

## Announcements for Sunday, May 19

### Please Pray For...

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

**Family and friends...** Pepper, Cathy, Martha, Jessica, Lucia, Bruce, Ken and Sandy, Alec, Beth, George, Sheila, Ernie, Ella, Nicole, Zac

**Requiescat in Pace ...** 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

**The Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle:** St. Stephen's, Richmond; St. James', Leesburg; Trinity, Manassas

**The Anglican Prayer Cycle:** Pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia and **The Most Revd George Takeli**, Archbishop of the Anglican Church of Melanesia and Bishop of Central Melanesia

**Grace Episcopal Church Prayer Cycle:** **Khacki Berry**, Vestry chair of the Christian Education Program, and the volunteers who serve as Christian Formation teachers, coordinators and substitutes; in the nursery and parish library; and lead adult forums and classes.

**Those with birthdays this week:**

- 19 Martha Bethea, Jan Wolff
- 20 Camila Alvarenga, Mike Barron, John Berry
- 22 Alison Campbell
- 23 Joe Donovan
- 24 Debbie Barker, Madelyn Curry
- 25 Duke Chiow, Jeff Chiow, Ramee Gentry, Stewart Hall,  
Dan Patterini

*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 by Joe and Claudine Donovan in celebration of their birthdays of February and May 23 and by Linda and Frank Waskowicz in celebration of two grandsons' university graduations this weekend.

**Adult Forum: Christian Educator Appreciation (Nave)**

Today, we celebrate Christian Education at Grace. From the nursery to our EYC group, spiritual formation is a priority for this parish. We hope you will grab a cup of coffee and snack and return to the Nave for this celebration and recognition of our students and teachers.

Today is the final Adult Forum for the 2019 program year. A special thank you to all of our forum presenters and especially to Vestry Chair of Christian Education, Khaki Berry, for her work lining up speakers. If you have ideas or suggestions for forum topics for the coming year, please contact Khaki at [KPBJAB@yahoo.com](mailto:KPBJAB@yahoo.com) or Jenni Faires at [jenni.faires@gracealex.org](mailto:jenni.faires@gracealex.org).

**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!

## **Have You Already Included Grace in Your Estate Plans?**

If you've already included the parish in your estate plans, consider filling out the quick Legacy Society form on the parish website. As we grow the Legacy Society and encourage others to explore planned giving, the parish can benefit from this network to enhance communication, plan events, or seek feedback on programs. Find the form at [www.gracealex.org](http://www.gracealex.org), then click on giving, planned giving.

## **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 for more information on the Haiti Micah Project, please contact Jennifer Pease at [jennifer.pease@gracealex.org](mailto:jennifer.pease@gracealex.org).

## **VBS Registration Ends May 31!**

No more procrastination, it is time to register! 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](mailto:jenni.faires@gracealex.org) to add your name to the mailing list.

### **This Week**

#### **23<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://gracealex.org).

### **Next Week May 26 - June 1**

#### **Memorial Day at Grace**

To honor and remember our Armed Forces this coming Memorial Day, we invite all active duty, reserve, retired, and veteran members of Grace Church to wear their uniforms, miniature medals or insignia, or a flag pin to church on Sunday. We'll have extra flag pins available in the Narthex.

#### **Fellowship Coffee Hour**

Please join us for a fellowship coffee hour in the St. Mark room following the 9:00 a.m. Festival Eucharist.

#### **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.

## Upcoming Events

### Important Spring Dates

- June 2 - Youth Sunday and Senior Sermons
- June 9 - Pentecost/Bilingual Service at 9:00 a.m.
- June 9 – Marta Conway Ordination at 11:15 a.m.
- June 16 - Summer Schedule begins with services at 7:30 and 10:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

### 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

### 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](mailto: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.

### Amazon Action, Sunday June 2 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Have you heard the news? Amazon is coming to our neighborhoods in Alexandria and Arlington. For some of us, we will see higher home values. For others, maybe higher rents that force a move away from the Grace community. Then there are our schools. How will Amazon workers affect our schools now and in the future? How do people of faith find a balance between these issues? Join elected leaders, and other faith communities to discuss Amazon on June 2, at Wakefield

High School from 4-6. Interested, want to attend, further questions? JenniferEckel@GraceAlex.org wants to hear from you.

### **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.

### **Shrine Mont 2019 is coming**

“Again I say rejoice!” The 2019 Grace Church getaway at Shrine Mont is less than 100 days away. Save the dates, September 6-8, for a weekend of fellowship, fun, and nonstop activity, serene leisure, or something in between as you prefer. Sign-up will begin at coffee hour during the summer schedule of combined main Sunday morning services. If you have any questions, 2019 Shrine Mont Coordinators Anne and John Boris or 2020 Shrine Mont Coordinators Jennifer and Bill Eckel would be glad to hear from you. See you in Orkney Springs, we hope.

### **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](mailto:mike.reed@gracealex.org) to volunteer or for more information.

**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](mailto: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 19-May 26

<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 20</b>
1:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
6:30 p.m.	Education for Ministry with Holy Eucharist (St. Mark)
<b>Tuesday</b>	
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
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Jackson Kemper, 1870 (tr)</b>
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)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Bede, 735 (tr)</b>
12:15 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
6:45 p.m.	Handbell Choir
7:30 p.m.	Adult Choir
<b>Friday</b>	
9:00 a.m.	GES Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Food Pantry Open
8:30 p.m.	AA (St. Mark)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 18</b>
9:00 a.m.	Altar Guild
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b>
7:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m.	La Gracia
9:00 a.m.	Festival Eucharist
11:15 a.m.	Holy Baptism and Festival Eucharist
5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist