

## Fulfilled in Your Hearing

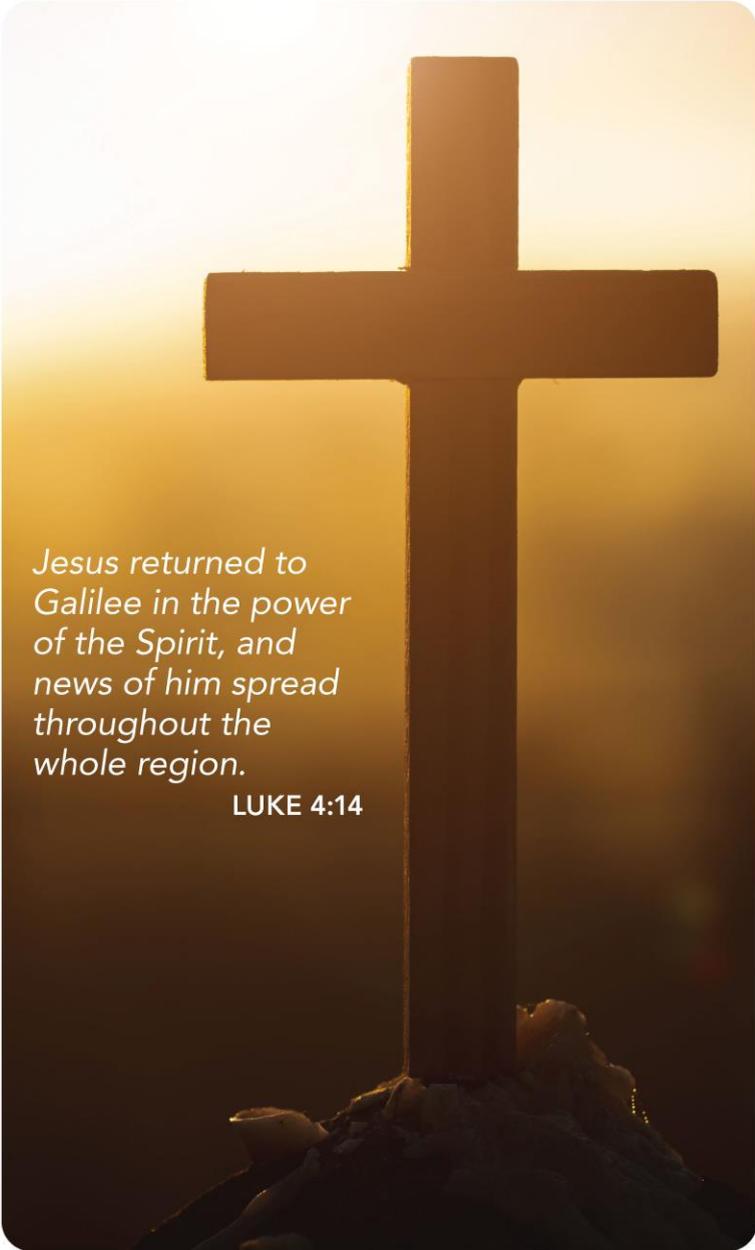
**W**hen we hear that phrase, we might be inclined to think of prophecy.

However, today's readings suggest something a bit different. True, in today's Gospel, Jesus states that he is the fulfillment of the promise made by the prophet Isaiah. However, the way that passage was fulfilled by Jesus was not the way his hearers expected. The passage seems to promise a change in society where there will be no more poor or prisoners. The people expected a political change which would overthrow Roman control. Jesus' application was quite different. The fulfillment of that prophecy included a new and often radical way of understanding society. In other words, Jesus revealed the true meaning of the prophecy.

Such reapplication is even clearer in the first reading. Nehemiah, the Jewish leader of those who had returned from Babylonian exile, gathered all the community together, read the Law, and then reapplied it for them.

Reapplication is often necessary because what might have been a helpful way of understanding something in our faith under some circumstances might be impractical, even inappropriate, in others. For example, to pray for an end to war is important, but to do nothing to work for peace changes how we understand prayer. Circumstances often change as we go through life. Reapplication of our faith acknowledges this and searches for ways that faith can continue to address those changing circumstances. Faithful reapplication always keeps our religious tradition alive and meaningful.

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*



*Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region.*

LUKE 4:14

### FOR *Reflection*

- ★ *In many ways the Second Vatican Council reapplied our faith. How has your understanding of how to apply our faith changed in your lifetime?*
- ★ *Is there anything that you think still should change? Why do you think this?*



# St. Martin of Tours Catholic Community Fort Belvoir, VA

## New to St Martin of Tours?

Please contact our Catholic Coordinator at [FBCInfo@gmail.com](mailto:FBCInfo@gmail.com) to register and get our email mailing list for the latest Catholic Community announcements!

### Mass Schedule

**Monday – Thursday, 1205** at Fairfax Chapel

**Saturday, 1700** at Belvoir Chapel

**Sunday, 0930** at Belvoir Chapel\*\*  
**1100** at Fairfax Chapel

**The Sunday 0930 Mass is live-streamed and can be viewed from this link:**

<https://www.facebook.com/FortBelvoirRSO/>

\*\*Watchcare is available during this Mass for children ages 6months – 4years. Watchcare is located in the Religious Education Center next to Belvoir Chapel.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**Saturday – 1600-1645** at Belvoir Chapel or by appointment. Contact Fr. Lindsay directly to schedule.

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**Catholic Pastoral Council  
Virtual Meeting  
Tuesday, 25 January 2022  
6pm**



Please join us for our next Catholic Pastoral Council Meeting when we will be discussing the upcoming Lenten and Easter Season.

To join us on Zoom:  
Meeting ID: 867 6128 4646  
Passcode: 906201

If you have trouble logging into the meeting, please call or text 254-449-6417.



## Register for a **WEEKEND MASS**

### **REGISTER FOR WEEKEND MASSES**

Ft Belvoir has reached HPCON C status and more restrictive protocols are in place. Due to this, ALL Masses are limited to 50 people. (This includes chaplain assistants, clergy, and ministry volunteers.)

You must register to attend weekend Masses. Emails will be sent out on Mondays with the link to register. The link can also be found at: [www.FortBelvoirCatholicCommunity.com](http://www.FortBelvoirCatholicCommunity.com).

Everyone who registers will receive an email on either Thursday or Friday either confirming attendance or notification of being on the waiting list. Attendees will be rotated so that everyone has a chance to attend Mass.

Please note that daily Masses are not included in this protocol. Should you not receive our weekly emails or have questions, please contact Louise, the Catholic Coordinator, at [FBCInfo@gmail.com](mailto:FBCInfo@gmail.com).

*“Brothers and sisters; As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, through many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one spirit.” (1 Corinthians 12:12-30)*

As Christians, we celebrate the wondrous and awesome beauty of God’s creative love in His creation. Each of us are a part of this wondrous creation of God. In community, we find unity in our service and commitment to one another. We are intimately and intricately interconnected in Jesus Christ to one another and all of creation. The power and strength of God’s Spirit is seen in the diversity of gifts working together, as the different instrumentalists and instruments in a symphony. Athletes, especially gymnasts and dancers, use training to concentrate and coordinate the individual parts of their bodies to work in wondrous harmony and symmetry of motion. As we recognize our own gifts and talents, we realize the importance of using them in loving service of others as one body. When we use our individual gifts in concert with the gifts of others, our Catholic Christian Community grows and flourishes.

“If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy.” “These words from our second reading remind us of our intricate and intimate interconnectedness with others and all of God’s creation. There is power and strength in community. If we are willing to accept help from others during our difficult times, we must also stand ready to assist others when others experience challenges and hardship. We cannot opt in to community when it is convenient. Rather, part of living and working in communion with others is recognizing that we all succeed together or fail together.”

The Body of Christ, is a beautiful, complex ensemble made of many different parts. At times, though, you might feel that you’re an insignificant part – ‘a foot rather than a hand’, as St. Paul would say.” “Jesus called you and made you part of his body through Baptism. He knows why he called you – and it’s not so that you would be exactly like someone else. He loves you in a way that he loves no one else.” (The Word Among Us, JAN 2022, pg. 44)

As an artist paints using differing colors and brush strokes, which are all important and essential to a masterpiece painting, so God has created us each with intrinsic beauty.

“I praise you Lord, so wonderfully you made me; wonderful are your works!” (Psalm 139:14)

*Fr. Mike*

Each Mass requires a minimum of seven ministry volunteers to include:

- Mass Coordinators
- Altar Servers
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Lectors
- Ushers
- Mattheans (counters of the collection).



While we have many people on our volunteer rosters, we have found ourselves increasingly relying on the same set of ministry volunteers.

\*If you have signed up to be a ministry volunteer and receive scheduling emails, please consider responding to the emails by volunteering once a month.

\*\*If you have not signed up yet to be a ministry volunteer, please contact Louise, the Catholic Coordinator. No experience is necessary. Training and support is provided to you! To sign up for the ministry you are interested in, please email Louise at: [FBCCInfo@gmail.com](mailto:FBCCInfo@gmail.com).

Volunteering only ONCE a month or ONCE every six weeks would make a significant difference. Thank you!

# Dear Padre,

**In your previous column you wrote that the Mass commemorates Jesus' Last Supper and is a thanksgiving for God's gifts to us. Are there other reasons to get out of bed early and attend Sunday Mass?**

**T**he Mass is all about giving thanks for God's forgiveness of sins and his plan for eternal life. In fact, *Eucharist* is derived from the Greek word meaning "gratitude" or "thanksgiving." But there are many other reasons to participate in the Mass.

The Mass is our opportunity to be present with our Lord in the forms of bread and wine. God doesn't usually make frightening appearances to us



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accompanied by crashing thunder and lightning. Rather, he makes himself accessible to us in the humble form of food. Jesus said, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day" (John 6:54).

As St. Augustine put it, when we receive Christ in

these forms, we become what we receive. *We* are the body of Christ, not as individuals but as his Church. His Church is his physical presence on earth today, the way people come into contact with Christ.

When we participate in the Mass, we become witnesses to all of this: our liberation from sin and death; our Lord's Real Presence to us in the forms of bread and wine; and we, as Church, becoming what we receive—the body of Christ. Can there be better reasons for waking up on a Sunday morning and attending Mass?

*Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org*

## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.



## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*Without Christ we are condemned to be dominated by everyday weariness, with its worries, and by fear of the future. The Sunday encounter with the Lord gives us the strength to experience the present with confidence and courage, and to go forth with hope. For this reason, we Christians go to encounter the Lord...in the Eucharistic celebration.*

GENERAL AUDIENCE, DECEMBER 13, 2017

## Calendar

### Monday

JANUARY 24

*St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

2 Sm 5:1–7, 10

Mk 3:22–30

### Tuesday

JANUARY 25

*The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle*

Acts 22:3–16

or Acts 9:1–22

Mk 16:15–18

### Wednesday

JANUARY 26

*Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops*

2 Tm 1:1–8 or Ti 1:1–5

Mk 4:1–20

### Thursday

JANUARY 27

*Weekday*

2 Sm 7:18–19, 24–29

Mk 4:21–25

### Friday

JANUARY 28

*St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church*

2 Sm 11:1–4a,

5–10a, 13–17

Mk 4:26–34

### Saturday

JANUARY 29

*Weekday*

2 Sm 12:1–7a, 10–17

Mk 4:35–41

### Sunday

JANUARY 30

*Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Jer 1:4–5, 17–19

1 Cor 12:31–13:13

or 13:4–13

Lk 4:21–30