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Upcoming EMHC Workshops

The Office of Divine Worship has scheduled Spring 2022 Training Workshops for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Registration may be found at arlingtondiocese.org/EMHC.

The Spring 2022 Training Workshop Schedule is as follows:

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| † Sat, Feb 12, 10-11:30am | Christ the Redeemer (Sterling, Deanery III) |
| † Sat, Feb 19, 10-11:30am | Christ the Redeemer (en español) (Sterling, Deanery III) |
| † Sat, Mar 19, 10-11:30am | Good Shepherd (Alexandria, Deanery II) |
| † Sat, Mar 26, 10-11:30am | All Saints (Manassas, Deanery V) |
| † Sat, Apr 2, 10-11:30am | Sacred Heart of Jesus (Winchester, Deanery IV) |

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Liturgical Notes for Lent 2022

Season of Lent · Begins on Ash Wednesday and Ends on Holy Thursday (excluding the Mass of the Lord's Supper)

Twofold Theme of Lent · Repentance and Baptism

Liturgical Days

- † Ash Wednesday · The prayers and readings of Ash Wednesday must be used. Funeral Masses, Ritual Masses, Masses for Various Needs, and Votive Masses are not permitted.
- † Weekdays of Lent · Funeral Masses are permitted. Prayers and readings for Ritual Masses are permitted, and the Gloria is sung/said when required by the rubrics of the Ritual Mass. The use of prayers and readings for Masses for Various Needs and for Votive Masses requires permission from the Diocesan Bishop.
- † Sundays of Lent · The prayers and readings of the Sundays of Lent must be used, except when Masses "For the Celebration of the Scrutinies" are used. Funeral Masses, Ritual Masses (except the Scrutinies), Masses for Various Needs, and Votive Masses are not permitted
- † Memorials · All memorials are optional and may be omitted or observed as commemorations (see below).
- † Solemnities · The Solemnity of Saint Joseph (March 19)* and the Solemnity of the Annunciation (March 25) are observed as Solemnities (e.g., the Gloria is sung/said and the Creed is sung/said). Funeral Masses are permitted on these days. Ritual Masses, Masses for Various Needs, and Votive Masses are not permitted on these days.
*The Solemnity of Saint Joseph (March 19) falls on a Saturday in 2022. The prayers and readings of the Solemnity are used for an evening Mass on Friday, March 18, and during the day on Saturday, March 19. Evening Masses on Saturday, March 19, are the Vigil for the Third Sunday of Lent. Evening Prayer I of the Sunday is said.
- † Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week · Funeral Masses are permitted. Ritual Masses, Masses for Various Needs, and Votive Masses are not permitted
- † Thursday of Holy Week · The prayers and readings of Thursday of Holy Week must be used. Funeral Masses, Ritual Masses, Masses for Various Needs, and Votive Masses are not permitted.

Order of Mass

- † Commemorations in a Privileged Season · At Mass, the Collect of the Saint whose memorial is commemorated may replace the Collect of the Weekday of Lent. When the Collect of the Saint is used, the Collect of the Weekday of Lent (with the simple ending "Through Christ our Lord") may fittingly be used to conclude the Prayer of the Faithful.
- † "Alleluia" is not sung or said during Lent. It is replaced by the appropriate formula from the *Lectionary for Mass*.
- † Eucharistic Prayers for Reconciliation may be used with the Prefaces of Lent.
- † Prayers over the People are either optional or obligatory, depending on the day.

Order of the Liturgy of the Hours

- † Commemorations in a Privileged Season · In the Office of Readings, the proper Hagiographical Reading and Responsory may follow the Patristic Reading and Responsory, and the Collect of the Saint may be used. In Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer, the ending of the concluding prayer may be omitted and followed by the antiphon of the Saint and the Collect of the Saint.
- † The "Te Deum" is omitted during the Office of Readings on the Sundays of Lent. It is, however, recited during the Office of Readings on the Solemnity of Saint Joseph (March 19) and on the Solemnity of the Annunciation (March 25).

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† Scrutinies · Whenever possible, three Scrutinies should be celebrated during Lent for the Elect who are preparing for Baptism in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. However, for serious reasons and in extraordinary circumstances, the RCIA permits the local Bishop to dispense individual Elect from up to two Scrutinies (RCIA, nos. 20 and 331). Therefore, for serious reasons arising from the coronavirus pandemic, Pastors may request dispensations from one or two of the Scrutinies for an individual under their care by making a request in writing to the Vicar General. The request should provide the name of the Elect and the number of Scrutinies requested for dispensation.

† The Presentation of the Creed ordinarily takes place after the First Scrutiny (Third Week of Lent).

† The Presentation of the Lord's Prayer ordinarily takes place after the Third Scrutiny (Fifth Week of Lent).

Penance/Reconciliation · The Season of Lent is a most fitting time for the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Matrimony · If Matrimony is celebrated during Lent, couples should be reminded that the celebration must respect the special nature of the season.

Music, Arts, and Environment

† Instruments are played only to give the necessary support to singing. However, on Laetare Sunday (Fourth Sunday of Lent) and on Solemnities, instruments may be played more fully.

† The altar is not decorated with flowers; other decorations should be restrained. However, on Laetare Sunday and on Solemnities, decorations may reflect the feast.

† Crosses and images may be covered on the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Crosses remain covered until the end of the celebration of the Lord's Passion; images remain covered until the beginning of the Easter Vigil.

Additional details for Holy Week, Triduum, and Easter will be provided in the coming weeks.

This Month's

Days of Prayer and Special Observances

- † January 31-February 5: [Catholic Schools Week](#)
- † February 2 (Celebrated in Parishes February 5-6): [World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life](#)
- † February 7-14: [National Marriage Week USA](#)
- † February 8: [World Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking](#)
- † February 11: [World Day of the Sick](#)
Pope Francis' [Message for the Thirtieth World Day of the Sick](#)
- † February 12: [World Marriage Sunday \(Observed\)](#)

With the exception of the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children on January 22, no liturgical texts or requirements are attached to these special observances during the year. However, these important commemorations can certainly be noted in the Homily and in the Universal Prayer at Mass.

Vatican and US News

January 30 – February 5: The theme for National Catholic Schools Week 2022 is “Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.” Bishop Burbidge will visit six schools to support the value of a religious education.

February: Bishop Burbidge celebrates four Confirmation Masses throughout the month. Anointed by the Holy Spirit at Confirmation, our newly confirmed strengthen their bond with the Church and become better equipped to carry out the Church’s mission of love and service.

February: To mark the Second International Day of Human Fraternity and the third anniversary of the *Document on Human Fraternity for World Peace and Living Together*, Pope Francis reminds the world in his message that “while respecting our individual cultures and traditions, we are called to build fraternity as a bulwark against hatred, violence and injustice.”

February 8: In his video message on the Occasion of the 8th International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking, Pope Francis highlighted the theme of the day as “The power of care. Women, economy and human trafficking” and invited the world to consider that “Human trafficking is violence! The violence suffered by every woman and every girl is an open wound on the body of Christ, on the body of all humanity; it is a deep wound that affects every one of us too.”

February 9: Bishop Burbidge, Bishop Knestout of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, and Virginians from all over the Commonwealth gathered in Richmond for [Defending Life Day](#). The event concluded with a Mass held at Saint Peter Pro-Cathedral.

February 11: In his [message](#) for the Thirtieth World Day of the Sick, Pope Francis calls for all the sick and their families to receive the health care and pastoral care they need. He challenges all of us to grow in closeness and service to the sick and to their families, especially during this time of pandemic.

February 12: Bishop Burbidge celebrates Mass for the Gift of Human Life at the Basilica of Saint Mary in Alexandria. Later that day, Bishop Burbidge celebrates Mass in observance of World Marriage Sunday at Saint Timothy’s in Chantilly.

Upcoming Liturgical Year 2022

FEBRUARY • *Pope’s Intention: Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women*

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

February 2 • Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

February 3 • Memorial of Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

Blessing of Throats (see BB, nos. 1622-1655)

February 5-6 • World Day for Consecrated Life (observed this day in USA) | Collection for Diocesan Newspaper

February 6 • Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 7-14 • National Marriage Week

February 8 • World Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking

February 11 • World Day of the Sick

February 12-13 • World Marriage Sunday

February 13 • Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 20 • Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 27 • Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MARCH • *Pope’s Intention: A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges*

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

March 2 • Ash Wednesday | Lent begins | Collection for the Church in Eastern and Central Europe

March 6 • First Sunday of Lent | Rite of Election I | Collection for Black and Indian Missions

March 13 • Second Sunday of Lent | Rite of Election II

March 19 • Solemnity of Saint Joseph

March 20 • Third Sunday of Lent

March 25 • Solemnity of the Annunciation

March 27 • Fourth Sunday of Lent | Collection for Catholic Relief Services

APRIL • *Pope’s Intention: Health Care Workers*

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

April 3 • Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 10 • Palm Sunday

April 15 • Good Friday

April 17 • Easter Sunday

April 23 • Ordination to the Transitional Diaconate

April 24 • Sunday of Divine Mercy

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