

**Feast of
Saints Peter
and Paul**

29 June 2014



Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church
FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA



what's coming



june

29 Sunday, Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, apostles

Coffee and donuts after morning Masses. (Columbian Squires)

Scrip Sales after Masses.

Noon-1:30pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center 204.

30 Monday, Weekday (The First Martyrs of Rome)

Religious Education Registration continues, Monday - Friday, 9am-4pm, through July

10am, Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center 100.

7:30pm, Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center 100.

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1 Tuesday, Weekday (Blessed Junipero Serra, priest)

9:45am, Adult Bible Study of the Letter of James, Courtyard Meeting Room.

6pm, CYM Sports Tuesday, Old Mill Park.

7:30pm, Renewed Catholic Life in the Spirit Seminar, Courtyard Meeting Room.

2 Wednesday, Weekday

3 Thursday, St. Thomas, apostle

9:45am, Craft Group, Room 100, Parish Life Center.

6:30pm, Prayers and Squares, Parish Life Center 100.

7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House.

4 Friday, Weekday - Independence Day

Parish Offices Closed for July 4th Holiday.

One morning Mass at 10am.

There will be no 8pm Mass nor all-night adoration due to the holiday.

5 Saturday, Weekday (St. Anthony Zaccaria, priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal)

SCRIP Sales after Masses.

6 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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7 Monday, Weekday

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10am, Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center 100.

7:30pm, Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center 100.

8:15pm, TAIZE Prayer Service, church. *Please note, rescheduled one week earlier this month.*

8 Tuesday, Weekday

9:45am, Adult Bible Study of the Letter of James, Courtyard Meeting Room.

6pm, CYM Sports Tuesday, Old Mill Park.

9 Wednesday, Weekday (St. Augustine Zhao Rong, priest, martyr, and his Companions, martyrs)

5-8pm, Movie Night, Catholic Youth Ministry, John Paul II House.

10 Thursday, Weekday

9:45am, Craft Group, Room 100, Parish Life Center.

7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House.

11 Friday, St. Benedict, abbot

12 Saturday, Weekday

10:30am, Youth Ministry Tubing Trip, VA Outdoor Center

SCRIP Sales after Masses.

nota bene (*note well, please*):

- ✠ Please note in your calendar, there is only **one Mass at 10am on July 4th**, and the usual 8pm Mass and adoration is canceled for the holiday. Those looking for first Friday Mass are encouraged to be sure and join us at 10am.
- ✠ Looking ahead to the **Taize Prayer Service in July**, please note that the normally scheduled July 14 service has been **moved one week earlier to Monday, July 7th**.
- ✠ **Coffee and Donuts (often)** are available after Sunday morning Masses in the Parish Life Center. Join us!
- ✠ **SCRIP is on sale** this weekend in the Parish Life Center after all Masses except Saturday 7pm and Sunday 2pm. Please use SCRIP and help our school.



this week's bulletin:

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GRANT, WE PRAY, O LORD,
THAT WE MAY BE SUSTAINED
BY THE BLESSED APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL,
THAT, AS THROUGH THEM YOU GAVE YOUR CHURCH
THE FOUNDATIONS OF HER HEAVENLY OFFICE,
SO THROUGH THEM YOU MAY HELP HER
TO ETERNAL SALVATION.

COLLECT AT THE VIGIL MASS

from our pastor



Dear Good People of Saint Mary,

I was thinking about the prayer we are praying every day (p. 6) for the Fortnight for Freedom and there is one part of a line that catches my attention, that part in which we ask for courage to make our voices heard “on behalf of the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.”

I marvel at the way in which this statement is at once simple and profound. It isn’t a demand for special treatment, or seeking an affirmation for a judgment that “we” are right and “they” are wrong. It has nothing to do with what is considered by divisive spirits to be “liberal” or “conservative” according to today’s tyranny of opinion and self-interest.

It is a plea for the basic right to live in the most simple of ways as human beings who seek to be persons of faith and morals. It has long been the perennial teaching of the Church that persons have a right to know (freedom of education) and free to apply that knowledge to our human acts according to our own properly formed consciences: to do good and avoid evil is a personal choice.

But the key point is the formation of conscience. To be a person of integrity, the Church teaches, you must make choices according to your own conscience. You form it, you follow it. The same option may yield different results between different persons with equivalent integrity. Looking around today, how many people do you recognize as being properly formed in the moral life?

Further, there is no such thing as self-formation for relational persons (you can’t make it up on your own); we rely on truth, goodness and beauty as the transcendent ideals to which we seek ascent, and this formation comes from outside of us. We are shaped by our life experiences and the persons with whom we share our earthly spaces, above all, by the revelation of a loving God. As always, this right to freely choose comes with a corresponding duty: to be able to follow your conscience, you must

do all in your power to make sure that you are properly formed in truth and virtue.

It is at this point that the argument usually stalls out. How dare you presume to tell me whether or not I have properly formed as a moral person and judge my choices? But you see, guidance isn’t what the prayer is about. That is the next step. We’re still at the starting point of being able to make the choice at all.

The whole issue about religious liberty isn’t about freedom to be right or wrong. It is about whether or not we actually are provided the freedom to *choose*. Can a person be forced by law to act *against* their conscience?

Isn’t it remarkable and bizarre that the whole *pro-choice* argument suddenly becomes ours? Freedom to worship also means freedom to not worship. Freedom to do the wrong thing also means freedom to do the right thing. Otherwise it isn’t freedom.

But that freedom must not be taken away.

It is a complex meditation about the love of God, actually, and the age-old question: Why does God permit sin? Because if he didn’t, we wouldn’t be able to freely choose *not* to sin, and we would be slaves. But God loves us so much that he wants us to freely choose to love him, not be forced to do so.

Early on in the religious liberty debates over the HHR Mandate the press derailed the Church’s message by short-circuiting the Church’s position, convincing the world that the Church’s position was trying to enforce right over wrong. Sadly, it seems that the world bought it. But if we are praying for the courage to make our voices heard on behalf of “freedom of conscience for people of all faiths” it is clear that we are merely asking for the basic right to *at least* choose what *we believe to be right*, and not be left with only the slavery of choosing that which is wrong. Keep praying!

May God bless you.

Fr. Dom



School year comes to a close!

We ended this school year with a Mass at St. Mary's. It was a beautiful way to close the year as students, parents, teachers and staff prayed together. We finished with a picnic lunch and enjoyed spending time together as a school community. We wish everyone a blessed and relaxing summer!

If you want to learn about our school and all that we can do for your child, please call us at 540-286-1600 or visit our website, www.holycross-web.com. For St. Mary Preschool, please call 540-373-7553. Holy Cross Academy is a place where each child can flourish and grow. We would love to hear from you and will gladly give you a tour of our National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence and tell you all about the wonderful things happening here.

Registration for Religious Education

Registration continues in the Parish Office from Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm. Registration is offered at a special cost in June: fees are \$45.00 per child or \$100.00 for 3 or more children.

St. Mary Preschool openings for Fall

St. Mary Preschool still has openings for their 3 and 4 year old afternoon preschool classes in the fall. Come join in the fun from 12-3 on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday! Located in the Parish Life Center, we offer a fun-filled 3 hour program with stories, songs, crafts, religion and free play to entertain and engage your child. For more information, contact Mrs. Nanci Scharf, Preschool Director, at 540-373-7553.

Parking Lot Project begins this week

Our long awaited Parking Lot Project began this week. Site preparations are being made while we are awaiting final grading permits/bonds so that the major work can begin in earnest. Traffic on the property should remain relatively unimpeded with minor disruptions along the main access lane on to the campus where we will be widening the road by 4 feet. The majority of the work will take place on the North end of the building (flag pole end) where we will be adding 46 additional spaces. The work is anticipated to be completed sometime in August before the school year begins. Please be patient and mindful of any changes in traffic flow while on the property.

Fortnight for Freedom

The Fortnight for Freedom continues until July 4, 2014. The theme of this year's Fortnight focuses on the freedom to serve the poor and vulnerable in accord with human dignity and Church teaching.

Please join the parish as we pray daily during the Fortnight for Freedom:

*O God our Creator,
from your provident hand we have received our
right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.
You have called us as your people
and given us the right and the duty
to worship you, the only true God,
and your Son, Jesus Christ.
Through the power and working
of your Holy Spirit, you call us
to live out our faith in the midst
of the world, bringing the light and
the saving truth of the Gospel
to every corner of society.*

*We ask you to bless us in our vigilance
for the gift of religious liberty.
Give us the strength of mind and heart
to readily defend our freedoms
when they are threatened; give us courage
in making our voices heard
on behalf of the rights of your Church
and the freedom of conscience
of all people of faith.*

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Fireworks Sale

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parishioners can get all their fireworks at a DISCOUNT from the Knights of Columbus - just mention that you are from St. Mary. The Battlefield Council Knights of Columbus Annual Fireworks Sale tent site is in front of Bed Bath and Beyond on Route 3 in Fredericksburg.

June 28 – July 4, from 10am to 10pm
Buy your fireworks early for the best selections.
All proceeds benefit local charities.

School Dressing Days

St. Mary Catholic Church is happy to be supporting School Dressing Days, an annual community event designed to help financially disadvantaged families with school clothing and supplies. The event provides a new pair of jeans, a shirt, socks,

underwear, a backpack, school supplies, and toiletries to over 1,000 area children. The event will be August 8th and 9th this year.

Donations for the following are WELCOME!
Boys, Girls and Teens: NEW Jeans, shirts, socks and underwear. Gently used: coats, jackets, hoodies/sweatshirts, or school appropriate shoes. New backpacks and school supplies. Toiletries: toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap or deodorant.

Please drop off donations in the Parish Life Center before the end of July in the provided bins. If you would like to make monetary donations please make checks payable to Interfaith Community Council with SDD or School Dressing Days in the Memo line on the check.

If you would like to help with the event go to the "SignUp Genius" link www.SignUpGenius.com/go/9040C45AFA922A31-volunteer/2923451

If you know someone who would like to preregister for the event please see the signs at the Parish Life Center or Bulletin Board to see the time, date and locations for preregistering children. Or you can go to the Website for the Interfaith Community Council which sponsors this event and go to the School Dressing Day tab. The website is interfaithcommunitycouncil.org

Any other questions please call Tess Thome at 540-737-4053 or email tessnmike@cox.net. Thank you!

Peregrinación Hispana para Orar por las Vocaciones

Por favor únase al Padre Jaffe, Director de Vocaciones de la Diócesis, a nuestra Madre María, y a la Oficina Diocesana de Vocaciones a la Peregrinación Hispana Anual para Orar por las Vocaciones. Esto se llevará a cabo el sábado, 19 de julio de 2014. El autobús saldrá de la parroquia "Reina de los Apóstoles" a las 6:30 a.m. y regresaremos a las 9:00p.m. El costo es de \$20 por persona, El costo de la peregrinación no incluye alimentos, estos corren por cuenta de cada peregrino. El día incluirá rosario, oración, Santa Misa, Vía Crucis, confesiones, cantos, juegos y una película. Este año peregrinaremos a la capilla de San José en Nueva Jersey. Para obtener más información o para inscribirse, comuníquese con: Daniela Zurita: flackita@yahoo.com, 703-732-7782.

St. Mary Book Club

Our July selection is Jeff Cavins' *I'm Not Being Fed: Discovering the Food that Satisfies the Soul*. The author is best known as the founding host of Life on the Rock on EWTN and the creator of the Great American Bible Timeline which has been used extensively at St. Mary. Tuesday, July 8, at 10am in the St. John Paul House. Contact Kathleen Mahoney at 540-371-2073 or bmah761569@aol.com.

First Fridays with St. Mary Young Adults

St. Mary Young Adults are attending First Friday Mass on July 4 at 10 am. All those aged 21 to 39 are invited to participate with us in this monthly devotion to the Sacred Heart. We will be gathering afterwards for brunch and fellowship. For more information on events and activities, please contact Allison Gatrone at StMaryYA@gmail.com to join our email list."

youth now



We are thankful to all of our parishioners for your tremendous support of our WorkCamp teens. Please continue to pray for us as we serve this summer.

2014-15 High School CYM Registration is now open

We are accepting registrations for all High School teens for our Wednesday night YUOCAT and Sunday night Youth Group programs. Through these program we engage teens in discussions of faith with games and ice breakers and also through small groups, talks, skits, video presentations and music. Going through an entire year of our programs covers all 8 major topics that the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops requires Youth Ministry in the U.S focus on. The 8 topics are: *Person of Christ, Life in Christ, Morality, Christian Mystery, Church, Christian Prayer, Sacred*

Scripture and Profession of Faith. Registrations are available on our website as well.

CYM Summer Calendar is now available! Please join us for all of the fun activities we have planned for the summer: sports, movies, water tubing and Kings Dominion. Go to our website for permission slips and more details.

Sports Tuesdays

Every Tuesday, starting June 24th through August 12th from 6pm-8pm come out to Old Mill Park (2401 Caroline Street) to play sports: soccer, flag football or ultimate frisbee. All middle school and high school age teens are invited. Bring friends and a water bottle!

from our pope international

Pope Francis' Visit to Bethlehem

"This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger" (Lk 2:12).

What a great grace it is to celebrate the Eucharist in the place where Jesus was born! I thank God and I thank all of you who have welcomed me on my pilgrimage: President Mahmoud Abbas and the other civil authorities; Patriarch Fouad Twal and the other bishops and ordinaries of the Holy Land, the priests, the good Franciscans, the consecrated persons and all those who labor to keep faith, hope and love alive in these lands; the faithful who have come from Gaza and Galilee, and the immigrants from Asia and Africa. Thank you for your welcome!

The Child Jesus, born in Bethlehem, is the sign given by God to those who awaited salvation, and he remains forever the sign of God's tenderness and presence in our world. The angel announces to the shepherds: "This will be a sign for you: you will find a child..."

Today too, children are a sign. They are a sign of hope, a sign of life, but also a "diagnostic" sign, a marker indicating the health of families, society and the entire world. Wherever children are ac-

cepted, loved, cared for and protected, the family is healthy, society is more healthy and the world is more human. Here we can think of the work carried out by the Ephpheta Paul VI institute for hearing and speech impaired Palestinian children: it is a very real sign of God's goodness. It is a clear sign that society is healthier.

To us, the men and women of the twenty-first century, God today also says: "This will be a sign for you", look to the child...

The Child of Bethlehem is frail, like all newborn children. He cannot speak and yet he is the Word made flesh who came to transform the hearts and lives of all men and women. This Child, like every other child, is vulnerable; he needs to be accepted and protected. Today too, children need to be welcomed and defended, from the moment of their conception.

Sadly, in this world, with all its highly developed technology, great numbers of children continue to live in inhuman situations, on the fringes of society, in the peripheries of great cities and in the countryside. All too many children continue to be exploited, maltreated, enslaved, prey to violence and illicit trafficking. Still too many children live in exile, as refugees, at times lost at sea, particu-



History in our days: Papal Mass at Manger Square outside the Church of the Nativity, praying at the barrier wall between Bethlehem and Jerusalem, meeting with Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople.



larly in the waters of the Mediterranean. Today, in acknowledging this, we feel shame before God, before God who became a child.

And we have to ask ourselves: Who are we, as we stand before the Child Jesus? Who are we, standing as we stand before today's children? Are we like Mary and Joseph, who welcomed Jesus and care for him with the love of a father and a mother? Or are we like Herod, who wanted to eliminate him? Are we like the shepherds, who went in haste to kneel before him in worship and offer him their humble gifts? Or are we indifferent? Are we perhaps people who use fine and pious words, yet exploit pictures of poor children in order to make money? Are we ready to be there for children, to "waste time" with them? Are we ready to listen to them, to care for them, to pray for them and with them? Or do we ignore them because we are too caught up in our own affairs?

"This will be a sign for us: you will find a child...". Perhaps that little boy or girl is crying. He is crying because he is hungry, because she is cold, because he or she wants to be picked up and held in our arms... Today too, children are crying, they are crying a lot, and their crying challenges us. In a world which daily discards tons of

food and medicine there are children, hungry and suffering from easily curable diseases, who cry out in vain. In an age which insists on the protection of minors, there is a flourishing trade in weapons which end up in the hands of child-soldiers, there is a ready market for goods produced by the slave labor of small children. Their cry is stifled: the cry of these children is stifled! They must fight, they must work, they cannot cry! But their mothers cry for them, as modern-day Rachels: they weep for their children, and they refuse to be consoled (cf. Mt 2:18).

"This will be a sign for you": you will find a child. The Child Jesus, born in Bethlehem, every child who is born and grows up in every part of our world, is a diagnostic sign indicating the state of health of our families, our communities, our nation. Such a frank and honest diagnosis can lead us to a new kind of lifestyle where our relationships are no longer marked by conflict, oppression and consumerism, but fraternity, forgiveness and reconciliation, solidarity and love.

*Mary, Mother of Jesus,
you who accepted, teach us how to accept; you who
adored, teach us how to adore; you who followed, teach
us how to follow. Amen.*



holy cross academy



*A National
Blue Ribbon
School, 2012*

Public Release for Free and Reduced Price Meals

Holy Cross Academy School today announced its policy for free and reduced price meals for needy children under the National School Lunch and/or School Breakfast Programs. A copy of this policy is on file at the school and may be reviewed by any interested party.

Application forms are being sent to the homes of enrolled children with a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the office in the school.

The information provided on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program officials.

For school officials to determine eligibility, households receiving food stamps or Virginia Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) must list the child's name, their food stamps or TANF case number and the signature of an adult household member. Households not receiving food stamps or TANF must provide the following: names of all household members; social security number of the adult household member who signs the application or a statement that the household member does not possess one; the amount and type of income received by each household member (such as wages, child support, etc.); and the signature of an adult household member certifying that the information

provided is correct. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year as circumstances change.

Applications providing income information will be compared to the Income Eligibility Guidelines, seen in the chart on the right.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced price policy, the Cafeteria Manager will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent or guardian is dissatisfied with the ruling of the official, he/she may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis. If the parent or guardian wishes to make a formal appeal of the decision, he/she may make a request for a hearing either orally or in writing to:

Mary Beall 250 Stafford Lake Parkway

In certain cases foster children are also eligible for these benefits. If a household has foster children living with them and wishes to apply for such meals for them, the household should contact the school for more information.

The information provided by the household is confidential and will be used only for purposes of determining eligibility and verifying data.

The U.S Department of Agriculture prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal, and where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic information in em-



ployment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.)

If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form (PDF), found online at http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax (202) 690-7442 or email at program.intake@usda.gov

Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the

Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish).

USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Chart below:

If there is only one income source, or if all sources are the same frequency, simply compare the income or sum of the incomes to the IEG for the appropriate frequency and household size.

If income sources are at more than one frequency, annualize all income by multiplying weekly income by 52, income received every two weeks by 26, income received twice a month by 24, and income received monthly by 12. Do not round the values. Sum all the un-rounded converted values and compare the un-rounded total to the IEG for annual income for the appropriate household size.

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS

JULY 1, 2014 - JUNE 30, 2015

FREE MEALS - 130%						REDUCED PRICE MEALS - 185%				
Family Size	Annual	Monthly	2x Per Month	Every 2 Weeks	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	2x Per Month	Every 2 Weeks	Weekly
1	\$15,171	\$1,265	\$633	\$584	\$292	\$21,590	\$1,800	\$900	\$831	\$416
2	\$20,449	\$1,705	\$853	\$787	\$394	\$29,101	\$2,426	\$1,213	\$1,120	\$560
3	\$25,727	\$2,144	\$1,072	\$990	\$495	\$36,612	\$3,051	\$1,526	\$1,409	\$705
4	\$31,005	\$2,584	\$1,292	\$1,193	\$597	\$44,123	\$3,677	\$1,839	\$1,698	\$849
5	\$36,293	\$3,024	\$1,512	\$1,396	\$698	\$51,634	\$4,303	\$2,152	\$1,986	\$993
6	\$41,561	\$3,464	\$1,732	\$1,599	\$800	\$59,145	\$4,929	\$2,465	\$2,275	\$1,138
7	\$46,839	\$3,904	\$1,952	\$1,802	\$901	\$66,656	\$5,555	\$2,778	\$2,564	\$1,282
8	\$52,117	\$4,344	\$2,172	\$2,005	\$1,003	\$74,167	\$6,181	\$3,091	\$2,853	\$1,427
For each additional household member add:	\$5,278	\$440	\$220	\$203	\$102	\$7,511	\$626	\$313	\$289	\$145

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SUNDAY MASS	Saturday Vigil 5 & 7pm Sunday 7, 8:30, 10:30am, 12:30, 2pm (Spanish), 5pm, 7:01pm 10:30am at Holy Cross Academy
DAILY MASS	Mon.-Fri.: 6:30 & 9am; Sat., 9am First Friday 8pm Holy Days of Obligation, as announced
DEVOTIONS	Adoration & Benediction, Wed., 7-9pm Novena with Exposition, Mon., 7-7:30pm All Night Adoration, First Friday Miraculous Medal Novena, Mon., after 9am Mass Divine Mercy, Wed., 3pm
CONFESSION	Wed., 7-9pm; Sat., 8am & 3:30pm, or by appt.
PARISH OFFICE	540-373-6491, fax 371-0251 stmary@stmaryfred.org Mon.-Fri., 8:30am - 4:30pm; <i>students staff office weekdays until 9pm, Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays 9:30-1:30pm</i> Pastor, Fr. Don Rooney Fr. Keith Cummings Fr. Stephen Holmes Fr. Lino Rico Rostro Deacon Alberto Bernalola Deacon Dick Delio Executive Assistant, Rick Caporali Business Manager, Elaine Stanislawski Director of Sacred Music, David Mathers Administrative Assistant, Kelly Keiser Secretary, Mary Fitch
HOLY CROSS ACADEMY	540-286-1600 250 Stafford Lakes Parkway Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406-7234 Principal, Sr. Susan Louise Eder, O.S.F.S.
ST. MARY PRESCHOOL	373-7553 Director, Nanci Scharf
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE	373-6491 Director, Aristides Lucas Associate Director, Karen Sturtevant
YOUTH MINISTRY	373-6491 Director, Leo Chavarria
HEALTH MINISTRY	845-3031 Steven Houghton, RN, and Beth Palacios, RN
BAPTISMS	Parish registration (90 days) and class required. Please contact the parish office to schedule the date at least four weeks in advance.
MARRIAGE	Parish registration required; contact parish six months in advance to begin preparation.
JOIN US	New Family Registration meetings held in the church on fourth Sundays, following the 10:30 Mass. Please notify us of any contact changes.

Weekly Offertory

Offertory Collection	
15 June 2014	33,438.
Missionary Appeal (add'l)	3,314.
Poor Box / Vincent de Paul	104.
SCRIP Profit for the week	307.
Year to Date:	\$8,322.

*Thank you for your generosity!
Please remember to use your Offertory Envelopes to ensure the accuracy of your end-of-year statement. The "Children's Envelope" proceeds will not be recorded on family statements.*

Shop with SCRIP

Scrip is a fundraising program that provides funds for our parish school. You purchase gift cards to places that you normally shop and a percentage goes to Holy Cross Academy.

To set up an account online at www.shopwithscrip.com and use our school code, so Holy Cross Academy gets credit for your purchase. If you have any questions about SCRIP, or need the school code, please email Torie Baldwin at scripcoordinator@holycrossweb.com or 571-330-3448.

Thanks for using SCRIP!

Children's Offertory Envelopes for July

Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of July will be donated to Families of the Wounded Fund. This fund was created in 2005 to help the families of service members who come to McGuire Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Richmond with traumatic brain injuries and spinal-cord injuries from combat in Iraq and Afghanistan. Former Army Captain William Haneke, a wounded Vietnam Veteran, and some colleagues recognized the need

to assist family members who were away from home tending to their loved ones when they saw two young mothers with babies arrive from across the country with no money and barely enough gas to make the trip. The organization gives 100 percent of all tax-deductible donations to the families to help with food, lodging, transportation, child care, diapers and long-distance calling cards during the many weeks a family is in the Richmond area, and each family currently receives \$6,000.00. For more information, visit their website at www.familiesofthewoundedfund.org.

Electronic Offertory Faith Direct available now

Faith Direct enables your family to make your parish contributions through either direct debit to your checking account or through your Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover credit cards. No more writing checks or searching for envelopes on the way out the door. Now you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you may now use it to make your mortgage, car or tuition payments.

For parishioners currently giving electronically, *Faith Direct* will be replacing our current electronic giving process, so we ask you to "make the change" as soon as you can.

With *Faith Direct*, the parish will gain predictable cash flow that will help us with planning our parish needs and programs. *Faith Direct* also offers you personalized offertory cards to replace your envelopes for the collection basket.

Please join in enrolling by responding to the mailing you will

Articles must be submitted two weeks prior to publication.
Send articles to stmary@stmaryfred.org. Thanks!

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receive or visit www.faithdirect.net to enroll securely online. Our parish code is VA635

An Act of Consecration for Our Country

Most Holy Trinity — Our Father in Heaven, who chose Mary as the fairest of your daughters; Holy Spirit, who chose Mary as your spouse; God the Son, who chose Mary as your Mother — in union with Mary, we adore your majesty and acknowledge your supreme eternal dominion and authority.

Most Holy Trinity, we put the United States of America into the hands of Mary Immaculate in order that she may present the country to you. Through her we wish to thank you for the great resources of this land and for the freedom which has been its heritage. Through the intercession of Mary, have mercy on the Catholic Church in America. Grant us peace. Have mercy on our President and on all the officers of our government. Grant us a fruitful economy born of justice and charity. Have mercy on capital and industry and labor. Protect the family life of the nation. Guard the innocence of our children. Grant the precious gift of many religious vocations. Through the intercession of our Mother, have mercy on the sick, the poor, the tempted, sinners — on all who are in need.

Mary, Immaculate Virgin, Our Mother, Patroness of our land, we praise you and honor you and give ourselves to you. Protect us from every harm. Pray for us, that acting always according to your will and the will of your Divine Son, we may live and die pleasing to God.



St. Mary Prayer List

Please Pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: Cathy Nichols, Regina Sullivan, Fr. Paul Richardson, Bentley Hunt, Anna Castagna, Ruth Weaver, Darlene Garcia, Barbara McKnight, Donald Estes, Mary Ullmer, Ariana Stanislawski, Ralph Steiniger, Lucy Holzworth, Fr. Tom Brown, David Arnold, David Carr, Martin E. Zidek, Kelly and Andrew Wood, Martha Ferrara, Frank O'Connor, Clara Lester, Carlos Ortiz, Marianne Ford, John Pare, Sherry Taylor, Frank Mohler, Harold Gardiner, Rhonda Seidlinger, Betty Ann and Bill Dateno, Marcella Sowija, Carlita Aberle, Daniel and Forrest Theiss, Shawn, Kristen, Dylan & Brandon Meade, Lily Rubbo, Ellen Carag, Krystal Finch, Dory Henderson, Robert Epp, Josephine Kreider, Mina Logan, Romalie Vonaime, David Vonaime, Helen Kozyra, Debbie Lloyd, Mike Mohler, Patricia Russo, Sr. Marie de Chantal, Nathan Tarantino, James Calpin, Rebecca Johnston, Mary Damato, Timothy Hanlon, Julie Fabula, Amelia McDevitt, Gerald Gardiner, Richard Romagnoli, John Castagna, Eleanor Mitchell, Hall Family, Kelly Keiser, John Nash, Keith Snellings Sr., Patricia Snellings, Jan Kozyra, Melvyn Schreckinger, Linda Klein, Kevin Ahern, Angie Calloway, Francis Cawley, Holly Smith, Cathy Thompson, Joseph Bozicevic

Please Pray for all the men and women in our military and civilian support services overseas, especially: Javier Acosta, Leah April, David Asher, Joel Asher, Miguel Ayala, Crystal Black, Ned Brownell, Jr., Derek Brostek, Christopher Burton, Matthew Campos, Leslie Capuano, Bruno Carriero, Jonathan Catalano, Frank Creamer, Sal Contreras, James Cook, Brad Cowan, Sam Del Grande, Glenn Dickinson, Aaron Doble, Anthony Dowden, John Dussault, Sandy Dussault, Travis Eades, Doug Ebanal, Christopher Eckert, Tim Evan, Christopher Ewers, Paul Fischer, Jonathan Fleming, Roberto Fuentes, Jason Geary, Ramon Guerra, Jr., Andrew Hamilton, Harry Hamilton, Ronnie Hamilton, Maria Harbeson, Andy Haskell, Raymund Haskell, Michael J. Herbek, James Helm, James Hoffnagle, Jr., Robert Horner, Danny L. Howard, Jr., Anthony Howell, Matthew Kearney, Daniel Kramer, Julio Laffitte III, Chris Lammers, Stephen Lammers, Scott LaRousse, Ryan Larsen, Jeffrey Lawrence, Kenneth Linstrom, Ryan Lynch, Sean Malloy, Geoff Mann, Josh Martin, Samantha Martin, Justin McClelland, Patrick McGroarty, John Moring, Nathaniel McNamara, Roger Mitchell, Joseph Moore, Joseph Muldoon, Corey Nash, Mindy Niemann, James Kevin O'Donnell, Nicholas Oltman, Bryce Parson, Joshua K. Pastell, Sean Penczak, Dominick Joseph Petro, Scott Price, Nick Schulz, Duayne Scott, Tim Smetek, Andrew Smith, Douglas Stransky, Shawn Tupta, Heidi Urben, Christopher Williamson and Daniel Zeytoonian.

Please pray for all the faithful departed: especially and all the benefactors of St. Mary.

Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

june

30 MONDAY

6:30 +Aguedo Quiles
9am +Richard Fleming
Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Mt 8:18-22

july

1 TUESDAY

6:30 +Joseph Savage
9am +Thomas Dillon
Am 3:1-8, 4:11-12; Mt 8:23-27

2 WEDNESDAY

6:30 +Judith Ross
9am +Theresa & Tony Venti
Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Mt 8:28-34

3 THURSDAY

6:30 +Frank Hall
9am +Barbara Mertens
Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29

4 FRIDAY

10am Mary Ann Holzwrth
Am 8:4-12; Mt 9:9-13

5 SATURDAY

9am Mark Doherty
5pm +Robert Birkenmeier
7pm +Joyce Schirmer
Am 9:11-15; Mt 11:25-30

6 SUNDAY

7am +Purificacion Mercardo
8:30 +Helen Stuart
10:30 +Those Who Died in June
10:30* +Gustavo Colom
12:30 For the parish
2pm +Francesca Recia
5pm +Joseph Savage
7:01 +Irene Tierney
Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9-13; Mt 11:25-30

*indicates Mass at Holy Cross Academy