

NOVA'S WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM DEC. 8:

Calendar:

Friday, December 6, 7:30 p.m. and **Saturday, December 7**, 2:00 and 7:30 p.m. – Alexandria Singers present a “Holiday Pops” concert

Sunday, December 8 – last Sunday for collection of gift cards or cash for gift cards by Markie or Dianne for families of refugees and others in need

Sunday, December 8, 5:00-7:30 p.m. --Vespers at Holy Redeemer Provincial Residence at 5:00 p.m. followed by light food, desserts, and beverages from 5:45-7:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 15 – following the liturgy, Educate the Girls fundraiser including sale of handmade baskets and other items by Ugandan women; in addition, the “The “Starv’n Artist” will sell wood-burned birds and other scenes and themes.

Holiday Concert: You have three opportunities to enjoy the Alexandria Singers Christmas show, featuring a comedy song by Eileen Joyner and her husband, on December 6 at 7:30 p.m. or December 7 at 2:00 or 7:30 p.m. The location is Washington Street UMC, 109 S. Washington Street, Alexandria 22314. There are discounts for seniors, students, and children. Buy tickets at www.alexandriasingers.org or contact eileenjoyner@hotmail.com.

Donations of gift cards: Please remember the Peace and Social Justice Team’s request for donations of \$25 Target or Giant gift cards, or cash for gift cards, as Christmas gifts to the families of refugees supported by NOVA and to Arlington school social workers who then distribute them to families in need. We will collect your donations before and after the liturgy through December 8. If you donate through PayPal or by check, please indicate the donation is for gift cards.

Father Francis Gargani invites you to **Vespers at Holy Redeemer Provincial Residence** on December 8 at 5:00 p.m.

Educate the Girls Fundraiser: This year there will be some new and different items for sale, including colorful tote bags. All proceeds go to providing the opportunity for a basic education through secondary school for girls in a rural village of Uganda who would otherwise go without an education. Imagine the life circumstances an illiterate woman in this modern age would face. Donations to Educate The Girls are also cheerfully accepted. The sale will be after the liturgy on December 15.

The “**Starv’n Artist**” will be back as well on the 15th with his wood burnings of birds, Civil War scenes, the very popular Star Wars themes, and scenes and symbols by request. If you have a particular image in mind for a gift that you would like to commission him for, please contact Chris soon so that he can have it ready for you on the 15. Chris Swanberg, at casjedi@yahoo.com

Clyde Christofferson announced that he will provide a report to the Community about the most recent meeting of the Synod on January 18, 2025.

The Nova Book group will meet after liturgy on Sunday, February 15 to discuss *The Women* by Kristin Hannah, a novel about women in the Vietnam war. In March we will discuss *James* by Percival Everett. More details will follow, but this will give you plenty of time to start reading.

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The **December 8th liturgy** will be the Second Sunday in Advent. The planners are Father Gino Correa, OFM, and Sandy Volpe and Bob Neumann. The Scribes will be Alicia and Phil Cackley, who will need any announcement in writing.

FROM DEC. 1: CALENDAR:

December 1: Advent begins!

December 1 after liturgy: Co-Partners craft sale

December 1: Coffee and Treats Sunday since it is the First Sunday of the Month.

December 6 and 7: Eileen Joyner, her husband Terry and the Alexandria Singers.

December 14: Arlington County Board Meeting.

December 15: annual Educate the Girls Ugandan Baskets and Handcrafts Sale.

Announcements:

Gloria Mog announced that **Advent is beginning next Sunday, Dec. 1.** Please enter the worship space quietly. The theme this year is Hope.

Agape next Sunday, Dec. 1: Sally Keyes had a Sign-up Sheet for volunteers to bring finger foods. Sally will let us know if more volunteers are needed.

From Archer: On Sunday, December 1, there will be a sale of Central American crafts in the cafeteria after liturgy to benefit Copartners of Campesinas. Please bring your Christmas list!

From Eileen J: Come see the Alexandria Singers Christmas show Holiday Pops, featuring another comedy song, with Eileen Joyner and her trusty hubby Terry Lewis. Three chances to see us in Old Town Alexandria: Friday December 6th at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, December 7 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Even Santa will be at the Saturday matinee. Discounts for seniors, students and children. Buy tickets at alexandriasingers.org or contact eileenjoyner@hotmail.com.

From Nancy V: Arlington County Board Meeting. Come and stand in support as our VOICE speaker testifies for Teen Behavioral Health through Afterschool Programs, 8:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Saturday, December 14, 2100 Clarendon Blvd, third floor. Parking: In the garage under the building, metered parking on the street. Metro: Clarendon. Earlier this year, VOICE was able to get \$2 million in the budget for an after-school initiative to help address Teen Behavioral Health

issues. Now it's time to hold the county accountable for getting this after-school community of support up and running. Many of our neighbors are living with fear, anxiety and uncertainty. Now more than ever, we want our teenagers off the streets and in safe afterschool programs. Programs are run by trusted compassionate adults, with staff, students and families in close relationships. Programs are daily, free and dynamic, where students are listened to and have agency over the activities and projects planned.

Also from Nancy: Educate the Girls Ugandan basket and handicraft sale after liturgy on Dec. 15. This year we have some fresh new items for sale to include colorful tote bags. All proceeds go to providing the opportunity for a basic education through secondary school to girls in a rural village of Uganda who would otherwise go without an education. Imagine the life circumstances an illiterate woman in this modern age would face. Donations to Educate The Girls are also cheerfully accepted. Also, Chris Swanberg will be selling his woodburns of birds, Civil War scenes, the still very popular Star Wars themes and scenes and symbols by request. If you have a particular image in mind for a gift that you would like to commission him, please contact him at casjedi@yahoo.com in the next week so that he can have it ready for you on the 15th.

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From Christina Smith's son Xan who made an announcement about the Eastern Service Workers: All volunteer organizations in South Philadelphia (where Xan now lives) attempt to bridge the gap between income and expenses and petition the government and organizations to make good on the promises they have made to the people we serve. We picket, attend public hearings, provide food, medical care, legal advice and clothing. Last week Xan and 30 volunteers packaged and delivered food to 80 families for Thanksgiving week. Regarding fundraising for this, please see Christina if you would like to have a calendar re this Association. The suggested donation is \$20.

It was delightful to see both Xan Smith and also **Luisa Pastor (daughter of Raquel and Emilio)** at NOVA today. The Announcements time began with a video Luisa had brought to share with us about the good work being accomplished by NOVA's donation to the group known as Oaxaca School Project. You can read more about it on NOVA's website under Peace and Social Justice. Look for current projects. Our money, in effect, pays for the fueling of vehicles used to deliver services and other things to special needs families.

There was a second collection last Sunday for the **Rental Assistance fund**. If you have not yet participated, you can do so by sending your check or electronic transfer to Joe Formoso. Be sure to mark it for the Rental Assistance Fund.

Last week Markie sent emails to the **Peace and Social Justice project sponsors** asking them to update their information for 2025. If you are a project sponsor and did not get an email from

her, please let her know. Also, if you would like to suggest a new project for 2025, please let Dianne or Markie know.

Food for AFAC. Please continue to bring healthy cold cereal and other items for AFAC to liturgy on Sundays. The need is not going away. Also needed are: low sodium soups in pop-top cans, canned fruit in light syrup, peanut butter, plain pasta, canned beans, cooking oil.

GARDEN WORK FOR RONALDO: Ronaldo Vail (father of our refugee family from Guatemala) is available for garden work, however, his schedule at Target varies. Please call Ronaldo directly @ 731-618-1459 to set up a time. He welcomes extra work around the garden and home. Please click [here](#) for [directions to his home](#).

Next Sunday is The First Sunday of Advent! The Presider and Planner are Quinn Conners, O. Carm. and Clair Lamb. The scribe will be Judy Christofferson who will need all announcements in writing.

FROM NOV. 17:

CALENDAR:

December 1 after liturgy: Co-Partners craft sale

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Next Sunday is The Feast of Christ the King. The planner of the CLL is Barbara Formoso. The scribe will be Linda Christie who will need all announcements in writing.

FROM NOV. 10:

Upcoming events/Dates to remember

Friday, Nov. 15, 10 am — memorial service for Rich Rosenberg in Oakton

Sunday, Nov. 17 — Nova book group, after liturgy, at the Goldschmidts' home in Arlington

Announcements

1) Second collection for rental assistance — Dianne Carroll and Markie Harwood asked the community to donate to Nova's rental assistance fund. The collection will be taken during next Sunday's liturgy (and, as always, you can make your donation on-line before then). Nova has helped 80 families since the beginning of 2024, distributing \$134,000. More funds are needed to get through the rest of this calendar year — please be generous. (See below for the full text of Dianne and Markie's announcement.)

2) Rich Rosenberg's memorial this Friday — A memorial mass and celebration of the life of Richard Rosenberg will be held this Friday, Nov.15, at 10 am at Unity Church of Fairfax, 2854 Hunter Mill Road, in Oakton, Virginia.

3) Liturgy lottery, 3 Sundays left — David Mog said three more Sundays need planners for the coming liturgical year, including one each in Advent and Lent. Contact David if you can take one of the dates.

4) Nova book group meets next Sunday — Cathy Goldschmidt reminded us that the Nova book discussion group will meet, after liturgy, at the Goldschmidts' home, in Arlington. The group will discuss *The Violin Conspiracy*, a novel by Brendan Slocumb.

5) Garden work for Ronaldo — Tom Clarkson asked us to consider finding jobs for Ronaldo Vail (father of a refugee family from Guatemala). He has a job at Target but he is available for garden work because his schedule at Target varies. Please call Ronaldo directly at 731-618-1459 to set up a time. He welcomes extra work around the garden and home. Please click [here](#) for [directions to his home](#).

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Here is the full text of Dianne and Markie's announcement:

We pray for Kanika and her three children, whose husband and father died last month. Kanika paid funeral and burial expenses and then needed NOVA's help to pay her November rent.

We pray for Amalia, a single mother of two boys, one of whom has developmental delays and autism and requires 24-hour care. Amalia can only work during the 30 hours of supervised care she has for her child. Before coming to NOVA for help, she was facing eviction.

We pray for Kamila, the mother of three teen-agers. She has a good job with the school system, but due to a medical emergency and the expense of cleaning up a bedbug infestation, she needed NOVA's help with rent.

We pray for Angelica and Juan, parents of three. When their 5-year-old was hospitalized for a severe infection, they missed five weeks of work between them. NOVA helped with one month's rental payment to help the family get back on their feet.

These are just a few of the 80 families NOVA has helped since January through the rental assistance program, through which Arlington school social workers refer families who are facing eviction in these times of high rents. \$134,000 has been distributed through the rental program so far this year. As part of the NOVA regular commitments, \$30,000 was approved for January and June, another \$68,000 was contributed through the special collection in June and other individual donations from NOVA members, and we now come to you with a request for additional funding to get us through the end of the year. Last year's projection was that we would take two special collections for this during the year.

We will take a collection next Sunday for this program. You can also donate through PayPal on the NOVA website. Thank you for your generosity.

FROM NOV. 3

Calendar:

Saturday, November 9, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. – Redemptorist Lecture Series speaker

Sunday, November 10 – NOVA General Meeting following the liturgy

Friday, November 15, 10:00 a.m. – Memorial Service for Rich Rosenberg

Sunday, November 17 – NOVA Book Club meeting following the liturgy at the Goldschmidt's home. In addition, before and after the liturgy a "free flea market exchange" of items will be held at the school.

Today, **Joe Kenna**, one of NOVA's beloved padre cadre, celebrated a final liturgy with the community before he leaves for Yakima, Washington. Community members shared their appreciation of Joe both during and following the liturgy. We will miss Joe very much and will remember him in our thoughts and prayers for a well-deserved joyful and peaceful retirement.

All are invited to attend the "**Voices of Vision and Hope**" Redemptorist Lecture Series on Saturday, November 9, at the Redemptorist Provincial Residence, 3112 7th St. N. E. in D.C. from 9:30 a.m. (coffee) - 12:30 p.m. Tim Shriver will discuss "The Gospel in Disguise." Please let Father Francis know if you are planning to attend: francescogcssr@yahoo.com/718-644-5127.

A **NOVA General Meeting** will be held next Sunday following the liturgy. A light lunch will be provided. Please let Sally Keyes know if you can provide food, such as cheese, fruit, veggies, coffee cake, etc. The meeting will follow immediately. All are encouraged to participate. Please let Meg and/or Jeannie know SOON if there is a topic you would like discussed at this meeting.

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The **November 10 Liturgy** will be the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. The planners are Father Francis Gargani, CSsR and the Peace & Social Justice Team. The Scribes will be Alicia and Phil Cackley, who will need any announcement in writing.

FROM OCT. 27:

Calendar:

Sat., Nov. 2nd: All Souls Day 4p.m. at Sally & Joe Keyes

Sun., Nov. 3rd: Joe Kenna's Farewell to NOVA. There will be cake! :)

Sun., Nov. 10th: General Meeting following Mass; if you have topics you wish discussed, please tell Jeanne and/or Meg. There will also be an Agape that day. Please bring finger foods (think light lunch) and let Sally know. Thanks!

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Also on Nov. 17th: Free Flea is before and after liturgy Nov 17- same as book club- any items you don't need, new or excellent condition that you think someone else would love. The idea is to leave one/take one or leave two and take two, etc.

Announcements

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FROM OCT. 13:

Calendar:

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Sunday, October 27 – Liturgy Lottery begins

October 30 or 31, November 1 or 5, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. or November 5, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 or 1:00-4:00 p.m. – VOICE Volunteer GOTV (Get Out The Vote) Effort

Saturday, November 2, 4:00 p.m. - All Souls' Day service at the Keyes' home

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Yesterday's **Liturgical Renewal Workshop** at the Redemptorist Provincial house was a success. Thanks go to Gloria Mog, John Mooney, and especially to our host Fr. Francis Gargani, CSsR. One of the changes suggested by Fr. Francis is in the order of Communion. Communion will be served first to the Music Group, then to the rest of the congregation, and last to the non-ambulatory members. We will try out this order for the next few weeks. Fr. Francis also suggested that since the communion ministers are the hosts of our communion meal, they should receive last, and this is what he prefers when he celebrates with us. He will be our celebrant next week.

Dianne announced the results of last week's **second collection for Hurricane Helene relief**. \$12,000 was sent to World Central Kitchen and \$3000 to the Diaper Bank of North Carolina. Liturgy Lottery will begin October 27. If you would like to reserve a particular date, please notify David Mog before the 27th.

Homes Not Borders request of the month is for towels – bath, hand, washcloths – in gently used or new condition. These will go toward furnishing homes for our refugee neighbors. You may drop them at the Carrolls during the week before Eric takes them on Thursday, or bring them to liturgy next Sunday.

Happy Hour to benefit Co-Partners of Campesinas will take place on Thursday, October 24 from 5 – 7 PM at Lauriol Plaza, 1835 18th Street, N. W. There will also be a sale of Central American crafts. The food is free and 50% of the price of all drinks will go to support Co-Partners. Come and enjoy!

Christina reports: 10/19 is **American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's Out of the Darkness Walk-DC**. I will be walking in thanksgiving that because of the efforts of so many my

son didn't die July 6, 2022 nor Jan 7, 2023 nor any other day that his darkness threatened. (not asking for any financial pledges, NOVA already has so many needs to address, just prayers which I know have no limits)

Clyde reports that after liturgy today the Zoom community discussed the Liturgical renewal workshop and wanted to share with us a website about the Redemptorist Provincial residence, Holy Redeemer College:

<https://redemptoristsnorthamerica.com/news/a-short-history-of-holy-redeemer-residence-washington-dc>

Next Sunday is the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The planners will be Francis Gargani, CSSR, and Carolyn and Ted Miller. The scribe will be the Cackleys who require announcements in written form.

FROM OCT. 6:

Wednesday, October 9, 1:30 p.m. – NOVA LITE Zoom Meeting

Wednesday, October 9, 7:00 p.m. – Nova Bible Study Group on Zoom

Saturday, October 12, 2:00-5:00 p.m. – Liturgy Renewal Day at Redemptorist House

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In the Announcements period at today's liturgy, Meg Tuccillo presented our celebrant, Quinn Connors, with a "Padre Cadre" cap.

Steve Ruth invites you to join a "**NOVA LITE**" Zoom Meeting this coming Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. Discussion topics are determined by the participants. You are welcome to drop in a bit early if you want. Use the following link to participate: [Join our Cloud HD Video Meeting](#)

The **Nova Bible Study** will hold its second meeting this Wednesday, October 9, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. You can still join the group even if you missed the meeting last week. Send an email to John Veldhuis if you wish to participate and he will send you a link to join.

NOVA will hold a **Liturgy Renewal Program** next Saturday, October 12, from 2:00 to 5:00 at the Redemptorist provincial residence at 3112 7th St. NE. in Washington DC.

Father Francis Gargani is providing a light supper from 5:00 to 6:00. Please arrive by 1:50.

Getting into the parking lot is a bit tricky, so see driving directions on the attached flier. Also, don't forget to email John Mooney by October 9 if you intend to come but have not yet signed up.

NOVA's Annual **Liturgy Lottery** will begin October 27. Please notify David Mog if you wish to pre-reserve a particular Sunday.

October 28 - November 18: **Can We Stop Climate Change?** This 4-session Zoom course will be held on Monday afternoons, 2:00-3:30, offered by the Virginia Chapter of Elders Climate Action. Gloria Mog will be teaching the course along with fellow Massachusetts ECA leader, Seth Evans. Please register with Gloria at gloriamog@verizon.net. Space is limited. More information is on the course flier at www.canwestopcc.org/webinar-overview.

VOICE GOTV (Get Out The Vote) is seeking volunteers. Nancy announced that VOICE is seeking volunteers for brief shifts to help with getting people to the polls on one of the following dates: October 30, 31, or November 1, or on election day, November 5. Details and links to sign up are in the attached flier.

A **General Meeting** will be held November 10 after liturgy. There will be a lunch agape before the meeting. Details to follow.

The Peace & Social Justice group has committed the community to provide **rental assistance for a U-VA Senior** for the remainder of this semester, and possibly longer. The rent is \$1,300 per month. If you wish to support this young man, please send your donation to NOVA via PayPal or directly to Joe Formoso. Be sure to indicate the fund on your check.

Food for AFAC - As always, don't forget to bring boxes of cold cereal and other food donations to the liturgy at Kenmore on Sundays. NOVA has been connected with the Arlington Food Assistance Center for all of the non-profit's 35-year existence. AFAC is now serving more than 3,700 families every week. Please remember to bring a box or two of cold cereal, or peanut butter, canned tuna, canned soup (in pop-top cans), plain pasta or canned beans.

The **October 13th Liturgy** will be the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The planners are Father Gino Correo, OFM and Helen Michie. The Scribe will be Cathy Goldschmidt, who will need any announcement in writing.