



**The Most
Holy Trinity**

31 may 2015

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



what's coming



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HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

may

31 SUNDAY, THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Special Collection for victims of Nepal earthquake this weekend.
Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center (American Heritage Girls).
8:30am, Knights of Columbus Corporate Communion.
CYM Dinner and HS Youth Group following 5pm Mass, Parish Life Center.
SCRIP sales after all Masses, except 2pm Mass.

june

1 Monday, Saint Justin, Martyr

2 Tuesday, Weekday (Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs)

10am, CCW Board Meeting, Parish Life Center, Room 100.

3 Wednesday, Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

6pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House.

4 Thursday, Weekday

9:30am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100.

6pm, **BBQ with Biking4Vocations and 7:30pm Mass** - all teens invited!, Church and Parish Life Center.

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

7pm, Baptism Preparation Class, Parish Life Center, Room 202.

5 Friday, Saint Boniface, Bishop, Martyr

9:30am, St. Anne's Sisters in Faith (Moms Group), John Paul II House.

8pm, First Friday Mass followed by All-night Adoration, Church.

6 Saturday, Weekday (Saint Norbert, Bishop)

Please note: Due to Ordinations at the Cathedral, there will be **no Confessions at 3:30pm** today.

2pm, Spanish Baptism Class, Parish Life Center, Room Room 204.

6pm, Knights of Columbus Monthly Family Dinner, Parish Life Center.

SCRIP on sale after the 5pm Mass.

7 SUNDAY, THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (Corpus Christi)

Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center (St. Anne Sisters in Faith).

8:30am, newly ordained parishioner Father Joseph Farrell will celebrate his first Mass followed by a reception in the Parish Life Center.

12:45pm, newly ordained Father Rich Miserendino will celebrate his first Mass at Nativity Parish in Burke
3-7pm, **Parish Picnic**, Holy Cross Academy.

8 Monday, Weekday

8:15pm, Taize Prayer Service, Church.

9 Tuesday, Weekday (Saint Ephrem, Deacon, Doctor of the Church)

9:30am, Holy Cross Eighth Grade Graduation Rehearsal, Church, followed by brunch in Parish Life Center.

10 Wednesday, Weekday

6pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House.

7pm, Holy Cross 8th Grade Graduation Mass followed by graduation party in the Parish Life Center.

11 Thursday, Saint Barnabas, Apostle

9:30am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100.

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

7:30pm, Parish Council end of year gathering, Parish Office.

12 Friday, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

9:30am, St. Anne's Sisters in Faith (Moms Group), John Paul II House.

13 Saturday, Weekday (The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest, Doctor of the Church)

SCRIP on sale after the 5pm Mass.

7pm, Young Adults Catholic Movie Night, John Paul II House.

nota bene (*note well, please*):

- ✚ The **special collection this weekend is for the victims of the Nepal earthquake**. Donations can also be mailed to the Parish Office or placed in the collection basket this weekend or next. All checks should be made payable to the parish with "Nepal" in the memo line.
- ✚ All **teens: you are invited** to a cookout on **Thursday, June 4** to welcome seminarians biking through the Diocese for vocations. Cookout at 6pm, followed by a short talk, Mass at 7:30pm and ice cream.
- ✚ Our newly ordained parishioner, **Father Joseph Farrell**, will celebrate his first Mass with us on **Sunday, June 7 at 8:30am**. Please join us for Mass and a reception in his honor following Mass.
- ✚ There will be **no Corpus Christi procession** on Sunday, June 7 due to the Parish Picnic. We invite you to celebrate with us in a special way by attending Fr. Joseph Farrell's First Mass at 8:30am.
- ✚ Join us this week for the **Taize Prayer Service** in July, **Monday, June 8 at 8:15pm**. Now in our 9th year, we have met each month to pray for Christian unity in our community and in the world. All Christians are warmly invited; invite your friends!
- ✚ Be sure to keep up on all that is happening at St. Mary by **subscribing with your email address** at our home page, lower right corner, at **www.stmaryfred.org!**

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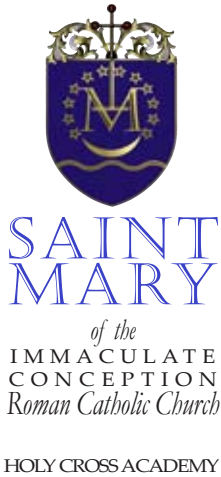
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| SUNDAY MASS | Saturday Vigil 5 & 7pm Sunday 7, 8:30, 10:30am, 12:30, 2pm (Spanish), 5pm, 7:01pm 10:30am at Holy Cross Academy |
| DAILY MASS | Mon.-Fri.: 6:30 & 9am; Sat., 9am First Friday 8pm Holy Days of Obligation, as announced |
| DEVOTIONS | Adoration & Benediction, Wed., 7-9pm Novena with Exposition, Mon., 7-7:30pm All Night Adoration, First Friday Miraculous Medal Novena, Mon., after 9am Mass Divine Mercy, Wed., 3pm |
| CONFESSION | Wed., 7-9pm; Sat., 8am & 3:30pm, or by appt. |
| PARISH OFFICE | 540-373-6491, fax 371-0251 stmary@stmaryfred.org Mon.-Fri., 8:30am - 4:30pm; <i>students staff office weekdays until 9pm, Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays 9:30-1:30pm</i> Pastor, Fr. Don Rooney Fr. Keith Cummings Fr. Stephen Holmes Fr. Lino Rico Rostro Deacon Alberto 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 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!

this week's bulletin:

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from our pastor



Dear Good People of Saint Mary,

It's that time of year, transitions are taking place all over the place. Already many plans are taking shape for what a lot of our family members will be doing at the end of the summer, which goes faster and faster each year. Already people who are being relocated for their jobs are saying goodbye, students graduating are looking forward to their next steps in life, most people are just hoping for a break this summer to catch their breath and step back and sit down and put up their feet. A mom, standing next to her son after Mass last week told me her son was getting ready to go away for college. "Tell him," she said, "that he isn't going away to college to find himself. He already knows who he is!"

Free time isn't necessarily a good thing, either, unless you have a plan. Idleness can get you into a lot of trouble! If you go to places you shouldn't be or you allow erosion to take place in the discipline that you have established in your life, then free time can become laziness. Life doesn't have to be a two steps forward, one step back experience. How about three steps forward? Perhaps we were all so conditioned by the education system that once summer came we grew accustomed to forgetting what we learned. At one point I realized I was becoming a person who just *learned for the test*, if you know what I mean. Once the test was over there was a big delete button that you could push. What was it all for anyway? A grade? Or did I become a better student, better person, because of it?

So, this summer, let's make a plan to challenge ourselves to be a better person when it's over than we are at this moment.

Let's start making plans for next fall. As the calendar starts filling up remember you have to keep time in the calendar for your spiritual life as well. Stay in touch with God. Don't adopt an attitude of vacation from God like you might from your boss. Many people do this. And they teach their kids this technique. It doesn't work in the long run.

Make sure you include Religious Education for your children in the fall schedule. You can start registering soon. Tell all your friends who are Catholic that we have this obligation to our children—that our life with God isn't something that we just fit in when it works with everything else. I was doing a little research to see who lives

in our parish and whether or not our programs were reaching everyone.

What I found was staggering. This year we had 962 students in Religious Education, which is actually down from previous years. Add to that more or less 350 registered Catholic children (probably fewer) enrolled at Holy Cross, that means we are serving 1,312 children. The real number is quite a bit less than this, because we have many families in our Religious Education program from neighboring parishes.

According to our database, 2,558 children and youth between first and 12th grades live in our parish: only 51% of the children of registered families in our parish are being formed in our Religious Education program.

If we have, roughly, 200 children per age/grade, that would mean that our high school Youth program should include 800 students who are currently attending a high school in our parish. We probably reach 100, many of them only occasionally during the year.

If the numbers are correct, we are missing the opportunity with these young people: of the men ordained to the priesthood this year, 80% of them said they were relatively sure of a vocation while they were still in high school. And of all the Catholic students who go away to college this year, 70% of them will graduate with no affiliation to a church and no regular practice of religion.

Our parish must renew our commitment to these children and young people. We have come a long way but we have so much farther to go! First thing is to somehow reach out to all the families we know in our schools and neighborhoods and tell them of the need for religious formation. It is a blessing, and young people are more equipped to deal with the secularization and unfaithfulness of the world. On our part, we also have to make holiness and faithfulness a real part of our visible lives so our words are believable.

We also must sign up to help in the programs we need to grow. We have always wondered what we would do if suddenly everyone came to Mass...15,000 people would need 23 full Masses every Sunday. If we seek out the other 1,246 students we will need teachers, and spaces, and a lot of love and patience. Let's start planning.

God bless you. Fr. Don

holy cross academy



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Exploring Life Cycles and Solar Energy

It has been a noisy week in First Grade. Not the children, it's the chicks. Every year our first grade students are able to experience the life cycle of chicks first hand. Our teachers, Linda Peterson and Lori Lascell, obtain fertilized eggs from an area farmer and lead the children in their discovery of the stages of development of these tiny creatures. Excitement builds throughout the school as teachers and students from all grade visit the first grade classroom to see these beautiful little creatures before they return to their farm to continue growing throughout the summer months.

Our sixth grade Science Squad completed their year's work and presented their projects on solar energy. They demonstrated to the younger students how their solar boat, solar stoplight, solar house and solar waterwheel work. All

the student grew in their understanding of the potential uses of solar energy and its positive impact on our earth.

If you would like to learn about our school and what we can do for your child, please call our office at 540-286-1600. We are currently registering all grades for the 2015-2016 school year. We extend a special invitation to families who want to learn about our kindergarten program here at HCA.

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. You can learn a lot about us by visiting our website, www.holycrossweb.com.

education

religious education



Last week of Religious Education classes

As part of our last week of Religious Education Classes, we met in the courtyard to honor Mary as the queen of our Religious Education community. The introduction was followed by a scripture reading describing Mary's visit to Elizabeth (Luke 1:39-45). After the reading, Mary was crowned by a Grade 2 student and the first decade of the rosary was prayed.

Those students who attended all classes this year received Perfect Attendance certificates. Class parties rounded out the day!

Registration begins

Registrations for Religious Education Classes begin Monday, June 1 during office hours. **Classes resume the September 14-17, 2015.** The purpose of Religious Education is to promote an understanding and love for the teachings and person of Jesus Christ. It

should lead to an informed Catholic conscience that loves God and all His creation.

Religious Education Volunteers Needed

"Helping others cultivate their own spiritual garden is one of the most rewarding aspects of ministry; it is also one of the most difficult. There are times when God gives you clear signs that faith is sprouting in a person's spiritual life. There are also times when nothing seems to grow—it's like a garden that does not produce anything. Just like gardening, you have to till the soil of faith so that the Holy Spirit can produce good fruit."

catechistsjourney.loyolapress.com/2015/05/planting-a-spiritual-garden-three-ways-to-help-others-grow-in-faith/

Be a part of this rewarding ministry and till the soil of faith in the children at St. Mary. For more information please call **540-373-6491** and ask for Karen Sturtevant or Aristides Lucas.

Thanks for being our catechists!

You answered the call to serve Christ by teaching the children of St. Mary. You enlightened our minds with the Light of Divine Truth. You are truly a blessing!



Last HS Youth Group

Our final High School Youth Group before our summer break is **Sunday, May 31**. We will have a special night of praise and worship, games and **a surprise!** We especially encourage all of our seniors that have been involved in the program to attend. See you there!

DIYers needed for WorkCamp!

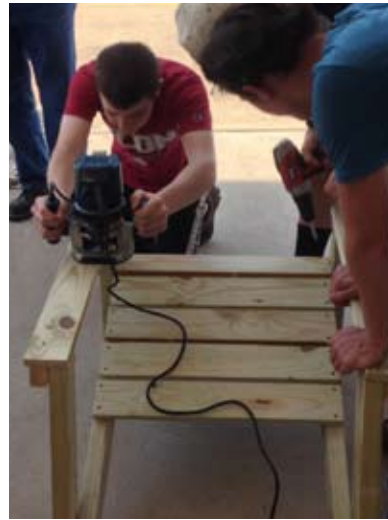
Can you roof, paint, do carpentry work, maybe other do-it-yourself projects? Then WorkCamp is in need of **YOUR TALENTS!** We are still in need of **3 more contractors** that can help **the week of June 20-26 (specifically June 22-25)**. You would be assigned to help a crew of 5 teens and 1-2 adults to work on a particular persons home. Projects range from: wheelchair ramps, installing windows, roofing, interior framing, and much more. If you are interested or would like more information contact the Youth Ministry Office for more information.

Biking4Vocations

On Sunday, May 17, two priests and three Seminarians began a pilgrimage to bring attention to the priesthood and to vocations. At the end of their pilgrimage, they will have traveled 1,400 miles through 11 states, 14 dioceses and countless parishes. On **June 4**, the seminarians will be stopping by Fredericksburg. Come meet these pilgrims, listen to their talk, and enjoy their fellowship. All teens are invited. **Cookout at 6pm, Seminarians talk at 6:45pm, Mass at 7:30pm** followed by ice cream sundaes!

Annual WorkCamp Raffle

Our **WorkCamp Raffle** will commence the weekend of **June 6 and run through June 21**. Each weekend, we will raffle off a pair of beautifully made Adirondack chairs that our teens have made. Please see our WorkCamp teens after every Mass on these weekends to purchase tickets. All tickets are included in each raffle, so purchase your tickets early and get three chances to win!



education

vocation of the family

Education, the natural vocation of the family

Vatican City, 20 May 2015 (VIS) – The education of children as the natural vocation of the family was the theme of Pope Francis' catechesis during this Wednesday's general audience in St. Peter's Square.

The Holy Father, first citing the words of St. Paul to the Colossians: *"Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged,"* emphasised the duty of parents to accompany their children step by step, without demanding the impossible, so as not to overwhelm them. He then went on to speak of the difficulties faced by mothers and fathers who often only have the opportunity to see their children in the evening when they return home tired after work — *"those who are lucky enough to have work,"* he added — and also referred to the even more critical situation faced by separated parents, inviting them to ensure that the conflicts between the couple do not have an impact on the children.

Francis also mentioned that the family has been accused of other things, including authoritarianism, favouritism, conformism, and emotional repression that generates conflicts. *"In fact, a fracture has opened up between family and society, undermining mutual trust, and in this way, the alliance between family and society in the education of children has entered into a crisis."*

There are many symptoms he continued. *"For example, in schools this has affected relationships between parents and teachers. ... On the other hand, there has been a proliferation of so-called 'experts' who occupy the role of parents even in the most intimate aspects of education ... and parents are expected only to listen, to learn and to adapt. Deprived of their role, they often become excessively apprehensive and possessive with regard to their children, to the point of never correcting them. They tend to increasingly entrust them to 'experts', even in relation to the most delicate and personal aspects of their life, placing themselves in the corner. In this way, parents run the risk of excluding themselves from the life of their children."*

"How have we arrived at this point? Without doubt in the past parents, or rather, certain educational models, had certain limits. But it is also true that there are mistakes that only parents are authorised to make, as they are able to compensate for them in a way that is impossible for any other person. On the other hand, as we well know, life now spares us little time for speaking, reflection and exchange. Many parents are 'kidnapped' by their work and other worries, and they find themselves paralysed by the fear of making mistakes. The problem, however, is not only about talking. ... Let us ask ourselves instead: do we seek to understand 'where' our children truly are on their path? Where is their soul? ... And above all, do we want to know?"

Francis underlined that the Christian communities are called upon to offer support to the educational mission of the family. *"At the base of everything there is love, that which God gives to us, that 'is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.' Even in the best of families, there is much to be endured, and it takes a lot of patience. Jesus Himself experienced education in the family."*

"Even in this case, the grace of Christ's love fulfils what is inscribed in human nature. How many excellent examples we have of Christian parents full of human wisdom! They show that good family education is the backbone of humanism. Its spread through society is the resource that allows us to compensate for the shortcomings, the wounds, the lack of paternity and maternity that affect the least fortunate children, and works true miracles."

"I hope that the Lord may give Christian families the faith, freedom and courage necessary for their missions. If family education rediscovers the pride of its central role, many things will change for the better, for uncertain parents and disappointed children. It is time for fathers and mothers to return from their exile, and to fully resume their role as educators," concluded Francis.

parish life don't miss it

save
the
date

june 7, 2015 • parish picnic

on the fields at Holy Cross Academy

Celebrate the start of summer with the entire parish.

Please join us for another FANTASTIC parish picnic. There will be food, fun and fellowship—rain or shine! There is no charge—this is our gift to the parish each year. Be sure to bring a blanket to sit on, or lawn chairs.

There will be shaded seating under the dining tents but don't forget the sunscreen! Additional parking will be available at GEICO with a shuttle service to the school.

Help is needed!

Hamburgers, turkey burgers, hot dogs, sausages, baked beans, potato salad, and drinks are prepared by the Knights and served by the CCW. Side dishes and desserts provided by parishioners.

To help serve food, contact Council of Catholic Women, Eileen Geary, 540-371-1844, eileengeary@yahoo.com.

To help cook, set up or clean up, contact Knights of Columbus, Paul Scott, 540-842-7857, pscottsis@aol.com.

PICNIC AT A GLANCE

GAMES: Extreme Air Bungee Jumper • Wrecking Ball • Jurassic Adventure • 5 in 1 3D Sponge Bob • Bungee Run/ Gladiator Joust • Fire Rescue Obstacle Course • Big Kahuna Dry Water Slide

FEATURING: Face painting • Pony Rides • Cotton Candy • Sno Cones • Popcorn • Magic by Michael Taggart • Music by Vision • A demo by Majesty Martial Arts

AMAZING games and rides.

LIVE MUSIC in concert: Vision.

TASTY food and drinks, 3-6pm.

AND everything you bring:

If your last names starts with a letter from:

A-L: bring chips to share

M-S: bring a dessert to share

T-Z: bring a non-perishable snack



community come and see

Give the Gift of Life

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a blood drive on **Wednesday, June 3, 2015**. The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be parked at St. Mary's from 1-6 pm. To schedule call [1-800-RED CROSS](tel:1-800-RED-CROSS) or go to redcross.org. Walk-ins are welcome. Bring a photo ID. Questions: call Rick Reschick at [540-850-5587](tel:540-850-5587).

June Family Dinner

The June Family Dinner, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be held on **Saturday, June 6 from 6pm to 8:30pm in the Parish Life Center**. The menu includes baked spaghetti with meat sauce, ambrosia, garden salad, and cake. The profit will be donated to the Guadalupe Free Clinic. The dinner is open to the public and pay-at-the-door. Takeouts are available. The cost is: Adults: \$7, Seniors (60&up): \$6, Teens: \$6, Children (7-12): \$5, Children (under 7): Free. **The max cost per family is \$25.**

Adult Rel. Continuing Ed. summer classes

"Mary: a Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother" class: (DVD by Edward Sri) Starting **June 8**, this class will meet in the Courtyard Meeting Room on **Monday mornings at 9:45am for 8 weeks** and be led by Suzette Young. Register for books at the church

Citizenship Workshop

Catholic Charities-Hogar Immigrant Services will hold a naturalization workshop on **June 13, 2015** at Fredericksburg Baptist Church at 1019 Princess Ann Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401. Hogar's legal team will be there helping applicants fill out their application. The cost is \$40.00 and it includes a consultation with an attorney, filling out the naturalization application, passport pictures and certified mail. On that day, please bring your "green card" and passports. If you have any questions please call [571-208-1572 ext.106](tel:571-208-1572) or go to hogarimmigrantservices.org.

Taller de Ciudadania

Este 13 de Junio del 2015 abogados de Caridades Catolicas – Hogar Immigrant Services estarán en la Iglesia bautista de Fredericksburg en 1019 Princess Ann Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401 llenando la aplicación de ciudadanía. El costo es \$40 dólares y eso incluye la consulta con el abogado, llenar la aplicación, las fotografías y el envío por correo certificado. Usted tiene que traer su tarjeta de residencia y todos sus pasaportes. Si tiene preguntas por favor llamar al [571-208-1572 extensión 106](tel:571-208-1572) ó ir a hogarciudadania.org.

office by May 26. Book fee will be \$15.

"James: Pearls for Wise Living"

class: (DVD by Jeff Cavins) Starting **June 22**, this class will meet in the Courtyard Meeting Room on **Wednesday mornings at 9:45 for 10 weeks** and be led by JoAnne Baker. Register for books at the church office by June 8th. Book fee will be \$15.

Wellness walking

The Health Ministry Wellness walking group is well on its way. Join us on the trail at the Rappahannock

River/Canal **every Saturday at 7am until June 27**. The easiest place to park is at Old Mill Park, 2200 Caroline Street. Enjoy the relaxing sound of the river and the beautiful spring blooms. Learn more about this trail at spotsylvaniagreenways.org.

Upcoming Marriage Encounter weekends

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are **September 18-20** in Herndon or **November 6-8** in Herndon. For more information, visit our website at renewmarriage-vanorth.org.



Join us August 2-12 for our parish trip—this year, IRELAND.

\$3,500 complete, includes roundtrip airfare. If you are interested, there is still time to make reservations, and a few great seats left! Contact Margaret Ford at Fredericksburg Travel, 373-6900 for arrangements or call Margaret or Fr. Rooney if you have any questions.



liturgy called in love

We are now
accepting K-8
registrations for the
2015-16 school year!

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Mary's  Shelter

6th Annual Summer Soirée



Save the

Date

8-1-2015

For More Info & to Register Visit
marysshelterva.org

Saint Mary prayer list

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

Barbara Leone, Debbie Lloyd, Chris Balut, Linda Kaila, Rose Sisco, Jeff Shinrock, Donald Estes, Phyllis Woolverton, Helen Kozyra, Sr., Thomas Schulsky, Julie Fabula, Amelia McDevitt, Gerald Gardiner, Prov Moeller, the Girth Family, Marie Rooney, Dylan and Brandon Meade, Barbara Stauble, Michael Coughlin, Karen Danis, Marian Wilinski, Mary Ellen Normand, John Castagna, Kristy Fairbanks, Peggy Silberman, Florence DesRoches, Sr., Debra Wood, Danny Terrant, Maureen Flanagan, Wilma Evans, Joseph Bozicevic, Meredith Adams, Anne Shelton, Holly Smith, Lois Merrill, Janie Sherry, Martha Clemens, Teresa Hopkins, Art Gabler, Pat Arvai, Veronica Johnson, William Herr, Naomi Russo, Marie Savage, Deacon Richard Smith, Anna Castagna, John Paul Baksy, Eva Scelzo, Joanne Sanford, Trevor Wood, Beth Malaby, Rhonda Seidlinger, Margaret McAleavey, David Arnold, Tracy Biddulph, Carole Page, Christopher Kelly, Richard Romagnoli, Ann Dunsmore, Lisa Herr, Madeline Doyle, Elizabeth Ames, Elise Valez, Mary Ullmer, Virginia Bare, Bobbi Palumbo, Joanne Deangeous, Kenneth Nieves, Carol Eggleston, Patrick Eggleston, William Green, Mary Jean Williams, Don Williams, Gladys Bowen, Tom Bowen, Thomas Novotnak, Peter Stafford, Sr. Marie DeChantal, Josephine Kreider, Suzi Eggleston, Melvyn Schreckinger, Betty Ann and Bill Dateno, Harold Gardiner, Marianne Ford, the Carlos Ortiz Family, John Haas, Jack Titus, Karen Jones, Jennifer Carlson

Please pray for all the men and women in our military and civilian support services overseas, especially: 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, 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 Zeytoonlian, Justin Carter, Julianne Rogers, Jamal Williams, Stephen Wilson, Emmanuel Morales, Colin Carpenter, Josh Marsillo, Xavier Alas, Julio A. Alarcon, Lance Schulte, Teri Hocter, Josue Bermudez

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

Daily Mass intentions and readings

june

1 MONDAY

6:30 + Joseph Cascio
9am Caroline Conneen
Tb 1:3,2:1-8; Mk 12:1-12; Mt 5:13-19

2 TUESDAY

6:30 + Mary Poalise
9am + Kenneth F. Derenthal
Tb 2:9-14; Mk 12:13-17

3 WEDNESDAY

6:30 + Ann Marie Thompson
9am + Joseph Cascio
Tb 3:1-11,16-17; Mk 12:18-27

4 THURSDAY

6:30 + Ana R. Bernoala
8:15* + Mary Alice Kinsella
9am Barbara McCoy
Tb 6:10-11,7:1,9-17,8:4-9; Mk 12:28-34

5 FRIDAY

6:30 Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gardiner
9am Elaine Stanislawski
8pm + Catherine Thompson
Tb 11:5-17; Mk 12:35-37

6 SATURDAY

9am + Charles Richard Cummings
5pm + Marie DeTrane
7pm + Teresita Canizares
Tb 12:1,5-15,20; Mk 12:38-44

7 SUNDAY

7am + Gina Lenox
8:30 Rev. Joseph Farrell and Family
10:30 + Those Who Died in May
10:30* + Roger Consaul
12:30 + Walter Heffner
2pm For the Parish
5pm + Kathy Dietz
7:01 + Frank DeFilippis
Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15;
Mk 14:12-16,22-26

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

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Weekly Offertory

24 May Offertory 31,592.
Catholic Comm. Campaign (add'l) 2,283.

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 Offertory Envelopes For June

Our Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of June will be donated to Hope House, which was established in 1987 to serve homeless women and their children from the City of Fredericksburg, and the counties of Stafford, Spotsylvania, Caroline, and King George. Hope House is a non-profit, 501(c)3, transitional facility where homeless women and their children can stay up to two years. Hope House provides safe housing and the opportunities to transition to successful, independent living. Hope House also provides a childcare program that demonstrates excellence in childcare and ensures academic success. For more information visit their website at www.hopehouseva.org.

Diocesan Retired Priests' Collection, June 6 & June 7

There will be second collection for our diocesan retired priests on the **weekend of June 6 and 7**. This collection aids in caring for our retired priests who have served our diocese so faithfully over the years. Currently there are 18 retired priests who served our diocese and

an additional 19 diocesan priests who are anticipated to retire within the next ten years. Please consider donating to this special collection. Thank you for your support.

Fathers' Day Novena

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the best way to remember your father, living or deceased – or your grandfather, godfather or someone who is like a father to you. Beginning June 21, Fathers' Day, a Novena of Masses will be offered for all the intentions placed in front of the altar. These intentions will remain before the altar throughout the Novena. Fathers' Day Cards and extra novena envelopes are available in the vestibule of the Church and in the Parish Office.

SCRIP gift cards

Due to changes with the SCRIP gift card company, we can no longer hold American Express gift cards in our inventory. You may still order the cards by going online to www.shopwithscrip.com and placing a family order for them. Once your order is placed online you may drop off your payment at the church office or at the Scrip table. We place an inventory replacement order every other week during the summer months. The next order date will be June 2 and orders will be ready to go home by June 5. Ordering online is a great way to order during the summer months too! Set up an account today and continue earning rebates for HCA! Email Torie Baldwin at scripcoordinator@holycrossweb.com for the school enrollment code so HCA gets credit for your purchase. **Thanks for using SCRIP gift cards!**

Pro Life Reflection For May 31

"That special power of loving that belongs to a woman is seen most clearly when she becomes a mother. Motherhood is the gift of God to women. How grateful we must be to God for this wonderful gift that brings such joy to the whole world, women and men alike! Yet we can destroy this gift of motherhood, especially by the evil of abortion, but also by thinking that other things like jobs or positions are more important than loving, than giving oneself to others. No job, no plans, no possessions, no idea of 'freedom' can take the place of love. So anything that destroys God's gift of motherhood destroys His most precious gift to women – the ability to love as a woman."

—Blessed Mother Teresa,
Letter to the Fourth World
Conference on Women,
Beijing, 1995

First Friday, June 5 and All Night Adoration

Our First Friday evening Mass at 8pm on June 5 will be followed by All Night Adoration until 9am Saturday morning. Come and adore this gift of love in the Blessed Sacrament. Please sign up today.

"If you see love, you see the Trinity."

—St. Augustine

"To engage in Eucharistic contemplation means, concretely, to establish a heart to heart contact with Jesus really present in the Host and, through Him, to be raised to the Father in the Holy

called in love

Spirit Eucharistic contemplation is to look at one who is looking at me."

—Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa

Electronic Offertory

Faith Direct enables your family to make your parish contributions through either direct debit to your checking account or through credit cards. Now you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you may now use it to make your mortgage, car or tuition payments. With *Faith Direct*, the parish will gain predictable cash flow that will help us with planning our parish needs and programs. *Faith Direct* also offers you personalized offertory cards to replace your envelopes for the collection basket. You may enroll securely online by visiting www.faithdirect.net Our parish code is VA635.

Subscribe to our website

If you subscribe to Saint Mary's website, stmaryfred.org, you will receive announcements via email. The subscription box is on the homepage, below the Mass schedule. Enter your email address and click on "subscribe." You will receive an email that will ask you to confirm your subscription to the site.

AI Anon Surviving The Weekend Group

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

Welcome to SHARE at St. Mary Parish!

Order Deadline: 15 June
Food Pick-Up: 27 June

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 June:

Value Package

(\$21 + 2 hrs community service)

- Boneless Chicken Breasts—1 lb.
- All-Beef Hot Dogs, 1 lb.
- Beef Burgers ¾ lb.
- Chicken Drum Sticks 1.3 lbs.
- Sweet warm weather treat—Frozen Fruit (either peaches or strawberries)
- Beautiful onions, fresh potatoes, and the best produce we can find in the market, just for you & your family!

4th of July Grill Box

(\$26 + 2 hrs community service)

- 8 – 4 oz. Hamburgers
- 4 – 4 oz. Boneless Chicken Breasts
- 4 – 4 oz. Boneless Pork Chops
- 2 – 8 oz. Rib- Eye Steaks
- Frozen, vacuum packed, and ready for the grill

Schwan's Personal Pepperoni Pizzas

(\$19 + 2 hrs Community Service)

- 24 – 8 oz. Pepperoni Pizzas, Individual serving size, perfect for older children

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. = \$_____

4th of July Grill Box (\$26)

_____ x \$26. = \$_____

Personal Pizzas (\$19)

_____ x \$19. = \$_____

TOTAL: \$_____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ zip _____

email _____

cell/phone _____

Community Service Hours: _____

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|----------------------------|----------------------|
| ____ 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.