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TUITION ASSISTANCE: Please inquire with our office about the availability of partial scholarships for the children of active St. Raymond parishioners attending local Catholic grade schools and high schools.

Angelus Academy 7644 Dynatech Ct, Springfield, VA 22153 703-924-3996

Angelus Academy is a fully-accredited pre-K through 8th grade Catholic School affiliated with the Diocese of Arlington. Although it has no official connection with St. Raymond's, the parish has a longstanding close relationship with Angelus Academy. Many of our parish children already happily attend school there. Welcome to St. Raymond of Peñafort Roman Catholic Church

8750 Pohick Road Springfield, VA 22153

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm Sunday: 7:00 am, 8:45 am, 10:30 am and 12:15 pm & 5:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday through Friday: 6:30 am, 8:00 am Wednesdays 7:00 pm Saturday: 9:00 am

EXTRAORDINARY FORM MASS (LATIN) 1st and 3rd Fridays 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Reconciliation/Confession) <u>Wednesday Evening</u> 6:15-6:50 p.m. (during Exposition); After 7 p.m. Mass <u>Saturday Morning</u> 8:30 - 8:50 a.m.; After 9 a.m. Mass <u>Saturday Afternoon</u> 3:30 - 5 p.m. <u>Sunday Morning</u> 8:15 - 8:45 a.m.; 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.; 11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Wednesday from 8:30 am to 7:00 pm Friday from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

MARRIAGE: Couples wishing to marry must contact a parish priest at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date. Couples who are living together will be expected to live separately at least during the 3 months prior to the wedding.

RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which adults (and children who have reached the age of reason) are instructed in the Doctrine of the Church and are prepared to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. If you or someone you know, would like to inquire about becoming a Catholic, please call the Parish Office.

BAPTISM: Parents are requested to make arrangements with the Parish Office ONE MONTH in advance. Parents must participate in a one-session pre-Baptismal program and are encouraged to do so before the birth of their child. You must be REGISTERED in the Parish 3 MONTHS prior to the Baptism. There will be a maximum of 4 Baptisms on any given Sunday. Please schedule early!

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Please submit announcements in writing 10 days prior to publication.

Public Mass Cancelled Again. On Friday, May 8, I emailed you about how elated I was to hear that effective May 15 Governor Northam would be implementing "Phase 1" of his plan to "re-open" Virginia, which would "allow" us to have public Mass again, and that the Bishop was readying safety and attendance guidelines. But of course this last Tuesday the Governor reversed himself for Northern Virginia, **postponing our "re-opening" until at least May 29**, and the Bishop followed suit on Wednesday. So it looks like it will be another 2 weeks before we have public Mass again.

As many of you, I am personally torn between safety, liberty, and spiritual concerns. Daily I receive not only the media reports, but dozens of emails passionately advocating for all the different "sides" of the issues involved. I genuinely understand and respect my parishioner's individual opinions on this. And I am also aware that fear drives a lot of this, again on both "sides"—fear of death and fear of tyranny, etc.,.

I guess the thing that sort of tips the scales for me is the fact that religious liberty and freedom of assembly have been almost ignored by our governments, and I believe this is a grave problem from both a constitutional perspective and a moral perspective. Think of this: Home Depot, and ABC Stores, and Pet stores are open for business with no "maximum capacity" limits, but churches can't have more than 10 persons gather; and the 10 person rule applies to meetings in rooms built for 30 people as well as rooms built for 850 people. In all this I don't see either science or public safety being followed, but something else altogether. I tend to think it is simply a bureaucratic "one size fits all" attitude being applied, but that is not reasonable or just. As Fairfax County Chairman McKay himself wrote in arguing against Phase 1, "a one-size-fits-all approach in the Commonwealth simply doesn't work." I agree, in the sense a one-size-fits-all approach doesn't work when applying restrictions to 30 seat classrooms and 850 seat churches: if there's a 10 person limit in a 30 seat classroom, then it would make sense to have something like a 283 person limit in a 850 seat church.

You can disagree with me, and I understand. But emotions are running high on all sides. People say, "listen to the experts," but different experts say different things. So, let's all remember we are brothers and sisters in Christ, and be patient and respectful and kind even in our disagreements. Recognize that there is tinge of fear of the unknown affecting most of us. I'm afraid of people dying from the spread of the virus, but I'm also afraid of losing the liberties we have to freely practice our faith, to assemble and to speak out. I'm also afraid of growing numbers of people not having enough to eat, or a place to live as the economy continues to fall into an abyss.

So, "let not your heart be troubled." Have faith in Jesus. And show the love of Jesus by being calm and respectful to those you disagree with.

"Re-Opening" Plans. As we initially prepared to re-open this current weekend (today) the parish staff and I came to the conclusion that in applying the 50% of capacity and 6' social distancing rules of the Governor, we could fit a maximum of a few over 200 people in the church. To apply this limit folks would have to sign up online (using SignUpGenius), on a first come first serve basis for the 200 seats.

I was a little concerned if this would provide enough opportunities for those who wanted to attend Mass. So I sent out a survey to you. I want to thank all of you who responded to that survey: an amazing 663 household responded. From those responses I was able to determine that 39%, or a total of almost 1,100 people planned to attend Mass today. That would have been just about perfect in that with 6 Masses with a maximum of about 200 people, total maximum attendance would be 1,200.

Moreover, we would follow these rules: <u>no one will</u> <u>have to go to any Mass</u> (the Sunday Obligation will remain suspended), and we would encourage you not to come to Mass if you are over 60 or in any other at risk groups, or even if you are just worried about getting sick or spreading the virus. Also, if you're sick or coughing or sneezing, we would tell you not to come to Mass yet. But if you are healthy and not overly concerned, we would allow you to freely choose to come to Mass.

Everyone who chooses to attend would be required to bring and wear a mask during the whole Mass, and to respect "social distancing" (except within families). We would also be cleaning the pews etc. between every Mass. To make time for safe-exiting and entering, and for sanitizing, Mass times would have to be different than usual: 5pm Vigil, 7am, 9am, 11am, 1pm and 5pm.

But now those plans are all on hold—but they are ready in place for when we do get the go ahead, hopefully in 2 weeks.

Do You Need Help? We talk about "re-opening", but that's just in regard to public Mass and meetings. I hope you know that **the office is open for its regular office hours**, and the priests are still available to help. We have some restrictions, but not many. So if you need any help at all during this crisis, financial or spiritual, please don't hesitate to call or email.

Also, be aware that **Catholic Charities** is available to assist. I received this note from them this week about **emotional stress**:

"With the increase financial and emotion stressors brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, Catholic Charities continues to offer high quality, professional mental health services at an affordable cost. Our sliding scale session rates are based on current household income and number of dependents. Additional assistance is available in some cases for clients who are facing financial hardship due to COVID-19. In order to continue to provide mental health support for the people of the Diocese during these difficult times, Catholic Charities has transitioned all counseling services to teletherapy. Our are professional counseling services provided via videoconference on a secure, HIPAA compliant web-based platform. This will allow us to serve not just our pre-existing but also new clients across the Diocese who were not previously able to travel to one of our 22 locations.

Additionally, the added flexibility of clinicians being able to serve clients across the Diocese has decreased waiting times for sessions, and we are able to provide services to new clients more quickly than in previous times. We have openings and can serve anyone in any part of the Diocese.

We offer counseling in English and Spanish to adults, teenagers, children, couples, and families. Our services are grounded in a Catholic anthropology.

For persons interested in seeking help, they are welcome to call our intake coordinators to initiate service. <u>For English and Spanish speakers: call 703-447-9402.</u>

Oremus pro invicem. Fr. De Celles

MASS INTENTIONS

Sixth Sunday of Easter

These Masses will be said this we	Please pray for of and their families way and would l prayer list, please	
Monday, May 18th Fr. John DeCelles	Saturday, May 23rd Bernie Crum +	sure to let us kno Anthony Ns
Bishop John R. Keating + Tuesday, May 19th	Vigil Mass	Please
Mrs. Evelyn Hildebrand + Dolores McCluskey +	Salvador Suarez III	Glenn Bliss Tom Dietz Nena Brennan
Wednesday, May 20th Family of Jesus Prayer Group Pauline Drouillard Eleanor Hickman +	Sunday, May 24th Vincent J. DiMattina, III Parishioners Vincent J. DiMattina, Jr.	Michael O'Neill Cindy Laird Christine B Petitt Ofelia Vitek Patricia Lewis
<u>Thursday, May 21st</u> Charles & Marie Perricone + Family of Jesus Prayer Group	John Pascariello, Jr. Rubino Family +	Barbara McGinn
Friday, May 22nd Rita Sulit +		St. Raymo
Margaret Mary Fields +		Monday t

View livestreaming of the Holy Mass at St. Raymond's! <u>https://straymonds.org/view-mass-online/</u> Monday through Friday Daily Mass at 8:30 am

Saturday at 9:00 am SUNDAY MASS 8:30 am and 11:00 am

In the Church

(in person, in the flower room), **Confessions Wednesday**: 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm **Saturday:** 8:30 am – 9:00 am; and 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Monday through Friday: 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

The Church will remain open, (except for during livestreaming of the Mass), Weekdays from 6:00 am to 9:00 pm, Saturdays 8:30 am to 6:00 pm, and Sundays 7:30 am to 6:00 pm for individual prayer & meditation. The handicapped access door on the front of the church, (far right side as you face the church), will be unlocked. Please limit number of individuals in the church to no more than 10.

Financial Assistance Available:

During this difficult time, we know that there are parishioners who have been financially affected by this crisis. Please know that the parish has funds available to financially help our parishioners or someone they know who is in need.

Please contact the parish office 703-440-0535 or e-mail eva.radel@straymonds.org, if you are in need of financial assistance or have any questions.

Please pray for our parishioners serving in Combat Zones and their families. If you have a relative serving in harm's way and would like to have his/her name included in our prayer list, please contact the parish office. Also, please be sure to let us know when they return home.

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Stephen Aldridge

Please pray for the sick of our parish

Glenn Bliss Tom Dietz Nena Brennan Michael O'Neill Cindy Laird Christine B Petitti Ofelia Vitek Patricia Lewis Barbara McGinn	Mary K Randazzo Patricia Del Buono	Michael Malachowski Juanita Boarman Angela Colom Denny Kruse Gerri Korpusik John Florio Serrin Foster James Bowling
Barbara McGinn	Joann Alba	James Bowling Amy Thomason

St. Raymond's All Day Adoration Weekdays Adoration time: Monday through Friday: 9:00 am to 9:00 pm

We are in need of Adorers to come and pray before our Lord for the end of the coronavirus. At least 2 adorers are needed per hour. No sign-in sheet will be available. We can only have up to 10 Adorers at a time. Please sign up spend time with our Lord so that we know that the Lord will not be left alone. To sign up, please visit our parish website at <u>https://</u> <u>straymonds.org/adoration</u>.

Project Gabriel: Thank you so much for your offers to help our moms-in-need! We have helped equip two baby boys, a baby girl and baby coming any day with a crib, toys, high chair, stroller, diapers, and lots more. You have especially shown these moms-in-need the love of Christ! They are so grateful for St Raymond's!

Parish Library: The Parish Library will remain closed until further notice. While there is nothing quite a like a good book in hand, and we regret that we can not make them available for circulation from our parish library at this time, please do check out online possibilities for good Catholic reading and viewing. Additionally, Ignatius Press (<u>ignatius.com</u>) and Bethlehem Books (<u>bethlehembooks.com</u>) are wonderful publishers to purchase great literature for adults and children alike.

St. Martin de Porres Committee - collects food on an ongoing basis for the Springfield Resource Center which services over 250 families in the Springfield area. A collection box is in the Narthex and donations are collected and distributed weekly. Suggested food items are listed, but all donations are welcome (no clothing). For equitable distribution, smaller packaging is requested (i.e. 1 lb bags of rice vs. 5 lb. bags, 1qt. oil vs. 1 gal oil). During this crisis the need for food is greater than ever. Please be generous.

GOSPEL JN 14:15-21

Jesus said to His disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows Him. But you know Him, because He remains with you, and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

Prayer to Jesus for Healing and Guidance

Jesus, Son of God. you were sent by the Father to bear our weakness; be with us in this time of crisis.

Merciful Savior, heal and comfort the sick, so that, with health restored, they may give you praise.

Divine Physician, accompany our caregivers so that, serving with patience, they may heal wisely.

Eternal Wisdom, guide our leaders so that, seeking remedies, they may follow your light.

Christ, the Anointed, protect us in body and spirit, so that, freed from harm, we may be delivered from all affliction.

Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

"Whoever loves me will keep my word." Are you called to bring the word of Christ to His flock? Call Father Michael Isenberg at (703) 841-2514, or write: michael.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org.

SAINT RAYMOND'S RESPECTS LIFE

Learn the TRUTH. Live the TRUTH. Spread the TRUTH... in LOVE

The holiness of the family is the chief way and necessary path to construct a new and better society, and to restore hope for the future. Pope Saint John Paul II *Familiaris Consortio*

The issue of **vaccines** will increase in the news as scientists work to find relief from the COVID19 virus. Many vaccines presently in use for various diseases have been derived from aborted fetal cell lines. Catholics should educate themselves on the pertinent concerns that fact presents. The National Catholic Bioethic Center <u>https://</u> www.ncbcenter.org/resources/frequently-asked-

<u>questions/use-vaccines/</u> provides answers to many initial questions. Please consult the parish website for more detailed information.

Have you been logging some extra walking miles these days? Now you can *Walk for Life!* Consider supporting or participating in this one mile fundraiser to benefit Divine Mercy Care, CareNet PRC's and Catholic Charities. June 27th, Manassas <u>https://www.voice4life.org/</u> <u>bettertogether.html</u>.

Do you have extra time on your hands? Our

Wrapped In Love program is up and stitching. Pray for the mothers and babies who will be wrapped in love by your efforts as you create baby blankets for distribution at Pregnancy Care Centers or for use by sidewalk counselors – wherever we find a need. God bless you for your efforts. Blankets may be delivered to the MaRiH collection box in the narthex.

Natural Family Planning. A gift to your marriage. For more info visit: <u>ccli.org</u>

Has the sorrow of miscarriage or still birth touched your life? Or perhaps you know someone in this situation. *A Mom's Peace*, A Lay Apostolate for Mothers of Miscarried and Stillborn Souls offers discreet support to families with bereavement, burial and remembrance assistance. For more information visit <u>amomspeace.org</u>

To those who have suffered an abortion **Project Rachel** can help someone who is carrying the grief and sorrow of a past abortion. (888)456-HOPE. Confidentiality always respected. www.helpafterabortion.org .

Give a Gift for Life! Gabriel Project helps pregnant moms welcome their babies. Please consider donating at <u>www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife</u>. For more info, contact them at 1-866-444-3553 or GabrielProject@arlingtondiocese.org.

St. Raymond's Youth Apostolate

All <u>in-person</u> Youth Apostolate Events are canceled further notice. We will let you know when we can meet again.

Virtual High School Youth Group : 8pm Monday nights!

What we do varies from week to week. Some things we have done include virtual games, Lectio Divina with Fr. Willard, scavenger hunts, and prayer. Upcoming events include vocations panel, escape room night, and more games! **RSVP to** <u>youth@straymonds.org</u> for the link to join us!

Acting/Theater Opportunity: Social Distance Film Project

7-12th Graders interested in helping with a social distance film project? Our idea: 2 -5 minute film project that's made to look like it was filmed in a group setting, but wasn't. Artists would record themselves and submit the video or music for editing. Story: St. Raymond, the Surfing Friar. We are looking for actors, musical artists, writers, costume props advisor, video editor, etc. Email Jeanne if interested!

11th & 12th Grade Pro-Life Oratory Contest

It's virtual this year!

Calling all high school juniors & seniors to the Virginia Society for Human Life (VSHL) Pro-life Oratory Contest. Check out the website <u>https://bit.ly/oratorycontest</u> for more info. **Deadline May 27th.**

Every year, without fail, when we bring our teens home from WorkCamp and Steubenville, the part of these events that they tell me (time and time again) had the greatest impact on them was the time spent in Adoration. And right now we have an opportunity right here in our own parish to spend time with Jesus, face to face, every single day!



Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Throughout the week. See parish website for details.

Sign up (encouraged, not required) here: <u>https://bit.ly/spendtimewithJesus</u>



My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Director of the Youth Apostolate (Grades 7-12) youth@straymonds.org Call/Text: 571-334-9890 https://straymonds.org/ministries-and-groups/youth-apostolate/

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

<u>THANK YOU</u> to the parents and catechists who have worked so hard to bring the 2019-2020 academic year to a successful close!!! We are so blessed to partner with you in bringing the faith to the children of St. Raymond's. You are the absolute BEST!!!

Registration for the 2020-2021 Religious Education year has begun. You can pick up one of the bright orange forms in the Narthex of the church, at the Groveland entrance, in the Parish Office or outside the Religious Education Office. You may also register online at the parish website. Class enrollment is on a first come, first served basis so register early to get the session you want.

Volunteer teachers/catechists, assistant teachers and <u>aides</u> (high school students) are needed for the 2020-2021 Religious Education year. If you would like to help, please fill out a gray Volunteer Registration form which can be found in the same locations as the student registration forms. Please complete and return the form to the Religious Education Office.



St. John Bosco Council #12846 Knights of Columbus: Are you a man of 17 ¹/₂ years of more? Are you a practicing Catholic? Do you

want to help others and preach the Gospel by your life? Then we invite you to join the Knights! Contact Deputy Grand Knight Stephen Delaney (703-627-8090) or go to www.KofC.org/JoinUs to become a Knight today!

"KOVAR" is a Virginia Knights of Columbus charity. It works to provide assistance through grants and home loans to tax exempt organizations. These organizations give training and assistance to persons with intellectual disabilities. We need your help through donations to fund this vital charity. KOVAR collections typically occur in May and this year will be different. Please see our website at <u>www.straymonds.org/kovar/</u> for more information and how to contribute.

ECHO continues to respond to families struggling to cope with financial challenges and/or lack of food. Currently, the food pantry can use <u>any type of food or personal care</u> <u>items</u>. Because of shortages, we are asking for donations of <u>eggs</u> <u>and margarine</u>. We also especially need sliced bread, canned meats, boxed pasta, dried beans, canned tomatoes, flour, shaving cream, deodorant and toilet paper. We need cleaning supplies, wipes, and sanitizers. We have an urgent need for standard sized <u>brown paper grocery bags</u>. We are open to receive donations on weekdays from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm, and on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at 7205 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield, VA. Volunteers will come to your vehicle to get the donated foods.

Victim Assistance Program for Those Sexually Abused as Minors: The Catholic Diocese of Arlington provides comprehensive assistance to anyone who as a minor was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, teacher, employee or representative of the diocese. Parents, guardians, children and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, who will provide support, consultation, and referrals. The Catholic Diocese of Arlington is committed to assisting victims/survivors throughout the healing process. For further information, see www.arlingtondiocese.org/Child-Protection/ or call (703) 841-2530.

Church Persecuted

It began publicly when Governor Cuomo of New York declared that God had nothing to do with the stemming of the COVID-19 pandemic. "The number is down because we brought the number down. *God did not do that. Faith did not do that.*" But this ungodliness did not stop here. The Freedom From Religion Foundation (FFRF) has been attacking local officials for offering prayers to those hurting in our country. In one "letter of complaint" sent to Governor Jim Justice of West Virginia criticized his designation of a Day of Prayer to bring peace during the pandemic. "If there's any time, now's the time we need to be looking to God above for assistance in any and every way we possibly can," Justice said.

Take God out of the equation and what do we have, "Nothing!" See the "Prayer to Jesus for Healing and Guidance." <u>https://</u>straymonds.org/view-mass-online/

Portion of this article from <u>https://aclj.org/american-heritage/</u> despicable-freedom-from-religion-foundation-taking-advantageof-vulnerable-state-of-our-country-during-covid-19-attackingpublic-officials-offering-prayer-during-this-crisis

Home School Group: for more information visit our website www.homeschool-life.com/va/straymondhsg/ Contact: Katherine Bogacki or Malia Cameron at straymondhsg@gmail.com.

Family of Jesus Prayer Group: Though our weekly meetings are currently canceled - we are still praying! If you have any prayer requests, please let us know by e-mailing Elaine Perricone at <u>jpebtp@verizon.net</u> or by calling the parish office at 703-440-0535.

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Get In-Formed! Just for Kids!

Brother Francis - The Rosary: A Special Way to Pray Join Brother Francis in this entertaining and guidance-filled presentation that will inspire children to deepen their faith by praying the Rosary! This episode includes:

- The prayers of the Rosary as well as the Apostles' Creed each wonderfully visualized!
- The Annunciation—an animated portrayal of Mary's joyful submission to God's will.

Two visualized songs:

- "I Love to Pray"—an energetic, catchy song that will encourage children to communicate with God anywhere and anytime!
- "The Our Father"—an uplifting musical rendition that celebrates our Heavenly Father's presence in our daily lives!

Besides being a lot of fun, Brother Francis: The Rosary is a captivating way to help children use their hearts and minds in prayer. The best Catholic content in one place - movies, programs, talks, dramas, & ebooks—just one click away!

Watch now at <u>www.straymonds.formed.org</u>

Questions? Need help? Email us at: <u>formed@straymonds.org</u>

Angelus Academy Pre K—8th

Offering a liberal arts education in the classical tradition.

We continue to pray for all those affected by the coronavirus.

We are so grateful for CL@H! Continued Learning@Home is how our students, teachers and parents stay in touch while our school building is closed. And, most importantly, we stay united in prayer.

Rolling admissions for 2020-2021 remain open. Please contact <u>admissions@AngelusAcademy.org</u> for more information. Our Admissions Team welcomes your questions and looks forward to sharing information with you about our mission, curriculum and school traditions.

> www.AngelusAcademy.org 7644 Dynatech Ct., Springfield, VA 22153 703-924-3996

Please remember that our parish's expenses will continue during this crisis, We need your continued support! Your donations may be mail to, or dropped off at, the parish office or sign up to give online through Faith Direct.

FAITH DIRECT: Although public Masses, Religious Education, Bible Study, Apostolate events and events involving ten or more people at a time have been canceled, our parish is still in need of your donations. We have operating costs (utility, maintenance, service contracts, supplies and staff payroll and benefits) that must continue. Now more than ever we have requests for FAMILY ASSISTANCE to support those members of our parish who are in need of our help. Please visit our website <u>www.straymonds.org</u> to join online or call directly at (866) 507-8757.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Sunday Offertory	\$ 12,695.00
Family Assistance	\$ 2,485.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 2,345.00
Parish Special Needs	\$ 357.00

This Week's Second Collection is for Diocesan Retired Priests. This collection aids in caring for our retired priests who have served our diocese so faithfully over the years. Please consider donating to this important collection. Thank you for your kind support.

The Second Collection Next week will be for Catholic Communications Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ in the United States and in developing countries around the world through the Internet, television, radio, and print media. 50% of funds collected remain here in the Diocese of Arlington to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/ccc.

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