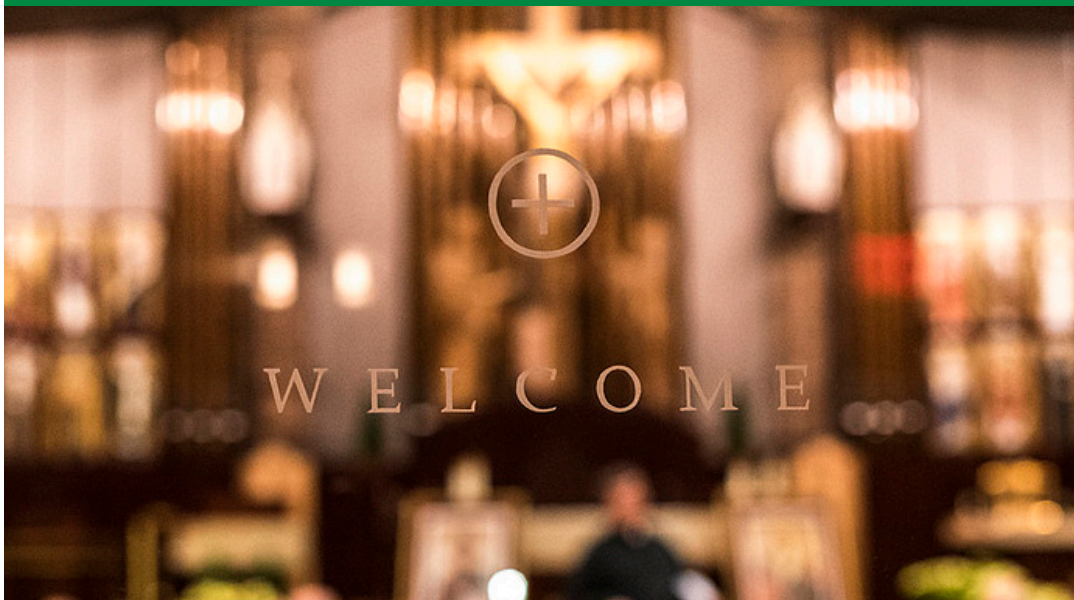


Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14, 2018



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

upcoming events



**SAINT
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of the
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Roman Catholic Church

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

January

14 SUNDAY, SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

12pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 100
6pm, High School Youth Group, Parish Life Center - 6pm Dinner, 7pm Meeting

15 Monday, Weekday

10:15am, Legion of Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Parish Life Center, Room 100
6-9pm Theology on Tap, Adventure Brewing South - Sponsored by the St. Mary Young Adults

16 Tuesday, Weekday

10am, CCW Meeting, Father Don Meeting Room
7:30pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 204
7:30-8:45pm, Walking with Purpose Class at Holy Cross Academy

17 Wednesday, Saint Anthony, Abbot

6:30pm, YOUCAT, Parish Life Center

18 Thursday, Weekday

9:45am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100
6:30pm, Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 201
7-8pm Nar-Anon Meeting, Parish Life Center, Room 204
7:15pm Walking with Purpose, Parish Life Center

19 Friday, Weekday

9am, St. Mary Bus departs for March for Life, Washington, DC — more info on page 8
6pm, Middle School Youth Group, Parish Life Center
7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House, second floor

20 Saturday, Weekday [Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr]

21 SUNDAY, THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9am, Knights of Columbus Freedom 5K Run/Walk Fundraiser, Moss Free Clinic, Fredericksburg
11:30am, Evangelization Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room
12pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 100
6pm, High School Youth Group, Parish Life Center - 6pm Dinner, 7pm Meeting

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

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

23 Tuesday, Weekday [Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin]

7:30pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 204
7:30-8:45pm, Walking with Purpose Class at Holy Cross Academy

24 Wednesday, Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:30pm, YOUCAT, Parish Life Center

25 Thursday, The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle

9:45am, CCW Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100
6:30pm, Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 201
7-8pm Nar-Anon Meeting, Parish Life Center, Room 204
7:15pm Walking with Purpose, Parish Life Center

26 Friday, Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

6pm, Middle School Youth Group, Parish Life Center
7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House, second floor

27 Saturday, Weekday [Saint Angela Merici, Virgin]

express announcements

nota bene (note well, please):

▪ **March for Life:** This year's March will be held on **Friday, January 19**, to commemorate the 45th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Please plan to join your parish family in this peaceful protest against abortion. Please see page 10 for more details.

▪ **First ever Saint Mary Photo Contest!** Find more information in Father's Letter on page 4.

▪ 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.**"

▪ **There will be no Religious Education classes this week (January 15-18). Classes resume the week of January 22-25.**

▪ Join Flocknote for RE Notifications!

Text '**StMaryFredRE**' to **84576** to automatically receive text messages and emails when RE Classes are canceled. Or go online and register by following the link at the parish website, **stmaryfred.org** on the right hand side at the top of the information panel.

contact us

stmaryfred.org

SUNDAY MASS Saturday Vigil 5 & 7pm
Sunday 7, 8:30, 10:30am, 12:30,
2:30pm (Spanish), 5pm, 7pm
10:30am at Holy Cross Academy

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 6:30am &
9am Mass,
Wednesday 12:30pm - 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.

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stmary@stmaryfred.org
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Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays 9:30-1:30pm

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Fr. Michael J.R. Kelly
Deacon Alberto Bernaola
Deacon Dick Delio

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Tatiana Beltran

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Elena Doyle - outreach@stmaryfred.org

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 our pastor

pax et bonum

Dear Folks,

Two weeks into the new year. How are your resolutions?

This week I read a provocative article, "Thinking About Change? Consider This..." (Google the title if you want to read it, or look me up on facebook, I posted it to my wall). Fr. Dwight Longnecker got me thinking with statements like, "We don't change because we perceive that the pain of the status quo is less than the pain of change."

Sometimes our new year's resolutions are just expressions of hope. But in order for them to become reality we must firmly face the reality that change comes at a cost. In theological terms, all grace comes to us through the cross. To really be disciples, we must pick up our crosses and follow Jesus. One of my favorite phrases in the Scriptures is that Jesus set his face like flint to go up to Jerusalem knowing full well the fate that awaited (see Lk 9:51 and Isaiah 50:7).

Which leads me to the March for Life this Friday. How many times has the March taken place in cold rain and miserable weather? I have often heard folks say that the March for Life gets the lousiest weather. Four years ago, I googled, "March for Life weather history," but couldn't find anything pertinent in the first several pages. So a parishioner did the analysis and statistically the March has not had worse weather than any other average day in January. Opps.

But what I can know is it that only one thing can change hearts in this battle for the soul of our country. It is love. And Love "bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails." (1 Cor 13:7). Christ on the cross shows us this perfectly. The sacrifices, the privations, the cold, the rain that must be endured to March for Life? In all things we conquer with Christ. And these little sacrifices offered up with Love are precious to Him. They are our little embraces of the Cross. And the Cross is the power of His love to save souls.

Whether we are speaking of making change in your life or in our culture, don't despair. The path to calvary is difficult, and our Lord fell three times under the weight of the cross. We can be free of the slavery of sin.

Keep offering up your prayers and sacrifices. And keep witnessing to His love no matter how bad the weather.

Pax et Bonum,



Fr Mosimann

Saint Mary Photo Contest

Photos can be of any subject of your choosing: family, landscape, people or places that you visited last year. With the help of a parish professional photographer, I will be the judge of the pictures and pick a grand prize winner and some runner up pictures which will be displayed in the Narthex (and/or perhaps in the bulletin or on the website). Prizes will be Scrip Gift cards, so that you can have your pick of where to spend! (If there are sufficient photos submitted, I will give out prizes in categories like: 'young photographers,' or 'Sacred,' or 'Landscape').

To submit a picture (or more than one, but please not more than 10 per person). Send them by email to me at, frmosimann@stmaryfred.org. **Include with the picture:** the photographer's name (and age if you want to be eligible for the 'young' photographer prize). Also, please tell me where and when the picture was taken. If you prefer, you could put them onto a CD and drop them off at the office. Or, if you are really old school and prefer film, drop off a copy of pictures here at the parish office. **Deadline for submission is February 12th** (just before Lent).

Micah Cold Weather Shelter

The Micah Cold Weather Shelter opened for the winter season on November 15 and will remain open each evening until mid- to late-March. Teams of Saint Mary volunteers assist on Tuesday evenings by greeting and checking in clients, setting up sleeping areas, and providing hospitality for the 30+ individuals that utilize the facility. Each participating church is asked to bring 3 dozen items (white socks, small toiletries, etc.). Saint Mary is asked to collect donations of men's boxer underwear sizes medium and large. Please consider how you might be able to support this need—all donations are gratefully accepted at our Parish Office. Although it is a good thing that the temporary shelter is available during the harsh winter months, it highlights the continuing need for sustainable housing and support mechanisms in our community. For more information about community efforts to help the homeless, please visit Micah Ecumenical Ministries, dolove-walk.net or Thurman-Brisben Homeless Shelter, thurmanbrisbencenterv.org

education holy cross academy

The New Year is off to a Memorable Start!

Our return from our Christmas vacation was cut short by the snow and ice storm that affected most of our country. We have many exciting activities ahead and look forward to sharing them with our parish family. This week we are looking back at the unit of study of Native Americans undertaken by our 2nd graders in early December as part of their Social Studies program.

Our students enjoyed learning about the First Peoples of the United States: the various types of homes they lived in, the foods they enjoyed, means of communication and the games the children played. Teachers and parents prepared activities for the children so that they could grow in appreciation of the history of our country, stretching back many centuries.

Holy Cross Academy Science Fair Judges Needed

Holy Cross Academy will conduct its annual Science fair for 7th and 8th graders on Thursday, February 8 from 8-11:15am at the school located behind Geico on Route 17. Anyone interested can email Mrs. Lanzarone at elanzarone@holycrossweb.com or call the school at 540-286-1600



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20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
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We hope that you will consider our parish school for your children. 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 our parish school. You can also plan to join us on February 4th for our Open House at St. Mary Preschool and Holy Cross Academy. We would love to see you there!

parish life

religious education

No Classes This Week

There will be no Religious Education classes this week (January 15-18). Classes resume the week of January 22-25.

Magnifikids

Help Children Pray and Follow Sunday Mass to accompany them on the path of daily prayer; to help them develop and nourish their spiritual lives; to hand on to them our rich Christian spiritual values; to encourage them to participate fully in the life of the Church.

Every week, MagnifiKid offers:

All the readings and the prayers of the Sunday Mass with explanations of the difficult words and the meaning of the rituals; A suggested prayer for Morning and Evening; Many suggestions on how to live the entire week with the Lord; Various games, a comic, and activities to help children learn about Christian life and culture; A page intended for the parents with suggestions for family prayers.

MagnifiKid is for children between the ages of 6 and 12. us.magnificat.net/home/magnifikid

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1. formed.org
2. click register
3. enter parish code: **F6F228**

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

40

The Most Important Human Rights Issue of Our Time

With compassion, love, and hope, 40 explores inspiring stories and deeply personal interviews some of the most prominent figures in the pro-life movement including Abby Johnson, Lila Rose, and Fr. Frank Pavone. Their stories will change hearts and make the pro-life movement more determined in the fight to end abortion.



Watch on formed.org



"Wow! Incredibly powerful and so full of hope for the future."

—Rita S., Duluth, MN



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*We invite all Christians to gather in the peace of Christ at St. Mary **Monday, February 12** as we "prepare a place for unity and peace" together.*

You are invited to a monthly gathering of prayer in the ecumenical tradition of the Taizé Community in France, the second Monday of every month at 8:15pm.

It is our hope that this monthly prayer brings together Christians of all churches, pastors and flocks, as together 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." It is something we are unable to do ourselves.

This Unity which embraces all people stands at the very heart of Christ's mission...and belongs to the essence of our community. Let us provide a place where his Spirit can come and fulfill his plan for us.

our diocese from the bishop



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January 8, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Throughout the month of January we are provided with special opportunities to bear witness to our belief in the dignity and value of all human life, especially the lives of the unborn. The most public display of the Gospel of Life is the annual March for Life. In advance, I thank all of our parishes that are welcoming visitors from other dioceses and providing hospitality to March for Life participants.

We also remember that with God's grace, prayer and fasting are effective means of changing hearts. I therefore encourage you to participate in the USCCB's *Nine Days of Prayer, Penance and Pilgrimage* from January 18 to 26 (see www.usccb.org). In addition, please pray at Mass for a greater respect for the gift of human life.

I look forward to seeing many of our youth at the EagleBank Arena in Fairfax for our Diocese's Life Is VERY Good Evening of Prayer (January 18, 7:30 pm) and Rally and Mass (January 19, 9:00 am). The annual March for Life rally begins on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., at noon on January 19.

This year, the Apostolic Penitentiary of the Holy See has granted a plenary indulgence that may be obtained, under the usual conditions, by those who participate in the sacred celebrations carried out on January 18 and 19. The elderly, sick and homebound may also gain a plenary indulgence if they spiritually unite themselves to these events and make their prayer and penance an offering to God.

Thank you for your faithful witness to the dignity and value of all human life, and please be assured of my prayers for you.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington

our parish happenings

Happy 2018 from CCW!

We hope your New Year will include joining the St. Mary Council of Catholic Women every third Tuesday (through May, then from September to December) for an enlightening program and an enjoyable socializing opportunity! Mark your calendar for January 16 at 10:00 AM and come to the Father Rooney Room to learn more about our exciting youth program from Leo Chavarria and Tatiana Beltran. Light refreshments will be served. Stay after the business meeting, when you will hear about upcoming CCW activities, for a special planning session for our Circle of Love ministry.

Please note, our annual Charity Baby Shower will take place in March (not January)! The pro-life organizations we help will have greater needs and storage capability in the spring. Thank you!

Knights of Columbus Freedom 5K Run/Walk Fundraiser - January 21

Fun for the whole family!
Questions? Contact info@kofc4034.org. Register online at racetimingunlimited.org.

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MARCH FOR LIFE

**LOVE
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FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2018

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 19, to commemorate the 45th 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 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 5:30pm. 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.

MARCH FOR LIFE
EDUCATION & DEFENSE FUND

our parish happenings

2018 Bishop's Lenten Appeal Begins!

This month many of us will receive a mailing from Bishop Burbidge regarding the 2018 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). The theme for the 2018 BLA is "*Living in Faith ~ Giving in Gratitude.*" After reflecting upon the many blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this important appeal that funds many programs and ministries that serve the people in our diocese. Together, through the BLA, let us renew our personal commitment to the Lord's work in our diocese.

¡Comienza La Petición Cuaresmal Del Obispo De 2018!

Este mes, muchos de nosotros recibiremos correspondencia de Monseñor Burbidge sobre la Petición Cuaresmal del Obispo de 2018. El tema de La Petición Cuaresmal Del Obispo de este año es "*Vivir en la fe ~ Dar por gratitud.*" Después de reflexionar sobre las muchas bendiciones que Dios les ha dado, se les ruega que, en espíritu de oración, consideren la posibilidad de hacer una promesa de contribución a esta importante petición que financia muchos programas y ministerios al servicio de la población de nuestra Diócesis. Juntos, por medio de La Petición Cuaresmal Del Obispo, renovemos nuestro compromiso personal con la obra del Señor en nuestra Diócesis.

Seasons of Hope

The holiday season can be especially difficult after losing a spouse. "Seasons of Hope" bereavement group can help. A new session will start on January 23 in the St. Jude Activity Center at 10:00 am. The session will run for six consecutive Tuesdays. To register or for more information, please call (540)891-7350. Members of other faith communities are welcome.

God Is Calling You To a Deeper Relationship with Him

New Bible Study Classes

Discover who the prophets were, what their message was, and why they are important to us. See how God is constantly calling you to a deeper relationship with him. Discover the areas in your life that prevent you from drawing closer to God. Understand how the central message of the prophets is one of love, proclaiming the mercy of God for his children. See how their powerful words speak to us today, shedding light on our faith and our lives. Discover the ways you are called to be the voice of God to others.

Classes Begin on Monday, February 5, 2018 and meet for the next 10 Mondays.

Classes meet from 1-2:30pm in the Fr. Don Community Room. Cost is \$23, collected at first class. Classes are facilitated by Suzette Young and are limited to 40 participants. Please sign up early in the Parish Office or call 540-373-6491.

St. Mary 2018 Holy Land Pilgrimage with Father Holmes



February 2 - 13, 2018

Come and see where Christ saved the world! Join Rev. Stephen Holmes for this exciting Parish pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Price is \$3250 per person, with round trip airfare from Washington Dulles to Israel, 10 nights hotel accommodations (4 nights in Nazareth and 6 nights in Jerusalem), breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily, English speaking tour guide, deluxe transportation around Israel, all entrance and portage fees, an audio guiding system, and a farewell dinner at a local restaurant.

Contact Margaret Ford at 540-373-6900



parish life happenings

Calling All Great Men!

ALL MEN are invited to the Men's Conference on March 3. This year's conference – entitled **Marked Men: Made For Greatness** – will feature one of the most celebrated Catholic speakers in the world of social media: Fr. Mike Schmitz, who will be joined by Bishop Burbidge and Billy Atwell, Chief Communications Officer of the Diocese. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. To REGISTER, go to arlingtondiocese.org/men. Registration is open. Make sure to get your slots ASAP as seats get filled quite quickly!



SOUPER BOWL WEEKEND AT SAINT MARY'S

FEBRUARY 3-4

HELP STOCK OUR **EMERGENCY
FOOD PANTRY** AND SCORE
A **TOUCHDOWN** FOR THE
HUNGRY IN OUR COMMUNITY
BY BRINGING CANS OF **HEARTY
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featured speaker

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MONDAY, JANUARY 15 | 6-9PM
Food, Drinks & Fellowship start at 6pm – Talk starts at 7:30pm

YA YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY
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parish life happenings

Life is Very Good Rally

On January 19, Saint Mary Youth Ministry is heading to the Eagle Bank Arena and Washington, D.C. for a morning of prayer and praise at the Diocesan Life is Very Good Rally. We will have Mass with



Bishop Burbidge, hear musical performances by Ben Walther Band. We will then head to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. in prayerful protest and March to the Supreme Court for an end to Roe vs. Wade. Permission slips are available on our website. Space is limited, sign up early!

Stay Up-to-Date

Be sure to stay in the know with St. Mary CYM by visiting stmaryfred.org/youth-ministry

StMaryCYM



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Health Ministry - Blood Pressure Check-In

According to the Johns Hopkins Medicine web site, some 60 million Americans have high blood pressure, but only about half of them know it, primarily because it so rarely causes any noticeable symptoms and is usually detected only incidentally during a routine physical. Left untreated, a person runs the risk of heart disease, stroke, and kidney damage, just to name a few. This is why hypertension is known as the silent killer. However it is important to also remember that many factors that contribute to hypertension are within an individual's control.

Everyday activities such as the food choices we make, maintaining a healthy weight, routine activity level, regular checks of our blood pressure numbers are prevention strategies that are shown to make a significant impact on the development of hypertension. Our Health Ministry Team is offering a blood pressure Check-In on Sunday January 28 from 8am-12pm during the Sunday Coffee Shop as well as after the 2:30pm Spanish Mass. We will be in room 100 of the Parish Life Center. Parishioners will be given a written record of the findings and resource materials is also available. This Check-In can support you, the parishioner in several ways.

1. Provide a record of blood pressure readings for the parishioner to pass on to their primary care physician.
2. Alert the parishioner to situations that may require immediate medical attention.
3. A means of sharing a simple blessing with the parishioner. The act of "Presence" or being totally available to the parishioner for this brief encounter can be a powerful source of blessing for the parishioner and the Team member.

Date of next Check-In is January 28, 8am - 3:30pm in the Parish Life Center, Room 100



operations given in love

Weekly Offertory

Collections for January 7

Offertory Collection	\$34,521
Trinity Dome Collection	\$1,742
St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box	\$343

Thank you for your generosity!

First Offering Contributions to Help Offset Cost Of Collection Envelopes

Each year in January the envelope packet always includes an envelope marked "First Offering" with a suggested donation of \$15. This is not a regular collection, but merely a request for a free-will offering to help offset the cost of the printing and bi-monthly mailing of collection envelopes to more than 5,000 parish families. From July 2016 to June 2017, the parish's cost for the offering envelopes was \$30,466.25. First Offering donations received for the same period totaled \$6,853.00. Your generosity and support in helping to offset the cost of the envelopes is greatly appreciated.

Masses were offered in December for the following unscheduled intentions:

Patrick Hagans, +Ben Filipczyk, Roger Sharpe, +Sister Therese Henriette, +John D. Farrington, +Lawrence P. Billing, +George C. Billing, Katie J. Billing, Stanley J. Guzik (3), William Micky Collis, +Mary Carmen Walsh, +Raymond Babineau, +Mary Linda Kaila (2), +Mrs. Mickey Mojeda, Philip Reinhardt, +Fr. Agustino Nguyen Viet Trung, All Saints, +Richard G. Lanzarone, and +Joseph Hennesy.

Children's Charity 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 hospice-supportcare.org.

Pro Life Reflection

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. fought for the equal dignity of every human life. "If we are to have peace on earth," he wrote, "we must be concerned about . . . the sacredness of all human life. Man is a child of God, made in His image, and must be respected as such." "When we truly believe this," he continued, "we won't kill anybody." Lord, thank You for the privilege of defending human life through the pro-life movement. (Pro-life Reflections for Every Day)

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.**

liturgy daily bread

Parish Council Express Minutes December 2017

Liturgy Committee: Discussed concerns from the Fire Marshal about mass overcrowding at Christmas services.

Education Committee: HCA will be participating in the Many Gifts, One Nation, a national day of giving for Catholic Schools on January 30 for the benefit of our school expansion. We received a \$10,000.00 challenge grant and are setting that as our goal for the National Giving Day. We are celebrating our 20th anniversary on February 25 and invite all in our parish to join us. The Family Night activity for our Religious Education classes is planned for the first week back for classes, January 8-11.

Operations Committee: Diocese is making progress for safety/security plan.

Outreach Committee: Next project is a Souper Bowl for Chunky Soup donation on Super Bowl Sunday. Next meeting is at Wegmans, 8:30 am on January 7.

Communications Committee: Looking for help with adorers for weekly Adoration. Please contact Christi Greenwell at greenwell1956@cox.net or adoration@stmaryfred.org

Finance Committee: Through November we are 41% through the fiscal year. Our YTD offertory is 41% of our annual budget. The loan balance is \$2.99mm

Saint Mary prayer list

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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, Re MacArthur, Theresa Petrill, Bob Rekowsky, Gerard Fitzpatrick, Christina Wiley, Maureen Mizles, 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, 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, Douglas Meyer, Betsy Murray, Monica Hannan, Eldon Ulmer, Linda Jamison, Karla Dorsey, Maria Eliza Franca Maciel, Eileen Bourne, Marty T., David A, Pedro Rios, Cathy Burgh, Roger Dewayne, Angus Johnson, Peter Wood, Jude Murphy, Paula Snellings, Mary Jean & Don Williams, Harold Gardiner, Gerald Gardiner, Tina Ott, Michael Carr, Stephen Daley, Deanna White, Maria Stein, Elizabeth Davis, Jeanette Williams, Deborah June King, Ann Gallagher, Robert & Brittani Horner, John D. Zaloudek, Mary Ulmer, Antonio Christianson, Thomas Moeller, Marianne Ford, Ortiz Family, Maryann Seidlinger, William Hackbarth, John Michael Ides, Sylvia Pressley, Tamlyn Leaf, Matthew Roberts, Deanna Uperti, Gabriela Mason, Maria Stine, Joy & Larry Kligman, David Duke, Dennis Morris, James Murphy, Joan Cheek, Ted Mayor, Tim Conway, Billy LaPietra, Bob Rekowski & Family, Daniel Bustamonta, Maryann Devenas, Frank Spatt, Micheal Chen, Joseph Stefano, Fred Becker, Chuck Boyer, Maria Celia Brandao Lage, Leah Sapphire, Felicity Stanfield, Michael Kraljevich, Steve Zawisa, Casey Roby, Calvin Mills, Mary Jean Mills, Elise Velez, Tracey Hansen, Elizabeth Ames, Aleisa Barber, George Dittmer, David Arnold, Maryann Greatsinger, Antonio Ferreira, Wilson and Joan Parker, Emma Gilbert, 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, Anthony Howell, John Anthenor, Andrew Dowdy, Sean McCullum, Josue Bermudez, Monica Hannan, Brian Mahoney, Julio A. Alarcon, Gabe Gonzalez, David Oechslein, Shawn Herr, Logan Mullins

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

Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

January

15 MONDAY

6:30am Walter Wozniak+
9:00am Stanley J. Guzik+
1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22

16 TUESDAY

6:30am Monica Presser & Family
9:00am Jason Stanislawski
1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28

17 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Mary Ann Hozworth
9:00am Helen Kozyra+
1 Sm 17:32-51/Mk 3:1-6

18 THURSDAY

6:30am Timothy Dwight+
9:00am Laverne Crown+
1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12

19 FRIDAY

6:30am Sarah Sturtevant
8:15am* Agnes Eleanor Strayer+
9:00am Shirley Barlow+
1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19

20 SATURDAY

9:00am Gonzalo Sr & Magdale Naguacena+
5:00pm George Billing+
7:00pm Gina Wingert Lonex+
2 Sm 1:1-27/Mk 3:20-21

21 SUNDAY

7:00am Lawrence O'Connor+
8:30am Pauline O'Rourke+
10:30am For Our Parish
10:30am* Janis Hofstee
12:30pm John Arvai+
2:30pm(spanish) Margarita Azcue & Ruben Mantilla+
5:00pm Toni Marshall+
7:00pm John Sturtevant
Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

* Indicates Mass at Holy Cross Academy

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.