



Pastor Rev. Father Dennis W. Kleinmann

Parochial Vicar Rev. Father Richard E. Dyer

Deacon J. Paul Ochenkowski

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



## **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 (week days): 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

### **EUCHARISTIC 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.

## March 8, 2020: Second Sunday of Lent

## 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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## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

## MASS INTENTIONS

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 +

Monday, March 9: Saint Frances of Rome

8:30 am James and Phuong Nguyen 12:15 pm Rosalie Tuan +

Tuesday, March 10

8:30 am Robert Cappel + 12:15 pm Mary Sadick

Wednesday, March 11 8:30 am Toni Doyle +

12:15 pm Cherie Sherrier 7:30 pm Mary Lynne Ochenkowski

Thursday, March 12

8:30 am Tony and Marilyn Gagliardo

12:15 pm Patricia Crowley

Friday, March 13

8:30 am Kathy and Rick Newcomer

12:15 pm Pat Hyland + Saturday, March 14 8:30 am Jeff Cappel 5:00 pm Oliver Frakes +

Sunday, March 15: Third Sunday of Lent

Mr. Fermo Accordino + 7:30 am 9:00 am Eleanor Catherine DiNovis + 10:45 am The People of St. Veronica

5:00 pm Helen Gesiotto +

## **WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Sunday, March 8: Second Sunday of Lent 7:30 am LINK Food Collection Sunday—Vestibules 8:30 am Doughnut Sunday Hosted by PTO—Parish

3:00 pm

Living Stations Rehearsal—Church

Monday, March 9: Holy Mass 8:30 am 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

7:00 pm Patricians—Acolyte Room 7:30 pm RCIA-St. John Paul II Room

Tuesday, March 10: 8:30 am

Holy Mass 10:00 am 50 & Over Women's Bible Study - Acolyte

Room

12:15 pm

Religious Education Classes—Classrooms 6:45 pm

7:00 pm Legion of Mary—Acolyte Room

Wednesday, March 11:

8:30 am Holy Mass Holy Mass 12:15 pm 6:30 pm Confessions

7:00 pm Holy Hour with Exposition, Holy Rosary

and Benediction

7:30 pm Holy Mass

8:00 pm Meditation on the Gospel Scrutinies: "The Samaritan Woman at the Well"/Fr.

Kleinmann-Church

Thursday, March 12: 8:30 am Holy Mass

9:00 am St. Čatherine of Siena Ladies Faith Group-Acolyte Room

11:00 pm Bible Study, Gospel of Luke—Acolyte

Room

12:15 pm Holy Mass

ENDOW Middle School Girls-3:15 pm

4:15 pm

Children's Choir—Church Youth Orchestra—St. John Paul II Room 5:45 pm

7:00 pm Adult Choir-P203

7:00 pm St. Mother Teresa Outreach Apostolate

Sandwich Making—Kitchen

Friday, March 13:

Holy Mass 8:30 am 11:30 am School Dismissal 11:30 am Confessions 12:15 pm Holy Mass

3:30 pm 6:00 pm PSA Basketball—Sport Court Lenten Meatless Supper Hosted by Knights

of Columbus-Parish Hall

6:30 pm Confessions

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross—Church

7:30 pm IGNITE Middle School Youth Ministry-

8:00 pm Holy Mass in Vietnamese

Saturday, March 14:

TMIY Men's Group-Parish Hall & Kitchen 6:30 am

8:30 am Holy Mass

9:00 am Holy Rosary - Church 9:00 am Confessions

Our Lord's Flock—Training Room 1:00 pm

3:30 pm Confessions

St. Patrick's/St. Joseph's Party—Parish Hall 6:00 pm

#### 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 8, 2020

As we continue through this Lenten season, a penitential time of increased prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we strive for greater holiness preparing for the glory of Easter, which is five weeks away, and for the glory of heaven someday. This began two Wednesdays ago when we in the sign of the cross marked our foreheads with ashes. This was to remind us that we will indeed someday die and we need to be ready to meet Our Lord. We know not the day nor the hour, as Jesus Himself tells us, so thankfully we have the 40 days of Lent to focus us on this all the more. Ironically perhaps, on Ash Wednesday five, really six, men lost their lives in Milwaukee. The national news covered this tragic event. Sadly, it is only one of many situations that have involved multiple killings over the past number of years in our country. It is not the first to affect the Milwaukee area. In 2005 seven people were killed and others injured during a church service. Four years later three people were killed and others were injured at a women's hair salon, and that same year six people were killed and others injured at a Sikh temple. These kind of things have become all too common, almost tempting us to not be overly bothered by them. There was the attack on the country music concert in Las Vegas in 2017, the Orlando nightclub shooting in 2016, the Sandy Hook school shooting in 2012, the church attack in Texas in 2017, the shooting at Virginia Tech in 2007, the one at a Walmart in Texas less than a year ago, the shootings at the Navy Yard in D.C. in 2013, and the one in Virginia Beach almost a year ago. The list goes on and no doubt raises all kinds of questions, politically and morally. The point is we don't know when one of these kinds of horrific acts may occur or when we by natural means will face death and so, again, we have to be prepared. Lent in a profound way reminds us of this and helps us to do it.

To my surprise that episode in Milwaukee almost two weeks ago, seemed to have a great effect on me. I didn't know anyone that was involved. I never worked at that brewery (or any other for that matter). Yet, personally this did have an impact on me. I might be getting a little sentimental here, but as many of you know, Milwaukee is my home city. It is where I was born and raised. All my family (Dad, seven brothers and sisters, all but one of 20 nieces and nephews) live in the Milwaukee area. I tell people my soul is in Virginia, but my heart is in Wisconsin. This Midwestern state and city will always have a special place in my heart. That shooting on February 26th occurred at the sprawling MolsonCoors campus, as it is now called. For a century and a half it has been referred to as the Miller Brewery. The iconic red Miller sign sits on top of the tallest building that is part of the complex and is visible from miles away. The brewery covers multiple blocks in the western part of the city. I have driven by there hundreds of times. When you think of Milwaukee most people think of beer, and when you think of Milwaukee beer most people think of Miller, even though there are about 50 breweries in the Milwaukee area. By far Miller is the king, however! Even the city's baseball team is called the Brewers, and their stadium is Miller Field. This brewery is one of the largest in the U.S. in terms of beer produced and with its 1400 employees. Miller and its distributors sponsor many Catholic church festivals each year. In fact many of those churches have a "Miller tent." Additionally, Frederick Miller, the founder of the brewery, and his descendants were Catholic. Many went to Notre Dame University, and the grandson of Frederick founded the largest Catholic charitable foundation in the world with the proceeds of the sale of the brewery. These Catholic roots go deep, so I guess that is also why this just seems so personal. But that again should help to prompt us to really take Lent seriously and to make it personal, for our salvation in part depends on what we do these 40 days of Lent! ~ 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**

Second Sunday of Lent

#### Sunday

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

#### Monday

Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38

#### Tuesday

Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12

#### Wednesday

Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28

## **Thursday**

Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31

## **Friday**

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

#### Saturday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

## Sunday

Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

## FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

## WE ASKED, YOU RESPONDED

Another very successful Personal Items Drive benefitting MESA (Madison Emergency Services Association, Inc.)



Our 11<sup>th</sup> drive collected 1,371 lbs. of items. This combined with the 10 previous drives amounts to collections of 13,266 lbs.—about 6.6 tons! We also collected \$430.00 in gift cards, increasing the total for all drives to\$3,930. Considering many of the items are lightweight, this truly was another generous collection. Our next drive is October 3-11, 2020. On behalf of the St. V's Knights of Columbus, thank you.

## 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, please contact Steven Grist at 703-973-6528 or steve.grist@cox.net, or go to https://40daysforlife.com/.

## THANK YOU, ST. VERONICA SCHOOL

Recently, St. Veronica School generously donated dozens of boxes of diapers, baby supplies, and 5 large bags of handmade (& washed!) baby blankets to your local Herndon crisis pregnancy center, A Woman's Choice. We are so touched by the love shown by the children and families for our babies. Last year AWC saved 50 babies from abortion & helped with over 2,000 requests for baby supplies. Go to www.awomanschoicecenter.com.

## LENTEN CROSS CAMPAIGN RETURNS

St. Veronica parish invites you to participle 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.

## SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

## **Russell School of Ballet**

"Home to Fairfax Ballet Company"
Ballet · Pointe · Stretch · Tap · Jazz · Modern · Lyrical

Please see their ad in our website (click "Weekly Church Bulletins" on the home page), and support all those who make this bulletin possible. We are grateful for their support of our parish.

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.

#### **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. This 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 tohttps://tinyurl.com/s8kq5rs.

## 2020 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL

Steadfast in Faith and Joyful in Hope

The Bishop's Lenten Appeal is critical to our diocesan 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!

### SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

The second collection next weekend, March 14th and 15th, is to help pay our monthly mortgage. Thank you for your continued generosity.

CORNERSTON	E	
Sunday Offertory Weekend of 3/1/2020 Faith Direct 1 of 5 Weeks/March (projected)*		14,264.19 12,468.89
Monthly Mortgage Weekend of 3/1/2020 Faith Direct 1 of 5 Weeks/March (projected)*	\$	693.00 3,945.48
Special Collections Mother Teresa/Poor Box 3/1/2020 Faith Direct/March	\$	68.25 1,435.00
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 Mortgage balance Monthly payment		3,456,037.31 4,958,562.86 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 9th, we will discuss the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Commandments. 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 visit and invited them back. Come, join the Patricians this Monday, 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.

# REGISTRATION FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL BEGINS TODAY MARCH $8^{\text{th}}$

St. Veronica is proud to provide the youth of our parish and community the opportunity to grow spiritually with a one-week half day Catholic Bible School. Registration is limited and early bird registration ends June 1st. VBS will be held July 20-24th, 9:00 am-12:00 noon. To register or for more information visit our website https://tinyurl.com/wfc8szd, or grab a flyer in the church vestibules. Want to be an Adult Coach? Have Questions? Email vbs@stveronica.net.



~ Presents ~

## THE HOUR HAS COME

 $A\ Meditation\ on\ Christ's\ High\ Priestly\ Prayer$ 

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Msgr. Charles Pope Saturday, April 4, 6:30 p.m. Dinner Included, Lecture Begins 7:30 p.m.

> ~ At~ **St. Veronica Parish Hall**

FREE ADMISSION, NO RESERVATION REQUIRED www.InstituteofCatholicCulture.org  $\mid$  (540) 635 - 7155

## ALMSGIVING, PRAYER & FASTING IN ACTION

As we begin the Lenten season, please consider joining our parish community each **Friday** evening at 6:00 pm in the parish hall for a meatless meal and the opportunity to chat with the Apostolate hosts. We always welcome new ideas, energy and your help in serving the parish. The meatless meal **this week** is brought to you by the Knights of Columbus, and features cheese and veggie pizzas and salad. Stay for confessions at 6:30 pm and Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm.

## PARISH EVANGELIZATION PROJECT - SATURDAY, MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>

The Legion of Mary is sponsoring a Parish Evangelization Project (PEP) on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. 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 Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the acolyte room or email Lou Perna at legionofmary@stveronica.net.

### TMIY Spring Semester Continues

TMIY spring semester continues next **Saturday, March 14**<sup>th</sup>. We continue our Lenten Journey, discussing "Learning the Secrets of God\_" 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.

## **BALTIMORE CATECHISM**

On the First Commandment, continued

- Q. Can they who fail to profess their faith in the true Church in which they believe expect to be saved while in that state?
- A. They who fail to profess their faith in the true Church in which they believe cannot expect to be saved while in that state, for Christ has said: "Whoever shall deny Me before men, I will also deny him before My Father who is in Heaven.
- Q. Are we obliged to make open profession of our faith?
- A. We are obliged to make open profession of our faith as often as God's honor, our neighbor's spiritual good, or our own requires it. "Whosoever," says Christ, "shall confess Me before men, I will also confess him before My Father who is in Heaven."

## 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. Anthony of Padua **Lenten Service Project**



In a letter to the faithful, Archbishop Cordileone challenged us to look more closely at almsgiving during Lent. "How do people know we love them? When we love, we act: we comfort, we help, we show we care....We redouble our efforts during Lent, in a very focused way, in order to develop our spiritual stamina for living our faith well throughout the year. This is how we show both Jesus and our neighbor we love them."

This Lent students and teachers will team up after school to put our faith into action and turn plastic bags into sleeping mats to comfort people experiencing homelessness. We will take donated bags, turn them into "plarn" and turn that material into a sleeping surface that is lightweight, insulating and easy to clean.

How can else can you help? Hundreds of plastic bags are needed for each mat. We're asking families (preK - 8) to send in all those plastic grocery and merchandise bags that can't be added to home recycle bins. We will recycle them into a soft, sturdy and weather-proof mats. As Benedict XVI reminded us in his encyclical Caritas in Veritate (Charity in Truth), "The environment is God's gift to everyone, and in our use of it we have a responsibility towards the poor, towards future generations and towards humanity as a whole..."













## Congratulations 6th Grade Boys CYO Team

The 6th grade boys basketball team had a great weekend! At Sunday's Division 5 final, the boys went up against the St. Mark Lions, a team they had been defeated by previously. This time, though, St. V's dominated the game play to take the Division 5 title! The final score was 34-12.

A special thanks to Coaches Anthony and Danny Lobos. Their dedication, instruction, and encouragement of the boys was fantastic! Coach Anthony said, "I couldn't be prouder of how the boys played, they worked hard every practice and worked together as a team to win their 6th grade tournament!!!"

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## APOSTOLIC SERVICE, PRAYER, AND FELLOWSHIP

**Living Stations Rehearsal Schedule: Sundays, March 8**th 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 5<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 all rising 7<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Youth Apostolate Doughnut Sunday:** Volunteers are needed to assist with serving coffee and doughnuts between 7:00 am and 12:30 pm on Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup>. 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 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup>. 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 16<sup>th</sup>. Contact youthapostolate@stveronica.net for more information.

**Encouragement for all Young People:** "People are often unreasonable, irrational and self-centered. Forgive them anyway. If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway. If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. Succeed anyway. If you are honest and sincere, people may deceive you. Be honest and sincere anyway. What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight. Create anyway. If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. Be happy anyway. The good you do today, will often be forgotten. Do good anyway. Give the best you have, and it may never be enough. Give your best anyway. In the final analysis, it is between you and God; It was never between you and them anyway." - Mother Teresa

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

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

## "LESSONS IN FLYING = LESSONS IN LIFE"

The Dulles Chapter of the Catholic Business Networks invites you its March event featuring John Boylan, President and CEO, Dulles Chamber, **Tuesday, March 10**th. Heavy hors d'oeuvres and Cocktail Reception following networking, 4:30 pm–6:00 pm, Re/Max Premier, 44675 Cape Ct. #110, Ashburn. RSVP Georgia Graves, 571-237-6200 OR www.cbnnova.org. \$25 non-members and \$20 members.

## CLOSE UP NIGHT AT ST. PAUL VI

This special evening is for all 8th graders and their families who are considering a Catholic High School Education, 7:00 pm, **Tuesday**, **March 10th**, 10675 Fairfax Blvd., Fairfax.

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### PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY

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