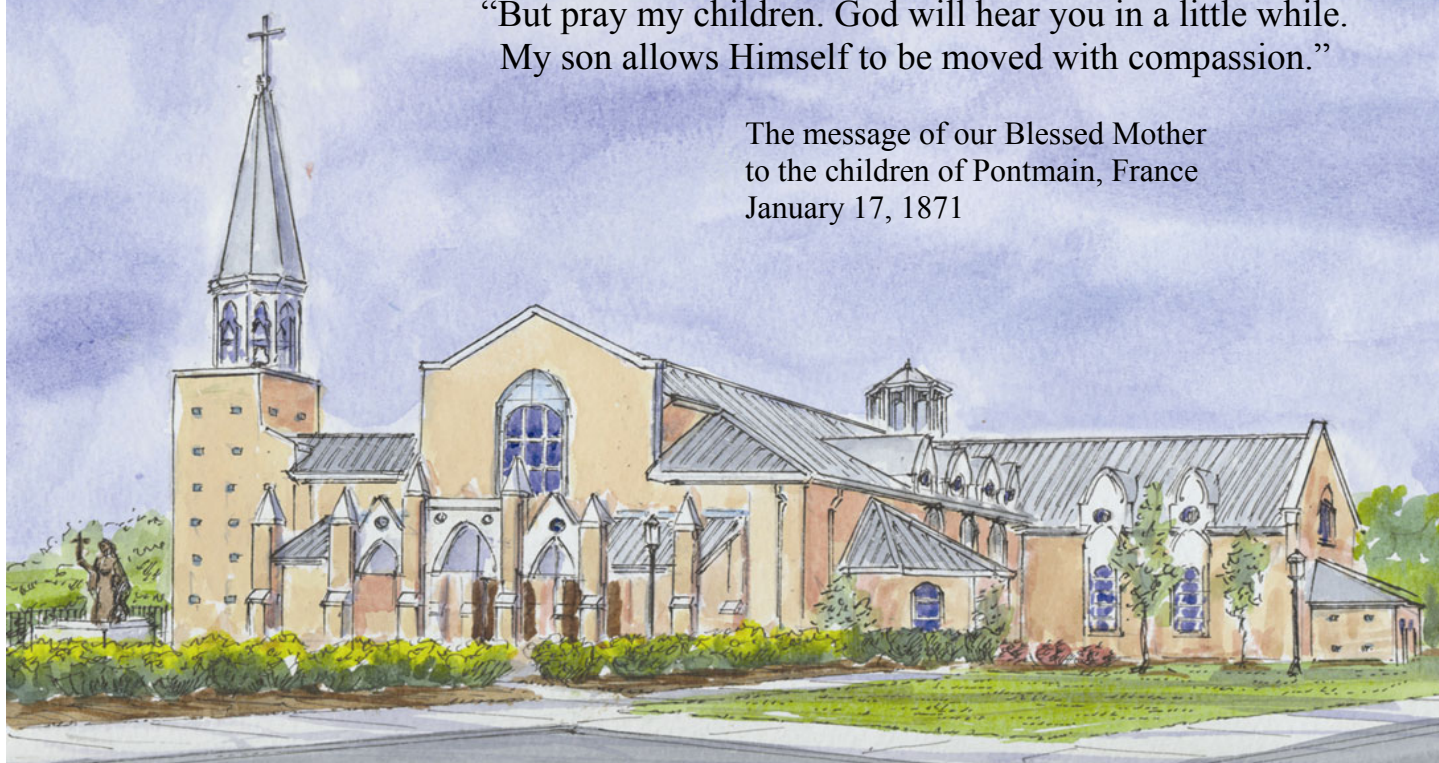


Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church

“But pray my children. God will hear you in a little while.
My son allows Himself to be moved with compassion.”

The message of our Blessed Mother
to the children of Pontmain, France
January 17, 1871



Parish Staff

The Rev. William P. Saunders, Pastor
The Rev. Joseph W. Farrell, Parochial Vicar

Cathy Barshop, Director of Religious Education
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The Church & Parish Office

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Monday - Friday
Telephone: 703-433-6770
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Parish Registration

We invite you to register and become part of our parish community. Forms are available at the parish office or on the table in the narthex.

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sundays: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

Daily Masses

Monday - Friday at 6:45 & 8:30 a.m.
Saturday: 8:30 a.m.
On Federal Holidays Mass is at 8:30 a.m. only.

Sacrament of Penance

Confessions are heard on Saturdays after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, during the Thursday evening Holy Hour, and by appointment.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 8:30 p.m.

Holy Hour

Thursday evening from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Hope Catholic School A National Blue Ribbon School



Mary Beth Pittman, School Principal
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Potomac Falls, Virginia 20165
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MASSES OF THE WEEK**Sunday, April 24: Fifth Sunday of Easter**

7:30 a.m. +Anna Mailoan Pham by
Mr. & Mrs. Tran

9:00 a.m. + Sophie Czuba by John & Helen
Grzechowiak

10:30 a.m. Living and Deceased Parishioners

12:15 p.m. +Kenneth Whitehead by Bill & Carol
Hogan

Monday, April 25: Saint Mark, Evangelist

6:45 a.m. + Roy Scimonelli by Cathy Barshop

8:30 a.m. +Lucy Price by the Ward Family

Tuesday, April 26: Easter Weekday

6:45 a.m. Paolo Verrone by Clyde Slick

8:30 a.m. Billy McNamara by the Long Family

Wednesday, April 27: Easter Weekday

6:45 a.m. +Chuck Dalby by Michael Burgess

8:30 a.m. +Anna Mailoan Pham by
Phuong Pham & Hy Tran

Thursday, April 28: Easter Weekday

6:45 a.m. Bob Fay by Clyde Slick

8:30 a.m. +Aurora Hook by OLOHCS Staff

Friday, April 29: St Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

6:45 a.m. +Stan Plummer by the OLOH RE Staff

8:30 a.m. +Bill McDowell by
the Eichensehr Family

Saturday, April 30: Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. +Jaqueline Kahn by the Russell Family

5:00p.m. +Noah Wilson by
John & Helen Grzechowiak

Please Pray For...

The list of the sick and homebound of our parish can be found at www.ourladyofhope.net, our parish website. Please use the **"Parish Life"** link to get to the list. To add a name, please use the online form or call the parish office. *Please pray for:*

John Curcio, Jay Richards & Mark Austin

Sacrament of Baptism

Parish Registration and the Baptism class are required. Baptisms are held every Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Church Baptistry. Please contact the parish secretary to register for the Baptism classes. Plan to attend the classes before the birth of the child.

Sacrament of Matrimony

In accordance with the regulations of the Bishop of Arlington, couples must contact a priest and begin preparation at least six months prior to the wedding. Parish registration and active participation for a minimum of 3 months is required *before* preparation may begin. Living together before marriage is sinful and harmful to the future marriage. Couples who are living together will be asked to live separately during the preparation time.

Call to Vocations

"The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." Does a life of joy in knowing you are following the Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life inspire you? Contact Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514 or j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org. If you sense that Christ may be calling you to the priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life, contact Father J.D. Jaffe at j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org or 703-841-2514 or call Father Saunders or Father Farrell.

**"Overwhelming response and support"**

These were the words included in the thank you from Sandy Dominick of the House of Mercy in Manassas to the many OLOH parishioners who participated in this years' Lenten Cross of Mercy. The donations greatly helped to stock the shelves at the House of Mercy for their clients and families. Thank you for your commitment to helping those in need in our community. May you be blessed for your caring and the sharing of your blessings with others.

This week's collection

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal will be the second collection this week. Please prayerfully support this appeal. Thank you.

What does it mean to be an active Catholic?

Frequently, those seeking to celebrate Marriage, have children baptized, or serve as sponsors for Confirmation or Baptism request a letter stating that they are parishioners and active, practicing Catholics. *To receive such a letter, one must be registered in the parish for at least 3 months, attend Mass regularly, and be committed to a stewardship of time, talent, and treasure.* We encourage all parishioners to become active in one of the parish organizations. In a community as large as Our Lady of Hope, one means of verifying participation is through the use of parish offertory envelopes. If you choose not to participate in the support of the parish, or are unable to contribute at this time, please at least note your prayerful support on your envelope and place it in the weekly offertory. We will then be aware of your continued participation, and you will not be noted as "inactive" on our parish roster.

Prayers of the Faithful

That we have the courage to love others that we don't like, don't know or don't look like us.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**Birthright April Baby Shower**

Please join the **Ladies of Hope** in support of Birthright of Loudoun County. We are collecting new or gently used baby clothes (sizes 0 to 9 months) and new or gently used maternity clothes (sizes S, M, L, XL). A bin will be located in the Narthex after Masses on April 16/17 and April 23/24. *Every baby has a right to life.* Thank you for your kindness and generosity to mothers in need.

Natural Family Planning

The Couple to Couple League has recently released a self-paced online course, which teaches NFP in a series of interactive lessons. The couple receives the instruction at their own pace and on their own schedule. They will be connected with a teacher who will be available by email or phone to help them along the way. For more information, go to www.ccli.org.

Ladies of Hope Morning Meeting – April 26

All ladies are invited to join us for a morning Ladies of Hope meeting on Tuesday, April 26. We will have social time after Mass, and our program will begin at **9:30 a.m.**. Please join us for a safety seminar presented by Damsel in Defense, including basic self-defense techniques for women young and old, followed by a demonstration of Lilla Rose flexi clips for your hair. Babysitting will be provided. Hope to see you there!

Book Club—April 26

Our current selection is, The Power and Glory, by Graham Greene. We invite all interested men and women of the parish to read the book, and join us for a discussion in the **St. Thomas More Room** on Tuesday, April 26, at 7 p.m. A few copies are available for purchase in the gift shop. For more information please contact Grace Jeglum at 703-404-0997 or gjeglum@gmail.com.

Marian Tea – May 14

The Ladies of Hope will be selling tickets for their annual Marian Tea after Masses during the weekends of April 23-24 and April 30-May 1. The 2016 Marian Tea will take place on Saturday, May 14, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parish hall. We have expanded the number of tables for this popular event, but please be sure to purchase your reserved seat ticket **by May 1**. (No tickets will be sold at the door.) Tickets are \$10 per person, and tickets for young ladies ages 5 and under are complimentary. Please join us for fellowship, refreshments, and May Crowning as we offer tribute to Our Blessed Mother. Questions? Please call Pat Garman at 703-430-3213 or email her at vagirls4@comcast.net for more information.

From the Desk of the Pastor ...

Dear Parishioners:

I am happy to report that this week, our parish will be forwarding a check for \$13,840 to the Chaldean Catholic Diocese of St. Thomas the Apostle, to help the relief efforts for the displaced Christian refugees from Syria and Iraq. This amount represents the following contributions: \$6,000 (Knights of Columbus Art Auction), \$3,211 (Holy Thursday special collection), and \$4,629 "T" shirts sales from the gift shop. Thank you very much for your generosity to help alleviate the suffering of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Father Saunders

Knights Day at Nationals Park

The Knights of Columbus is hosting the 11th Annual Knight Family Day with the Washington Nationals on Sunday, June 12, 2016 vs. the Philadelphia Phillies. This event is open to all parishioners. Game time is 4:05 p.m.; Lower Box (3rd Base side). The cost is \$63.00 per person, which includes reserved tickets to the game and round trip coach transportation. Individual game tickets are also available for \$42.00 each. Please make your checks payable to "Our Lady of Hope Council". Contact Andy Altman at altman5@msn.com to sign up!

St. John's Catholic Prep Open House

You are invited to attend a Spring Open House at Saint John's Catholic Preparatory School on Thursday, April 28th from 6:00 PM until 7:30 PM. Saint John's is a Catholic, coeducational, college preparatory high school now located at its new campus at 3989 Buckeystown Pike in Buckeystown, MD. Prospective parents and students can also visit Saint John's online at www.saintjohnsprep.org. For more information about admissions or the open house, please call the school at 301-662-4210 or e-mail admissions@saintjohnsprep.org

Christendom College Open House

 Current high school students and their families are invited to Christendom College in Front Royal, VA, one of the leading Catholic colleges in the nation for Open House on Monday, April 25th. The day includes meeting the college president, classroom visits, presentations, Mass and more! Register online at christendom.edu. Contact Zac Inman with any questions at atzinman@christendom.edu or 540.551.9232.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**703-433-6564***The Religious Education Office is closed on Fridays.*

April 24: Confirmation Meeting (for 7th Graders and their parents)

April 30: First Communion Retreat

May 7: First Communion Liturgy

May 10/11: Final Exams

May 17/18: May Crowning

Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendar and join us for Vacation Bible School this summer! The session will run from June 20th through June 24th, 9 a.m. - noon daily. There will be lots of fun, arts & crafts, music and activities! Come Aboard the Vatican Express with Fr. Farrell! All rising first graders through rising fifth graders are welcome. You can find the registration form at www.ourladyofhope.net. Please consider signing up as a volunteer.

**YOUTH MINISTRY****703-433-6770****Youth@ourladyofhope.net****Upcoming High School Youth Group Events**

Each Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., the youth group meets in the school gym for a half-hour of fun and fellowship followed by a topical presentation and discussion. Then, from 9-10 p.m., open gym is available for anyone wishing to stay.

Upcoming Meetings:

April 26: Stump the Priest Night

Mother Teresa Mondays:

Meet at the school at 5:45 p.m. 8th Graders are welcome to join the High School Youth Group for these events

Upcoming Junior High Events:*7th & 8th Graders*

May 1: 6:15—8:00 p.m. in the Gym

May 15: 6:15—8:00 p.m. in the Gym

June 5: 6:15—8:00 p.m. in the Gym

For more information:

<http://ourladyofhope.net/junior-youth-ministry>
jrhghigh@ourladyofhope.net

PARISH GROUP COORDINATORS

Altar Servers:	Jeff Grado	477-9177
Altar Society:	Alfonso & Janeth Pena	406-9835
American Heritage Girls:	Heather Ward	571-331-4394
Area Agency on Aging:	Rich Payne	887-9765
Birthingright:		
Boy Scouts:	Al Pacifico	727-7773
Cub Scouts:	Michael McIntosh	444-2316
Culture of Life:	Fran Black	726-1643
CYO Sports:	Raynelle Araque	404-3442
Girl Scouts:	Tricia Kershaw	450-0685
Homeschoolers:	Stacy Byrne	948-7845
Jr. High Youth:	Stacy Byrne	948-7845
Knights of Columbus:	Bob Carmack	240-505-4600
Ladies of Hope:	Marie Kennedy	433-0864
Lectors:	Paul Gilmore	444-2293
Legion of Mary:	Deborah Baird	430-8554
Mom's Group	Christina Bongiovanni	917-301-3287
Parish Service Partnership:	Tess Torres	571-278-5736
Seniors:	Mary Ann Murphy	404-8677
Ushers:	John Grzechowiak	444-0023
Young Adults:	Josh Bickl	618-830-2399

Senior Trips

May 11th – “Samson” at Sight & Sound Millennium theatre in Lancaster, Smorgasbord at Millers (wait-list).

July 14th - “Phantom of the Opera” at the Kennedy Center, orchestra seats. The cost is \$112.00 (includes motor coach).

For more information, please contact Mary Ann Murphy at 703-404-8677.

Tweet, tweet! Do You Twitter?

Want to know when our schools launch satellites into space? Or when Pope Francis breaks a record? Follow @arlingtonchurch on Twitter for breaking #Catholic stories and uplifting shareable media that will enlighten and inspire you.

Check out the 2minutes2virtue Weekly Challenge!

Tune in to 2minutes2virtue and take the Weekly Challenge with Fr. Chris Christensen, Parochial Vicar at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More. He hosts the April videos series designed to help Catholics on the go get the most out of the Sunday readings. Sign-up to receive the weekly videos at arlingtondiocese.org/2minutes2virtue. For more information, contact the Office for Family Life at (703) 841-2550.

Project Rachel Healing Retreats: April 29—May 1

This retreat is a safe place to renew and rebuild hearts broken from abortion. It offers a confidential environment where you can begin the process of healing. For more info or to register, email: info@helpafterabortion.org, visit: www.helpafterabortion.org or call: (888) 456-HOPE (4673). Registration Deadline is April 25. Space is limited.

Mornings of Mercy for Divorced Catholics

Join for a series of morning retreats that deal with topics such as grief, parenting, suffering, and hope. The first retreat will be May 21 at St. Louis in Alexandria, starting at 8:45 a.m. and ending before noon. The morning will include Mass, a featured speaker, time for discussion and benediction. To learn more or to register visit: www.arlingtondiocese.org/divorced. More dates are available online. Please contact the Office for Family Life at (703) 841-2550 with any questions.

Diocesan Wide Eucharistic Holy Hour

You are invited to a diocesan-wide Eucharistic Holy Hour sponsored by the Arlington Division of the World Apostolate of Fatima (the Blue Army) on Sunday, April 24, from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 271 Winchester St., Warrenton. At Fatima, Our Lady asked for prayer and sacrifice for the conversion of sinners, peace in the world, and an increase in vocations; we hope you will join us in prayer.

For Arlington Young Adults (Ages 18-39)

Join young professionals from around the Diocese as we watch the Washington Nationals take on the Detroit Tigers at 7:05 p.m. on May 10. Tickets are \$22. To purchase a ticket, contact Brendan Gotta at (703) 841-2549 or yam@arlingtondiocese.org.

Join Arlington Young Adult Ministry for Arlington Worship, a weekly praise and worship event taking place at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Arlington on Tuesdays from 8 to 9 p.m. For more information, contact Brendan Gotta at (703) 841-2549 or yam@arlingtondiocese.org.



Celebrate World Youth Day with millions of young adults around the world without leaving DC through a one-day World Youth Day experience that will mirror the week-long event in Poland. Featuring nationally known speakers, Stations of the Cross, Mass, Polish food, live concert and more! Tickets are \$25. Go to www.wydDC.org to learn more and purchase tickets, or contact Brendan at (703) 841-2549.

Faith Direct

Please consider enrolling in Faith Direct today. Participation in the Faith Direct Program for automatic electronic giving expresses the willingness of the faithful to be a regular part of the mission and ministry of Our Lady of Hope. You may visit www.faithdirect.net to enroll, our parish code is VA79. You can also pick up an enrollment form in the parish office.

Nationwide Prescription Take-Back Day

Loudoun County is supporting the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) in the “Take-Back” initiative that seeks to prevent increased pill abuse and theft. Residents can discard potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs for destruction on April 30, 2016, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. A couple of sites that are convenient to OLOH: Loudoun Sheriff’s Station located at 46620 East Frederick Drive in Sterling and Lansdowne Public Safety Center located at 19845 Sandridge Way in Lansdowne. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked. This is our opportunity to properly dispose of unwanted and unused prescription medications.

Learn More about the Faith through CDU

Join the inspiring instructors at Catholic Distance University for a faith-filled journey of discovery. Enroll in an online independent study course of your choice and study anytime, anywhere! Courses include: The Catholic School: Identity and Leadership, The Way Catholics Use Scripture, Modern American Catholic History (1908—Present) & Vatican II: Lay Spirituality. Visit cdu.edu and click the Continuing Ed tab to enroll. Parishioners in the Diocese of Arlington pay just \$30. When registering, use promo code: CDU15ARLINGTON

Fiat Book Study

Fiat invites all young adults, 18-39, to a study of Pope Francis’ recent Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of Love*. The meeting will be in the St. Thomas More room in the Parish Hall on Mondays from 7:30—9:00 p.m. Come and meet other young adults to grow in Faith and Fellowship. Please contact Josh Bickl for more details at fiatyoungadults@gmail.com.

April Stewardship Reflections for the 5th Sunday of Easter

“I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.” John 13:34. It is easy to love someone when they love us back. But it takes courage to love someone when we feel unappreciated, used or feel our opinion doesn’t matter. It takes courage to “love my neighbor” when he may be someone I don’t like, someone I don’t know or someone who doesn’t look like me.

This Week at a Glance**Sunday, April 24:**

11:30 a.m. SPOC Study Hall—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

1:30 p.m. Confirmation Parent's Meeting—Parish Hall

Monday, April 25:

6:45 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

3:45 p.m. American Heritage Girls—Parish Hall

7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts – Parish Hall

7:30 p.m. Young Adults – St. Thomas More Room

Tuesday, April 26:

6:45 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

3:00 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal– St. Thomas More Room

3:15 p.m. Jr. Legion of Mary—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

4:15/6:00 p.m. Religious Education – School Classrooms

6:30 p.m. K of C—St. Thomas More Room/Parish Hall

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (9:00am Choir) - STM Room

7:15 p.m. Youth Ministry –School Gym

Wednesday, April 27:

6:35 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

4:15 p.m. Religious Education – School Classrooms

7:00 p.m.. Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday, April 28:

6:45 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

9:00 a.m. Adoration

7:30 p.m. Holy Hour, Confessions, Benediction

Friday, April 29:

6:45 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts – Parish Hall

Saturday, April 30:

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass/Confessions

8:30 a.m. First Communion Retreat

Next Week at a Glance**Sunday, May 1:**

11:30 a.m. SPOC Study Hall—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

Monday, May 2:

6:45 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

3:45 p.m. American Heritage Girls—Parish Hall

7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts – Parish Hall

7:30 p.m. Young Adults – St. Thomas More Room

Tuesday, May 3

6:45 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

3:00 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal– St. Thomas More Room

3:15 p.m. Jr. Legion of Mary—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

4:15/6:00 p.m. Religious Education – School Classrooms

6:30 p.m. K of C—St. Thomas More Room/Parish Hall

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (9:00am Choir) - STM Room

7:15 p.m. Youth Ministry –School Gym

Wednesday, May 4:

6:35 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

4:15 p.m. Religious Education – School Classrooms

7:00 p.m.. Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday, May 5:

6:45 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

9:00 a.m. Adoration

5:30 p.m. First Holy Communion Practice

7:30 p.m. Holy Hour, Confessions, Benediction

Friday, May 6:

6:45 a.m. Holy Mass

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts – Parish Hall

Saturday, May 7 :

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass/Confessions

11:00 a.m. First Holy Communion Liturgy

Calling all Facebook Fans

Want to see photos of Bishop Loverde in action whipping up breakfast for our seminarians? Or Arlington teens hard at service at WorkCamp this summer? Follow the Catholic Diocese of Arlington for this and more shareable media that will enlighten, engage and inspire you, and maybe even your Facebook friends.

Pope Francis is on Instagram. Are You?

Pope Francis joined Instagram and broke a record collecting over one million followers in 12 hours. Join the trend and follow @arlingtonchurch for breaking #Catholic stories, uplifting shareable quotes, and graphics that will enlighten and inspire you.