



**Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

**22 January
2017**

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

what's coming



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january

22 SUNDAY, THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Coffee Shop after morning Masses sponsored by CYM
New Family Welcome Meeting in the Church after the 10:30am Mass

23 Monday, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

(St Vincent, Deacon & Martyr; St Marianne Cope, Virgin)
Lent Small Group Host Registration continues, *Please Visit the Parish Website*

24 Tuesday, Saint Francis de Sales (Bishop and Doctor of the Church)

7:30pm, Life in the Spirit, Courtyard Meeting Room
7:30pm, Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Mt. Olive UMC, Arlington, Please Join Us!

25 Wednesday, The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle

9:30am, Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John, Courtyard Meeting Room

26 Thursday, Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

9:30am, Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100
9:30am, Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John, Courtyard Meeting Room
7pm, First Communion and First Penance Parents Meeting, Church
7:15pm, Walking with Purpose Classes

27 Friday, Weekday (Saint Angela Merici, Virgin)

9am, St. Anne's Sisters in Faith Mom's Group Meeting, John Paul II House

28 Saturday, Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

29 SUNDAY, FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Catholic Schools Week begins (January 29 - February 4)
Coffee Shop after morning Masses sponsored by Troop 1410
3pm, Quincenera Meeting, Parish Life Center

30 Monday, Weekday

31 Tuesday, Saint John Bosco, Priest

7pm, Teams of Our Lady Informational Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room

february

01 Wednesday, Weekday

9:45-11:45am, "Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John", Courtyard Meeting Room

02 Thursday, The Presentation of the Lord

9:30am, Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100
9:45-11:45am, "Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John", Courtyard Meeting Room
7pm, Baptism Class, Parish Life Center Room 204

03 Friday, Weekday (Saint Blaise, Bishop & Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop)

8am, Donuts with Dad, St. Mary Preschool
8pm, First Friday Mass, Followed by All Night Adoration

04 Saturday, Weekday

2pm, Spanish Baptism Class, Parish Life Center Room 204

05 SUNDAY, FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

06 Monday, Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

nota bene (note well, please):

- ✂ All are invited to attend our annual **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** prayer service with Bishop Burbidge at **Mt. Olivet Methodist Church, Arlington, VA Tuesday, January 24 at 7pm**. Please join us!
- ✂ Complete some of your holiday shopping by purchasing **SCRIP gift cards!** Set up an account today and earn rebates for HCA. Email **Torie Baldwin** at **scripcordinator@holycrossweb.com** for the school enrollment code.
- ✂ **Subscribe to the Saint Mary website, stmaryfred.org** and receive important updates via email. The subscription box is on the homepage. Enter your email address, click "subscribe."
- ✂ **Saint Mary Calendars** are now available in both English and Spanish in the vestibule of the church. Please, one per family.
- ✂ **Be sure to pick up next week's bulletin for images from the Bishop's visit!**



1009 Stafford Ave., Fredericksburg, VA 22401

SUNDAY MASS	Saturday Vigil 5 & 7pm Sunday 7, 8:30, 10:30am, 12:30, 2pm (Spanish), 5pm, 7:01pm 10:30am at Holy Cross Academy
DAILY MASS	Mon.-Fri.: 6:30am, 9am, Noon (M,W,F) Sat., 9am First Friday 8pm Holy Days of Obligation, as announced
DEVOTIONS	Adoration & Benediction, Wed., 7-9pm Novena with Exposition, Mon., 7-7:30pm All Night Adoration, First Friday Miraculous Medal Novena, Mon., after 9am Mass Divine Mercy, Wed., 3pm
CONFESSION	Wed., 7-9pm; Sat., 8am & 3:30pm, or by appt.
PARISH OFFICE	540-373-6491, fax 371-0251 stmary@stmaryfred.org Mon.-Fri., 8:30am - 4:30pm; students staff office weekdays until 9pm, Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays 9:30-1:30pm Pastor, Fr. John Mosimann Fr. Keith Cummings Fr. Stephen Holmes Fr. Colin Davis Deacon Alberto Bemaola Deacon Dick Delio Jim Florio, Operations & Facilities Manager Business Manager, Elaine Stanislawski Director of Sacred Music, David Mathers Parish Secretary, Tatiana Beltran
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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
BAPTISMS	Parish registration (90 days) and class required. Please contact the parish office to schedule the date at least four weeks in advance.
MARRIAGE	Parish registration required; contact parish six months in advance to begin preparation.
JOIN US	New Family Registration meetings held in the church on fourth Sundays, following the 10:30 Mass. Please notify us of any contact changes.

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

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HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

Dear Folks,

Annuntio vobis gaudium magnum: Habemus conductos operarios; Eminentissimum Tatiana Beltran, Jim Florio et Lauri Hofstrom!

Ok, I stole that announcement from the announcement that the Pope has been elected. But with the changes it translates to: I announce to you a great joy: We have employees; The Most Eminent Tatiana Beltran, Jim Florio, and Lauri Hofstrom!

Here in the bulletin, you will find a note / biographies of Tatiana and Jim. Tatiana is the new smiling face who is the first one you see when you walk into the office. Sometimes I call her job the ministry of welcome! While it is not his official title, Jim has been called by some, "the new Rick." On his first day of work, he put his Secret Service background to good use in managing the welcome line for Bishop Burbidge's visit! I have never seen a better organized and disciplined reception line!

While her biography is not in this bulletin, Lauri Hofstrom has been hired as our Director of Music. She will begin work in early February, as she her family is moving (back) to Virginia from Arizona. She was selected from an number of applicants because of her very capable musical ability, Catholic knowledge of Liturgy, Bi-Lingual capabilities, and because of the strong working relationship that she and I have from a previous parish.



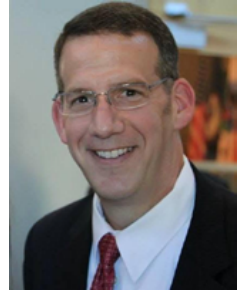
I am delighted to share this good news with you. I am particularly proud of the welcome that we can provide by both our front reception and music director being able to speak Spanish. I am confident that you will welcome Tatiana, Jim and Lauri as you have welcomed me.

Pax,

Fr Mosimann

New Faces in the Parish

James "Jim" Florio recently retired from the United States Secret Service, after 21 years of service. His most recent position was that of Assistant to the Special Agent in Charge at the James J. Rowley Training Facility, both supervising and providing all levels of training to both Special Agents and Uniformed Division Officers. Jim previously served in the United States Navy, and is a veteran of the Persian Gulf War. Jim and his wife Leigh have four children, and have been members of our Parish since 2002. He has served on both the Stewardship Committee and Parish Council. He has also served on the RCIA Team for seven years, and is an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Other ministries in which Jim participates include the Knights of Columbus and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He is a Cooperator with the personal prelature of Opus Dei, and is a Knight in the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem. He is very much looking forward to serving the Church in this new capacity as Operations and Facilities Manager.



Tatiana Beltran

Tatiana Beltran is a graduate recent graduate of the University of Mary Washington with a Bachelor in Psychology. She was born in El Salvador and came to the United States at the age of seven. Tatiana has four older siblings and one twin sister, Keiry. She has been a lifelong Catholic but deepened her faith and developed a desire to share the Gospel with others during her last two years at the Catholic Campus Ministry at Mary Washington. God has also blessed Tatiana with a community here at St. Mary's and she is very excited to be working for a parish that has helped spiritually nourish her relationship with Christ. Tatiana will be serving the Church as the Parish Secretary.



holy cross academy

Holy Cross Contestants

Holy Cross students shine in so many ways. We recently held our school competition for the National Geographic Geography Bee. Classroom winners competed in the final and championship rounds so that we could name a school winner. Hannah Spiegelger took away that honor and will compete in the next round. Good luck, Hannah!

Seventh graders, Nicole Weber and Macy Roberts, were recognized by the Free Lance-Star for coming in 2nd and 3rd place respectively in the Living History Writing Contest. Watch for their entries which will be published on a Monday in February in the newspaper.

We will be hosting an Open House on Feb. 5th and invite you to come visit us. St. Mary Preschool will be open from 9:30 to noon. We have several programs for three- and four-year-olds and would love to have you stop by and learn all about them. Holy Cross Academy will be providing tours for interested families from 1-3pm that afternoon. We promise that you will have lots of time to make it home for the Super Bowl.

It is a true joy for us to share information about our school with you. We are proud of our students and our graduates. Come see all that they have been learning and the many activities that take place here at Holy Cross.



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We invite you to visit our school website, 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 education

Family Week

Our new Bishop visited us this week and one of the gifts he received was spiritual bouquet from our parish. During Family Week, January 9-12, each class provided their prayer offering for the Spiritual Bouquet.



Parish Code - F6F228

The Church teaches that faith is “to entrust oneself wholly to God and to believe absolutely what he says” [CCC 150]. This is to make an act of the will to repent and give your life to Jesus Christ. Many refer to the joy, peace and conviction from this decision as becoming a “new creation” or being “born again”.

There is no greater New Year’s Resolution than to make that decision each and every day of 2017!

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youth ministry

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Life is VERY Good & March for Life Rally

On **January 27**, St. Mary Youth Ministry is heading to the Eagle Bank Arena and Washington DC for a morning of prayer and praise at the Diocesan Life is Very Good Rally. We will have Mass with our Bishop, hear musical performances by The Afters and Ben Walthers Band and inspirational speaker Mark Hart, Sr. Miriam James Heldland, and Fr James Searby . Then we will head to the March for Life in Washington DC in prayerful protest and March to the Supreme Court for an end to Roe vs. Wade. **Permission slips are available on our website.**



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Breakfast with Santa

Our Knights have established a comprehensive service program that has a focus on the Domestic Church. The main effort is to bring our community families closer together and focused on faith.

On December 17, we partnered with St. Mary, Quantico Toys for Tots, the Fredericksburg Victim/Witness Program, Safe Harbor, Stafford Schools Social Workers, and Empower House to provide 53 kids and their parents with an opportunity to come together to celebrate Christmas with their children. Our goal was to provide 39 families and 116 children with a Christmas experience. The dangerous road conditions precluded a large number of the children from attending, but we still provided 53 children with a visit with Santa, Gifts, a breakfast, and the ability to make a Christmas focused craft. We delivered the remaining gifts to the families as soon as the roads permitted. In total, we were able to help 116 kids and 39 families that were in real need of a Christmas experience. Specifically, some of these

families have been victims or witnesses of crime, are severely economically disadvantaged, or in need of a little love and compassion. We were honored to be able to help.

Community Support

Your support for our fundraising allowed us to help a family to have a Christmas meal and provide a few gifts for the children. The wife is a waitress and the husband has cancer and they wanted to be able to bring the family together over a meal to celebrate the birth of our savior. We also provided some additional support.

We had another family that was in need of more support than our local council could provide, so we were able to obtain a grant from the Virginia Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. (VKCCI) to help them pay their rent and electricity over Christmas. We were able to respond to their need within 10 days.

Coats for Kids

As a part of our youth program, we provided 98 coats to the local community either directly to families or through local agencies that have contact with the families.

We often see children without coats and assume that they chose not to wear them, but in reality, many in the local area do not have coats. This is a very rewarding experience, these are some wonderful boys and girls



February Family Dinner

The February Family Dinner, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be held on Saturday, February 4 from 6-8:30pm in the Parish Life Center. The menu includes baked spiral ham, sweet potato casserole with melted marshmallow, green beans, watergate salad, and ice cream sundae. The proceeds from this dinner supports our service program. A portion of these funds will support Mary's Shelter.

The dinner is open to the public and pay-at-the-door. Take outs 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

Christmas Tree, Fruit, and Christmas Card Sales

Because of your support, the funds raised will make our Service Program possible and that will directly support: Saint Mary, local community, youth, Culture of Life, and families. This allows your council to put our faith in action. Thank You.

March for Life - The Power of One

The Knights will be providing funding to support buses, acting as Marshals for the event, and Trail Life will provide support to the Saint Mary participants. Please join us in peaceful demonstration of our faith.

December Family of the Month

Michael Lim
Family and Mark
Gardner Family

December Knight of the Month

Richard LaRoche

happening here

Marriage Day of Enrichment and Celebration

Sponsored by Teams of Our Lady, will be held at St. Michael Catholic Church, 7401 St. Michael's Lane, Annandale, VA, on Saturday, February 18 in the All Purpose Room of the Junior School. The event will be from 9:30am-3pm and lunch is included. This day is for married couples seeking to live the sacrament in today's world. Cost is \$15 per couple to be paid at the door on February 18. To participate, please contact Carol and Dave McCaffrey (themccaffreys22003@gmail.com) to reserve your place and facilitate our planning. To learn about Teams of Our Lady, you can go to teamsofourlady.org.

Teams of Our Lady Information Session

"The couple that prays together, stays together" - The Teams of Our Lady (teamsofourlady.org) are a fantastic way for couples to grow closer together and closer to the Lord. Couples take time to pray and prepare spiritual material together, and then meet monthly with the other couples over dinner. Come meet us on Tuesday, January 31 at 7pm for more information, in Saint Mary's Courtyard Meeting Room! Helene (540 361 5662) and Gonzague (540 361 5673) de Bonfils, or hdebonfils@gmail.com.

Deacon Alberto Bernaola

Deacon Alberto Bernaola was ordained as a permanent deacon on January 5, 2011 by Bishop Paul Loverde at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More. His vocation was discerned over a long period of time and the person who most influenced him to become a deacon was his wife Miralba whose faith and belief in him was so strong. In the vows to become a deacon he professed respect and obedience to the Bishop. He promised to celebrate the Liturgy of the Hours, to believe what he read in the church's teachings and to teach and practice the mystery of faith. He vowed to proclaim faith in words and actions, to deepen the spirit of prayer and to shape the way of his life according to Christ with the help of God. Deacon Alberto's first and only assignment so far has been to St.



Mary of the Immaculate Conception. He is married to Miralba and together they have 3 children and 7 grandchildren. He enjoys reading spiritual books and photography. Alberto feels the best part of being a deacon is being able to spread the joy of the gospel to people and his favorite duty which he does with gusto is at the dismissal from Mass when he exclaims, "Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord." Deacon Alberto advises the younger members of the parish to listen to your parents, study hard, pray deeply and meditate. He suggests that they go on retreat so that they can listen to God and how he speaks to their hearts, to ask Him for help

and prepare to become men and women of good will to make the world a better place. He recommends when you are scared of doing something or want to test your limits to step outside of your comfort zone and to ask God for the help to overcome your fears. His favorite prayer is a litany that he feels was inspired by the Holy Spirit that says, "O Clement, O Loving Blessed Mother, Queen and Lady of the Virtues lead me to the Lord of Mercies because with Him there is nothing I cannot do. Lord grant me the grace to do Your will this day. St. Joseph the Protector of the Holy Family, by your powerful intercession, please protect me this day." His favorite saint is appropriately St. Albert. Deacon Alberto is happy to speak with anyone who is discerning a vocation to the diaconate. We are very blessed to have him at St. Mary and greatly appreciate his service, especially to the younger members and our Spanish speaking members.

parish life happening here

Lenten Small Groups: The Doctor's In: Pathways to a Healthy Mind, Body and Spirit

Host Registration is now OPEN! We are welcoming prior and new hosts who would like to gather a small group of colleagues, friends or family members to meet, discuss and share the reflections on this year's Lenten Small Group Program, "The Doctor's In: Pathways to a Healthy Mind, Body and Spirit". There will be three ways to sign up: Host Signup cards will be available in the information area in the vestibule, signup on the Parish Website, or go to www.lentenfriends.org and select St. Mary Church from the Host a Group Icon. We will invite people to become involved as hosts and gather their own groups through the end of January. We will begin inviting individuals to sign up beginning February 6 for those who are interested but have not connected with a group. There is a \$10 participation fee for each participant.



Join the Parish Book Club

The parish book club will read a most beloved work of Catholic fiction for its February 14 meeting at 10am at the John Paul II House. The Foundling (c. 1951) by Francis Cardinal Spellman tells the story of a wounded WWI veteran who returns to New York City and stops into a church on Christmas Eve. He finds a real live baby in the creche. The book follows the baby and the soldier throughout the child's life. For more information, contact Kathleen Mahoney at bmah761569@aol.com or 540-371-2073.



March for Life

Pro-lifers from across the nation will gather at a Rally on the Mall in Washington, DC and proceed down Constitution Avenue toward the Supreme Court and the US Capitol. Participants are of all ages, from unborn babies to grandparents. It is especially thrilling and encouraging to note how many pro-life teenagers and young adults participate!

This year's March will be held on Friday, January 27, to commemorate the 44th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Please plan to join your parish family in this peaceful protest against abortion.

St. Mary will have two buses for the March. There is no charge for transportation; however, participants are asked to bring a box of diapers and/or baby items for the Baby Closet sponsored by Catholic Charities.

The buses for the March will leave immediately following the 9am Mass at St. Mary and will return to St. Mary at approximately 5-5:30pm. Participants are advised to dress warmly, wear comfortable shoes and pack a light lunch.

Sign up sheets will be posted this week in the vestibule of the Church. Please consider taking a visible stand to for life, and sign up as soon as possible to reserve your seat on the bus.

happenings

Choir Pilgrimage to Italy and Rome

The Saint Mary Adult Choir, led by our Music Director, David Mathers, will embark on their pilgrimage to Italy on January 25 and return on February 3. The pilgrimage will take the choir to Florence, Orvieto, Assisi and, of course, Rome where they will sing for a Sunday Mass at St. Peter's Basilica, attend a Papal Audience and sing alongside the Papal Choir at Mass with Pope Francis on the Feast of the Presentation (February 2). As they travel to the shrines of the martyred founders of the Roman church, Ss. Peter and Paul, the Choir carries with them the prayers expressed by the many who offered them over recent months, as well as those of our whole St. Mary parish. The Choir wishes to thank all those who have supported so generously this pilgrimage with their prayers and with their contributions of time, talent and treasure! They ask for your prayers that their journey may bear great spiritual fruit for them and for our entire parish. You can follow the progress of the pilgrimage on Facebook. Search for Saint Mary Adult Choir of Fredericksburg.

American Heritage Girls Honors Our Very Own, Imani Madeam

Congratulations to Imani Madeam from the Council of Catholic Women! Imani has received an honor held by only about 100 other American Heritage Girls, the Stars and Stripes Award, the highest level of recognition awarded by AHG. The award is given for developing and leading a service project of at least 100 hours and she is the first girl in the Fredericksburg area to accomplish this. Imani's project, creating a mobile music cabinet for St. Mary Pre-School, was designed by her mainly because of her love of children and music. She also helped to construct the cabinet and the instruments it contains. American Heritage Girls is a faith-based scouting program that we are proud to sponsor here at St. Mary.



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Saturday, January 28 - 1pm

from the bishop christian unity

Message on National Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

From January 18-25, we will celebrate the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity by reflecting on the theme "Reconciliation: The Love of Christ Compels Us" (cf., 2 Cor. 5:14-20). As this year marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, our focus on reconciliation is all the more needful.

"We remember this anniversary," said Pope Francis recently, "with a renewed spirit and in the recognition that Christian unity is a priority, because we realize that much more unites us than separates us. The journey we have undertaken to attain that unity is itself a great gift that God gives us" (Apostolic Journey to Sweden, Oct. 31, 2016).

If our hearts have grown cold or lukewarm to the call to Christian unity, may the words of our Lord and Savior ring anew in our ears: "That they may all be one: as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us" (Jn. 17:21). May the love of Christ compel each of us to renew our active participation in this journey-this week and beyond.

Mensaje sobre la Semana Nacional de Oración por la Unidad de los Cristianos

Del 18 al 25 de enero, tendrá lugar la celebración anual de la Semana Nacional de Oración por la Unidad de los Cristianos con una reflexión sobre el tema "Reconciliación: El amor de Cristo nos obliga" (cf., 2 Cor. 5:14-20). Puesto que en este año se conmemora el 500o aniversario de la Reforma, nuestro enfoque en la reconciliación es tanto más necesario.

"Doy gracias a Dios por esta conmemoración conjunta", dijo el Papa Francisco recientemente, "que estamos viviendo con espíritu renovado y siendo conscientes que la unidad entre los cristianos es una prioridad, porque reconocemos que entre nosotros es mucho más lo que nos une que lo que nos separa. El camino emprendido para lograrla es ya un gran don que Dios nos regala" (Viaje apostólico a Suecia, 31 de octubre de 2016).

Si nuestro corazón se muestra frío o tibio al llamamiento a la unidad de los cristianos, que las palabras de Nuestro Señor y Salvador resuenen de nuevo en nuestros oídos: "Que todos sean uno: como tú, Padre, en mí y yo en ti, que también ellos sean uno en nosotros" (Juan 17:21). Que el amor de Cristo obligue a cada uno de nosotros a renovar nuestra activa participación en este peregrinaje, esta semana y en los años venideros.

Come together for Virginia.

Virginia Vespers: Evening Prayer for the Commonwealth

Virginia's Catholic bishops and the Virginia Catholic Conference invite legislators and other officials of all faiths, educators, social service practitioners, parishioners and all to join them at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Richmond to pray for the Commonwealth.

Join Bishop Michael Burbidge and Bishop Francis DiLorenzo for Vespers at 5pm, Thursday, February 9. Reception follows.

800 S. Cathedral Place, Richmond Free shuttle service is available at the Virginia Capitol Visitors' entrance at 10th and Bank Sts., and parking is available at the garage at North Laurel and West Main Sts., one block away.



operations given in love

Weekly Offertory

Financial Report will be posted in January 29 Bulletin

Choose Life Reflection

God does not make mistakes. When a human being is alive, it is because God wants him or her to be alive. People do not have to measure up to our standards or expectations in order to have dignity and deserve protection. *"Lord, I pray for all those who are disabled, frail, and ill. Give them Your strength and peace, and give us the eyes to see their dignity and value."* (Pro Life Reflections for Every Day)

Children's Offertory Envelopes for January

The children's charity that will benefit from the offering in January is the local Hospice Camp Rainbow. Camp Rainbow is an overnight, weekend bereavement camp for children ages 5 to 12 who have experienced a loss or are currently living with a loved one with a terminal illness. The Camp is organized by Hospice Support Care, a non-profit, non-medical volunteer hospice support organization providing spiritual, practical, and emotional support to patients and their families. The primary goal of Camp Rainbow is to teach children how to grieve in a healthy manner, while building fond remembrances. Like Kids Helping Kids, Camp Rainbow also strives to normalize grief, understand death and dying, and improve social skills. For more information, go to hospicesupportcare.org.

TV Mass for the Homebound

The Diocese of Arlington, in partnership with the Archdiocese of Washington, produces a weekly Sunday TV Mass filmed in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. Viewers can watch the TV Mass every Sunday from 10:30-11am on the DCW50 network. It is a wonderful ministry for those members of our Catholic family who are unable to be physically present with a local worshipping community for the Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy. For more information, visit: arlingtondiocese.org/tv-mass.

First Friday, All Night Adoration, February 3

Our First Friday evening Mass at 8pm will be followed by All Night Adoration. On the Feast of Corpus Christi, Pope Francis exclaimed: "Jesus speaks in the silence of the mystery of the Eucharist and reminds us each time that following him means going out of ourselves and making our lives not something we 'possess,' but a gift to him and to others." At least two people must be present with Our Lord at all times during Adoration. Please sign up today and enrich your soul with the gift of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Nar-Anon Support Now Offered

Are you or your family affected by a loved one's drug addiction? Nar-Anon is a twelve-step program that offers support, strength and hope to family members and

friends of loved ones struggling with substance abuse. Meetings are held every (1st, 2nd, and 4th) Thursday evening from 7-8 pm in the Fr. Don Rooney Community Room and every 3rd Thursday evening from 7-8 pm in the John Paul II House (downstairs). Our Nar-Anon meetings are open to both St. Mary parishioners and the community at large. Confidentiality honored and strictly maintained.

An Evening of Praise, Worship, & Adoration

Praise music will be provided by VISION First Saturday of Every Month 7-8:30pm at St. Leo the Great in Fairfax 3700 Old Lee Highway - Saturday, February 4.

Al Anon Surviving the Weekend Group

Al Anon is for those who have been affected by someone else's drinking, and members come together to learn a better way of life and how to find happiness. Especially at this time of year, it's important to know that you are not alone and there is help. There is an Al Anon meeting every Saturday at 10am in Room 204 of St. Mary's Parish Life Center.

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happenings

Join Us Monday at
8:15pm



Monday
February 13, 8:15pm

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.

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

Saint Mary prayer list

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: Veronica Johnson, John Storm, Joshua Oltman, Gladys Bowen, Frances Schwab, Martha Clemens, Lynn Dennis, Anne Shelton, Barbara Gillette, John Gannon, Maureen Mizzles, Miles Wood, Smoot Major, Marian Wolinski, Holly Smith, Mike Harwich, Larry Dillman, Jerome Murphy, Jim Evans, Keith Kovalesky, Patrick Clarke, Cody Harrell, Janie Sherry, Michael Tallarita, Chris Szynal, Judith Cantell, Delores Renninger, Phil Kronsberg, Tamlyn Leaf, Paul Godwin, Patricia Phillips, The Valconi Family, Tim Murphy & family, Matt Dombro, Regina "Gina" Wood, Amber Hedegty, Josephine Kreider, Darlene Guinn, Lillian Held, Duska Green, Mary Jean and Don Williams, O'Neta Shorter, Melvyn Schreckinger, Mary Ulmer, Mary Branham, Jessica Dowling, Kelly Keiser, Lauren McKeever, Janese Morris, Mary Keaton, Montgomery Wood, Harold Gardiner, Gerald Gardiner, Betty Ann & Bill Dateno, Jennifer Smith, Patricia Von Nieda, Corrine Gardine, David Arnold, Matt, Elsie and Riley Seidlinger, Jeanette Ann Williams, Maureen Flanagan, Fannie Manning, April Gray, Tim Conway, Andy Costa, Ellen Cupka, Cheryl Kellett, Jim Matarese, Hugh Fleming, Thomas Moeller, Marianne Ford, Ortiz Family, Diane Beverly, Jaideen Scelzo, Elisea Opeka, Adrian Foshay, Claire Matthews, Matt Traugh, Jonathan Nogueira, Jim Mann, Ted Major, Maggie Lampman, Chuck Boyert, Adrienne Foshay, Stephanie Downing, Ray Heath, Anna Marie Johnson, Emma Gilbert, Tracey Hansen, Bill Herr, Richard Fadden, Michelle Williams, Diana and Mike Pabrinkis, Zachary Payne, David Nimmer, Linda Kaila, Adrienne Foshay, Maggie Lampman, Mark Burton, Odette Anderson, Gene Wingert, Jackie Colson, Robert Yednock, Pete Bartlinski, Daisy and Russell McGuiney, Jackie Colson, Bob Rekowski, Virginia Gannon

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, Christopher Johnson III, Patrick Desmond, Andrew M. Smith, Nelly Garcia, Mindy Hakenson, Xavier Alas, Gary Rotsch, Anthony Howell, John Anthenor, Andrew Dowdy, Sean McCullum, Josue Bermudez

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

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Daily Mass intentions and readings

January

23 MONDAY

6:30am Deloris S. Morley+
9:00am Maureen North+
Heb 9:15-28; Mk 3:22-30

24 TUESDAY

6:30am Frederick Pechin+
9:00am Michael Caughlin+
Heb 10:1-10; Mk 3:31-35

25 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Fay Ardito+
9:00am John M. Wilkes+
Acts 22:3-16; Mk 16:15-18

26 THURSDAY

6:30am Francis Niederkofler+
9:00am Charlie White+
2Tm 1:1-8; Mk 4:21-25

27 FRIDAY

6:30am Luz Lewis+
8:15am* Sister Edna Dolan+
9:00am Lori Fowlkes
Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34

28 SATURDAY

9:00am Chris Lanzarone
5:00pm Deceased members of the Zbreznj family
7:00pm Mark and Julie Zaepfel
Heb 11:1-19; Mk 4:35-41

29 SUNDAY

7:00am Lawrence Herfurtner+
8:30am Jeffrey Alexander+
10:30am Charlis White+
10:30am* Our Military Living & Deceased
12:30pm For the Parish
2:00pm Santana Bermudez
5:00pm Hugh Fleming and family
7:01pm Blanche Saterlee
Zep 2:3-3:13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

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