



**The Dedication
of the Lateran
Basilica in Rome**

**[Thirty-second
Sunday in
Ordinary Time]**

9 nov 2014

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



what's coming



november

9 SUNDAY, THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA, ROME

Virginia Catholic Conference Sign-up Weekend
Coffee Shop after Morning Masses, Parish Life Center (Homeless Shelter Dinners).
Noon, English as a Second Language class, Parish Life Center 203.
3:30-4:45pm, *Making Intentional Disciples* Discussion Group with Fr. Rooney, Courtyard Meeting Room.
CYM Dinner and HS Youth Group following 5pm Mass, Parish Life Center.

10 Monday, Saint Leo the Great, pope and doctor

7:30pm, RCIA/RICA program, Church. All invited to class at 7:30.

11 Tuesday, Martin of Tours, bishop

10am, Saint Mary Book Club, John Paul II House, downstairs.

12 Wednesday, Saint Josephat, bishop and martyr

6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House.
7:15pm, Keeping in Balance Women's Group, Courtyard Meeting Room.

13 Thursday, Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, virgin

9:45am, Craft Group, Parish Life Center 100.
Noon, Virginia Council of Churches Faith and Order luncheon and meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room.
7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House.
7:15pm, Choosing the Better Part Women's Group, Parish Life Center 204.
7:30pm, Parish Council Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room.

14 Friday, Weekday [32]

9:30am, St. Anne's Sisters in Faith (Moms' Group), JP II House.
7:30pm, **SPECIAL TAIZE PRAYER Celebration**, Church, followed by reception in Parish Life Center.

15 Saturday, Weekday (Saint Albert the Great, bishop and doctor)

CCW Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the Assumption, Baltimore.
9am, Sacrament of the **Anointing of the Sick provided at Mass**, Church.
SCRIP Sales after 5pm Mass.

16 THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Coffee Shop after Morning Masses, Parish Life Center (Preschool).
9:30am-Noon, PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE, Parish Life Center.
Noon, English as a Second Language class, Parish Life Center 203.
1-3pm, HOLY CROSS ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE, Holy Cross Academy.
3:30-4:45pm, *Making Intentional Disciples* Discussion Group with Fr. Rooney, Courtyard Meeting Room.
CYM Dinner and HS Youth Group following 5pm Mass, Parish Life Center

17 Monday, St. Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

7:30pm, RCIA/RICA program, Church. All invited to class at 7:30.

18 Tuesday, Weekday (The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, virgin)

10am, Council of Catholic Women General Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room
7:30pm, Life in the Spirit Gathering, Courtyard Meeting Room.

19 Wednesday, Weekday

6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House.
7:15pm, Keeping in Balance Women's Group, Courtyard Meeting Room.

20 Thursday, Weekday

9:45am, Craft Group, Parish Life Center 100.
7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House.
7:15pm, Choosing the Better Part Women's Group, Parish Life Center 204.

21 Friday, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:30am, St. Anne's Sisters in Faith (Moms' Group), JP II House.
7pm, Bunco, Parish Life Center 100.
8pm, ORGAN CONCERT and Reception, Church and Parish Life Center.

22 Saturday, The Dedication of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Fredericksburg (2010)

Confirmation Retreat II: Basilica of the National Shrine, Washington D.C.

23 SUNDAY, OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

nota bene (*note well, please*):

✚ **Sign-up weekend with the Virginia Catholic Conference** is this weekend: registration after all Masses.

✚ **Special Taize day and time celebrating 8 years - prayer and reception** Friday, November 14, 7:30pm. For eight years we have welcomed Christians from all churches in Fredericksburg: please be sure and invite all your friends from area Christian churches to join us in prayer and fellowship. *There will be no Taize service on Monday, November 10.*

✚ **Mass with the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**, Saturday, November 15 at the 9am Mass. Anyone who is experiencing serious disease, or anyone over 65 years of age is welcome to celebrate the sacrament of the sick every six months. Please join us as we draw near to the new year and the season of Advent.

✚ **Don't miss our Open Houses at Saint Mary Preschool and Holy Cross Academy next weekend** in the Parish Life Center 9:30-Noon and 1-3pm at Holy Cross. Come and see our progress, get updates, and see why we are so proud of our school.

✚ **SCRIP is on sale** this weekend in the Parish Life Center after most Masses. Please use SCRIP and help our school.

1009 Stafford Ave., Fredericksburg, VA 22401

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;
*students staff office weekdays until 9pm,
Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays 9:30-1:30pm*

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250 Stafford Lakes Parkway
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Director, Leo Chavarria

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Steven Haughton, 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.

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

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from our pastor



Dear Good People of Saint Mary,

Last weekend as we reflected on the nearness of the saints and the kingdom of heaven, how all of us are gathered at the altar at Mass, how the saints are immediate to our needs, how we are immediate to the needs of the holy souls. We literally are a prayer away from each other, a breath. It is a comforting consideration when we are confronted with the loss of a loved one, that they aren't really gone, but rather "behind the veil" of hope that surrounds God's faithful people. This month of November we remember in a special way all those who have gone before us in faith, and remember them with our prayers and charity.

I spoke briefly in my homilies about how that thin veil between us and them can sometimes seem so very thin. I used the experience of my encounter with the cathedral in Reims, France last week—how in the fog the lights glowed

and you couldn't tell where the spires covered with saints and angels came to an end, and where the sky began. It looked like a ladder between heaven and earth, and somewhere in that glow of light was the communion of the two.

They say a picture is worth a thousand words, and since this column is usually good for about 500 I thought I would include this photo. It doesn't begin to do justice to the experience of actually being there, but it gives an idea of the stunning vision which was suddenly in front of us as we came around a corner. If you check the history of the place, it was all but destroyed with most of the city of Reims in the Second World War. A place of such history (where kings were crowned for centuries) and such suffering stands today as a testament to the endurance of truth, and beauty, and prayer. So may God's kingdom always be.

God bless you. *Fr. Dom*



holy cross academy



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HCA settles into fall

With the end of October, our Holy Cross Academy students and teachers completed the first quarter of the school year. Although that is a worthwhile accomplishment, it is no time to slow down. We still have so much to learn!

Second graders watched with eager expectation as baking soda and ammonia combined to create a miniature volcano. This chemical reaction delights these curious young students who are open to learning all that their very talented teachers want to share with them.

First graders and sixth graders were privileged to have a visit from Elena Hoffman, the 2014 American Honey Princess. Elena is very knowledgeable about the production of honey and the lives of honeybees. She willingly shared her expertise with the children to help them appreciate the work of these tiny insects. Our students were amazed to learn that a worker honeybee

only produces 1/12th of a teaspoon of honey in her lifetime. Those bee colonies really know how to work together!

As the quarter came to an end, HCA teachers were privileged to attend a wonderful workshop focusing on iPad apps and strategies to increase student learning – and that is what it is all about!

If you want to learn about our school, plan to come to our November 16th Open House. You can learn about all that we can do for your child by calling us at 540-286-1600 or visiting our website, www.holycrossweb.com. For St. Mary Preschool, please call 540-373-7553. Our school is a place where each child can flourish, grow and learn. 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 opportunities we provide for our students.

education

religious education

We Care Week 2014

We Care Week was initiated in 2006 by Catholic Charities Ball volunteers. This ball is the largest fundraising event in support of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington. The objective is to awaken in students an awareness of the needs of others right here in our diocese and encourage them to implement the Gospel message.

Our Religious Education program has been invited to participate in the 8th annual We Care Week which will be held from November 30 to December 6. All donations raised will benefit Christ House and Catholic Charities.

"Christ House offers transitional housing to the homeless. Its recently renovated facilities afford a safe, clean, and welcoming environment to single men in need of a place to stay while they improve their lives."

http://www.cda.net/programs_christhouse_shelter.php
http://www.cda.net/programs_fredericksburg.php

Catechists in their classrooms

7th graders were recently tested on chapters 1-4 in the texts, "Christ Our Life" and "Confirmed in the Spirit." Rather than the expected written test, the class was surprised and played, "Are You Smarter than a 7th Grader?" Divided into three teams, each team chose a captain to provide the answers decided upon by their team. The first captain to raise their hand got the first chance to win points; double or triple points were given whether or not the 2nd or 3rd teams answered correctly. This helped facilitate a thoughtful discussion among team members and prevent wild guessing. Questions were based from their two textbooks, material discussed in class, and information from Fr. Rooney's Teaching Mass. Congrats to Briana, Matthew, Brandon, and Brandon for edging out the others. While there was certainly a component of fun during this class, students were engaged and seriously trying hard to do well. Nevertheless, we can all agree there's need for improvement!

youth



50 teens and 10 adults from St. Mary attended the Diocesan High School Rally for a day of prayer, music, and growing deeper in the Catholic Faith.



We invite *all* Christians to gather with us for a very special Taizé prayer service at Saint Mary on Friday, November 14, 7:30pm, as we celebrate the beginning of our ninth year.

Pray for healing for our world and an end to the divisions that separate us.

It is our desire to bring together Christians of all churches, pastors and flocks, as together we realize a bit more each day that we must rely upon God's power to bring about unity among all who follow Jesus, "as he and the Father are one."



It is something we are unable to do ourselves. This Unity which embraces all people stands at the very heart of Christ's mission...and belongs to the essence of this community. Let us provide a place where his Spirit can come and accomplish this plan for us.

Council of Catholic Women November General Meeting

Parishioner and author John Wills will be the guest speaker at the general meeting of the Council of Catholic Women. Mr. Wills, who is also a retired FBI agent and a former Chicago police officer, is sure to be an interesting and informative speaker. Please join us Tuesday, November 18 promptly at 10am in the Courtyard Meeting Room. You'll be glad you joined us!

Book Club

The parish book club will be reading *The Year Without Christmas* for its November 11 meeting at 10am at the John Paul II House. The novel's author is John M. Wills, a Saint Mary parishioner and fellow member of the group. A former Chicago police officer and retired FBI agent, John has won awards for both his fiction and non-fiction works. More information: Kathleen Mahoney at 540-371-2073 or bmah761569@aol.com

Jesse Tree Advent Ornaments with Young Adults, November 23

Saint Mary Young Adults will be making Jesse Tree ornaments for Advent on November 23 at 3pm in the Courtyard Meeting Room. Come and learn about this tradition that is so valuable for children and adults alike. The ornaments represent the people, prophecies and events leading up to the birth of Jesus. We will have two styles of ornaments: those for children and those for adults, so bring the whole family!"

Monthly Family Dinner News

There are no Family Dinners scheduled during November. The next family dinner will be the Frank Battista Italian night on December 13. Santa Claus will be our special dinner guest. This is one dinner that you won't want to miss. So mark your calendars and plan to come HUNGRY! More details will be coming soon.

Race Registration is Underway!

**Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School
JP5K Race for Options**

The 4th annual JP5K will be conducted on Saturday, November 22, 2014 at 8am at Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School. The certified 5K course begins and ends at our beautiful school, traveling through the neighboring community. Race proceeds will benefit the innovative and inclusive Special Education Options Program. You can register for the race online at:

<http://www.imathlete.com/events/JP5K>

Friends of the Bridegroom Retreat Day

Enjoy a Day of Recollection for men in honor of Christ the King on Saturday, November 22 (from 9:30am-2pm) at St. John the Beloved Church, 6420 Linway Terrace, McLean, VA 22101. Rev. Paul Scalia will direct this sixteenth annual event sponsored by the Women's Apostolate to Youth. Please register in advance by sending a check payable to WAY for \$30 (includes lunch and materials) to Vivian Zini, 5022 Veronica Rd., Centreville, VA 20120 by Nov. 18. For more information, contact Dr. Robin Maas at robinmaas@verizon.net (703-534-5821).

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- Comprehensive, pre-drafted messages that can be personalized or sent as is to elected representatives in minutes;
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- Invitations to advocacy events;
- Guaranteed safeguard on members' contact info.

"In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in the political life is a moral obligation. This obligation is rooted in our baptismal commitment to follow Christ and to bear Christian witness in all that we do." --*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, U.S. Catholic Bishops.

Raffle Tickets for Drawing December 8

For the Oblate Sisters' Missions

In June, Saint Mary parishioners donated generously to our Mission Appeal for our school in Rocafuerte, Ecuador. Our Oblate Sisters are working to complete construction on two new classrooms for the preschool children of St. Francis de Sales School in Rocafuerte, Ecuador.

A generous benefactor donated a beautiful Lladro Nativity which we are raffling off to benefit this Mission endeavor.



1st prize:
Lladro Children's
Nativity Set – nine
figures with stable;
in mint condition -
\$900 value



2nd prize:
Hand-carved
Nativity from
Ecuador with
hand-woven scarf
- \$95 value

Raffle tickets:
1 for \$10, 3 for \$25
Drawing: 8 December 2014

Tickets are available three ways:

1. Purchase tickets at Holy Cross Academy Office or Saint Mary Parish Office: provide contact information and payment in person or by mail;
2. Purchase online at HCA website

<http://holycrossweb.com/fundraising.htm>

First Concert of the 2014-15 Season

SAINT MARY *of the* IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH
1009 Stafford Avenue, Fredericksburg, Virginia
www.stmaryfred.org

CONCERTS *at* SAINT MARY
2014-2015

Organ Concert

**Friday, November 21, 2014
at 8:00pm**

David Brian Lang



**Music of Bach, Franck, Vierne, Mathias,
D. Johnson, Peeters and more performed on
St. Mary's 3-manual, 49-rank, Robert William
Wallace pipe organ.**

David Brian Lang is a prominent concert organist, choral conductor and accompanist throughout the Washington, DC area. Beginning his sixth season as artistic director of The Reston Chorale, Mr. Lang also serves as keyboard artist for Washington Hebrew Congregation and has previously served as director of music and organist for Saint John Catholic Church in McLean, VA, and as organist for Saint John's Episcopal Church - Lafayette Square (The Church of the Presidents) and the Cathedral of the Assumption in Louisville, Kentucky.

The concert is free.

A free-will offering will be accepted.

Meet the artist at dessert-reception following.

For more information:
dmathers@stmaryfred.org
or 540-373-6491 x 217

COMING to SAINT MARY

Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 7:30pm
Advent Lessons and Carols, featuring Saint Mary Choirs

Friday, February 13, 2015 at 8:00pm
Weston Jennings, organ

Friday, May 22, 2015 at 8:00pm
Jeffrey Palmer, countertenor

Saint Mary's is 5 minutes from I-95, exit 130A. Old Town Fredericksburg is a delightful historic city filled with many fine eateries, shops and attractions.



outreach ministry

Saint Mary Preschool visits Greenfields

Mrs. Bain's four year-old preschool class joined the Saint Mary Outreach Committee and visited the residents of Greenfield Senior Living in Fredericksburg. The children sang songs, drew pictures, passed out stickers, and brought lots of smiles! A great time was had by all!

It goes to show to all of us who might be wondering if God has a purpose for us in this moment in our lives, that you can never be too young, or too elderly, to enjoy the fruits of ministry. Whether we are serving as givers or receivers, it is Christ whose smile we discover on our journey.



A Veterans Day Prayer

Dear Lord, we honor our veterans, worthy men and women who gave their best when they were called upon to serve and protect their country. We pray that you will bless them, Lord, for their unselfish service in the continual struggle to preserve our freedoms, our safety, and our country's heritage, for all of us. Bless them abundantly for the hardships they faced, for the sacrifices they made, for their many different contributions to America's victories over tyranny and oppression. We respect them, we thank them, we honor them, we are proud of them, and we pray that you will watch over these special people and bless them with peace and happiness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. (By Joanna Fuchs www.poemsource.com)

Pro-life reflection

"Show, by your life, that it is worth giving your time and talents in order to attain high ideals, it is worth recognizing the dignity of each human person, and it is worth taking risks for Christ and his Gospel. It is He that we have come to seek because He first sought us" (Pope Francis, World Youth Day Farewell Ceremony at Galeão/Antonio Carlos Jobim International Airport, Rio de Janeiro, July 28, 2013).

PREGNANT and NEED HELP?
Choose the alternative of the gift of life! Here to help you:

Birthright of Fredericksburg
898-8558

Catholic Charities 371-1124

Mary's Shelter
www.marysshelterva.org

Gabriel Project 1-866-444-3553

St. Mary Prayer List

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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, Holly Smith, Cathy Thompson, Joseph Bozicevic, Charlie and Esther White, Martha Clemens, Veronica Johnson, Wilma Evans, Phyllis Timms, Tyler Hansen, Dawn Vigil, Michael Wood, Bob Young, Katy Cornell, Thomisita Devilla, Robert Lyman, Anna Castagna, Beth Malaby, John Paul Baksy, Dan Owens, David Arnold, Steve Keene, Daniel Bustamonta, Joseph Rooney, Dianne Stephens, MaryBeth Stephens, the Clasen Family, Mary Jean and Don Williams, Stephen Dittmer, Mary Ullmer, Charlie Catalano, Billie Stewart, Lisa Storm, Charles Lee, Irene Sweeney, Marcella Sowiejka, Carlita Aberle, Daniel and Forrest Theiss, Ed Buzicky, Kati Johnston, Marianne Ford, Richard Fadden, the Carlos Ortiz Family, Martha Ferrara, Harold Gardner, Betty Ann & Bill Dateno, the Goldsmith Family, Shaun Williams, Lori Horner, Heidi Wilbrandt, Josephine Kreider, Sr. Marie de Chantal, Jo Ann James, Frances Scott, Dennis Hahn, Barbara Leone, Debbie Lloyd, Nancy Hursey, Chris Balut, Linda Kaila, Rose Sisco, Jeff Shinrock, Donald Estes, Johnny Wharton, Phyllis Woolverton, Ellen Kozyra, Glenn Nichols, Sr., Thomas Schulsky, Julie Fabula, Amelia McDevitt, Gerald Gardiner, Prov Moellerto

Please pray for all the men and women in our military and civilian support services overseas, especially: 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 Ebenal, 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, Bryce Parson, Joshua K. Pastell, Sean Penczak, Dominick Joseph Petro, Nick Schulz, Duayne Scott, Tim Smetek, Andrew Smith, Douglas Stransky, Shawn Tupta, Heidi Urben, Christopher Williamson, Daniel Zeytoonian, Justin Carter, Julianne Rogers, Jamal Williams

Please pray also for those who have died, especially the benefactors of Saint Mary Church.

Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

november

10 MONDAY

6:30 + All Souls' Novena
9am + All Souls' Novena
Ti 1:1-9, Lk 17:1-6

11 TUESDAY

6:30 + Estella Stofko
9am Cynthia Ryder
Ti 2:1-14, Lk 17:7-10

12 WEDNESDAY

630 + Cecilio Albo
9am + Virginia & Joseph Clay
Ti 3:1-7, Lk 17:11-19

13 THURSDAY

6:30 + The Vu Family
8:30* + Evelyn Wright
9am Michelle Quade
Pflm 7-20, Lk 17:20-25

14 FRIDAY

6:30 + Robert L. Sheppe
9am + Ann Jordan
2 Jn 4-9, Lk 17:26-37

15 SATURDAY

9am + Ken Schmitz
5pm + Amparo Tan
7pm + KofC Council 4034
3 Jn 5-8, Lk 18:1-8

9 SUNDAY

7am Pres. Poroshenko
8:30 + Legion of Mary Members
10:30 + Those who died/October
10:30* + William Sampson
12:30 For the Parish
2pm + Asención Alvarez
5pm Rachel Spellman
7:01 + Francis Cawley
Prv 31:10-20, 1 Thes 5:1-6, Mt 25:14-30

Please remember that Mass intentions may be requested at the parish office for any remaining Masses of the year. If dates are no longer available for the date you desire, you are welcome to request an intention that is "unscheduled," and one of the priests will gladly celebrate Mass for your intention at an extra Mass during the week or as a concelebrant.

*indicates Mass at Holy Cross Academy

operations given in love

Weekly Offertory

26 October Offertory	32,709.
All Saints' Day	3,161.
All Souls' Novena	8,655.
2 November Offertory	32,526.
Retirement/Religious	7,456.
Poor Box/St. Vincent de Paul	473.

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.

Children's Charity for November

Children's Offertory Contributions in November will be used for Christmas gifts for teenagers in foster care in the City of Fredericksburg. This age group is often overlooked at Christmas, and the contributions made in November will be sent to Social Services for gifts or gift cards. Children's Offertory Envelopes are available in the Religious Education Office. All proceeds from these envelopes go to a different children's charity each month.

Shop with Scrip

SHOP WITH SCRIP GIFT CARDS!! IHOP is our newest retailer available in our Scrip inventory. IHOP gives back an 8% rebate to HCA! There are many restaurants to enjoy in our Scrip inventory and online. Take a look today and see how easy and delicious it is to support HCA.

Stop by the scrip table to get more information or set up an online account. Or, set up an account online at www.shopwithscrip.com. Please email us for our school code, so Holy Cross Academy gets credit for your purchase. If you

have any questions about SCRIP please email Torie Baldwin at scripcordinator@holycrossweb.com or 571-330-3448. Thanks for using SCRIP!

Living Stones: A Legacy of Family Names

We continue to take orders for the "Living Stones" in our new courtyard, each featuring the last name of the family sponsoring it. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested. The investment for each stone is \$500 and helps cover the cost of this landscaping project. You may make installment payments. Please place your order by December 19 to be included in the next installation.

Gabriel Project / Project Rachel Gift for Life Campaign

The Office for Family Life is seeking your generous support for our annual Advent Gift for Life campaign that benefits women, men and children who are served through the diocesan pregnancy assistance and post-abortion healing ministries.

Please consider giving a "Gift for Life." Packets with more details will be mailed to parish secretaries within the next week.

If you would like to read a post from the Encourage and Teach diocesan blog entitled, "Gabriel Project Mothers: Emulating Courage," about an expectant mother who recently benefited from our assistance, please see <http://encourageandteach.wordpress.com/2014/10/29/project-gabriel-mothers-emulating-courage-2/>

Legion of Mary

Are you interested in evangelization? Do you have Marian Devotion? Do you have a desire to both witness the Catholic faith to others, and desire them to come and know Jesus on a deeper level? What about becoming a member of the Legion of Mary here at St. Mary? If you are interested in becoming a member in our Legion please consider contacting Father Stephen Holmes, Legion Coordinator, or Mr. Gregg Carneal or Mrs. Pam Biedenbender. Further information can be gained

Gabriel Project/Project Rachel FY 2014 Total Expenses: \$181,695, serving 448 Clients





OPENING IN FALL 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM / ONLY 100 SEATS

by going to the parish website or call Father Stephen Holmes at 540-373-6491.

Saint John Paul High School Open House

All are invited to the Fall Open House at Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School on Sunday, November 16, from 1-4pm. Meet the entire team of educators, tour the beautiful building, and learn more about John Paul's successful programs and welcoming community. A presentation begins at 1:15 in the Theater. For more information, please visit jpthegreat.org or call 703-445-0300.

Human Trafficking: It's Real, It's Everywhere, and It's Here...November 18

Come to St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Triangle on November 18 from 9:30am to Noon to learn more about Human Trafficking and its presence in Northern Virginia. Hilary Chester, the Associate Director of the Anti-Trafficking Program for the USCCB; Joe Farrell, the Director of Church Mobilization for the International Justice Mission; Brittany Vanderhoof, who serves on the Policy Counsel for Polaris; and Detective William Woolf, member of the Northern Virginia Human Trafficking Task Force, will each be speaking about Human Trafficking and how to recognize the signs, learn how to stop it, and preserve the dignity of those who are trafficked.

Welcome to SHARE at St. Mary Parish!

Order Deadline: 10 November
Food Pick-Up: 22 November

This is a food cooperative program with a community service requirement. Package Pick-up is typically the fourth Saturday of the month at the Parish Life Center between 8 and 9am. The following month's menu will be available at the time of pick-up.

Please contact Rick Caporali for more information and details, rcaporali@stmaryfred.org.

Shopping for November:

Value Package

(\$21 + 2 hrs community service)

Fresh, seasonal items such as sweet potatoes, white potatoes, onions, celery, apples, oranges, stuffing mix, elbow macaroni, a holiday pie, and meats/fish to enjoy in a variety of ways:

- Chicken thighs
- Premium bacon
- Ground turkey
- Pollock filets

Pure and Simple Thanksgiving Dinner

(\$31 + 2 hrs community service)

• 10-14 lb. TURKEY with GENEROUS, traditional side dishes:

- Candied yam patties
- Corn, green beans
- Sweet potato pie

Value Package + Turkey Dinner

(\$41 + 2 hrs community service)

- 10-14 lb. TURKEY with fresh seasonal produce such as:
- Sweet potatoes, white potatoes
- Onions, celery
- Apples, oranges
- Stuffing mix
- Elbow macaroni
- a holiday pie
- 4-5 lbs of meats/fish to stock the freezer.

Menu items are always subject to change. When we must substitute, we try to give better value.

SHARE Order Form

Value Package (\$21)

_____ x \$21. = \$ _____

Pure & Simple Thanksgiving Dinner (\$31)

_____ x \$31. = \$ _____

Value + Turkey Dinner (\$41)

_____ x \$41. = \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Name

Address

City *ST* *zip*

email

cell/phone

Community Service Hours:

___ hrs Church	___ Host site
___ hrs Youth	___ Transport
___ hrs Shelter	___ Comm. Dinner
___ hrs Seniors	___ Vincent de Paul
___ hrs Micah	___ MW Hospital
___ hrs School	___ Parish Ministry
___ hrs Community Service	
___ hrs Other	___ hrs Other

PAYMENT METHODS:

CASH, MONEY ORDER, or EBT.
No CHECKS; Payment due when order is placed.

Money Orders should be made to: SHARE FOOD NETWORK.