

Please Pray For...

Parishioners... Thomas, Patti, Ruth, Joseph, John and Anne, Lorna and Ken, Frank.

Family and friends... Pepper, Cathy, Mary, Jean, Brenda, Virginia, Paul, Martha, Christopher, Carolyn and John, Victoria, Bernice, John

In thanksgiving for the birth of Madeleine Grace Farmer, daughter of Jessica and Dan, granddaughter of Bob and Leslie Malm.

Requiescat in Pace ... those killed in New York and all those killed in acts of terror and war around the world.

Those serving in Afghanistan or Iraq and all others at risk. Pray for healing for US troops wounded as casualties of war and their caregivers.

Others who are overseas serving the Church or our nation, or studying, including Lit and Mary Carol Tazewell, Maggie Eckel, Andrew Boyd and Audra Kreger, Chris and Maggie Corlett, Virginia Robinson, the Pattarini family, Evan and Kim Cannell

Those in assisted living: Shirley, Jorge, Joan, Clare, Tom, Fr. Jack, Kathleen, Jim, Dabney, Dorothy, Margaret

Those travelling: Cynthia and Cathy Puskar, the Doyle and Dodd families

The Anglican Prayer Cycle: Toungoo - (Myanmar), **The Rt Revd Saw Wilme.**

The Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle: St. Martin's, Richmond; Grace, Bremono Bluff; Calvary, Front Royal.

Grace Episcopal Church Prayer Cycle: The Sexton and the school's Facilities Management team who take care of our building: **Pedro Hernandez, Craig Lawlor and Alberto Contreras.**

Those with birthdays this week:

6 Peck Davis, Madison McCarthy, Judy Micklish, Jennifer Pease

7 Amy Barron

8 Barbara Simmons

9 Dabney Holloway, Nancy Rawlings

10 Patricia Ridgely

11 Amanda Fowler, Phillip Hall, Tony Madigan

Contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests or submit them on the website at:

<https://www.gracealex.org/worship/personal-worship/>. Requests will be removed after 4 weeks unless renewed.

Today

Flowers on the Altar

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for the marriage of Timothy Dodd and Tomomi Sakurai; in loving memory of Sarah Ferguson Bates by Edgar Bates; in thanksgiving for the life of Wm. Michael Hix from his family; in loving memory of Jeff Gustafson, always loved never forgotten, by Molly Sim, Lauren Gustafson, and Colby Gustafson; and in honor of Bette Yancey's birthday by Beth Yancey and Libby Padilla.

Blessing of the Pledges on All Saints

Today, we will bring forward our financial pledges for 2018 and bless them. Cards were mailed with a letter and the 3rd quarter statements. Extra cards are available in the Narthex Tract Rack and on the Credenza in the Commons.

Christian Education Hour (10:15 a.m.)

Adult Forum: Community Lodging Presentation (St. John Room)

Inquirers Class: Why a Book of Common Prayer? (Library)

Join Father Malm for the first of the Inquirers classes this Sunday in the library. It will include an introduction to the course and a discussion of the Book of Common Prayer.

Thanksgiving Baskets Deadline Approaching – November 12

This year the need seems especially great and we really need your help. Please help us to give a Happy Thanksgiving to these families. There is a sign-up poster in the lobby next to the parking lot. Please write legibly. Once you have signed up, you will receive via email the shopping list and delivery instructions. Thank you! Please contact Sally Schneider with questions, sallydschneider@comcast.net or 703-683-1848.

Upcoming Youth Events

Sunday Night Youth Night is tonight! 5:30-8:00 in Merrow Hall Auditorium. If you are in the 6th-12th grade, we invite you to join us!

Trunk or Treat

Thank you to all who participated in Trunk or Treat! Check out our Facebook page to see all the creative trunk decorations and awesome costumes!

United Thank Offering Ingathering Sunday, November 19

Don't forget to pick up a UTO Blue Box and a UTO envelope which are available in the church narthex or on the credenza outside the church office. The envelopes can also be found in the church pews. Please give as generously as you can in thanksgiving for God's many blessings upon you and your family and to continue the UTO mission to congregations in the United States and throughout the world.

November Grace Notes

The November 2017 Edition of Grace Notes is now available on www.gracealex.org under Parish News. A small supply of hard copies is available on the credenza in the Commons and in the tract rack.

Next Week

Christian Education Hour (10:15 a.m.)

Adult Forum: Some of the major complications in trying to bring peace to Iraq, Syria and Yemen. Join Conway Zeigler for a discussion of the many issues involved in bringing peace to this war-torn area.

Inquirers Class: Our Unique Identity: Scripture, Tradition, Reason (Library)

Newcomers Reception, November 12

All newcomers to Grace are invited to join the Evangelism committee, clergy, and staff at the Newcomers Reception on November 12 from 5:45-7:00 in the St. Mark Room. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Enjoy My Mom's Food Event, November 12

The La Gracia congregation will be selling food during the Christian Education Hour between the 9:00 and 11:15 services to raise funds for their emergency fund. Grab something for your lunch and help support this giving ministry.

Upcoming Events

Saturday Night Social, November 18

Our second Saturday Night Social will be held on Saturday, November 18 from 5:30-8:00. Plans are still being developed, but will be announced soon! Save the date and come share in an evening of fellowship!

Inter-Generational Advent Forum, November 26

It's time to reserve your Advent Wreath kits! Cost per kit is \$25 and includes fresh greenery, frame and candles. Kits can be made at the Intergenerational Forum on November 26 or picked up from the main office on Monday, November 27. If paying by check or online, please note Advent Wreath Kit on the memo line. Sign-up sheets are available at coffee hours and online through the weekly e-news.

Helping Others

Meals on Wheels Volunteers Needed

Please consider joining other volunteers from Grace Church at 10 a.m. on the 1st Friday of the month to deliver meals for the Alexandria Meals on Wheels program. Generally, two volunteers make 8-10 deliveries on a carefully planned route normally requiring only 1 ½ to 2 hours. Several long-time volunteers have recently had to retire from this ministry and there are several slots to fill. To volunteer or for more information please contact Mike Reed at 703.836.4550 or at mike.reed@gracealex.org.

Calendar of the Week
November 5 – November 11

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m. Holy Baptism and Choral Eucharist
La Gracia Eucharist
10:15 a.m. Adult Forum, Inquirers Class, Sunday School following Children's Coffee Hour in
St. Mark Room
11:15 a.m. Festival Eucharist
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
5:30 p.m. Youth Dinner

Monday

1:00 p.m. Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
6:30 p.m. Education for Ministry – St. Mark Room

Tuesday

William Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1944

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
1:00 p.m. Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
4:00 p.m. Beginner Chorister Practice
5:00 p.m. Advanced Chorister Practice
6:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist
7:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting

Wednesday

Leo the Great, Bishop of Rome, 461

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
4:00 p.m. Chorister Practice
7:00 p.m. AA – St. Luke Room
7:00 p.m. SSJE – St. Mark Room
7:30 p.m. Bible Study at the VTS Pub
8:00 p.m. AA/Alanon – Auditorium and St. Luke Room

Thursday

Martin, Bishop of Tours, 397

12:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist
6:45 p.m. Handbell Choir
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir – Choir Room

Friday

Parish Office and Food Pantry Closed

9:00 a.m. GES Eucharist
9:30 a.m. GES Open House
6:30 p.m. Food Pantry Open (until 7:30 p.m.)
8:30 p.m. AA – St. Mark Room

Saturday

9:00 a.m. Altar Guild