

Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time 8 November 2015

what's coming



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SUNDAY, THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8

Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center. (CYM) SCRIP on sale after all Masses except 2pm Mass. 3:15pm, Discussion on the Pope's Encyclical on the Care of the Earth with Fr. Don, Courtyard Room. CYM Dinner and Youth Group meeting following the 5pm Mass.

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Monday, THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA 7:30pm, RCIA/RICA class, Church. 7:30pm, Catholics' Divorce Survival Guide class continues, Courtyard Meeting Room. 8:15pm, TAIZE Prayer Service, Church.

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HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

11 Wednesday, Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

Veteran's Day. 6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House.

12 Thursday, Saint Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr 9:30am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100. 7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House.

Tuesday, Saint Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church 10am, Saint Mary Book Club, John Paul II House.

Noon, **Senior Luncheon**, Parish Life Center. 7pm, Pray with Sacred Scripture: *Lectio Divina* Class, Church.

13 Friday, Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin 9am, St. Anne Sisters in Faith, John Paul II House. 8pm, **Organ Concert**, Church, followed by a reception in the Parish Life Center.

14 Saturday, Weekday Council of Catholic Women's Pilgrimage to the Shrine Basilica of the Immaculate Conception 9:30am, Life Decisions Seminar, Parish Life Center. 7pm, Mass followed by Knights of Columbus Memorial Service for Council 4034 SCRÍP on sale after thé 5pm Mass.

15 SUNDAY, THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center. (Troop 1410) SCRIP on sale after all Masses except 2pm Mass. 9:30am-Noon, Saint Mary Preschool Open House. 3:30pm, Health Ministry Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room. CYM Dinner and Youth Group meeting following the 5pm Mass.

16 Monday, Weekday (St. Margaret of Scotland) 7:30pm, RCIA/RICA class, Church. 7:30pm, Catholics' Divorce Survival Guide class continues, Courtyard Meeting Room.

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Tuesday, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious 9am, Holy Cross Academy Open House. 10am, CCW General Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room.

18 Wednesday, Weekday (The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles) 6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House.

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

20 Friday, Weekday 9am, St. Anne Sisters in Faith, John Paul II House. 7pm, Bunco, Parish Life Center.

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express announcements

nota bene (note well, please):

- The second collection this weekend is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. We are asked to "Give to those who have given a lifetime." Checks should be made payable to Saint Mary Catholic Church. To learn how your gift helps, visit www.retiredreligious.org.
- Fr. Don's class on Lectio divina will take place first on Tuesday, November 10. Please call and let us know you are coming. It has always been the Tradition of the Church to pray with the Word of God, not use the Bible as a textbook! Class will be repeated later in February.
- Concerts at Saint Mary begins the 2015-2016 concert season with a free organ concert featuring Mary Beth Bennett this Friday at 8pm in the church. Reception to follow in the Parish Life Center.
- Our annual Seminar on Life Decisions will be held Saturday, November 14 from 9:30-1pm with Fr. Don, David Mathers and Regis Keddie, chair of our finance council. Join us if you have questions about how to prepare plans for your funeral (Church teachings and liturgy planning) and other financial planning you would like to work on, including remembering our parish in your giving.

contact us www.stmaryfred.org

1009 Stafford Ave., Fredericksburg, VA 22401 Saturday Vigil 5 & 7pm Sunday 7, 8:30, 10:30am, 12:30, SUNDAY MASS 2pm (Spanish), 5pm, 7:01pm 10:30am at Holy Cross Academy Mon.-Fri.: 6:30 & 9am; Sat., 9am DAILY 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. 540-373-6491, fax 371-0251 PARISH OFFICE stmary@stmaryfred.org Mon.-Fri., 8:30am - 4:30pm; students staff office weekdays until 9pm, Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays 9:30-1:30pm 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 540-286-1600 ACADEMY 250 Stafford La 250 Stafford Lakes Parkway Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406-7234 Principal, Sr. Susan Louise Eder, O.S.F.S. ST. MARY 373-7553 PRESCHOOL 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! this week's bulletin:

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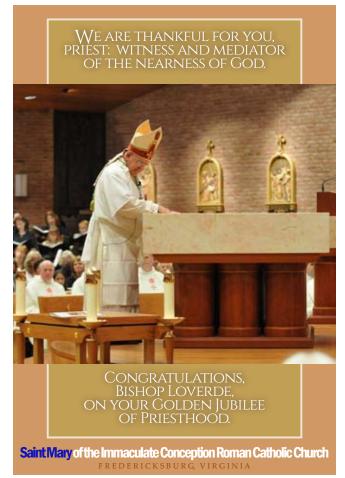


HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

Dear Good People of Saint Mary,

As I write this article tonight, we have just returned from the special Gala Dinner given in honor of Bishop Loverde on his 50th Anniversary of Priesthood. Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception and Holy Cross Academy were represented by a table of senior staff members.

As we were driving home, we were commenting on the importance of such events. For the life of our diocese, as our third bishop, Bishop Loverde has been a remarkable leader, whose example of service has deepened and grown the outreach of our diocese to open hearts and make Jesus known to them. He has been for our parish a good friend, always supporting with his presence and genuinely interested in our family of Saint Mary. Under Bishop Loverde's care, our parish has seen remarkable accomplishments as well. Such events provide a corporate memory for our community that is so important as we offer our



gratitude and pray for the future leaders of our Church.

Included here is a smaller version of the ad that we will be running in the *Arlington Herald* this week to honor him. It features a photograph of him anointing our new altar at our Mass of Dedication on November 22, 2010, nearly five years ago.

Bishop Loverde is, for me, an inspiration of how authentic ministry looks. He has given himself repeatedly to our diocese, to an extent that would seem physically impossible even for a young man in most circumstances. At times he will share the reality of fatigue, of frustration, of real challenges, but never as a complaint. It seems to work for him in such a way that he comes through the challenge with greater energy than before. He is always there with a smile, asking how you are, and really wanting to know. As we have learned in the Called and Gifted program, this is how you can discern authentic gifts: no matter what they demand of you, if the gift is real and you are using it effectively, you will be more energized afterward than before.

If you are discerning a ministry in the parish, this is a good lesson for you, too. Right ministry gives you life, in the same way a good homily gives you hope and encourages you to have the courage to go forward and try harder. Right ministry, in the end, asks two questions that demand an answer. The first is, after I'm done, am I closer to Christ? Or farther away? The second is similar, but even more important: After I'm done, have I had something to do with making Christ more present? Is Christ more present to those whom I have served?

I chose the text in the ad to the left very carefully, they are words of Pope Francis at the Chrism Mass in Rome the first year he was Pope. He told the priests at the Mass that, to be authentic, they had to be witnesses and mediators of the nearness of God to all those they came into contact with. Not just to help people call him to mind, but to make his nearness palpable, immediate, here and now. God's presence.

Thomas Merton is quoted saying that, second only to the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, the next most important place where you will encounter the real presence of Jesus is in the person who is standing in front of you.

God bless you. Fr. Dm

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education

holy cross academy



Crusaders crush the fall sports season

Our first quarter flew by and we are already one week into the second. Along with the end of the first quarter, **we have the conclusion of our Fall Sports**. We are proud of all of our teams for their athleticism and their outstanding team spirit and sportsmanship. Congratulations, Crusaders; we are proud of you!

Our Holy Cross middle school boys had an outstanding soccer season. Our team went undefeated and entered the Colonel Linton Soccer Challenge with high hopes. Their hopes were not disappointed and they left the tournament with a shiny 1st place trophy. Our girls' field hockey team was not undefeated but very few teams have bragging rights that they got the best of them. Our middle school girls were outstanding on the field and off, and they demonstrated this in the Fredericksburg Tiger Cup Tournament where they walked away with a 1st place showing as well. Our girls also have the opportunity to play volleyball. Our volleyballs teams are fairly new but our girls performed quite will and took 3rd place in their tournament. Congratulations to all our teams for their outstanding performance!

Our Preschool hosts its Fall Open House on Sunday. November 15 from 9:30am-Noon. Holy Cross's Fall Open House will be on Tuesday, November 17 at 9am in our school library. You can learn all about our school and see it in action. Please plan to join us to see our outstanding program which develops the whole child and challenges each student to pursue excellence in all areas. Our school is a place your child can flourish, grow and learn. We would love to 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.







A National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, 2012



Come and see what our school has to offer!



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Catechist Training

On Wednesday, October 28, Sr. Susan Louise Eder, O.S.F.S and Sr. Frances Carol Eder, O.S.F.S, made three PowerPoint presentations on this year's topic for Catechist Training, "Catholic Education."

The first presentation by Sr. Susan Louise was entitled "Preparing and Planning for Success." Building on the three elements of every Religious Education class prayer, knowledge and life application—she guided us to appreciate that the "**primary goal of Religious Education is to help the child develop**

Restocking the Saint Mary Parish Pantry

When the parish pantry is low on supplies, an email is sent to Religious Education parents asking for ready-to-eat food donations when they bring their children to class. The response has been excellent and many deserving families have gratefully benefitted from your generosity. Thank you!



a relationship with God.

Everything must work toward this goal." There was also a very informative discussion on Sunday Mass attendance.

In the second presentation Sister Frances Carol discussed the topic 'The Old Testament— Where It All Began." She helped us understand that God's plan of salvation was recounted and explained by authors of the Old Testament – those who were divinely inspired to spread this word. The final presentation by Sr. Susan Louise Frances was on the topic "The Role of the Catechist." She reminded us that "to teach as Jesus did," it is essential that the Catholic community offer children and young people **an experience** of catechesis which indeed gives "clarity and vigor' to faith, fosters living in the Spirit of Christ, encourages participation in the liturgy and sacraments and motivates involvement in the apostolate." TTAJD #87



Saint Mary Giving Tree

Our annual Giving Tree will be going up soon. It's not too early to start thinking about how you can contribute. We have the privilege of supporting the following charities this year:

- Mary's Shelter
 - Catholic Charities: Fredericksburg
- Micah Ministries
- Greenfield Nursing Home
- Woodmont Nursing Home
- Hope House
- St. Vincent De Paul
- Refugee Resettlement Services



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Retreat at Loyola on the Potomac

November 13-15: Men and Women Loyola retreats, located in Faulkner, Maryland, are conducted in an atmosphere of prayerful silence and include generous amounts of time for prayer, personal reflection and the cultivation of a deep relationship with God. The retreats are open to anyone who is seeking a deeper relationship with God in prayer. It also provides for daily Eucharist and the sacrament of reconciliation on Friday and Saturday. This year's retreat is entitled "The Way." We invite our retreatants to explore the Ignatian principles of being "contemplatives in action" and "to help us walk the path set by Jesus in the Gospel." Retreats begin with check-in and **confessions** from 5-6:30pm on Friday, an **orientation** at $\hat{6}$:45, dinner at 7pm and conclude with **lunch** on Sunday following **Mass**. The suggested offering for the retreat is \$235, but only \$185 for first-time retreatants. A payment plan is available. Contact Len or Sylvia Fontenot, 540-663-2261 or email lensyl1966@ verizon.net. To register go to www.loyolaonthepotomac.com.

Laudato Sí: Pope Francis' Encyclical on the Care of Creation

Join Fr. Rooney as he and several parishioners share leading discussion about Pope Francis' encyclical on life and care for the environment. This is the perfect forum to learn about Catholic social teaching in this breakthrough document. We have discussed it for two meetings and will make an action plan for our community on **November 8, from 3:15–4:45 in** the Courtyard Meeting Room on November 8, from 3:15–4:45.

Pray with Sacred Scripture: Lectio Divina

Fr. Don Rooney will offer a class on two occasions this year on the great tradition in the Catholic Church of how to pray with Sacred Scripture. Did you know that the Bible is, first and foremost for Catholics, not a textbook but a prayerbook? We need to practice our skills of listening! Come and learn a way of prayer that might change your life. The same class will be repeated twice. **We will meet in the church 7-9pm Tuesday, November 10 and Thursday, February 11.**

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**

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November 9, 8:15pm

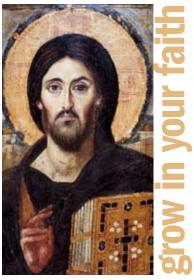
Praying with one voice, let us ask God to bring healing

to our world and end the

divisions that separate

peoples.

Saint Mary Catholic Church



evening classes at 7pm. Please call the parish office to register, leaving your name, phone number and email address.

End of Life Decisions

On November 14, from 9:30am–Noon in the Parish Life Center, join Fr. Don Rooney, David Mathers and Regis Keddie for a seminar on end-of-life planning which includes liturgical, sacramental, medical and financial planning. Please register by contacting the parish office.

You are invited to a monthly gathering of prayer in the ecumenical tradition of the Taizé community in France.

It is our hope that this monthly prayer gathering brings together Christians of all churches as 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."

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

Second Monday of the month, 8:15-9pm.

parish life

Book Club selection

Following Christ in a Consumer Society: The Spirituality of Cultural Resistance by John F. Kavanaugh, S. I., is the parish book club selection for the meeting. The late Jesuit philosopher exposes the consumer culture of the day, castigating the "craving for things, injustice of depersonalization, and flight from the wounded." The group meets November 10, at 10am at the John **Paul II House**. Looking ahead to December, members get to choose something from our parish library which they will share with the group. Additionally, members will vote on the monthly reading list for the 2016 year. Suggestions from parishioners are welcomed! Contact: Kathleen Mahonev, **540-371-2073** or bmah761569@aol.com.

Senior Luncheon

The next parish senior luncheon will be held in the Parish Life Center on Tuesday, November 10. Doors open at noon and lunch is served at 12:15pm. All Seniors in the parish are invited. For additional information, call Maria D'Amico at 540-785-3580. Entertainment will be provided until 2pm. Come and enjoy the company of your fellow seniors in the parish.

Parish pilgrimage

The annual Parish Pilgrimage sponsored by the Council of Catholic Women is November 14, from 8:30am-5:30pm. All are **welcome.** We travel to the Basilica of the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. The day will include travel by bus, a tour of the Shrine, Mass, opportunity

for confession and private prayer, lunch in the Shrine cafeteria, time for shopping in the gift shop and/or bookstore. Fr. Lino will concelebrate the Mass. Sign up and leave your \$20 payment in the CCW mailbox in the office. Questions? Contact Joyce O'Toole, tjotoole@verizon.net, 540-371-2365.

CCW Guest Speaker

The Council of Catholic Women will meet Tuesday, November 17 at 10am in the Court Yard Meeting room. Our guest speaker will be the wife of Deacon Dick, Carleen Delio who will share a reflection on "Thankfulness in the Seasons of our Lives." Please join us for an inspiring talk along with refreshments and sharing in who we are: women at St. Mary-'People of Thankfulness Sowing Seeds of Mercy.'



The Fredericksburg community on a path to ending veteran homelessness

On Veteran's Day, we pause to honor our American veterans. Some of those men and women who left the military or returned from war never got "home." In 2010, the Department of Veteran's Affairs estimated that 76,000 veterans were sleeping on American streets at night. It's a challenge that Fredericksburg is addressing through the collaboration of community service providers—*Micah*, Thurman Brisben, Empowerhouse, Hope House, Quin Rivers, Central Virginia Housing Coalition, Virginia Wounded Warrior Project and the Veteran's Administration. In April, our community identified 57 veterans on our streets or in our shelters.

Here are some of thier stories.

I'm a 91-year old World War II veteran. I was married for 68 years but after my wife died I realized I didn't even know how to make my own tea. I left my home. I found myself on a church doorstep with not enough money to even pay for a week's hotel stay. Because Fredericksburg is on the path to ending veteran homelessness, I now have a place of my own and people who look out for me.

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I'm a 57 year-old veteran that served in the Army for 2 years. Because of my time in the service, I experience PTSD and have a hard time staying in one place for very long. I came to the Fredericksburg area because I was interested in the civil war. Because the Fredericksburg community is on a path to ending veteran homelessness, moved into an apartment a few weeks ago.

I'm a 77 vear-old veteran who served in the Marine Corps for 2 years. I worked most of my life as a mechanic, but couldn't afford the housing I was living in. I became homeless, but only briefly because Fredericksburg is a community that's on the path to ending veteran homelessness.

I'm a mother of six children who served in the Army from 1988–2002. I ended up in a shelter and had to separate from my children when I fled a domestic violence situation. Since Fredericksburg is on a path to ending veteran homelessness, I moved into an apartment where I could be reconnected with my children.

I'm a 33 year-old Navy veteran who joined the service right after high school. I had a good job after I left the service in 2006, but ended up getting in a bit of trouble. When I got out of jail, I had no place to go and started living in a tent. With the help of the Fredericksburg community, I was paired up with two others who were living on the street Now we have an apartment together and I'm working on getting a job again.

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> CONCERTS at SAINT MARY 2015 - 2016

Organ Concert

Friday, November 13, 2015 at 8:00pm Mary Beth Bennett





The concert is free. *A free-will offering will be accepted. Meet the artist at a reception following the performance.*

For more information: dmathers@stmaryfred.org or 540-373-6491 x 217. Music of Bach, Langlais, Vierne, Widor, Tunder and Bruhns as well as Bennett's own Variations on "Outbursts of Spring Triumphant" based on a melody by the late Virginia composer Friedrich Ludwig Diehn.

Dr. Mary Beth Bennett, award winning performer, recording artist and published composer, is Organist and Choirmaster of Seventh Street Christian Church in Richmond, VA and an adjunct music faculty member of the University of Richmond. She has been organist of Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and Ceremonial Organist for the United States Department of Defense. As a performing member of the *Liturgical Organists Consortium* she recorded three compact discs which have garnered critical acclaim, including a "Golden Ear Award" for best organ CD of the year from <u>Absolute Sound</u> <u>Magazine</u>. Her performances and compositions have been featured on APM's *Pipe Dreams* radio program.

> COMING to SAINT MARY Friday, December 11, 2015 at 7:30pm Advent Lessons and Carols, featuring Saint Mary Choirs

> > Friday, April 8, 2016 at 8:00pm *Voix de Femmes, vocal ensem*ble

Friday, May 20, 2016 at 8:00pm Benjamin LaPrairie, organ



Saint Mary's is 5 minutes from I-95, exit 130A. Old Town Fredericksburg is a delightful historic city filled with many fine eateries, shops and attractions.

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

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Time to talk Unity: 2015 State LARCUM Conference

The State LARCUM Committee invite you to attend **our annual conference**. This year's conference **will be held in Sterling on December 4 and 5**, starting at 2:30pm on Friday and ending at 2pm on Saturday. The conference is a wonderful program of talks, praise, fellowship, and opportunities to get to know our ecumenical partners in the Commonwealth.

The speaker this year is **The Rev. Dr. Gerald Christianson**, who will speak on *"The Church always reforming—ecclesia semper reformanda"* on the eve of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. In his witty and engaging style, Dr. Christianson will provide our State LARCUM Conference with the historical knowledge we require to properly approach the upcoming observance.

The conference fee is \$35 and brochures, registration forms, and lodging details can be found in the vestibule information center in the church. For more information, contact Fr. Don Rooney, frrooney@ stmaryfred.org, Director of Ecumenical Affairs for the Diocese of Arlington. Registration deadline is Friday, November 20.

Saint Mary prayer list

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: John Paul Baksy, Joanne Sanford, Trevor Wood, Beth Malaby, Rhonda Seidlinger, Margaret McAleavey, David Arnold, Tracy Biddulph, Carole Page, Christopher Kelly, 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, 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,

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, Mike and Mary Lou Gray, Martha Clemens, Ruth Weaver, Holly Smith, Byers Family, Hunsley Family, Mike Harwich, Charles Dillman, Janie Sherry, Richard Desmond, Nancy Stewart, Randy Knebal, Larry Hudson, Tracey Hansen, Connie Whatcott, John Whatcott, Patrick Clarke

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, Shawn Tupta, Vincent Petillo, Geoff Mann, Christopher Johnson III. 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.

Masses14 November – SATURDAY5pmFr. Don			
next weekend	7pm	Fr. Cummings	
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Deacon Alberto will assist at the Sunday 10:30am and 12:30pm Masses.	7am 8:30 10:30 HCA10:30 12:30 2pm 5pm	Fr. Cummings Fr. Don Fr. Lino Fr. Don Fr. Lino Fr. Don Fr. Cummings	
	7:01	Fr. Lino	

Daily Mass intentions and readings

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9 MONDAY

6:30 All Souls Novena 8:15* All Souls Novena Ez 47:1-12; 1 Cor 3:9-11,16-17; Jn 2:13-22

10 TUESDAY

6:30 All Souls Novena 9am All Souls Novena Wis 2:23–3:9; Lk 17:7-10

11 WEDNESDAY

6:30 +Demetria Guinto 9am The Trinh Family Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19

12 THURSDAY

6:30 Ryan Mehaffey 8:15* +JoAnne James 9am Virginia and Joseph Clay Wis 7:22b-8:1; Lk 17:20-25

13 FRIDAY

6:30 +Lourdes and Manuel Gayoso 9am +The Nguyen Family Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37

14 SATURDAY

9am Ann Jordan 5pm +Robert Sheppe

7pm +Christopher Dudziakasdf Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8

15 SUNDAY

- 7am +Rev. Charles MacDonald
 8:30 +Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary
- 10:30 Mary Ann Holzworth
- 10:30*+Rita Brizzi
- 12:30 For the Parish
- 2pm +Alvina Cisnero
- 5pm +Diana Davis
- 7:01 +Mr. and Mrs. Victor Schirmer Dn 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14; 18,
- Mk 13:24-32

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

1 November Offer	tory \$27,634	•
All Saints Day	9,414	
All Souls Novena	4,190	
Poor Box for St. Vinc	ent de Paul 501.	•

Thank you for your generosity!

Second collection next weekend 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 November

Children's Offertory Contributions in November will be used for Christmas gifts for teenagers in foster care in the City of Fredericksburg. This age group is often

overlooked at Christmas, and the contributions made in November will be sent to Social Services for gifts or gift cards. Children's Offertory Envelopes are available in the Religious Education Office. All proceeds from these envelopes go to a different children's charity each month.

Pro-Life reflection for November 8

"Show, by your life, that it is worth giving your time and talents in order to attain high ideals, it is worth recognizing the dignity of each human person, and it is worth taking risks for Christ and his Gospel. It is He that we have come to seek because He first sought us." — Pope Francis, World Youth Day Farewell Ceremony at Galeão/Antonio Carlos Jobim International Airport, Rio de Janeiro, July 28, 2013)

Tax savings through a gift of stock

You may make a gift of stock as a donation to our parish or our diocese. In exchange for a gift of long-term, appreciated securities (stock), you can receive an income tax deduction and avoid capital gains taxes on stock appreciation. For more information, please call (703) 841-3896 or visit: www. arlingtondiocese.org/giving/gifts_ stock.aspx.

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.

Veterans Day prayer

Dear Lord, we honor our veterans, worthy men and women who gave their best when they were called upon to serve and protect their country. We pray that you will bless them, Lord, for their unselfish service in the continual struggle to preserve our freedoms, our safety, and our country's heritage, for all of us. Bless them abundantly for the hardships they faced, for the sacrifices they made, for their many different contributions to America's victories over tyranny and oppression. We respect them, we thank them, we honor them, we are proud of them, and we pray that you will watch over these special people and bless them with peace and happiness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. -By Joanna Fuchs www. poemsource.com

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Each year, Religious Education families donate food to make Thanksgiving Food Boxes. The items are packaged along with other donations from the parish and distributed to families a few days before Thanksgiving. Last week, our children took home a list of the items each grade is to donate. The Food Drive is runs from November 3-14. Early donations will be accepted. List of Thanksgiving Food Drive Items by Grade:

- K—Canned Cranberry Sauce
- 1st grade—Boxed Cake or Brownie Mix
- 2nd grade—Canned Corn, Black, Kidney or Pinto Beans
- **3rd grade**—Čanned Yams or Sweet Potatoes
- 4th grade—Boxed Biscuit or Muffin Mix
- 5th grade—Boxed or Bagged Rice
- 6th grade-Boxed Potatoes
- 7th grade—Canned Green Beans
- 8th grade—Boxed Stuffing Mix
- 9th-12th grades—Canned Cranberry Sauce

Mentors Needed

Stafford Junction is looking for volunteers fom its afterschool Brain Builders program, a program designed to foster intellectual achievement, and give kids the tools they need to succeed in school. We are in need of adult volunteers who can help with homework assistance. The program runs from Monday-Thursday, from 3:40–5:00pm and is held in six elementary schools, one middle school, and one high school. For more information, visit **staffordjunction.org** or call (540) 368-0081.

WE WELCOME YOU HOME. 540-373-6491

outreach

Cold Weather Shelter now open

The Cold Weather Shelter will re-open for the winter season on November15 and will remain open each evening until mid-March. **Teams of Saint Mary volunteers** assist on Tuesday evenings by greeting and checking in clients, setting up sleeping areas, and providing hospitality for the 30+ individuals that utilize the facility. Each participating church is asked to bring 3 dozen items (white socks, small toiletries, etc.). Saint Mary will be collecting donations of men's underwear sizes medium and large. Please considered how you might be able to support this need—all donations are gratefully accepted at our Parish Office. Although it is a good thing that the temporary shelter will available during the harsh winter months, it highlights the continuing need for sustainable housing and support mechanisms in our community. For more information about community efforts to help the homeless, please visit Micah Ecumenical Ministries, www.dolovewalk.net or Thurman-Brisben Homeless Shelter, www. thurmanbrisbencenter.org.

History Submissions

The history book about Saint Mary slated to be finished next year will cover all our history, from the missionary period prior to 1858 to the present day. Do you have a special memory of a church event or about a certain priest, sister or layperson that you'd like to share? Have you benefited from a healing Mass? Did you come to church to pray when a war was declared or ended, when a pope or president died, or on 9/11? We can't guarantee every comment will be included, but the more we have to work with, the better our book will be. To submit an item, please contact Donna Davis at LadyDee519@aol.com or 540-752-5502.

Welcome to SHARE at St. Mary Parish!

Order Deadline: 9 Nov. Food Pick-Up: 21 Nov.

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)

• Festive and seasonal, healthy and nutritious menu items such as a Roasting Chicken, Potatoes, Onions, Stuffing Mix, Sausage, Elbow Macaroni, Pollock Fillets, Celery, Apples, Oranges, and a Sweet Potato Pie

Thanksgiving Dinner

(\$33 + 2 hrs community service)

 10-14 lb. TURKEY with generous, traditional side dishes: Mixed Vegetables, Green Beans, Sweet Potato Pie, Candied Yam Patties

Value + Turkey

(\$44 + 2 hrs Community Service)

 10-14 lb. TURKEY with festive and seasonal menu items such as a Roasting Chicken, Pollock Filets, Potatoes, Onions, Stuffing Mix, Sausage, Elbow Macaroni, Apples, Oranges, Celery and a Sweet Potato Pie

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. = \$		
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Thanksgiving Dinner (\$33)		
x \$33. = \$		
Value + Turkey (\$44)		
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Community Service Hours:		
hrs ChurchHost site		
hrs YouthTransport		
hrs Shelter Comm. Dinner		
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hrs Micah MW Hospit		
hrs School Parish Minis		
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PAYMENT METHODS: CASH, MONEY ORDER, or EBT. No CHECKS; Payment due when order is placed. Money Orders should be made to: SHARE FOOD NETWORK.