

# Saint Rita of Cascia Catholic Church

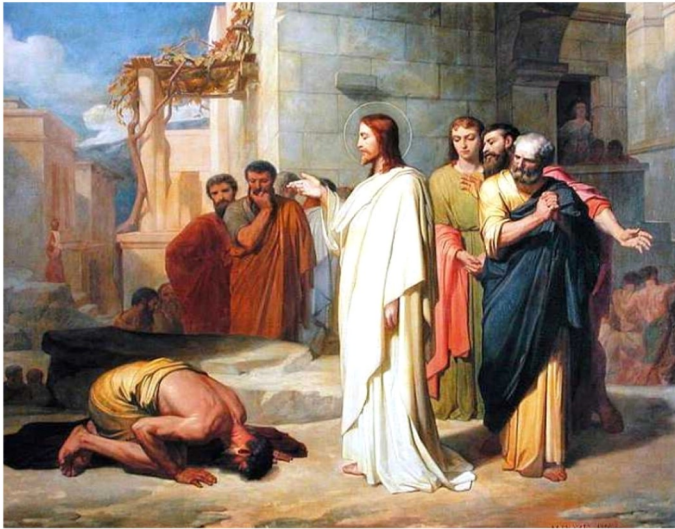
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## Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 6, 2018



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Open: Monday — Friday: 9 AM to 9 PM

Closed: M-F (12:30 — 1:30 PM) & Saturday & Sunday

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### HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Sunday	7:15, 8:15, 9:30 AM (in Latin), 11:00 AM, and 1:00 PM (en Español)
Monday	7 AM & 7:30 PM (Novena followed by Mass)
Tuesday	7 AM & 7:30 PM (Traditional Latin Mass)
Wednesday	7 AM, 7:30 PM & 8:30 AM (during school year)
Thursday	7 AM & 7:30 PM (Traditional Latin Mass)
Friday	7 AM & 7:30 PM
Saturday	8 AM & 5:00 PM (Vigil Mass)

### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Sunday	10:30—11:00 AM; 12:30—1 PM (en Español)
Monday—Friday	7:00 PM
Saturday	8:30 AM, 4:00—5:00 PM & 7:00—7:30 PM

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday, Thursday & First Friday:	6:30 PM — 7:30 PM
Wednesday:	3:30—7:30 PM

## Welcome to St. Rita Parish!

### PARISH MEMBERSHIP & REGISTRATION:

To join our parish family, please submit a [Parish Registration form](#).

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Saturdays 10 AM to 12 PM. Please submit a [Baptism Application form](#). Parents must attend a one-time one-hour Pre-Baptism Preparation Class, held the 1st Tuesday of each month.

### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please submit a [Marriage Application form](#). Diocesan regulations require 6 months of marriage preparation. Couples living together will be asked to live separately during marriage preparation.

### OBTAINING & SUBMITTING PARISH FORMS

To receive Sacraments at St. Rita Church, you must be a Registered Parishioner. All Parish forms are located in all three vestibules of the church and at [www.strita-parish.net](http://www.strita-parish.net) Please drop-off the completed form(s) at the rectory office (Monday—Friday) or drop in the collection basket or email to: [stritasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:stritasecretary@gmail.com)

Hospitalized or Homebound Parishioners please call the rectory.

**ST. RITA CATHOLIC SCHOOL (703) 548-1888**  
(Kindergarten—8th Grade and Pre-School/Atrium) EXT.

Principal	Mary Patricia Schlickemaier <a href="mailto:saintritaschool@me.com">saintritaschool@me.com</a>	24
Admissions	Josephine Cunningham <a href="mailto:jcunningham@saintrita-school.org">jcunningham@saintrita-school.org</a>	32
School Office	Dana Smullen <a href="mailto:office@saintrita-school.org">office@saintrita-school.org</a>	23

## Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

### MONDAY, MAY 7, 2018

Monday of the 6th Week of Eastertide

7:00 AM Mass **LOUISE HOLSHOUSER** †  
7:00 PM Confession & Miraculous Medal Novena  
7:30 PM Mass **FR. DENIS DONAHUE**

### TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2018

Tuesday of the 6th Week of Eastertide

7:00 AM Mass **KAREN DAVIDSON**  
6:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration (ends: 7:30 PM)  
7:00 PM Confession  
7:30 PM Mass **ALFREDO MAGALLANES** †

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2018

Wednesday of the 6th Week of Eastertide

7:00 AM Mass **VIODELDA THOMAS DE DOSS** †  
8:30 AM Mass **SR. ALMA BERNADETTE, SSJ**  
3:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration (ends: 7:30 PM)  
7:00 PM Confession  
7:30 PM Mass **BEATRIX SZELE-SZECHENYI**

### THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2018

Saint Damien de Vester, Priest

7:00 AM Mass **FR. JOHN O'HARA**  
6:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration (ends: 7:30 PM)  
7:00 PM Confession  
7:30 PM Mass **SZELE-HADFORD FAMILY**

### FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2018

Friday of the 6th Week of Eastertide

7:00 AM Mass **MARGARET FITTON** †  
7:00 PM Sung Vespers & Confession  
7:30 PM Mass **HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY** †

### SATURDAY, MAY 12, 2018

Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; Saint Pancras, Martyr

8:00 AM Mass **CECELIA BARRICK** †  
8:30 AM Confession  
4:00 PM Confession  
5:00 PM Mass **TIMOTEA AGBAYANI** †  
7:00 PM Confession

### SUNDAY, MAY 13, 2018

Ascension of the Lord (observed)

7:15 AM Mass **THANA DIXON** †  
8:15 AM Mass **ALICE WALSH & MARY JACKSON** †  
9:30 AM Mass **FR. GREGORY COYNE**  
10:30 AM Confession  
11:00 AM Mass **Missa Pro Populo—Mass for the People**  
12:30 PM Confession (in Spanish)  
1:00 PM Mass **MARIA BERTA GARCIA** †



The next **Spanish BAPTISM CLASS** is Thursday, **MAY 10** at 6:00 PM in the Parish Center Hall. Please call the Rectory to sign up for the class: (703) 836-1640.

Join the parish for **SUNG VESPERS** and **MASS** in the church every Friday night. Vespers and Confession will begin at 7 pm followed by Mass at 7:30 pm. St. Rita Church's Vespers include a mixture of English and Latin chants.



**ATRIUM REGISTRATION:** Enrollment for the Wednesday afternoon Homeschool Atrium (*Catechesis of the Good Shepherd*) is now open. We have openings for children 3—8 years of age. For more information please contact Miss Megan Rolla at [mrolla@saintrita-school.org](mailto:mrolla@saintrita-school.org)

### MAY 2018 SECOND COLLECTIONS:

**May 6:** Repairs & Replacements (R&R) (St. Rita Church)  
**May 6:** Retired Priests & Religious—used to care for our retired priests and religious in the Diocese of Arlington  
**May 13:** Catholic Communications Campaign—used to promote communication with people in the world and inside the diocese to promote the merciful love of Christ.



### St Rita CCD REGISTRATION FOR 2018-2019:

Early Registration for the calendar year 2018-2019 will begin in the Russell Road vestibule of the church after all Masses on Sunday, **MAY 13**. Registration forms will be provided.

**ST. RITA SCHOOL AUCTION:** Please join us on Saturday **MAY 12** at 6:30 PM at the **Columbus Club** in Arlington.

- Tickets can be purchased on the website [saintrita-school.maestroweb.com](http://saintrita-school.maestroweb.com)
- The last chance to enter your raffle tickets in our drawings is Friday, **May 11**. Tickets can be placed in the basket in the back of the church or at the school office.
- If you can't join us on May 12th, please consider supporting our **Fund In Need** to renovate and replace our much loved parish and school playground equipment. Money raised will be used to purchase a new slide, zip line, climbing structure, mulch and more!
- **Donations** can be made on our website or by check payable to St. Rita School PTO. If you have any questions, please email: [streditadinnerauction@gmail.com](mailto:streditadinnerauction@gmail.com)



Save the Date: *Feast of Saint Rita*

**St. Rita FESTIVAL:** Saturday, **MAY 19:**  
Games ~ Rides ~ Great food ~ Great Company!

St. Rita Parish needs adorers for **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** on **WEDNESDAYS**, from 3:30 PM to 6:30 PM, in 30 minute intervals. Please contact Karen Davidson at (703) 836-1640 if you can commit to a 1/2 hour each week. *Thank you!*

### *Ways to Help Needy Families*

**CARPENTER'S SHELTER & CHRIST HOUSE:** Please contact St. Rita's Community Outreach Director, **Susanne Arnold** at (703) 683-5138 if you can be on the roster to:

- **Donate food** to St. Rita Program 3x per year
- **Serve meals** at Carpenter's Shelter a few times/year. St. Rita Church serves meals at **Carpenter Shelter** every 2nd Sunday; next one is Sunday, **MAY 13, 5:30 PM**
- **Serve meals** at Christ House. St. Rita's turn to serve dinner @ **Christ House** is Sunday, **MAY 27, 4 — 6 PM**
- **Furniture:** Call **ALIVE!** 703-837-9300 & press 3. For pick up on Saturday mornings.
- **Car Donation** – Call Catholic Charities (703) 841-3898 [cars@ccda.net](mailto:cars@ccda.net).
- **Poor Box:** Please donate cash, grocery cards to help needy families

*Thank you for your prayers & generosity!*

*St Rita Parishioners We Are Praying For:*

**Please pray for those discerning Religious Vocations:**

William Manaker, Jesuits      Seminarians, Diocese of Arlington  
Sr. Lisa Ruth, Carmelites      Sr. Maria Josepha, Labor Mariae

**Please Pray For The Sick in Our Parish:**

Gary McAlpin	Phyliss Yancey	Maddie Respicio-Cabatic
Dr. John Gleeson	Jane Rippy	April Garcia
Mary Gleeson	Chery Fuentes	Laura Stevens
Karl Heinz	Herschel Otto	Emma Gomez de Blanco
		Christopher Medin

*Tend your sick ones, O Lord Jesus Christ. Rest your weary ones.  
Bless your dying ones. Soothe your suffering ones.  
Pity your afflicted ones. Shield your joyous ones.  
And all for Your love's sake. Amen. — Saint Augustine*

**✠ Please Pray For Our Deceased Parishioners:**

Jane Hardiman	Dennis Webb
John T. Wilson	Thomas Quinn
Lorric Asher	Frederick Asher
Jackie Andrew	Helen Woodland
Carole Dougherty	Camille Caliendo
Denise Webb	John Taff
Richard P. Callahan	James E. Hall, Sr.
Agnes Ranson	Kate Bushman
Andrew Parezo	Kathleen Aldarice
Thana Dixon	Beth Louison
Patricia McEvoy Gold	Rosemarie Cruz
Nicholas von Guggenberg	Kathleen Sullivan
Rita Kearns	Capt Rocky Versace (POW)
Sirup Fernezian	Stephen Lynn
Mark Stewart Maurice	James R. Scott
John Moretti, Jr.	Kevin James Duffy
Michael Douglas Taylor	Randall Sawyer Hart
Dominic Takeshi Dodson	Dan S. Serice
Candida Diaz	Charles Alfred Attiliis
Patricia Rohrer	Lillian Lorraine Massino
Mary Lucia Orsini	Rita Flynn
Virginia Duncan-Hall	Peggy Curry
Dorothy Turner	Maria Ruiz de Merino
Elizabeth Membreño	Pedro Diaz

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light  
shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

If you know of a St. Rita parishioner who should be added to our prayer list, please email Karen at [stritasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:stritasecretary@gmail.com)

St. Rita Parish **VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX** sign-up sheet is at <http://www.slotttr.com/StRitaVocations>. You may also contact Robert Manaker at [StRitaVocations@gmail.com](mailto:StRitaVocations@gmail.com) to sign up.

*Thank you!* Fr. Gee wishes to thank all of you for the prayers and financial gifts that made this year's Bishop's Lenten Appeal a great success. Our parish met our goal!



*Congratulations to Our First Communicants...*  
who received the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time on Saturday, May 5th. May Our Lord, in the Holy Eucharist, inspire you to grow in holiness each day!

**PARISH GIVING:** [www.parishgiving.org](http://www.parishgiving.org)

**AROUND THE DIOCESE** *and beyond*

**STEP ALIVE! STEP ALIVE! STEP ALIVE!** to benefit the ALIVE! Child Development Center - giving low income children high quality early learning. 100% of families receive tuition assistance. A member of ALIVE!, **St. Rita Church** is one of the 44 faith-based organizations providing shelter, education, food, furniture & emergency financial help to those in need. **TODAY:** Sunday, **MAY 6: 2—5 PM.** A 5K or 5 mile walk followed by catered picnic with live music. Register & Start: First Christian Church, 2723 King St. Alexandria, 22302. **Cost:** \$25 Individual; \$10 Youth 6-13 & Seniors 70+. Register or donate on line at [www.alive-inc.org](http://www.alive-inc.org)

*Summer Camp 2018*

Paul VI Catholic High School is currently accepting registrations for **SUMMER CAMPS** for all ages and interests from fine arts to athletics. <https://pvisports.net/main/campsclinics/>

**SUMMER CAMP:** Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School is excited to announce that we will be offering several athletic and enrichment camps this summer for rising 4th - 12th graders! Camps include: *Girls Cheerleading, Boys Lacrosse, Boys Football, Intro to Computers, Art and Camp Quintessential (new this year) which is a leadership camp for rising 4th - 8th graders.* For information about registration and all our camp offerings, please visit <http://www.jpthegreat.org/2018/03/2018-summer-camps-announced/> For any questions, please email [camps@jpthegreat.org](mailto:camps@jpthegreat.org)

**CAMP ST. CHARLES:** [www.campstcharles.com](http://www.campstcharles.com)

*Pro-Life Resources*

**St Rita RESPECT LIFE MASS:** Sat., **MAY 26 @ 8 AM**

**GABRIEL PROJECT** (pregnancy help): [www.h4pw.org](http://www.h4pw.org)

**PROJECT RACHEL:** [www.helpafterabortion.org](http://www.helpafterabortion.org)

**MaRiH CENTER:** pregnancy crisis 24-hour hotline: 703-370-4774

You can **donate online** to **Gabriel Project** and **Project Rachel** at [www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife).

**VOCATIONS** — Considering the generous service of priesthood or consecrated life? Call Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514 or write: [j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org)

**THEOLOGY ON TAP:** Monday, **MAY 7:** All young adults (21-39) are invited to Theology on Tap in the heart of Old Town, Alexandria at Murphy's Irish Pub, every first Monday of the Month. **The talk begins at 7:30 pm** & ends with Q&A at 8:30 pm. Arrive early to get a seat and enjoy a great meal! Questions? Contact us at [yam@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:yam@arlingtondiocese.org) or Arragon Perrone at [aperrone@stmaryoldtown.org](mailto:aperrone@stmaryoldtown.org)

**RACE FOR SEMINARIANS Team Kickoff:** Tuesday, **MAY 8, 2018.** Whether you are just getting started as a runner, are a seasoned marathoner, or just want to cheer us on, come to the Race for Seminarians Team Kickoff! Learn more about this dynamic event that has raised more than \$170,000 for our seminarians! Re-unite with old running buddies and make new ones. Pick up your team t-shirt. Amp up your training with tips from Ray Pugsley of Potomac River Runners. Hear fundraising success stories and more! Not a runner or walker? Be part of our race day cheer squad. All are welcome! <https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/Vocations/Support/Race-for-Seminarians/>

