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12 Catholic Charities Ball 2023

FRIDAY EVENING | FEBRUARY 10, 2023 SIX-THIRTY PM

THE RITZ-CARLTON Tysons Corner | McLean, Virginia



MOST REVEREND MICHAEL F. BURBIDGE Bishop of Arlington

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

t brings me great joy to welcome you to the 2023 Catholic Charities Ball. We gather this evening to celebrate the life-affirming ministries of Catholic Charities, and the dedicated work of our staff and volunteers who steadfastly serve our vulnerable neighbors 365 days a year. We rejoice in knowing that because of your generosity, we can continue to do the work of God to such an extensive degree.

Catholic Charities relies on our donors, parishes, schools, and community partners to help us bring the light of Christ to our neighbors who seek food,



housing, healthcare, mental health counseling, and workforce development. I am grateful for your continued commitment to assisting the tens of thousands of men, women, and children served by Catholic Charities each year.

In this second preparatory year toward our diocesan Golden Jubilee celebration in 2024, we remember our Blessed Mother's proclamation, "*My soul rejoices in the Lord*!" We rejoice with her because of all that your generosity has enabled us to accomplish. May Our Lord bless those we serve, those whose support enable our work to continue, and may he inspire others to join you in generously supporting the ministries of Catholic Charities.

You are a blessing to our diocese. With deep gratitude, please know that you and your family are in my prayers.

Sincerely in Christ,

Michael F. Burkidge

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge *Bishop of Arlington*



is a volunteer project to benefit the ministries of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington

Christ House Evening Meal Christ House Men's Transitional Housing Christians Are Networking Education and Workforce Development **Emergency Assistance** Family Reunification Family Services Mental Health Counseling Hogar Immigrant Services - Legal Migration and Refugee Services Mobile Response Center Mother of Mercy Free Medical Clinics Pregnancy and Adoption Services Prison Ministry Welcome Home Re-Entry Program Retreat for the Seriously Ill St. Lucy Food Project St. Margaret of Cortona Transitional and Maternity Housing

St. Martin de Porres Senior Center



LETTER FROM THE BALL CHAIRS

Good Evening and Welcome to the 41st Catholic Charities Ball, Rejoice!

t is our honor and great joy to celebrate with you tonight. This year we Rejoice in the Lord and the gifts He has given us.

It is with your generous gifts to the Ball that Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington is able to further its mission. Most importantly, because of your generosity, Catholic Charities can bring joy to those it serves.

Tonight, the ballroom is also filled with the Joy of Jesus. Mother Teresa is quoted as saying, "Joy is a sign of generosity. When you are full of joy, you move faster and want to go about doing good to everyone."

We would like to thank our host, the Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington, for his involvement and support of the 2023 Ball. We would also like to recognize our Special Gifts Co-Chairs,





Alan Holmer, Kelly McGinn, and Bob Smith for their remarkable efforts in raising the essential funds to serve the vulnerable in our community.

A special thank you to the gracious and generous Ball Committee members. It is with your selfless giving that this year's ball has seamlessly come together.

And last, but not least, a heartfelt thank you to all of you who have supported tonight's Catholic Charities Ball.

We look forward to Rejoicing with you and filling the ballroom with much Joy this evening!

May God bless you always,

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Rachel Murdock and Carmen Trujillo *Catholic Charities* 2023 *Ball Chairs*

LETTER FROM THE SPECIAL GIFTS CHAIRS

Welcome to the 2023 Catholic Charities Ball!

e are excited to have you join us to celebrate and support the good work of Catholic Charities. The Ball is our most important fundraising event, and your presence here tonight signifies your dedication to the ministries of Catholic Charities in service to the poor and disadvantaged. We are deeply grateful!

As Special Gifts Chairs this year, we also want to thank our incredible team of volunteers, financial supporters, and other benefactors, who dedicate their time, talent and treasure to ensuring that the Ball, year in and year out, is such a special occasion. This evening would not be possible without all of you.

Finally, the ministries of Catholic Charities, which provide an opportunity to 'live out our faith' would not be possible without the support of our donors, staff, volunteers, parishes, schools and other organizations who, together, make our work possible. That is why our theme for this evening is so appropriately "Rejoice." We do rejoice in knowing that, because of all of you, Catholic Charities can carry on the vital work of meeting the needs of our neighbors.

We hope you enjoy this beautiful evening and Rejoice!

Peace and Blessings,

Kelly Alan Both

Kelly McGinn, Alan Holmer, Bob Smith Catholic Charities 2023 Ball Special Gifts Chairs





PROGRAM

RECEPTION

WELCOME

Master of Ceremonies Mr. Trent Bartholomew

REMARKS

Stephen Carattini President and CEO, Catholic Charities

BLESSING & GRATITUDE Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge Bishop of Arlington

DINNER

AWARDS

Presented by Bishop Michael F. Burbidge and Stephen Carattini

> The James J. Matthews Legacy Award Barbara and Larry Caudle

The Bishop Paul S. Loverde Legacy Award Ghana Catholic Community of the Diocese of Arlington

RAFFLE DRAWING

VIDEO AND BID

Catholic Charities Serves Our Neighbors at Every Stage of Life Mr. Alan Holmer

DANCING

Music by Millennium

MENU

SALAD

Marinated Vegetables, Local Lettuce, Balsamic Vinaigrette

ENTRÉE

16-hour Beef Short Rib, Red Wine Jus Paired with Parmesan Crusted Grouper

Yukon Mashed Potatoes with Leeks, Baby Golden Beets, Heirloom Carrots Garnished with Fried Shallots

VEGAN & GLUTEN FREE ENTRÉE

Roasted Cauliflower, Couscous, Celery Root, Broccolini, Asparagus, Red Pepper Coulis

DESSERT

Butterscotch Mousse on Caramel Sugar Cookie, Whipped Chocolate, Coconut Touille, Chocolate Stick, Vanilla Sauce

WINES

Sauvignon Blanc – White Haven, New Zealand Merlot - Blackstone, California

BALL COMMITTEE

Rachel Murdock Carmen Trujillo BALL CHAIRS

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RAFFLE

GRAND PRIZE

Rolex Watch from Liljenquist & Beckstead Jewelers

Imagine yourself adorned with the elegance of a beautifully crafted timepiece: a choice of Men's or Ladies' Steel Oyster Perpetual Datejust to enjoy for a lifetime.

Courtesy of Tom Liljenquist of Liljenquist & Beckstead Jewelers

Luxurious Overnight at The Ritz-Carlton and a \$100 Gift Card

Enjoy a night at the luxurious Ritz-Carlton, Tysons Corner and a \$100 gift card for shopping or dining. Hotel stay is for one weekend night and includes an American breakfast for two the next morning.

Courtesy of The Ritz-Carlton, Tysons Corner and Barbara Caudle

A Romantic Evening for Two at the Army and Navy Club of Washington, D.C.

Spoil someone special with a romantic Saturday evening stay for two including dinner, a bottle of wine, and Sunday brunch at the Army and Navy Club of Washington, D.C.

Courtesy of The Honorable & Mrs. William S. Colwell

Get Away from It All in Historic Annapolis, MD

Get away from it all with a three night stay in an Annapolis condo within walking distance of downtown and the Naval Academy. Enjoy the charm of the Historic Annapolis District and dine using a \$100 gift certificate for a local restaurant.

Courtesy of Mary Beth and Jim Carroll



THE JAMES J. MATTHEWS LEGACY AWARD

Barbara and Larry Caudle

t is with great pleasure that Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington presents the 2023 James J. Matthews Legacy Award to Barbara and Larry Caudle.

The James J. Matthews Award was established on the 25th Anniversary of the Catholic Charities Ball. Mr. Matthews furnished the vision for the Ball and helped make that vision a reality. This Award honors his memory by recognizing individuals who embody Mr. Matthews' spirit and commitment to Catholic Charities. Barbara and Larry Caudle are two such individuals.



The Caudles started working with the Catholic Charities Ball many years ago, after accepting an invitation from Gincy and Nick Carosi to attend the Ball. After attending, Larry decided to volunteer with the Special Gifts Committee in 1999 and continued to do so for the next 17 years. Lynn Urbanski, a fellow St. Mary's mom and Ball volunteer, recruited Barbara for the Ball Committee. While working full time at IBM, Barbara helped on the Reservations Committee and met so many wonderful women in the "well-oiled" Ball Committee machine that she co-chaired the Ball in 2004, 2013 and 2017 and is still helping with the Ball Reservations and Public Liaison Committees today. Their daughter, Mallory suggested that students from Bishop O'Connell and Paul VI sell raffle tickets at the Ball, a tradition that continues to this day.

Larry and Barbara embraced St. Margaret of Cortona Transitional Housing as their personal Catholic Charities mission of choice. St. Margaret provides housing to families and offers counseling, employment services, and life skills classes. The Caudles helped with the startup of St. Margaret which required a lot of manual labor including cleaning each apartment and stocking it with all the furniture, kitchenware and linens needed to run a household. This process is repeated each time one family leaves and another family moves in, as departing families are allowed to take everything with them. The Caudles even worked on the gardens, storage shed, and playground. At Christmas, they helped ensure that Santa had gifts for the families.

The Caudles have been married 40 years and have two children, Mallory and Daniel, and two grandchildren, Isabel (6) and Brooks (3). They met at James Madison University and volunteer on several alumni committees. Barbara and Larry recently moved to White Stone on the very edge of the diocese - St. Francis de Sales parish in Kilmarnock - to enjoy the beautiful Northern Neck creeks, rivers and Chesapeake Bay. Catholic Charities is pleased to present the James J. Matthews Legacy Award to Barbara and Larry Caudle.

BISHOP PAUL S. LOVERDE LEGACY AWARD Ghana Catholic Community

ince being established in 2015, the Bishop Paul S. Loverde Legacy Award honors a person, parish, or organization within our diocese that demonstrates an extraordinary commitment to serving the poor through its support of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington. Catholic Charities is pleased to present this year's award to the Ghana



Catholic Community of the Arlington Diocese.

The Ghana Catholic Community of the Diocese of Arlington (GCC) is a vibrant community of Ghanaian Catholics who celebrate mass the Ghanaian way, led by their Spiritual Director Rev. Fr. Anthony Appiah. The church community currently worships at Queen of Apostles Catholic Church in Alexandria. The GCC is deeply committed to bringing the light and love of Christ to all our neighbors in need. This community has been a staunch supporter of Catholic Charities' mission and ministry in numerous and significant ways.

The GCC initially became involved with Catholic Charities through our Christ House Evening Meal. They have provided monthly evening meal service, volunteers, and material donations for residents, for over 14 years. At the onset of the pandemic, the GCC saw our neighbors struggle, and they answered the call for help by increasing their support to more of our ministries.

During a time of great need, the GCC gathered and donated over 17,000 pounds of food and hygiene items to our St. Lucy Food Project and supported this ministry with monetary donations. They provided financial donations, gift cards, and cleaning and household items for the mothers and children at St. Margaret of Cortona Transitional Housing ministry. The GCC hosted a bedding and towel drive, contributed financially, and provided a Giving Tree at Christmas to benefit our Migration and Refugee Services ministry. This community also purchased essential items off the Amazon wish list for young clients served through our Family Reunification ministry.

For their dedication and commitment to serving the poor, protecting the vulnerable, welcoming the newcomer, and partnering with Catholic Charities, we are honored to present the Bishop Paul S. Loverde Legacy Award to the Ghana Catholic Community of the Arlington Diocese.

THE JAMES J. MATTHEWS LEGACY AWARD

Annual Recipients

- 2007 Julie Howard, Joanie Matthews, and Jan Test
- 2008 Judy and Peter Davis
- 2009 Ann and Paul Lanzillotta
- 2010 Lauren and Bob Smith
- 2011 BG (RET) Margaret Brewer
- 2012 Jane Goetzman
- 2013 Robin and Bob Fitch
- 2014 Dorra Dee Estes
- 2015 Barbara and Jeb Bankert
- 2016 Gincy and Nick Carosi
- 2017 Ann and Joseph Guiffre and Family
- 2018 Dr. Robert and Mary Ann Nirschl
- 2019 Chris and John McLaughlin
- 2020 Jeannie and Terry Lindsay
- 2022 Mary Joe Barrazotto and Jennie L. Trapasso
- 2023 Barbara and Larry Caudle

THE BISHOP PAUL STEPHEN LOVERDE LEGACY AWARD

Annual Recipients

- 2015 Father Mark S. Mealey
- 2016 Father Donald Rooney
- 2017 The Basilica of Saint Mary
- 2018 All Saints Catholic Church, Manassas
- 2019 Diocese of Arlington Knights of Columbus Councils
- 2020 St. Elizabeth of Hungary and St. Anthony of Padua
- 2022 Christ The Redeemer Catholic Church
- 2023 Ghana Catholic Community

THE 2023 CATHOLIC CHARITIES BALL COMMITTEE

Presents and Thanks the 2023 Special Gifts Contributors

The Ball Committee recognizes and appreciates the generosity and support of the participants in the 2023 Catholic Charities Ball as demonstrated by their gifts in the following categories:

Platinum	GIFT OF \$50,000
Diamond	GIFT OF \$25,000
Gold	gift of \$15,000
Silver	GIFT OF \$10,000
Brass	GIFT OF \$5,000
Bronze	GIFT OF \$2,500
Benefactor	GIFT OF \$1,000
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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS "WE CARE WEEK"

"We Care Week" was initiated by Ball volunteers over a decade ago to help raise awareness among our Arlington diocesan school students of the great works of Catholic Charities programs. Their continued support is amazing and their donations help feed, clothe and house God's people in need. A heartfelt thank you goes out to the participating schools!

All Saints Catholic School \$2,360	St. Francis of Assisi (Triangle) School\$100
Bishop Ireton High School\$3,225	St. James School \$3,246
Bishop O'Connell	
High School \$5,632	St. John Paul the Great
Blessed Sacrament School \$510	High School\$580
Epiphany School\$788	St. John the Beloved Academy\$90
Holy Cross Academy\$500	St. John the Evangelist School \$333
Holy Family School\$225	St. Joseph's Elementary School\$1,850
Holy Spirit School\$722	St. Leo the Great School\$484
Nativity Catholic School\$1,000	St. Louis School\$1,738
Our Lady of Good Counsel \$1,300	St. Mark School \$2,784
Our Lady of Hope School \$577	St. Mary of Sorrows School\$50
Queen of Apostles \$900	St. Patrick Catholic School\$186
St. Agnes School\$420	St. Paul VI High School \$5,250
St. Ambrose School \$235	St. Rita School\$300
St. Andrew the Apostle School \dots \$378	St. Theresa School \$1,500
St. Ann Catholic School \$1,161	St. Timothy School\$4,204
St. Bernadette's School\$1,756	St. Veronica School\$534
St. Charles Early Childhood Education Center\$1,220	
TOTAL	\$46,138

YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Dear Friends in Christ.

In our annual report, we remember all that has been done to serve the poor, protect the vulnerable and welcome the newcomer in the Diocese of Arlington, and we rejoice in the generosity of so many in our community who make our ministry possible.

Over the past year, Catholic Charities served thousands of men, women and children seeking help. We were able to do so because of the hard work and effort of our employees and volunteers, and the financial support of parishes and individuals from throughout our diocese.

We were especially blessed to be able to welcome more than 1,200 people forced to flee from Afghanistan. The response to this extraordinary event

by our entire community was truly remarkable, bringing together hundreds of volunteers and parishes to share the love and consolation of God with people desperately in need of both.

We rejoice in the leadership of our shepherd, Bishop Michael F. Burbidge, and our Board of Directors. We are also grateful to the pastors of our diocese for sharing in our ministry of love and service to those in need.

We remain grateful for our partnerships with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Office for New Americans, and the many cities and counties who provide us with additional resources to carry out our mission and ministry.

Finally, we give thanks to God for the opportunity to be of service, to provide help and to bring hope to the people of the Diocese of Arlington.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

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Stephen J. Carattini President & CEO Catholic Charities Diocese of Arlington

Diocese of Arlington the vulnerable and welcomes the newcomer central Virginia and the Shenandoah Valley. We with parishes from every corner of the Diocese, 190 faith-filled professionals and more than 3.000 volunteers who make sacrifices every day to help us share the love and consolation of Jesus Christ with our brothers and



CHRIST HOUSE



The ST. LUCY FOOD PROJECT fulfilled 49,394 requests, distributing more than 1.7 million nounds of food

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ADULTS & TEENS

FAMILY SERVICES



YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE



Every day, through God's grace and with the support of parishes, Catholic Charities serves poor and vulnerable neighbors in communities throughout the 21 counties and seven cities of the Diocese. During the "COVID-19 years"—the last quarter of 2020 and all of 2021—we served more people and provided more food and more funds for rent and utilities than ever before. Yet, in FY2022, as workplaces, schools and restaurants slowly reopened, the requests for assistance continued to significantly exceed pre- COVID numbers. While employees were going back to work, many were returning to jobs with work hours greatly reduced. They were also battling inflation: gas, groceries and rent have all increased.

SERVING THE POOR

Catholic Charities provided urgent and immediate assistance to those struggling with lack of food and finances, and medical and mental health care. It also helped adults take steps to improve their ability to thrive. Through the **Education and Workforce Development** (EWD) ministry, Catholic Charities provided adults the education and training they needed so they could find employment to enable them to support themselves and their families. Last year, EWD provided 810 men and women with ESOL classes, vocational training in childcare and information technology, GED and citizenship preparation.

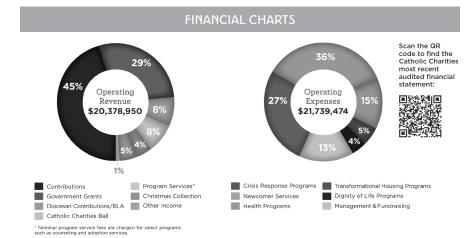
PROTECTING THE VULNERABLE

At the height of the pandemic, seniors were among the most vulnerable persons due to age and health, as well as loneliness and isolation. At Catholic Charities St. Martin de Porres Senior Center in Alexandria, we met the challenge of COVID by becoming a "senior center without walls," visiting our elderly friends, dropping by with activity kits and food, scheduling vaccinations, setting up shopping trips, and having virtual and outdoor exercise classes. When COVID restrictions eased this year, St. Martin's served 205 senior citizens with food, activities, exercise and care. Visits by students from local Catholic schools delighted the seniors.

WELCOMING THE NEWCOMER

Catholic Charities has been welcoming refugees from throughout the world to the Diocese since 1975. However, the last fiscal year has been one of the busiest yet for our **Migration and Refugee Services** ministry, which welcomed more than 1,200 refugees, mostly Afghan men, women and children, who fled to the U.S. for safety after the fall of Kabul. Many of these Afghans had assisted the American mission abroad. Catholic Charities helped these newcomers in finding housing and employment, and enrolling their children in schools and mentoring as they made the transition to a new life in our country.

The world is still slowly rebounding from the pandemic, but the needs of the poor and vulnerable continue and Catholic Charities will continue to respond.



2023 CATHOLIC CHARITIES BALL

SPECIAL THANKS

Liljenquist & Beckstead Jewelers Mary Beth and Jim Carroll Barbara and Larry Caudle The Honorable and Mrs. William Colwell The Ritz-Carlton, Tysons Corner for their generous donations to the Raffle

Bishop Michael F. Burbidge, Father Patrick Posey and St. Thomas More Cathedral for opening Burke Hall for the Ball Thank You Reception

Dr. Joseph Vorbach III, Superintendent of Catholic Schools

Renee M. White, Assistant Superintendent, Catholic Identity, Enrollment and Marketing for supporting "We Care Week"

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for generously supporting "We Care Week" and other Catholic Charities projects throughout the year

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especially Debra Beard, Stephen Carattini, Meaghan Dofflemeyer, Claudia Harper, Brandie Hartzell, Zach Keninitz, Bob Mueller, Kimberly Murphy, Diana Sims Snider, Theresa Tolpa, Peggy Tripp, Juan Pablo Vanegas, and Julie Watkins

Vicki Foster and Karen Skinner, 2023 Ball Advisors

for planning the Ball Thank You Reception, hosting the Ball Advisory meeting, and for their guidance and support

Laura and Robert Tramonte

for opening their home for the invitation stuffing luncheon

SPECIAL THANKS

Katherine Tramonte

For her dedication to and creative leadership of Young Adult Events

Trent Bartholomew

for being our Master of Ceremonies

Alan Holmer

for helping with the bid the night of the Ball

New Eve Media

for their creative production of tonight's video that shows how our donations have helped so many people

Student and Adult Volunteers

for their assistance tonight

The Ritz-Carlton, Tysons Corner

Pat Wilson and The Ritz-Carlton Staff

Millennium

for tonight's music

Alexandra Aguayo for the design of our Ball logo

Carmel Steindam Graphic Design

for the design of our invitation and program

Evolution Printing

for the production of our invitation and program

Karin's Florist

for their arrangement of the floral centerpieces

CATHOLIC CHARITIES BALL HISTORY 2023

his evening, the Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington is celebrating the 41st Ball. Our theme, "Rejoice" recognizes the generosity of our donors that enables Catholic Charities to continue to help our neighbors in need. This organization has been working towards meeting the needs of the marginalized and underserved for the past 75 years.

This year we welcome Rachel Murdock and Carmen Trujillo as our Ball Chairs. We are forever thankful to them, all of those who have served before, and those future volunteers. Our Ball Committee volunteers work so diligently year after year to create this beautiful evening for all to enjoy and especially to raise funding to benefit those who most need our support in the Diocese of Arlington. Catholic Charities is especially grateful for all you do to help them in their mission, but the most grateful hearts are those who are uplifted due to your generosity.

The Catholic Charities Ball was created in 1981 when James J. Matthews initiated the concept of a ball to raise funds from the private sector to ensure Catholic Charities could continue to meet the expanding needs of its programs. Bishop Welsh embraced the idea and the plans for the first Catholic Charities Ball began to take shape. The purpose of a Ball was twofold: to generate needed revenue for Catholic Charities programs and to foster fellowship and a spirit of unity as a caring Catholic community. The first Ball was held on June 11, 1982. The Special Gifts Committee was created to secure large contributions from individuals, professionals and corporations. This year we are pleased to have the outstanding team of Alan Holmer, Kelly McGinn, and Bob Smith as our Special Gifts Chairs. We certainly know that with them, this year's Ball will be a true success.

The Ball has come a long way since its inception, from the initial Ball's attendance of over 400 guests to today's capacity of nearly 1,000 guests – this due to the combined efforts of the volunteers of the Ball Committee, the Special Gifts Committee, and the Advisory Committee. One of the largest ballrooms in the area is filled to capacity year after year with generous individuals who want to make a difference in the lives of the less fortunate.

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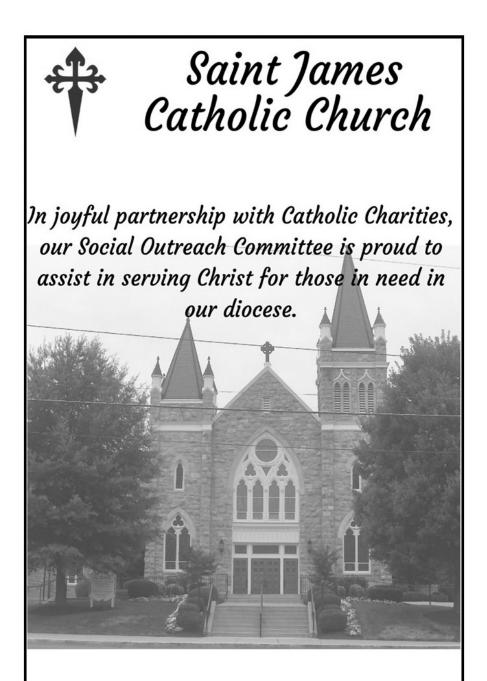
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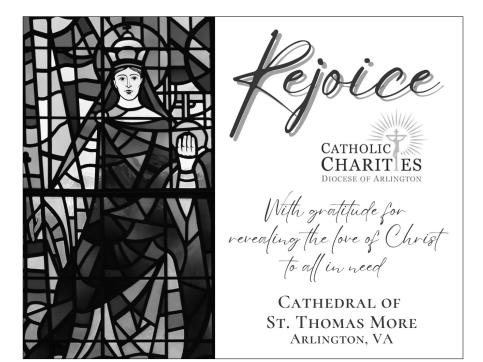
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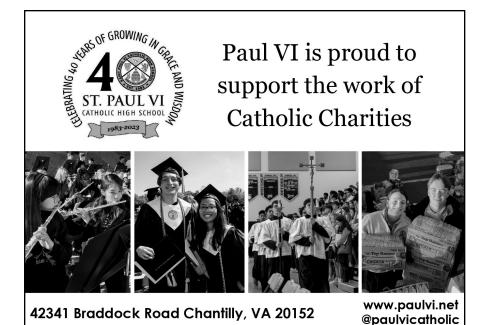


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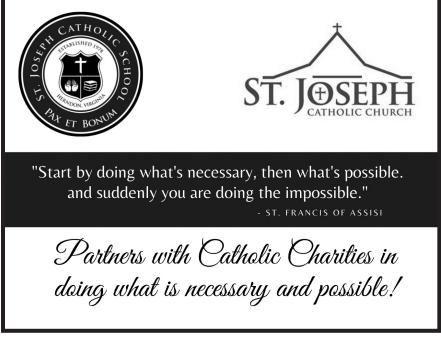
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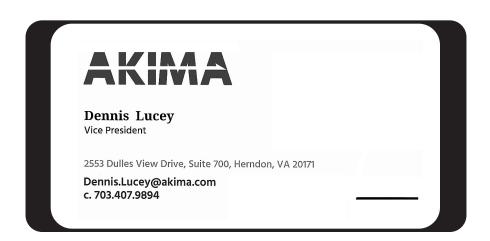
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