

Please Pray For...

Parishioners... Michael, Richard, Tina, Lisa, Charles, Dottie, Bette, Howard, Dorothy, Barbara, Christine, Mike, Jay, Dick, Karla, Charles, Susan

Family and friends... Pepper, Cathy, Christine, Jack, Michael, Bill, Mickey, Joseph H., Victoria, Melani, Joseph,

Requiescat in Pace ... the victims of the Tree of Life tragedy and all those killed in acts of terror and war around the world.

Those serving in Afghanistan, Iraq or Syria and all others at risk: Christopher Corlett, Blair Sokol and 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, Andrew Boyd and Audra Kreger, Virginia Robinson, the Pattarini family, Evan and Kim Cannell, Karen and Eric Coulson.

Those in assisted living: Jorge, Joan, Clare, Tom, Fr. Jack, Rose, Kathleen, Audrey, Jim, Dabney, Dorothy, Margaret, Lew, Vi, Muriel, Mary, Alice, Neal

Those travelling: Brad Bergmann and June Huber

The Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle: All Clergy and Lay Delegates at the Annual Convention and Diocesan Staff.

The Anglican Prayer Cycle: The Church of Ceylon (E-P to the Archbishop of Canterbury) and The Rt Revd Dhiloraj Ranjit for Colombo - (Ceylon) and The Rt Revd Keerthisiri Fernando for Canagasabey Kurunegala - (Ceylon)

Grace Episcopal Church Prayer Cycle: Dr. Richard Newman, Director of Music and Francisco Robles, guitarist for La Gracia, as well as those who volunteer in the Adult Choir, the Choristers and the Handbell Choir.

Those with birthdays this week:

- 4 Bette Yancey
- 5 Haile Dagne
- 6 Peck Davis, Jennifer Pease
- 7 Amy Barron
- 8 Barbara Simmons
- 9 Dabney Holloway, Nancy Rawlings

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

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the many years of service of The Right Rev. Shannon Johnston by the Altar Guild.

Adult Forum: Living with Difference (St. John Room)

Come listen to David Montgomery, PhD discuss the most recent CEDAR program that took place in Texas on the theme of "Hospitality and the Stranger". Since 2003 CEDAR (Communities Engaging with Difference and Religion) has organized experientially-based educational programs in which participants from diverse backgrounds learn how to live with difference in their respective communities. The programs combine lectures, experiential learning, and group work for an intensive period of challenging taken-for-granted assumptions. CEDAR seeks to create a space of interaction that moves participants to new understandings of how to live with difference. Dr. Montgomery is co-author of "Living with Difference: How to Build Community in a Divided World." Copies are on sale in in the church office.

Inquirers' Class (Library)

We will be discussing the Bible with Father Malm leading the class.

Youth News

Youth Sunday is tonight from 5:30-8:00 in Merrow Hall Auditorium. All youth are invited! A special thank you to the Outreach Committee for providing dinner for our teenagers.

Third-Quarter Statements

Please be sure to pick up your third-quarter statements from the box on the credenza in The Commons. They will be there through the 4th and then we will mail them out. If you would prefer, contact the office and we can scan and email your statement to you. If you have questions regarding items in your statement, please contact Beth Calaman, our Parish Financial Administrator. For other inquiries, contact Amy Medrick, Parish Administrator.

Pledge Sunday

Today, we will begin to receive our financial pledges for 2019. Pledge cards were mailed out. If you did not receive a card, they are available in the pews and on the credenza in The Commons.

Ushers Needed

We are currently in need of new ushers to serve at our Sunday services. At the recent Ministry Fair, several people expressed an interest, but unfortunately the sign-up sheet has been misplaced. If you signed up and haven't been contacted, or if you didn't sign up but still might be interested in joining this important Grace ministry, please contact kemp.williams@gracealex.org.

This Week

Monthly Requiem

The Requiem for November will be celebrated at the 6:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist on November 6. Please call the office if you have a name to remember and add to the list, as we remember those who have died in this month.

Winter Clothing Drive

Looking for a volunteer opportunity? Come help at the 7th Annual Winter Clothing Drive, a joint effort with our neighbors just down Russell Road at St. Rita Catholic Church. We will meet for about an hour on Friday, November 9, at 6:00 p.m. in St. Rita's school hall to set up for the event. We'll meet there again for a few hours on Saturday morning, November 10, at 8:30 a.m. for the clothing distribution. We can use your help for as little or as long as you can stay! If you need more information, contact kemp.williams@gracealex.org.

Next Sunday, November 11

Adult Forum: There is no Adult Forum or Christian Education next week due to the holiday weekend. A Fellowship Coffee Hour will take place in Merrow Hall Auditorium after the 9:00 am service and outside the main office following the 11:15 a.m. service.

Next Week

Celebrating 70 Years of Grace on Russell Road on Nov. 16

Plan to join us on Friday evening from 6:30-8:30 p.m., for a gala reception celebrating our move from the original Patrick Street Grace Church location to our address on Russell Road. Come dressed in business festive style to enjoy music from the best of Shrine Mont hits to remembrances by parishioners who made the transition to our new church home. Historical tidbits and tales will be told as we honor long-time Grace families and former priests and assistants. Enjoy fantastic food and drink and join us in raising your glass in a sparkling toast to honor our milestone event. A \$20 per person suggested donation will help us cover our costs. Child care will be provided. Mark your calendars and join this joyful celebration in the Auditorium.

Thanksgiving Basket Donations

Outreach is teaming up with our La Gracia Congregation to help those in need right here at Grace. We are providing a food basket and gift cards to each family being sponsored. **A specific grocery list is available for everyone who wants to be a sponsor.** We will also accept donations for gift cards if you are not able to put together a basket. Please feel free to **sponsor more than one family.** You should expect to spend \$100-\$120

per family, which includes purchasing the items identified on the grocery list and a \$50.00 gift card. Donations should arrive to the Parish Office by Saturday, Nov. 17 so that we can be ready to give them out on Sunday, Nov. 18. Please do not bring perishable items early and bring them in as they still need to be good on Nov. 22. A signup sheet will be posted on Sundays outside the office. You can also sign up by sending an email to parish.administrator@gracealex.org. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Pease at jennifer.pease@gracealex.org.

Upcoming Events

Being Mindful of our Blessings

When something good happens, take the time to appreciate it, to think about it. When you take the time to put some coins in your UTO Box, think about how you've been blessed and how your donation is going to be a blessing to someone else. UTO boxes are available from the credenza in the Commons. The UTO Ingathering will be held on November 18.

Holiday Babysitting

Grace's J2A youth continue to fundraise for their pilgrimage. Our teenagers will be offering babysitting services during Advent. Charges for the babysitting service will vary each week in support of our efforts to pull together attractive items for our main fundraising event on March 3 - the J2A Auction (SAVE THE DATE!). Here are the important details:

- Your child(ren) are welcome for any and all dates. Do some shopping, see a movie, take a nap, it's up to you.
- Reservations are requested: Minimum of 10 children are required for J2A to confirm each date. Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0b4caaab29a57-j2aadvent>
- Drop-ins are welcome provided the minimum is met.
- Bring your child(ren) to the Auditorium.
- Pack and bring a lunch for each of your child(ren).

Dates/Times/Payment

Nov. 25 - 12:30-3:30 (pay what you would pay your sitter)

Dec. 2 - 12:30-3:30 (pay with one or two \$35--or more--bottles of wine)

Dec. 9 - 12:30-3:30 (pay with gift card(s) to restaurants or retailer of your choice \$25 increments).

Dec. 16 - 12:30-3:30. (pay with one or two \$35 or more bottles of wine. Pick up time is 3:30 for those not in the pageant)

From the Food Ministries

Food Pantry Bonus Shelf Items:

Help us to supplement what can be purchased at the Capital Area Food Bank! We always need: Canned Fruit, Corn Meal, Tortillas, Dried Beans, Rice, Spaghetti Sauce, Salsa, Mac & Cheese, Jam or Jelly. Cleaning Supplies & Toiletries are especially appreciated. Stop by the Pantry or Church Office for a FREE Green Tote bag for your Food Pantry shopping!

Don't Have Time to Shop?

Financial support is always appreciated and we'll do the shopping! Just note FOOD PANTRY on your check memo line. Thank You!

Calendar for November 4-10

Sunday All Saints' Sunday

- 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 a.m. La Gracia (Auditorium)
- 9:00 a.m. Festival Eucharist
- 10:15 a.m. Adult Forum (St. John)
Inquirers' Class (Library)
- 11:15 a.m. Festival Eucharist and Holy Baptism
- 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Monday

- 1:00 p.m. Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)

Tuesday

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (St. Mark)
- 1:00 p.m. Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
- 4:30 p.m. Advanced Choristers
- 5:30 p.m. Beginner Choristers
- 6:30 p.m. Requiem Eucharist
- 7:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting (Library)

Wednesday Willibrord, 739

- 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 7:00 p.m. AA (St. Luke)
- 7:30 p.m. Bible Study Group (1823 Café)
- 8:00 p.m. AA/Alanon (Auditorium and St. Luke)

Thursday William Temple, 1944 (tr)

- 12:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist
- 6:45 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday

- 9:00 a.m. GES Eucharist
- 6:30 p.m. Food Pantry (until 7:30)
- 8:30 p.m. AA (Auditorium and St. Luke)

Saturday

- 9:00 a.m. Altar Guild