

Sunday March 29, 2020 5[™] SUNDAY OF LENT Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live." - Jn 11:25 Jesús le dijo: "Yo soy la resurrección y la vida. El que cree en mí, aunque haya muerto, vivirá". - Jn 11, 25

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm **Sunday:** 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00 noon, and 7:00pm

Spanish Mass: 2:30pm **Daily:** 6:30am, 8:30am & 12:00 noon

Saturday: 8:30am

Federal Holidays:

6:30am and 8:30am only **Holy Days:** 7:30pm Vigil 6:30am, 8:30am, 12:00 noon and 7:30pm

As public Masses are suspended, we are livestreaming Masses at https://j.mp/2QCtFRa. All Masses follow their normal times.

FIRST FRIDAYS:

Exposition: 9:00 - 11:45am Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament: 11:45am **Eucharistic Holy Hour:** Sunday: 5:00pm

Third Thursdays: 7:00pm

CONFESSIONS:

Check Website at https://j.mp/2y4sOlN

RECTORY HOURS:

Weekdays: 9:00am – 12:45pm Weekends: Closed

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Constant Contacts,
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we can update your records.
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Bulletin Deadline: Friday at 9:00am 10 days before Sunday publication date

Via website form posted under Events/Bulletin/Bulletin Submissions.

On The Way

The Mass in Slowest Motion: The Gospel

The Gospels are the most important books of the Bible. They contain the words and actions of the Incarnate Word. They fulfil everything in the Old Testament and inspire everything in the New. As such, the proclamation of the Gospel is the summit of the Liturgy of the Word. Everything leads up to and flows from the proclamation of the Gospel.

The ceremonies surrounding the Gospel alert us to its significance. First, we stand. This signifies that something important has arrived. Just as we stand to greet a dignitary, so now we stand to show reverence to the most important portion of sacred scripture. Second, we sing or say the Gospel Acclamation. During most of the year this consists of *Alleluia* (*God be praised!*) and a scripture verse. In Lent, of course, the *Alleluia* is dropped and replaced with another acclamation.

Meanwhile, the deacon bows before the priest, saying Your blessing, Father. The priest imparts this blessing: May the Lord be in your heart and on your lips, that you may proclaim His Gospel worthily and well, in the name of the Father... The deacon then processes to read the Gospel. In the absence of a deacon the priest himself goes to the ambo, first bowing toward the altar and praying: Cleanse my heart and my lips, almighty God, that I may worthily proclaim your holy Gospel. Thus prepared, he proclaims the Gospel.

At more solemn Masses the book of the Gospels is carried in procession from the altar to the ambo (pulpit). The deacon/priest takes the book of the Gospels and processes to the ambo, sometimes preceded by incense and candles.

Once in place, the deacon/priest greets the congregation: *The Lord be with you.* This formal liturgical greeting always signals something important to follow. *A reading from the Holy Gospel according to....* As he says these words, the deacon/priest makes the Sign of the Cross on the book and on his forehead, lips, and breast. Why? To pray that the Gospel be in our minds, words, and heart. Then, as if we could not emphasize this moment any more, the priest/deacon might incense the Gospel prior to reading it

Now, why all this solemn preparation just to read something that everyone has in front of them anyway? Well, first, because we do not just read scripture at Mass; we proclaim it. God's holy word is proclaimed to God's holy people. Ideally, we would simply listen to the Word rather than read it. As such, all readers should prepare properly – and most of all those entrusted with the Gospel. We are unworthy to proclaim His Gospel at Mass. We should thus pray for the grace to do it well.

Last of all, having proclaimed the Gospel, the deacon/priest kisses the text, saying *Through the words of the Gospel may our sins be wiped away.* (Actually, it's a little rhyme in Latin: *Per evangelica dicta/deleantur nostra delicta.*) That act of reverence conveys once again the lofty dignity of the Gospel and our need to listen, heard, and harken to it.

Next week: the Homily...or Sermon?

--- Father Scalia

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Mass Intentions For The Fifth Week of Lent

Saturday, March 28

Saturday of the Fifth Week of Lent

5:00 p.m. + Rev. John F. Kurtzke, Jr. CSC

Sunday, March 29

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. +John J. Hyland, Jr. 9:00 a.m. +Carmine Mattiello 10:30 a.m. +James Mimnagh +Robert Elam Noon People of St. James 2:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. +Deacon Tom Bello

Monday, March 30

Monday of the Fifth Week of Lent

+Ralph and Anita Boccucci 6:30 a.m.

8:30 a.m. +Donna Bushaw

+Reverend Harry Crandall Noon

Tuesday, March 31

Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Lent 6:30 a.m. +Justin Ray Clark 8:30 a.m. +Zacharia T. Coipuram +Mariorie Wall Noon

Wednesday, April 1

Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent

6:30 a.m. +Albert Hare 8:30 a.m. +Patrick Connolly Noon The Walker Family

Thursday, April 2

Thursday of the Fifth Week of Lent;

St. Francis of Paola

6:30 a.m. +Joseph Christopher Francis, Esq.

8:30 a.m. +Donna Bushaw Noon Laura Hicks

Friday, April 3

Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent

6:30 a.m. +Peter Chujang Kim 8:30 a.m. +James Kobus Noon +Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, April 4

Saturday of the Fifth Week of Lent; St. Isidore

8:30 a.m. +Souls in Purgatory 5:00 p.m. +Leonard Gilleo

Sunday, April 5

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 a.m. +Arthur Clark 9:00 a.m. People of St. James 10:30 a.m. +Phyllis Bernardone

+Delano M. and Maraya Santos

2:30 p.m. +Rosemary Paz 7:00 p.m. +Fr. J. Piwowarski Today's Readings

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

"Thus says the Lord God..."

Psalm: Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

"Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord..."

Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11

"Brothers and Sisters: Those who are in..."

Gospel: John 11:1-45

"Now a man was ill..."

Readings for the Week

Monday: DN 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or

13:41C-62; PS 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6;

JN 8:1-11

Tuesday: NM 21:4-9; PS 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21;

JN 8:21-30

Wednesday: DN 3:14-20, 91-92, 95;

DN 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; JN 8:31-42

Thursday: GN 17:3-9; PS 104:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; JN 8:51-59

Friday: JER 20:10-13; PS 18:2-3A, 3BC-4, 5-6, 7;

JN 10:31-42

Saturday: EZ 37:21-28: JER 3:10, 11-12ABCD, 13:

JN 11:45-56

Remember in Your Prayers...

the sick of our parish family:

Laura Baird Carter Parry William Pollock Muriel Brasche Russell Ross Chip Clarke Caroline Martin Lauren Vinci

Janet Owen

and the deceased of our parish family:

Ann Murphy Francisco Sierra

and those serving our country:

Our disabled veterans, military retirees, and those serving overseas in the military and foreign service, especially:

Justin Berg Patrick Egan Veronica Elkins Major Alan Harvey Michele Petersen Roger VanSanford Major Albert C. Young

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Stewardship The Gift of Time, Talent, and Treasure

How do I continue to make my offertory contribution to St. James when there is no public Mass?

Dear Friends in Christ,

We have received several calls from parishioners regarding how to give their weekly offertory if they can't attend Mass during the corona virus pandemic. First off, thank you for your generosity and concern. The most important thing, of course, is to maintain your prayer life and devotion to the sabbath. *Pray* – for your families, for one another, for our parish, our diocese, our country and the world at large. It is also important that you take care of your health and your family. *Keep the sabbath* — by meditating on the Sunday readings, praying the Rosary together, making a spiritual communion, and simply being with each other as you are able.

We greatly appreciate your care and concern for the needs of our parish. In terms of weekly offertory, Faith Direct is the best option: https://membership.faithdirect.net/VA50 You can also mail in your gift to the parish office: 905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA 22046.

Again, thank you for your calls, prayers, well wishes and desire to continue to support the mission of Saint James Catholic Church which exists to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all souls in need. May God Bless you and your families during this time of difficulty.

- Fr. Scalia



Some Good News About the Fish Fry - The Drive Through Continues!

Your "Codfather," being the "capo di tutti i pesci," has decided that the Fish Fry will go on in its drive-through form. So, every Friday through April 3, you and your family can head to Lot A between 5:00pm and 8:00pm and avail yourself of all the goodness of our annual fish fry! Prices remain the same, as do the freshness and quality that we are famous for! So, be good family members and pay your "Codfather!"

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During this time of trial, don't forget that St. James has a subscription to FORMED, bringing you the best in Catholic programming. Find a commentary on Scripture, find a movie, find a program, find a book—find them all at Formed!

If you do not have a Formed account, they are free, and you can create one by visiting

www.stjamescatholicva.formed.org

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Things For Folks To Do During This Period of Quarantine

Just because we'll all be stuck at home over the coming weeks, doesn't mean we can't learn more about our world. Here are some activities for everyone to enjoy:

Catholic Gospel Coloring Worksheets

Being stuck indoors is not fun, but why not liven the mood a little with these Catholic Gospel Coloring Worksheets? Each one allows kids to be creative, while also teaching them important Gospel based lessons. Visit http://j.mp/2WjIw6t to learn more and to access the sheets.

Virtual Tours of Famous Churches and Cathedrals

Who says that travel restrictions can stop you from "visiting" some of the world's most famous, and beautiful houses of worship? Well, maybe not in person during these times, but you can certainly tour them from your couch, visit http://j.mp/3908AGq and find out how.

Virtual Tours of Museums

Have you ever wanted to walk through the Uffizi Gallery; to stand and marvel at the collection of the Art Institution of Chicago, or walk down the Hall of Mirrors at Versailles? Now you can, from the comfort of your own house, visit http://j.mp/393ihnO and find out how.

A Range of Activities From Scholastic Magazine

The creative folks at Scholastic Magazine have created a wide range of daily learning activities for kids during this period of quarantine. The company is making resources for all age groups available. Visit http://j.mp/393jEms and find out more.

Smithsonian Distance Learning

The Smithsonian Institution is making some of its distance learning courses available during this time of COVID-19. Check out http://j.mp/2xSQBVG for more information.

Code.Org's Code Break

Code.org, a leading non-profit in the coding education sector is now offering "Code Break, "a live, weekly webcast that will teach coding to students of all ages and abilities. The program will also include a weekly challenge. To learn more, visit https://code.org/

Free Books!

If your favorite bookstore is shuttered, but you need to read, here are a few book repositories online. Best of all, everything in them is free, and all the books are online.

For books on our Catholic Faith, visit: http://j.mp/38VIJ2C.

For public domain fiction and non-fiction literature, visit: https://www.gutenberg.org/

For classic children's literature, visit http://j.mp/38YVwRQ

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Other Resources for Learning During This Time

Sister Regina Rosarii McLallen, IHM, Director of Religious Education at St. James, has suggested the following free websites as resources for the children of our parish during this time.

- My Catholic Faith Delivered is offering their services for free during this time. RE grades 1 – 8 and Midwest Theological Studies for High School. http://faithformation.zohosites.com/
- Chosen will offer their video's for free for the Diocese of Arlington. (until May 11, 2020) 8th Grade Confirmation, http://j.mp/390EW3Q
- Colette's homeschooling course based on the Standards of Learning are complete and will be posted on the website today. (Free) https://j.mp/39daTpR.
- Credible Catholic (free resource) A resource for middle school and high school students who question the evidence of a soul from medical studies, evidence of God from science and philosophy. Proof of the Resurrection. Why be Catholic? Where to find true happiness and why God allows suffering in the world. This can be used as an at-home retreat or a resource for parents to answer their children's questions. https://j.mp/3dqgkVR.

The Institute of Catholic Culture

Don't forget, the Institute of Catholic Culture offers over 1,000 hours of courses on our Catholic faith. Take advantage of this time of isolation to deepen your faith and learn more about the beauty of Catholicism. Best of all, membership is free! Visit them at https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/



The Thomistic Institute

The Thomistic Institute offers a multitude of podcasts, videos, and courses that will deepen your knowledge of our Catholic faith. and our love for God. Please visit them and start learning today. https://thomisticinstitute.org/



Ascension Presents

If you would like to learn more about our faith, hear discussions of issues which impact all of us as Catholics, and even laugh a bit, visit Ascension Presents at https://j.mp/3a9YFzx. Fr. Mike Schmitz, Fr. Mark Toups, and their co-presenters will help you learn more and deepen your faith—and yes, make you laugh.



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St. James Volunteers

Throughout the year, our parishioners generously share their time and talent in over 20 ministries and apostolates that serve people at Saint James Parish and School, Falls Church City, and beyond. But we are always in need of additional assistance! Please consider giving of your time to serve the poor, assist at Mass, or engage in other projects that bring Christ to others.

For more information on volunteer opportunities, visit us at: https://www.stjamescatholic.org/community/parish-ministries
Or contact our Volunteer Coordinators at volunteer @stjamescatholic.org, or at 703-532-8815.

American Heritage Girls

AHG at St. James is a faith-based character development program for girls, kindergarten through high school dedicated to the mission of building women of integrity through service to God, family, community and country. Our troop meets twice a month, with additional optional activities on the weekends. Girls participate in service projects, leadership opportunities and outdoor experiences, all with an emphasis on Christian values and family involvement. Our girls have had fun earning badges in cake decorating, rock climbing, shooting sports, citizenship and government, theater, and women inventors, to name a few. Older girls have gained survival skills through participating in intense camping and canoeing trips the last few summers. Spiritual activities include the opportunity to earn religious medals. Past patches we have worked on are the Year of Mercy patch, the Eucharistic Adoration patch, 100th Anniversary of Fatima patch, and we are currently working on the Immaculate Conception patch, which will include a visit to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

Some of our favorite activities over the past years have been the high ropes course at Sandy Spring Adventure Park, camping, participating in the Wreaths Across America program, serving at Christ House, summer camps, and Christmas caroling at local retirement homes.

Virtus trained adults who are interested in volunteering with our troop are always welcome. Questions? Contact us at ahgtroopva0681@gmail.com.

Need Something? The Knights of Columbus are Standing By to Help!

The Knights of Columbus, Edward Douglas White Council would like to offer our assistance to any parish members who need help during this difficult time. This could include things like locating a hard to find but needed item, running a necessary errand, or just looking in on someone to make sure they are ok. If you need them, the Knights are there for you, just email David Nasser at dfnssr@me.com, and he will do what is necessary to get you the help you need.



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Happenings at St. James

A Note on Events

For the time being and until further notice almost all Parish events are cancelled. Once the dangers posed by the COVID-19 Virus pass, we will resume our normal operations. At this time, only these events remain open:

- The Church for private prayer and devotions, however, no more than ten people can be in the Church at any-one-time. We are now offering expanded Confessions time, see the schedule below.
- Friday Drive-Through Fish Fry,
 5:00pm—7:30pm in Lot A

New Confession Times

In the interest of expanding confession times to allow for social distancing, there will be a priest hearing confession every day this week from 11:00am to 12:00pm and again from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Only the front door of the church will be open. We will have a map out front to explain the priest's location. We will continue also with our regular confession times. Weekly Confession times will be listed on our Confessions page at: https://j.mp/2y4sOlN

Annual St. Patrick's Day Party for Seniors—March 28—Cancelled

Unfortunately, The annual St. Patrick's Day Party has been cancelled due to efforts to stem the tide of transmission of the COVID-19 virus. Please plan on joining us next year. If you have any questions, please call Mary Ann Parker at 703-241-9128 or email at <a href="majority-majority-name="majority-name

St. Lucy's Food Warehouse in Immediate Need of Donations

Catholic Charities St Lucy's Project warehouse is in dire need of food. They have food distribution sites all over Northern Virginia. If you would like to donate, please consider doing so through Amazon.com, using this link, http://j.mp/2IZGRv5. Thank you for helping others!

"Rectory Ramblings"

A new theological talk show, live from the St. James Rectory with your co-hosts Fr. Scalia and Fr. Oetjen. They will be taking questions from you, which you can submit to communications@stjamescatholic.org, and doing their best to both answer your questions. Father Scalia warns, "We've named it *Rectory Ramblings* because...it will be live-streamed from the *rectory*...we'll probably *ramble* a fair amount in our conversation... "So, send in your questions, and stay tuned! They are livestreaming through the St. James Facebook page and through the St. James Website.

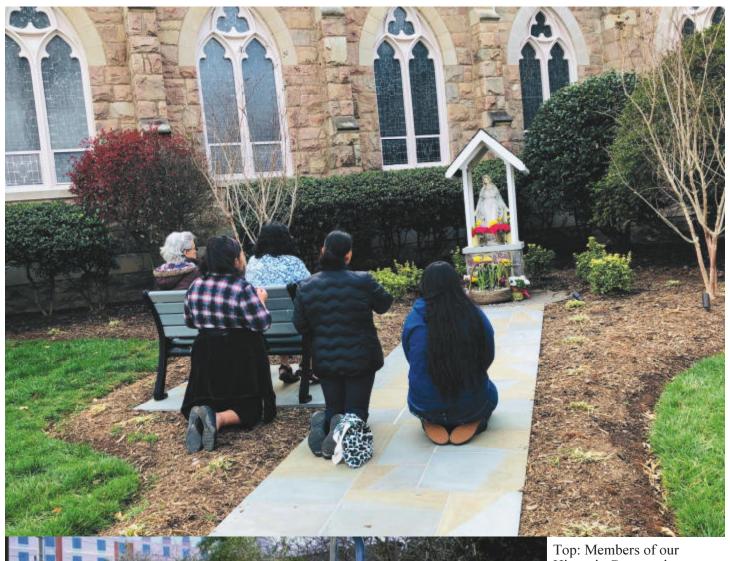
St. James Pro-Life Ministry Updates

Happening Now... The Lent 40 Days for Life campaign (www.40DaysforLife.com) is underway in 507 cities around the globe, including at the Falls Church abortion facility, 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church. For 40 days and nights, people of faith and conscience will stand in constant, peaceful vigil outside hundreds of abortion facilities ... to do the single most important thing we can do: PRAY. Join other St. James parishioners on Wednesdays – or any day you are available – Please join us and "take a stand for life!"

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Prayer at St. James in the Time of COVID-19

Prayer plays an essential role in our fight against COVID-19. And here are pictures of what has been going on at St. James as we pray for God's deliverance from this evil.



Top: Members of our Hispanic Community pray at the Shrine of our Blessed Mother Mary

Bottom: St. James Priests and Religious Pray the Perimeter of the St. James property.

Please continue to pray that God will continue to bless and spare us during these troubled times.

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Events Around the Arlington Diocese

Bishop Burbidge to Host Live stream Masses and More!

For the foreseeable future, Bishop Burbidge will be visiting parish rectory chapels to celebrate private Sunday Masses for the faithful via live stream. The is subject to change if there are greater restrictions placed on local travel.

Starting this Wednesday at 12:05pm, Bishop Burbidge will celebrate occasional private Masses at the St. Thomas More Cathedral rectory chapel via live stream. To see that live stream, follow the St. Thomas More Cathedral's Facebook page.

Additionally, Bishop Burbidge and many priests of our Diocese will be offering short video spiritual reflections on our social media channels. Make sure you check out the Diocese of Arlington's Facebook and Instagram Accounts.

We hope that during this time of fear and uncertainty, you may find ways to grow in faith and devotion to Our Lord.

Catholic Charities Seeks Medical Volunteers for Free Clinic

Catholic Charities will open a second free medical clinic for poor, uninsured and under-insured adults in late April and needs volunteer medical professionals and other volunteers to operate the clinic. The Mother of Mercy Free Medical Clinic, Woodbridge, will open at 13900 Church Hill, Woodbridge. Catholic Charities opened the first Mother of Mercy clinic in Manassas in 2017. Volunteer nurses and doctors, including internists, cardiologists, gynecologists and other specialists, nutritionists, physical therapists and others are needed. To volunteer contact Alexandra Luevano at 703- 335-2779 ext. 15 or alexandra.luevano@ccda.net.

Other Diocesan Events

If you are interested in attending an event in the Diocese of Arlington, please check the Diocese's "Event" page at

https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/all-events/ before you plan to go. This page will give you all of the current information on postponements and cancellations due to the current times.

Please Consider Adding 'Searching for More' to Your Podcast List!

'Searching for More' features interviews and discussions on a range of topics affecting Catholics in today's world. Guests include clergy, local Catholics, doctors, technology experts, Catholic news anchors, and even Hollywood actors starring in epic biblical dramas. In addition to interviews, some podcasts will emanate from inspiring talks, speeches, homilies, and lectures given throughout the Diocese. The podcast is dedicated to the patronage of our diocesan saint, St. Thomas More. 'Searching for More' joins the 'Walk Humbly' and 'Catholic Herald' podcasts as diocesan audio offerings.



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April Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

Freedom from Addiction

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

This Week in Our Parish—ALL Parish Events, Except Those Noted Below, Are Cancelled Until Further Notice

Sunday, March 2 9—Livestreaming all Masses at		
https://www.stjamescatholic.org/current-events/livestreamed-masses		
Monday, March 30		
11:00am—Noon	Confessions	Church
7:00pm—8:00pm		Church
Tuesday, March 31		
11:00am—Noon	Confessions	Church
7:00pm—8:00pm	Confession	Church
Wednesday, April 1		
11:00am—Noon	Confessions	Church
7:00pm—8:00pm	Confessions	Church
Thursday, April 2		
11:00am—Noon	Confessions	Church
7:00pm—8:00pm	Confessions	Church
Friday, April 3—9:00am		
11:00am—Noon	Confessions	Church
5:00pm—8:00pm	Fish Fry Drive Through	Lot A
6:30pm—8:00pm	Food Distribution	Knecht Gymnasium
7:00pm—8:00pm	Confessions	
Saturday, April 4		
11:00am—Noon	Confessions	Church
3:30pm—4:30pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm—8:00pm	Confessions	Church

A Note on Church Occupancy During This Time of COVID-19

Please note that St. James Catholic Church remains open during this time of trial, for your daily private prayer and devotions. While we are not celebrating public Masses, you are still encouraged to drop by and spend some time with our Lord. In order to comply with government guidance about the size of gatherings, we will only be admitting ten individuals at a time to the Church, and we are using a "one-leaves and one-enters" policy. Volunteers from the Knights of Columbus and the St. James Men's group will be serving as door wardens to make sure that our beautiful Church remains a place of sanctuary and repose during these difficult times. So, come by and drop-in, but please help us keep to the rules so that everyone is safe. If you have to wait a bit to get into the Church, you can always do what my mother urged us to do in times of inconvenience, "offer it up!" Thank you!

A Prayer for to Jesus for Healing and Guidance

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







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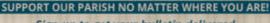
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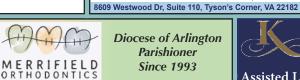




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