

**Third Sunday of
Advent**

14 dec 2014

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



what's coming



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14 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Coffee Shop after morning Masses (Youth Ministry), Parish Life Center.
Noon, English as a Second Language class, Parish Life Center 203.
CYM Dinner and HS Youth Group following 5pm Mass, Parish Life Center.
SCRIP Sales after all Masses except the 2pm Mass.

15 Monday, Advent Weekday

7:30pm, RCIA/RICA program, Parish Life Center.

16 Tuesday, Advent Weekday

10am, CCW General Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room.
7:30pm, ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS, Church. All invited.
7:30pm, Life in the Spirit Gathering, Courtyard Meeting Room.

17 Wednesday, Advent Weekday

6:00pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House.
7pm, Additional Advent Confessions, Church.

18 Thursday, Advent Weekday

7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House.
7pm, Additional Advent Confessions, Church.

19 Friday, Advent Weekday

9:30am, St. Anne's Sisters in Faith (Moms' Group), John Paul II House.
7pm, Additional Advent Confessions, Church.
7pm, Bunco, Parish Life Center.

20 Saturday, Advent Weekday

SCRIP Sales after 5pm Mass.

21 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Coffee Shop after morning Masses (Girl Scouts), Parish Life Center.
SCRIP Sales after all Masses except the 2pm Mass.
Noon, English as a Second Language class, Parish Life Center 203.
3pm, Las Posadas, Parish Life Center.

22 Monday, Advent Weekday

No Religious Education Classes this week—Christmas Break
7pm, Additional Advent Confessions, Church.

23 Tuesday, Advent Weekday (Saint John of Kanty, Priest)

7pm, Additional Advent Confessions, Church.

24 Wednesday, Advent Weekday, Christmas Eve / Vigil

Parish offices closed after noon on Christmas Eve.
4pm, Vigil Masses, at both Church and Holy Cross Academy.
6:30pm, Vigil Masses, at both Church and Holy Cross Academy.
8:30pm, Vigil Mass, Church.
11pm, Festival of Carols before Midnight Mass (12am), Church.

25 Thursday, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Parish offices closed.
Christmas Masses at Midnight, 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm, and 2pm (in Spanish).

26 Friday, Saint Stephen, the First Martyr

27 Saturday, Saint John the Apostle, Evangelist

28 Sunday, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

nota bene (note well, please):

- ✠ Please give generously to the **Catholic Charities' Annual Christmas Collection**, our second collection this weekend.
- ✠ **Handcrafts from the Holy Land will be on sale after all Masses this weekend.** A perfect Christmas gift from Bethlehem will complete your shopping list for Christmas giving and help people in great need in the land where Jesus was born.
- ✠ **Advent Lessons and Carols**, our annual Advent prayer service, is on **Tuesday, December 16 at 7:30pm.** Saint Mary choirs present Advent songs along with Scripture readings and hymns for all to sing.
- ✠ **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; <i>students staff office weekdays until 9pm,</i> <i>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 Bernaola Deacon Dick Delio Executive Assistant, Rick Caporali Business Manager, Elaine Stanislawski Director of Sacred Music, David Mathers 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 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 bulletin@stmaryfred.org. Thanks!

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Dear Good People of Saint Mary,

Last week I wrote about the Advent theme of the power of silence and waiting. This week I would like to speak a moment about the power of Time.

Time is probably the greatest gift that God gave us. The angels didn't get it, it is something completely foreign to God, as one of the attributes that we know about God is that God cannot change. Change is inevitable with time.

Funny, change is also probably the most resisted reality of our lives. Change isn't easy, it isn't welcome, and it makes us nervous.

Yet, it is unique to who we are that, as creatures placed in time and space, we are put here to *change*. And our religious life is programmed each year—from start to finish—according to the way the Church has ordered the calendar to the Mysteries of Christ. We begin with this time of longing, fulfilled in the Incarnation of Jesus at Christmas. Then, after Mother of God (and our Mother), Holy Family, Epiphany and Baptism of the Lord, we go right to his public life, baptized and sent forth into the world. We live his preaching and his miracles—Word and Sacrament, Scripture and living Tradition as it unfolds in our parish life.

Then Lent begins, a time of reflection and soul-searching. We know that Jesus is ready and willing to obey his Father and come to save us. Well, he came, he comes, and he saves. What must we do to put our houses in order for this most beautiful expression of God's love, the Last Supper meal, the Cross, the empty tomb of Easter, then his glorified life with us, finally his ascension to heaven and the birth of the Church at Pentecost, to be ready to receive his Spirit?

So then we come to the beginning of Summer. We reflect on our ministry, our life, how we are called and what gifts God has given us to accomplish the mission of Jesus. The mission of Jesus is given to us in the Church, to carry forward exactly what Jesus was doing in his public life, which has now become our public life. The Cross is the moment of *now*—when we realize that every moment of life is a moment of transition—*of change*—in which we decide to move from the old and be renewed, reborn.

The circle comes back around again, and again, every year of our lives, however much Time God has given us to live it. But the secret is not to become familiar with the Mysteries of Christ; it's not like we pass a test and then we're good to go for the rest of our lives. Each year as the events come back around, we need to find ourselves changed, on a higher plane. The circle of Time needs to spiral upward (if sin could be considered spiraling downward) so that each road marker finds us living a new, more fulfilled life, that "fullness of charity" that we pray for at every Mass.

We find this "new thing" in both the revelation of the Old Testament, and in the Book of Revelation in the New: It is you and me.

"Thus says the Lord who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters. Remember not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing, even now it is springing to light. Do you not perceive it? A way will I make in the wilderness and rivers in the desert!" Isaiah 43:16, 18-19.

And from the seer of the New Testament, Saint John whose feast we celebrate shortly after Christmas:

"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. And I saw the holy city, the New Jerusalem, coming down . . . and I heard a great voice from the throne saying: Behold, the dwelling of God is with men . . . he will wipe away every tear from their eyes and death shall be no more, for the former things have passed away... Behold, I make all things new." Revelation 21:1-5

Some people call this change *deepening* (Confirmation), *healing* and *conversion* (Reconciliation), *commitment* (Marriage and Holy Orders or Religious Life). We choose what to do with this precious gift of time that God has so graciously given to each of us sometimes in a most unnoticed way. But our attention is drawn to this gift of Time and the Call that is inherent to it. Time is of no value unless you do something with it!

This weekend, Gaudete Sunday, we use the color rose to indicate joy. There is joy even in waiting patiently, as we anticipate the richness, diversity of God in his Newness.

God bless you.

Fr. Don

holy cross academy

Preparing Our Hearts

Teachers throughout our school are inspiring our students to spend these weeks of Advent thinking and praying about the coming of Jesus. In these weeks leading up to Christmas, we want our children to prepare their hearts for the great gift of love that God our Father gave us in Jesus.

Classes pray together and light the Advent wreath each morning as they hear the age-old story of the preparation of God's people for the coming of the Messiah. Mrs. Caiafa's second graders are putting together a booklet that illustrates the themes of Advent and how the children can grow spiritually during these four weeks.

Mrs. McNamara's fifth grade took on a very special project this year. Each student prepared an ornament for one of our teachers or staff members and asked them to write their prayer

intention on the ornament. After decorating it, the children placed it on a tree in their classroom. Each day they remember these intentions. On the Fridays in Advent they are praying the rosary together and remembering each staff member's special needs.

Our children are a great blessing and inspiration to each of us and help us prepare our hearts for the great feast of the birth of our Savior.

If you want to learn about our school and what we can do for your child, call us at 540-286-1600 or visit 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.



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religious education

Religious Education Reminders for January 2015

- **Monday-Thursday, January 5-8:** Religious Education classes resume. The first of week of classes in January is Religious Education Family Week. Parents are asked to accompany children to class.
- **Thursday, January 15, at 7pm in the church:** Meeting for parents of children preparing for First Penance and First Holy Communion in Spring.
- **Tuesday, January 20, from 6–9pm:** The third Catechist Training session will be held in the Parish Life Center.
- **Monday, January 26 from 6:30–7:45pm in the Parish Life Center:** Deacon Alberto Bernaola will host his first discussion with Spanish speaking parents. They will discuss the Bishop's letter, "Vayan Adelelante con el Corazon Ardiente."
- **Thursday, January 29, from 7–8:30pm:** The first Parent Gathering Speaker Series for 2015. The topic for discussion will be "Church Teaching on Human Sexuality" and the guest speaker will be Kevin Bohli.
- **Saturday, January 31:** All catechists and Religious Education volunteers are invited to attend the Parish Educators Reception. The Parish Council hosts this event annually to honor educators of our parish. This party gets better every year.



Looking Ahead: Steubenville Youth Conference, July 10–12

All High School youth are invited to join us for a powerful weekend in Steubenville, OH.

The mission of the Steubenville Conferences is to invite young people into a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ through the Sacraments of the Church and the power of the Holy Spirit. This experience of Christ's love opens their hearts to become His disciples and embrace the mission of the Catholic Church.

The conferences are filled with dynamic speakers, Eucharistic Adoration, powerful praise and worship music, time for parish fellowship and a ton of fun. If you are interested in attending or learning more please contact the Office of Youth Ministry.



2014 Giving Tree

Don't forget to take a tag from the tree and purchase the item on the tag. Please return items to the Parish Life Center in the main hall to the left of the crucifix (gift cards to the office).



This year we are sponsoring: Micah Ministries, Mary's Shelter, Refugee Resettlement Office, Hope House, St. Vincent DePaul, Greenfield and Woodmont Nursing homes.

Parish Christmas Collection For Special Charities, December 20 & 21

As many of you know, every year at Christmas we take up a special collection for charity. None of the money collected stays at Saint Mary, but is distributed as a gift from our parish to different charities. The collection this year will be taken up on December 20 and 21 for the following:

- **The Holy Land Christians Society for the benefit of the Creche Orphanage in Bethlehem in the Holy Land.** The orphanage, managed by the Daughters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul, has a long history in Bethlehem and has welcomed orphans since

its foundation in the late 19th century. The Creche provides services of high quality for children and people of the Palestinian Authority Area and continues to function thanks to the support of its benefactors.



- **The Oblate Sisters of Saint Francis de Sales are working to complete construction on two new classrooms for the preschool children of Saint Francis de Sales School in Rocafuerte, Ecuador.** At this time, they are still in need of \$10,000 for the project. Contributions from our parish will greatly assist the Sisters in completing the classrooms.
- **The Fredericksburg Office of Catholic Charities, located on Stafford Avenue next door to the Parish, provides Family Counseling Services for Fredericksburg and the surrounding counties.** Many times the children and adolescents who come in for counseling are in financial need, and contributions from our parish will be used to assist with the financial cost of their counseling.



We know you will be generous, as you have always been, and we thank you for sharing the joy of this holy season with those who are less fortunate.

Advent Lessons and Carols



Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 7:30pm

A service of Scripture Readings and Music celebrating the Advent Season.

Sing hymns, listen to our choirs, and experience the organ and other instruments as our Saint Mary Music Ministry leads a prayer-filled evening of joyful expectation and longing for Christ's coming!

This beautiful service—featuring all the Choirs of Saint Mary Church and David Mathers at the organ—is part of our Concerts at Saint Mary series of musical events. The service will last a bit over one hour and is appropriate for the whole family.

Music for Advent goes far beyond "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" to hymns and chants both ancient and new. Many parishes, including our cathedral in Arlington, are renewing the tradition of an evening service of Advent music and Scripture. A rich experience of Advent deepens the celebration of Christmas – so come pray, listen and sing!



For more information, contact David Mathers at dmathers@stmaryfred.org or 540 373-6491 x 217.

Exploring The Religious Landscape In America

The Virginia LARCUM (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic, United Methodist) gathered last weekend, December 5 and 6, for their annual State Conference for ecumenical formation. This year the invited speaker was Rev. Dr. John Armstrong, a Reformed Pastor who has become a leading figure among Evangelicals who are also seekers of Christian Unity in the work of ecumenical dialogue.

The title of the Conference was "The New Landscape of Post-Christian Christianity," an exploration into the topics what is happening to the religious landscape in America with the new reality of all those who claim to be 'spiritual, but not religious,' and the missional moment of how the Church should serve in a post-Christendom future.

Participating churches were First Lutheran Church, Christ and Saint Luke's Episcopal Church, Sacred Heart Catholic Church and Ghent United Methodist, all in the Ghent area of Norfolk, Virginia.



Bishop Loverde gave the homily during Morning Prayer on Saturday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church for all those attending the Conference.



Bishops renewed their commitment and the commitments of their judicatories/dioceses by signing copies of the LARCUM Covenant at the Worship of the Grand Assembly on Friday night, at Christ and Saint Luke's Episcopal Church. The bishops present were (from left to right): Bishop Mark Bourlakas of the Episcopal Diocese of Southwestern Virginia; Bishop Susan Goff of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia; our Bishop Paul Loverde; Bishop Francis X. DiLorenzo of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond; Bishop Young Jin Cho of the Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church; Bishop James Mauney of the Virginia Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; and Bishop Herman Hollerith of the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Virginia. Not represented is the Metro D. C. Synod of the ELCA, as Bishop Richard Graham was unable to attend due to his travel schedule.



The Reverend Doctor John Armstrong gives his third seminar, "Belonging and Then Believing: What has Ecumenism Got to Do with Our Future?" at Ghent United Methodist Church.

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Knights of Columbus Christmas Tree Sales—Thank You!

As the Christmas Tree sales fundraiser comes to a close this weekend, the Knights wish to express our deepest gratitude to all of you. Your generosity helps us in our charitable work for both church and community needs. Thanks and God bless you!

Celebrate Religious Freedom Day

On January 11, 2015, the Knights of Columbus Rappahannock Assembly will proudly sponsor the 239th Anniversary of Thomas Jefferson's drafting of the Act of Religious Freedom for Virginia. "It is a freedom that we must not take for granted!" With Religious persecution growing throughout the world and in our own country, the Knights urge everyone who is able to turn out to march and support this observance. A parade will begin at 1:30pm at the VRE Station in Fredericksburg, followed by a ceremony at 2pm at the religious Freedom Monument on Washington Avenue. All parishioners, their families, friends and neighbors are invited to join in celebrating this very important event in Virginia's history. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Rick Reschick at 540-368-9345 or rez55@cox.net.

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Winter weather often causes event cancellations and office closures. These announcements are posted on the Saint Mary website, stmaryfred.org. If you subscribe to the site, you will receive email notifications when these announcements are posted online. The subscription box is on the homepage, below the Mass schedule and

Renewal Handbook. Enter your email address and click on "subscribe." You will receive an email that will ask you to confirm your subscription to the site.

**Registration Now Open!**

Mark your calendars for April 24, 2015!

Who: Calling all golfers and anyone in need of a relaxing Spa Day!

What: The 3rd Biennial Jacob Michael Storck Charity Golf Tournament is now open for registration! In addition to a day on the course there will be a silent auction and spa day event.

When: Friday, April 24, 2015. Go to the tournament website at www.Golfing4Jake.com to register.

Where: At the Augustine Golf Club in Stafford, VA.

Why Should I Get Involved? The tournament directly benefits the children of Holy Cross Academy and Saint Mary Parish by supporting the Health, Wellness and Recreation Initiative. Proceeds will be used to resurface the school playground and continue improvements to the sports and recreation fields.

How Can I Help? In addition to registering to play or attending the spa day event, we are looking for businesses or individuals who would be interested in sponsorship or donating items or services for our silent auction. We also appreciate any tax deductible monetary donations to help us reach our goal!

For more information, visit the tournament website at www.Golfing4Jake.com, contact one of our committee members at Golfing4Jake@comcast.net, or call 301-928-5390. We hope you will join us to help make this a successful event! Thank you for your support!

community and beyond



Pilgrimage to America's First Cathedral

On November 15, Saint Mary parishioners traveled to Baltimore, Maryland to visit the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Known as America's First Cathedral, the church is also a National Shrine, Marian Shrine, National Historic Landmark, and Co-Cathedral of the Archdiocese of Baltimore.



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4. Fr. Lino Rico Rostro celebrates Mass for Saint Mary's pilgrims.

5. Fr. Lino Rico Rostro sits on the same pew where Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta prayed during her 1996 visit to Baltimore.



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Weekly Offertory

7 December Offertory 40,970.
Parish Building Fund 9,387.
Poor Box for St. Vincent de Paul 84.

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 December

December has been designated "We Care Month" for our Children's Charity. The We Care Project was initiated in 2006 by dedicated Catholic Charities Ball volunteers to awaken in students an awareness of the needs of others, right in their

own diocese, and to encourage students to implement the Gospel Message by making their own personal sacrifices to raise money for Catholic Charities' Program which serve the poor in our Diocese. All donations made by the children will be sent to Catholic Charities by our parish on behalf of the children.

Al Anon Surviving The Weekend Group

Al Anon is for those who have been affected by someone else's drinking, and members come together to learn a better way of life and how to find happiness. Especially at this time of year, it's important to know that you are not alone and there is help. There is an Al Anon meeting

every Saturday at 10am in Room 204 of St. Mary's Parish Life Center.

Give a Gift for Life

For Unto Us a Child Is Born, Christ the Savior! — This Advent, include a Gift for Life on your Christmas List by supporting Project Rachel or the Gabriel Project. It is easy to make a small, tax-deductible contribution as a gift in the name or memory of a family member or friend, and it will make a big difference in a woman's life. You have the opportunity to assist a frightened young woman who has just learned she is pregnant, or a woman who opted to abort her child and is now experiencing the after effects of her choice. Your gift



On December 8, luminaria illuminated the front of Saint Mary Church in celebration of the feast day of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

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directly supports the cost of an expectant mother's prenatal vitamins, or counseling for a woman who is experiencing the emotional distress of an abortion. Please pick up a flyer in the vestibule of the Church and follow the directions, or go to the following link to donate online: www.arlingtondiocese.org/giftforlife.

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.

Pro Life Reflection For December 14

When Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to Juan Diego, the Aztecs were practicing human sacrifice. Mary's image brought the message that God was with them – so much, in fact, that He became a child carried in Mary's womb. This gave them hope, and they stopped their human sacrifice and became Christian. *Jesus, through Our Lady of Guadalupe may we spread Your hope everywhere.*

Daily Advent Prayer

O Jesus, little child, come into my heart on Christmas morn, to wash away my sins and remain there in eternity. O Mary, Mother of my Savior, prepare for Jesus a cradle in my heart. Amen.

Saint Mary Prayer List

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially:

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, Mary Ullmer, Charlie Catalano, Billie Stewart, Lisa Storm, Charles Lee, Irene Sweeney, Marcella Sowieja, Carlita Aberle, Daniel and Forrest Theiss, Ed Buzicky, Kati Johnston, Marianne Ford, Richard Fadden, the Carlos Ortiz Family, Martha Ferrara, Harold Gardiner, 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 Schulskey, Julie Fabula, Amelia McDevitt, Gerald Gardiner, Prov Moeller, The Girth Family, Marie Rooney, Dylan and Brandon Meade, Lisa Storm, Barbara Stauble, Juan Barrios, Michael Coughlin, Karen Danis, Marian Wilinski, Mary Ellen Normand, John Castagna, Kristy Fairbanks, Peggy Silberman, Florence DesRoches

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 Ebanal, Christopher Eckert, Tim Evan, Christopher Ewers, Paul Fischer, 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

december

15 MONDAY

6:30 + Peggy O'Rourke

9am Donna Green

Nm 24:2-7,15-17; Mt 21:23-27

16 TUESDAY

6:30 Julia Hecton

9am + Barbara Mertens

Zep 3:1-2,9-13; Mt 21:28-32

17 WEDNESDAY

6:30 Olivia Tan

9am + John Arvai

Gn 49:2,8-10; Mt 1:1-17

18 THURSDAY

6:30 Fr. Steve Donahoe

8:15* Sr. Susan Louise Eder

9am + Raymond Corpe

Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25

19 FRIDAY

6:30 + Robert Greco

9am Ismael Bermudez

Jgs 13:2-7,24-25; Lk 1:5-25

20 SATURDAY

9am + Helen Novick

5pm + David Niederkofler

7pm For the Parish

Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38

21 SUNDAY

7am + Theresa Boehringer

8:30 + Emmanuel Lucia

10:30 + John Murphy

10:30* + Jacob Michael Storck

12:30 + Peter and Maria Ugincius

2pm Rigoberto Mendez(+) and Maria Ochoa

5pm Paula Washburn

7:01 Maryann Holzworth

2 Sm 7:1-16; Rom 16:25-27;

Lk 1:26-38

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