

## ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI, DERWOOD

# Mass Intentions

### March 25 - March 31

<b>Monday, 3/25</b>	900 a.m. Lynn Krafchik
<b>Tuesday, 3/26</b>	9:00 a.m. Deacon Valentine E. Oguledo
<b>Wednesday, 3/27</b>	9:00 a.m. Reverend Derek Georg 7:30 p.m. Reverend Joseph Kleinstuber
<b>Thursday, 3/28</b>	9:00 a.m. Monsignor Thomas M. Duffy
<b>Friday, 3/29</b>	9:00 a.m. George Berard
<b>Saturday, 3/30</b>	9:00 a.m. Sue Yesko 5:00 p.m. Joseph Hornyak
<b>Sunday, 3/31</b>	8:00 a.m. Antonio Nabor 9:30 a.m. <i>Pro populo</i> 11:15 a.m. Terence Ethridge 5:00 p.m. Virginia Lapp

**Please pray for the sick...** Kathleen Taylor Lansing, Macristina Gimena, Patrick Carpentier, Rose McDonough, Dennis Parnell, Ed Dudenhoefter, Jackie Roebuck King, Jeni Stepanek. *(Names will remain on this list for four consecutive weeks, but can be repeated by calling the Office.)*

### + In Memoriam Aeternam +

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Patricia Lefevre.

### Readings for the Week of March 24, 2019

<b>Sunday:</b>	Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9
<b>Monday:</b>	Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8b-9, 10, 11 [8a, 9a]/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 5:17-19
<b>Thursday:</b>	Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Lk 11:14-23
<b>Friday:</b>	Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34
<b>Saturday:</b>	Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

### THE MUSINGS OF THE PASTOR

On Friday, March 15, 2019 there was an armed attack on worshippers at the Noor and Linewood mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand. As of Monday, March 18, 2019, the death toll had risen to fifty with thirteen people injured in the attack still in critical condition. Pope Francis spoke to the faithful gathered in Rome for the Angelus on Sunday, March 17, 2019. Here are some of his remarks from that occasion:

*"In these days, in addition to the pain of wars and conflicts that do not cease to afflict humanity, there have been victims of the horrible attacks against two mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand. I renew my invitation for prayer and gestures of peace to combat hatred and violence."*

Following the Holy Father's remarks both he and everyone in the square observed a moment of silence for the victims.

Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, of Galveston-Houston and President of the U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops issued a statement in response to the mass shooting at the two mosques in New Zealand on Friday, March 15. Here is what he said in his statement:

*"I am deeply saddened by the senseless attacks at the Noor and Linewood mosques in Christchurch, New Zealand that killed dozens of worshipers and seriously injured many others, including children. The slaughter of innocent Muslim brothers and sisters praying peacefully is being described as a terrorist attack carried out by a self-identified fascist and his accomplices. As the Catholic bishops of New Zealand said, 'we are particularly horrified that this happened at a place and time of prayer.'"*

*Unfortunately, we Americans are all too familiar with gun violence, which often targets religious communities. However, we must not remain complacent or desensitized to the horror of these tragedies.*

*I join with my brother bishops in New Zealand in expressing solidarity with the Muslim community and in calling Catholics to join in prayer for the victims of this shooting, their families, and the Muslim community that was directly targeted.*

*May almighty God change the hearts of those who hate to recognize the inherent dignity of all people and bring consolation to all those affected by this heart-rending loss."*

You may be asking yourself what you could do or should do in the wake of such an awful tragedy. One suggestion that I could make is reach out to any Muslim friends, colleagues, or neighbors with a word and act of solidarity. Cookies, cards, posters, and flowers help. Let's also be careful not to succumb to the hateful rhetoric so often found these days in social media.

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## Third Sunday in Lent

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

*How am I like a fig tree that has not borne fruit? How can I bear fruit in the year ahead?*

### LENTEN SCHEDULE

**Daily Mass:** Mon thru Sat 9:00 a.m.  
Wed 7:30 p.m.  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena follows  
Wednesday Evening Mass

**Lenten Evening Prayer** Friday Evenings 6:40 p.m.  
**Stations of the Cross** Friday Evenings 7:00 p.m.

**Confession:** In addition to Saturday afternoon (3:30-4:30 p.m.), Confessions will be heard each Wednesday evening during Lent before Mass 5:45 –7:15 p.m. **(The Light is ON for you.)**

Confession will also be heard 30 minutes before Daily Mass and Sunday Masses during Lent.

**Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration** - Adoration will be held in the Church, 9:30 a.m. - 7:15 p.m. during Lent. Once Lent is over, Adoration will move back to the Rectory Chapel (Wednesday, April 24th).

### RCIA--The First Scrutiny

The first scrutiny will be celebrated today at the 5 PM Mass. The scrutinies are rites of self-searching and repentance for the Elect who are seeking initiation into the Catholic faith at the Easter Vigil. They are meant to uncover, then heal all that is weak or sinful in the hearts of the Elect; and to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. Today's Gospel of the Samaritan woman at the well will fill the spirit of the Elect with Christ the Redeemer, who is the living water. During our Lenten journey, we should use the scrutinies of the Elect to prepare ourselves for Easter. Please, continue to pray for our Elect, Matt Perisin and Julia-Emma Mutombo.

### HOLY THURSDAY-- WASHING OF THE FEET

We are looking for volunteers to have their feet washed at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday at 7:30 p.m. If you would like to participate please call the Parish Office, (301) 840-1407, no later than Monday, April 15 or sign-up at the Information Desk in the Gathering space.

### THE MUSINGS OF THE PASTOR (continued)

If any among us here think that this tragedy does not concern us, let me quote from Martin Niemöller (1892-1984), a prominent Lutheran pastor in Germany who emerged as an outspoken public foe of Adolf Hitler and spent the last seven years of Nazi rule in concentration camps. He is perhaps best remembered from these words delivered after World War Two had ended:

*First they came after the socialists, and I did not speak out—because I was not a socialist.*

*Then they came for the trade unionists, and I did not speak out—because I was not a trade unionist.*

*Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out—because I was not a Jew.*

*Then they came for me—and there was no one left to speak for me.*

Until next week,

**Fr. John**

### UPCOMING LENTEN EVENTS

**St. Francis Day for Forty Days for Life Campaign** – 10 am-6 pm Saturday, March 30, on Old Georgetown Road near the Carhart Clinic in Bethesda. Join your fellow parishioners in fasting, praying and keeping vigil for mothers who are considering an abortion and their babies waiting to be born. Sign up for a timeslot at <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/bethesda> or contact Respect Life Ministry member Betty Baklarz at [lbbaklarz@yahoo.com](mailto:lbbaklarz@yahoo.com).

**Catholic Charities Lenten Food Collection** – Bags distributed after Masses on March 30/31. Help support the St. Martin's Food Pantry by filling a grocery bag with non-perishable food items and returning it to the Gathering Space on April 6/7. For more information, contact Food Pantry Co-coordinators Carolyn Brauer at [caro-lyn\\_brauer@yahoo.com](mailto:caro-lyn_brauer@yahoo.com) and Christine Young at [young-bodywork@hotmail.com](mailto:young-bodywork@hotmail.com).

**Parish Penance Service** – 7 pm Monday, April 1. Receive God's forgiveness during our community penance service.

**Lenten Fish Dinner** – 6-8 pm Friday, April 5, at the Father Cuddy Hall, 17001 Overhill Road, Derwood. Join the Knights of Columbus 2323 in celebrating the second of three Lenten fish dinners. The dinner menu for adults includes salmon and shrimp scampi, fresh vegetables, a roll and dessert, while the children's menu includes fish sticks, buttered noodles, fresh vegetables, a roll and dessert. Admission is \$10 for individuals 11 and up, \$5 for kids 10 and under and free for kids five and under. For more information, contact Dan Huff at [Huffdar@gmail.com](mailto:Huffdar@gmail.com).

**Lenten Day of Reflection** – 1-3:30 pm Saturday, April 13, in the church. With a theme of "Rejoice and Be Glad: Our Call to Holiness and Happiness," join attendees for Praise and Worship, singing, Eucharistic Adoration, learning from short talks, listening to personal witness and individual reflection time. Fr. John Dillon and Fr. Jack Berard will both speak, and young adults from Singles for Christ and the parish community will witness their faith. The day's two-and-a-half hour program will be followed by Confession from 3:30-4:30 pm and the Saturday Vigil Mass at 5 pm. For more information, contact Adult Faith Formation Team Member Medy DeAusen at [medydeausen@comcast.net](mailto:medydeausen@comcast.net).

**March 24, 2019**

**LAMB OF GOD PRAYER MEETING** Join the Lamb of God Prayer Group for worship and the study of Scripture on Tuesday, March 26, 7:30 p.m., St. Clare's Chapel in the Rectory. For details, please call Louise, (301) 977-5217.

**POOR BOX DONATION** – The donations for next weekend will go to Olney Help. *Thank you for your generosity.*

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PRAYER CHAIN** If you have a prayer request, please contact Marianne Bullen, (301) 963-3420 or [mariannebu@comcast.net](mailto:mariannebu@comcast.net) with your requests.

### **ROSARY FOR PRIESTS**

Every Wednesday evening at 6:45 p.m. we pray the rosary for our priests before the 7:30 p.m. Mass.

### **HOLY HOUR FOR THE DYING**

On Thursday evenings in the St. Clare's Chapel in the Rectory, a prayer group meets at 7:00 p.m. to pray for the dying. This is a Holy Hour Devotion for the Dying. As a central work of our Catholic faith, we are called to pray for the dying, especially for those who may die suddenly, unprepared to face God. For additional information, please call the Parish Office, (301) 840-1407.

**ROSARY CENACLE OF OUR LADY, QUEEN OF PEACE**  
Cenacle of Our Lady, Queen of Peace to pray for priests and vocations, 2:00 p.m. in the St. Clare's Chapel (Rectory) every Sunday. Please join us.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - COUNCIL 2323**

The Knights of Columbus are looking for new, transferring or readmitted members to share in their Charity, Fraternity, Unity and Patriotism activities. Council 2323 supports many St. Francis activities and has many social events. The KofC offers life and long term care insurance opportunities as well as annuities. A new opportunity: join as an Online Member for \$30 per year; go to [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) and click on "Join Us". If you wish you can join the Council later. If interested in learning more, contact Gary Palmer (301-948-6494 or email [gtdbpalmer@verizon.net](mailto:gtdbpalmer@verizon.net)).

### **MINISTRY COORDINATORS TO MEET AGAIN MAY 4**

St. Francis ministry leaders who attended last fall's Ministry Coordinators Retreat will now have a chance to share what they've found helpful in their spiritual life from deeper participation in the liturgy and other special practices at a second Ministry Coordinators Retreat at 9:45 am Saturday, May 4 in the Parish Center. The group will meet again with Thomas Stehle, who will lead a discussion on how deeper participation in the church's liturgical life has changed them. Some of the discussion points will include:

- Perhaps you have a practice of reading the Sunday or daily Mass readings. How is this enriching your life and ministry?
- Maybe you are attending Mass more frequently (Sunday and daily). What do you see in your life from this?
- You might be going to the Sacrament of Reconciliation more regularly. What has this brought to your life?
- Perhaps you are journaling your spiritual life. What is the fruit of this?
- What are other spiritual practices or disciplines that flow from the liturgy which are enriching your life?

For more information, please contact Director of Social Concerns & Adult Faith Formation, Tony Bosnick, [abosnick@sfadw.org](mailto:abosnick@sfadw.org).

### **PARISHIONERS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT, EMERGENCY SERVICES & COMMUNICATIONS EXPERIENCE SOUGHT TO SERVE ON PARISH SECURITY COMMITTEE**

As part of the Archdiocese of Washington's parish security recommendations, Fr. John Dillon will soon convene a Parish Security Committee charged with advising him on matters of parish security, especially those that could result in a loss of life. Fr. John will serve as the chairman of the Parish Security Committee. As his first order of business, he has asked parishioner Joshua Vincent to serve as the vice chairman. Mr. Vincent has accepted that role.

The parish is now seeking parishioners with relevant backgrounds and experience as first responders (Police, Fire/Emergency Medical Services), medical personnel, facilities engineers, communications and parish ushers to serve on the committee. Interested persons are encouraged to contact Fr. John by calling the Parish Office at (301) 840-1407.

Once convened, the committee will meet several times during the year and as needed to discuss matters of parish security. Those matters to be discussed by the committee include:

- Roles of parish ushers and parishioners who are professional first responders during a security event.
- Security assessment of the parish physical plant by local police and fire.
- Use and potential customization of the Parish Emergency Guide Flip Chart.
- Necessity to develop local parish emergency response plan, including practice drills.
- Identification of industry resources for current church security practices.
- Sharing parish security practices with neighboring parishes.
- Other security matters relevant to the local parish.

Meeting minutes will be documented and retained in the parish's permanent record. The security committee's vice chairman will also make a periodic report to the parish Pastoral Council.



### **ARE YOU CELEBRATING A SPECIAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR?**

The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years will be held Sunday, June 23, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office to register (301-840-1407). Names of Jubilarians need to be turned into the parish office on or before **Friday, April 19**.



**APRIL 2019 LUNCH** – The St. Francis Lunch Bunch will meet on Wednesday, April 3 at 12:00 Noon at China Jade, 16805 Crabbs Branch Way, Rockville MD 20855, 301-963-1570. If you are planning to attend, please contact Mary Lou Habib and she will save a seat for you, (301) 417-0243.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS/EVENTS



### SAVE THE DATE FOR VACATION BIBLE CAMP!

St. Francis of Assisi Church invites children from age 4 to those who will complete the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade in June 2019 to join us at Vacation Bible Camp, June 24-28 from 9:00 am to 12:15 pm. Look for camper registration information, as well as information about volunteer opportunities for adults and teens, in the Spring!

### CATECHESIS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Our parish offers monthly catechetical sessions specifically designed for children and youth with special needs and their families. Our next session meets today, Sunday, March 24 from 3:30-4:30 pm in the St. Clare Room. If you would like to learn more about these sessions, or if you are interested in serving as a catechist or aide for children with special needs, please call Susan Anderson, Director of Religious Education, at 301-258-9193.

### REMINDER TO GRADE 3-8 CATECHISTS

Catechists teaching grade 3-8 Religious Education classes are asked to attend a planning meeting next Sunday, March 31, from 1-2:30 pm in Room 6 of the Parish Center.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SNOW CANCELLATION POLICY

If Montgomery County Public Schools are closed, and if schools are dismissed early, Religious Education classes, including Youth Group are also cancelled. This applies to Sunday classes as well if Montgomery County Public Schools announces cancellation of weekend school activities. Cancellation announcements will be recorded on the Religious Education Office phone (301-258-9193) and posted on the St. Francis Parish website and Facebook page ("St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church"). Whenever in doubt, please use your own judgment about local weather and driving conditions, and err on the side of safety when making decisions about bringing your child to class.

### CALLING ALL CHILDREN WHO LIKE TO SING!

Come join the Children's Choir that will sing at the *Family Stations of the Cross* at 1 pm on Good Friday, April 19. All children, six years of age and older, are invited to participate. If you will be reading one of the Stations that day, you could also sing because the songs are before and after the readings. We will have 45-minute rehearsals in the church at 5 pm Mondays on April 8 and 15. We will also meet to practice at 12 pm on Good Friday in the Youth Room of the Rectory. For those children who have sung in the choir for the Family Stations in previous years, please come to the April 15 and April 19 rehearsals. If you are interested in having your child sing in the choir, if you want more information, or if you are musical and want to rehearse with your children at home, then please call Sue Madison at (301) 977-6854 or e-mail her at musikal76@msn.com. Sign-up is also available at the Information Desk.

## YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS/EVENTS

### ST. FRANCIS YOUTH MINISTRY

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### MARCH

- 24 Youth Group
- 29-31 Youth Retreat at SkyCroft Retreat Center  
- See Fr. Jack to register!
- 31 NO YOUTH GROUP

#### APRIL

- 6/7 Sweetz Cheesecake Pick-up
- 7 Youth Group
- 14 NO YOUTH GROUP
- 21 NO YOUTH GROUP
- 27/28 Krispy Kreme Pre-Sale
- 28 Praise & Worship - 6pm in the Church

### GET SOCIAL

Follow us on Instagram & Twitter @ SFADWYOUTH.

### Spotlight on St. Jude Regional Catholic School

*We are...St. Jude*

[www.StJudeRockville.org](http://www.StJudeRockville.org)

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2019 NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY (NJHS) MEMBERS

Congratulations to Daniel Landry, Austin Lambert, Ethan Mendes, Christian Patiag, Esha Tamang, Alexis Braswell, Sally Gitau, Clare Rowedder, Jackson Santoro and Eden Tewodros who were inducted into the NJHS. The National Junior Honor Society is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding middle school students. More than just an honor roll, NJHS serves to honor students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship.

### MARCH MADNESS EVENT-MARCH 30TH

Join us for this adults only event to watch the Elite Eight games on the big screen in the Thaddeus Room. (\$30 until March 26, \$40 at the door). For more information and to register go to <https://sosj.ejoinme.org/marchmadness>

### BOOST SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

We are excited to share that the state is currently accepting applications for the BOOST Scholarship Program for the 2019-2020 school year! The program is open to both public school students seeking a scholarship to St. Jude Regional Catholic School (or any other nonpublic school) and current St. Jude students! Please remember that you must reapply even if your student received BOOST in prior years. All applications must be submitted by **midnight on April 17, 2019**. To apply or learn more about the BOOST scholarship program for the upcoming school year visit: [www.marylandpublicschools.org/BOOST](http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/BOOST).

### SJRCS DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS INTO THE WOODS JR.

Be careful what you wish for, as Stephen Sondheim's and James Lapine's cockeyed fairytale comes to life in this adaptation of their groundbreaking, Tony Award-winning musical. Into the Woods JR. features all of your favorite characters — Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, Jack (and his beanstalk) and the Witch — in this retelling of classic Brothers Grimm fables. Show times: April 12 & 13 at 7:00PM

## SUMMARY REPORT FOR OFFERTORY STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM MAILED TO HOMES

During the week of March 11-16, St. Francis families and individuals who made a pledge to the parish's recent offertory stewardship campaign, *Responding to God's Call to Love and to Serve*, should have received a Summary Report documenting the initiative. All told, about a third of St. Francis families and individuals who gave to the Sunday offertory in the past year made a commitment for the next year. Of those who responded, 51 percent chose to give a more than 30 percent increase; 29 percent gave less than a 10 percent increase, 11 percent gave a 10 to 20 percent increase, and 9 percent gave a 20 to 30 percent increase. Thanks again to everyone who participated in the *Responding to God's Call to Love and to Serve* program. Please remember that it is important for parishioners to maintain their generous commitment to the church year-round. Thank you again for your generosity to support the administration of our parish and our St. Francis ministries!

## SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ABUSE INVITED TO START HEALING AT ARCHDIOCESAN RETREATS

As the Catholic Church continues to minister to all survivors of abuse, the Archdiocese of Washington is sponsoring retreats for survivors. The Archdiocese will offer a men's retreat on April 5-7, 2019, and a women's retreat on April 12-14, 2019. These retreats are an occasion for survivors to reflect on God's plan for their lives and for healing through prayer and the sacraments. For more information and to register, go to <https://adw.org/the-way-retreat/> or call Deborah McDonald at (301) 853-4466.

## HOPE & HEALING FOR BEREAVED PARENTS (COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS)

The Compassionate Friends is an international organization that offers support to bereaved parents. These parents come together in an informal setting to learn to cope with the pain and grief of living after their child has died. The TCF sessions are open to parents, grandparents, siblings and supportive friends. There is a local Chapter that meets on the first Tuesday evening of each month at 6:45 pm at the following location: Potomac Presbyterian Church, 10301 River Road, Potomac MD 20854

Parents do not have to attend a meeting to receive support. St. Francis of Assisi parishioners George and Barbara Beall, who lost their daughter to cancer 14 years ago, are available to speak with those in pain at any time of the day or night. Their phone number is (301) 253-8740 and their e-mail address is [old-edish@starpower.net](mailto:old-edish@starpower.net). Feel free to contact them if you have any questions about TCF or would like to receive a brochure.

**ROCK FOR RELIEF** - To help Catholic Charities USA with continuing disaster relief operations (wildfires in California, 2018 East Coast hurricane, 2019 tornadoes touching down in the South), parishioners and friends can attend the first-ever classic rock concert held at St. Peter's Parish Hall, 2900 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney, MD, from 7-9pm, Saturday, March 30. Food and beer/wine/beverages included. For advance tickets/donations and more information, visit [www.ccusa.gives/rockrelief](http://www.ccusa.gives/rockrelief) or text ROCKRELIEF to 71777. 100% of donations goes to Catholic Charities USA to directly provide aid to victims.

## AMAZONSMILE ENABLES ST. FRANCIS TO INCREASE FUNDRAISING THROUGH ONLINE SHOPPING

St. Francis parishioners can support our church whenever they're shopping online at Amazon.com. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church recently became a recipient of AmazonSmile, which enables the church to receive 0.5 percent of the price of eligible AmazonSmile purchases you make. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7174107> and start shopping! For more information, please contact Fr. Jack Berard, [jberard@sfadw.org](mailto:jberard@sfadw.org).

## CORRESPONDENTS NEEDED TO OCCASIONALLY POST ON SFA ACTIVITIES

Are you a member of your neighborhood's NextDoor app? Are you interested in helping spread the good news about St. Francis of Assisi's biggest events and activities? Then please consider serving as a "correspondent" for the St. Francis Communications Ministry, which is looking for a more targeted way to inform the public about St. Francis events. The correspondent role would entail posting some of the parish's biggest events and activities on his or her neighborhood listserv. That's it! If you have any questions, please contact Communications Coordinator Melissa Egan at [Melissa.egan74@verizon.net](mailto:Melissa.egan74@verizon.net).



## ENCOUNTER DHATHCROOS FAMILY

The Dhathcroos family returned home, after fleeing violence in their country, to build a prosperous farm and become a vital contributor to their community. How can you assist refugees in your community to rebuild their lives? How can you support refugees worldwide who are fleeing violence in their country? For more information visit [crisricebowl.org](http://crisricebowl.org).

## COMMEMORATE

### FILIPINO ST. PEDRO CALUNGSOD ON MARCH 31

Members and admirers of our Filipino-American community have an opportunity on Sunday, March 31, to commemorate Filipino saint San Pedro Calungsod. Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in Kensington, MD, will host a day of events for St. Pedro Calungsod from 2-6 pm, including a Mass, a talk about the saint by Fr. Ruben Orbeta, service projects and fellowship. Please join us! For more information about the Mass, please contact Medy DeAusen at [medydeausen@comcast.net](mailto:medydeausen@comcast.net).

## Recognize me?



Then you or your child likely attended St. Raphael Nursery School. SRNS is celebrating its 50th anniversary and is looking for photos and memorabilia and wants to spread the word about its celebration for all on **June 1**. Visit [www.srnsm.org](http://www.srnsm.org) for details. Tell your friends!