

**Sixth Sunday  
of Easter**

**1 may 2016**



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



*Mary, Queen  
of Heaven,  
pray for us!*

# what's coming



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Roman Catholic Church

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

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### 1 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

### 2 Monday, Saint Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

7:30pm, RCIA/RICA class, Church and Parish Life Center.  
7:30pm, Catholic Divorce Survival Guide, Courtyard Meeting Room.

### 3 Tuesday, Saints Philip and James, Apostles

### 4 Wednesday, Easter Weekday

### 5 Thursday, Easter Weekday

9:30am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100.  
7pm, Fredericksburg Interfaith Day, Market Square, Downtown.  
7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House.  
7pm, Youth Group guest presentation on "Preparing for College," Parish Life Center.  
7pm, Baptism Preparation Class, Parish Life Center, Room 202.

### 6 Friday, Easter Weekday

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9am, St. Anne Sisters in Faith, John Paul II House.  
6:30pm, Prayers and Squares, Parish Life Center, Room 204.  
8:30pm, All Night Adoration following the 8pm First Friday Mass, Church.

### 7 Saturday, Easter Weekday

9am, Spanish Prayer Workshop, Courtyard Meeting Room.  
2:30pm, Spanish Baptism Class, Parish Life Center, Room 204.  
6pm, K of C Monthly Family Dinner, Parish Life Center.  
SCRIP on sale after the 5pm Mass.

### 8 THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

**Mother's Day. Mother's Day Novena starts today.**

Coffee Shop after morning Masses, Parish Life Center. (Girl Scout Troop 5225)  
SCRIP on sale after all Masses except 2pm Mass.  
3:30pm, Health Ministry presentation, *Building Healthy Self-Esteem*, Courtyard Meeting Room.  
*No CYM Dinner or Youth Group meeting.*

### 9 Monday, Easter Weekday

7:30pm, RCIA/RICA class, Church and Parish Life Center.  
7:30pm, Catholic Divorce Survival Guide, Courtyard Meeting Room.  
8:15pm, Taize Prayer Gathering, Church.

### 10 Tuesday, Easter Weekday (Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest)

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

### 11 Wednesday, Easter Weekday

### 12 Thursday, Easter Weekday (Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; Saint Pancras, Martyr)

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

### 13 Friday, Easter Weekday (Our Lady of Fatima)

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

### 14 Saturday, SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

9am, Spanish Prayer Workshop, Courtyard Meeting Room.

nota bene (*note well, please*):

- ✂ Our **Second Collection** this weekend is the **Annual Special Parish Needs Collection**. Last year this collection assisted the parish in building a beautiful new deck on the back entrance of the Parish Life Center, adjacent to the children's playground. If you haven't seen it, check it out! Last year's collection raised the first half and this year's collection will assist us in raising the balance for this beautiful deck.
- ✂ On **May 5**, join us for an **Interreligious Prayer Service** where we hope to re-establish relationships in our community — **7pm in the downtown Market Square**, behind the museum. We will hear from Muslim, Jewish and Christian Leaders and will gather to pray in one another's presence.
- ✂ Join us next week for the **Taizé Prayer Service** on **Monday, March 9 at 8:15pm**. Now in our 9th year, we have met each month to pray for Christian unity in our community and in the world. All Christians are warmly invited; invite your friends!
- ✂ Join us **Saturday, May 14, from 12:30–3pm** in the Parish Life Center and learn about building healthy self-esteem. The program is open to teenagers, parents, grandparents and all interested adults. We also invite ministry leaders, involved in leading our youth, to join us. **To reserve your spot in this free seminar**, call the church office at 540-373-6491 or email stmary@stmaryfred.org.
- ✂ The "**Believe Group**" is a new Health Ministry peer-to-peer discussion group for those facing a cancer diagnosis and the for those sharing this experience with a loved one. Our first meeting will be **Sunday, May 15 from 9:30-11:30am** in the Courtyard Meeting Room, see page 15 for more details.

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<b>SUNDAY MASS</b>	Saturday Vigil 5 & 7pm Sunday 7, 8:30, 10:30am, 12:30, 2pm (Spanish), 5pm, 7:01pm 10:30am at Holy Cross Academy
<b>DAILY MASS</b>	Mon.-Fri.: 6:30 & 9am; Sat., 9am First Friday 8pm Holy Days of Obligation, as announced
<b>DEVOTIONS</b>	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
<b>CONFESSION</b>	Wed., 7-9pm; Sat., 8am & 3:30pm, or by appt.
<b>PARISH OFFICE</b>	540-373-6491, fax 371-0251 stmary@stmaryfred.org Mon.-Fri., 8:30am - 4:30pm; <i>students staff office weekdays until 9pm,</i> <i>Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays 9:30-1:30pm</i>  Pastor, Fr. Don Rooney Fr. Keith Cummings Fr. Stephen Holmes Fr. Lino Rico Rostro Deacon Alberto Bernaola Deacon Dick Delio  Executive Assistant, Rick Caporali Business Manager, Elaine Stanislawski Director of Sacred Music, David Mathers Secretary, Mary Fitch
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<b>YOUTH MINISTRY</b>	373-6491 Director, Leo Chavarria
<b>HEALTH MINISTRY</b>	845-3031 Lois Sullivan, RN, FCN
<b>BAPTISMS</b>	Parish registration (90 days) and class required. Please contact the parish office to schedule the date at least four weeks in advance.
<b>MARRIAGE</b>	Parish registration required; contact parish six months in advance to begin preparation.
<b>JOIN US</b>	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,

Now that things are settling down a little bit, I've begun reading Pope Francis's new publication *Amoris laetitia*. There is a very simple logic to what he writes—really, to everything that he writes—that makes it accessible and obvious. I often find myself thinking how Pope Francis puts into words the basic truths that we all know, but sometimes find hard to express. In this Apostolic Exhortation he does it again.

He talks about simple processes of just being a human being and his words take us by surprise. It is startling.

His insight touches on the foundation of our life and faith, how we express the faith that we have to other people. It is the process of the Gospel, *evangelization* in its purest form. Especially today when the so-called "new evangelization" is necessary because there are so many people who have either left the church, or don't understand the treasure of faith that they have received, we must learn to use our gifts of reaching out, touching others: So many people floating, seeking, maybe even sitting next to us in the pews (if we are lucky) waiting for something to happen, trying to make it all make sense. Many people are "stuck" because there have been generations of faithful who have not realized that the core of everything we do as Catholics must have its origin in that personal relationship with God. One generation cannot pass on to the next something they, themselves, did not receive.

Pope Francis says we discover the relationship first of all in the moment of **encounter** that we have with one another.

In order for an encounter to happen you must be open. Where is my heart when I encounter another person? The people I like? —and the people that I don't like? Toward people that agree with you, as well as for people who do not agree? What about those whose lives might not reflect the perfection of the faith that we would like to see in ourselves? Our hearts must be open for that encounter to take place.

The next step after encounter is **dialogue**. Dialogue, by its nature, requires an openness to communication—you might say, as have the previous popes, that any true interest in giving and receiving in dialogue necessarily requires

an openness for both parties to change. This does not mean that Catholics have to become non-Catholics—it doesn't even mean that non-Catholics have to become Catholic. But the encounter with truth in one another, in the communication of that truth, forms the basis of learning about one another. Misunderstandings are resolved. We grow deeper in our own faith, in our own identity, our learning about one another. In dialogue, we must be honest, we must be who we are, and we must accept one another as we identify ourselves for a real conversation to begin.

Once dialogue is underway, the final step of this process is **relationship**. We come into relationship with one another having learned about one another. True knowledge always is the open door to love in any relationship, a mutual respect, a reverence for the truth and beauty that are the seeds of God's life we find in each other.

Relationship is not real without a commitment.

So, having studied this dynamic of human relationship from the point of encounter through dialogue, we now can understand more deeply the process of relationship that we seek with God. God wants exactly the same from each of us. We encounter him with openness, we dialogue with him in prayer and he speaks to us through his Holy Spirit, and finally we enter into a relationship with a commitment for him to the best of our ability—though imperfect as that may be, knowing that his commitment to us is perfect.

It is said that perhaps 60% of Catholics who practice their faith today—not the ones who don't practice, but the ones who do—don't believe that such a personal relationship with God is possible. The same studies have shown that the sense of emptiness of this meaningful relationship is also the greatest factor that causes people to go seeking—often outside our Catholic Church—or simply to drift away, becoming inactive with no actual religious affiliation. This is the most powerful ministry in the Church for you, lay people—to be witnesses of your joy and fulfillment through faith, shown to others through a greeting, a sharing, a walking together.

Let the love of Christ be the love behind the smile, the welcome, and begin the encounter.

God bless you. *Fr. Don*

# holy cross academy



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## All aboard!

Many activities and unique learning opportunities continue taking place at HCA. Our St. Mary Preschool children recently rode the trolley into Fredericksburg where they were able to explore downtown and meet some of our community helpers. Although it is fun to learn about these things in class, it is so much better to go see them in action.

## Science Fair accolades

Congratulations to our HCA students who represented us so well in the diocesan Science Fair. **Their projects are on display in the Parish Life Center this weekend if you would like to stop by to see them.** We are very happy to announce that Meghan Dreany was awarded first place in Behavioral Sciences and first place in the entire Science Fair (over 285 entrants); Emory Brown was awarded 3rd place in Biochemistry and Rachel Startzel received an award

from the Society of American Military Engineers. We are proud of the accomplishments of our students and grateful to the parents and teachers who encourage them to use their gifts so well.

**Please stop and speak with one of our teachers, staff or parents this weekend before or after Mass.** We would like to show you how to sign up for the Community Give next Tuesday. All funds we receive will go into the expansion of our facility, which Fr. Don has explained so well. Thanks for helping us to grow and learn!

We invite you to visit our website, [www.holycrossweb.com](http://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 to arrange for a tour or to let us tell you all about Holy Cross Academy, our parish school.





# education religious ed

## Register for Vacation Bible School



**Who:** Rising Kindergarten to rising 5th grade students

**Where:** Parish Life Center

**When:** June 20–24

**Time:** 9am–12 noon

**Cost:** \$25.00/child

**Registration:** May 2–13

## Catechist Writes

"I'm completing my 2nd year as a Religious Education teacher, and can't think of a better way to share my love for God—"my Beloved Three." Book study is important, but having an intimate relationship with God is the key. Nothing makes sense without knowing that one, God loves us no matter what; two, that He will never abandon us; and three, that He is utterly worthy of our gratitude and faithfulness. Helping students discover the awesomeness of God is why I lead a class."

*Sharon Malay, 7th Grade Catechist,  
Wednesday 4:45*

## Catechists needed

Parishioners are invited to volunteer in the Religious Education Program. Prepare now so you can help in September. Call 540-373-6491 and ask for Karen.

## May Rosary

May is known as the month of Mary. In previous years, we have prayed a decade of the rosary and crowned Mary on the last day of the Religious Education year. This year we are

praying a complete rosary over the course of five weeks. We prayed the introductory prayers and the first decade the week of April 18-21. We will pray the fifth decade May 16-19, the last week of classes.

# youth ministry



**Today, May 1:**  
Middle School  
Youth Group  
3:30pm–4:30pm

**Please note:**  
No CYM  
activities on  
Mother's Day,  
Sunday, May 8.



## Keep your kids Catholic in College

The Associates of St. John Bosco, an organization founded to help keep students Catholic in college, welcomes parents of sophomores, juniors and seniors in high school to a presentation about how to assist their children in looking for

the right college for them and then transitioning to college. Join us **Thursday, May 5 at 7pm in the Parish Life Center** with suggestions on preparations for campus tours, understanding choices that will be made the first few weeks your child will be on campus, and tips on transitioning high school students to the freedoms they will have in college. The emphasis will be on how to

keep our faith central in all these decisions. Father Vaccaro, the current chaplain at the University of Mary Washington and Danielle Zuccaro, a recent graduate and the Director of the College Division of the Associates of St. John Bosco will conduct the presentation. More info on the Associates of St. John Bosco can be found at [www.asjb.org](http://www.asjb.org).

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## first communion



## First Communion 2016

We are grateful to God and filled with joy as the following children are welcomed to the Table of the Lord this weekend:

### April 30

Brianna Cedillo  
Oscar Gonzalez  
Yovani Gonzalez  
Mallory Goodman  
Jasmin Hernandez  
Carolina Hernandez  
Christopher Hernandez  
Marisa Irish  
Leanna Irish  
Samara Irish

Julianne Kurzdorfer  
Ava Lengle  
Brayon Marquez  
Paola Marquez  
Ethan Marrero  
James Marrero  
Brooklyn McGuin  
Sandra Medrano-Frias  
Yaire Montesinos  
Kayla Morin  
Karina Pacheco  
Natalie Rodriguez  
Steven Smetek  
Vincent Zaffram

### May 1

Breslie Acevado-Reza  
Merlin Andrade  
Isabel Baroody  
Marjorie Barr  
Tyler Balance  
Ciara Bliven  
Peter Britton

Robert Cahill  
Ashley Chapnkem  
Champ Clark  
Audrey Coutts  
Molly Cox  
Maria Davies  
Elijah Davis  
Mariah Dillaber  
Isabelle Fannin  
Ryan Flynn  
Luis Francisco-Miguel  
Eva Francisco-Miguel  
James Gallagher  
Ava Grasso  
John Paul Guthrie  
Wilson Hall  
Catherine Hanson  
Avery Horrigan  
Clark Hughes  
Dani Ingram  
Sami Ingram  
Calvin Kitching  
Caleb Klaus  
Sydney Kramer  
Landis Kurian  
Luis Leon  
Josephine Lockard  
Benjamin Luehrs  
Hannah Malinowski  
Sophia Mauro

William McCabe  
Hannah McDowell  
James McLaughlin  
Emigdus Nkem Jr.  
Evelyn O'Brien  
Kaitlyn O'Malley  
Elizabeth Pagano  
Ella Pefoubou  
Ryan Pena-Martinez  
Thomas Pollok  
Rosmary Portillo-Lovo  
Linda Prohaska  
Kate Pruessmann  
Benjamin Reichart  
Nataly Reyes/Henriquez  
Gabrielle Richards  
Ethan Roche  
Hendrik Rodriguez  
Nathaniel Salsberry  
Zachary Santay  
Aryanna Santiago  
Anastasia Siegmund  
Leah Smith  
Makayla Sullivan  
Rocco Thelen  
Jacob Thompson  
Nayeli Vazquez  
Lauren Warchol  
Braydan Winter  
Catherine Wolf

## Book Club selection

For its last meeting before summer vacation, the parish Book Club will read *City of Saints: A Pilgrimage to John Paul II's Krakow* (2015). The eminent Catholic writer George Weigel and Saint Mary's parishioner Carrie Gress Stibora are the co-authors of what Amazon calls "this beautifully illustrated spiritual travelogue." Stephen Weigel's stunning photographs will transport you to this Polish city so strongly associated with Karol Wojtyla. Join us **May 10 at 10am in the JP II House**. More information: Kathleen Mahoney, 540-371-2073 or [bmah761569@aol.com](mailto:bmah761569@aol.com).

## Free organ concert

Concerts at Saint Mary concludes its 2105-2016 season by presenting organist Benjamin LaPrairie who will play a free concert **Friday, May 20 at 8:00 PM**. Mr. LaPrairie is Associate Director of Music at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The performance will include Bach's colossal Prelude, Adagio and Fugue in C, Reger's Introduction and Passacaglia and works of Widor, Near and Vierne. Donations are welcome, and a reception will follow where you can "meet the artist." For more information, contact St. Mary music director David Mathers at [dmathers@stmaryfred.org](mailto:dmathers@stmaryfred.org) or (540) 373-6491.



# parish life happening here

**On May 3, Fredericksburg will come together for the Community Give. It's 24 hours of non-profit giving—and it's your chance to make a real difference, right here in our community.**

Each donation of \$25 or more creates an entry for that organization into hourly awards and drawings for additional prizes. Please encourage your friends to donate throughout the day - each different credit card number counts for a unique gift toward our goal.

**TheCommunityGive.org**



## **Holy Cross Academy—Let's GIVE—It's About the Children**

We need YOU to join us May 3! We are using 100% of all donations toward our expansion fund at Holy Cross Academy. Finally a cafeteria, adequate instruction spaces, and a gym floor. Please help us make this our primary focus for the Community Give this year at Saint Mary.



## **Catholic Charities—Help provide Family Counseling Services!**

Local families need your help now more than ever! All gifts made to Catholic Charities through this campaign will stay in this region, providing hope and healing for *your neighbors* in need.



## **Micah Ecumenical Ministries—Help us help those in need!**

Fredericksburg comes together to bring an end to homelessness and help people get the help they need to change their lives. Saint Mary is a governing board church and one of Micah's greatest sources of volunteers.



## **Society of Saint Vincent de Paul—Emergency assistance!**

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul provides emergency assistance for food, rent, and utilities for many so that they can get the help they need in difficult times. This national organization has been a witness of charity and care for decades and their service is a blessing to our community.

**Many other groups in the community are also seeking donations in the Community Give program.**

- Mary's Shelter — [marysshelterva.org](http://marysshelterva.org)
- Birthright — [birthrightoffredericksburg.com](http://birthrightoffredericksburg.com)
- Rappahannock Legal Services — [rapplegal.com](http://rapplegal.com)
- Interfaith Council's School Dressing Days — [interfaithcommunitycouncil.org](http://interfaithcommunitycouncil.org)
- Thurman Brisben Homeless Shelter — [brisbencenterv.org](http://brisbencenterv.org)



# parish life happening here

## Conversation and Coffee

**Join us May 1 for Conversation and Coffee.** Representatives from the Parish Council, Outreach ministry, and SCRIP program will be available in the Parish Life Center after the 10:30am Mass offering information about their good works and how they serve our parish and community. Join us and learn more about these ministries.

## May Family Dinner

The May Family Dinner, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be held on **Saturday, May 7 from 6–8:30pm** in the Parish Life Center. The menu includes baked ham, sweet potato casserole, green beans, shredded carrot/raisin salad, and strawberry shortcake. The profit will be donated to the Knights of Columbus Religious Education Assistance Program (REAP). The dinner is open to the public and is pay-at-the-door. Takeouts are available. The cost is Adults: \$7, Seniors (60&up): \$6, Teens: \$6, Children (7-12): \$5, Children (under 7): Free. **The max cost per family is \$25.**

## KOVAR, May 13-15

Council 4034 Knights of Columbus and their families donate their time each year for the benefit of "God's Special People." KOVAR has been recognized as one of "America's Best" Charities by the Independent Charities of America, and funds its low administrative expenses solely from interest on funds awaiting disbursement, donating and loaning nearly 100% of all funds collected. We will be at each Mass on May 13–15 to hand

out tootsie rolls and collect donations. Please donate.

## Building and maintaining healthy self-esteem

Join us Saturday, **May 14, from 12:30pm–3pm in the Parish Life Center** and learn about building healthy self-esteem, the impact of positive and negative self-esteem on mental health, identity development, and supportive parenting. This program is open to teenagers, parents, grandparents and all interested adults. **To reserve your spot in this free seminar**, call the Church office at [540-373-6491](tel:540-373-6491) or email [stmary@stmaryfred.org](mailto:stmary@stmaryfred.org). Seating is limited. This seminar is sponsored by Saint Mary's Health Ministry in conjunction with Catholic Charities Family Services.

## Travel with the Saint Mary Choir to Italy

Join the Saint Mary Adult Choir and Fr. Rooney as they make a Pilgrimage tour of Rome, Florence, Assisi and Orvieto, **January 25-February 3, 2017**. The choir will sing for Mass in St. Peter's Basilica and other churches and cathedrals and tour important historical sites, including the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel, the necropolis beneath St. Peter's (the location of St. Peter's tomb and that of many ancient popes), the Roman Colosseum, Orvieto's stunning Gothic cathedral, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi, Florence's Duomo and Academia museum and more. A general papal audience is part of the itinerary. There will also be plenty of "on your own" time. There are a number of spaces on the Pilgrimage open to non-

singing members of the parish, and the choir would love it if you would join them—they are loads of fun! Peter's Way Tour, an experienced tour provider, will be our guide, and the accommodations will be excellent. If you are interested and would like more details, **contact David Mathers** at the Parish Office or [dmathers@stmaryfred.org](mailto:dmathers@stmaryfred.org) by **May 15**.

## Senior luncheon

The next parish senior luncheon will be held in the Parish Life Center on **Tuesday, May 17**. 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](tel:540-785-3580). Entertainment will be provided until 2pm. Come and enjoy the company of your fellow seniors in the parish.

## Volunteers needed

The **Prayers and Squares ministry** is in need of volunteers. You don't even need to know how to sew! We need quilt sitters and stringers. **Quilt sitters** volunteer for certain Masses to display the quilts and ask people to "tie a knot and say a prayer" for the person or persons the quilt is for. This is not very time consuming and is usually 15–20 minutes of your time at the end of Mass. **Stringers** get together with other Prayers and Squares members to put the threads through the quilt so that we have strings to tie and offer prayers for the person. We meet generally once a month. Please consider being a part of this worthwhile ministry by contacting Barbara Walor at [dhs321@comcast.net](mailto:dhs321@comcast.net) or call her at [540-786-9324](tel:540-786-9324). Thank you!

# "come, holy spirit..."

## Holy Spirit Novena begins Friday, May 6

### The Novena to the Holy Spirit for the Seven Gifts

Days 1-5; Days 6-9 will be included next week.

*We will pray the Novena as a parish after the 9am Mass on weekdays and Saturday, and after the 8:30am Mass on Sundays. Please join us.*

*The Novena in honor of the Holy Spirit is the oldest of all novenas since it was first made at the direction of our Lord himself when he sent his apostles back to Jerusalem to await the coming of the Holy Spirit on the first Pentecost. It is still the only novena officially prescribed by the Church. Addressed to the Third Person of the Trinity, it is a powerful plea for the light and strength and love so sorely needed by every Christian.*

#### How to Pray the Novena

On each of the nine days prior to the Solemnity of Pentecost, certain prayers are prayed which are unique to each day, followed by one Our Father, one Hail Mary, seven Glory Be to the Fathers, the Act of Consecration and the Prayer for the Seven Gifts.

**The Act of Consecration and Prayer for the Seven Gifts are included here for use each day.**

#### Act of Consecration to the Holy Spirit

On my knees before the great multitude of heavenly witnesses, I offer myself, soul and body to you, eternal Spirit of God. I adore the brightness of your purity, the unerring keenness of your justice, and the might of your love. You are the Strength and Light of my soul. In you I live and move and am. I desire never to grieve you by my unfaith-

fulness to grace and pray with all my heart to be kept from even the smallest sin against you. Mercifully guard my every thought and grant that I may always watch for your light, listen to your voice and follow your gracious inspiration. Help me to cling to you and give myself to you and ask you, by your compassion, to watch over me in my weakness. Holding the pierced feet of Jesus and looking at his opened side and stricken heart, I implore you, adorable Spirit, Helper in infirmity, to keep me in your grace that I may never sin against you. Give me grace, O Holy Spirit, Spirit of the Father and the Son, to say to you always and everywhere, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." Amen.

#### Prayer for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

O Lord Jesus Christ who, before ascending into heaven, promised to send the Holy Spirit to finish your work in the souls of your apostles and disciples, grant the same Holy Spirit to me that he may perfect in my soul the work of your grace and your love. Grant me the Spirit of Wisdom that I may not overvalue the perishable things of this world, but rather give my first priority to the things that are eternal; the Spirit of Understanding to enlighten my mind with the light of your divine truth; the Spirit of Counsel that I may ever choose the surest way of pleasing God now, in preparation for the Kingdom to come; the Spirit of Fortitude that I may bear my cross with you and that I may overcome with courage any obstacles that oppose your will of divine life for me,

the Spirit of Knowledge that I may know God and know myself and grow more perfect in the science of the Saints; the Spirit of Piety that I may find the service of God sweet and amiable; and the Spirit of Holy Fear that I may be filled with a loving reverence toward God and may not in any way displease him. Mark me, dear Lord, with the sign of your true disciples, and animate me in all things with your Spirit. Amen.

**The First Day  
Friday, May 6: The Holy Spirit  
Holy Spirit! Lord of light!  
From your clear celestial height,  
Your pure beaming radiance give!**

**Leader:** Only one thing is important: eternal life. Only one thing, therefore, is to be feared: sin. Sin is the result of ignorance, weakness, indifference. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of light, of strength and of love. With his sevenfold gifts he enlightens the mind, strengthens the will, and inflames the heart with love of God. We must invoke the divine Spirit daily, for "The Spirit helps our infirmity. We know not what we should pray for as we ought. But the Spirit himself asks for us."

**Prayer:** Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed your will for us, that we be reborn by water and the Holy Spirit, and you have given us forgiveness of all sins. As at the first Pentecost, send forth from heaven upon us your sevenfold Spirit, the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and Fortitude, the Spirit of Knowledge and Piety, and fill us with the Spirit of Holy Fear. Amen.

**To be followed by one Our Father, one Hail Mary, seven Glory Be to the Fathers, the Act of Consecration and the Prayer for the Seven Gifts.**

# ...fill the hearts of your faithful”

**The Second Day**  
**Saturday, May 7: The Gift of Fear**  
*Come Father of the poor.*  
*Come, treasure which endures:*  
*Come, Light of all that live!*

**Leader:** The gift of the Fear of the Lord fills us with a sovereign respect for God, and makes us dread nothing so much as to offend him by sin. It is a fear that arises, not from the thought of hell, but from love, reverence and filial obedience to our heavenly Father. It is the beginning of wisdom, removing us from worldly attachments that could in any way separate us from God. “They that fear the Lord will prepare their hearts, and in his sight will sanctify their souls.”

**Prayer:** Come, O blessed Spirit of Holy Fear, penetrate my inmost heart, that I may set you, my Lord and God, before my face forever. Help me to shun all things that can offend you, and make me worthy to appear before the pure eyes of your divine majesty in heaven, where you live and reign in the unity of the ever-blessed Trinity, God, world without end. Amen.

**To be followed by one Our Father, one Hail Mary, seven Glory Be to the Fathers, the Act of Consecration and the Prayer for the Seven Gifts.**

**The Third Day**  
**Sunday, May 8: The Gift of Piety**  
*You, of all consolers best,*  
*Visiting the troubled breast,*  
*Does refreshing peace bestow.*

**Leader:** The gift of Piety begets in our hearts a filial affection for God as our most loving Father. It inspires us to love and respect, for his sake, persons and things consecrated to him, as well as those who are vested with his authority, his blessed Mother and the Saints, the Church and its visible head, our parents and superiors, our country and its leaders. He who is filled with the gift of piety finds

the practice of his religion not a burdensome duty, but a delightful service. Where there is love, there is no labor.

**Prayer:** Come, O blessed Spirit of Piety, possess my heart. Enkindle there such a love for God, that I may find satisfaction only in his service, and for his sake lovingly submit to all legitimate authority. Amen.

**To be followed by one Our Father, one Hail Mary, seven Glory Be to the Fathers, the Act of Consecration and the Prayer for the Seven Gifts.**



**The Fourth Day**  
**Mon., May 9: The Gift of Fortitude**  
*You in toil are comfort sweet,*  
*Pleasant coolness in the heat,*  
*Solace in the midst of woe.*

**Leader:** By the gift of Fortitude the soul is strengthened against natural fear, and supported to the end in the performance of duty. Fortitude imparts to the will an impulse and energy which move it to undertake without hesitancy even the most difficult tasks, to face dangers, to trample underfoot injustice or endure without complaint the slow

martyrdom of even lifelong tribulation. “He that shall persevere unto the end, he shall be saved.”

**Prayer:** Come, O blessed Spirit of Fortitude, uphold my soul in time of trouble and adversity, sustain my efforts after holiness, strengthen my weakness, give me courage against the assaults of any enemy, that I may never be overcome and separated from you, my God and greatest Good. Amen.

**To be followed by one Our Father, one Hail Mary, seven Glory Be to the Fathers, the Act of Consecration and the Prayer for the Seven Gifts.**

**The Fifth Day**  
**Tuesday, May 10: The Gift of Knowledge**

*Light immortal! Light divine!*  
*Visit these, your hearts, refine,*  
*And our inmost being fill!*

**Leader:** The gift of Knowledge enables the soul to evaluate created things at their true worth - in their relation to God. Knowledge unmasks the pretense of creatures, reveals their emptiness, and points out their only true purpose as instruments in the service of God. It shows us the loving care of God even in adversity, and directs us to glorify him in every circumstance of life. Guided by its light, we put first things first and prize the friendship of God above all else. “Knowledge is a fountain of life to him that possesses it.”

**Prayer:** Come, O blessed Spirit of Knowledge, and grant that I may perceive the will of the Father; show me the nothingness of earthly things, that I may realize their vanity and use them only for your glory and my own salvation, looking ever beyond them to you, and your eternal rewards, Amen.

**To be followed by one Our Father, one Hail Mary, seven Glory Be to the Fathers, the Act of Consecration and the Prayer for the Seven Gifts.**



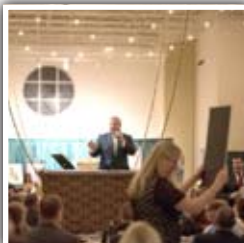
parish life

# going, going, gone!



## Amazing Auction proves: There's no place like HCA

*You just had to be there to believe it. At no other time do you see the parish and the school come together for such a remarkable night of profound generosity and celebration. The eighth biannual Holy Cross Auction and Dinner took place last weekend and our expansion fundraising is well underway. Thanks to all who made this night such a wonderful event, particularly our moms and dads who clearly gave so much in planning and making it happen!*



# save these dates

## **Pentecost Solemn Vespers after the 7:01pm Sunday Mass, May 15**

Celebrate the final liturgy of the Easter Season at our Evening Prayer (Vespers) of Pentecost. This prayer-filled liturgy of psalms and canticles celebrating the coming of the Holy Spirit lasts about 25 minutes and **will follow the 7:01pm Mass on Pentecost Sunday, May 15, starting at about 8pm.** Our Youth Choir will lead the music, and the Paschal Candle, lit for all 50 days of the Easter Season, will be extinguished for the last time at the close of the liturgy.

## **Fredericksburg's annual observance of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, May 16**

For over 100 years, the world has come together during the Christian Unity Octave in January to pray the prayer of Jesus on the night before he died, and rose: that all may be one as he and the Father are One, so the world may believe that the Father sent him.

Well, many places have re-scheduled the annual prayer service closer to Pentecost because of the uncertainty of weather in January! **We will meet this year at Christ Lutheran Church, two blocks from Saint Mary on Augustine Street, at 7pm on Monday, May 16.** We know that the Holy Spirit is the only One who will make this happen: let us make sure that we are together when he comes! Join us for this special prayer event.



## **Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to follow the 7:01pm Corpus Christi Mass, May 29**

This year we are planning a beautiful Corpus Christi procession around the parish campus **following the 7:01pm Mass on Sunday, May 29.** Such processions throughout Christian history have been practiced as public witnesses of faith and blessing. We will set up an altar outside for prayers along the way, and return to the church for solemn benediction. Please join us.

## **Another parish tradition: Marriage Renewal Mass and Reception Friday, June 10.**

Join with couples at a special Mass of thanksgiving for the gift of Marriage and renew the vows you made on the day you began your life together. However many years, you are welcome! And after Mass, join us for wedding cake and punch, and

share stories with old and new friends. Bring a wedding photo to the reception!

Please RSVP for this event to the Parish Office so we may know how many of you are coming! Let us know no later than Wednesday, June 1st.

## **Otra tradición parroquial: Renovación del Matrimonio Misa y recepción, Viernes, 10 de junio.**

Assistan con las parejas parroquiales en una misa especial de acción de gracias por el don del matrimonio y renovar los votos que hicieron en el día cuando comenzó su vida en común. Son bienvenidos! Y después de la misa, vengan con nosotros para pastel de boda y un refresco, y compartir historias con amigos nuevos y los de mucho tiempo. Traigan un foto a la recepción!

Confirme su asistencia a este evento a la oficina de la parroquia para que podamos saber cuántos de ustedes están llegando! Háganos saber no más tardar del miércoles 1 de junio, por favor.





# knights of columbus



*The Knights of Columbus Council #4034 is comprised of Catholic men and their families, united in service with our Church, schools and neighborhoods. Along with our community non-profit organizations, we have a common core objective to help and serve those in need.*

*We are part of the Parish Life Ministry at Saint Mary and this is our 60th year of support.*

**Website:** [kofc4034.org](http://kofc4034.org)

**Facebook:**  
[facebook.com/kofc4034](https://facebook.com/kofc4034)

**E-Mail:** [Info@kofc4034.org](mailto:Info@kofc4034.org)

**Business meeting**  
2nd Wednesday  
of each month at  
the Fredericksburg  
Columbus Club.

*Dinner: 6:30–6:45;  
Rosary: 7:10  
Meeting 7:30–8:30.*

**There is always  
time to be a Knight**  
For more information,  
Contact our Council's  
Membership Director at:  
[MembershipDirector@kofc4034.org](mailto:MembershipDirector@kofc4034.org)

## Young Man and Woman of the Year

Each year, Council 4034 Knights selects a young man and young woman of the year to recognize the excellence of the young men and women of our community and to promote the recognition of their contribution within our community. The Council winners are entered in the state competition.



**Woman of the Year—Claire Bereit**, daughter of David and Margaret Bereit, has been selected as Council 4034's Young Woman of the Year for 2015–2016. She is a senior at St. Michael the Archangel Catholic High School. This young woman has helped found and currently serves as Vice President for the "Warriors for Life" group at her high school. She is active in many pro-life activities and has traveled to 44 states and 12 countries in North America, Europe, Australia and Africa in support of "40 Days for Life," a pro-life organization co-founded by her father who is the current President. She has spoken to many youth groups while on these travels concerning pro-life issues facing today's youth. Claire has been named Valedictorian of her graduation class of 2016 and currently has a GPA of 4.69. She has earned First Honors in 9th, 10th and 12th grades, Second Honors in 11th grade, the AP Scholar Award, the Athlete Scholar Award and UVA Book Club Award for Jeffersonian Ideals. She has been inducted into the National Honor Society, the

Spanish Honor Society and is taking 3 AP courses in high school as well as one AP course online. She is also active as a leader of teen volunteers at Mary's Shelter, volunteers at Arlington Diocese Work Camp and St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry and a leader of "Youcat," a youth apostolic group at her high school. She is a leader of her high school volleyball, soccer and swim teams, enjoys riding horseback, running 5K, 10K and half marathons and coordinating her high school's Summer Camp. In her spare time, she enjoys traveling, reading and cooking. She has applied at nine colleges and to date has been accepted to five, each with varying scholarship awards. She is interested in a future in psychology to be able to understand people better, or possibly education. Truly an outstanding young woman and deserving to title "Young Woman of the Year." Congratulations.



**Man of the Year—Gregory Conneen**, son of Patrick and Caroline Conneen, has been selected as Council 4034's Young Man of the Year 2015–2016. This young man has excelled throughout his time in school at Holy Cross Academy and at St. John Paul the Great Catholic High School. Gregory graduated from Holy Cross Academy in 2013 with Second Honors. He currently has a GPA of 3.92 at JPHS. His is a member of the National Math Honor Society, earned the United States and Virginia History Advanced Award in the 10th grade and is an

Honor Roll student. He was the Chess Club founder and President at Holy Cross Academy 2010–2012 and continued in that roll at JPHS from 2014 to the present. His real passion is the Boy Scouting program. He attained the rank of Eagle Scout in March 2015 at the age of 15. He is also a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and holds a leadership position in that group. He has been an altar server at Saint Mary Catholic Church and at JPHS, a member of the Catholic Youth Ministry and a Work Camp Volunteer in 2014, 2015, and will attend in 2016. He is a member of the JPHS Pro-life Club. Congratulations to an outstanding young man.

## Trail Life



Trail Life VA-4034 has had a very adventurous year. We joined 7 other central VA troops for a camporee that allowed boys to focus on life skills (fire building, knife skills), outdoor skills (archery, climbing) and teamwork with games (4-way tug of war, helium hoop). Our troop integrates our Catholic faith while learning to become men that honor God, lead with integrity, serve others and experience outdoor adventure. We welcome new members. Contact Mark Gardner at [troopmasterva4034@gmail.com](mailto:troopmasterva4034@gmail.com).

## Member Highlights

**New members**—Brother Bernard Werwie; Brother Ralph Scheuermann; Brother Harvey Glover; and Brother John Steiner have recently joined our Council. **April Knights of the Month**—Jerry Nini and John Trammell.



# liturgy called in love

## Cancer Support Group

Saint Mary's Health Ministry is forming "Believe Group," a peer-to-peer discussion group for those who are facing a cancer diagnosis and for those sharing this experience with a loved one. Group meetings will focus on living the spiritual journey that comes with the challenges of having a cancer diagnosis, as well as the blessings of survivorship.

Facilitated by Regina Kenner, RN, long-time parishioner of Saint Mary and the Cancer Navigator Program Coordinator at Mary Washington Healthcare, the first meeting will be **Sunday, May 15, 2016 from 9:30–11am** in the Courtyard Meeting Room. Please contact the Parish Office at [stmary@stmaryfred.org](mailto:stmary@stmaryfred.org) or **540-373-6491** to join this new group.

## Independent Living Expo

Fredericksburg's disAbility Resource Center presents the **2016 Independent Living Expo on Saturday, May 7, from 9am–5am at the Fredericksburg Expo Center.** Service providers for in-home care will be available to speak with you about their services. State and local agencies will be on hand to help you learn about the services available to you or your loved one.

Register for free at [www.drcexpo.eventbrite.com](http://www.drcexpo.eventbrite.com). For more information about The disAbility Resource Center, visit [cildrc.org](http://cildrc.org) or call **540-373-2559**.

## Saint Mary prayer list

**Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially:** Robert and Tenya Mosier, Josh Oltman, Donelda Wellwood, Keith Kovalefski, Bruce Bates, Dyke Stabler, 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, Holly Smith, Byers Family, Hunsley Family, Mike Harwich, Janie Sherry, Randy Knebal, Larry Hudson, Tracey Hansen, Connie Whatcott, John Whatcott, Patrick Clarke, Jacqui Herr, Valconi Family, Joan Carroll, Larry Dillman, Jessica Ryan, Matt Marshall, John Stehle, Jerome Murphy, Christy Charlebois, Atkins Family, Paul Johnson, Sandy Martin, Ryan Mott, Tim Murray Family, Felipe and Mildred Sanchez, Dale Meyn, Raymond and Barbara Stauble, Gloria Fontenot, Paul Bartman, David Duke, Nancy Borrero, Gina Wood, David Arnold, Josephine Kreider, Ephiny Chewning, Mary Merrill, Richard Grunwald, Patrick Eggleston, Luz Dolores Butron, Susan Datta, Zachary Payne, Mary Jean & Don Williams, Sandra Infante, Maria Stine, Peter & Barbara Wood, Ronald Cullen, Mary Ulmer, Victoria Sibley, Nancy Borrero, Carmen Cardinelli, Teresa McPherson, Chris Enke, Betty Ann & Bill Dateno, Harold Gardiner, Gerald Gardiner, Carla J. Gomer, Patricia Russo, Marianne Ford, Richard Sadder, Diane Beverly, Duska Green, Nancy Sokolowski, John Gabriel, John Haas, Jim Matarese, Tommy Davis, Marianne Ford, Olen Bullard, Michael Kraljevich, Dawn Miller, Ortiz family, Linda Kaila, Charles Boyer, Amy Gilkerson, Sadie Harder, Elizabeth Grant, Wayne Culbertson, Providence and Thomas Moeller, David Davenport, Brian Yednock, Gretchen Schuster, Dick Fadden, Elise Velez, Jim Cauty, Maureen Flanagan

**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, Patrick Desmond, Andrew M. Smith, Nelly Garcia, Mindy Hakenson, Xavier Alas

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

## Masses next week

### 7 May–SATURDAY

5pm	Fr. Holmes
7pm	Fr. Cummings

*Deacon Delio will preach at the 5pm and 7:01pm Sunday Masses.*

### 8 May–SUNDAY

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

## Daily Mass intentions and readings

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#### 2 MONDAY

**6:30** Carl and Millie Morgans  
**9am** +Stanley Kozyra  
Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26–16:4

#### 3 TUESDAY

**6:30** +Luis Pierce  
**9am** +Michael J. Lenihan  
1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

#### 4 WEDNESDAY

**6:30** Garry and Margie Secor  
**9am** +Edwin Sherry  
Acts 17:15,22–18:1; Jn 16:12-15

#### 5 THURSDAY

**6:30** Paul and Mary Brown  
**HCA** +Sr. Cecile Agathe  
**9am** +Margaret Dougherty  
Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23;  
Lk 24:46-53

#### 6 FRIDAY

**6:30** Tom and Missie Eberle  
**9am** +Joseph Cascio  
**8pm** +Adam Choroszuca  
Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

#### 7 SATURDAY

**9am** Mary Fitch  
**5pm** For the Parish  
**7pm** +Joyce Ann Schirmer  
Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23-28

#### 8 SUNDAY

**7am** Mother's Day Novena  
**8:30** Mother's Day Novena  
**10:30** Mother's Day Novena  
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**12:30** Mother's Day Novena  
**2pm** Mother's Day Novena  
**5pm** Mother's Day Novena  
**7:01** Mother's Day Novena  
Acts 7:55-60; Rv 22:12-20;  
Jn 17:20-26

*Please remember that Mass intentions may be requested at the parish office for any remaining Masses of the year. If dates are no longer available for the date you desire, you are welcome to request an intention that is "unscheduled," and one of the priests will gladly celebrate Mass for your intention at an extra Mass during the week or as a concelebrant.*

*\* Indicates Mass at Holy Cross Academy*

# operations given in love

## Weekly Offertory

April 24 Offertory \$32,081.  
Catholic Home Missions Appeal 5,329.  
Poor Box (Vincent de Paul) 105.

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.

## 2016 Lenten Soup Supper Thank You

Many thanks to our school, Holy Cross Academy, and members of our Music Ministry, our Youth Ministry, our Hispanic Ministry, our Council of Catholic Women and the Knights of Columbus who all gave so generously of their time and talents to make our Lenten Soup Suppers so special. The soups were delicious! And a very special thank you to all those who attended the Soup Suppers and donated so generously help feed children in need in our community. **A total of \$2,022.22 was raised to help support the FCPS School Nutrition Program.** This program helps ensure that children in the city of Fredericksburg get good nutritional meals, for free, during the summer. We truly appreciate your Lenten sacrifice to help those in need. May Our Risen Lord bless all of you with His many graces for your kindness, generosity and continued support.

## Children's Offertory Envelopes for May

Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of May will be donated to the Children's and Teen's Programs of Empower House (formerly

## Catholic Communication Campaign Collection Faith | Worship | Witness May 7-8

**"Communication is really about realizing that we are all human beings, children of God."**

*(Pope Francis, Message for 48th World Communications Day)*

Next week our parish will take up the Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). This Collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through Internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our (arch)diocese and support local needs, so please be generous in this collection. CCC equips us to share our experience of faith, worship, and witness with the world.

La próxima semana nuestra parroquia realizará la Colecta para la Campaña Católica de la Comunicación (CCC). Esta Colecta comunica el Evangelio mediante actividades católicas en los medios sociales y enriquece nuestra fe a través de el Internet, la televisión, la radio y la prensa escrita. La mitad de lo recaudado permanece en nuestra (arqui)diócesis y financia las necesidades locales así que, por favor, sean generosos en esta colecta. La CCC nos equipa para compartir nuestra experiencia de fe, devoción y testimonio con el mundo.

the Rappahannock Council on Domestic Violence). These programs provide ongoing support for children ages 5 to 12 affected by domestic violence and teens affected by dating violence and domestic violence.

## Mother's Day novena

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the best way to remember your mother, living or deceased—or your grandmother, godmother or someone who is like a mother to you. **Beginning May 8**, a novena of Masses will be offered for all intentions placed in front of the altar. These intentions will remain before the altar throughout the novena. Mother's Day cards and novena envelopes are available in the

vestibule of the Church and in the Parish Office.

## Pro-Life reflection

*"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb" (Lk 1:42).* May is marked by the beautiful ceremony of the May crowning. We present to Mary, the mother of Life, bouquets of flowers that represent life. By doing this, we honor Mary for saying yes for the Life of God in her womb. *Mary, we ask you today to intercede for all those who find it difficult to accept the gift of new life, whether within their own womb or in someone else. Help them say "Yes!"*

# called in love

## First Friday, May 6 All Night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

*"St. Joseph worshiped Jesus as no saint before had done. From his deep, calm soul he poured out a very ocean of love—tenderest love, humblest love... No angel might love Jesus as Joseph loved Him, as Joseph was bound to love Him. No temporal love but Mary's could be more like an eternal love than the love of Joseph for the Child, because of its likeness to the love of the everlasting Father." (Fr. Faber)*

**All Night Adoration will follow our First Friday 8pm Mass on May 6.** Please sign up to come and adore Our Lord in the most beautiful Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

## SCRIP gift cards

Set up an account today and continue earning rebates for HCA! Email Torie Baldwin at [scripcordinator@holycrossweb.com](mailto:scripcordinator@holycrossweb.com) for the school enrollment code so HCA gets credit for your purchase. **Thanks for using SCRIP gift cards!**

## Join the Carmelites for Morning Prayer, May 7

Members of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Carmelite Community, Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites, will be visiting our parish on **Saturday, May 7**, to pray the Liturgy of the Hours and attend 9am Mass. Join the Carmelites for Morning Prayer which will begin at approximately **7:50am**. The Rosary, led by members of the parish will follow as usual.

## Subscribe to our website

Subscribe to [stmaryfred.org](http://stmaryfred.org) and receive announcements via email. The subscription box is on the homepage, below the Mass schedule. Enter your email address and click on "subscribe."

## Welcome to SHARE at Saint Mary Parish!

**Order Deadline: May 9**  
**Food Pick-Up: May 21**

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 7:30am and 8:30am. 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](mailto:rcaporali@stmaryfred.org).

## Shopping for May:

### Value Package

\$21 + 2 hrs community service  
Potatoes, onions, and all the best, fresh produce in the market, plus:

- Ground Turkey—1.25 lbs
- Whole Chicken—4-5 lbs
- Beef Hot Dogs—.93 lbs

### Pasta Box

\$19 + 2 hrs community service

- Stuffed Shells, Manicotti, Tri Color Tortellini, Cheese Ravioli, Stuffed Rigatoni, Potato and Cheddar Pierogi, Swiss and Monterey Pierogi

### Mega Meat Box

\$30 + 2 hrs community service

- 10-6oz. RibEye Steaks, 4.8lbs Bone-in Chicken Thighs, and 2 packages of Meatballs

### Curly's Pulled Pork BBQ

\$19 + 2 hrs community service

- 5 lbs. bag

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



## SHARE Order Form

Value Package (\$21)  
\_\_\_\_\_ x \$21. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pasta Box (\$19)  
\_\_\_\_\_ x \$19. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mega Meat Box (\$30)  
\_\_\_\_\_ x \$30. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pulled Pork BBQ(\$19)  
\_\_\_\_\_ x \$19. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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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.