

**TWENTY-SEVENTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
4 October 2015



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



what's coming



SAINT
MARY

of the
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Roman Catholic Church

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

october

4 SUNDAY, TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Respect Life Sunday, National Life Chain, see page 7 for more information

Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center. (Girl Scout Troop 522)

SCRIP on sale after all Masses except 2pm Mass.

3:30pm, Middle School Youth Group, Parish Life Center.

CYM Dinner and Youth Group meeting following the 5pm Mass.

5 Monday, Weekday

7:30pm, RCIA/RICA class, Church.

7:30pm, Catholics' Divorce Survival Guide class continues, Courtyard Meeting Room.

6 Tuesday, Weekday (Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher, Virgin)

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

3-8pm, Visitation of image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Church.

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

7 Wednesday, Our Lady of the Rosary

4pm, New Altar Server Training, Church.

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

8 Thursday, Weekday

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

4pm, New Altar Server Training, Church.

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

7:30pm, Year 1 Confirmation Meeting, Church.

9 Friday, Weekday (Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest)

9am, St. Anne Sisters in Faith, John Paul II House.

7pm, Called and Gifted Workshop, Holy Cross Academy.

10 Saturday, Weekday

9am, Called and Gifted Workshop, Holy Cross Academy.

SCRIP on sale after the 5pm Mass.

11 SUNDAY, TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center. (CYM)

SCRIP on sale after all Masses except 2pm Mass.

CYM Dinner and Youth Group meeting following the 5pm Mass.

12 Monday, Weekday

Columbus Day, parish offices closed.

7:30pm, RCIA/RICA class, Church.

7:30pm, Catholics' Divorce Survival Guide class continues, Courtyard Meeting Room.

8:15pm, Taize Prayer Service, Church.

13 Tuesday, Weekday

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

Noon, Senior Bingo, Parish Life Center.

7:30pm, Confirmation Year 2 Meeting, Church.

14 Wednesday, Weekday (Saint Callistus I, Pope, Martyr)

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

15 Thursday, Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

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

3-8pm, Visitation of image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Church.

7:30pm, Parish Council Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room.

16 Friday, Weekday (Saint Hedwig, Religious; Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin)

9am, St. Anne Sisters in Faith, John Paul II House.

7pm, Bunco, Parish Life Center.

nota bene (*note well, please*):

- ✂ If you still have **your Commitment Card**, you are welcome to mail it in or bring it into the office. **Everyone make a commitment to living your faith by getting involved in the parish!**
- ✂ **Parish Photo Directory** sign-up is now open. Please visit our parish website to schedule your sitting / appointment.
- ✂ **The prayer list for military men and women** in the bulletin is being updated. To have a name added to this new list, please contact the parish office.
- ✂ Today, October 4 from 3:30pm – 4:30pm is the kick-off for the **Middle School Youth Group**. Please join us in the Parish Life Center for an hour of friends, faith and fun.



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, 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 Lois Sullivan, RN, FCN Beth Palacios, RN, FCN
BAPTISMS	Parish registration (90 days) and class required. Please contact the parish office to schedule the date at least four weeks in advance.
MARRIAGE	Parish registration required; contact parish six months in advance to begin preparation.
JOIN US	New Family Registration meetings held in the church on fourth Sundays, following the 10:30 Mass. Please notify us of any contact changes.

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

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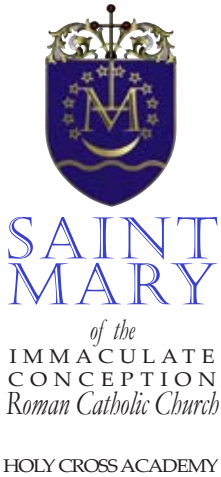
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from our pastor



Dear Good People of Saint Mary,

It's time again for one of those periodic columns when we catch up with a lot of housekeeping items, things that need to be mentioned for the good order of our community. Please give careful attention, and help one another in kindness to make our life together more fruitful and effective.

Volunteers. Please plan to join us on October 22 for our annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner. If you have volunteered in any capacity at Saint Mary or Holy Cross Academy, I invite you for an evening of dinner and dancing at Holy Cross Academy, prepared and served by your parish staff! We gather together for a home-cooked dinner and dancing to a great local band, Blue Tips Rhythm Revue, to thank you for your service to our parish family. It is always a lot of fun and I have the honor of giving out Volunteer of the Year Awards to those whose nominations gain them the distinction of being some of our most treasured volunteers.

Hope. Some of us from Saint Mary gathered together and represented our parish family at the Hope Over Heroin event last weekend Friday and Saturday nights. People who were trying to beat drug addiction, parents who were looking for answers for their children with addictions, and volunteers from all over Fredericksburg came and ate a lot of cookies, and spoke with us. Especially as we had been listening to Pope Francis all week, I was filled with the truth that there was no other place that we should be at that moment, no other people we were placed here to serve than these people who needed to know the support of their community. It was good to be there to let them know that we were there for them. So many parents, since we have announced we were involved in this program, have communicated their relief knowing that their Church truly cared. All I can say is that I am sorry that we haven't been more involved in such real community issues up until now. We are here for you, and we care.

Thanks, Bishop Loverde. I understand that most of you have received a mailing from the Diocese asking you to fill out a spiritual bouquet card. All of them will be given to Bishop Loverde at the celebration of his 50th anniversary of priesthood (December 18) in early November. All of us

know how important it is to be recognized for our goodness; even though we wouldn't actively seek it for ourselves, it brings great satisfaction. Probably you know that Bishop Loverde reached his 75th birthday on September 3, the day on which all bishops submit a letter of resignation and retirement to the Holy Father. It is up to Pope Francis to decide when he accepts that resignation and his new assignments have come anywhere between nine and 15 months. Bishop Loverde's anniversary is an opportunity for all of us in the Diocese to let him know how much he has done for us. He has been a true father, a good teacher and an especially good friend for us at Saint Mary, always supporting our initiatives and growth, as well as often looking to our parish to pioneer many of his programs. We have a great debt of thanks to him, so it is appropriate that everyone respond to this request. A spiritual bouquet is a gift we give to another consisting of prayers, sacrifices, good deeds which we offer in his intention. The benefit of our good deeds is given to him, for his needs and the intentions he has in his own heart. Please respond generously with your gifts of sincere thanks.

Church kids. Parents, please consider the needs of people around you if your children are fussy at Mass. They can't help it, but you can help us. When children seem to be more than momentarily upset, please know that we share your frustration but hope that you will enable us to hear and better join in Mass participation. Please do not feel embarrassed if you need to step out of the church for a moment. *Again, if you don't have children who are upset, you should not be in the cry room at all,* it is reserved for noise and those who are looking for refuge with noisy children. It is NOT a play room alternative during Mass. Parents, also please keep your children from damaging our new pews. They are already in bad condition in some places. Also, I'm told, children have been gathering unsupervised by parents in the restrooms and playing, and running us out of paper products. Please keep an eye out for us. Thanks. Nobody likes to stop in and suddenly realize there is no paper, as happened often last weekend.

You are Called and Gifted. Last call: this weekend we begin the Called and Gifted Workshop. October 9 and 10. Please don't miss it. We don't know how often we will be able to repeat this blessing to our parish. God bless you. *Fr. Don*

holy cross academy



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Excellence,
2012*

Go, Crusaders!

Volleyball...field hockey...soccer. Our HCA athletic teams are having a great season. Go, Crusaders!

Our varsity and junior varsity volleyball teams have matured a lot and are having a successful season. This sport is fairly new to HCA but it has already become very popular with our girls. This sport is one that our young athletes will be able to play throughout their lives.



Our boys' soccer team is undefeated so far this season and our athletes have distinguished themselves by their athletic prowess and their good sportsmanship. We wish them the best at their tournament on October 16th.

HCA's field hockey team took away the honors at the Tiger Cup at the Fredericksburg Field House. Not only did our girls win all 4 games but they did not allow any scoring by their opponents. They hold a near perfect record this season with just one loss.

We are proud of our teams and their success in the field or on the court as they strive to give their best for each game. We are even more proud of their reputation for great school spirit and Christ-centered sportsmanship. Go, Crusaders!

Holy Cross Academy serves Saint Mary Parish by offering an excellent academic program grounded in



our Catholic faith. Our students strive to become the best that they can be spiritually and academically. Our school program develops the whole child and challenges each student to pursue excellence in all areas.

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. We look forward to telling you all about the wonderful opportunities we provide for our students. Learn about our parish school by visiting our website, www.holycrossweb.com. If you would like to see what we can do for your child, please call our HCA office at 540-286-1600 or St. Mary Preschool at 540-373-7553.

education

religious education

Some children are missing out!

There are more than a thousand children in our parish missing out on something very important!

According to our *Saint Mary 2016 Parish Renewal Report*, there are 2,433 children between the ages of 5-13 in our parish but only 1,370 (including Holy Cross Academy), are enrolled in Religious Education. **Encourage**

your friends, neighbors and relatives to send their children to religious education classes.

The most important catechists in a child's life is their parents. The church teaches that parents are the first and primary teachers of their children. The home is where faith can be nurtured in your child and grow with them. If a child thinks something is important to their

parents, then it will be important to them, too. We encourage you to pray with your children before each meal and every night. Why not try reading Bible stories at bedtime? Explain to them the importance of going to Mass, and how your faith has affected you. Doing all of this, in addition to sending your children to Religious Education classes, can set them on the path to a deeper relationship with God.

youth ministry



High School Rally

Join us for the Diocesan High School Rally on **Sunday, October 18 from 10am-9pm**. This event is a celebration of our faith and love of the Lord. We will gather for over eight hours of live music from Matt Maher Tour, games, inspirational speakers, and Sunday Mass with Bishop Loverde. Cost is \$25 and a permission slip. **RSVP by no later than Monday, October 7.**

Middle School Youth Group

Today is the kick-off for the **Middle School Youth Group**. Please join us from **3:30pm-4:30pm** in the Parish Life Center for an hour of friends, faith and fun.



All Day Prayer Vigil

The 23rd **International Week of Prayer and Fasting** is October 16-24, 2015. As part of this week-long event, the International Day of Prayer will be held **Saturday, October 24 from 9am-4:30pm** at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. **Registration**

is free but requested. Please register online at www.iwopf.org and you will receive a free prayer card at the Basilica event. **The day of prayer will consist of** a procession of the nations before the Noon Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Confessions, and all four mysteries of the Global Living Rosary recited throughout

the day. **Speakers include** Fr. Seraphim Michalenko MIC; Pat Polachek; and Tony Mullen; and Lila Rose (Invited). **The celebrant and Homilist** for the Noon mass will be Bishop Martin D. Holley, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. **For more information** visit www.iwopf.org, or call 1-888-478-PRAY (7729) or 703-707-0799.

Today: Respect Life Sunday

Saint Mary Parish will participate in the Annual Life Chain Sunday, October 4 from 2–3:30pm. We will meet in the Parish Life Center at 2pm to pick up our signs and walk up to Route 1, where we will form a chain along Route 1 from Route 3 to College Avenue. Please join us and take a stand for the unborn.

The Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful, silent demonstration. Hundreds of Christians—clergy and lay people—stand 25 to 50 feet apart to form a prayer chain and hold signs. This powerful, visual impact not only raises community awareness but has also been credited with saving children's lives.



Parents of teens

The Parent(s) of Teens discussion group—facilitated by Dian Epp, LCSW, a member of the Saint Mary Health Ministry Team—continues **Monday, September 28 from 7-8:30pm.** To register, please call the Parish Office at [540-373-6491](tel:540-373-6491).

Upcoming sessions include:

- **Oct. 5:** Warning signs of substance abuse in teens
- **Oct. 12:** Setting effective boundaries with teens

Tentatively scheduled:

- **Oct. 19:** Ways to identify signs of anxiety and depression in teens
- **Oct. 26:** How to promote your teen's self esteem

Classes will be held in the conference room at Catholic Charities.

A Fish Fry to support Culture of Life

Come to a Fish Fry/Open House/ Ultrasound Dedication at the **Fredericksburg Pregnancy Center**, 1616 Stafford Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA, 22401 on **Friday, October 9, from 5–8:30pm.** The cost is \$12 per person. There will be fried tilapia, cod, catfish, french fries, hush puppies, cole slaw, and cake from Paul's Bakery. Come meet the staff, tour the Center, all while

eating good food and supporting a wonderful organization that helps pregnant women in need! Knights of Columbus councils from Saint Mary and St. William of York have purchased Ultrasound machines for the Fredericksburg Pregnancy Center. The profits from the Fish Fry will go to defray maintenance and warranty costs.

Saint Mary book club

Life in the Afternoon: Good Ways of Growing Older by Edward Fischer is the **October 13 selection** for the parish book club. This work from Paulist Press is described as a "wise but unsentimental reflection on the process of aging." Join us **October 13, at 10am in the John Paul II House.** Contact person: Kathleen Mahoney, [540-371-2073](tel:540-371-2073) or bmah761569@aol.com.

Bingo For Seniors

Please join us Tuesday, **October 13 from Noon–1:30pm** in the Parish Life Center for a little fun. We will be playing a variety of Bingo games and providing a light lunch and small prizes. Admission is free. For more information, contact Maria D'Amico at [540-785-3580](tel:540-785-3580).

CCW craft bazaar

We need your home made crafts! Bring your donated, hand-crafted items to the Parish Life Center, Room 100, **any Thursday morning until October 22** or to the church office with Wanda Cushing's name on them. Lunch by the American Heritage Girls will be available for purchase on Saturday. Bazaar hours are Saturday, 8am–2pm, and Sunday, 8am–noon.

Health Ministry walks

The Health Ministry walk **continues through November 14** on Saturdays at 7am at the Rappahannock River Heritage trail and Canal path; 3.1 miles. Questions?: [540-845-3031](tel:540-845-3031), ParishNurse@stmaryfred.org.

Health eNewsletter online

The first Edition of the Health Ministry Health Link newsletter is now available. Our newsletter addresses topics of health and general well-being. Submit topics that you would like more information on to parishnurse@stmaryfred.org. A link to the newsletter is at the bottom of Saint Mary's home page under the list of "Often Requested Information." Hardcopies are in the information area in the vestibule of the church.



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HEALTH MINISTRY

happening here

Bishop Loverde's 50th Anniversary Mass

Bishop Loverde will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of his 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination on November 7, 12pm, at All Saints Catholic Church (9300 Stonewall Road, Manassas, VA).



This Mass will allow the faithful of the Diocese of Arlington to unite in prayerful thanksgiving for Bishop Loverde and his service as a pastor of souls

in our diocese and beyond. A light reception will be held in the parish activities center of All Saints Church immediately following the Mass. Since seating is limited, tickets have been proportioned to parishes in the diocese. **Saint Mary will receive 24 tickets and we will need to have this list to the diocese soon. For this reason, we will hold a raffle for**

those in the parish who would like to enter their names in a drawing to attend this Mass. **Please call the office and have your name entered in the drawing no later than Friday afternoon, October 2.**

Parish pilgrimage

Plan to join your fellow parishioners on the annual Parish Pilgrimage sponsored by the Council of Catholic Women on **November 14, from 8:30am-5:30pm. All are welcome.**

This year we travel to the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., a National Sanctuary of Prayer and Pilgrimage. The Shrine is the largest Catholic Church in North America and one of the ten largest in the world. It is at the Basilica that Pope Francis will begin the U.S. Papal visit in September. **The day will include** travel by bus, a tour of the Shrine, Mass, opportunity for confession and private prayer, lunch in the Shrine cafeteria (bring your own or purchase there), time for shopping

in the gift shop and/or bookstore. Fr. Lino will be joining us on our trip to the Basilica and will concelebrate the Mass. **Sign up and leave your payment in the CCW mailbox in the office.** Cost will be: \$20 payable by check or cash. Please reserve early as we expect the bus to fill quickly. **Questions?** Contact Joyce O'Toole, tjotoole@verizon.net, 540-371-2365.

Adult Confirmation classes: Dec./Jan.

We will begin Adult Confirmation classes for all those who have already been baptized and have received first Communion, but have not been confirmed, as well as for those who might want a short refresher course on the Catholic faith. **There will be an introductory meeting and then six classes** led by Deacon Dick, each lasting about one hour on Tuesday nights at 7pm. The tentative schedule begins with the **introductory meeting on Wednesday, December 9, then Tuesday classes on December 15 and 29, January 5,**

Dear Saint Mary and Holy Cross Volunteers,

*You are cordially invited,
all who have volunteered at
Saint Mary or Holy Cross during the past year,
to come to our ninth annual
Volunteer Appreciation Dinner*

*Dinner and dancing,
Thursday, the 22nd, of October
6pm at Holy Cross Academy*



happening here

12, 19 and 26. If you would like to sign up for these classes, or to just come to the introductory meeting to hear more, **please call the parish office to register**, leaving your name, phone number and email address.

40 Days for Life in the Arlington Diocese

From September 23–November 1, 2015, our community will join other cities around the world in the **40 Days for Life campaign**, a focused, prayerful, and life-saving effort that consists of the following main elements:

- 40 days of prayer and fasting
- 40 days of peaceful vigil
- 40 days of community outreach

We are praying that, with God's help, this groundbreaking effort will help end abortion throughout America. **Vigils will be held at:**

- **Planned Parenthood**
303 S. Maple Ave. or 370 S.

Washington St. (Lee Hwy.)
Contact: Falls Church 40 Days for Life Team, 703-795-2216, 40daysfallschurch@gmail.com

- **Landmark Towers**
101 S. Whiting St., Suite 215, Alexandria
Contact: Sara Dina, sara.40days@cox.net
- **Amethyst Health Center for Women**
9380 Forestwood Ln., Manassas
Contact: Mike Baldwin, 571-292-1159, mikebaldwin4life@gmail.com

Monetary donations for Coats for Kids

In partnership with the Fredericksburg Sheriff's Department, the Knights of Columbus, Fredericksburg Council #4034 is **accepting monetary donations to purchase new coats for local children**. Including shipping, a case of coats costs \$220 and contains either boys' coats or

girls' coats. The size distribution in each case is: two Size S (8), four Size M (10-12), four Size L (14-16) and two Size XL (18). Smaller sizes are also available, and will automatically be included on orders of six cases or more. **All donations will be spent directly for the coats.** The Knights of Columbus are volunteering their time to assist ordering and distribution. The Fredericksburg Sheriff's Department is storing the coats, identifying kids to receive the coats, and helping to hand them out. **Questions: (703) 201-7703 or CoatsForKids@kofc4034.org**

Overnight Staff Needed

Micah is hiring for two overnight monitors for the 2015-16 cold weather shelter. The shelter season starts November 15 and runs through approximately March 15. Overnight monitors cover 2-3 shifts per week from 8pm until 8am. Interested? Please send resume to **meghann@dolovewalk.net**.



This is our way of saying **"Thank you for all that you do!"** There is no cost for the meal and dress is casual. Seating is limited, adults only, please.

To make your reservation, **please RSVP** to the parish office, 540-373-6491 or to Fr. Rooney at **frrooney@stmaryfred.org by Monday, October 19.**

pope francis papal visit 2015



right and below
right: Pope Francis
at Foundation Hall
in the 9/11 Memorial
Museum for the
interreligious prayer
service on Friday,
September 25th.



above and right:
Surrounded by
priests and bishops
at the Papal Mass
for the Canonization
of Saint Junipero
at the Basilica of
the Immaculate
Conception on
Wednesday,
September 23.



liturgy called in love

New Parking Restrictions

Let's err on the side of safety! Fredericksburg City Public Works personnel have installed "No Parking Here to Corner" signs on **Stafford Avenue and Buckner Street to clearly designate the parking restrictions at this intersection.** Parishioners are reminded to be mindful of our College Heights residence and fellow parishioners when parking near this intersection. If a police officer asks you to move your car, please take the time to choose another parking spot. **If you don't, your car may be ticketed.**

Masses next weekend

10 October— SATURDAY

5pm Fr. Don
7pm Fr. Holmes

11 October— SUNDAY

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

Deacon Alberto will assist ant the 5pm and 7pm Saturday Masses.

Saint Mary prayer list

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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 Callirgos, Cameron Richard North, Karen Danis, Maureen Flanagan, Gretchen Maia, Mary Ellen Normand, D.J. Smetek, Jim Evans, Megan Ramsey, Robert and Tenya Mosier, Cesar Corretjer, Josh Oltman, Donelda Wellwood, Keith Kovalefski, Bruce Bates, Joseph Bozicevic, Dyke Stabler, Helen Kozyra, Meredith Dean, Bernice Douglas, Paul Johnson, Alana Cross

Please pray for all the men and women in our military and civilian support services overseas, especially: Glenn Dickinson, Paul Fischer, John Moring, Dominick Joseph Petro, Jamal Williams, Lance Schulte, Brian Hellman, Sean Plunkett, Roy Selvidge, Patrick Fenton, David James, Patrick Croley. **This list has been reset. To have a name added to this new list, please contact the parish office.**

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

Daily Mass intentions and readings

october

12 MONDAY

6:30 +Bernie Hamling
8:15* +Christopher Friedrichs
Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32

13 TUESDAY

6:30 Kay Morgan
9am +Doris Kosciol
Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41

14 WEDNESDAY

6:30 +Patrick Thorn
9am +Margaret Mary Storck
Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46

15 THURSDAY

6:30 All Discalced Carmelites
8:15* +Robert Lancellotti
9am Glen Sturtevant, Sr.
Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54

16 FRIDAY

6:30 Brian Fogerty
9am +Margaret Clancy
Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7

17 SATURDAY

9am +Richard Fleming
5pm Antoinette Detrane
7pm +Fred Gasper
Rom 4:13,16-18; Lk 12:8-12

18 SUNDAY

7am For the Parish
8:30 +Joseph Trinh
10:30 Teresita Canizares
10:30*Tim and Kristin Baroody
12:30 Edward Holzworth
2pm All Souls
5pm +Araceli Libarnes
7:01 The Lindell Family
Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16;
Mk 10:35-45

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*



Parishioners welcome visitors to the Saint Mary tent at the Hope Over Heroin event held September 25-26 at Pratt Park.

operations given in love

Weekly Offertory

27 September Offertory \$35,102.
Catholic University Collection 4,497.
Parish Building Fund (add'l) 2,901.
Poor Box, St. Vincent de Paul 231.

Thank you for your generosity!

The second collection on October 10-11 is for the parish building fund.

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 October

The children's charity that will benefit from Children's Offertory Envelopes in October is **Safe Harbor Child Advocacy Center in Spotsylvania**. This organization strives to strengthen the coordinated community response to situations of child maltreatment, including sexual abuse, severe physical abuse, severe neglect and fatalities, by integrating the existing resources of law enforcement, child protection, prosecution, medical and therapeutic agencies so that perpetrators are held accountable for their actions and children are not further traumatized by the investigative process. *Children's Offertory Envelopes are available through Religious Education. All proceeds from these envelopes go to a different children's charity each month.*

Pro Life Reflection for October 4

"God's infinite love for each one of us helps us to grasp

our identity and our worth. The recognition of this dignity leads us to respect and protect each person's life..." (USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities) *We pray for the world that all people may recognize and treat each person as a masterpiece of God's creation.*

October—The month of The Holy Rosary

By Apostolic Brief at the Eucharistic Congress of Bologna, in September 1927, a Plenary Indulgence is granted to all the faithful who recite the Holy Rosary in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, either exposed for veneration or reserved in the Tabernacle.

Inspiring Catholic CDs

The Parish Life Center has new CDs from Lighthouse Catholic Media. Buy a few CDs for your long commutes or hand out to friends as a way to evangelize. CDs:\$5 each or 5 CDs for \$20.

Supporting HCA

Don't forget to designate HCA on your Giant Bonus Bucks card. **Our school id number is 02320.** You have to redesignate the school every year. Our PTO raises several thousand dollars as we all by our groceries! While you are at it, make sure that we are the beneficiary of your Target red card purchases. That program will be ending in May so let's take full advantage of it while we can!

Manna Project Food Drive Results

Thank you parishioners of Saint Mary! During our September Food Drive, Manna Project volunteers collected **1,787 pounds of non-perishable goods and raised \$6,114** for the Fredericksburg Area Food Bank. This equates to 13,717 meals to help those in need! We are grateful to the Manna volunteers and members of Saint Mary for helping us fight hunger in our area.



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Pro-life Shrine to the Holy Family

One of the outward signs of our parish commitment to the value and dignity of human life will be a shrine to the Holy Family located in the island in front of the Parish Life Center. Please prayerfully consider a donation to support the installation of this shrine. Call Fr. Don directly if you can help.

A Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. Help expectant parents to welcome from God the priceless gift of their child's life. Console parents who have lost that gift through abortion, and lead them to forgiveness and healing through the Divine Mercy of your Son. Teach us to cherish and to care for family and friends until God calls them home. Help us never to see others as burdens. Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.

Welcome to SHARE at St. Mary Parish!

Order Deadline: 12 October
Food Pick-Up: 24 October

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 fresh, nutritious produce we can find
- Chicken Drumsticks/Thighs, 3 lbs.
- Smoked imitation) Crabmeat, 1 lbs.
- Steak Strips, ¾ lbs.
- Bacon, 1 lbs.

Seafood Box

(\$23 + 2 hrs community service)

- Beer-Battered Shrimp, 2 – 10oz.
- Tilapia, 1 lbs.
- Cod, 4 – 5oz portions
- Snapper, 1 lbs.

Chicken Leg Quarters

(\$11 + 2 hrs Community Service)

- Last chance to fill your freezer with 10 pounds chicken leg quarters!

Pork Chop Box

(\$22+ 2 hrs Community Service)

- 15 – 6oz. Pork Chops

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. = \$ _____

Seafood Box (\$23)
_____ x \$23. = \$ _____

Chicken Leg Quarters (\$11)
_____ x \$11. = \$ _____

Pork Chop Box (\$22)
_____ x \$22. = \$ _____

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.