

**NINETEENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
9 August 2015



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



what's coming



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HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

august

9 SUNDAY, NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

10 Monday, Saint Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr

8:15pm, TAIZE Prayer Service, Church.

11 Tuesday, Saint Clare, Virgin

6pm, Sports Tuesday for Middle and High School students, Old Mill Park.
7:30pm, Life in the Spirit Prayer gathering, Courtyard Meeting Room.

12 Wednesday, Weekday (Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious)

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

13 Thursday, Weekday (Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs)

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

14 Friday, Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr

6pm, Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption, Church (*this year not a holy day of obligation*).

15 Saturday, THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

This year, not a holy day of obligation: regular Saturday Mass at 9am.
SCRIP on sale after the 5pm Mass.

16 SUNDAY, TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center. (Squire Roses)
SCRIP on sale after all Masses except 2pm Mass.
3:30pm, Health Ministry Team meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room.

17 Monday, Weekday

18 Tuesday, Weekday

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

19 Wednesday, Weekday (Saint John Eudes, Priest)

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

20 Thursday, Saint Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church

9:30am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100.
7:30pm, Parish Council Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room.

21 Friday, Saint Pius X, Pope

22 Saturday, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SCRIP on sale after the 5pm Mass.

23 SUNDAY, TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

nota bene (*note well, please*):

- ✂ The **second collection this weekend** is for the **parish building fund**.
- ✂ **Join us to build up a robust ministry of ushers and greeters.** Consider serving the Church in this manner. Call the office and add your name to the list for the meeting August 29.
- ✂ 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!**
- ✂ Save the date for these upcoming events:
 - Parish Leadership Dinner** for all ministry leaders, **Tuesday, 25 August**
 - Parish Ice Cream Social, Cakewalk and Dance**, Saint Mary's fall social, come to see everyone, enter the cake decorating contest, put on your dancing shoes, **Sunday, 13 September, 4-7pm**
 - Parish Life Weekend** - get involved in parish life and work, **Saturday and Sunday, 19-20 September**

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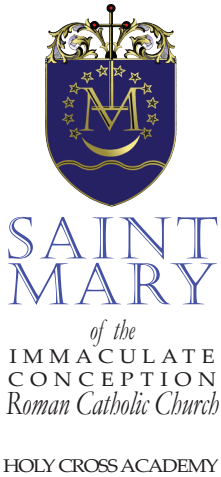
SUNDAY MASS	Saturday Vigil 5 & 7pm Sunday 7, 8:30, 10:30am, 12:30, 2pm (Spanish), 5pm, 7:01pm 10:30am at Holy Cross Academy
DAILY MASS	Mon.-Fri.: 6:30 & 9am; Sat., 9am First Friday 8pm Holy Days of Obligation, as announced
DEVOTIONS	Adoration & Benediction, Wed., 7-9pm Novena with Exposition, Mon., 7-7:30pm 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,</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 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,

Today I'm writing from Dublin, it is Tuesday afternoon and we are on our parish trip to Ireland. We went this morning to the Neolithic archeological site of Newgrange / Knowth, where people lived 6,000 years ago and built massive burial mounds according to the path of the sun. The photo below shows our group assembled on the top of the largest mound in the Boyne valley north of Dublin, in the distance behind us is the hill of Slane, where Saint Patrick lit the Paschal Fire and shortly after converted and baptized the high king and people of Leinster. So far we have only spent time around Dublin, but tomorrow we will head for the center and south of the Republic of Ireland. More next week!

I do have to say one thing, though. There is something about this country that really affects me. I've mentioned the idea of so-called "thin places" before, those places where the spiritual, unseen reality of God and his presence is almost tangible, you just know something powerful is present to you. I always forget, until I'm back, that Ireland is this to me. Especially certain places. It has always been my experience, for example, when we visit Clonmacnoise, the 7th century monastery ruins of St. Cieran (where we go tomorrow and we will be able to celebrate Mass in the ruins of one of the chapels), and the ocean coast of Kerry. It has only been recently that I discovered in my genealogy work that my ancestors are from these places. I have the same kind of unexplainable emotional reaction when I hear Uilleann pipes—not the sound of bagpipes,

that is too loud and brash in comparison to the haunting, beautiful subtlety of Irish pipes.

I always say this, but I truly mean it. I wish we could take everyone on these trips. There is a beauty to traveling with the spirit of pilgrims, a deep reverence and appreciation of how we come to grow and know people, and learn.

On the parish front, it is time to begin seriously making plans for the fall and I want to insist on the duty of all our parents to follow through with the good practice of ensuring the religious formation for your children. It is something to which parents and godparents make a solemn commitment at baptism, and I firmly believe that children have no strong chance today in following through with their faith if they don't have a good foundation in religion. It is difficult enough to think that most adults are living lives and trying to make sense of God and faith with an education that ended with Confirmation in eighth grade. How can adults survive life with an eighth grader's understanding of God? No wonder the spark goes out so quickly in high school and college.

Please renew your commitment and register your children with us. We put a lot of energy and time into always making our program better, as good as it can be, and we take our parish responsibility to support our parents in this primary duty seriously. To the 2,700+ children and youth in our parish who aren't receiving formation: Please join us.

God bless you. *Fr. Don*



come and see christian initiation

" C O M E A N D S E E "

RCIA

We invite **all who seek**
a deeper life in **Jesus Christ**
to consider becoming members
of this Body of Christ through
the Sacraments of Initiation.
Please call the parish office
to register.

You are welcome. Begin **9/14**

Christ, considers his or her relationship with Jesus Christ and is usually attracted in some way to the Catholic Church. This period is known as the Period of Evangelization and Precatechumenate. For some, this process involves a long period of searching; for others, a shorter time. Often, contact with people of faith and a personal faith experience lead people to inquire about the Catholic Church. After a conversation with a priest, or RCIA director, the person, known as an "inquirer," may seek acceptance into the Order of Catechumens, through the Rite of Acceptance. During this Rite, the inquirer stands amidst the parish community and states that he or she wants to become a baptized member of the Catholic Church. The parish assembly affirms this desire and the inquirer becomes a Catechumen.

The Period of the Catechumenate can last for as long as several years or for a shorter time. It depends on how the person is growing in faith, what questions they encounter along the way, and how God leads them on this journey. During this time, the Catechumens consider what God is saying to them in the Scriptures, what changes in their life they need to make to respond to God's inspiration, and what Baptism in the Catholic Church means. In the program at Saint Mary, the Catechumenate begins in early November. When a Catechumen and the priest and the parish team working with him or her believes the person is ready to make a

Each year on Holy Saturday during the Easter Vigil, thousands are baptized into the Catholic Church in the United States. Parishes welcome these new Catholics through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

A similar program is available for students in middle school and high school to receive Sacraments, the Rite for Children, or RCIC.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Program begins at Saint Mary on Monday, September 14 and lasts until the Easter Vigil. We meet on Mondays from

7:30 until 9:15pm with a 45 minute class (all in the parish are welcome to attend), then refreshments and small group discussion follows about the topic of the evening and other formation topics. If you or anyone you know is interested in joining the Catholic Church and receiving the sacraments of Baptism (or make a Profession of Faith if already baptized), Confirmation and Eucharist, please contact the parish office to register or email us at RCIAstmaryfred@gmail.com.

What are the steps of RCIA?

Prior to beginning the RCIA process, an individual comes to some knowledge of Jesus

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religious education

get involved

Religious Education volunteers needed

We still need Religious Education volunteers, especially Catechists.

Please check the bulletin board in the church vestibule and call the Parish Office to volunteer.

Important Dates

Tuesday, September 1

Special Training Session for Catechists from 6–9pm in the Parish Life Center. All catechists are urged to attend.

Sunday, September 6

Catechist Sunday

September 14–17

First Week of Religious Education classes.

Parents are asked to accompany their children to class.

Children at weekday Mass

Thank you to the parents and grandparents who bring their children and grandchildren to weekday Mass during the summer. This is a blessing for the children, their families and our Catholic community. Attending Mass during the week helps children understand and appreciate the Mass. It is a special gift of being able to spending additional time with Jesus each week. If you haven't considered adding a daily Mass to your summer activities, we invite you to consider giving this gift to your children and grandchildren.

youth ministry



High School registration

Please register your high school teens for the 2015-16 school year. You can download a copy of the registration from the high school section of our Youth Ministry page: stmaryfred.org/high-school-program/ or come

to the main office and fill it out. Registration fee is \$25 for the year which includes our Sunday night group as well as our Wednesday night YOUCAT program. You can come to both or chose one.

Last Sports Tuesday

August 11, from 6pm-8pm, is our last Sports Tuesday. Come out to Old Mill Park (2401 Caroline St) to play sports. All middle school and high school-aged teens are invited. Bring friends and a water bottle!

Follow Saint Mary's Youth Ministry



- facebook.com/stmarycym
- instagram.com/stmarycym
- twitter.com/StMaryCYM



We invite all Christians to gather in the peace of Christ at Saint Mary on **Monday, August 10**, as we “prepare a place for unity and peace” in Fredericksburg.

Praying with one voice, let us ask God to bring healing to our world and end the divisions that separate peoples.

You are invited to a monthly gathering of prayer in the ecumenical tradition of the Taizé community in France, the second Monday of every month from **8:15 to 9pm.**

It is our hope that this monthly prayer brings together Christians of all churches, pastors and flocks, as together we realize a bit more each day that we must rely upon God's

power to bring about unity among all who follow Jesus, “as he and the Father are one.” It is something we are unable to do ourselves.

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

happening here

Fredericksburg area Cursillo summer picnic

Please join us for a **Cursillo summer picnic** at Alum Spring Park in Fredericksburg on **Sunday, August 9 from 2-6**. Spouses and children are welcome! For questions, contact Joyce Bodoh at [540-521-0588](tel:540-521-0588).

Whitehouse Witness

You are invited to stand for the truth about marriage and the right of every child to have a mom and dad. Witness to the nation the glory of God's plan for marriage through prayer, fasting and sacrifice on **Saturday, August 15 in Washington, D.C. from 10am to noon**. The King's Men, an Apostolate of the Catholic Church, will be praying the rosary in front of the White House on this Feast day of the Assumption of Mary, and they are extending an invitation to all Christians to join them. Please plan on joining the Kings Men to hear some inspirational talks in the public square, to pray the rosary and witness to the beauty of marriage and family. **The King's Men** are fully committed to the teachings of the Catholic Church on the sanctity of life, from womb to tomb, and to the institute of marriage as being between one man and one woman. Please confirm your attendance at this event by emailing **Mark Houck** at: markhouck@gmail.com. **For more information**, visit whitehousewitness.com or thekingsmen.org.

Kickball and tubing with Young Adults

Due to the success of kickball at our Annual Day in the Park, we invite all young adults ages 21 to 39 and their families to play on **Sunday, August 16, from 6 to 8pm** at Saint Clair Brooks Memorial Park. Children are welcome!

Saint Mary Young Adults is going tubing on the Rappahannock on **Sunday, August 23**. We will meet at 12:30pm at the Virginia Outdoor Center. The price will be approximately \$20. **Please RSVP** to Courtney Sanner at csanner@mix.wvu.edu by Monday, August 17.

Halfway to St. Patrick Day celebration

The 4th **Annual Halfway To St. Patrick Day Celebration**, sponsored by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, is **September 12, 2015 from 6:30 to 11:30pm** at the University of Mary Washington Seacobeck Hall. Enjoy an Irish dinner (choice of salmon or corned beef), cash bar, commemorate pint beverage glass, and door prizes. Music by Fredericksburg's Irish band, Dragon Fyre. Irish dance performances and Ceili lessons by Muggivan School of Irish Dance. **To order tickets** contact Harry Crisp (Crisphe@aol.com, 540-785-8371) or Bill Halpin (540-972-5903).

Health Ministry volunteer classes

Interested in volunteering? Find out more at one of our Health Ministry Volunteer classes on **September 17 from 1pm-3pm**. To register please call [540-373-6491](tel:540-373-6491). For additional information, contact the parish Nurse at [540-845-3031](tel:540-845-3031) or epalacios@stmaryfred.org.

KoC Annual Yard Sale

Save the date—Saturday, September 26. The Knights of Columbus is kicking off our donation collection for our Annual Yard Sale Fundraiser. 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. **Drop off items at the KoC 4034 Council home on Harrison Road** or we can arrange for a pick up at **your location on Saturday mornings starting August 1**. **Point of Contact for drop off or pick-ups:** Fred or Debbie Nunez (540-371-3125), and Mario or Patria Figueroa (540-898-0957). **Questions about the Yard Sale** can be directed to Tim Fleming by e-mail at yardsale@kofc4034.org. Thank you for supporting the church and the community by helping the Knights of Columbus with your generous donations.

Living Stones: A legacy of family names

We continue to take orders for the "Living Stones" in our new courtyard, each featuring the last name of the family sponsoring it ~ only 20 left! 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 September 18** to be included in the next installation.

Teacher position open at HCA

Holy Cross Academy is currently interviewing for an elementary teacher. Candidates must hold a teaching certificate. Interested candidates should send a resume and references to Sr. Susan Louise at principal@holycrossweb.com.

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Let's go bowling!

Knight of Columbus Council 4034's **non-sanctioned Bowling League will begin Monday, September 14, 2015** at the AMF Fredericksburg Lanes on Route 3. The league is open to all parishioners of the parish, family, and friends. We are still in the process of forming teams. The cost of bowling will be \$17 per person, per week with four bowlers on a team. **The formation meeting will take place at AMF on August 17 at 7pm.** The league starts **September 14, runs through March 2016, and meets every Monday at 7pm.** At the end of the season, there will be an awards party with prize money given. Come join and bring family and friends for a fun filled time! **If you would like more info about the league or want to join please contact Rick Reschick at 540-368-9345 or rez55@cox.net or Steven Young at 540-841-3630 or Stevenmyoung86@yahoo.com.**

Called to serve as an usher or greeter at Mass?

Please answer our open invitation to serve as an Usher or a Greeter at Mass. Do you feel called to help people feel welcome and experience good order at our liturgies? We are currently seeking to fill our Ushers' roster with adults who can help people as they arrive at Mass and get seated, facilitate the offertory and help with good order at Communion. We also invite teens and adults to welcome people as Greeters, help people from their cars into the church, give them a liturgy sheet and feel welcome. General training for Ushers and Greeters for the coming

year will take place **Saturday, August 29, at 9:30am** in the church. If God is calling you to get involved with community in this capacity, please contact Mr. Joe Cralle at jacralle@gmail.com and let him know your contact information and the Mass at which you would be interested in serving. **Sign up today!**

Celebrating a Silver or Golden wedding anniversary this year?

Were you married in 1965 or 1990? Then join Bishop Loverde for the **2015 Marriage Jubilee Mass** to be celebrated on Sunday, **October 25, at 2:30pm** at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Arlington, VA. Contact the parish office to **register no later than September 25.** For more information, visit arlingtondiocese.org/MJM.

New UMW student?

Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) at the University of Mary Washington invites all UMW students to a **Special Welcome Mass on Sunday, August 23.** Drop by the Catholic Student Center when you arrive which is conveniently located across the street from campus (the red brick building with white columns) at **1614 College Avenue.** Meet new friends, and grow in knowledge and love of your Catholic Faith. Join us for Sunday and weekday Masses. Discover retreat and service opportunities and much more. **Contact us at 540-373-6746 or visit our website for additional information: www.umwccm.org.** Like us on Facebook! **Sunday Mass time is 5:30pm.**

Join the Choir!

Saint Mary has five choirs, and all are eager to welcome new members for the 2015-2016 choir

year. The Children's Choir is for grades 2-6 and the Youth Choir is for grades 7-12. The Adult Choir, Folk Choir and Coro Hispano are our three choirs for adults. Find out more about when the choirs rehearse and sing by visiting stmaryfred.org/ministries-liturgy/. Or you are welcome to call the Music Office at 540 373-6491, ext. 217.

Grow for Your Neighbor: Spotsylvania Farmer's Market

Saint Mary volunteers have been sharing their time each Saturday morning since June collecting fresh vegetables and fruit on behalf of the Fredericksburg Food Bank at the Spotsylvania Farmer's Market (Route 3 West Commuter Lot). The morning starts at 8:45 greeting vendors and customers and offering grocery bags to encourage shoppers to consider buying a little extra to donate. Cash donations are also accepted and our volunteer shoppers use those funds to purchase additional produce at the market. **To date we have collected 1,185 pounds of donated food!**

Our volunteer season concludes August 29. Please consider stopping by the Farmers' Market, support the vendors and growers, and pick up a few extra pounds of fresh produce. Bring your donations to the Fredericksburg Grow for Your Neighbor Tent, space 11/12. The market is open on Saturdays, 8am-1pm. **We staff the tent from 9am-noon** in order to deliver to the food bank by 1pm. **Thank to all of our volunteers,** who faithfully collect, process and deliver to the Food Bank **and the vendors** who graciously donate some of their unsold product. **For more information** about either of these programs or how to become more involved contact parish office, 540-373-6491.

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faith commitment to Jesus in the Catholic Church, the next step is the request for baptism and the celebration of the Rite of Election. Even before the Catechumens are baptized, they have a special relationship to the Church.

The Rite of Election includes the enrollment of names of all the Catechumens seeking baptism at the coming Easter Vigil. Typically, on the first Sunday of Lent, the Catechumens, their sponsors and families gather at the cathedral church. The Catechumens publicly express their desire for baptism to the diocesan bishop. Their names are recorded in a book and they are called the Elect.

The days of Lent are the final Period of Purification and Enlightenment leading up to the Easter Vigil. Lent is a period of preparation marked by prayer, study, and spiritual direction for the Elect, and prayers for them by the parish communities. The Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation takes place during the Easter Vigil Liturgy on Holy Saturday when the Elect receives the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Now the

person is fully initiated into the Catholic Church.

As a newly initiated Catholic, they continue their formation and education continue in the Period of the Post Baptismal Catechesis, which is also called Mystagogy. This period continues at least until Pentecost. During the period the newly baptized members reflect on their experiences at the Easter Vigil and continue to learn more about the Scriptures, the Sacraments, and the teachings of the Catholic Church. In addition they reflect on how they will serve Christ and help in the Church's mission and outreach activities.

What is meant when by coming into full communion with the Church?

Coming into full communion with the Catholic Church describes the process for entrance into the Catholic Church for already baptized Christians. In most cases, these individuals make a profession of faith but are not baptized again. To prepare for this reception, the people, who are called Candidates, usually participate in a formation program to help them understand and experience

the teachings and practices of the Catholic Church. Although some preparation may be with Catechumens preparing for baptism, the preparation for Candidates is different since they have already been baptized and committed to Jesus Christ, and many have also been active members of other Christian communities. The Candidates may be received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil or at another Sunday during the year depending on pastoral circumstances and readiness of the Candidate.

What is the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday like?

The Easter Vigil takes place on Holy Saturday, the evening before Easter Sunday. This is the night that "shall be as bright as day" as proclaimed by the Exsultet, an ancient church hymn as we joyfully anticipate Christ's Resurrection. The Holy Saturday Liturgy begins with the Service of Light, which includes the blessing of the new fire and the Paschal candle which symbolizes Jesus, the Light of the World. The second part consists of the Liturgy of the Word with a series of nine Scripture readings, each with

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a responsorial psalm. After the Liturgy of the Word, the Catechumens are presented to the parish community, who pray for them with the Litany of the Saints. Next, the priest blesses the water, placing the Easter or Paschal candle into the baptismal water. Those seeking Baptism then renounce sin and profess their faith after which they are baptized with the priest pronouncing the words, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." After the Baptism the newly baptized are presented with a candle lighted from the Paschal Candle.

Those who are already baptized Christians make a profession of faith in the Catholic Church, and are "received" by the assembly at the Mass.

All are then Confirmed by the priest or bishop who lays hands on their heads, and invokes the

outpouring of the Holy Spirit. He then anoints them with the oil called Sacred Chrism. The Mass continues with the newly baptized participating in the general intercessions and in bringing gifts to the altar. At Communion, the newly baptized receive the Eucharist, Christ's Body and Blood, for the first time.

What does the candle symbolize?

A small candle is lit from the Easter candle and given to the newly baptized as a reminder to them always to walk as children of the Light and to be the light of Christ to the world.

What does the Sacred Chrism symbolize?

The Sacred Chrism, or oil, is a sign of the gift of the Holy Spirit being given to the newly baptized. It is also a sign of the close link between the mission of Jesus and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, who comes to

the recipient with the Father in Baptism.

Why was this ancient rite restored?

It was restored in the Church to highlight the fact that the newly baptized are received into a community of faith, which is challenged to realize that they too have become different because of this new life in the community.

Is there a ceremony or preparation for Catholics who never or seldom have practiced the faith?

For Catholics who have been Baptized, Confirmed and made First Communion but then drifted from the faith, the way they return is through the Sacrament of Penance. Catholics who were baptized but never received Confirmation and/or Eucharist also participate in a period of formation. This process of formation is completed with the reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion often at the Easter Vigil or during the Easter Season.

What is the role of a godparent for an adult being baptized?

Prior to the Rite of Election, the Catechumen may choose one or two godparents, who will accompany the Catechumen on the day of Election, at the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation, and during the Period of Mystagogy. They are called to show the Catechumens good example of the Christian life, sustain them in moments of hesitancy and anxiety, bear witness, and guide their progress in the baptismal life.



liturgy called in love

Global Prayer Ministry



Please join and pray with us. With firm faith in the power of prayer and through the convenience of social media, we are announcing a new ministry this weekend, which we are calling **"Global Prayer Ministry."**

Once a week, we will send out a specific intention to all who are registered by your choice of email or text. Our hope is that we all will pray **at the same time at Noon on Fridays** for five or ten minutes for the intention that was sent.

Simply text "Prayer" to 845-76. You will receive a confirmation message AND another message asking you to **CLICK** a link to give your name and email address to join our group.

For those that do not have a cell phone but wish to join, you can do so via the internet. Please visit new.flocknote.com/StMaryCatholicChurchFre1/GlobalPrayerMin.

Saint Mary prayer list

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: Marian Wilinski, Mary Ellen Normand, John Castagna, Kristy Fairbanks, Peggy Silberman, Florence DesRoches, Sr., Debra Wood, Danny Terrant, Wilma Evans, Joseph Bozicevic, Meredith Adams, Anne Shelton, Holly Smith, Lois Merrill, Janie Sherry, Martha Clemens, 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, Mary Jean Williams, Don Williams, Gladys Bowen, Tom Bowen, Thomas Novotnak, Peter Stafford, Josephine Kreider, Suzi Eggleston, Melvyn Schreckinger, Betty Ann and Bill Dateno, Harold Gardiner, Marianne Ford, the Carlos Ortiz Family, John Haas, Karen Jones, Jennifer Carlson, Adelyn Wood, Elizabeth Ryan, Dave Kelly, Kevin Murray, Robin Humphries, Catherine Eklund, Jimmy Zollman, Charleen Arnold, Joshua Burgh, Brian Keller, Martin Samsbury-Carter, Linda Kaila, Cynthia McCready, Jesse Madison, Kelly Ann Carpenter, Martha Ferrara, Tom and Prov Moeller, Debbie Lloyd, Shana Calligos, Cameron Richard North, Paulette Lake, Karen Danis, Maureen Flanagan, Gretchen Maia

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 Zeytoonian, 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, Bryan Ruth

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

Daily Mass intentions and readings

august

10 MONDAY

6:30 +Steve Cymrot
9am Jorge Ibarra
2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

11 TUESDAY

6:30 Scott Vezina
9am Rick Caporali
Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

12 WEDNESDAY

6:30 +Lauren Lacy
9am Thao and Tinh Nguyen
Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20

13 THURSDAY

6:30 +Harvey D. Corey
9am +William Burke
Jos 3:7-10, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21-19:1

14 FRIDAY

6:30 +Luigi Carannante
9am +Glen Derouin
6pm +Bob Isquith
Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12

15 SATURDAY

9am Mary Lou Novak
5pm +Gina Marie Lenox
7pm +Joan Izzo
Rv 11:19, 12:1-6, 10; 1 Cor 15:20-27

16 SUNDAY

7am In Thanksgiving
8:30 Joseph and Elaine Stanislawski
10:30 For the Parish
10:30* Cindy Patton
12:30 +Rita Pechin
2pm Ashley Berrios
5pm +Mary Ellen Fermentat
7:01 +Rose Mary Carusle
Prv 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58

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

2 August Offertory 36,291.
Fred. Food Bank Children's Programs 4,297.
Poor Box for St. Vincent de Paul 284.

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 August

Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of August will be donated to the **Grace Oughton Cancer Foundation**. Originally established in 2006 to assist the family of nineteen month old Grace who courageously battled a rapidly progressing form of cancer called neuroblastoma, the Foundation has grown, in Grace's memory, and now provides resources and financial support for local families of children battling rare forms of childhood cancer, as well as grants for pediatric cancer research. The Grace Oughton Cancer Foundation thanks you in advance for your contributions in support of their efforts. For more information, visit their website at www.thegocf.org.

Pro Life Reflection for August 9

"The Almighty One has done great things for me..." (Luke 1:49)

In the human family there can be no closer bond than mother and child. They belong together; their destinies are intertwined. That is one of the central messages of the pro-life

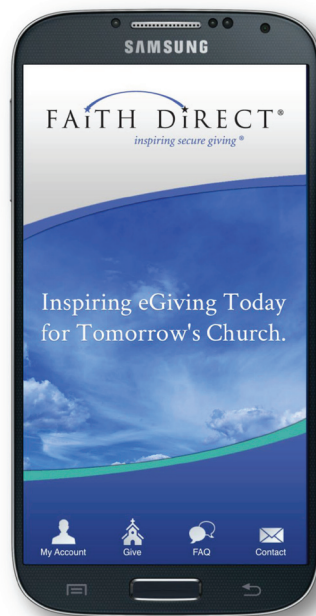
movement. To love and care for a mother necessarily means protecting, loving, and caring for her child.

Blessed Virgin Mary, on the joyous day of your Assumption, we honor you. Pray for us and for the victory of life!"

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Weekly Diocesan TV Mass brings the Mass to the homebound

Do you know someone who can't get to Mass? Invite them to join in the Sunday TV Mass filmed in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. **Every Sunday at 10:30am on WDCW-50**, this Mass airs for the members of our Catholic family unable to be physically present for Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy.

Saturday, August 15
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Mass Schedule

Friday, August 14
6pm

Saturday, August 15
9am

Masses next weekend

15 August – SATURDAY

5pm Fr. Holmes
7pm Fr. Lino

16 August – SUNDAY

7am Fr. Don
8:30 Fr. Lino
10:30 Fr. Cummings
HCA10:30 Fr. Holmes
12:30 Fr. Don
2pm Fr. Lino
5pm Fr. Don
7:01 Fr. Cummings

Deacon Alberto will assist at the 7am and 8:30am Sunday Masses.

Welcome to SHARE at St. Mary Parish!

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

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 August:

Value Package

(\$22 + 2 hrs community service)

- Potatoes, onions, and all the beautiful summer produce we can find
- Chicken Thighs – 1.5lb
- Tilapia – 1lb
- Hardwood Smoked Bacon – 1lb
- Ham Steak – 1lb

Chicken Leg Quarters

(\$13 + 2 hrs community service)

- 10 lbs. total weight

Bacon Cheddar Burgers

(\$28 + 2 hrs Community Service)

- 10 lbs. total weight

Labor Day Griller

(\$26 + 2 hrs Community Service)

- 8 – 4oz Hamburgers
- 4 – 4oz Chicken Breast
- 4 – 4oz Pork Chops
- 2 – 8oz Rib-Eye Steaks
- All items frozen, vacuum packed, and ready for the grill

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



SHARE Order Form

Value Package (\$22)

_____ x \$22. = \$ _____

Chicken Leg Quarters (\$13)

_____ x \$13. = \$ _____

Bacon Cheddar Burgers (\$28)

_____ x \$28. = \$ _____

Labor Day Griller (\$26)

_____ x \$26. = \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ zip _____

email _____

cell/phone _____

Community Service Hours:

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

PAYMENT METHODS:

CASH, MONEY ORDER, or EBT.

No CHECKS; Payment due when order is placed.

Money Orders should be made to: SHARE FOOD NETWORK.