

**TWENTY-NINTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
18 October 2015



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



what's coming



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HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

october

18 SUNDAY, TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center. (Girl Scout Troop)
SCRIP on sale after all Masses except 2pm Mass.
Holy Cross Academy's World's Finest Chocolate Sale is this weekend outside of church.
3:30pm, Health Ministry Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room.
Diocesan High School Rally.

19 Monday, Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

7pm, Parent(s) of Teens discussion group, Catholic Charities Conference Room.
7:30pm, RCIA/RICA class, Church.
7:30pm, Catholics' Divorce Survival Guide class continues, Courtyard Meeting Room.

20 Tuesday, Weekday (Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest)

10am, CCW General Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room.
7:30pm, Life in the Spirit Prayer Gathering, Courtyard Meeting Room.

21 Wednesday, Weekday

9:30am-1pm, Visitation of image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Church.
6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House.

22 Thursday, Weekday (Saint John Paul II, Pope)

9:30am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100.
6pm, Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, Holy Cross Academy.

23 Friday, Weekday (Saint John on Capistrano, Priest)

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

24 Saturday, Weekday (Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop)

Confirmation retreat for teams 1-11 (Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.)
CCW Bazaar, Parish Life Center.
Holy Cross Academy's World's Finest Chocolate Sale is this weekend outside of church.
SCRIP on sale after the 5pm Mass.

25 SUNDAY, THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8am-1pm, CCW Bazaar, Parish Life Center.
Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center. (CCW)
SCRIP on sale after all Masses except 2pm Mass.
Holy Cross Academy's World's Finest Chocolate Sale is this weekend outside of church.
11:30am, New Family Welcome Meeting, Church.
3:15pm, Discussion on the Pope's Encyclical on the Environment by Fr. Don, Courtyard Meeting Room.
CYM Dinner and Youth Group meeting following the 5pm Mass.

26 Monday, Weekday

7pm, Parent(s) of Teens discussion group (last meeting), Catholic Charities Conference Room.
7:30pm, RCIA/RICA class, Church.
7:30pm, Catholics' Divorce Survival Guide class continues, Courtyard Meeting Room.

27 Tuesday, Weekday

28 Wednesday, Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House.
6pm, Catechist training, Parish Life Center

29 Thursday, Weekday

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

30 Friday, Weekday

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

31 Saturday, Weekday

SCRIP on sale after the 5pm Mass.

nota bene (*note well, please*):

✚ This weekend we welcome **Rev. Paul W. Farin** and **Rev. Msgr. Ted Bertani** who will speak at our Masses on behalf of **Cross Catholic Outreach**.

✚ The **second collection** this weekend supports World Mission Sunday. Your ongoing support is vital to the missionaries serving in 1,150 dioceses throughout Asia, Africa, parts of Latin America and Europe, and on the Islands of the Pacific.

✚ **Parish Photo Directory** sign-up continues. Be a part of a book that will help us all get to know each other! You will receive one free print of the portrait, other copies may be ordered only if you wish. Please visit our parish website to schedule your portrait sitting / appointment.

✚ Saint Mary **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner** is Thursday, **October 22**: RSVPs are due this Monday, October 19.

✚ **Confirmation teams 1-11** travel to the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Saturday, **October 24** for their confirmation retreat.

✚ On Wednesday, **October 28**, **Catechist training** will be held in the Parish Life Center.

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.

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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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HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

Dear Good People of Saint Mary,

There have been several meetings referred to as a Parliament of the World's Religions, the first being the World's Parliament of Religions of 1893, which was an attempt to create a global dialogue of faiths. The event was celebrated by another conference on its centenary in 1993, again in Chicago. This led to a new series of conferences under the official title of the Parliament of the World's Religions which have taken place since every few years in Kyoto, Cape Town, Barcelona, Monterrey, Melbourne, and this year in Salt Lake City.

In 1893, the city of Chicago hosted the World Columbian Exposition, an early world's fair. So many people were coming to Chicago from all over the world that many smaller conferences, called Congresses and Parliaments, were scheduled to take advantage of this unprecedented gathering. A number of congresses were held in conjunction with the exposition, including those dealing with anthropology (one of the major themes of Exposition exhibits), labor, medicine, temperance, commerce and finance, literature, history, art, philosophy, and science. One of these was the World's Parliament of Religions.

The 1893 Parliament, which ran from 11 to 27 September, marked the first organized gathering of representatives of Eastern and Western spiritual traditions. Today it is recognized as the occasion of the birth of formal interreligious dialogue worldwide.

I'm not with you this weekend because, as president of CADEIO (in my last year until April), I'm participating in the Catholic program that our Association has prepared for the 2015 Parliament. We have prepared seminars based on the newest developments in interreligious dialogue, especially the fresh approach that Pope Francis has encouraged based on relationship. I will be working mostly as a speaker in a seminar and a panel with the Sikhs, a dialogue between Catholics and leaders of the Sikh religion which I attended for the first five or six years that I came to Saint Mary.

It is a time that people of all religions are going to gather—about 10,000 people in all—to pray for peace, for harmony in our environment,

for growth in understanding and conversation and renewed efforts to help alleviate hunger, suffering and violence through collaboration in what Pope Francis has called the "Dialogue of Action." It is good to talk about it, it is even better to do something about it! Our goal is to start working on these social reforms together.

I will be the homilist at the Cathedral of the Madeleine at the Saturday Vigil Mass this weekend, and I will remember all of you and our parish's hopes and needs in all these areas. My daily prayer for Saint Mary is that we will awaken to the presence of God who is so present to us though we don't necessarily think of him, or remember his goodness toward us too often. We need to learn how to see him in our most difficult situations, in the most forgotten people, in serving those who need to know Jesus through us the most.

For those of you who have subscribed on the parish website for periodic announcements and reflections, I won't be recording a homily this week, but will resume the weekend after.

This trip to Salt Lake City will be the final significant obligation I will have for CADEIO until after Easter! I'm so looking forward to things slowing down a little and just enjoying being a pastor. Also the several trips I have taken to Kansas have accomplished our family's goal. We have prepared the farm for sale and now the remaining contents of the house will go in an auction later in November. I will still try to go home when I can for a couple days at a time to visit Mom.

Sunday the 25th we will begin a three-class series on Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato si'*. If you would like to participate, you can download a copy free of charge in pdf format—please let's start reading it so that our discussions will be meaningful. We will discuss the document the first two Sundays and plan a parish response in action to the document on the third. By the way, the words *Laudato si'* are the beginning of the prayer that Saint Francis really wrote—the Canticle of Creation:

*Be praised, my Lord, for all your creation
and especially for our Brother Sun,
who brings us the day and the light;
he is strong and shines magnificently...*

God bless you.

Fr. Don

holy cross academy



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Serving others—Always lending a hand

“Serve the needy in our local community and in the missions through an awareness of our global responsibility to all humanity.” This excerpt from our school’s Mission Statement is lived out regularly by students in all grades in our school.

Our students are always willing to lend a helping hand when asked. Any given day they may be assisting with Grandparents’ Day, helping out in a classroom or delivering a message or package for their teacher. Our HCA students care deeply about others, both the people in our own community and our brothers and sisters throughout the world.



Each class at Holy Cross Academy packs lunch for our friends at the Thurman Brisben Homeless Center twice a year. Families donate the ‘fixings’ and students and parents assemble

a nutritious and satisfying midday meal which is delivered to the shelter to be handed out to the residents as they head off for work or on a job search. We have been preparing these lunches each week since 1999.

Our Middle School service group, Young Catholics, recently assisted in our parish-wide ‘Shred Event’. Students assisted with unloading boxes from the cars and carrying them over to the truck. They also sold warm drinks and snacks to those who stopped by. The funds raised from the sale have been donated to our Oblate Sisters’ missions.

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

Deacon Alberto is offering Spanish Bible Study sessions

On Monday evenings at 6:30pm (the same time as religious education classes) Deacon Alberto leads a Bible Study class with Spanish-speaking parents. Come join the 25-30 other parents to discuss and learn more about our Catholic faith.

El lunes a las 6:30 por la tarde (al mismo tiempo que las clases de educación religiosa) Diácono Alberto conduce clases de estudios Bíblicos con los padres que hablan español. Ven y compartir con los 25-30 otros padres para discutir y aprender más de nuestra fe católica.

youth ministry




Middle School Youth Group

The Middle School Youth Group will meet **Sunday, November 1 from 3:30pm–4:30pm** in the Parish Life Center. Join us for a fun hour of faith and friends.

WorkCamp 2016: Spotsylvania, VA & Banica, Dominican Republic

Our WorkCamp preparations are beginning soon. Our 2016 application is available online and includes a list of

mandatory meeting dates. Our first mandatory meeting is Sunday, November 8. Please make sure you save the date on the calendar. For more information about our 2016 WorkCamps, please visit stmaryfred.org/workcamp/.



"It is your life that Jesus wants to enter with His word, with His presence. Please, let Christ and His word enter your life, blossom and grow. The Church needs you, your enthusiasm, your creativity and the joy that is so characteristic of youth."

- Pope Francis

YOUCAT

Meets Wednesday nights from 6:30pm to 8pm.

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parish life 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.**

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.)
40daysfallschurch@gmail.com
- **Landmark Towers**
101 S. Whiting St., Suite 215, Alexandria
sara.40days@cox.net
- **Amethyst Health Center for Women**
9380 Forestwood Ln., Manassas
mikebaldwin4life@gmail.com

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. For more information visit www.iwopf.org**, or call 1-888-478-PRAY (7729) or 703-707-0799.

Open house

St. Michael the Archangel High School, located in Fredericksburg, VA, is hosting an Open House on **Sunday, October 25, from 1-4pm**. SMHS is an independent, coeducational high school centered in Catholic values. To learn more visit www.saintmichaelhs.org, or call the school office at 540.548.8748.

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.**

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*

parish life happening here

We welcome back the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe

*The miraculous image of Our Lady returns to Saint Mary on **Wednesday, October 21** from **9:30-1pm** in the church.*

A digital copy of the original tilma of St. Juan Diego in the basilica in Mexico City, this image communicates the loving presence of Mary, our Mother, through some beautiful signs. You, too, can experience these graces, signs and wonders through Mary's mediation and respond to our bishops' call for a culture of life in our country.



CCW guest speaker

The next general meeting of the Catholic Women's Council will be **October 20 at 10am** in the Courthouse Meeting Room. Our guest speaker will be **Laurel Collins Director of the Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services**. Please join us to hear this interesting speaker, enjoy our refreshments and stay for the business meeting if you're able.

CCW craft bazaar

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. **CCW is also accepting books and baked goods (marked for the CCW Bazaar) on October 22-23.**

Bazaar hours are Saturday, October 24 from 8am-2pm, and Sunday, October 25 from 8am-noon. Lunch, provided by the American Heritage Girls, will be available for purchase on Saturday.

Parents of teens

The last two meetings of the Parent(s) of Teens discussion group will be **Mondays, October 19 and October 26**. The group meets in the conference room at Catholic Charities from **7-8:30pm**. To register, please call the Parish Office at 540-373-6491.

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, Parish Nurse@stmaryfred.org.**

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. **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 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. **Questions?** Contact Joyce O'Toole, tjotoole@verizon.net, 540-371-2365.

Adult Confirmation classes: Dec./Jan.

Deacon Dick Delio 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 on Wednesday, December 9 at 7pm, followed by six, Tuesday evening classes at 7pm.** Please call the parish office to register, leaving your name, phone number and email address.

Basketball coach needed

Holy Cross Academy is looking for someone to coach our Girls JV basketball team this year. If you know a little something about basketball and want to share your knowledge with eager-to-learn middle school girls, then HCA has a place for you! Currently, HCA has 11 games scheduled (6 at home and 5 away) and the season will run the months of November-February. Please let us know if you are able to help us out. Email us at hcaathletics@holycrossweb.com or call the office at **540-286-1600.**

liturgy called in love



Free organ concert: November 13

Saint Mary welcomes virtuoso organist and composer Dr. Mary Beth Bennett who will play a **free concert Friday, November 13 at 8pm**. Donations are welcome, and a reception will follow where you can "meet the artist." Dr. Bennett will perform works of Bach, Langlais, Vierne, Widor, Tunder, Bruhns and her own *Variations on "Outbursts of Spring Triumphant"* based on a melody by the late Virginia composer Friedrich Ludwig Diehn. **For more information**, contact David Mathers at dmathers@stmaryfred.org or (540) 373-6491.

Cross Catholic Outreach

Cross Catholic Outreach is a Catholic ministry that serves the poorest of the poor internationally by channeling aid through dioceses, parishes, and Catholic missionaries, cost-effectively helping the poor break the cycle of poverty while advancing Catholic evangelization.

This weekend we welcome Rev. Paul W. Farin and Rev. Msgr. Ted Bertani who will speak at our Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach. We look forward to uplifting and informative presentations to our parish.

Masses next weekend

24 October— SATURDAY

5pm Fr. Cummings
7pm Fr. Lino

25 October— SUNDAY

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

Deacon Delio will preach at the 5pm and 7pm Saturday Masses. Deacon Alberto will assist at the 5pm and 7pm Sunday Masses.

Saint Mary prayer list

Please pray for those who are sick or in need,

especially: Janie Sherry, Martha Clemens, Art Gabler, Pat Arvai, 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, 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, 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, Joseph O'Byrne, Veronica Johnson, Hal Ehrhart, Lillian Held, Prudy Tarpey

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, Shawn Tupta. **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

19 MONDAY

6:30 +Cecilia M. Lee
8:15* +Jason Moohey
Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21

20 TUESDAY

6:30 +Glen Schwolow
9am +Josephine Sumpolec
Rom 5:12,15,17-21; Lk 12:35-38

21 WEDNESDAY

6:30 +William and Emily Taubert
9am +Frank Clancy Jr.
Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48

22 THURSDAY

6:30 +Stella Stofko
8:15* +Jonathan Dressler
9am Ethan Sturtevant
Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53

23 FRIDAY

6:30 Nancy Ann Taubert
9am +Maria Ngat Vu
Rom 7:18-25; Lk 12:54-59

24 SATURDAY

9am +Richard Golemboski
5pm +Charles C. Lee
7pm Terry Rinker
Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9

25 SUNDAY

7am Lawrence Dillman
8:30 For the Parish
10:30 Mary Ann Holzworth
10:30* +Rita Brizzi
12:30 Our Military Living and Deceased
2pm +All Souls
5pm John Wagner
7:01 +Anthappan Chummar
Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

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

operations

11 October Offertory	\$31,554.
Parish Building Fund	7,765.
PortoCharitiesSpecial(add'l)	1,087.

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.

The children's charity that will benefit from Children's Offertory Envelopes in October is **Safe Harbor Child Advocacy Center in Spotsylvania.**

Pro Life Reflection for October 18

“Pope Francis challenges us to be protectors of all creation, to be stewards of all God’s gifts. We begin to exercise this responsibility when we defend human life—especially the unborn and the vulnerable. When we affirm the sacredness of all human life, we acknowledge God’s plan for each human being, and we work to defend the gift of life from every form of abuse. Similarly, when we affirm that everything God made is good and worthy of our reverence and respect, we look differently on all God’s creation.” (Archbishop Robert J. Carlson, Archbishop of St. Louis, MO, “Caring for God’s creation is good stewardship,” St. Louis Review, July 11, 2013)

We pray for all those who defend the unborn, that they may be persistent and faithful in their witness as they strive to build a culture of life.

The Virginia Catholic Conference has created a Voters' Guide for upcoming General Assembly elections to help voters identify

contested races and engage their candidates on issues important to Catholics. The election is November 3. The guide can be found on the Conference website at www.vacatholic.org.

The Voters' Guide consists of a Virginia map that highlights the 60 total contested Senate and House races. It also provides a summary of the seven key themes of Catholic Social Teaching, a list of suggested questions to ask candidates, and a link to candidates' email addresses. The Conference uses the seven themes when developing positions on various legislative proposals.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the best way to remember your deceased loved ones. **Our All Souls Novena will begin on Monday, November 2, All Souls Day.** An intention envelope is included with your bimonthly envelope packet; additional envelopes are available in the Parish Office and in the vestibule of the Church. Envelopes may be turned in early and will be placed near the altar during the Novena.

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.

Visit vacatholic.org to download this Voters' Guide.

citrus fruit sale

Knights Of Columbus Citrus Fruit Sale Information



The Knights of Columbus at Saint Mary is holding a **fresh citrus fruit fundraiser** this Fall to support its charitable activities. The fruit comes from the citrus groves in Florida and is shipped soon after it is picked so you can be assured of its freshness. **It is great to eat and a great holiday gift.**

You may **place orders up until November 22** and pickup will be the weekend of December 12-13 at the Scott Insurance & Financial Services Building at 2115 Lafayette Boulevard. **For more information**, contact Terry Lehman at (571) 338-4747 or Wayne Cushing at (540) 840-5230.

To place an order:

1. Cut out the order form on the right.
2. Fill in the order form and drop it off along with your payment at one of the following places:
 - **On the weekend**, at the KofC Fruit Sale table in the Parish Life Center after Mass
 - **During the week** (M-F, 8:30am–5:30pm), at the Scott Bldg at 2115 Lafayette Blvd.
 - **By mail**, send your order form with your check to: Knights of Columbus, P.O. Box 146, Fredericksburg, VA 22404.
3. **Orders must be received by Sunday, November 22.**
 - Payment methods are **cash** or **check**.
 - Make checks payable to: Knights of Columbus.
 - Payment is due when the order is placed.

Fruit Options:

Navel Oranges:	4/5 Bushel: \$34 2/5 Bushel: \$20
Red Grapefruit:	4/5 Bushel: \$31 2/5 Bushel: \$18
Tangelos:	4/5 Bushel: \$31 2/5 Bushel: \$18
Sunburst Tangerines:	2/5 Bushel: \$28
Citrus Variety Pack:	Variety Pack: \$29 (8 Oranges/8 Tangerines/8 Grapefruit)

Pickup: December 12-13, 2115 Lafayette Boulevard.



Citrus Fruit Sale Order Form

Navel Oranges

4/5 Bushel: \$34 Qty ordered _____ Cost _____

2/5 Bushel: \$20 Qty ordered _____ Cost _____

Red Grapefruit

4/5 Bushel: \$31 Qty ordered _____ Cost _____

2/5 Bushel: \$18 Qty ordered _____ Cost _____

Tangelos

4/5 Bushel: \$31 Qty ordered _____ Cost _____

2/5 Bushel: \$18 Qty ordered _____ Cost _____

Sunburst Tangerines

2/5 Bushel: \$28 Qty ordered _____ Cost _____

Citrus Variety Pack

(8 Oranges/8 Tangerines/8 Grapefruit)
\$29 Qty ordered _____ Cost _____

TOTAL COST:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ St: ____ Zip: _____

Email address: _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____

catholic education tax credit program

Give a Student the Gift of a Catholic Education and Gain a Tax Credit

The Virginia Education Improvement Tax Credit Program awards a 65% tax credit to individuals or businesses that make a monetary donation to an approved foundation.

- The Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation is an approved foundation under this program.
- The donation will be used to provide scholarships to low income students to our Catholic schools.
- These donations, in addition to give you, the donor, a tax benefit; it will provide a life-changing education for our new students.



Diocese of Arlington

Scholarship Foundation

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703-841-2764

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www.arlingtondiocese.org/catholicschools

Frequently Asked Questions about How to Donate

Who is eligible for the tax credit?

Any individual or business entity may receive a tax credit for eligible donations.

What kind of donations qualify for the credit?

Eligible donations include monetary donations by cash, checks, or marketable securities. Donations of goods, services or property are not eligible for the tax credit.

How are donations limited?

In order to receive a tax credit, donors must contribute a minimum of \$500. For individuals, including married couples, the eligible maximum donation is \$125,000 per taxable year. Therefore, the maximum credit of an individual's donation is \$81,250 (65% of \$125K). Business entities,

including sole proprietorships, have no maximum donation amount.

How does a donor apply for a tax credit?

In order to qualify for a tax credit, donors must request pre-authorization from the Department of Education. Donations made without pre-authorization will not be eligible for the tax credit. Pre-authorization requests are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Pre-authorization requests will only be granted for the first 25 million dollars in total donations. The Department of Education will issue a preauthorization notice to the donor indicating approval of the donation.

How does a donor obtain a pre-authorization form?

The pre-authorization form can be downloaded from the Department of Education website: http://www.doe.virginia.gov/school_finance/scholarships_tax_credits



Effect of Scholarship Tax Credit (Based on tax laws as of 2014)

Individuals

	No Contribution	Contribution
Income before contribution	\$100,000	\$100,000
Contribution	0	\$1,000
Taxable Income	\$100,000	\$99,000
Virginia Taxes:		
Virginia Personal Tax Rate (5.75%)	\$5,750	\$5,692
VA Personal Tax Savings	0	\$58
VA Scholarship Tax Credit	0	\$650
Total VA Tax Savings	0	\$708
Federal Taxes:		
Federal taxable income	\$100,000	\$99,000
Add back:		
Reduction of state tax deduction	0	\$708
Net Federal Taxable income	\$100,000	\$99,708
Federal taxes (25% marginal rate)	\$25,000	\$24,927
Federal Tax Savings	0	\$73
Total Tax Savings		\$781
Net cost to contribute	\$1,000	\$219

Corporations

	No Contribution	Contribution
Income before contribution	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Contribution	0	\$10,000
Taxable Income	\$1,000,000	\$990,000
Virginia Taxes:		
Virginia Corporate Tax Rate (6%)	\$60,000	\$59,400
VA Corporate Tax Savings	0	\$600
VA Scholarship Tax Credit	0	\$6,500
Total VA Tax Savings	0	\$7,100
Federal Taxes:		
Federal taxable income	\$1,000,000	\$990,000
Add back:		
Reduction of state tax deduction	0	\$7,100
Net Federal Taxable income	\$1,000,000	\$997,100
Federal taxes (34% marginal rate)	\$340,000	\$339,014
Federal Tax Savings	0	\$986
Total Tax Savings		\$8,086
Net cost to contribute	\$10,000	\$1,914

Note: Illustrative tax calculation

Please consult your tax advisor for specifics based on your situation.



Follow these steps to get your Tax Credit:

1. Go Online:
www.doe.virginia.gov/school_finance/scholarships_tax_credits
to receive your pre-authorization form (approx. 2 weeks' wait).
2. Once your pre-authorization form is received, mail the completed and signed form with a check to:

Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation,
200 North Glebe Road, Suite 811
Arlington, VA 22203
3. Please make checks payable to: Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation. If the donation is marketable securities, please contact us for a stock donation form and instructions.
4. An acknowledgement letter from the Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation will be sent to you for your tax deduction.

5. The State of Virginia will send a tax credit certificate directly to you. The tax credit may be claimed for the same tax year in which the donation is made. Any unused tax credits may be carried over to the next five succeeding tax years or until the total amount of the credit has been taken, whichever is sooner.

