

**Seventeenth  
Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

**24 July 2016**

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



*Installation Mass  
for Fr. Mosimann,  
July 17, 2016*

# what's coming



**SAINT  
MARY**  
*of the*  
IMMACULATE  
CONCEPTION  
*Roman Catholic Church*

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

## july

### **24 SUNDAY, SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center. (St. Anne Sisters in Faith)  
11:30am, New Family Welcome Meeting, Church.  
SCRIP on sale after all Masses except 2pm Mass.

### **25 Monday, SAINT JAMES, APOSTLE**

### **26 Tuesday, Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

### **27 Wednesday, Weekday**

7pm, College Night Workshop for rising college freshman (see page 5), Parish Life Center.

### **28 Thursday, Weekday**

9:30am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100.  
7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House.

### **29 Friday, Saint Martha**

### **30 Saturday, Weekday (Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Doctor of the Church)**

SCRIP on sale after the 5pm Mass.

### **31 SUNDAY, EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center. (American Heritage Girls)  
SCRIP on sale after all Masses except 2pm Mass.

## august

### **1 Monday, Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop, Doctor of the Church**

### **2 Tuesday, Weekday (Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest)**

7:30pm, Life in the Spirit Prayer Gathering, Courtyard Meeting Room.

### **3 Wednesday, Weekday**

6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House.

### **4 Thursday, Saint John Vianney, Priest**

9:30am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100.  
7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House.

### **5 Friday, Weekday (The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major)**

6:30pm, Prayers and Squares Meeting, Parish Life Center, Room 204.  
8:30pm, All Night Adoration following the 8pm First Friday Mass.

### **6 Saturday, THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**

2:30pm, Spanish Baptism Class, Parish Life Center, Room 204.  
SCRIP on sale after the 5pm Mass.

### **7 SUNDAY, NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center. (Troop 1410)  
SCRIP on sale after all Masses except 2pm Mass.  
Noon, Altar Server Picnic, Pratt Park.  
After the 10:30am Mass, Coffee and Conversations, Parish Life Center.  
7pm, Baptism Preparation Class, Parish Life Center, Room 202.

## nota bene (*note well, please*):

- ✚ Beginning this week **we will add a Noon Mass on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays** until September 2, 2016. Please consider joining us on you lunch hour.
- ✚ Also beginning this week we will begin the long-awaited **replacement of our Church roof**. The contractor is aware of our daily Mass schedule and will be as respectful of our daily liturgies as they are able. Please keep in mind this work is dependent on weather. Our hope is that we will be completed by mid-August.
- ✚ **No Kid Hungry Program continues.** Please see page 12 for more information or text "food" to 877-877 for a location near you. The program is funded by the USDA and is available to children 18 and under.
- ✚ Join us **August 7 after the 10:30am Mass** for **Coffee and Conversations** in the Parish Life Center where representatives from Mary's Shelter and Cursillo will be on-hand to discuss their ministries.
- ✚ Our next annual **Called and Gifted Workshop** will be held on **August 26-27, 2016**. Mark your calendars and invite your friends! Registration forms are available on the parish website, in the vestibule of the Church or parish office.

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;  
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**HEALTH MINISTRY** 845-3031  
Lois Sullivan, RN, FCN

**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 bulletin@stmaryfred.org. Thanks!

## this week's bulletin:

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July 17, 2016

# installation mass



## Dear Folks,

Last Sunday Bishop Loverde installed me in the office of pastor of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception. A number of folks told me that it was the first time they had ever seen this rite, which is not surprising since it happens once every dozen years or so and is only at one Mass.

One of the points that the Bishop made echoed words of St. John Vianney that I learned on pilgrimage to the saint's parish in Ars, France: "The priesthood is the love of the

Sacred Heart." That quote has often resonated through my prayers and contemplation of what it means to be a pastor. It means to let Jesus love you through me. Sometimes, we human instruments get in the way—forgive us. But frequently we see miracles of grace when we love generously. Pray for your priests, that we may become more fully what we are.

Additionally, Bishop Loverde exhorted me to pray for you. The other spiritual fruit of my pilgrimage to Ars was the conviction that God wants me

to pray even more for you. One of my habits, when asked for prayers, is to immediately pray a Hail Mary for your intention and ask our Lady to remind me to pray for you. On this pilgrimage, Our Lady seemed to say, "Give me more time to remind you of who to pray for."

Thanks for your warm and generous welcome. May the Lord bring to completion the good work he has begun in us.

**Pax et Bonum,  
Fr. Mosimann**



# youth ministry



More than 30 students from Saint Mary attended this year's diocesan WorkCamp.



## College Night: for rising college freshmen

The Associates of St. John Bosco are conducting a workshop on how to keep and grow your Catholic faith when you enter college. The workshop will be held Wednesday, **July 27 from 7pm-9pm** in the Parish Life Center. The night is designed for rising college freshmen to prepare for transition into college. Catholic student representatives from George Mason, JMU, UVA, Virginia Tech, Mary Washington and other schools will be on hand

to offer advice, perspective and stories of their transition into college. A pizza dinner will be provided. **To register, please visit their website at [www.asjb.org](http://www.asjb.org).** Registration is limited to 50 students.

## CYM registration is open

**Our High School registration for the 2016-17 school year is now available online.** Please print one sheet per youth and submit with the \$25 fee (per child). We are super excited for another fantastic year of ministry!

## July Movie Nights

**Wednesdays in July:** Middle (rising 7-8 grade) and High School students are invited to join us from **5pm-8pm** at the John Paul II house as we watch the *Hunger Games* series. Please bring \$4 for pizza.

## Sports Tuesdays

**Sports Tuesdays are every Tuesday through August 16 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!



# parish life given in love

## Kraków in the Capital

Celebrate **World Youth Day, July 30**, with millions of young adults across the country and world without leaving the area at *Kraków in the Capital*. This one-day World Youth Day experience will mirror the week-long event in Poland, featuring nationally known

speakers, Stations of the Cross, Mass, Polish food, a live concert, and more! The event costs \$25 and is open to all young adults, college aged to late 30s, married and single! Check out [wyddc.com](http://wyddc.com) for more event information and to register. If you're interested in going with local young adults contact [stmaryya@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryya@gmail.com).

## Call for blood from the American Red Cross

Please support the American Red Cross Bloodmobile drive on **August 3 from 1-6pm** in the Church parking lot. The American Red Cross has issued an emergency call for blood and platelets, urging all eligible donors to give now to replenish an extremely low summer blood supply.



**American Red Cross**

## It's Not Too Late!

We have a few openings left in the 3 and 4 year-old class at St. Mary Preschool for the **2016-2017 school year**. Classes meet either mornings or afternoons. Come join in the fun!

**For more information**, please contact Mrs. Scharf at **373-7533** or [nscharf@stmaryfred.org](mailto:nscharf@stmaryfred.org).



## Please return Saint Mary Library items

**The Saint Mary Library has a nice collection of DVDs.** Unfortunately, several are missing. Some were checked out a long time ago and never returned, some have not been checked out but are not on the shelf. It is hoped that the lost ones will find their way back to the library so others may enjoy them.

## Bible study: Revelation—The Kingdom Yet to Come

*Revelation* is the first "ongoing" study in *The Great Adventure Bible Study Program*. In this intriguing look at one of the most talked-about books in Scripture, Jeff Cavins explores Revelation to demonstrate how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven, especially through the celebration of the Mass. You will learn what all the mysterious figures and images of Revelation present, as well as what will happen during the Second Coming of Christ, what has already happened, and what is happening now in salvation history.

Join Suzette Young and fellow parishioners for *Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come* **beginning September 15, 2016 at 9:45am and continuing every Thursday for eleven weeks**. To register for this study, please go to the parish office by **August 19**. The cost for materials is **\$20**. Class size is limited.



## happening here



### Men's Group: Fellowship & Formation

Looking for a chance to strengthen your faith while enjoying some good fellowship? Come join other men of the parish to discuss issues relevant to work, family, and friendship in a casual environment just around the corner from the Church. This month we will learn more about St. Joseph who is called, "a model of wholehearted love of Jesus Christ and his virgin Mother, an example of perfect fidelity to the will of God." Many good Christian men, and other saints from the past, have benefitted from greater knowledge and devotion to St. Joseph so we will take time to get to know him a little better this month.

We'll meet on the **last Friday of the month: July 29 at 7pm.** Questions? Contact Mike Bostain at [mrbbostain@verizon.net](mailto:mrbbostain@verizon.net) or **540-834-3893** for more information and the meeting location.

### Cursillo Women's Weekend

Come and discover the Cursillo community! **The next Women's Weekend is September 15-18.** The retreat is wonderful opportunity to deeply reflect on your relationship with Christ and to grow as a member of the Christian community. It will be held at the San Damiano Spiritual Life Center in White Post, VA. **To register or for more information**, please contact Joyce Bodoh at **540-521-0588** or [joycebodoh@gmail.com](mailto:joycebodoh@gmail.com).

### A Holy Land Pilgrimage

A Holy Land Pilgrimage hosted by the St. Jude is planned for **October 13-20, 2016.** Visit the site of the Upper Room in Jerusalem, renew your wedding vows at Cana, and enjoy a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee and much more. The deposit deadline for booking

at the **initial price of \$2,399 per person based on double occupancy has been extended until July 31.** The price covers air fare, hotel, breakfast and dinner, and tour. For every booking from Saint Mary, St. Jude will donate \$125 back to Saint Mary. **Contact Roman Marciniak, Jr. at 540.850.2737.**



**Mary's Shelter**

*10 Year Anniversary*

**Celebration & Fundraiser**

**Saturday, August 13, 2016**

**6-10pm • Fredericksburg Expo Center**

*Featured Speakers*

**Ms. Star Parker**  
Founder & President,  
Center for Urban Renewal  
& Education (CURE)

**Ms. Kelana During**  
Former Resident of  
Mary's Shelter,  
Licensed Insurance Agent

**Celebrating 10 Years of Sheltering Women and their Children in Fredericksburg, VA**

**309 Hawke Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401 • 540-374-3407 • [marysshelterva.org](http://marysshelterva.org)**

**Visit our website and make your reservations TODAY!**

**Reservations Required**

**No Cost to Attend**

**RSVP by August 1**

**Limited Seating**

**Reserve Early**

# knight's of columbus



*The Knights of Columbus Council #4034 is comprised of Catholic men and their families, united in service with our Church, schools and neighborhoods. Along with our community non-profit organizations, we have a common core objective to help and serve those in need.*

*We are part of the Parish Life Ministry at Saint Mary and this is our 60th year of support.*

**Website:** [kofc4034.org](http://kofc4034.org)

**Facebook:**  
[facebook.com/kofc4034](https://facebook.com/kofc4034)

**E-Mail:** [Info@kofc4034.org](mailto:Info@kofc4034.org)

**Business meeting**  
2nd Wednesday  
of each month at  
the Fredericksburg  
Columbus Club.

*Dinner: 6:30-6:45;  
Rosary: 7:10  
Meeting 7:30-8:30.*

**There is always  
time to be a Knight**  
For more information,  
Contact our Council's  
Membership Director at:  
MembershipDirector@  
kofc4034.org

## Building the domestic church while strengthening our parish

A domestic church, as described by Pope Francis, is a home filled with the presence of God, common prayer and every blessing. It is the goal of the Fredericksburg Council to build stronger domestic churches within our council families and create a renewed closeness between our families and the Saint Mary parish family.

## Scholarship Opportunity

**The Religious Education Assistance Program (REAP)** is a scholarship grant program administered by the KoC Council #4034. The purpose is to support Catholic school education and provide financial grants to families who, because of financial difficulties, are unable to fully pay the current year's tuition at one of three local area primary and secondary Catholic schools. All who are interested must **apply by August 20, 2016** to [reap@kofc4034.org](mailto:reap@kofc4034.org).

## Give The Gift Of Life

The KoC is sponsoring a blood drive on **Wednesday, August 3, 2016**. The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be parked in the Saint Mary parking lot from 1-6 pm. To schedule call **1-800-REDCROSS** or go to [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org). Walk-ins are welcome. Bring a photo ID. Blood is especially needed this time of year. Your donation can help to save a life. **Any questions** please call Rick Reschick at **540-850-5587** with the Knights of Columbus.

## Summer Care Collection

The KoC would like to thank the Saint Mary parishioners who generously donated to the June 18-19 Summer Care Collection benefiting our men and women

in uniform. Over **310 pounds** of snack, hydration, protein, hygiene and specialty items, books, magazines, CDs, DVDs, puzzles, playing cards, and encouraging letters were collected. In addition, **\$270** was collected to help pay for postage. All was provided to the Fredericksburg Chapter of the Blue Star Mothers of America. We will be supporting the Blue Star Mothers in November as they prepare packages for the fall. Please be ready to help.

## Star Council Award

The Council has recently been selected by the State to receive the Star Council Award which recognizes outstanding achievement in membership, insurance and service program activities. Our membership has increased by 38 new members this year. We could not be successful without the support of the Parish. Thank You.

## Youth Activities

**Trail Life Troop VA-4034**, chartered through Council 4034, and **American Heritage Girls Troop VA0128**, chartered through St Mary's Council of Catholic Women, are having a parent information meeting at Holy Cross Academy on **September 8 at 7pm**. These K-12 programs build skills and encourage personal growth and leadership. For more information, visit [trailifeusa.com](http://trailifeusa.com) or [americanheritagegirls.org](http://americanheritagegirls.org). **Questions?** Email [troopmasterva4034@gmail.com](mailto:troopmasterva4034@gmail.com) for Mark Gardner (Trail Life) and [ahgva0128@yahoo.com](mailto:ahgva0128@yahoo.com) for Maureen Siegmund (American Heritage Girls).

## Annual Yard Sale

**Saturday, September 24 is the date for our annual yard sale.** We are asking for gently-used items that are in good and working condition

including: major appliances, furniture, kitchen items, clothes, coats, shoes, TV's, computers, electronics, books, toys, lawn mowers, tillers, snow blowers, and anything else you may want to donate. We also will accept monetary donations. **You may drop the items off at the KoC 4034 Council home on Harrison Road** or arrange for a pick up at your location on Saturday mornings starting August 6. **Point of contact for drop-off or pick-ups:** Please contact us at [yardsale@kofc4034.org](mailto:yardsale@kofc4034.org) to make arrangements. Please help us support the church and the community through helping the Knights of Columbus with your generous donations.

## Knight of the Month

**Brother Mike Lim** exemplifies what a Knight of the Month is and it is with great honor that he is recognized as the **June Knight of the Month**. He has taken on the role of Public Relations Director for our Council. He will be contributing information to the church bulletin and has begun to organize his strategy and contacts for getting our message out into the Community and Council.

## Knights of Columbus Family of the Month

The family chosen for June exemplifies the factors that the Knights of Columbus identified as being key to be named the Family of the Month. They work together to support the Church's events and always support each other. Mark and Ruth most recently supported the Parish Picnic by cooking and helping when the need arose and then staying for the cleanup. **The Janda family supports the Church and exemplifies our traditional Catholic family values** and they therefore deserve our recognition as the family of the month for June.



# parish life on pilgrimage



OUR SAINT MARY CHOIR ON PILGRIMAGE

## A JOURNEY OF FAITH

The Saint Mary Adult Choir, with members of the Saint Mary Folk Choir and led by our director of music, David Mathers, is making a pilgrimage **January 25 – February 3, 2017** to holy sites in central Italy. The Choir will sing for Mass at **St. Peter's Basilica** in Rome, at the **Basilica of St. Francis** in Assisi, at the Cathedral in the ancient mountain town of **Orvieto** and in **Holy Trinity Church** in Florence. The Choir will also perform a concert of sacred music in Rome at the **Church of St. Ignatius** in the Campus Martius. The Choir will attend a **General Audience with the Holy Father** as well as the celebration of Solemn Vespers on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, presided over by Pope Francis.

## pil • grim • age

*n.* a journey made to a sacred place for the purpose of venerating it or to ask for heavenly aid, and ultimately to come to know God better.

## SPIRITUAL BENEFITS

**Rome and Assisi have long been places of pilgrimage for Christians:** Rome, as the place where Saints Peter and Paul, founders of the Roman Church, died and were buried, and

Assisi, where Saint Francis was born, lived and died. These places offer the opportunity for prayer and contemplation, and provide a connection with our fellow Catholic Christians both past and present—our forbearers in the faith whom we venerate and our brothers and sisters whose faith we share today.

**Prayer will be an important part of the Choir Pilgrimage.** The Saint Mary Choir and those traveling with the Choir will celebrate Mass each day in some of the most ancient communities of our Church. An opportunity to celebrate the Liturgy of the Hours each day will also be offered.

## CARRYING OUR PRAYERS

**The Saint Mary Choir will carry your prayers with them on their pilgrimage, and will pray for your intentions daily.** We will provide the opportunity for you to enroll your specific prayer intentions.

## STAYING IN TOUCH

All will be able to follow along with the Choir Pilgrimage from home. We will post photos, audio and video of the Choir's singing and other activities on our new Saint Mary Adult Choir Facebook page. In Facebook, search "Saint Mary Adult Choir of Fredericksburg, VA," and 'like' us! **Questions? Contact David Mathers** at [dmathers@stmaryfred.org](mailto:dmathers@stmaryfred.org) or call the Parish Office.

# parish life given in love

## Saint Mary Church responds generously to food insecurity

Food insecurity is a growing concern. A national study conducted by the Economic Research Service for the USDA found that in 2013, 85.7 percent of U.S. households were food secure throughout the year. **The remaining 14.3 percent (17.5 million households) were food insecure.** Food-insecure households—those with low and very low food security—had difficulty at some time during the year providing enough food for all their members due to a lack of resources.

**In the City of Fredericksburg, 17.6% of adults (4,390 people) and 18.3% of children (910 children) are considered food insecure.**

### How do we help as a Parish Community?

Listed below is a comprehensive list of ministry and outreach efforts currently active and supported by Saint Mary Church.

### Serving the chronically and transitional homeless population

- Saint Mary sponsors **Micah Community dinners** serving 100+ meals on the first Monday of each month at St. George's Episcopal Church.
- Saint Mary sponsors **Thurman-Brisben Homeless Shelter Dinners** serving 90 residents and children, and provides 40 brown **bag lunches to the working adults** the second Wednesday of each month.



### Working with the Fredericksburg Area Food Bank

The Fredericksburg Area Food Bank distributes millions of pounds of food to the hungry and working poor through their partner agency food pantries. Their Pantry Distribution Program provides food assistance to the hungry of Planning District 16, which include the counties of Stafford, Spotsylvania, Caroline, King George and the City of Fredericksburg, as well as neighboring communities.

Since the elimination of the voucher program in 2008 and the introduction of a new model, food is distributed primarily out of satellite pantries, and has become more efficient with more than 658,133 pounds distributed in 2014 in the City of Fredericksburg alone.

**Manna Food Drive**—Saint Mary Parish collects more than 4,000 pounds of non-perishable food items and more than \$10,000 in cash donations annually to

support the Fredericksburg Food Bank's various programs including:

- **Kids On the Go Summer Feeding Program**—Last year, this program provided meals at 6 sites in Caroline, Spotsylvania and Stafford Counties with 2,200 meals served. This year, we are currently helping to staff several locations in the area. The program provides meals to approximately 500 children a day at 9 locations.
- **Club Kids Program**—This program is a structured after-school program that promotes nutrition, education and safety. Club Kids serves the needs of at-risk youth through snack programs at 42 sites.
- **Food-4-Families School Food Pantry Program**—This program helps alleviate child hunger for families in crisis through the provision of food to children and their families at school.
- **Mobile Food Pantry**—The Fredericksburg Regional



# parish life called in love

Food Bank reaches many food-insecure families through our Mobile Pantry Program. This program provides fresh and non-perishable food items for distribution to households living in remote or underserved areas of each county. The Mobile Food Pantry rotates distribution between sites within Planning District 16 to help attain the Food Bank's goal of a Hunger-Free Community.



• **Grow For Your Neighbor**—Saint Mary supports this program in a variety of ways, including:

1. The collection of fresh produce in collaboration with the Spotsylvania County Farmer's Market. Last year, 3,147 pounds of fresh local produce was collected and re-distributed to local pantries. Collection is conducted by Saint Mary each Saturday from June to September.
2. The distribution of more than 300 vegetable plants to parishioners to support the program.

We also installed a portable patio garden box in the Courtyard. The produce grown is intended for donation.

3. The installation of square-foot gardens at Mary's Shelter homes. We are currently in the planning stages of providing square-foot gardens to our Micah homeless clients that reside in rental units that have space and the ability to do so.

• **Emergency Food Pantry**—Although not as robust as other organizations in the community, Saint Mary does consistently and generously provide for emergency food support. Our space is limited, yet our emergency food program, supplemented by "in-house" food collections, continues to provide food staples (averaging 5-6 meals or 15-20 pounds) to those in need who visit Saint Mary for help. Saint Mary is one of many faith-based organizations associated with the Fredericksburg Area Food Bank's Pantry Distribution Program.

## Other Community Opportunities

- **Fredericksburg CSA Scholarship**—provides locally organically grown produce to families weekly from June through October.
- **SHARE Program**—facilitated and

administered by Saint Mary Church, the program currently promotes distributed through the following organizations:

1. Fredericksburg Head Start
2. Fredericksburg United Methodist Church
3. Stafford Junction
4. Birthright of Fredericksburg
5. Mary's Shelter
6. Heritage Park Apartment Community
7. Spotsylvania County Social Services
8. Catholic Charities Family Services
9. Fredericksburg City Schools
10. Catholic Charities Migration and Resettlement Office

- **Transportation**—Transport food donations received through Catholic Charities to Northern Neck Community Pantries.
- **Summer Stafford Junction Brain Builders Program**—Provides 130+ summer lunch meals to children throughout south Stafford County and Olde Forge Communities.
- Promote and support the **Summer Feeding Program** with the Fredericksburg City Mobile Feeding Program with 6 locations in the City, Boys and Girls Club and Dixon Park Pool Concessions.

- Saint Mary is an at-large participant with the **Fredericksburg Food Forum**, a community conversation around regional food-shed capacity.

- **Food drives**—Holy Cross Academy and Saint Mary Religious Education Programs annual collections.

## For more resources and additional information please visit the following:

- Household Food Security in the United States in 2013, September 2014, [www.ers.usda.gov/publications/err-economic-research-report-173.aspx](http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/err-economic-research-report-173.aspx)
- Feeding America report on Hunger Data in the United States, [www.feedingamerica.org/hunger-in-america/news-and-updates/press-room/press-releases/new-USDA-data-shows-48-million.html](http://www.feedingamerica.org/hunger-in-america/news-and-updates/press-room/press-releases/new-USDA-data-shows-48-million.html)
- How the Fredericksburg Region is Bridging The Nutritional Divide, [stmaryfred.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/How-the-Fredericksburg-Region-is-Bridging-the-Nutritional-Divide.pdf](http://stmaryfred.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/How-the-Fredericksburg-Region-is-Bridging-the-Nutritional-Divide.pdf)
- Fredericksburg Area Food Bank Annual Report, [media.wix.com/ugd/c3c730\\_72511e4954aa433da7471ee17eef3e40.pdf](http://media.wix.com/ugd/c3c730_72511e4954aa433da7471ee17eef3e40.pdf)

**May God continue to bless your generosity and support for those in need in our community.**

# operations given in love

## Weekly Offertory

July 17 Offertory	\$29,741.
Parish Building Fund	8,775.
Church in Africa collection (add'l)	2,602.
Poor Box (St. Vincent de Paul)	112.

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 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.fotwf.org](http://www.fotwf.org).

## Pro-Life reflection

After the abortion, I never would have believed things could get better. But, amazingly, since my post-abortion counseling, I have experienced

hope and healing and self-forgiveness. — A mother who lost a child in an abortion (Visit [www.hopeafterabortion.com](http://www.hopeafterabortion.com) if you or someone you know has been affected by an abortion.)

*We pray for all those suffering from the effects of abortion, that they may be healed.*

## Facility and space requests

**Attention all parish organizations:** Your calendar for the use of parish facilities from September 2016 to August 2017 **should be submitted to Elaine in the Parish Office no later than July 31**. Please make sure you submit your request to Elaine, in writing, as soon as possible, either by regular mail, or by email to [estanislawski@stmaryfred.org](mailto:estanislawski@stmaryfred.org). In setting up your schedule, please note that evening activities cannot be scheduled before 8pm from September through May, due to Religious Education classes in the Parish Life Center and the John Paul II House. Thank you.

## First Friday August 5, All Night Adoration

**Our First Friday evening Mass on August 5, at 8pm, will be followed by All Night Adoration until 9am on Saturday, August 6.** Please sign up today to gaze upon the glory of Our Lord in the silence of Eucharistic Adoration. They saw His glory... and a voice came out of the cloud, saying "This is My Son, My Chosen; listen to Him!"...and they kept silence. (Luke 9:32, 35, 36)

*"As the Disciples on Tabor saw Jesus only, so interior souls see Our Lord alone in the Tabor of their heart. They are two friends who never grow tired of each other."*—St. John Vianney

## Kids Summer Feeding Programs, spread the news!

The Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank, in collaboration with the USDA and Virginia's No Kid Hungry Program, provides a Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). This program bridges the hunger gap by providing free, nutritious meals at locations like schools, community centers, parks, camps, government entities and non-profit organizations. The Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank Summer Feeding Program can be found at the following locations:

- **Caroline County:** Caroline Library, Bowling Green Branch.
- **Spotsylvania County:** Salem Church Library, as well as other Spotsylvania sites.
- **Stafford County:** The Stafford County program began July 6.
- **King George County:** King George Elementary and King George High School.
- **City of Fredericksburg:** (Restricted-Registration Required) Hugh Mercer, Lafayette Upper Elementary School, Walker Middle School and James Monroe High School as well as the Mobile Feeding Program at Heritage Park, Hazel Hill and the Downtown Library. There will also be a site located at Dixon Pool Concessions.

**For more information** please contact Latoya Brown, Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank, [labrown@fredfood.org](mailto:labrown@fredfood.org) or text "FOOD" to 877-877 for more information about site in your area.



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## Donations for School Dressing Days

The collection bin is now in the front of the Parish Life Center for donations of new jeans, t-shirts (including plus sizes), backpacks, underwear, socks, toiletries and school supplies for K-12 kids. Also, gently used hoodies, sweatshirts, jackets and shoes will be appreciated. Collections will be through the 1st week in August. Thank you for your support!

## School Dressing Days

The Interfaith Community Council of Fredericksburg is sponsoring their annual **School Dressing Days** event on **August 12-13 from 9am-3pm** at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1710 Bragg Road, Fredericksburg, VA. **Pre-registration is necessary** with ID. **Questions?** Please contact Jaye Anastasio at **540-412-1622** or **jpanastasio41@gmail.com**.

**To volunteer** for the event, please go to **SignUpGenius.com**, enter the email address **school Dressing Days@gmail.com** under "find a sign up" in the upper right corner and submit your name and time slot preference.

## Días Ropa de Escuela

El Consejo de la Comunidad Interreligiosa de Fredericksburg patrocina el evento anual **Días Camerinos Escuela** el **12 de agosto y 13 de 9am-3pm** en la Iglesia de Jesucristo de los Santos de los Últimos Días, 1710 Bragg Road, Fredericksburg, VA. **Pre-registración** es necesaria. **Preguntas?** Por favor llame a Jaye Anastasio, **540-412-1622** o e-mail **jpanastasio41@gmail.com**. **Para ser voluntario del evento**, por favor vayan a **signupGenius.com**. Entre el e-mail **Schooldressingdays@gmail.com** bajo "find a sign up" encontrarás la forma en la esquina, arriba lado derecho y envíe su nombre, el día y la hora de su preferencia.

## Saint Mary prayer list

**Please pray for those who are sick or in need,**

**especially:** Josephine Kreider, Ephiny Chewning, Mary Merrill, Richard Grunwald, Patrick Eggleston, Luz Dolores Butron, Susan Datta, Zachary Payne, Mary Jean & Don Williams, Sandra Infante, Maria Stine, Peter & Barbara Wood, Ronald Cullen, Mary Ulmer, Victoria Sibley, Nancy Borrero, Carmen Cardinelli, Teresa McPherson, Chris Enke, Betty Ann & Bill Dateno, Harold Gardiner, Gerald Gardiner, Carla J. Gomer, Patricia Russo, Marianne Ford, Richard Sadler, Diane Beverly, Duska Green, Nancy Sokolowski, John Gabriel, John Haas, Jim Matarese, Tommy Davis, Marianne Ford, Olen Bullard, Michael Kraljevich, Dawn Miller, Ortiz family, Linda Kaila, Charles Boyer, Amy Gilkerson, Sadie Harder, Elizabeth Grant, Wayne Culbertson, Providence & Thomas Moeller, David Davenport, Brian Yednock, Gretchen Schuster, Dick Fadden, Elise Velez, Jim Canty, Maureen Flanagan, Regina Gaudreau, Jessica Gaudreau, Denise Pooler, Meg Martin, Gerard Fitzpatrick, Jamila Alarcon, Betty & John Gil, Daniel Burke, John Druett, Margaret Gralton, Cheryl Wood, Barbara McCoy, Leroy Spangler, Francine Ochman, Veronica Johnson, John Storm, Joshua Oltman, Gladys Bowen, Frances Schwab, Martha Clemens, Lynn Dennis, Anne Shelton, Barbara Gillette, John Gannon, Maureen Mizzles, Miles Wood, Smoot Major, Marian Wolinski, Holly Smith, Mike Harwich, Larry Dillman, Jerome Murphy, Jim Evans, Keith Kovalesky, Patrick Clarke, Cody Harrell, Janie Sherry, Michael Tallarita, Chris Szynal, Judith Cantell, Delores Renninger, Phil Kronsberg, Tamlyn Leaf, Paul Godwin, Patricia Phillips, The Valconi Family, Tim Murphy & family, Matt Dombro

**Please pray for all the men and women in our military and civilian support services overseas, especially:**

Glenn Dickinson, Paul Fischer, John Moring, Dominick Joseph Petro, Jamal Williams, Lance Schulte, Brian Hellman, Sean Plunkett, Roy Selvidge, Patrick Fenton, David James, Shawn Tupta, Vincent Petillo, Geoff Mann, Christopher Johnson III, Patrick Desmond, Andrew M. Smith, Nelly Garcia, Mindy Hakenson, Xavier Alas, Gary Rotsch, Anthony Howell

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

## Electronic Offertory

*Faith Direct* enables your family to make your parish contributions through either direct debit to your checking account or through credit cards. With *Faith Direct*, you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings. The parish gains predictable cash flow which helps us with planning our parish needs and programs. *Faith Direct* also offers you personalized offertory cards to replace your envelopes for the collection basket. You may enroll securely online by visiting **www.faithdirect.net**. Our parish code is VA635.

## Daily Mass intentions and readings

### july

#### 25 MONDAY

6:30 Lucy Bevelacqua  
9am Parker Franklin McCullough  
2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28

#### 26 TUESDAY

6:30 +Dennis Harstad  
9am +Helen Kozyra  
Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43

#### 27 WEDNESDAY

6:30 +Jack Lambe  
9am +Katherine Ford Cummings  
Jer 15:10,16-21; Mt 13:44-46

#### 28 THURSDAY

6:30 +Jim Vavricka  
9am Daniel Burke  
Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53

#### 29 FRIDAY

6:30 +Judy Courtney  
9am Lori Sturtevant  
Jer 26:1-9; Jn 11:19-27

#### 30 SATURDAY

9am +Basabi Di Paula  
5pm +Anthony and Julia Shurick  
7pm +Frances Cascio  
Jer 26:11-16,24; Mt 14:1-12

#### 31 SUNDAY

7am For Our Parish  
8:30 +Anita Poulin  
10:30 Jack Alrutz  
10:30\*Gregory J. Carneal  
12:30 +Keith Britton  
2pm +Freddy Arevalo  
5pm +Otilia E. Hoidal  
7:01 +Margaret Barbara  
Eccl 1:2,2:21-23, Col 3:1-5,9-11  
Lk 12:13-21

*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*