

Announcements for Sunday, May 12

Please Pray For...

Parishioners... Michael, Richard, Tina, Charles, Dottie, Bette, Barbara M., Charles, Susan, Barbara S., Shannon, Denise, Leslie, Jo-Anne, Anne, Chrissie, Frank, Katherine, Will, Kemp, Easter

Family and friends... Pepper, Cathy, Martha, Susan, Steve, Jessica, Nina, Lucia, Will, Cathy and Bill, Bruce, Ken and Sandy, Alec, Beth, George, Sheila

Requiescat in Pace ... Bo Hayduchok, Norma Grose 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, Zach Heinrich 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, Melissa and Edi Jurkovic, with daughters Elena, Ana, Mia and Olivia.

Those in assisted living: Jorge, Joan, Clare, Tom, Rose, Audrey, Jim, Dabney, Dorothy, Margaret, Lew, Vi, Muriel, Mary, Alice, Neal, Betty, Jane, Norma, Polly

In Thanksgiving for: the birth of Martha MacNamee Tschetter, daughter of Lucy and Matt Tschetter; the birth of Ethan Groves, son of Meghan and Brett Groves, grandson of Jay and Suzanne O'Malley; the birth of Asher Alexander Heinrich, son of Zach and Shelly Heinrich; Thomas Charlton Jardim, son of Liz and Jesse Jardim; Rosemary Claire Madras, daughter of Elle and Andrew Madras.

The Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle: Christ Church, Glen Allen; Trinity, Upperville; St. Mary's, Goochland

The Anglican Prayer Cycle: Pray for the Anglican Church of Korea and **The Most Revd Moses Nagjun Yoo**, Primate of Korea and Bishop of Daejeon

Grace Episcopal Church Prayer Cycle: Kemp Williams, Vestry chair and **Lynn Rohrs**, Non-Vestry Coordinator, of the Fellowship Program, and those who serve at coffee hours and receptions and who coordinate fellowship activities.

Those with birthdays this week:

- 12 Reg Jones
- 13 Leo Schrum, Cindy Shen, Christine Washington
- 15 Erin Kelly
- 16 Halina Banas-Jones, Mike Dobbs
- 18 Gary Carter

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

The Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the glory of God and by Joe and Claudine Donovan in celebration of the May 1st birthday of Emma Meeks and the May 11 birthday of Lee Meeks and by Lisa Cassady in loving memory of her mother Anna Cassady and her Godmother Gloria; and in thanksgiving for her Aunt Helen.

Adult Forum: Haiti Micah Project (Nave)

The Adult Forum will be in the Nave beginning at 10:30. We invite you to enjoy a cup of coffee and snack and then return to the Nave for the forum. Today, the Outreach Committee will kick off the Haiti Micah Project (HMP). Come hear about this ministry and how your help is needed.

Final Chance to pick up your First Quarter Statements

Help us save on postage and pick up your first quarter contribution and pledge statements from the Commons outside of the parish office. We will mail those statements that are not picked up this weekend.

Parish News

Photo Wall

A new display of photos depicting our parish life is up — covering many aspects of Lent and ending with our celebration of Easter. Grateful thanks for contributions from Heather Wishart-Smith, Sherryl Dodd, Paul Bellantoni, Jennifer Pease, Heather Hurley and Tracy Enger! Enjoy!

Haiti Micah Campaign

The annual Grace Church Haiti Micah Project fundraising campaign officially starts on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12th and will continue through Father's Day, Sunday, June 16th. This important mission provides feeding and education programs to over 500 children in Mirebalais, Haiti and is a great way to pay tribute to our mothers and fathers and make a difference in the life of a child in need.

Your contribution will fund ongoing building improvements and feeding and housing programs. A donation of \$365.00 feeds and educates one child for one year. Any contributions you can make will have a significant impact. More information about the Haiti Micah Project can be found on the following website.

<https://haiti-micah.org/about-us/our-story/>

2019 Goal: Through the generosity of Grace members, we were able to contribute over \$24,000 in 2018. Our fundraising goal this year is \$28,000, which will support 11 additional children.

If you would like to donate, please make your check out to Grace Church referencing the 'Haiti Micah Project' in the subject line of your check or on your donation envelope.

For questions about how to donate or more information on the Haiti Micah Project, please contact Jennifer Pease at jennifer.pease@gracealex.org.

VBS Registration is OPEN!

ReNew is a 5-day curriculum, June 24-28 from 9 am-12 pm, that empowers kids in grades PreK-Grade 5 to grow in faith, have fun, and change the world. Each day, kids will explore Jesus' Parable of the Sower with three age-appropriate activities that help kids learn how to care for God's creation.

Site location will be at Christ Church in Old Town, with pick up and drop off in front of the church so you do not have to find parking. Cost for the week is \$70 for the first child, \$65 for the second child with a family maximum of \$135.

Registration is available through the Wednesday RoundUp. If you are not receiving Jenni's weekly email, please email her at jenni.faires@gracealex.org to add your name to the mailing list.

This Week

Grace Notes

Do you have something that you'd like included in the next Grace Notes? Are there pictures you'd like to share? The deadline for Grace Notes is the 15th of the prior month. For the June issue, make sure to get your information in to grace.notes@gracealex.org by May 15th.

Next Week

Adult Forum: Christian Educator Appreciation (Nave)

Sunday, May 19 we will celebrate our Christian Educators during the Adult Forum. You are invited to join the students of our elementary classes as they give presentations that summarize their year in Sunday school and our youth as they recognize their sponsors. Our dedicated teachers are the backbone to the biblical foundations that our children receive at church! Join us in the Nave as we celebrate their faithfulness!

23rd Annual Golf Outing, May 22

The Annual Parish Golf Tournament is scheduled for Wednesday, May 22, at the National Golf Club at Tantallon in Fort Washington, Maryland. Spend a morning (\$125), afternoon (\$125) or a whole day (\$150) of fellowship with your Grace family. Invite your friends to join us for this fun-filled day and support the 2019 Parish budget. Registration fees cover the cost of the practice range, carts, greens fees and our prizes. There are morning-round prizes for closest to pin (2) and afternoon-round prizes for Captain's Choice 1st Place team and closest to the pin (2). Registration is available on the front page of gracealex.org.

Upcoming Events

Remaining Adult Forums

The Adult Forums this Sunday and for the month of May will be in the Nave beginning at 10:30. We invite you to enjoy a cup of coffee and snack and then return to the Nave for the forum.

- May 26 - Fellowship Coffee Hour
- June 2 - Youth Sunday and Senior Sermons
- June 9 - Pentecost/Bilingual Service at 9:00 am
- June 16 - Summer Schedule begins with services at 7:30 and 10:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Ascension Day Festival Eucharist

Join us for the Feast of the Ascension on Thursday, May 30 at 7:30 p.m. The Adult Choir will sing Harold Darke's *Communion Service in F* for the mass ordinary and *God is gone up* by Gerald Finzi is the anthem. Please invite a friend to experience this beautiful and uplifting service.

Youth Sunday is June 2

Mark your calendars for this special day to hear from our seniors as they present their Senior Sermons. Please notify Jenni (jenni.faires@gracealex.org) if your child is graduating from high school or college so they may be recognized in the bulletin.

The Rite 13 Ceremony, a tradition that recognizes the passing over of a 13-year-old from childhood to adulthood, is also a special part of Youth Sunday. If your child has turned 13 since October 2018 or if you are new to the parish and would like your child to participate in the Rite, please contact Jenni at the above email address.

Choral Evensong sung by the Boys and Girls Choir

The Boys and Girls Choir will lead us in Choral Evensong on June 2 at 5:00 p.m. The setting of the Magnificat and Nunc dimittis is by Candian-born, U.K. based organist Sarah MacDonald and includes *Festal Preces and Responses* by Richard Newman written for the Boys and Girls Choir. The anthem will be *Ex ore innocentium* composed by early 20th century British composer John Ireland. Following the closing organ voluntary, the Holy Eucharist Rite I will be celebrated.

Ordination to the Priesthood, June 9 at the 11:15 a.m. Service

Join us at the 11:15 service for the ordination of Marta Conway. Marta was received at Grace in September of 2017. She has been serving with us as a deacon while stationed in the area.

In Our Community

Music for Pentecost Concert

Friday, June 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 9 at 11:00 a.m.

The Westminster Presbyterian Church Choir performs its final concert of the Westminster Presents series, with Mozart's Coronation Mass and Haydn's Te Deum with the Monticello Chamber Orchestra. There is no entrance fee. Join us in the sanctuary of the church at 2701 Cameron Mills Road in Alexandria.

Flower Delivery Volunteers Needed

Do you have 1-2 hours free, one Monday a month? Join the Flower Delivery Ministry! The Flower Delivery Ministry brings comfort, beauty, encouragement, and love to parishioners each week. Each Monday (except during Lent, Advent and on holidays), volunteer drivers take bouquets made by the Altar Guild from altar flowers to three Grace parish members designated by the clergy. Those who have delivered flowers have found this an enjoyable and rewarding activity. Substitutes are also needed. Please contact Mike Reed at (703) 836-4550 or mike.reed@gracealex.org to volunteer or for more information.

Stuff the Suitcase for Tanzania

Dr. Henry Ziegler is going to be heading back to Tanzania! Help to stuff his suitcase full of goodies for the hospital and for St. Augustine Primary School! The medical supplies can be found at CVS, Rite Aid or Costco. Please be sure to drop them off no later than Sunday, June 2.

- Blood pressure machines (not the wrist one)
- Pulse oximeter

- Thermometers (must read in Centigrade)
- Stethoscopes
- Flash drives
- “I Can Read” paperbacks

This week’s Food Pantry Wish List includes: Vegetable Oil, Tortillas, Canned Diced Tomatoes, Canned Corn, Bagged Onions & Potatoes. **And... Volunteers!** YOU can help us help others, especially on Mondays & Tuesdays 1-3 pm. Volunteers work in teams of two (1X per month). Come be part of this important and rewarding ministry! Contact Judy Willard at Judy.Willard@gracealex.org.

Something new @ the Pantry: Make a child smile by donating gently used small toys and children’s books that your family has outgrown. We’ll put them on a ‘Kid’s Bonus Shelf’ to give to our client families w/small children. As always, your donations of non-perishable food, toiletries and cleaning supplies as well as financial support will help all those in need in the Alexandria community. Thank You!

Calendar for May 12-18

Monday	May 13
1:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
6:30 p.m.	Education for Ministry (St. Mark)
Tuesday	May 14
8:00 a.m.	GES (St. Mark)
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Library)
1:00 pm.	Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
4:30 p.m.	Advanced Choristers
5:30 p.m.	Beginner Choristers
6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
7:00 p.m.	Vestry (St. Mark)
Wednesday	May 15
	Brown Bag Wednesday through Friday
7:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
5:30 p.m.	Choristers
7:00 p.m.	AA (St. Mark)
7:30 p.m.	Bible Study (Off Site)
Thursday	May 16
12:15 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
6:45 p.m.	Handbell Choir
7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir
Friday	May 17
9:00 a.m.	GES Chapel
	GES Spring Event
6:30 p.m.	Food Pantry Open
8:30 p.m.	AA (St. Mark)
Saturday	May 18
9:00 a.m.	Altar Guild
Sunday	Fifth Sunday of Easter
	Teacher Appreciation Sunday
7:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m.	La Gracia
9:00 a.m.	Festival Eucharist
11:15 a.m.	Festival Eucharist
12:50 p.m.	Rosary Group (Library)
5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist