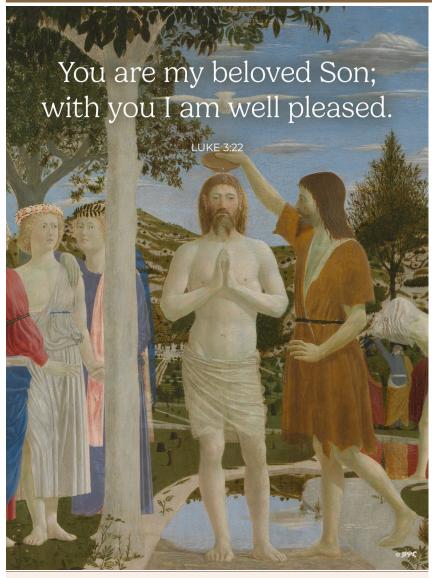
SAINT JOHN **THE EVANGELIST**

JANUARY 12, 2025 | BAPTISM OF THE LORD



Readings for the Week – January 12, 2025

Monday Heb 1:1-6 Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 Mk 1:14-20 Tuesday Heb 2:5-12 Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 1:21-28 Wednesday Heb 2:14-18 Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 1:29-39 Thursday Heb 3:7-14 Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 Mk 1:40-45 Friday Heb 4:1-5, 11 Ps 78:3 & 4bc, 6c-7, 8 Mk 2:1-12 Saturday Heb 4:12-16 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 Mk 2:13-17 Sunday Is 62:1-5 Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 1 Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. (Spanish) Sunday | 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses Monday-Friday | 6:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.

Saturday | 8:30 a.m.

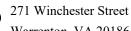
Confessions

Wednesday | 7:00 p.m. Saturday | 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Sunday | 30 minutes before Masses

OUR CLERGY

Rev. Charles Smith. Pastor Rev. Brian McAllister, Parochial Vicar Rev. Nicholas Blank, Parochial Vicar Don Libera, Deacon J. D. Williams, Deacon Ken Galvin, Deacon

CONTACT US



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Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday | 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. Friday | 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.



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MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12TH

7:30 a.m.	† Alton Lenoce
9:00 a.m.	† Ferguson Family
10:45 a.m.	† Hermin Barreto
12:30 p.m.	St. John's Parishioners
5:00 p.m.	† Scooter Wolfrey

MONDAY, JANUARY 13TH

6:30 a.m.	† Kristy Helmick
8:30 a.m.	† Bonnie Fogelberg

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14TH

6:30 a.m. † Jacqueline Miller 8:30 a.m. Theresa Flick

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15TH

6:30 a.m.	Linda Ingalls
8:30 a.m.	Betty Colegrove

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16TH

6:30 a.m.	† Butch Blackburn
8:30 a.m.	† Dianne Todd

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17TH

6:30 a.m.	† Floyd Artrip
8:30 a.m.	† Frank Pinello, Sr.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18TH

8:30 a.m.	Thomas Maurer
5:00 p.m.	† Donald McAvoy
7:00 p.m.	† Bridget Deery
(Spanish)	

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19TH

7:30 a.m.	† John Burns
9:00 a.m.	St. John Parishioners
10:45 a.m.	Joseph and Grace Artrip
12:30 p.m.	† Anita G. Tortorella
5:00 p.m.	Pilar Villalta

Holy Father's Prayer

For the right to an education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

Welcome to Our Parish Family!

We're so glad you're here! Whether you're visiting or new to the parish, we extend a warm welcome and hope you feel at home in our faith community. We invite you to learn more about us and explore how you can get involved by visiting the *"I'm New"* section on our website. Let us walk with you in faith as we grow together in Christ.

<u>sjeva.org/im-new</u>

ADORATION

Wednesday 9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

Thursday 9:00 a.m.—Saturday 8:15 a.m.

Consider committing to a weekly hour of Adoration. If you feel called to spend time with our Lord, please prayerfully consider signing up. For more information, contact Christy Williams at

adorejesusatstjohns@gmail.com or 540-272-0028.

DEVOTIONS

Rosary | Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m.

Children's Holy Hour | Wed., 10 a.m. **Divine Mercy Holy Hour** | Fri., 3 p.m. **Miraculous Medal Holy Hour** | Wed. 7:00 p.m.

Teen Holy Hour | 4th Tue. 7:00 p.m.

Pray for the Ill & their care givers

Dorothy Tong Lisa Tvr dik

Victoria Ashwell Vi Kolonay Elizabeth Esquivel Dan Lubkowski

Pray for our Active Military Personnel

U.S. Air Force:	U.S. Army:	U.S. Marine Corps:	U.S. Navy:
Col Francis X. Buser	Capt. Dan Koehr	Capt. Paul M. Pechie	Fr. Lt. Sean Koehr
Maj Thomas W. N.	2nd Lt. Andrew	LCpl Aiden Curley	Lt. Brendan Koehr
Dickinson	Colegrove	LCpl Noah D. Lenky	Lt. Patrick Koehr
2nd Lt. Shelby		LCpl Andrew Wiles	Lt. Jacob Schwind
Rosenberger	U.S. Coast Guard:	LCpl Alex Zeamer	Lt. j.g. Ryan Schwind
2nd Lt. Matthew Zieg	PO Samuel Catts	PFC Carla Saldana	PO Samuel Thomas
SSgt Nicholas E. Meding	CDR Mark A. Whisenant		Moore
SSgt Kateri Buser			
A1C Isaac Buser			

Pray for the recently deceased

Alton Lenoce

Names of the sick will be listed for four weeks. Names of active duty military personnel will be listed for six months. If you would like to add or reinstate a name to the list, email <u>bulletin@sjesva.org</u>.

SACRAMENTS

For all inquiries, call 540-347-2922 during office hours. For sacramental emergencies outside office hours, call the same number and follow the prompts.

Baptisms

Baptism preparation classes are required for first-time parents. Contact us to schedule a baptism.

Marriages

Marriage preparation should begin at least six months before the wedding date. Reach out for more information.

Sick Calls

To arrange a visit for the homebound or request anointing of the sick, please get in touch with the parish office.

Religious Education / Faith Formation

REMINDER:

Students with more than five unexcused absences from Religious Education (RE) classes risk not completing this year's program and may not advance to the next grade level.

Parents are required to email or provide a written excuse for every absence. Additionally, all missed classwork must be reviewed at home, and any homework should be completed and submitted to the Catechist.

Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring your child's success in the program!

Confirmation 2025



Reminder: Submit your **Birth Certificate** and **Baptismal Certificate** to the parish office.

Interviews: Candidates who have attended a Confirmation Retreat will soon be contacted to schedule their interviews. Interviews will be arranged through SignUpGenius, so please watch for emails with the scheduling link.

Start preparing now to ensure you're ready for this important step in your Confirmation journey!

- Review the Interview Q&A thoroughly to prepare.
- At least one parent must accompany the candidate for the interview.
- All interviews must be completed by the end of February.

Confirmation Date: Wednesday, May 21, 2025 beginning at 7 p.m. Practice will be held the night before at 6 p.m. in Mercy Hall and conclude in the church.

Confirmation 2026

Submit Forms C1–C4! These forms are required to start receiving emails about volunteer opportunities. If you haven't turned them in yet, please return them to the Religious Ed Office immediately.

Be sure to complete a **Service Hour Journal Entry** for each type of activity you participated in as part of your service hours.

First Penance

Reminder: Submit your **Birth Certificate** and **Baptismal Certificate**.

Sacrament of First Penance: Scheduled for Saturday, January 25th, at 10:15 a.m. in Mercy Hall (Snow date: February 8).

OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY



For more information, contact the Youth Director at youthdirector@siesva.org.



Dead Theologians Society (DTS)

Join us every 2nd and 4th Sunday from 6–8:30 PM in the Youth Room as we explore the inspiring lives of Saints who have given everything for our faith. Our next meeting is on **Sunday, January 12th**—see you there!

Youth Ministry TLC Monthly Meeting

The Youth Ministry Team Leadership Committee (TLC) will hold its monthly planning meeting on **Monday, January 13th, at 7 PM**. The meeting will be virtual. If you're interested in joining the planning efforts, please contact the Youth Director.

Work Camp 2025

The next mandatory participants meeting will be held **Tuesday, January 14th, from 7 to 8 PM**. For more information contact Dan Foos at <u>dfoos@tnesolutions.com</u>.



Wednesday Youth Group

Join our growing Youth Group Wednesday, January 15th, from 6–8 PM ! High schoolers are invited to join us for an evening of food, fellowship, meaningful dialogue, and a special time of prayer as we conclude with Adoration and Confessions during the parish Holy Hour. Don't miss out on future events—sign up for our e-newsletter to stay connected!

High School Guys' Group

Join us on most **Thursday evenings from 7:00–8:30 PM**! Weather permitting, we'll meet at the School Pavilion or in the Youth Room, wrapping up with Adoration in the church. Don't miss out on sports, games, fellowship, and faith-filled fun! Contact <u>Fr. Nicholas</u> to sign up for text updates and stay informed.

High School Girls' Grotto (Home-Ec Club)

Young ladies are invited to join us for crafting, cooking, girlchats! We meet every 1st and 3rd Monday afternoons at 4-6 PM in the Youth Room! Our next meeting will be **Monday**, January 20th!

Middle School Youth Group

Mark your calendars! Our next monthly meeting is on Friday, February 7th, 2025.





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5561 WWW.VAKOFC5561.ORG



Upcoming meetings and activities

16 January | 7:00 PM- Council Officers Meeting in the Knight's Chambers

18-19 January after Saturday Evening and Sunday Morning Masses - Chili Sales in Church Plaza



23 January | 7:30 PM - Council Business Meeting in the Knight's Chambers

8 February | Ladies Appreciation Dinner in Mercy Hall

9 February after 7:30 and 9 AM Masses Parish Breakfast in Mercy Hall



Catholic men are invited to engage in a wide range of faith, family, and community service activities. If you are interested ask a Knight, visit us online, or email <u>5561.gk@gmail.com</u>.

2025 LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION

In St. Paul's letter to the Philippians, he says that the mind of Christ becomes ours only through the work of the Spirit. Christ "Emptied Himself, (Kenosis in Greek), taking the form of a Slave." Our kenosis is possible when God's reign takes deep root in our own lives through the Holy Spirit. Are you prepared to emulate Our Lord in this self-emptying of our own selfishness? Let's take this journey together this coming Lent at the St. John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, DC, sponsored by Father Herman J. Veger Council, 5561. Be on the lookout for future announcements on this great opportunity. For more information, please contact our Church and Religious Programs Director for more information on the background of this retreat at: (571) 421-5466 or raymondepayette@gmail.com.



THE JUBILEE YEAR: IT'S SIGNIFICANCE AND BENEFITS

Join the Legion of Mary for a discussion on the Jubilee Year-what it is, how often it occurs, and the spiritual benefits it offers, including how to obtain a plenary

indulgence. Thursday, January 23, at 7 PM in Mercy Hall. Light refreshments and free literature provided. For more information, contact dochearing@yahoo.com.

Women of Saint John the Evangelist



The Women of Saint John will meet Friday, January 17th, at 9:15 AM in Knights Hall, following the morning Mass. We will be sorting and packaging calendars for distribution to senior

homes, residences, and programs, as well as sorting and packaging cards.



SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT **DE PAUL**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul serves those in need in our community through assistance, offering support, resources, and hope to individuals and families facing challenges. Your generosity makes this vital ministry possible-please consider making a donation to help those in need.

Our Help Line Number: 540-270-6774 For Pantry Assistance: 540-718-2031

For more information on our ministry, please contact Art Fairweather 240-405-8602.

Saint John the Evangelist Catholic School



n House

February 1, 2025 9:00-11:00 AM



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https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4EA4A928A7FECF8-53756529

RSVP

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VIRGINIA PRO-LIFE DAY

Pro-abortionists in both the State Senate and House of Delegates are pushing to pass the Extreme Abortion-Until-Birth Amendment early in the session. It's vital for pro-life advocates to stand together and make their voices heard by turning out in strong numbers at the General Assembly.

> Join us in Richmond to meet your legislators and advocate for life!

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FIND THE SCHEDULE AND MORE DETAILS AT **vaprolifeday.org**

Visit the Virginia Society for Human Life at <u>www.vshl.org</u> and the Virginia Catholic Conference at <u>www.vcc.org</u> to learn more about key pro-life issues.

Scan the QR code to sign up for transportation to Richmond or use the sign-up sheet available in the Narthex.

-ABORTION



STAY CONNECTED

COR Men's Group

ALL men of the parish, ages 18 and over, are invited to participate in our Cor gathering hosted by the Knights of Columbus, Council 5561. Cor, meaning "heart" in Latin, is also the root word for Courage. The Cor Meeting exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity.

The goal of each Cor meeting is to provide men with the opportunity to encounter Christ, strengthen their bonds of brotherhood, and prepare for the courageous mission of evangelization.

For more information, please contact our Council's *Evangelization and Faith Formation Director* at: 571-421-5466 or <u>raymondepayette@gmail.com</u>.

ST. JOHN'S MOMS GROUP

Calling all moms! Join us Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 9:05 a.m. in

Mercy Hall for faith, fellowship, and friendship with other parish moms!

The MOMS group at St. John's connects mothers through playgroups, prayer, service projects, and social activities. Meetings are biweekly on Wednesdays at 9:05 a.m. and the 1st Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in Mercy Hall.

All moms are welcome! Contact Julia Hostutler at juliamhostutler@gmail.com for more information.



TORCH DRAMA CLUB NEWS

TORCH Drama Club Workshops are Friday, January 17th in Trinity Hall. SPARKS (ages 12-15) will meet from 4-6 PM for a meet and greet, while high schoolers (16+) can join from 7-9 PM to learn about the spring musical "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers." \$5 per participant. RSVP at torchdramaclub.org.

ST JOHN'S HOME EDUCATORS

Considering Homeschooling?

Explore the benefits of homeschooling with support from a vibrant Catholic community! Visit <u>sjhehomeschool.com</u> to learn more about St. John Home Educators, a group dedicated to helping families provide a faith-filled, flexible education for their children. Discover resources, events, and guidance to start or enrich your homeschooling journey.



Ancient Order of HIBERNIANS Irish · Catholic · American If You're of Irish Descent, We Should Meet!

Men: Join us at O'Brien's at 7:00 p.m. on the **first Tuesday** of the month.

Families: Join us at O'Brien's for live Irish music & fellowship at 6:00 p.m. on the **last Sunday** of the month.

The AOH is recruiting Catholic men 16+ of Irish birth or descent for the new Culpeper-Warrenton Division. Join us in faith and good works, continuing our proud tradition of supporting the Catholic Church since the 16th century. Men from St. John the Evangelist and Precious Blood Parishes are welcome! For more information, please contact Dennis MacMinn at <u>dennis.macminn@gmail.com</u>.

STAY CONNECTED WITH OUR PARISH THROUGH FLOCKNOTE!



Want to stay informed about parish events, Mass schedules, volunteer opportunities, and more? Sign up for **Flocknote**, our parish communication tool!

Visit <u>sjeva.flocknote.com/parishnews</u> or text SJENEWS to 84576.

Ministry Leaders: Would you like your ministry added to Flocknote? It's a great way to keep your members informed and engaged! Contact Communications at communications@sjesva.org to get your ministry set up on Flocknote today.

Let's grow and stay connected as a parish family!

LOOKING TO GET INVOLVED?

Getting involved in parish ministries is a wonderful way to deepen your faith, serve others, and build meaningful connections within our church community. Whether you feel called to

- Liturgical Ministries (like Altar Servers, Lectors, or Choir),
- **Outreach Ministries** (like the Food Pantry or St. Vincent de Paul Society),
- **Community Groups** (like the Knights of Columbus or Women's Groups),

there's a place for you to share your gifts and make an impact.

Visit <u>sjeva.org/get-involved</u> to learn more about our ministries, connect with ministry leaders, and find your way to serve. Together, we can strengthen our parish and grow in faith!

NUESTRA COMUNIDAD

Misa en español

Sábados a las 7:00 p.m.

Confesiones

Miércoles a las 7:00 p.m.

Sábados a las 9:00 a.m. y 4:00 p.m

30 minutos antes de cada misa de fin de semana

Adoración

Miércoles a las 9:00 a.m. a 8:00 p.m.

Jueves comienza a las 9:00 a.m. y concluye el sábado a las 8:00 a.m. (sin interrupción durante las noches del jueves y viernes)

Para más información, siga nuestra página de Facebook: facebook.com/SanJuanelEvangelista



Hora Santa Bilingüe por las Vocaciones Hispanas Te invitamos a unirte a nosotros a orar por más vocaciones de nuestras comunidades hispánicas, y por el sacerdocio, la vida consagrda y la perseverancia de todas las vocaciones. Patrocinado por el Club Serra de Arlington. Sábado, 25 de enero de 2025, 11:15 AM, Iglesia Católica Cristo Redentor, 46833 Leesburg Pike, Sterling Virginia, 20164. El Club Serra de Arlington está formado por católicos de todas las edades y de todos los ámbitos de la vida que promueven las vocaciones al sacerdocio y la vida consagrada, apoyan a los sacerdotes en su ministerio sagrado y ayudan a los demás miembros reconocer y responder en sus propias vidas al llamado de Dios a la santidad en Jesucristo y a través de Espírito Santo. Para obtener mas informacion,

visita serraclubarlington.org.

Dios quiere regalarte su vida porque tu eres su heredero!

Comienza el año de la mano de Jesus ven ENERO 18-19, 2025

. Hora: 8am a 6:30pm (sab) Dom: 8am a 5:30pm

Ven a tener un encuentro con Jesus a traves del Espiritu Santo

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REGISTRAT

www.MJesusestavivo.org

CLASES DE CONVERSACIÓN EN INGLÉS

La parroquia de San Juan comenzará

inglés para cualquier adulto que desee

a ofrecer clases de conversación en

conocimientos de inglés. Habrá un

cartel en el vestíbulo de la iglesia, o

aprender, practicar y mejorar sus

puede ponerse en contacto con el

(703) 824-3582

El Ministerio Catolico Jesus esta Vivo fue establecido en el ano 2003.

Evangelizamos a traves de:

- Conferencia Liberado (Unbound)
- Retiros
- Cursos de la EESA
- Libreria Catolica JSV

Siguenos en FaceBook Ministerio Catolico Jesus esta Vivo

Padre Nicolás directamente. Las clases comenzarán en febrero con una opción de martes por la mañana y otra de jueves por la tarde. Consulte aquí en el boletín para obtener más información en las próximas semanas. ¡No se requiere inglés! ¡No hay que comprar libros!

PARISH NEWS

ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLASS

Would you be willing to help serve our Spanish-speaking community? St. John's Parish will be starting an English Conversation Class for members of the parish who want to improve their English speaking skills. Classes will begin in February on Tuesday mornings and Thursday evenings. Facilitators for these informal conversation groups are needed. No teaching experience or foreign language knowledge is needed. If you might be interested in obtaining more information and/or helping facilitate a group, please contact Sheila O'Herron at <u>sheilaoherron@hotmail.com</u>.



2024 TAX STATEMENTS

All parishioners are encouraged to log into their Parish Giving account to print their tax statements. If you cannot print your statement or experience difficulty logging into your Parish Giving account, please get in touch with the parish office for assistance. Statements will not be mailed unless requested. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our parish!

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH AFTER ALL MASSES

GRAB YOUR KRISPY KREME DONUTS AND ENJOY COFFEE OR HOT CHOCOLATE ON THE PLAZA.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Simplify Your Giving and Manage Your Parishioner Information with Parish Giving

Support our parish easily and securely through Parish Giving, a user-friendly platform for managing your contributions and family records, including sacraments like baptisms and weddings. Visit <u>parishgiving.org</u> to register or update your information and set up online giving today!

Flexible giving options:

- Debit Card, Credit Card, or Bank Transfer
- Date and Frequency of their Contribution Schedule
- Recurring and Future Scheduled Donations
- One-Time Donations and Payments

For more information or assistance with Parish Giving, please contact <u>business@sjesva.org</u>.

The Ignatian Spiritual Exercises: A Young Adult Women's Silent Retreat



All young adult women (ages 19-35) are invited to join the Crusaders of Mary this winter for the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises Silent Retreat at San Damiano Spiritual Life Center **January 17-20, 2025**. Over this four day silent retreat, you will hear several meditations throughout the day, daily Mass, and other devotions. There will also be plenty of personal time for spiritual reading and journaling. In an atmosphere of deep and prayerful silence, the soul is better prepared to discern the voice of the Lord and recognize the action of the Holy Spirit. Register today: <u>https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/</u> <u>event/122668/</u>

Into the Deep: A Young Adult Men's Silent Retreat

Your effectiveness depends on the conformity of your will with God's. Are you ready to take the next step? When the Lord invites you to "put out into deep waters" (Lk 5:4), He wants to make you more fully His instrument to accomplish His works. And the works of God do not crumble with the passing of time - they last for all eternity. All young adult men (ages 19-35) are invited to join Fr. Christopher Christenson for a three day long silent retreat at San Damiano Spiritual Life Center **February 14-16, 2025.** Register today: <u>arlingtondiocese.org/</u><u>event/into-the-deep-a-young-adult-mens-silent-retreat/</u>

JOIN US FOR THE 43RD CATHOLIC CHARITIES BALL!



Bishop Michael F. Burbidge and Catholic

Charities invite you to join us Friday, February 7, 2025, for the 2025 Catholic Charities Ball. The annual winter event, beginning at 6 p.m. at The Ritz-Carlton in Tysons Corner, McLean, is an opportunity for Catholics and friends to come together to celebrate the ministries of Catholic Charities and renew support for continuing its work. Purchase a table, a seat, or make a donation to help us reach our goal of \$1.6 million, by visiting <u>ccda.net/ball</u>. Please RSVP by Friday, January 24.

GIVE YOUR SPOUSE A SPECIAL GIFT THIS CHRISTMAS



Sign up now for the next

Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and receive the gift of a great marriage. Making a weekend will help you put a little Christmas in your marriage every day! For more information or to register, go to <u>WWME.org</u>, click "Apply" and search for your desired location. Feel free to contact Donald and Helen Dudley at 757-690-1369 or <u>donald.helen.dudley@wwme.org</u> with any questions. Here are a few upcoming experiences:

January 21-February 2 Myrtle Beach, SC March 7-9 Rehoboth Beach, DE March 14 -16 Jessup, MD and Ocean City, NJ

TRANSFORMATIVE RETREAT WITH IMMACULÉE Ilibagiza

Experience a day of healing, hope, and spiritual renewal with Immaculée Ilibagiza, Rwandan genocide survivor and acclaimed Catholic author, on **Saturday, January 18th** at St. Leo's Parish. The retreat begins with Mass at 7:45 a.m. and concludes at 4:15 p.m. Immaculée will share her powerful testimony of faith, recounting her time of prayer and survival while hiding in a bathroom during the Rwandan genocide. The retreat will be held in both the gym and the church and includes opportunities for Mass and confession. Bring a friend and receive a discounted rate when you sign up together! To participate, please register on Immaculée's website at <u>Immaculee.com</u>

Inquiries: Jeanne Costello at <u>jmdays2@gmail.com</u> or 571-213-0318. Please do not contact the parish office for retreat information.

We look forward to sharing this extraordinary day with you!

