith is strengthened, our spiritual blindness healed, and death has no real power over us. Also we are called upon to hear and believe, to see and believe, and to even believe with no proof. We further realize Jesus is the Living Water who cleanses us of our sins, the Light of the World Who enlightens our souls, and the Resurrection and the Life Who saves us. That then will be the topic of this year's Lenten Reflection. This is being held on Wednesday nights after the 7:30 pm Mass on March 11th, 18th, and 25th. Fr. Dyer, Deacon Ochenkowski, and I are the presenters. We each are taking one of the nights. Hopefully, you will be able to join us as we explore this topic each of those nights. Our hope also is that this will be one more way to make this Lent a truly holy and more spiritually fruitful time. ~ In Christ, Fr. Kleinmann

THE HOLY FATHER'S MARCH PRAYER INTENTION

Evangelization: Catholics in China

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.



WEEKLY READINGS

First Sunday of Lent

Sunday

Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11

Monday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12

First Friday

Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

First Saturday

Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday

Gn 12:1-4a; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

SET CLOCKS FORWARD

Daylight Savings Time begins next weekend. Remember to set your clocks forward one hour at 2:00 am on **Sunday, March 8th**.

LENTEN 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From **now** through April 5th, the Lenten 40 Days for Life Campaign – 40 days of peaceful prayer and fasting for an end to abortion – will occur outside abortion mills throughout the world. Because the nearest high volume abortion mill is located in Falls Church, 40 Days for Life is again asking St. Veronica's parishioners to commit to offering intercessory prayers for one hour each weekday before the Blessed Sacrament to pray for families harmed by abortion. In addition, we are asking parishioners to join Steven Grist each Saturday morning during 40 Days from 9:00 am to noon in a peaceful prayer vigil outside the mill on 900 S. Washington Street in Falls Church. To sign up during 40 Days, please contact Steven Grist at 703-973-6528 or steve.grist@cox.net, or go to <https://40daysforlife.com/>.

LENTEN CROSS CAMPAIGN RETURNS

St. Veronica parish invites you to participate in supporting the Lenten Cross of Mercy in support of the mission of the House of Mercy in Manassas. The Lenten Cross, found in the north vestibule, provides us with an opportunity to take part in prayer and almsgiving during Lent. It contains a variety of tags, for either spiritual or corporal works of mercy. Please select one or more tags and help make Christ's mercy visible for those in need in our community. Return material items to the foot of the cross and monetary items to the parish office or mail them to the House of Mercy in the envelopes found at the foot of the cross. The House of Mercy thanks you for your donations that make it possible to share God's love.

RANGERS' MULCH

St. Veronica Rangers are selling premium, bagged mulch for delivery Saturday, March 21st, stacked wherever you specify. Price is \$4.75/bag for 20-40 bags, or \$4.50/bag for 41 or more. To order go to www.rangermulch.org. Do so promptly; they will not take more orders once their limit is reached or after March 13th, whichever comes first.

2020 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL

Steadfast in Faith and Joyful in Hope

The Bishop's Lenten Appeal is critical to our diocesan

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

Century 21 New Millennium

Marie Buonforte & Molly Craig, Parishioners

"You Can Put Your Faith in Us When You Buy or Sell a Home!"

Please see their ad in our bulletin and support all those who make this bulletin possible. We are grateful for their support of our parish.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember to pray for the safety and wellbeing of Kevin Zrenda, who is serving his country overseas. Contact the parish office with names of your relatives and loved ones to include in this list.

needs, and we are asking every household in our parish to support this appeal to the extent that they are able. The BLA funds many programs, services and ministries that serve people in need and furthers the Gospel mission of Jesus Christ in our diocese. Let us join together to do the Lord's work – works that touch the lives and souls of thousands of people. Thank you!

CONSECRATION OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Families today face many struggles, both through cultural pressure and through the personal struggles that accompany family life. Despite these struggles – and partly as a result of conquering them – families have great capacity for love and joy, a joy that is strengthened through the peace and truth found in Christ. **Next weekend** St. Veronica Knights of Columbus is sponsoring the Consecration of the Holy Family at all masses. To help strengthen our families and revitalize our parish, we invite each family in the parish to consecrate themselves to the Holy Family and to devote themselves to the ideal model of familial love set by Jesus, Mary and Joseph. The Knights of Columbus will distribute prayer cards at all Masses and the celebrant will lead us in reciting the Consecration to the Holy Family Prayer together as a parish family. For more information, go to <https://tinyurl.com/s8kq5rs>.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

The second collection next weekend, **March 7th and 8th**, is to help pay our monthly mortgage. Thank you for your continued generosity.

CORNERSTONE

Sunday Offertory

Weekend of 2/23/2020	\$ 11,073.00
Faith Direct 1 of 4 Weeks/February (updated)*	\$ 14,195.61

Monthly Mortgage

Weekend of 2/23/2020	\$ 3,192.26
Faith Direct 1 of 4 Weeks/February (projected)*	\$ 4,666.36

Special Collections

Mother Teresa/Poor Box 2/23/2020	\$ 133.50
Faith Direct/February	\$ 1,365.00

401 Families Donating through Faith Direct

Thank you, and may God bless you for your continued support and generosity.

As of 1/31/2020

Principal paid to date	\$ 3,456,037.31
Mortgage balance	\$ 4,958,562.86
Monthly payment	\$ 38,968.67

*Contributions via Faith Direct are deposited in the parish bank account once a month. The total deposit designated for Sunday Offertory and Monthly Mortgage has been divided by the number of Sundays for that month and added to the weekly totals.

EDUCATION, CATECHESIS, AND EVANGELIZATION

HELP LEAD OTHERS OUT OF DARKNESS

Help bring to the Light those who no longer want to walk in darkness. Invite those who have never been baptized or who have been baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, as well as adult Catholics who have not been confirmed, to contact Scott Bradford to inquire about classes held Monday evenings at 7:30 pm in the St. John Paul II room, RCIA@stveronica.net. On **Monday, March 2nd**, we will discuss the moral life, growth in holiness and the Precepts of the Church. You are welcome to join us.

THE MORMONS: WHO ARE THESE NICE FOLKS KNOCKING ON YOUR DOOR?

Our local Mormon Church is very active in sending young men into the local neighborhood to knock on your door and invite you to dialog with them. One parishioner even met them while out jogging. While they are always polite, well-spoken and well-dressed one should be wary of these visitors, for their teachings are wholly non-Christian. They claim to be the "Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints," but a little study shows something different. A parishioner recently had them come visit and invited them back for several visits. Come, join the Patricians March 9th at 7:00 pm in the acolyte room for an in-depth report on his conversations with them and some handouts that describe the teachings of the Mormon Church.

TMIY SPRING SEMESTER CONTINUES

TMIY spring semester continues next **Saturday, March 7th**. We continue our Lenten Journey, discussing "The Thirst of Christ" with speaker Steve Bollman. We will meet in the parish hall for breakfast at 6:30 am, followed up by video presentation and small group discussions, and wrap up by 8:15 for those who want to attend the 8:30 Saturday Mass. For more information, email TMIY@stveronica.net.

PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY

We continue our daily prayers for priests by praying each day this week for:

March 1	Rev. William Nyce
March 2	Rev. Cornelius O'Brien
March 3	Rev. John O'Connor, O.F.M.
March 4	Rev. Javier O'Connor, DCJM
March 5	Rev. John O'Donohue
March 6	Rev. John O'Hara
March 7	Rev. Kevin O'Hare

CAR RAFFLE UPDATE

Ticket sales are underway. Please sell or purchase the tickets mailed to you. There are 20 chances to win cash, \$100 to \$5,000, and 5 chances for 2020 vehicles; Honda Civic, Buick Encore, GMC Canyon Truck, Honda CRV SUV, and Honda Odyssey Van. Mail your ticket stubs and payment to "All Saints Church" using the addressed envelope provided. Extra tickets: Spencer Rainey at sjraine@verizon.net.

FRIDAY LENTEN MEATLESS SUPPERS, CONFESSIONS, STATIONS OF THE CROSS & FRIDAY HOLY MASS

Each Friday during Lent, St. Veronica parish apostolates are sponsoring a Lenten meatless meal in the parish hall at 6:00 pm. We will have confessions beginning at 6:30 pm, Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm, and this week First Friday Holy Mass at 7:30 pm. The meatless meal, sponsored by St. Mother Teresa Outreach Apostolate and the Legion of Mary on **March 6th**, will be a baked potato bar with a variety of meatless toppings, macaroni and cheese, salads, fruits, and some baked goodies. Join us for good food, fellowship and a great opportunity for prayer and fasting, two traditional Lenten practices.

PARISH EVANGELIZATION PROJECT - SATURDAY, MAY 2ND

The Legion of Mary is sponsoring a Parish Evangelization Project (PEP) on May 2nd. We will be going door-to-door to visit people within our parish boundaries and inviting them to come to St. Veronica to share the Gospel. This is always done in a gentle, charitable and non-confrontation manner. Members of the Legion of Mary from nearby parishes will be joining us. People are always sent in pairs to specific neighborhoods. If you are interested, training and materials are provided. We really need your help—please consider if Our Lady is calling you to join her Legion. Please attend any Legion meeting on Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the acolyte room or email Lou Perna at legionofmary@stveronica.net.

ANNUAL KOC ST. PATRICK'S DAY/ ST. JOSEPH'S DAY PARTY

Come to this family event, Saturday, March 14th, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm in the parish hall, which includes food, drink, sing-alongs, Irish dancers and plenty of smiling Irish eyes. Adults are \$8, children \$6; and drinks extra.

BALTIMORE CATECHISM

On the First Commandment, continued

Q. How do we fail to try to know what God has taught?

A. We fail to try to know what God has taught by neglecting to learn the Christian doctrine.

Q. Who are they who do not believe all that God has taught?

A. They who do not believe all that God has taught are the heretics and infidels.

Q. Who are they who neglect to profess their belief in what God has taught?

A. They who neglect to profess their belief in what God has taught are all those who fail to acknowledge the true Church in which they

**Now enrolling for the
2020-2021 school year**

Contact Mrs. Mary Jo Smith for more
information or to schedule a tour:
mjsmith@stveronicaschool.org
703-773-2020 ext. 150.



St. Veronica Alumnus Gifts School

2017 school graduate, Anthony Berry, has completed a project for his Eagle Scout rank and gifted the school with a new play area. He designed and constructed a ga-ga pit. What is a ga-ga pit? It's the arena for a variant of dodgeball which combines dodging, striking, running, and jumping, with the objective of being the last person standing.

Many thanks to Anthony, his donors, and his volunteers who built the pit for our older students over the weekend. Mr. Zimmerman will be reviewing the game with its rules during Physical Education classes.

Do you know any alumni who are doing great things? Drop us a line and let us know!



Teacher Spotlight: Jenifer Scott, Latin

Mrs. Scott, better known to everyone as Magistra, is our gifted Latin teacher who has been with St. Veronica Catholic School since our founding 16 years ago.

Even though her background is in journalism, she has found fulfillment in teaching. As an Encore subject teacher, she has the unique advantage of watching her students develop from 1st grade all the way to 8th grade: from learning days of the week to reading actual Latin texts.

Gratia, Magista for your years of service to our school community.

APOSTOLIC SERVICE, PRAYER, AND FELLOWSHIP



Help Stock the Catacombs: Many thanks to all who have generously supported our youth ministry. Donations of the following items can be dropped off at the parish office during business hours or at the Catacombs during youth events. Our current needs are: small bottles of water; Expo markers; painters' tape; quart-size freezer bags; individual bags of pretzels, popcorn, or rice cakes; apples or oranges; string cheese sticks; and face paint.

Living Stations Rehearsal Schedule: **Sundays, March 1st** and March 8th from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm; and March 22nd from 12:00 pm-1:00 pm. Dress rehearsal is Sunday, March 29th from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Final rehearsal is Friday, April 3rd from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. All are welcome to come pray with us on Friday, April 3rd at 7:00 pm in the church and witness this beautiful Lenten tradition.

SERVE, a Junior High Work Camp—Registration is now open for this summer's camp: July 5th -8th, 2020 all rising 7th-9th grade students are invited to join us for a wonderful day camp focused on service, sacraments, and community. Home base for camp is St. Leo's Catholic Church in Fairfax. Crews of youth will be helping with projects at local parishes, visiting residents at nursing homes, conducting a huge food drive to support families in need and much more. The cost for camp is only \$75. What a deal! Contact us today—youthapostolate@stveronica.net—for more details. Space is limited. In the past, we have had to turn away youth because camp fills up quickly.

High School Work Camp: Our parish is sending 10 high school students to the work camp sponsored by the Arlington Diocese this June in Winchester, VA. Our teens will be assisting families in need by helping to make their homes warmer, safer, and drier. Some of the projects will include roofing, installing windows, and building wheelchair ramps. We need to raise about \$9,500.00 to attend. **This Sunday, March 1st** our Work Campers will be clad in their construction gold t-shirts and accepting donations toward this goal after all of the Masses. They will also be serving at the pancake breakfast in the parish hall after morning Masses. Please stop by and chat with them about their camp preparations. We are so grateful to our parishioners who are able to support us prayerfully and financially!

Steubenville, A High School Youth Conference: It's time to register for this summer's youth conference. A deposit of \$50 is needed to reserve a spot. The conference will take place at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio July 17th-19th. Transportation provided. Total cost is \$250. The conference weekend is for youth in rising 9th grade through graduating seniors. Check out the link below for more details or contact us TODAY to reserve a space. <https://tinyurl.com/vcposd9>.

Youth Apostolate Doughnut Sunday: Volunteers are needed to assist with serving coffee and doughnuts between 7: am and 12:30 pm on Sunday, March 15th in the parish hall. Contact us to sign up for a shift!

Cookies for the Homeless: All youth in grades 7-12 are invited to join us from 10:00 am until noon in the parish kitchen on Sunday, March 15th. We only have space for 10 bakers. RSVP by email to reserve a space. No cost for this activity but a suggested donation of \$5 to help off-set baking supplies is requested.

Adopt a Grandparent Day: All 6th-12th grade students are invited to join us from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm at Dulles Rehab to visit with the residents and to pray the rosary. Permission slips are due to the parish office by March 12th. There's no cost for this event. Drop off and pick up is at the Rehab lobby.

Do you enjoy board games? We do too! Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to join us on the third Mondays of the month from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm for our youth board game night. The evening will include snack, prayer, discussion on relevant topics of faith, and challenging board games. We have many games to choose from or bring one of your own. Invite some friends and have a fun evening study break. No cost and no permission slip required. Meet us at the JPII modular with a parent at 7:00 pm to sign you in. Our next evening of board games is Monday, March 16th. Contact youthapostolate@stveronica.net for more information.

Encouragement for all Young People: *"Dear Jesus, help me to spread your fragrance wherever I go."* - Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman

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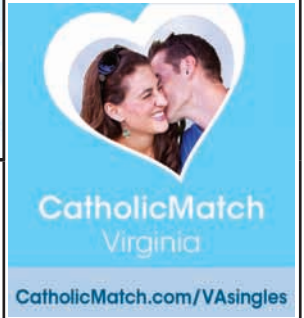


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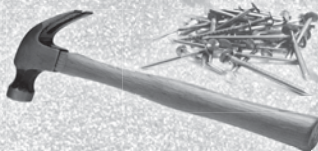
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