

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 19, 2018



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

upcoming events

August



**SAINT
MARY**
of the
IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION
Roman Catholic Church

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

19 SUNDAY, TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Coffee Shop after 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm Masses, Parish Life Center
Scrip on Sale after all Masses except the 2:30pm
11:30am, Evangelization Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room
12pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 204

20 Monday, Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

10:15am: Legion of Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help Presidio in Room 100
7pm, Parish Leadership Dinner, Parish Life Center

21 Tuesday, Saint Pius X, Pope

22 Wednesday, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

3pm, Divine Mercy Devotions, Church
5pm, CYM Bible Timeline Study, John Paul II House
6:30pm: Spanish Junior Legion of Mary in Parish Life Center, Room 204
6:30pm, Confessions, Church
8pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Parish Life Center, Room 204

23 Thursday, Weekday [Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin]

9:30am: Craft Group in Parish Life Center, Room 100
7pm, Nar-anon in Parish Life Center, Room 100

24 Friday, Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House

25 Saturday, Weekday [Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest]

8am, Confessions
10am, Al-Anon, Parish Life Center, Room 204
10am, Baptisms, Church
11am, Spanish Baptisms, Church
3:30pm, Confessions, Church
6pm, Scrip on Sale after Mass

26 SUNDAY, TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Scrip on Sale after all Masses Except 2:30pm
Coffee Shop after 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm Masses, Parish Life Center
11:30am, New Family Welcome, Parish Life Center

pulpit announcements

nota bene (note well, please):

- **Youth Group Banica mission experiences**

See page 7 for more information

- **Celebrating your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary this year? The 2018 Marriage Jubilee Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Michael F. Burbidge on Sunday, October 14.** *See page 9 for more information*

- **The Manna Project Food Drive will be held September 8 & 9.** Please bring non-perishables and monetary donations to Mass this weekend.

- **During overnight Adoration on Wednesday-Thursday and Thursday-Friday the doors will be locked from midnight until 5am.**



JANUARY 28 - FEBRUARY 8, 2019

HOLY LAND

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STMARY22401@GMAIL.COM BEFORE OCTOBER 1

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 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.

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
Fr. Michael Folmar
Deacon Alberto Bernaola
Deacon Dick Delio

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Parish Secretary, Jachebel Rios-Gracia
Director of Music, David Uschold

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY 540-286-1600
250 Stafford Lakes Parkway
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406-7234
Principal, Sr. Susan Louise Eder, O.S.F.S.

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Director, Leo Chavarria
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,

There is so much discouraging sin and corruption in the Church. Ughhhhhhh. And it is not new (Judas). However, it does seem to be so deeply rooted that more and more hits keep coming.

Why are we Catholic? Jesus. The Eucharist. In obedience to His command that we must eat His body and drink His blood to have life eternal. And when it is hard, like now, we look at him and say, "to whom else can we go? You have the words of eternal life." (Hint, this is next week's gospel).

But we are all frustrated, disgusted, and angry at every revelation of horrific crimes against children and corrupt / perverted clergy. Add shame to that mix as we see who some of us really are. And how about feeling powerless to change anything? That too.

I have struggled with what to say directly, because words alone are meaningless. But I have referred to it indirectly numerous times in homilies recently. How do I address it without making parents explain to innocent children what we are talking about? Do you notice how often Jesus condemns those who are whitewashed tombs? Clean and fancy words, that cover internal rot bring fierce and frequent condemnation from our Lord.

This week, on the feast of the Assumption, Bishop Burbidge emailed his priests, and directly asked us to do reparation for the sins of priests. I promise you to do this. Here is his note:

Dear Brother Priests,

For over a month now we have experienced shock, anger, and shame as we have heard about the grave sins of bishops and priests. Words cannot express the sorrow over what has been inflicted on our Lord's Body by our own brothers.

At this time I write to let you know of my prayers for all of you – in gratitude for your priestly service and in petition for your continued fidelity. As you know, I have scheduled deanery meetings over the next several months. I would like to use those meetings as opportunities to discuss these issues and to hear your thoughts.

Finally, given our shared priesthood with those who have committed such crimes, it is fitting that we

share also in the reparation. As such, please make note of three requests. First, I ask every priest to offer a Mass each month for the victims and in reparation for the sins of the clergy. It is fitting that this be an announced parish Mass so that the faithful may participate, although it may also be offered privately. Second, every Friday please offer some mortification (e.g. fasting, abstinence, Stations of the Cross, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, etc.) for the same intention. Third, in your daily Rosary please include the intention that Mary, Mother of the Clergy, will help us to respond properly to the crisis before us.

As today we celebrate the triumphant Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven, let us seek her continued maternal consolation. Through her intercession, may God bless you and all those you serve.

*Fraternally in Christ,
Bishop Burbidge*

Finally, in the midst of all this discouragement, a mother came to me to tell me this story from Mass on the Assumption. As her family got to the front for communion, her 4 year old son's jaw dropped, and his eyes fixed on the crucifix behind the altar. They could barely get him back to their seats where he asked them, "why is Jesus singing?" Startled, they asked questions. He was seeing Jesus on the crucifix with a huge smile and singing "a God song." When did Jesus on the cross start singing? "When the dad lifted up the wine." I don't often get called 'the dad' by my spiritual children, but this lifted my soul.

I can't change the world. I can't change Jesus' church. And I only want us to become what we are: the spotless bride of Christ. Only Jesus is spotless. He can and will impute that spotlessness to us through profound repentance, humility, and reparation. This is the never ending work to which all your parish priests commit ourselves.

Jesus meek and humble of Heart, make my heart like unto thine.

pax,



Fr Mosimann

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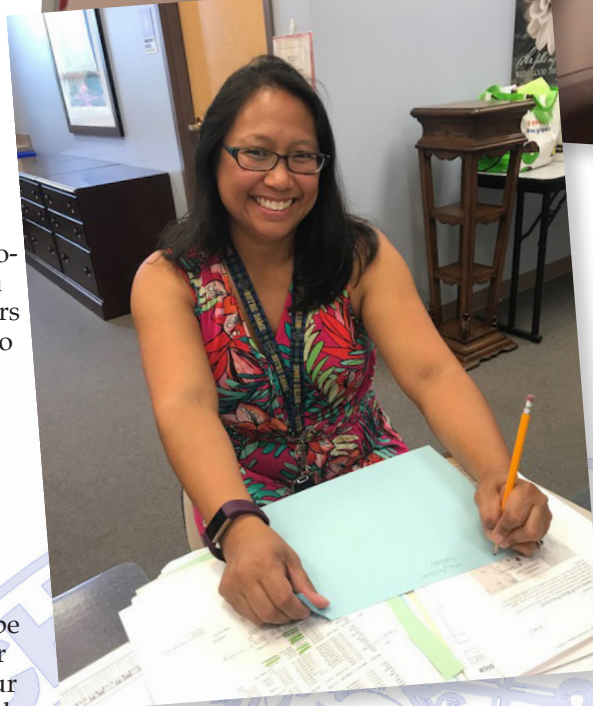
Welcoming a New School Year and New Administrators!

Holy Cross Academy is pleased to welcome two new administrators to our HCA family.

Mr. Jerry Sarchet took on the role of Assistant Principal in July. Mr. Sarchet comes to us with 17 years of teaching experience, 12 of those in Catholic schools. Most recently he worked at St Paul the Great High School where he taught history and was the varsity football coach for five years. Mr. Sarchet brings a wealth of knowledge to our school. He served in the U.S. Army for 7 years where he completed two overseas tours, one in Afghanistan and one in Iraq. He is currently enrolled in a doctoral program for educational leadership through Liberty University. Jerry and his wife Jennifer just welcomed their 6th child, Lucy Therese, on August 4th. Mr. Sarchet has already become a valued member of our school staff.

Mrs. Sheri Castellarin is the new Director at St Mary Preschool. She brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to our program. Mrs. Castellarin is a licensed speech language pathologist with 17 years' experience in several Virginia school systems. She comes to us following 5 years of service in Prince William County but is glad to be working in her adopted hometown of Fredericksburg. She and her husband were married at St Mary Church and have four children, two of whom have attended St Mary Preschool. We look forward to her passion and enthusiasm for our children and our preschool.

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. Our offices are open during the summer and we are happy to meet with you!



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Part Time Aide Opening

Holy Cross Academy / St. Mary's Preschool is seeking a part time aide for the hours of 8am-12pm Monday through Friday. A preschool aide must have an Associate's Degree in a child related field. Interested applicants should email their resumes to Sheri Castellarin at preschool@holycrossweb.com

parish life

religious education

Religious Education Parents Handbook

Parental Involvement

As stated in the documents of Vatican II, "... As it is the parents who have given life to their children, on them lies the gravest obligation of educating their family. They must, therefore, be recognized as being primarily and principally responsible for their education" (Cf. VAT. II Declaration on Christian Education, n. 3: (1965).

Parents are expected to attend class with their child at least once a month. This helps parents to better discuss with their children and the children will have a greater appreciation for Religious Education.

Volunteers

Our program cannot survive without volunteers. We need catechists, assistant catechists, prayer aides, substitute catechists and office volunteers.

Catechists are responsible for teaching the class, with the help of assistant catechists, where possible. Substitute catechists fill in for absent catechists. The prayer-aides help students learn prayers and devotions. The office volunteers answer the phone, take messages, collect attendance sheets, etc.

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"Promised"

"Listen carefully to this week's Gospel. ... Jesus is making an amazing promise. He promises that whoever receives the Eucharist will have eternal life! Jesus promises to raise us up after we die, and to bring us to live forever in heaven! ... Jesus gave up his Body and Blood on the cross, and he gives it to us at every Mass."

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**DO NOT TAKE A VACATION FROM
YOUR FAITH THIS SUMMER!**

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

Convinced

Why Would Anyone Become Catholic?

Why would intelligent, successful people give up careers, alienate friends, and cause havoc in their families...to become Catholic? As he was considering his own move into the Church, Donald Johnson traveled around the country to get answers from some of today's most prolific Catholic converts.



"As a cradle Catholic, I deeply appreciate hearing the stories and learning the many ways the Lord draws people from all walks of life to the fullness of faith in the Church that He founded! My own faith has been strengthened through these heartfelt and articulate accounts. Thank you!"

—Alison M.
Our Lady of the Mount, NJ

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our parish youth group



What was the most rewarding part of the Banica mission?

The most rewarding part of this mission trip for me was seeing how happy the people in the poorest parts of the Dominican Republic were when they had close to nothing. The community there impacted me in many ways such as making me want to be involved more in the community here in Fredericksburg, showing me how to love your neighbors like they are family, and especially working together to keep things running (somewhat) smoothly. – Grace Klein

So easily, feeling like part of the community despite language barriers and connecting with new people was extremely rewarding. I also learned so much about generosity from people who have nearly nothing, and I saw Christ in each person I encountered, especially children. I got to return home with a better prayer life and felt closer to God than ever before. – Maria Florio

Do you feel like the week will have a lasting impact on your life?

Absolutely. Before going to Banica, I had never been out of the country, never been

immersed in another culture, and never witnessed the degree of poverty that I did there. Although there is certainly poverty in America, and even in Fredericksburg, I had never been exposed to such a widespread case of it. I think the experiences in Banica have broadened my worldview and made me more aware of how privileged my life is. Additionally, attending Mass with the people in Banica taught me that no matter how different people are, in language, skin color, or wealth, they can always be united under Christ. – Grace Mamon

How did God surprise you in this trip?

I was worried when I got to Banica that I wouldn't be able to communicate with the kids there because I don't speak Spanish, but God surprised me when I realized I didn't really need any words to communicate with the children. We played, danced, and laughed together without having to use any words. – Sarah Duplantier

God surprised me during this trip by giving me an unprecedented level of self-awareness. I left for Banica thinking

that I was already a pretty generous and happy person. But when I encountered the amount of generosity and joy the people in Banica had, I realized how much room I had to improve. – Grace Mamon

How did encountering this level of poverty in Banica affect you?

The level of poverty in Banica was honestly shocking; I felt so upset at myself for having so much and caring so little about it in the US. It made me so more grateful for the things I do have like clean water and a roof that doesn't leak. I also learned that to fix poverty, we need a particular mindset of loving the poor for it to work. Now, I am trying my hardest to focus less on what I need and more on what I have that I don't need so I can give it to the people who do need it. – Grace Klein

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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our parish get involved

Come and See

Women of St. Mary's ... You are invited to participate in a Christ Centered Weekend sponsored by the Cursillo Community. The weekend will be held from Sept. 13 - 16 at San Damiano. Come and renew and deepen your abiding relationship with God. Do this in the company of other like-minded and loving women ready to serve you in prayer and study in your community. Let us help you in your desire to be closer to Him.

Please call me for more information: Mary Lou McGonigle, 972-4673 and I will be happy to talk with you.

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!

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.

HCA Fun Run/Walk

The 3rd annual HCA Fun Run/Walk is right around the corner. Please join us for the annual 1-Mile and "just added" 5K Fun Run/Walk right before the Parish Ice Cream Social, September 9 at 3pm. We will start and finish at Holy Cross Academy. Registration is \$5 for the 1-Mile and \$10 for the 5K, with all proceeds going to support the HCA building expansion. The 1-Mile event is primarily for children, ages 11 and under, but open to everyone. The 5K event is open to all ages. Both events are stroller friendly! We will have awards for the 1st and 2nd place finishers in male and female age groups: 12-14 and 15-17 in the 5K only. For Registration Information Contact Pearl: crypea@aol.com or stop by the registration table.

Catholic Charities

Interested volunteers can start by submitting their information on ccda.net and clicking on 'volunteers' and they can also contact the volunteer manager, Arielle Reynoso at 703-778-9128, or through email, areynoso@ccda.net.



Knights of Columbus Freedom 5K

The Knights of Council 4034 are planning another fundraising run/walk lined up for Sunday, October 7.

our parish get involved

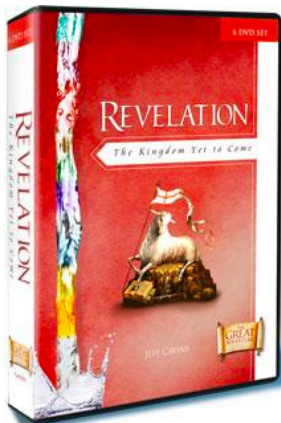
Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come

Revelation is the first “ongoing” study in The Great Adventure Bible Study Program. In this intriguing look at one of the most talked-about books in Scripture, Jeff Cavins explores Revelation to demonstrate how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven, especially through the celebration of the Mass.

You will learn what all the mysterious figures and images of Revelation present, as well as what will happen during the Second Coming of Christ, what has already happened, and what is happening now in salvation history.

Join Jeff Cavins, Suzette Young and fellow parishioners for Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Fredericksburg, VA beginning September 10 at 12:45pm and continuing every Monday for eleven weeks.

To register for this study, please go to the parish office by August 24. **The cost for materials is \$23, collected at the first class. Class size is limited to 40 people.**



Attention Adults!

Do you like to bake, make art, go fishing, play board games, go hiking, theater/drama, graphic design, or community service? Do you like young people ages 4–18? Do you love your Catholic faith? If you answered “yes” to the above then Youth Ministry wants to talk to you.

We are creating multiple youth groupings that will consist of adults that love God and youth and are passionate about a particular craft: fishing, hiking, baking—(fill in the blank). The idea is to gather together to teach and perform this particular craft and also to spend some time learning about our faith.

If you are interested in learning more about this new endeavor please contact our Director of Youth Ministry.

Faith Direct

Thank you for being a part of our St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception family! As you prepare for the end of summer and the start of a busy autumn, consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot.

Visit faithdirect.net and use our church code: **VA635**

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

¡Gracias por ser parte de nuestra familia de St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception! A medida que se prepara para el fin de verano y el comienzo de una ocupada temporada de otoño, por favor considere inscribirse en dar electrónicamente a través de Faith Direct para que sus donaciones puedan llegar a nosotros incluso cuando usted no pueda.

Visita a faithdirect.net y usa nuestro código de iglesia: **VA635**

¡Gracias por su continuo apoyo a nuestra familia parroquial!

Celebrating A Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary This Year?

Were you married in 1968 or 1993? Then join Bishop Michael F. Burbidge for the 2018 Marriage Jubilee Mass to be celebrated on Sunday, October 14th at 2:30pm at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington, VA. Contact the parish office to register no later than September 14th. For more info, visit arlingtondiocese.org/MJM.

our parish get involved

Position Opening

National Office and Ministry for the Catholic Charismatic Renewal seeks Assistant to Executive Director for full time or ¾ time position. (Half time can be discussed.) Applicants should have a strong Catholic faith and praxis. Experience in a Church Ministry or parish setting would be helpful. Familiarity with the Renewal a plus. Knowledge and experience with Word and Excel a must. Familiarity with QuickBooks, website management and social media a plus. If full time or ¾ time some supervisory responsibilities. Salary commensurate with applicant's education and experience, and location of office in Locust Grove on Rt 3 across from the Wilderness Battlefield, 15 miles west of St. Mary's.

For more information about us, visit nsc-chariscenter.org

To apply contact chariscenterusa@nsc-chariscenter.org

Blessed Virgin Mary

Would you like to have the Blessed Mother's statue visit your home for two weeks? Please contact Mary Lou Felts at 571-723-3333 or maryloufelts@gmail.com for more information.



Health Ministry

Flu Shot Time!

Every year, health providers beat the drums: "Get your flu shot!", and most of us line up to comply. However for some who may still doubt the necessity of that stick, consider the following.

Every year we count thousands of unnecessary deaths related to the complications of a flu episode. It's not the flu that kills, but the complications that arise. Another important point is one you may not have considered. "Herd Immunity". Let's say you are responsible for a home bound elderly lady with various caregivers coming and going. The family must make special arrangements for her to get the flu shot and there has been an unexpected delay. If all those visitors (the herd) have had their flu shot, she is far less likely to become infected.

Each year, scientists determine the most prevalent viruses out there for that year's flu and prepare the appropriate vaccines. The drug, trivalent which cov-

ers three strains of the flu virus or quadrivalent, four strains, is usually available by September at local drugstores, clinics and physician's office. Insurance covers the costs. For those without insurance, the following information may be helpful.

See the website 20somethingfinance.com/where-to-get-cheap-or-free-flu-shots for last year's list of pricing. Check your local provider for up to date information as prices and availability change yearly.

Spotsylvania Regional Medical Center is planning a free flu shot clinic at the Farmers Market Sept-Oct. Watch their website under "calendar of events" for the time and date.

It's best to get the flu shot as soon as it's available for the upcoming flu season, preferably by October. Flu vaccines cause the body to make antibodies that protect you against influenza virus infection but it takes up to 2 weeks after the shot for the body to do this.

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH

CYM DINNER

SUNDAY YOUTH DINNERS. PLEASE REACH OUT TO US IF YOU CAN HELP.

our parish get involved

"COME AND SEE"

RCIA

We invite **all who seek** a deeper life in **Jesus Christ** to consider becoming members of this Church through the Sacraments of Initiation. Please call the parish office to register.

You are welcome. Begins Sept 10

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Program begins at Saint Mary on Monday, September 11 and lasts until the Easter Vigil. We meet on Mondays from 7:30 until 9:15pm with a 45 minute class (all in the parish are welcome to attend), then refreshments and small group discussion follows about the topic of the evening and other formation topics. If you or anyone you know is interested in joining the Catholic Church and receiving the sacraments of Baptism (or make a Profession of Faith if already baptized), Confirmation and Eucharist, please contact the parish office to register or email us at RCIAstmaryfred@gmail.com.

"COME AND SEE"

RCIA

Invitamos **todos que buscan** a una vida mejor en **Jesucristo** para considerar ser miembros de esta iglesia por los sacramentos de iniciación. Llamen la oficina para registrarse. **Bienvenidos.**
Comienza el 10 de septiembre

*We invite all Christians to gather in the peace of Christ at St. Mary
Monday, September 10
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 Talzé 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.

operations given in love

Weekly Offertory

Collections for August 12

Offertory	\$29,141
Parish Building Fund	\$7,591
St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box	\$420

Faith Direct Deposit August

Offertory	\$52,635
Assumption	\$1,806
Food Bank Children's Programs	\$2,717
Parish Building Fund	\$4,532

Thank you for your generosity!

Masses were offered in July for the following unscheduled intentions: All Souls in Purgatory (7), David Uschold, Graham Kenneth Light-hiser, Lois Michell, Donald Funai, +Beth Malaby, Malcolm Dooley, Jonathan C. O'Toole, +Harry Peek, and Clayton Clagett.

Choose Life Reflection

On August 22 we observe the Queenship of Mary, acknowledging that the highest place that any creature holds in Heaven is occupied by a woman and a mother. To be pro-life is to be pro-woman, and Mary the Mother of God is an inspiration for all women about how to embrace the vocation of motherhood, facing the unexpected with faith, courage and joy. *Queen of Heaven, grant all your people a deep appreciation of the dignity of women, of motherhood, and of life.*

Children's Offertory Envelopes for August

Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of August will be donated to The Owen Lea Foundation. Owen was diagnosed with stage IV Neuroblastoma just two weeks after his second birthday. After nearly six years of countless rounds of chemotherapy, radiation, numerous surgeries, a stem cell transplant, and two clinical trials, on August 26th, 2009 Owen lost his battle and Heaven gained another angel.

The Owen Lea Foundation was established to provide support to families living with Neuroblastoma. The financial and emotional burdens of treating a child with cancer can be devastating. Your assistance will help families alleviate some of these overwhelming costs that are not otherwise covered by insurance, such as travel to and from treatment centers and co-pays for necessary medicines. Sadly in many cases this money also replaces life insurance which is unobtainable for families in this situation.

The Owen Lea Foundation is an all-volunteer run organization. 100% of your donation goes directly to the families who need your assistance, so that they can focus their energy where it is needed the most -- the care of their child. We are a 501(c)(3) IRS registered charity and 100% of your donation is tax deductible. We are based in Fredericksburg, Virginia, and while we focus on local families, we provide assistance to families nationwide. For more information, visit owenleafoundation.org.

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.**



liturgy daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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, Felicity 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 Dorsey, Mary Jean & Don Williams, Linda & Frank Walter, Cathleen Mihalaki, Re Macarthur, Jordan Tackett, Bridget Sherba, Randy McNulty, Riley Horstick, David A., Marty T., Janet Yerkie, Brittany Yerkie, Elizabeth Stoehr, David Semeglo, Katherine Paone, Robert L Gomer, Carla J Gomer, Lorena Hernandez, Thomas Moeller, Lorraine Becker, Gerald Gardiner, Larry Delaney, James Keddie, Lorena Hernandez, Miguel Hernandez and Edgar Giovanni Castro, Julio Diaz, Kelly Murray, Marianne Ford, Ortiz Family, Fernando Vazquez, James Derouin, Karen Danis, Jim Mann

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, Jason Cullinan, Estrella Bernaola, Frank Spatt Jr.

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



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Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

August

20 MONDAY

6:30am Rebecca Howell
9:00am Patrick Bereit
Ez 24:15-24/Mt 19:16-22

21 TUESDAY

6:30am Father Charles Saglio
9:00am Maria Rigor-Fernandes
Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30

22 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Mawuli Semeglo+
9:00am Ann Snyder+
Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16

23 THURSDAY

6:30am Edward Resio+
9:00am Mary Ann Minasian+
Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14

24 FRIDAY

6:30am Domenic DiLoreto+
9:00am Ruth Stellino
Ez 16:1-63/Mt 19:3-12

25 SATURDAY

9:00am Mackenzie Hudson
5:00pm T Leevy+
7:00pm Joseph Besceglia+
Ez 43:1-7ab/Mt 23:1-12

26 SUNDAY

7:00am Carolyn Farrell
8:30am For our Parish
10:30am Owen Lea+
10:30a* Joseph Brooks+
12:30pm Our Military, Living & Deceased
2:30pm Emiliano Rios+
5:00pm Michael Siena
7:00pm Lidia Cruz
Jos 24:1-18b/Eph 5:21-32/Jn 6:60-69

* 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.