

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 16, 2017



Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church

FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA

what's coming



**SAINT
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Roman Catholic Church

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

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16 SUNDAY, FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:30am, Friendly Evangelization with Father Colin, Parish Life Center
12pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center Room 100

17 Monday, Weekday

10:15am, Legion of Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Parish Life Center, Room 100
8:15pm, Taize Prayer, Church

18 Tuesday, Weekday [Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest]

6pm, Youth Ministry Sport Tuesday, Old Mill Park
7:30pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center Room 204

19 Wednesday, Weekday

9:45am, Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother Class, Courtyard Meeting Room

20 Thursday [Saint Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr]

9:45am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100
9:45am Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room
6:30pm, Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 201
7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House - upstairs
7pm, Non-Anon Meeting, Parish Life Center, Room 204

21 Friday, Weekday [Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor of the Church]

22 Saturday, Saint Mary Magdalene

23 SUNDAY, SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:30am, Fr. Colin presents Catholics Evangelizing, Parish Life Center
New Family Welcome and Registration after 10:30am Mass, Parish Life Center
12pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center Room 100

24 Monday, Weekday

10:15am, Legion of Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Parish Life Center, Room 100

25 Tuesday, Saint James, Apostle

6pm, Youth Ministry Sport Tuesday, Old Mill Park
7:30pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center Room 204

26 Wednesday, Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:45am, Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother Class, Courtyard Meeting Room
7pm, Associates of St John Bosco College Freshmen Faith Workshop, Parish Life Center

27 Thursday, Weekday

9:45am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100
9:45am Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance Bible Study
6:30pm, Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 201
7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House - upstairs
7pm, Non-Anon Meeting, Parish Life Center, Room 204

28 Friday, Weekday

29 Saturday, Saint Martha

30 SUNDAY, SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

12pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center Room 100

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DAILY Mass	Mon.-Fri.: 6:30am, 9am M/W/F: 12 Noon Sat.: 9am First Friday 8pm Holy Days of Obligation, as announced
DEVOTIONS	Adoration, Daily between 6am & 9am Mass, Wednesday 12noon - Friday 9am Miraculous Medal Novena, Mon., after 9am Mass Divine Mercy, Wed., 3pm
CONFESSION	Wed., 6:30-8:30pm; Sat., 8am & 3:30pm, or by appt.
PARISH OFFICE	540-373-6491, fax 371-0251 stmary@stmaryfred.org Mon.-Fri., 8:30am - 4:30pm; <i>students staff office weekdays until 9pm, Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays 9:30-1:30pm</i> Pastor, Fr. John Mosimann Fr. Stephen Holmes Fr. Colin Davis Fr. Michael J.R. Kelly Deacon Alberto Bernaola Deacon Dick Delio Operations Manager, Jim Florio Business Manager, Elaine Stanislawski Parish Secretary, Tatiana Beltran Director of Music & Organist, David Uschold
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ST. MARY PRESCHOOL	540-373-7553 Director, Nanci Scharf
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE	540-373-6491 Director, Aristides Lucas Associate Director, Karen Sturtevant
YOUTH MINISTRY	540-373-6491 Director, Leo Chavarria
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BAPTISMS	Parish registration (90 days) and class required. Please contact the parish office to schedule the date at least four weeks in advance.
MARRIAGE	Parish registration required; contact parish six months in advance to begin preparation.
JOIN US	New Family Registration meetings held in the Parish Life Center 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!

from the pastor

pax et bonum



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HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

Dear Folks,

In the name of summertime pursuits, what about fishing? It has been years since I fished at all, and my skills as a fisherman are sketchy. Once I was deep-sea fishing with my brothers. They both caught 25+ fish, standing shoulder to shoulder with me. I caught none. This led to some good natured ribbing about my being a 'fisher of men,' but not of fish!

Anyway, it led me to think of how the enemy of our souls is clever, calculating, and patient in the traps that he sets for us.

Calculating: like a good fisherman, Satan knows what bait to use for each and every fish that he is trying to catch, our weaknesses and disordered desires.

Clever: Of course the hook is hidden in the bait. But there is always a hook to ensnare, trap and enslave us.

Patient: he sets the bait before us, and waits. Souls aren't taking the bait?... just wait, they will come.

Did you ever wonder what goes on in fish brain?... likely not much more than "looks good... yum... yum... ouch... oh no!" I pray that much more thought and wisdom be engaged in our struggles to resist spiritual bait.

On the other hand, the Lord does not deceive in inviting us into His boat (the boat being an ancient image of the Church). He reveals to us our deepest desires for Love, and tells us of the cost (the Cross), but carries it for and with us. And we fill up His boat by willingly jumping in at His invitation.

I guess that is the kind of fish I need and have, ones willing to jump in the boat!

Pax,

Fr. Mosimann

Father Colins Presents: Catholics Evangelizing?? It is possible!

All you need are a couple of elevator speeches (sorta)...

Evangelization for Everyday Catholics

Come grab a coffee and a donut and listen, maybe even ask a question or two!

July 16 & 23 - 9:40am-ish till 10:15am, after the 8:30am Mass in the Parish Life Center.



From the Pews at St. Mary

Let me share a 'miracle' that I attribute to Mother Theresa on her way to becoming a saint!

After my father in law died, I became pregnant. I was so excited and happy, and the doctors made it a point to monitor me very closely. The pregnancy seemed to be going so well but took a turn at week six. I found that my progesterone levels had dropped from 35 to 25. My OB said, "Progesterone levels can fluctuate. We don't really worry unless they get under 20." A few days later, I went to my OB and my levels dropped to 18. The OB said, "well, it's not a good sign that they're dropping so much, but as long as they don't go under 15, we're ok." I wanted another test from my OB a few days later, but he refused. I think he knew that I was miscarrying. So I went to my PCP to get my levels checked and they came back that they were at 12. The doctor told me that it just wasn't meant to be and it was an imminent miscarriage.

I went home and I was devastated. Here I was thinking I was 8 weeks pregnant and I was losing my baby! I cried all day and all night. I had a small relic from Father Solanius Casey (a piece of his actual robe) and I held it against my abdomen and prayed and prayed and prayed all through the night. I prayed to Father Casey, I prayed to our Holy Mother... I drifted in and out of small periods of sleep, and every time I woke up, I prayed again to our Holy Mother to help my baby. I woke up the next morning at 6am and as I laid in bed with my eyes closed, I felt... CLEAR AS DAY... a soft hand press against my stomach (I FELT it... it was as if my husband had wrapped his arm around my abdomen to cradle my stomach) and a voice whisper in my ear, "Your baby will be ok." I said in my head, "Holy Mother? Father Casey?" And the voice said clear as day, "Teresa." I turned around because I thought my husband had snuggled me and said it, but he was all the way on the other side of the bed with his back to me. I went to the doctor that very day and begged that he test my levels again. He prepped me for the news of the inevitable (that I miscarried) and when he tested the levels they were in the 20s! He was amazed!!! He had no idea how that happened. Through the next weeks the levels kept climbing... and now we are blessed with a healthy boy who we named after his grandfather.

I had always learned about praying to saints, but I never actually thought something physical like that could happen. You think of it happening more gradually or unobservable. But to this day, I still feel that hand on my belly and that voice say, "Teresa." I had a feeling it was Mother Teresa and I think of her help when I look at our son. Thank you Lord!

holy cross academy

Holy Cross Testimonials

You have all touched, taught, and nourished, my son academically, spiritually and personally.

It is hard to believe that a decade has passed since he first walked through the activity center doors on his first day of pre-school. He approached the door that day with a sense of wonder, and adventure and he was truly excited to throw himself into whatever new and exciting lesson, event, friendship was to be experienced that day.

This year has had many challenges for my son, I have had the privilege of witnessing firsthand the amazing character of my son. When things were rough, he dug deep. he worked hard, put forth huge effort and has proven to me, and to himself, that with effort and with God's plan, all things are possible. And YOU ALL made that possible. With much gratitude,

- Lori Fitzpatrick Acklen, HCA parent

Attending HCA since preschool through the 8th grade was the best decision we made for our kids. School administrators and teachers are not afraid to set high standards both for behavior and academics HCA is more than a school; it is a community that pulls to-

gether to help the academic growth as well as help form the spiritual foundation of our children that will be with them for the rest of their lives. HCA has taught my children that they are part of the larger world community and that they do not need to compromise their faith, that their words and actions reflect who they are and will ultimately determine who they become. Thank you, Holy Cross, for these gifts.

Mandar a nuestras hijas a HCA de preescolar al octavo grado fue la mayor decisión que pudimos tomar para nuestra familia. Los Administradores y maestros de la escuela establecen estándares tanto para el comportamiento como para el nivel académico. HCA es más que una escuela, es una comunidad que fomenta no solo el crecimiento académico, sino que ayuda a formar la base espiritual de nuestros hijos la cual tendrán para el resto de sus vidas. HCA les ha enseñado a mis hijas que ellas son parte de una comunidad mundial; y que no tienen que comprometer su fe para lograr lo que deseen, que sus palabras y acciones reflejan quienes son y son la vara que se usará en su medidas como personas. Gracias Holy Cross por estos dones.

- Roxana McCarthy, HCA Mom 1998-2010 and HCA teacher, 2003-2006



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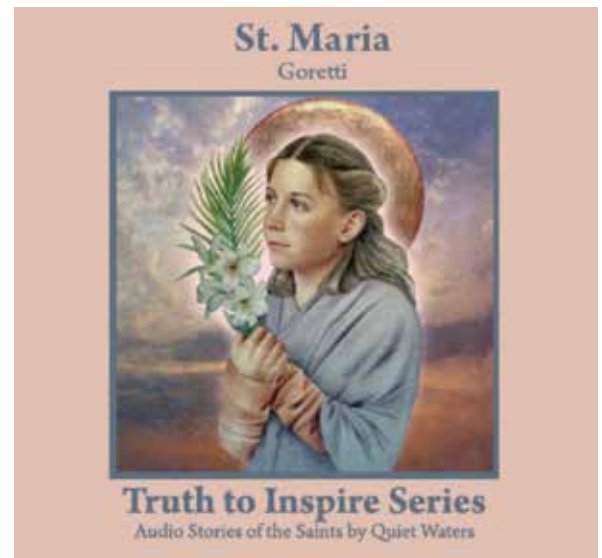
Religious Education is Important

Last school year, like most years, we had over one hundred students in the grades children were preparing for sacraments (Grades 1, 2, 7 and 8) and less than a hundred in grades children were not preparing for sacraments (Grades 3, 4, 5, and 6). It is very important that our Religious Education be continuous so our knowledge and understanding of our faith can be suitable to our level maturity and the times we live in. Secular society exerts tremendous pressure on us and we need to help children experience the beauty and joy of our faith so our world will be a place of "righteousness, peace and joy in the holy Spirit" Romans 14:17

Did you know that on average, about 25% fewer people are confirmed than receive First Communion each year. — Source: Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate

St. Maria Goretti

Known for her virtue of purity, follow the story of a lovely young Italian woman who understood her own dignity and value, as well as the horror of sin. Due to finances two families shared one country home. The teenage boy of one family, Allesandro, grew up with pornography, and little parental direction. One day he wished to act out his desires of the flesh on young Maria. Due to her resistance of his actions, Maria suffered a heroic death at the hand of her assailant. Forgiveness was on her dying lips as she passed to eternal glory the next day. Following this story is the song: "O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God" recorded by The Tremblay sisters.



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youth ministry

Diocesan Kings Dominion Day

Open to Middle & High School students. Friday, July 28 join St. Mary's CYM as they participate with the Diocese of Arlington to attend Kings Dominion for a day of fun. The day begins at 9am with Mass at St. Mary and then we head out to KD and return by 9pm. Cost is \$35 for a ticket or \$5 if you have a season pass (\$5 is to help pay for the gas of chaperones driving). Parents we will caravan to KD so if you can help with transportation please contact the Youth Ministry office. RSVP to the CYM Office by Monday, July 10 with permission slip and money.

Kings Dominion

Youth Ministry Summer Calendar

Our summer calendar is available on the Youth Ministry calendar page at stmaryfred.org/youth-ministry-calendar. Please join us for some or all of the great activities scheduled!

**Human Sexuality Series**

Join us every Wednesday in July from 5pm – 7pm in the St. John Paul 2 House (High School teens only). Living as a Christian means living a counter-cultural life. This is especially true when it comes to our understanding of human sexuality. Entirely contrary to the trend of "hooking up", sex is an integral part of God's design for humanity to be nurtured in the context of self-giving love. To understand sex, we have to go back to how God "created them male and female," how relationships come together, the covenant of marriage, and how sex is God's truly creative plan for giving life. This series tackles the subject in a candid and unflinching way to give a credible alternative to everything young people hear from our world about sex.



StMaryCYM



#GetInvolvedBeTransformed

parish life happenings

Attention Class of 2017!

The Associates of St. John Bosco is conducting three workshops on how to grow with your Catholic faith intact when you enter college this fall. The nights are designed for rising college freshmen to prepare for transition into college. Catholic student representatives from such as George Mason, UVA, The University of Mary Washington, William & Mary, Virginia Tech and other private and public schools will be on hand to offer advice and support. It is a great opportunity to network with other Catholic students and to receive resources for the transition to college only months away. The last meeting will be held on **Wednesday July 26 at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception's Parish Life Center** (1009 Stafford Ave. Fredericksburg) **starting at 7pm.** To register for one of the nights and for additional information visit our website at asjb.org. Registration is limited to 50 students.

Team of Our Lady

"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 to pray and share with the other couples over dinner.

A second Fredericksburg team is in the works! contact us to learn more. Helene (540 361 5662) and Gonzague (540 361 5673) deBonfils@hdebonfils@gmail.com.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

"Let us ask ourselves this evening, adoring the Christ truly present in the Eucharist: do I let myself be transformed by Him? Do I let the Lord who gives Himself to me, guide me to come out more and more from my little fence, to get out and be not afraid to give, to share, to love Him and others? Discipleship, communion and sharing. Let us pray that participation in the Eucharist move us always to follow the Lord every day, to be instruments of communion, to share with Him and with our neighbor who we are. Then our lives will be truly fruitful. Amen." (Pope Francis, Solemnity of Corpus Christi)

Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Monday & Tuesday from 7-9am and every Wednesday beginning after the 12 Noon Mass and continuing until Friday 9am. Spend some time in silent prayer before Our Lord during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Knighthood

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

The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation

This is the foundational study in The Great Adventure Bible Study Series that has helped hundreds of thousands of Catholics learn to read the Bible.

The Bible Timeline is a fascinating study that takes participants on a journey through the entire Bible. They will go deep into each period of salvation history and discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. Using a unique color-coded system, they will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith. The Bible Timeline has been granted the Imprimatur. The cost for materials is \$25, which will be collected at the first class. Class sizes will be limited to 40 participants each. **Please sign-up by August 25.** Sign up in your current Bible study or in the Parish Office, 540-373-6491.

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 24 Week Bible Timeline Study begins
Thursday, September 14, 2017 24 Week Bible Timeline Study begins

parish life happenings



It's Time Again...School Dressing Days are Right Around the Corner!

Sponsored by the Interfaith Community Council of Fredericksburg

**August 11 & 12
9am-3pm**

**Latter-day Saints Church
1710 Bragg Road**

The kids will get to pick out jeans, a pair of shoes, a backpack, T-shirt, some school supplies, undies and socks.

Necessary Pre-Registration

We require proof of your address (a bill with your address for example) and any form of ID for your child. Families from Stafford, Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania, King George and Caroline counties only will be accepted.

Pre-Registration Dates & Locations

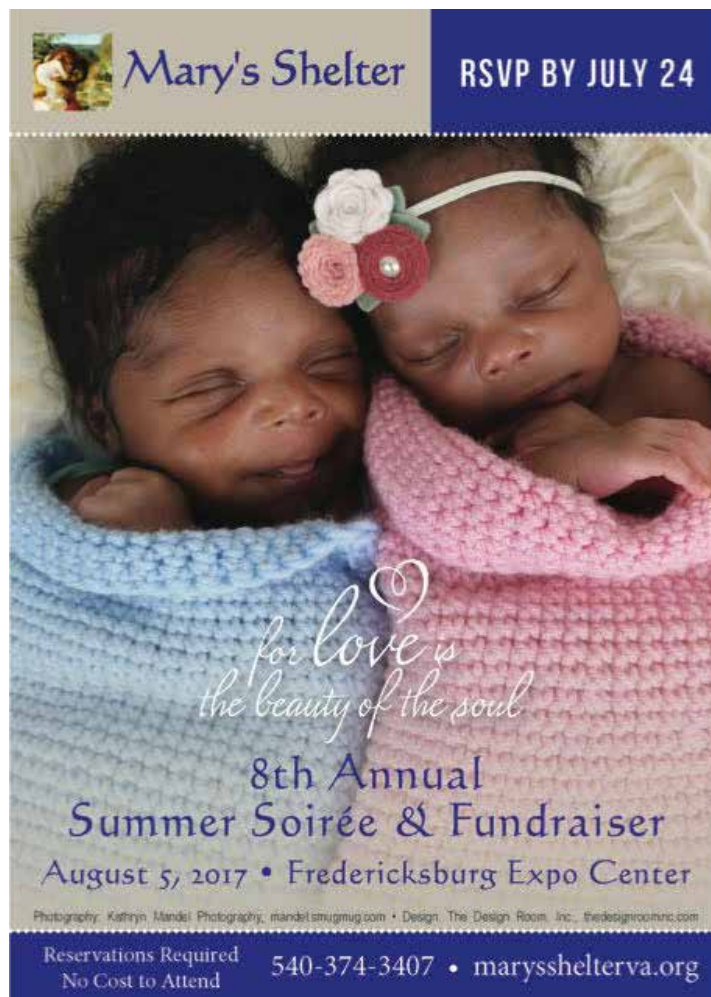
**F'burg United Methodist Church,
308 Hanover Street**

July 8, 19, & 22 - 10am-1pm)

**Latter-day Saints Church,
1710 Bragg Road**

July 12 & 26 - 10am-1pm

August 5 (9am-1pm)



our neighbors happenings

Upcoming Highlights from Stafford Junction

Our Summer program for our kids runs from July 3 to August 3. Anyone wishing to volunteer – please contact Lynn Hamilton at lhilton@staffordjunction.org - Mon & Wed 12-3pm, Tues & Thurs 1-4:30pm.

Just Around the Corner

School Supplies will be needed! Estimated need this year will be 300 to 350 backpacks and supplies. Tide Me Over Bags for snacks and heat and eat foods.



Stafford Junction
Where Lives Connect

John Paul Golf Tournament

Saint John Paul the Great Catholic High School is hosting "Golfing with Wolves" on Thursday, September 21, at the spectacular Potomac Shores Golf Club. This is the only publicly accessible Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course in the DC area! Join friends and make new ones while enjoying a beautiful day on the greens in support of Catholic education. Sponsorship opportunities also available! For more information, and to register, please visit saintjohnpaulthegreatgolf.org, call 703.445.0306, or email: golf@jpthegreat.org.

St. Jude Dinner Saturday, August 12, 6-8pm

End of Summer Dinner in the St. Jude Church Activity Center hosted by the Building FUNdraisers, and catered by the El Pino Mexican Restaurant. Dinner includes an appetizer of chips and salsa; steak and chicken fajitas; a dessert of strawberry and chocolate mousse cake; coffee, soda, and water. **Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under.** A raffle will be held during the dinner. Raffle items include a woman's gold, amethyst, and diamond ring valued at \$2,100, a doll house valued at \$750 and a \$200 gift card, an elliptical exercise machine valued over \$700, a travel w/style set valued over \$200, 3 model churches, and a Cana wine set. Tickets are \$10 and you need not be present to win. All tickets will be sold in the vestibule of the church after all Masses 2 weeks before the event and at the door. All proceeds go to the St. Jude Church Building Fund.

Deepen Your Faith

Coming soon to St. Bernadette Parish, Springfield, VA is an opportunity to deepen our relationship with Jesus and to discover God's plan for our lives. In the Called & Gifted discernment process you will learn that every lay Christian – each baptized person without exception – has been given a unique and deeply personal call to work with our Lord. Discerning your call will give you a new perspective on your life and will help you to be more fulfilled in your work and in your relationships. Our parish is sponsoring a teaching team from the Catherine of Siena Institute in Colorado Springs to offer the introductory Called & Gifted workshop, which will be on Friday, August 18, 7-9:30pm, and Saturday, 9am-4pm. Everyone is invited to participate. **To register or find out more, call or email Rick Caporali at 703-451-8576, rcaporali@stbernpar.org.**

Following the introductory workshop, participants are encouraged to have an hour-long conversation with a parish representative trained by the Institute who will help you more confidently identify spiritual gifts, distinguish gifts from natural talents and skills, and pick a gift to discern.

The consultation prepares you to participate in a small discernment group. The Institute's Discernment in Depth resources guide the small group interaction and individual experimentation. The Discerning Charisms Workbook can be used by individuals who cannot be part of a small group.

our neighbors happenings

School Dressing Days

Want to have a great time while helping the kids in our communities? Come volunteer! Either day or both, as much or as little as you want. **We need you!** Do you speak Spanish? We especially need your talent to help many of our families. You can sign up on **SignUpGenius.com**. Just click the magnifying glass search icon, enter our email **schooldressingdays@gmail.com** under 'search for a sign up' and click the School Dressing Days icon. **Please call Jaye Anastasio at 540-412-1622 with questions.**

New clothing donations of boys' and girls' jeans/joggers, including husky sizes, and backpacks for kids from K-12, will be gratefully accepted. Please leave your donations in the bin at the entry to the **Parish Life Center from June 25 through July 30** (please, no baggy, carpenter or boot cut jeans). Gently used hoodies, zip-up sweatshirts and coats for elementary school age kids as well as gently used shoes appropriate for school are always in great demand. As always, we are grateful if you choose to make a monetary donation instead of clothing donations. **Checks of any amount can be made payable to the Fredericksburg Interfaith Community Council, PO Box 1336, Fredericksburg, VA 22402-1336.** Thank you for supporting these kids!

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.

Laudate! Choir Camp

Foster your child's love of music this summer with an exciting, intense, and rewarding choir camp, held at **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, July 31-August 4**. Open to rising 2nd-12th grade children, with activities tailored to all skill levels. More information at **laudatechoircamp.com**. Emphasis on the rich Catholic choral tradition.

Guadalupe Free Clinic (GFC) Golf Classic

The Guadalupe Free Clinic, an apostolate of the Catholic Diocese of Arlington, which operates on the grounds of St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church, is a donor-supported, volunteer staffed free health clinic that seeks to serve the indigent, working poor and medically uninsured residents of the Town of Colonial Beach and Westmoreland County, Virginia. The Clinic is committed to providing high-quality primary medical care, referrals to medical specialists, and free pharmaceutical services for its patients. Guided by Catholic principles for health care, the Clinic seeks to assist in the total healing of all patients, regardless of ethnicity or creed.

Day of play, August 7. \$175 per player or \$600 per foursome Includes: breakfast; automatic entry into Hole in One Challenge; greens fee; natural grass driving range access; complimentary non-alcoholic beverages; catered lunch; raffle prizes; silent auction items; awards presentation at conclusion of play.

Visit **guadalupefreeclinic.org** for player application.



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Weekly Offertory

Offertory Collection July 2

Offertory Collection \$31,589

St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$580

Offertory Collection July 9

Peter's Pence \$37,278

Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa \$7,436

Peter's Pence \$1,737

St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$105

Masses were offered in June for the following unscheduled intentions: +Tony Genco, +Helen & Norm Porter, +Max Dudzic, +Lena & Frank Leta, +John Leta, +Joseph Leta, +Bill Deterline, +Barbara Jean Keller, +Kathy & Matt Dyjack, +Dan Clemson, +Gary & Eileen Ochs, +Harold Moulton, +Bob Essary, +Mary Lou Schuster, +Lori Blackhurst, and +Bob Steele.

Children's Offertory Envelopes for July

Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of July will be donated to Families of the Wounded Fund. This fund was created in 2005 to help the families of service members who come to McGuire Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Richmond with traumatic brain injuries and spinal-cord injuries from combat in Iraq and Afghanistan. Former Army Captain William Haneke, a wounded Vietnam Veteran, and some colleagues recognized the need to assist family members who were away from home tending to their loved ones when they saw two young mothers with babies arrive from across the country with no money and barely enough gas to make the trip. The orga-

nization gives 100 percent of all tax-deductible donations to the families to help with food, lodging, transportation, child care, diapers and long-distance calling cards during the many weeks a family is in the Richmond area, and each family currently receives \$7,500.00. For more information, visit their website at fotwf.org.

Pro Life Reflection

The irony is that many people think of us Catholics as people of No -- don't do this, don't do that. In reality we are the people of Yes -- yes to God, yes to life, yes to compassion for the poor and suffering, yes to the solidarity and community that make us messengers of joy even in a valley of tears. (Cardinal Seán O'Malley, homily at Opening Mass of the 2014 National Prayer Vigil for Life) *We pray for the vulnerable in our society - the unborn, the elderly, migrants, and the poor - that they may be treated with respect, dignity and love.*

Attention All Parish Organizations

Your calendar for the use of parish facilities from September 2017 to August 2018 should be submitted to Elaine in the Parish Office no later than July 31. Please make sure you submit your request to Elaine, in writing, as soon as possible, either by regular mail, or by email to estanislawski@stmaryfred.org. In setting up your schedule, please note that evening activities cannot be scheduled before 8:00pm from September through May, due to Religious Education classes in the Parish Life Center and the John Paul II House.

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

Nar-anon is a program that offers support to family members and friends of loved ones struggling with substance abuse. All Information and discussion is non-judgemental, informative and strictly confidential. Our meetings are in **Room 204 in the Parish Life Center on Thursday from 7-8pm** and are open to the community at large. **Contact Cathy at 703-2018821, burgh757@gmail.com or Wayne at 540-840-5230.**



Act of Consecration for Our Country

Most Holy Trinity — Our Father in Heaven, Who chose Mary as the fairest of Your daughters; Holy Spirit, Who chose Mary as Your spouse; God the Son, Who chose Mary as Your Mother — in union with Mary, we adore Your majesty and acknowledge Your supreme eternal dominion and authority.

Most Holy Trinity, we put the United States of America into the hands of Mary Immaculate in order that she may present the country to You. Through her we wish to thank You for the great resources of this land and for the freedom which has been its heritage. Through the intercession of Mary, have mercy on the Catholic Church in America. Grant us peace. Have mercy on our President and on all the officers of our government. Grant us a fruitful economy born of justice and charity. Have mercy on capital and industry and labor. Protect the family life of the nation. Guard the innocence of our children. Grant the precious gift of many religious vocations. Through the intercession of our Mother, have mercy on the sick, the poor, the tempted, sinners -- on all who are in need.

Mary, Immaculate Virgin, Our Mother, Patroness of our land, we praise you and honor you and give ourselves to you. Protect us from every harm. Pray for us, that acting always according to your will and the Will of your Divine Son, we may live and die pleasing to God.

Saint Mary prayer list

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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, Adrienne Foshay, Stephanie Downing, Ray Heath, Anna Marie Johnson, Emma Gilbert, Tracey Hansen, Bill Herr, Richard Fadden, Michelle Williams, Mike Pabrinkis, Zachary Payne, David Nimmer, Adrienne 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 McCoy, 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, Gerard Fitzpatrick, Christina Wiley, Maureen Mizzles, Charles Dittmer, Bernice Douglas, Miles Wood, Bruce Mattern, Maria Wood, Shannon Triola, David Marcs, Roseanne Mash, Jeanne Burke, Indira Murillo, Christie Greenwell, Holly Smith, Anthony Yantiss, Jerome Murphy, Larry Dillman, James Evans, Gabriel Galarza-Torres, Keith Kovalefsky, Joaquin Perez, Amber Moser, Stan Guzik, Barbara Butler, Mary Walsh, Elizabeth Murray, Jacqueline Murray, Robert Gomer, Carla Gomer, Robert Wayne Thompson, Robert Arthur Ouellette

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, Monica Hamman, Brian Mahoney

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

Daily Mass intentions and readings

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17 MONDAY

6:30am Bronislaw Stanislawski+
9am Harold Wildman+
Ex 1:8-22/Mt 10:34-11:1

18 TUESDAY

6:30am Lisa Snow
9am Elissa & Patrick Wiggins
Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24

19 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Tatiana Beltran
9am Keiry Beltran
Ex 3:1-12/Mt 11:25-27

20 THURSDAY

6:30am Mary Ann Holzworth
9am Bon Van Than+
12pm
Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30

21 FRIDAY

6:30am Bon Van Than+
8:15am*
9am Elaine Stanislawski
Ex 11:10-12:14/Mt 12:1-8

22 SATURDAY

9am Marie VanGuilder+
5pm Antonette DeTrane+
7pm Frank Kotasek+
Sg 3:1-4b/ Jn 20:1-18

23 SUNDAY

7am Ron Huber+
8:30am DeRosa Family
10:30am Helen Miller+
10:30am* Betty Rissetto+
12:30pm Kevin Murphy+
2:30pm Jose Rafael Guia Reynoso+
5pm Christopher James McAdams+
7:01pm For our Parish
Wis 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/
Mt 13:24-43

*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*