# **what's coming**



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HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

Roman Catholic Church

# april

#### 30 SUNDAY, THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Coffee Shop after morning Masses sponsored by Troop 1410 12pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center 6pm, CYM Dinner & High School Youth Group, Parish Life Center

## may

### 1 Monday, Easter Weekday (Saint Joseph the Worker)

10:15am, Legion of Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Parish Life Center, Room 100 4:45pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center 7:30pm, RCIA/RICA Classes, Church

### 2 Tuesday, Saint Anthanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

4:45pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center 6pm, Religious Education Classes, Holy Cross Academy 6:30pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center 7pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 204 7:30pm, Life in the Spirit Prayer Gathering, Courtyard Meeting Room

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

4:45pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center 6:30pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center 6:30pm, YouCat, John Paul II House

### 4 Thursday, Easter Weekday

9:45-12 noon, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100 9:45am, Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible, Courtyard Meeting Room 4:45pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center 7:00pm Baptism Preparation Class, Parish Life Center Room 202 7:00pm, Nar-Anon Meeting, Father Don Rooney Room 7:15-8:30pm, Walking with Purpose, Parish Life Center, Rooms 203(Spanish), 204, 202, & 100

#### 5 Friday, Easter Weekday

### 6 Saturday, Easter Weekday

2:00pm Baptism Preparation Class, Parish Life Center Room 204

#### 7 SUNDAY, FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

12pm, Spanish Legion of Mary PLC Rm 100 CYM Dinner and High School Youth Group in the PLC

### 8 Monday, Easter Weekday

10:15am Legion of Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Parish Life Center Room 100 4:45pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center 6:30pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center 7:30pm RCIA / RICA Classes in the Church 8:15pm Taize Prayer Service in the Church

### 9 Tuesday, Easter Weekday

4:45pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center 6pm, Religious Education Classes, Holy Cross Academy 6:30pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center 7pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 204

# **express** announcements

# nota bene (note well, please):

- Our 9th Annual Parish Night Out is May 5th! Enjoy a great night of fun with parish family and friends at the Jepson Alumni Center, with dinner and dancing to the music of the Andrew Thielen Big Band. Call Marty at 540-373-0259 or the parish office and reserve your table!
- Complete some of your shopping by purchasing SCRIP gift cards! Set up an account today and earn rebates for HCA. Email Christi Greenwell at scripcoordinator@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."

# **contact us** www.stmaryfred.org

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 Mon.-Fri.: 6:30am, 9am, Noon

Sat., 9am MASS First Friday 8pm

Holy Days of Obligation, as announced

DEVOTIONS Adoration & Benediction, Wed., 6:30-8:30pm

Miraculous Medal Novena, Mon., after 9am Mass

Divine Mercy, Wed., 3pm

**CONFESSION** Mon., 6:30-7pm; Wed., 6:30-8:30pm;

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. John Mosimann Fr. Keith Cummings Fr. Stephen Holmes Fr. Colin Davis Deacon Alberto Bernaola Deacon Dick Delio

Jim Florio, Operations & Facilities Manager Business Manager, Elaine Stanislawski Parish Secretary, Tatiana Beltran

**HOLY CROSS** 540-286-1600 **ACADEMY** 250 Stafford L:

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

**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.

New Family Registration meetings held in the **JOIN US** 

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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# from the pastor

Dear Folks,

CONCEPTION Roman Catholic Church



If you asked your children, "are you truly happy?" what would they respond right now? I am curious, because read recently of a priest who asked his 6th graders this, and they replied that "it is not possible to be perfectly happy..." with one exception. Only one child made reference to Christ, and responded with a resounding yes. What would make you happy? If your answer to that is anything other than one word, you need to reexamine. I like technology, of the word, you need to reexamine. I like techn IMMACULATE and computers, and Blu-Ray, and games, and skiing, and golf, and I never ceased to be amazed that I can always fill up my amazon wish list. No matter how many things come off HOLY CROSS ACADEMY of it and into my little hands, there is always more going up. Gifts are great, and a lovely expression of our affection for one another. But I really want to be truly happy. And the only wish list that really matter has only one word on it: "Jesus."

> Speaking of gifts, this coming Saturday, we will begin two consecutive weekends of First Holy Communions. I remember with joy the excitement that day, and even where I sat in the church for that mass (3rd row on the left side of main aisle). I also remember how many of my friends were talking about how much money they would get. However, as the 7th of 8 children, I knew that I would not rake in as much cash as my friends were bragging about. But that did make me think about what I really wanted, and I remember a pious thought that all that really matters is Jesus.

My prayer this week for our children is that they will truly be happy. And that they will know that happiness in the person of Jesus Christ whom they can receive at any Catholic Mass every single day. Money and gifts will come and go, but Jesus is forever. Please join me this week in praying for our First Communicants.

Pax et bonum (peace and all goodness),



Fr Mosimann



### **15th Annual Holy Cross Academy Spring Golf Classic**

Have you heard about our upcoming Golf Tournament? Spring is in the air! Doctors tend to say that one should get out and enjoy some fresh air. They also remind many of us to take our iron and enjoy our greens! Well let's take that great advice and plan to enjoy a round of golf on May 15th at the Holy Cross Academy Spring Golf Classic held at the Gauntlet Golf Člub in Fredericksburg. A day of golf includes all green and cart fees, breakfast, refreshments and lunch on course, and plenty of chance raffle items to win! Spread the word to all family and friends! All proceeds from the event will be put towards our building expansion. Visit our website for event details, including sponsorship and prize donations.

# **Teacher Opening**

Holy Cross Academy is currently interviewing for an Art teacher for grades K to 8 for the 2017-2018 school year. The position is part-time. Salary is based upon experience. If interested, please send a resume to Sr. Susan Louise at principal@ holycrossweb.com.

# education

holy cross academy

### **Shining Students**

Holy Cross Academy students are given many opportunities to shine, both in school and out. Our athletic teams continue to do well and we all enjoy hearing our talented chorus members as they are selected for All-County and District Chorus every year.

Several times during the year, students are invited to participate in writing contests. Recently three 6th graders received awards in the Free Lance-Star Hometown Heroes contest. Anisha Talreja and Kylie Meskunas received Honorable Mentions for their stories about those whose dedication and courage inspire them. Riley Baker won 2nd place for her essay about her teacher, Mrs. Tracy Ciamapglio, and her enthusiasm in instructing HCA's 6th and 7th graders in Language Arts. Their stories will be published some time soon in the Family section of the paper.

Ten of our 7th and 8th graders were selected to participate in the Diocese of Arlington Science Fair. Rachel Startzel took 1st place in the Computer Science category for her project, My Mini Cell Tower. Ryan Murray we awarded a 2nd place ribbon in Environmental Sciences for his study, Ice Melters: A Salty Campaign against Grass Roots and Kirsten Stoltz was awarded an Honorable Mention in Botany for studying, Do Plants Need Water? All of their projects were excellent and we congratulate each participant for representing HCA so well.

We are proud of our students and applaud them, their parents and teachers on their many accomplishments. We are now in the last quarter of our school year and we want to challenge all of our students to working hard and learning all they can right up to the last day of school. We still have a lot to learn and many ways to grow.

### Registration for the 2017-2018 School Year is Open

To learn more, 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.







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# education

**First Holy Communion Rehearsals** 

Monday, May 1, 6pm is First Communion rehearsal for Grade 2 and Year 2 First Communion students who attend class on Mondays at the 6:30pm session.

Tuesday, May 2, 6pm is First Communion rehearsal for Grade 2 and Year 2 First Communion students who are Home Taught or attend class at the 4:45pm sessions on Monday-Thursdays.

Tuesday, May 2, 7pm is First Communion rehearsal for Grade 2 and Year 2 First Communion students who attend class Tuesdays and Wednesdays at the 6:30pm sessions or on Tuesdays at the 6pm session at Holy Cross Academy.

**First Holy Communion Liturgies** 

Saturday, May 6, 9am is the First Communion Liturgy for Grade 2 students of Holy Cross Academy.

Saturday, May 6, 11am is the First Communion Liturgy for Year 2 and Grade 2 students who attend class on Mondays at the 6:30pm session.

Saturday, May 13, 9am is the First Communion Liturgy for Year 2 and Grade 2 students who are Home Taught or attend class at the 4:45pm sessions on Monday-Thurdays.

Saturday, May 13, 11am is the First Communion Liturgy for Year 2 and Grade 2 students who attend class Tuesdays and Wednesdays at the 6:30pm sessions or on Tuesdays at the 6pm session at Holy Cross Academy.

May 7 World Day of Prayer for Vocations
World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, May 7th, also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publically fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. You can find many resources to promote a culture of vocations on the USCCB Vocations webpage (usccb.org/vocations).

"Those who drawn by God's voice and determined to follow *Jesus soon discover within themselves an irrepressible desire to* bring the Good News to their brothers and sisters through proclamation and the service of charity. All Christians are called to be missionaries of the Gospel! As disciples, we do not receive the gift of God's love for our personal consolation, nor are we called to promote ourselves, or a business concern. We are simply men and women touched and transformed by the joy of God's love, who cannot keep this experience just to ourselves.

### **JOIN FORMED**

1. formed.org 2. click register

3. enter parish code: F6F228

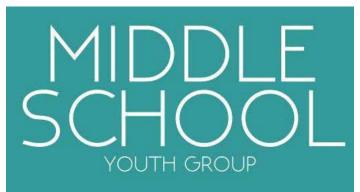








#GetInvolvedBeTransformed



Middle School Youth Group resumes Sunday May 7 at 3:30pm. All 7th and 8th graders are invited.

### Last High School Youth Group

Join us Sunday, May 21 for out last High School Youth Group of the school year. We will have our open mic night where we get to hear all of the great things that God has done in your life through St. Mary and our youth program. We will also celebrate all our seniors that have been involved in our program. Don't miss out!

### **WorkCamp Raffle - Mark Your Calendars!**

Our annual WorkCamp Raffle will commence the weekend of June 3 and run through June 18. Each weekend, we will raffle off a pair of beautiful Adirondack chairs that our teens have made. Please see our WorkCamp teens after every Mass on these weekends to purchase tickets. All tickets are included in each raffle, so purchase your tickets early and get three chances to win!

# parish life

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### **May Family Dinner**

The May Family Dinner, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be held on Sat, May 6 from 6-8:30pm in the Parish Life Center. The menu includes deep fried chicken tenders, mashed potatoes & gravy, cole slaw, baked beans, and cookies. The net proceeds will be donated to The Knights of Columbus 4034 Charities . The dinner is open to the public and 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 2017**

KOVAR is a 100% volunteer effort of the Virginia Knights of Columbus. KOVAR has no employees and its Board of Directors take no salaries. 100% of collected funds benefits people with mental disabilities in the form of donations and loans. The Knights of Columbus will be collecting during all masses at St. Mary's and Holy Cross Academy during April 29-30th; Stafford Lakes Giant on April 30th; Central Park Walmart and Eagle Village Giant on May 5-6th; and, Town & Country Giant on May 6.

# **Our New Brother Knights**

Council 4034 welcomes Brother Ricardo Barton, Brother James Harshbarger, Brother Dan Kinion, Brother Keith LeJeune, and Brother Shane Pitts. A special welcome to all of these new Brother Knights in joining our Knights of Columbus Council.

### **Trail Life Troop VA-4034**

Trail Life VA 4034 assisted American Heritage Girls (AHG) VA 0128 in sponsoring the annual Arlington Diocese Young Scout Retreat on Mar 18th. The retreat is for AHG, Trail Life, Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts of the USA, and Camp Fire Girls, grades K-5, from all of the diocese. Older boys from our troop led several stations while younger boys participated in the retreat. This year's theme explored The Our Father prayer. Trail Life had a slow March, but is geared up for a busy April including a ropes / high adventure course and an Honor Flight tour at the Marine Corps Museum. For more information, visit www.traillifeusa.com or www.americanheritagegirls. org. Questions? Email troopmasterva4034@gmail.com for Mark Gardner (Trail Life) and ahgva0128@yahoo.com for Maureen Siegmund (American Heritage Girls).



### **Cursillo Weekends**

Upcoming weekends are announced for the Arlington Diocese Men's and Women's Cursillo Weekends for spring! They will be held at Missionhurst Retreat House in Arlington, VA. For women, the dates are May 18-21. For men, the dates are April 27-30. Cursillo can be a life changing experience that begins with this 3 day weekend and carries on into your daily walk of faith. Many who attend the Cursillo continue to meet with others to review and renew their faith weekly or monthly to live a life focused on Christ and to serve Him in their daily life. For more information, please call or email Tammie or Doug Chute 540-785-0570, tammiechute@ hotmail.com

## **Ultreya Held Here**

Ultreya will be held for the Greater Fredericksburg Area Cursillo Groups! Come gather Saturday, May 13 after the 9am Mass at St. Mary, followed by a Rosary to our Holy Mother, continued with a gathering in the Father Don Rooney Room from10-11:30. All are welcome! In addition, please note, there is a Women's Ĉursillo, the weekend of May 18-21 at Missionhurst, all active Catholics are invited to attend! Please contact Tammie Chute if interested. 540-785-0570 or tammiechute@ hotmail.com

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

Facebook: fb.com/kofc4034

E-Mail: 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

# parish life

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# The Paul Stefan Foundation

Saving Babies, One Mom at a time. They extend their caring arms to lovingly assist young women and their pre-born babies by providing homes of safe haven where they will receive the spiritual, physical, emotional, and psychological support and nourishment necessary for their further growth and development. It is their hope that those they love and serve today will continue to grow in a profound way to love and respect the dignity of all human life, and to one day answer the call to serve those most vulnerable. They could use our help, please visit their facebook and website at fb.com/paulstefanhome.org or at paulstefanhome.org.

### **Need SCRIP Volunteers**

We are also seeking additional volunteers to help sell after Mass. We are especially in need of volunteers who can help sell after the 10:30am Mass at the Church and the 5pm Mass on Sunday, but volunteers for any Mass will be very appreciated. If you are interested, please contact Christi Greenwell at greenwell1956@cox.net or 703-994-2142.

# FIAT & Quo Vadis Camps Registration Open

These camps are an opportunity for young people to grow closer to God and discern their vocations, they are not the only means. If your son or daughter is exploring his or her vocation, please contact Fr. Jaffe in the Office of Vocations and he would be happy to help in any way he can.

FIAT Girls' Camp: Sunday, July

9 - Thursday, July 13 Quo Vadis Boys' Camp: Sunday, July 30 - Thursday, August 3 All details about these camps can also be found at the above links. Should you have any questions beyond what is there, please contact the Office of Vocations, vocations@arlingtondiocese.org or 703-841-2514.

# Loved the Wedding. Invite Me to the Marriage. Love, God.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can help you do that! Marriage Encounter is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones — and focus just on each other. The next weekend is Sep 15-17, 2017 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: RenewMarriage-VANorth.org or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org or 703-646-1521.

### **Volunteers Needed**

Catholic Charities Diocese of Arlington- Hogar Immigrant Services are currently in urgent need of two volunteer teachers for a new ESOL site we are starting in Fredericksburg next month! The classes will begin May 2 and will take place Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6-8pm.

# **Young Adult Retreat**

Register now for the 2017 Young Adult Retreat starting on Friday, May 12th and ending on Sunday, May 14th. The retreat, taking place at San Damiano Spiritual Life Center, will be led by Fr. Mark Baron, titled, "100 Years of Our Lady of Fatima: what the Mother of God teaches us about following Her Son." For more details, go to arlingtondiocese.org/Family-Life/Young-Adult-Retreat-Weekend or email Brendan Gotta at yam@arlingtondiocese. org.

### **Great Train Race**

Registration is open for the 23rd running of the Great Train Race & Caboose Run in downtown Fredericksburg! The event will be held on Sunday, May 7. This one-mile road race is for youth 18 & under and features the George Dashington 1/2 mile for ages 6-12 and Caboose Run, a 400 meter race for kids 5 & under. Participants in all events receive a race shirt, a finisher's medal, and finish line refreshments. Proceeds are donated to FASL and directly benefit children's charities in the Fredericksburg area. Holy Cross Academy is sponsoring the 7yr old boys in the mile race so look for our banner and booth at the finish line! Register at gtrfredericksburg.com and be sure to list your school name on the registration form.

# parish life

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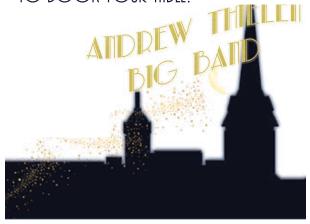
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A Wilderness Adventure Through the Sacraments Tesus in My Heart WHO: RISING KINDERGARTEN TO RISING 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS

WHERE: PARISH LIFE CENTER
WHEN: JUNE 19-24

TIME: 9:00AM – 12:00NOON COST: \$25.00/CHILD

REGISTRATION: APRIL 24 – MAY 12 DURING PARISH OFFICE HOURS

TEEN AND ADULT VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED ADULTS MUST BE VIRTUS COMPLIANT TO VOLUNTEER

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# **POLAND**

with Father Mosimann

# **August 5-14**

Krakow, Zakopane, Czestochowa & Warsaw

### **Included in Your Package:**

Round-trip airfare from Washington Dulles & Round-trip Airport Transfers

10 days/8 nights fully escorted tour of Poland with a professional English speaking tour director

### 3, 4, and 5\* hotels w/ All Hotel Taxes:

3 nights Krakow

2 nights Zakopane

1 night Czestochowa

2 nights Warsaw

### 24 meals:

Buffet breakfast, lunch, and dinner with wine daily (8 buffet breakfasts, 8 lunches, and 8 dinners (4 in typical local restaurants with Klezmer Jewish music and Folkloric Show including a welcome and a farewell dinner plus 4 dinners at the hotels)

### **Extensive Sightseeing:**

Krakow, Zakopane, Kalwaria, Lichen, Warsaw imcluding entrance fees to: Wavel Castle & Cathedral, Church of Santa Maria in Krakow, Sanctuary of Jasna Gora in Czestochowa, Salt Mines in Wieliczka including descend and up again by elevator, Museum of Auschwitz-Birkenau, Museum of Juan Pablo II in Wadowice, Funicular ride of Gubalowka in Zakopane, Ride on rafts on the River Dunaiec, and Royal Castle in Warsaw

Mass daily c/o Father Mosimann



Our Ladyof Contochowa

# Price per person \$3575

Airport Taxes/Security Fees Included Single Supplement: \$425 Travel Insurance \$199

Deposit \$300 plus travel insurance \$199 is due before April 30 to secure your space.

Final payment is due MAY 30

Please make you checks payable to: Fredericksburg Travel

### TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE

Please call Margaret Ford et Fredericksburg Travel (540) 373-6900 Please rush. Time is of the easence. Thank you!





### **DAY 1: USA TO KRAKOW**

Evening departure on a transatlantic flight to Poland. Dinner, movie, and Breakfast on board.

### **DAY 2: ARRIVAL IN KRAKOW**

Morning arrival to Krakow. Meeting and assistance and transfer to your hotel. Time to rest is followed by a guided tour of Kazimierz (former Jewish district). After lunch (included), we continue our visits to the Sanctuary of Divine Mercy, Chaplet, and we celebrate Mass (Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ). Welcome Dinner with wine and music at a local restaurant. Overnight in Krakow.

### **DAY 3: KRAKOW**

After breakfast we depart to visit the main Market Square, Wawel Royal Castle and Cathedral, St. Mary's Church, and Franciscan church. After lunch (included) visit continues with Dominican church and Mass, confessions, and holy hour. Rest of day at leisure.

Dinner with wine at the hotel. Overnight in Krakow.

### DAY 4: KRAKOW-WADOWICE-KALWARIA- WIELICZKA - KRAKOW.

Breakfast and visit to Wadowice, birthplace of John Paul II. After lunch (included) we will tour Kalwaria Zebrzykowska, the 3rd most famous sanctuary in Poland. Will also visit Wieliczka, one of the oldest salt mines in the world where we will hear Mass in an underground chapel. Tonight, Dinner with wine in a traditional Polish restaurant with folk music. Overnight in Krakow.

#### **DAY 5: KRAKOW-ZAKOPANE**

Today, after breakfast, we will be taken to sail on traditional wooden rafts down the Dunajec River. We'll have lunch (included) and continue to Zakopane, the mountain-loving Pope's paradise where our Priest will celebrate Mass. Dinner with wine in our hotel tonight.

Overnight in Zakopane.

### **DAY 6: ZAKOPANE AND TATRA MOUNTAINS**

After breakfast we will enjoy a cable ride to Mt. Gublowka for an amazing view. Sightseeing/shopping on Krupowki promenade, lunch, and Mass at our Lady of Fatima Sanctuary. Dinner with wine tonight in a traditional mountain restaurant. Overnight in Zakopane.

#### DAY 7: ZAKOPANE- AUSCHWITZ-CZESTOCHOWA

Breakfast and departure for a guided tour of Auschwitz, the notorious Nazi concentration camp. We will see the cell where St. Maximiliam Kolbe was imprisoned. After lunch (included) we continue to Czestochowa, the most important pilgrimage site in Poland to visit the Jasna Gora Monastery known as the Shrine of the Black Madonna where we will pray before the Black Madonna icon and celebrate Mass. Dinner with wine at the hotel. Overnight in Czestochowa.

### **DAY 8: CZESTOCHOWA-LICHEN-WARSAW**

After breakfast we depart for Lichen to visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Lichen. This Basilica is Poland's largest church. After Mass and lunch (included) we drive on to Warsaw. Dinner with wine at our hotel. Overnight in Warsaw.

### **DAY 9: WARSAW**

Breakfast and visit the landmarks of Warsaw: Old Town, Market Square, Royal Castle, Lazienki Park, Frederic Chopin monument, and Warsaw Ghetto. After Mass we will have lunch (included) before re-turning to our hotel. Tonight we will have a Farewell Dinner with wine at a local restaurant in War-saw. Overnight in Warsaw.

#### **DAY 10: WARSAW-USA**

After breakfast we will be transferred to Warsaw airport to board our flight back home, arriving later today.

# operations

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# **Weekly Offertory**

Offertory Collection April 16/23

Offertory Collection April 16 \$34,768

Offertory Collection April 23

\$26,714

Easter Second Collection for Parish Development/Maintenance \$27,217

Good Friday Collection for Holy Land Shrines

\$5,670

Offertory Collection April 9 (add1) \$7,896

Parish Building Fund (add1)

\$2,304

Thank you for your generosity!

## 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
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.

## **Choose Life Reflection**

On the first Easter Sunday afternoon, the two disciples walking on the road to Emmaus failed to recognize Jesus when He started walking with them. Perhaps it was because they were so disheartened. Often we are too absorbed in our own disappointment to see that hope is right in front of us. For many who are pregnant, despair and fear can lead to abortion. Lord, I pray for all whose sadness tempts them to abortion. Give me the courage to reveal Your loving presence to them.

# Al Anon Surviving the Weekend Group

All 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. It's important to know that you are not alone and there is help. Al Anon meetings are every Saturday at 10am in Room 204 of St. Mary's Parish Life Center.

## Nar-Anon Support Available

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.

## **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**

"Strengthen the Church at home"

There are 88 home mission dioceses in the United States – in areas like the Deep South, Appalachia, the Rocky Mountains, the Southwest and Alaska – all characterized by a lack of resources to provide basic pastoral care for their faithful. Most are unable to adequately provide Mass, religious education, evangelization and ministry training, and often struggle with priest shortages, parishioner poverty, unemployment, difficult terrain, religious hostility and other circumstances that im-

pact the practice of the faith. This Appeal helps keeps the doors of schools and parishes open, which otherwise would be forced to close and helps educate seminarians in poor dioceses. Your help and support is vital. Please give generously and help strengthen the Church at home. It's one way our parish can be a good steward of God's gifts and make a difference. To learn more about the home missions appeal, please visit usccb.org/home-missions. Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.

## Operation Rice Bowl Reminder

Throughout Lent, your support of Operation Rice Bowl has helped offer hope to millions of people around the world who benefit from the work of Catholic Relief Services. Please return your Rice Bowl donation by April 30. To help our parish process the donations more quickly, please count your donation and make a check payable to the parish. Please write "Operation Rice Bowl" in the memo line of the check. Thank you for your generous support.



# liturgy

# daily bread

## **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 14, Mothers' Day, a Novena of Masses will be offered for all the intentions placed in front of the altar. These intentions will remain before the altar throughout the Novena. Mothers' Day Cards and extra novena envelopes are available in the vestibule of the Church and in the Parish Office.



Saint Mary prayer list

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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, Darlene Guinn, Lillian Held, 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, 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, Jaiden Scelzo, Elisea Opeka, Claire Matthews, Matt Traugh, Jonathan Nogueira, Jim Mann, Ted Major, Maggie Lampman, Chuck Boyert, Adrianne Foshay, Stephanne Downing, Ray Heath, Anna Marie Johnson, Emma Gilbert, Tracey Hansen, Bill Herr, Richard Fadden, Michelle Williams, Mike Pabrinkis, Zachary Payne, David Nimmer, Linda Kaila, Adrianne Foshay, Maggie Lampman, Keri Nelson, Marc Wood, Jack Brush, Sanra Frietas, Elise Velez, Virginia Gannon, Daisy MCguiney, Russell Mcguiney, Robert Yednock, Kari Nelson, Ellen GilHool, Patricia Russo, Gail Russell, Urbano Negre, Nimfa Cloud, Daniel Burke, Prudy Tarpey, Barbara Mc-Coy, Lee Bishop, Nora Ellen Lloyd, Tanh Lam, Joseph Mikulka, Lillian Kendall, Martha Clements, Judy Diehl, Terry Givens, Rose St. John, Jason Sully, Danny Thiebolt, Mary Rau, David Phillips, Anna MacArthur, Theresa Petrill, Bob Rekowski, Ĝerard Fitzpatrick, Christina Wiley, Maureen Mizzles, Charles Dittmer, Bernice Douglas, Miles Wood, Bruce Mattern, Larry Triola, Maria Wood, Shannon Triola, David Marcs, Roberta Mullen White

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, Bob Harter

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

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# Daily Mass intentions and readings

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#### 1 MONDAY

6:30am 9:00am 7:00pm Carmen Ligia Morales Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29

#### 2 TUESDAY

6:30am Charity & Andy Schnebelen 9:00am Kevin Mosher+ Acts 7:51-8:1a/Jn 6:30-35

#### 3 WEDNESDAY

6:30am John & Gisele Storm 9am Susannah Tombes 1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14

#### 4 THURSDAY

6:30am Timothy & Cecilia NG 9am Asher Chipman Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51

#### 5 FRIDAY

6:30am Suzanne Whatley 8:15am\* Diana Pabrinsky+ 9am Alma Bonner+ 8pm Christina Wan Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59

#### 6 SATURDAY

9am Ana Paula & Shawn Grimm 5pm Theodore Zbrzeznj+ 7pm Joseph Cascio+ Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60

# 7 SUNDAY 7:00am

8:30am Thomas Franklin+
10:30am Those who died in April
10:30am\* Nora Lloyd
12:30pm Tiem Vu+
2:00pm Leticia & Fredy Gonzalez
5:00pm For our Parish
7:01pm Joseph Cascio+
Acts 2:14-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn
10:1-10

Charles White+

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