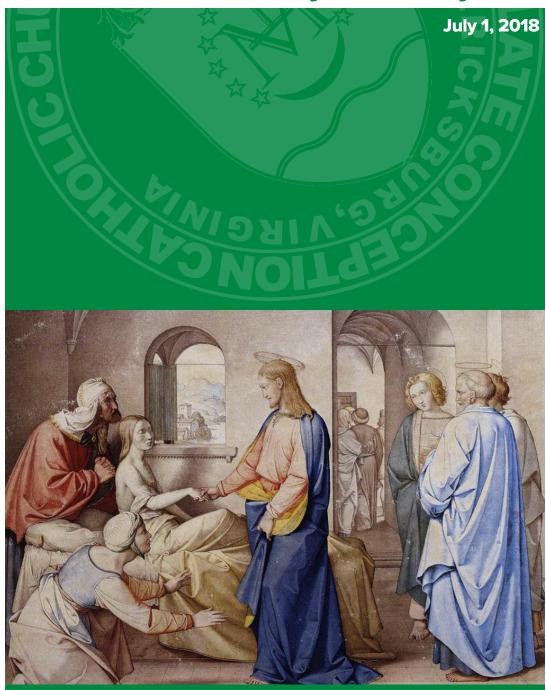
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

upcoming events

July



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Roman Catholic Church

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

Scrip on Sale after all Masses except 2:30pm

Join us for Coffee Shop after 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm 12pm, Spanish Legion of Mary

SUNDAY, THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday, Weekday

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

Tuesday, Saint Thomas, Apostle

Wednesday, Independence Day

Parish Office Closed for Observance of Independence Day

No 6:30am Mass 9am, Mass 12pm, Mass 3pm, Divine Mercy Devotions 6pm, Special Mass for Independence Day 6:30pm, Confessions

Thursday, Weekday [Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; USA: Saint Elizabeth of Portugal]

9:30am, Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100 7pm, Nar-Anon, Parish Life Center, Room 204 7pm, Baptism Class, Parish Life Center, Room 201

Friday, Weekday [Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr]

7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House 8pm, First Friday Mass, Church

Saturday, Weekday

8am, Confessions, Church 10am, Baptisms, Church 10am, Al-Anon, Parish Life Center, Room 204 2pm, Spanish Baptism Class, Parish Life Center, Room 204 3:30pm, Confessions, Church 6pm, Scrip on Sale, Parish Life Center

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nota bene (note well, please):

July 4 Mass Schedule: 9am, 12noon, & 6pm Confessions to follow 6pm Mass until 8:30pm

- Important information for all parish organizations More information on page 7
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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

Parish Trips - Save the Date:

India with Fr. Sunny & Fr. Mosimann October 14 - 28, 2018

Cost: \$3300

Holy Land with Fr. Mosimann **January 28 - February 8, 2019 Cost: To be determined**

the information panel.

contact us

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

M/W/F: 12 Noon **MASS** 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.

PARISH OFFICE

540-373-6491, fax 371-0251 stmary@stmaryfred.org Mon.-Fri., 8:30am - 4:30pm;

students staff office weekdays until 9pm, Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays 9:30-1:30pm

Pastor, Fr. John Mosimann Fr. Colin Davis Fr. Michael J.R. Kelly Rev. Michael Folmar

Deacon Alberto Bernaola Deacon Dick Delio

Operations Manager, Jim Florio Business Manager, Elaine Stanislawski Parish Secretary, Elizabeth Tellez Director of Music, David Uschold

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HOLY CROSS 540-286-1600 ACADEMY 250 Stafford Lakes Parkway

Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406-7234 Principal, Sr. Susan Louise Eder, O.S.F.S.

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OFFICE Associate Director Karon St

Associate Director, Karen Sturtevant

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MINISTRY Director, Leo Chavarria

Tatiana Beltran

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Elena Doyle - outreach@stmaryfred.org

BAPTISMS Parish registration (90 days) and class

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,

This week we celebrate the 4th of July. Our Mass schedule will be a little different, as we will have Masses at 9am, Noon, and 6pm. Why 6pm? I call it the fireworks Mass, and it is a happy memory from my childhood.

Let me tell you about Father Silk. Father Silk was the pastor of my childhood parish: St. Mary's in Rockville Maryland. When I think of the 4th of July, I almost always think of him. Why, because every 4th of July he would celebrate the 'fireworks Mass" = a Mass timed so that you could come to Mass and then walk across the street for the picnic and Fireworks at the high school across the street. Father loved the 4th of July. It was obvious in his enthusiasm celebrating the Mass, and also in the fact that he wore vestments for Mass that were red white and blue. (Ok, it was the 70's, so we have Mass vestments that looked much like a flag bingo)! I remember Mass, and then picnicking and waiting for the fireworks to begin, getting an ice cream from the ice cream truck (which was a special treat) and of course the fireworks which I loved! Fr. Silk went home to meet the Lord several years ago; may he rest in peace and reap the rewards of the lives he touched.

Now you won't ever catch me in a starspangled vestment, but I do love this holiday and give thanks to God for my country, parish, and family. And if you come dressed for the fireworks Mass in star-spangled picnic splendor, I will give you a big smile and a hug!

God Bless America!

pax,

Fr Mosimann



Health Ministry

Caregivers: A Tip You May Not Have Considered

Most of us, at some time find ourselves in the role of caregiver and most of the time it's a time of joy and gratitude, albeit exhausting. Kids, family responsibilities, the whole thing can take a toll. Other times are even more of a challenge with sleepless nights, anxious moments and fear that you may fail.

Resources abound to support you, no matter where you may be in this journey. But sometimes these "resources" turn out to be just another item to add to the to-do list.

Here is a tip that not only can provide much needed rest and refocus, but barely interrupts a busy schedule. A J-O-Y Meditation.

First, consider your day and pick a 10 minute period of time you can sit without interruption. You may also want to establish a place that you set aside for this purpose. Sit, quieting your mind and heart.

Next, recall a scene in the life of Jesus "J" – it can be anything – and think on that scene for a minute or two. Recalling His passion in the garden, or walking by the sea will do for starters. Or choose Christ's words like "I am the way" to repeat in your mind during your meditation. Over time, you will find yourself returning to themes or patterns.

Next, consider the "O", others in your life who may need lifting up. Simply call their name to mind and offer a simple blessing. "The Lord bless you and keep you" is one example.

Finally: Offer yourself, "Y"- asking God to walk with you through the coming day. "Oh my Jesus, I trust in You" is a powerful way to acknowledge Christ by your side.

Finally, offer a simple closing prayer "Our Lady of the Way, Pray for us,"

Establishing this simple, sacred time and space in your busy day will open new ways to cope with the day's challenges.

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End of School Happenings

As we finished the school year, we gave special recognition to Mrs. Ellen Sandkuhler who has served our community since our founding 20 years ago. Mrs. Sandkuhler taught 2nd grade for many years and has most recently been our Assistant Principal. We are grateful to Mrs. Sandkuhler for her leadership and dedication to Holy Cross and to each of our children. We look forward to welcoming her back as an HCA Grandmom and volunteer.

Sr. Frances Carol & National Geographic Explorers

Congratulations to Sr. Frances Carol and our 6th grade Science classes for their participation in the National Geographic Explorers Festival Classroom Challenge! Their submission has been recognized by National Geographic as an outstanding project. The class partnered with Ms. Erina Molina, Environmental Scientist and Conservationist, and her work to Save the Dugongs on the Calauit Islands, Philippines. The students learned a great deal and put together a presentation that impressed the organizers at National Geographic. Sr. Frances Carol was invited to a reception at the National Geographic Museum where she met with Ms. Molina and discussed her work and the students' project. Since this is our first year participating, we did not expect to receive this distinction.

Have a Blessed Summer

Our school year ended, as we began, with the celebration of Mass. On the last day of school, we go over to Saint Mary Church for Mass and a picnic lunch together. It was a beautiful day and we enjoyed the time together before we all went off for a well-deserved summer vacation. On behalf of our HCA community, we wish each of you a blessed, peace-filled summer.







A National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence



Accepting Registrations

Saint Mary Preschool and Holy Cross Academy are a wonderful place to learn and grow. 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. or St. Mary Preschool at 540-373-7553 to arrange for a tour or to let us tell you all about our parish school.

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The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jesus "He who saves"

"Overwhelmed with sorrow, a man came up to Jesus and asked him to save his daughter, who was very sick ... Faith in Jesus is stronger than death! In Hebrew, the name Jesus means 'God saves.' When all seems lost, Jesus is the one who comes to rescue us; he is our Savior. Jesus invites to turn to him in prayer and ask for help. For with God, nothing is impossible."

Vacation Bible School

VBSI was held the week of June 18-22. The team of adult and teen volunteers did an excellent job.

This year's program, "Birthday Blast-A Celebration of Life" instilled an awareness of God's amazing creation and the beauty and dignity of the human person. Kids received life-giving lessons on what it means to be a child of God.

The overall goal was to awaken in the hearts and minds of the kids the beauty of God's creation and the dignity of the human person. Kids learnt to discover, respect, protect, serve and celebrate life. There was a basic introduction to the Theology of the Body along with lessons on what it means to be a child of God. This pro-life themed VBS was packed with rock-solid songs, unforgettable games, cool crafts, and interactive activities that motivated the kids to live their lives with passion and purpose.

The activities focused on a daily theme and virtue. From the snacks and crafts to the music and games, each activity was designed to reinforce the daily teachings and enhance the child's faith learning experience.





FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Maria Goretti

Witness the Mercy of a Young Martyr

Persevering faith, sacrificial love, and extraordinary mercy. This is the story of eleven-year-old Maria Goretti, one of the Church's youngest martyrs and canonized saints. You're sure to be inspired by this young girl's unwavering commitment to Christ and her family's heroic faithfulness amidst tragedy.



Watch on formed.org





"Perfect for families... Maria was such an amazing soul. We can all work hard to grow in the direction she was living."

-Kyla L.

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Summer Youth Group

Sports Tuesdays

Every Tuesday, through August 14 from 6pm-8pm come out to Old Mill Park (2401 Caroline St) to play sports: soccer, flag football or ultimate frisbee. All middle school and high school age teens are invited. Bring friends and a water bottle!

Teen Bible Timeline Study

Open to high school teens. Wednesdays in July & August from 5-7pm, in the John Paul II house (includes pizza dinner. Bring \$4 to contribute). The Teen Timeline —or T3— is the teen version of the revolutionary Great Adventure Bible Timeline learning system that hundreds of thousands of Catholic adults have used to learn the Bible. Dynamic teen presenter Mark Hart makes the Bible come alive for Catholic teens by unpacking God's Word in a way they can relate to. T3 teaches teens the Bible by showing them the "big picture" of salvation history. When young students of the Bible first understand the "story," they are eager to

learn more. The net result: teens begin to wrap their minds and hearts around the Scriptures. They come to see the Bible as a relevant part of their lives.

College Night

The Associates of St. John Bosco are conducting a workshop on how to keep and grow your Catholic faith when you enter college. The workshop will be held Wednesday, July 25 7-9pm in the Parish Life Center here at St. Mary. The night is designed for rising college freshmen to prepare for transition into college. Catholic student representatives from George Mason, JMU, UVA, Virginia Tech, Mary Washington and other schools will be on hand to offer advice, perspective and stories of their transition into college. This is a great opportunity to network with other Catholic students and to receive opportunities and resources while entering college. Pizza dinner will be provided. To register please visit asjb.org. Registration is limited to 50 students.

Kings Dominion

Open to middle & high school students. Friday, July 27 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 with Bishop Burbidge, 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 9 with permission slip and money.

Stay Up-to-Date

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

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School Dressing Days

This program, created by the Interfaith Council. Serves children in need grades K-12 in the Fredericksburg Region with clothes and school items. This year the event will take place Friday, August 10-Saturday, August 11 from 9am-3pm at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1710 Bragg Road, Fredericksburg, VA 22407 Volunteers are needed to set-up days ahead, help meet and shop with the students/parents and clean-up. Various dates and times available. To volunteer, go to tinyurl.com/SDD2018 and follow the simple steps. Just select the shift and date you prefer then click 'Submit and Sign Up' You do not need to have an existing account with SignUpGenius to do this. Any questions or problems signing up please call Jaye Anastasio at (540) 412-1622.

Micah Furniture Bank

The Furniture Bank provides furniture for clients of Micah Ecumenical Services, formally homeless individuals who are moving into housing. We need help delivering and/or picking up donated items. St. Mary's serves on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 9am-12. This is a great ministry for teens as we need muscle to move items! Please contact Rich LaRoche to join the crew at stone48@ verizon.net. To donate furniture visit micahfredericksburg.org.

Micah Café

Enjoy a delicious lunch with your family / friends / ministry groups at the Micah Café and know that you are engaging with the homeless and lonely in our community. The Café was created this year to offer food service training for our homeless population so that they can go on and secure a

job in the food industry after receiving certification. The Café also serves as a vehicle to create community for many who are lonely. The Café is a "Pay-As-You-Can" and donations are accepted at the door. Located 1016 Caroline Street is open Tuesday and Thursday from 11am-2pm. Check it out!

Help with our Gardens

Our St. Mary's gardeners sure could use some help! Consider coming out with your kids and giving some time weeding and planting. Help would be so appreciated! Please contact our amazing green-thumb leaders Joe and Arlene Wilkinson, jbmwilkinson@verizon.net

Learn to Make Rosaries

Fr. Mosimann will be teaching a workshop on how to make corded/rope rosaries! Don't miss this fun event! Tuesday, July 10 after the 9am Mass in the Parish Life Center! 9:30-11am Bring yourself and a willingness to learn!

If you have any questions, please contact Elena Doyle at **outreach@stmaryfred.org.** God bless you!

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. Thank you.

Call to Evangelization

Empower your witness! Every day we have opportunities to share our story about why we love being Catholic, but do we? Or, do we hide our light under the proverbial bushel?

This small group's purpose is to support and encourage each other in our efforts to share our faith. We discuss opportunities we've had to evangelize, what worked and what didn't, or what prevented us from trying.

If you want to engage others in conversation about our faith, join us. We meet every 3rd Sunday between the 10:30am and the 12:30pm masses (except on holiday weekends) in the Courtyard Meeting Room. For more information contact Bryan Richardson at br22406@cox.net

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 12:30pm - Friday 9am

Come and adore Our Lord in the most beautiful Blessed Sacrament of the Altar and honor His Holy Mother by saying the Rosary in His Divine Presence. We have continuous Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday after the 12 Noon Mass until Friday morning before the 9am Mass. We also have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7-9am.

parish life get involved

We invite all Christians to gather in the peace of Christ at St. Mary Monday, July 9 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.

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store

Due to Volunteer Vacations, we will not be accepting clothing donations during the month of July. All other donations are welcome and accepted during July. Thank you for understanding!

Fellow Parishioners

The summer season is upon us. With this, comes many visitors to the Fredericksburg area. Communion procedures can

be confusing to those people who are not familiar with St. Mary. They do not realize that the people in the front pew do not get Communion first. To reduce confusion, we will begin Communion from the FRONT, with the alcoves receiving Communion LAST, starting this weekend. This will continue until further notice. We appreciate your cooperation and understanding.

- Hospitality Ushers Ministry



Seating is limited **RESERVE TODAY** RSVP by July 23

NO COST TO ATTEND • RESERVATIONS REQUIRED • marysshelterva.org



"HOW CAN THERE BE TOO MANY CHILDREN?

That's like saying there are too many flowers."

—Mother Teresa

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: JASON JONES

Film producer, author, activist, and human rights worker.

9th Annual Summer Soirée & Fundraiser

AUGUST 4, 2018 • 6-10PM

Fredericksburg Expo Center, Fredericksburg, VA

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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.

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media release

2018-2019 Holy Cross Academy Media Release for Free & Reduced Lunch

Today announced its policy for providing free or reduced price meals for children served under the National School Lunch, and/or School Breakfast Programs. Each school and/or central school nutrition office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

Household size and income will be used to determine eligibility for free or reduced price meal benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines, shown in the chart below, may be eligible for either free or reduced price meals. Children who are members of households receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits (formerly the Food Stamp Program) or who receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) may be automatically eligible for free meals. Children who are homeless, migrant, or runaway may also be automatically eligible for free meals. Foster children, who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court, are eligible for free meals regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Children who are members of households participating in WIC may

also be eligible for free or reducedprice meals based on the household's income.

Application forms are being distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of free or reduced price meals for their children. Applications are also available at the principal's office in each school and at the central office. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households must only fill out one application per household and return it to the school division. Applications may be submitted at any time during the school year. The information households provide on the application will be

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used for determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program officials. For school officials to determine eligibility for free or reduced price benefits, households receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) only have to list their child(ren)'s name and SNAP or TANF case number and an adult household member must sign the application. Households who do not list a SNAP or TANF case number, including WIC households, must list the names of all household members, the amount and frequency of the income received by each household member, and the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the household member does not have a social security number, the household member must indicate that a social security number is not available. The application must be signed by an adult household member in order to be approved.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced price meal policy, Mary Beall Cafeteria Manager will review applications and determine eligibility. An application for free or reduced price meals cannot be approved unless it is complete. Households dissatisfied with the ruling of the eligibility determining official may wish to discuss the decision with the official on an informal basis. Households wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either verbally or in writing to: Sr. Susan Louise Eder 250 StaffordLake PKW Fredericksburg, Va 22406 (540-286-1600)

Households may apply for free or reduced price meals at any time during the school year. If a household is not eligible now but has a change, such as a decrease in household income, an increase in household size, becomes unemployed or qualifies for SNAP or TANF, the household should contact the school for an application. Such changes may make the children

of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines.

Households that receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits (formerly the Food Stamp Program) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) may not have to complete an application for free or reduced price student meals. School officials will determine eligibility for free meals based on documentation, obtained directly from the Virginia Department of Social Services, that a child is a member of a household currently receiving SNAP or TANF. School officials will notify these households in writing of their eligibility. Households who are notified of their eligibility, but who do not want their children to receive free meals, must contact the school. SNAP and TANF households must complete an application if they are not notified in writing of their automatic eligibility within the first 10 days of the new school year.

Household Income	Maximum Household Income For Free Meals	Household Income For Reduced Price Meals
1	\$15,782	\$15,782.01 - \$22,459
2	\$21,398	\$21,398.01 - \$30,451
3	\$27,014	\$27,014.01 - \$38,443
4	\$32,630	\$32,630.01 - \$46,435
5	\$38,246	\$38,246.01 - \$54,427
6	\$43,862	\$43,862.01 - \$62,419
7	\$49,478	\$49,478.01 - \$70,411
8	\$55,094	\$55,094.01 - 78,403
For Each Additional Family Member - ADD	\$5,616	\$7,992

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Weekly Offertory

Collections for June 17

Offertory 32,352 Father's Day Novena \$6,875

Next week's collection will benefit the Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. Thank you for your generosity!

Special Diocesan Collection

Pastoral Solidarity Fund For The Church In Africa

Our parish will take up a special collection next weekend for the Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. The Church in Africa is the fastest growing, but the poorest part of our family of faith. In the past thirty years, the number of Catholics in Africa has tripled, and priests have increased by 73%. At the same time over 70% of Africans live on less than \$2 a day, and as a result of armed conflict nearly 2.8 million refugees in Africa are displaced. Your financial contributions will help support pastoral outreach, catechetical programs, Catholic schools, evangelization, education of clergy and lay ministers, and your generosity is most appreciated.

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 organization 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.

Choose Life Reflection

The Statue of Liberty is a strong symbol of the welcome our nation has given to people from around the world. On its base are the words of Emma Lazarus, "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free." This welcome can make no sense if we are afraid to welcome the children in the womb. Lord, fill our hearts with a spirit of welcome for born and unborn alike.

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.

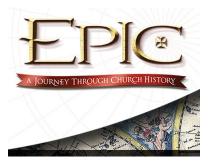
Nar Anon Support Available

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 703-201-8821, burgh757@gmail.com or Wayne at 540-840-5230.

Epic this September!

Epic: A Journey through Church History is a captivating and fast-paced look at the story of the Catholic Church.

Join us for the Epic: A Journey through Church History at St. Mary beginning September 5 or September 6 at 9:45am and continuing every Wednesday or Thursday. The cost for materials is \$25. To register for the study call the Parish Office at 540-373-6491.



SCRIP Helping HCA

How it works: Most of us shop at various local vendors that are supported through SCRIP. These include Giant, Weis, Wawa, Starbucks, Wal-Mart, Target as well as popular restaurants like Olive Garden, Red Lobster, IHOP and Outback. Complete list at shopwithscrip.com There are several ways you can order/purchase gift cards through the SCRIP program. One is to visit a SCRIP table after most Masses (including HCA). There is a volunteer who will provide info and help you purchase gift cards. Checks or cash accepted. You can also order online for delivery to either HCA (after 10:30am Mass or during school hours when school is in session) or for pickup after Saturday or Sunday Masses at the Church. And the most convenient way, set up a Presto Pay account and order gift cards online. You will need St. Mary's enrollment code to set an account. For the enrollment code and assistance, please contact Christi Greenwell at scripcoordinator@ holycrossweb.com or 703-994-2142. She will help get you started.



Saint Mary Prayer List Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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, 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, Daniel Bustamonta, Maryann Devenas, Frank Spatt, Micheal Chen, Joseph Stefano, Fred Becker, Chuck Boyer, Maria Celia Brandao Lage, Leah Sapphire, Félicity Stanfield, Michael Kraljevich, Steve Zawisa, Casey Roby, Calvin Mills, Mary Jean Mills, Elise Velez, Tracey Hansen, Elizabeth Ames, Aleisa Barber, David Arnold, Maryann Greatsinger, Antonio Ferrara, Wilson and Joan Parker, Emma Gilbert, Virginia Gannon, Daniel Burke, Katherine Perusi, Dorie Lee, Christopher Szynal, Joy Zerby, Mariah Ceidlinger, Kelly Carperter-Silvers, Suzi Eggleston, Bernad Castillo, Nancy Buhite, Michael Durant, Matthew Gomer, Tricia Davis, Martha Clements, Dolores Renninger, Donna Long, Mary Ann Maynard, Zachary Payne, Margaret Krebbel, Adrianna Pruitt, Deanna Pruitt, Montgomery Wood, Gail Russell, Patricia Russo, Charles Dittmer, Bruce Mattern, Dorothy Simmons, Lillian Kendall, Nikolai Sherba, Sharon S., Barbara Clarke, Roseanne Nash, Jeanne Burke, Prudy Tarpe, Maureen Mizzles, Miles Wood, Mary Ellen Kearney, Kay Simmons, Robert Meyer, Marc and Susan Wood, John Gil, Lita Mary Mamboyo, Nathan Apicella, Timothy Travis, Kaden Sabo, Robert Nathan Servetnick, Dianne Clancy, The Chevchuc Family, Christina Bolt, Bruce Bates, Richard Casaldi, Alex Tonn, James Evans, Larry Dillman, Theresa Kovalefsky, Amber Moser, Erin Krieg, Matthew Meyer, Brittany Meyer, Sara Meyer, Douglas & Dorothy Meyer, Karla Dorothy

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, Julio A. Alarcon, Gabe Gonzalez, David Oechslein, Shawn Herr, Logan Mullins, Greg Feroldi, Tyler Wood, Kelsey Cullinan, Jason Cullinan, Estrella Bernaola, Frank Spatt Jr.

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

Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

July

2 MONDAY

6:30am Claudia Orellana 9:00am Tori Pilkertoiy Am 2:6-16/Mt 8:18-22

3 TUESDAY

6:30am Thomas Roscigno+ 9:00am Peter Quynh Pham+ Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29

4 WEDNESDAY

9:00am Stephanne Downing+ 6:00pm For Religious Liberty Am 5:14-24/Mt 8:28-34

5 THURSDAY

6:30am Peter & Marija Ugincius+ 9:00am Catherine M. Gordon+ Am 8:4-12/Mt 9:9-13

6 FRIDAY

6:30am William Hulburt+ 9:00am Katherine Kozyrat+ 8:00pm Max Kirsch+

Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-18/Mt 16:13-19

7 SATURDAY

9:00am Adam & Rita Stanislawski 5:00pm Shurick & Slinkish Families+ 7:00pm Marcelin & Raton Am 9:11-15/Mt 9:14-17

8 SUNDAY

7:00am Charlie White+ 8:30am William Bernard Gray, Sr+ 10:30am For Our Parish 10:30am* William Sampson+ 12:30pm Rosario Alvarez Chavez+ 2:30pm(sp) Jose Rafael Guia Reynoso+ 5:00pm | Maximilian Seina 7:00pm Bianna Hill+ Ez 2:2-5/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

* 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.