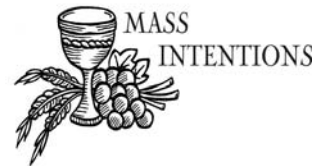




SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ✕ JANUARY 20, 2019



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First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

Isaiah prophesizes that Jerusalem will again be held in high esteem by God. He states that all nations will witness its glory. He compares a groom's joy toward his bride to the joy that God will feel toward Jerusalem.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Paul discusses the different gifts and talents bestowed upon different individuals. He explains that each individual receives various talents so that everyone can contribute something to society.

Gospel: John 2:1-11

Jesus and Mary attended a wedding where Mary informed Jesus that there was no more wine. At first he said it did not concern him, but then he turned several jugs of water into wine. His disciples were also present, and believed in him more strongly after they witnessed the first sign of glory he revealed to them.

Sunday, January 20	8:00 am	People of the Parish
	10:30 am	In Memory of Sr. Carmella Rizk Req. by Mr. & Mrs. David Zorzi
Monday, January 21	8:00 am	Special Intention Req. by Mr. & Mrs. William Long
Tuesday, January 22	8:00 am	In Memory of Monica Pham T. Chien Req. by the Nguyen Family
Wednesday, January 23	8:00 am	In Memory of Kathleen Bell Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Larry Gibbons
Thursday, January 24	8:00 am	In Memory of Teresa Le T. Lan Req. by the Nguyen Family
Friday, January 25	8:00 am	Intention of Seggy Acosta Req. by the Acosta Family
Saturday, January 26	8:00 am	Special Intention
	5:30 pm	In Memory of Angela Edes Req. by Mrs. Richard D'Arcy



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday

Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

Monday

Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday

Lectionary for Ritual Masses, vol. IV
"Mass for Peace & Justice", nos. 887-891

Wednesday

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday

Heb 7:25—8:6; Mk 3:7-12

Friday

Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18

Saturday

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:20-21

Upcoming Second Collections

January 27:	Latin America
February 3:	Building Fund
February 10:	Arlington Herald



Check out our new website!

www.stclareclifton.org

We will be loading the site with current events, calendars, online registration, pictures, and other useful information and links.

*** Parish Schedule ***

Sunday, January 20

Knights of Columbus Rosary, before all Masses

Monday, January 21

Martin Luther King Day ~ Office Closed

Thursday, January 24

Choir Practice, 7pm

Knights of Columbus: Rosary, 7pm

Meeting 7:30pm, church basement

Next Week's Parish Schedule

Thursday, January 31

Choir Practice, 7pm

Friday, February 1

First Friday Mass, 7:30pm

Followed by devotion

Saturday, February 2

First Saturday Mass, 8:00am

Followed by devotion

**** ***AROUND THE DIOCESE*** ****

HUMAN TRAFFICKING SEMINAR Friday February 8; 10:00 am - 1:00 pm at St Mark Catholic Church in Vienna. Bill Woolf will discuss how to end human trafficking in the Northern Virginia area, the U.S. and around the world, through education, prevention, and intervention. Mr. Woolf had over 15 years in law enforcement with Fairfax County before becoming the full-time executive director of Just Ask Prevention Project. His work at Just Ask is to develop a systematic approach and analytic tools for bringing awareness training to communities. Just Ask's approach is that well-informed citizens will decrease sex traffickers ability to operate and ensure that victims and survivors feel safe to come forward for help. **RSVP at volunteer@ccda.net**

Monthly Intercessory Prayer Holy Hour Local Musicians Lead Praise & Worship to Pray for Conversion and Healing. Join us for prayer, praise and worship on the second Tuesday of each month at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Fairfax from 7:30-8:30 p.m. The holy hours will feature popular musical artists including **The Miller Daughters on February 12 and Kenny Kohlhaas on March 12**. Our special intention will be for the conversion and healing in families. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available. Bring a friend. To learn more please contact the Office of Family, Marriage and Respect Life by calling 703-841-2550, emailing info@helpafterabortion.org or visiting www.arlingtondiocese.org/healingandconversion.

Mass and Healing Service with Healer, Sr. Briege McKenna Bring to Jesus your spiritual, physical and emotional ailments at a Mass and Eucharistic healing service with Sr. Briege McKenna, OSC, who is gifted with the charism of healing. The event is on **Friday, March 1, 2019, at All Saints Catholic Church, Manassas from 7-9 pm**. Visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/healing

Annual Women's Conference: "Miracles Do Happen" Join us on **Saturday, March 2, 2019**, for the annual Women's Conference, "Miracles Do Happen" at **St. Joseph Catholic Church in Herndon**. Speakers include Sr. Briege McKenna, OSC, gifted healer and author of the book "Miracles Do Happen"; and Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, author of "No Turning Back" and other spiritual books. Mass will be celebrated by the Most. Rev. Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington. Sponsored by the Office for Marriage, Family and Respect Life and the Arlington Council of Catholic Women. To register go to www.arlingtondiocese.org/women

Annual Men's Conference: "Power Within" The theme for the 2019 Men's Conference is "Power Within: The Secret Strength of a Deeper Interior Life." Speakers include Matt Birk, former Center for the Baltimore Ravens and author, and Fr. Donald Haggerty, a priest of the Archdiocese of New York and contemporary author. Mass with Bishop Michael F. Burbidge will be included. **Saturday, March 9, 2019 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Herndon**. Sponsored by the Office for Marriage, Family and Respect Life. To register visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/men.

Consider Judging the 2019 Diocesan Science Fair The Diocesan Science Fair needs individuals with a science background to help judge 7th and 8th grade students' projects for the 2019 Diocesan Science Fair from **8 a.m.-12 p.m. on Saturday, April 13, 2019** at St. Paul VI High School. Interested? Call Hilary Mildrew at the Office of Catholic Schools (703-841-2519) or email h.mildrew@arlingtondiocese.org

*** Religious Education News ***

No classes today, January 20th

Regular classes Sunday, January 27th

Regular classes Sunday, February 3rd

Regular classes Sunday, February 10th

No classes Sunday, February 17th


Regular classes February 24th

*** **RESCHEDULED** *** Parents Meeting for 2nd Graders preparing for the Sacrament of Penance, Sunday, January 27th, 11:45am in the Church.

Deaconmike@stclareclifton.org
703-266-1310

Many thanks to our volunteers (and especially the family helpers) who helped with un-decorating the church. It was fun and we were done in record time!

Bishop Burbidge's Homilies Online

 Want to hear relevant, pastoral inspiration from our Shepherd? Selected homilies of Bishop Burbidge can be found on the Diocese's YouTube page. Please visit youtube.com/arlingtondiocese.

2019 BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL BEGINS!

At the end of this month many of us will receive a mailing regarding the 2019 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). The theme for the 2019 BLA is "Together in the Light of Christ." After reflecting upon the blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this important appeal that funds many programs and ministries that serves thousands of people in our diocese. Together, through the BLA, let us renew our personal commitment to furthering the Lord's work in our diocese.

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“There was a wedding in Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding...the mother of Jesus told him ‘they have no wine.’ His mother said to the servers, ‘Do whatever he tells you.’...and his disciples began to believe in him.”

It is easy to remember the first miracle as told by John. Like all weddings there was an invitation, and they were present. A near crisis caused Mary to intervene. She directed the difficult moment to be converted into a miracle, instructing the waiters what to do. Using what was at hand, water and jars enabled Jesus to transform the situation. The result was a newfound belief for those who accompanied Him to the wedding.

We too are invited to be with Jesus at the Eucharistic banquet. Jesus directs us ‘do this in memory of me’ and our own faith is strengthened and renewed by His presence. Mary knows the crises in our lives, of family, injustice, illness. Although the words spoken by Mary in the scriptures are the last we read, she too speaks to us ‘do whatever he tells you.’ Her presence and intervention or intercession in our behalf still has meaning ‘pray for us now and at the hour of our death. Amen.’



HIS WORD TODAY

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON
THE SUNDAY READINGS