



DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON STRATEGIC PLAN

2022-2026



Catholic Village Concept at Saint Philip Parish

Senior Living Integrated into
the Parish Community

Have you ever visited a senior living facility that you would be excited to send a loved one to? Or to live in yourself?

Unfortunately, for most of us, the answer is a resounding “no.” Even when the facilities are nice, the food is good, and the staff are caring, something is still missing. And that something has to do with both our social and spiritual needs. Tragically, many of our elderly feel isolated and even abandoned.

There is a better way!

Imagine if a senior living facility were part of a parish campus, just a short walk away from the entrance to the church?

Imagine if your parish campus also had a vibrant school with children who willingly volunteered to serve the elderly on a daily basis at the same time the elderly volunteered at the school?

Finally, imagine if the facility were part of the parish life, including existing volunteer activities and ministries, and led by an activity director who will lead a daily effort to make sure that the community promotes and coordinates events for seniors ranging from poetry recitals and concerts to sporting events and book clubs.

Serving the elderly in the Arlington Diocese is a top priority of Bishop Burbidge. The Catholic Village project seeks to address their very specific communal and sacramental needs. We are in the very early stages of planning to build the ideal final homes for practicing Catholics who want to attend daily Mass and desire to be surrounded by loving people of all ages—children, teenagers, young adults, and middle agers, in addition to their elderly peers.

Wouldn't this excite your loved ones? Maybe, one day, even you? In the spirit of collaboration, the following survey is intended to help the diocese gauge the parish's interest in this senior living initiative on their parish grounds.

TAKE THE SURVEY NOW: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SAINT_PHILIP

If you do not want to take the survey online, **turn the paper over** and complete the survey using pen or pencil and hand it to a parish usher or parish priest.



SCAN FOR SURVEY



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1. I understand the vision of the Catholic Village concept (a senior living facility co-located with the church and the school) and believe this should be a ministry of this parish. (Select one.)

- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Neutral
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Strongly disagree

2. For whom is your interest in a senior living facility on the parish grounds? (Select one.)

- ☐ For myself
- ☐ For a loved one (to include one who is out-of-state)
- ☐ For myself and a loved one
- ☐ For neither, but for the good of the parish and local community
- ☐ For neither, because I do not support this idea

3. What do you think is most needed in this parish facility? (Select one.)

- ☐ Independent Living (*Housing for active seniors seeking community, convenience, and minimal assistance*)
- ☐ Assisted Living (*Housing with support services for seniors needing help with daily activities*).
- ☐ Memory Care (*Specialized care for seniors with Alzheimer's or other memory impairments*)

4. Which amenities do you think are essential in a Catholic Village on parish grounds? (Select all that apply.)

- ☐ Nursing care
 - ☐ Coffee shop
 - ☐ Fitness center
 - ☐ Garden
 - ☐ Co-working space
 - ☐ Pet care
 - ☐ Game or recreation room
 - ☐ Movie room
 - ☐ Arts & crafts room
 - ☐ Adoration chapel
 - ☐ Shuttle service to local activities
 - ☐ Other (please specify in the blank)
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5. Would you be more interested in the Catholic Village facility for yourself or a loved one than in a conventional, secular facility? (Select one.)

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Maybe, but I need more information.
- ☐ No

6. I would be interested in working in a professional capacity at the Catholic Village. (Select one.)

- ☐ Strongly interested
- ☐ Interested
- ☐ Not interested

7. I would be interested in volunteering at the Catholic Village. (Select one.)

- ☐ Strongly interested
- ☐ Interested
- ☐ Not interested

8. How important is it to you that a final design retains 'green space,' such as fields and trees?"

- ☐ Very important
- ☐ Important
- ☐ Neither important or not important
- ☐ Not important
- ☐ Very unimportant

9. Your contact information

First & Last Name: _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

10. What are the best ways to follow-up with you on your interest? (Select all that apply.)

- ☐ Email
- ☐ Phone
- ☐ In-person meeting
- ☐ At a parish town hall

11. What additional comments would you care to make?
