

# Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 16, 2018



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

# upcoming events

## September



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

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

### 16 SUNDAY, TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Coffee Shop After Morning Masses*

*Scrip on Sale after all Masses except for 2:30pm and 7pm*

11:30am, Evangelization Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room

6pm, CYM Dinner and High School Youth Group, Parish Life Center

### 17 Monday, Weekday [Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church]

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

12:30pm, Revelation Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room

4:45pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center

6:30pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center

7:30pm, RCIA, Church

### 18 Tuesday, Weekday

9am, CCW General Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room

4:45 Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center

6pm, Religious Education Classes at Holy Cross Academy

6:30pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center

7:30pm, Confirmation Year 1 Meeting

### 19 Wednesday, Weekday [Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr]

9:45am, Epic Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room

3pm, Divine Mercy Devotions, Church

4:45pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center

6:30pm, Religious Education Classes, Parish Life Center

6:30pm, Confession, Church

6:30pm, Bishop Barron Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room

6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House

8pm, Spanish Legion of Mary in Parish Life Center, Room 204

### 20 Thursday, Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang

9:30am, Craft Group Parish Life Center, Room 100

9:45am, Epic Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room

7pm, Nar-Anon in Parish Life Center, Room 100

### 21 Friday, Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

9am, St Anne's Sister in Faith, John Paul II House

6:30pm, Spanish Junior Legion of Mary, Courtyard Meeting Room

6:30pm, Middle School Youth Group

7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House

### 22 Saturday, Weekday

8am, Confessions, Church

10am, Al-Anon in Parish Life Center, Room 204

10am, Baptisms, Church

3:30pm, Confessions, Church

6pm, Scrip on Sale, Parish Life Center

6pm, Knights of Columbus Monthly Family Dinner, Parish Life Center

### 23 SUNDAY, TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Coffee Shop After Morning Masses

*Scrip on Sale after all Masses except for 2:30pm and 7pm*

**11:30am, New Family Welcome Meeting, Parish Life Center**

6pm, CYM Dinner and High School Youth Group, Parish Life Center

# pulpit announcements

## nota bene (note well, please):

- **New opportunities for single young adults!**

*More information on page 7*

- **Knights of Columbus #4034 Freedom 5k is happening October 7. Help enrich our community!**

*More information on page 9*

- **Stand up for Life. Be part of the National Life Chain October 7.** *More information on page 10.*

- **Walking With Purpose small groups starting soon.** *More information on page 10*

- **Our SCRIP Program Needs You!** *More information on page 12.*

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

- **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

**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

Business Manager, Elaine Stanislawski  
Parish Secretary, Jachebel Rios  
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.

**ST. MARY PRESCHOOL** 540-373-7553  
Director, Sheri Castellarin

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE** 540-373-6491  
Director, Aristides Lucas  
Associate Director, Karen Sturtevant

**YOUTH MINISTRY** 540-373-6491  
Director, Leo Chavarria  
Tatiana Beltran

**OUTREACH** 540-373-6491  
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!

## stmaryfred.org



# from our pastor

# pax et bonum

Dear Folks,

Next Week is Parish Life Weekend!

The Stewardship Catalogue should be arriving any day, so look for it. If you do not receive one, some will be available next weekend.

We will be asking you to sign up at the tables in to capture your immediate enthusiasm. We will not be turning in commitment cards, so please be prepared to jump on the bus immediately! If you are reading this online from Italy, contact info for your ministry of choice via is in the bulletin and on the website.

Finally, I share with you this quote that I have read about 10 times:

"The more you get involved in the groups that are doing wonderful work in the church the more you will be filled with joy in being a Catholic. The corruption, scandal and heresy will fade away like shadows. You will see clearly what you should be doing and it will be positive, life filled and life giving. You will soon see all the good that is going on and the bad you see will fade in importance....

The complainers and protesters never accomplished very much. The saints did. The saints confronted corruption with radiant lives of simplicity and power. They skewered scandal with radiant lives of purity and goodness. They overwhelmed indifference with radiant lives of zeal and joy. At times they spoke out against the scandal, indifference and corruption, but they always did so based on the authority of their own powerful sanctity.


In other words, overwhelm the world with the light, life and beauty of Christ alive in you.

Don't curse the dark.

Set alight a life ablaze with glory and goodness."

-- originally from a blog by Fr. Dwight Longenecker.

pax,



Fr Mosimann



JANUARY 28 - FEBRUARY 8, 2019

# HOLY LAND

WITH FATHER MOSIMANN

**\$3995**  
PENDING ON CONFIRMATION OF FLIGHTS

**BE SURE TO SIGN UP BY EMAILING  
STMARY22401@GMAIL.COM BEFORE OCTOBER 1**





# education holy cross academy

## Ice Cream Social for Students

Nothing says welcome to Holy Cross Academy like an ice cream treat in the middle of the afternoon. Helping our new students to feel at home is important to all of us. So this year, new students were invited to a special ice cream social just for them. The ice cream sundaes, party hats and silly goggles helped to break the ice for those students who might be a little shy. It is just our way of saying that we are happy that you are here!

All our students were treated to the ice cream of their choice from our ever-popular ice cream cart on the actual 20th anniversary of our first day of school, August 31st. We could not let this important date pass without celebrating it together.

As you can see, Holy Cross likes to celebrate!

Saint Mary Preschool and Holy Cross Academy are a wonderful place to learn and grow. Stop in some time to see us or give us a call and we will tell you all about our wonderful parish school where we learn each day to Live Jesus and to love and care for one another. We look forward to seeing many of you at Parish Life Weekend in two weeks. Come up to our table and learn about our school!



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Blue Ribbon  
School of  
Excellence*



# parish life religious education



## Magnifikid

### "A Superhero?"

"Jesus asks his disciples: 'Who do you say that I am?' Peter was the only one to answer: 'You are the Christ.' ... Peter, like most of us did not understand that God's way isn't the quick and easy one... The way of Christ is not force, but love. Jesus knew that his love would be rejected by people who wanted easy solutions to their problems... He wants us to be confident in his love.

So, who do you say that Jesus is?"



**First Catechist Meeting:** On September 4th the first training session for catechist was held in the Parish Life Center. In preparation for the next school year catechists were addressed by our pastor Fr. Mosimann, Furman McCormick, Karen Sturtevant and Aristides Lucas.

## Upcoming Events

**Sunday, September 16** - Catechetical Sunday, Theme: "Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ."

**Saturday & Sunday, September 29 & 30** - Parish Life Weekend

**Tuesday, October 9** - Teaching Masses at 4:45pm and 6:30pm

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## Religious Education Parents Handbook: Student Regulations

### GUIDING STUDENTS TO KNOW, PROCLAIM, WITNESS AND SHARE THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Catechesis is the process of helping people acquire and deepen Christian faith and identity. This happens thorough initiation rites, prayer, instruction, and formation of conscience. Catechesis includes the message presented and the way in which the message is presented. It has been chosen as the word that best describes the process that includes instruction, but also goes beyond that to commitment, action and involvement. It is a word used almost exclusively by the Catholic community. The four tasks of catechesis are (1) proclaiming Christ's message, (2) participating in efforts to build community, (3) leading people to worship and prayer and (4) motivating them to serve others.

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

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

## Truth and Life Audio Bible The Gospel of Matthew

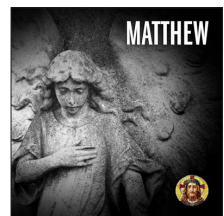
### Hear the Gospel Come Alive

You'll feel truly present at the events of the earthly life of Jesus with this dramatized audio version of the Gospel of Matthew. This presentation will move the Good News of the Incarnate Lord from your head to your heart.

[Listen on formed.org](https://formed.org)

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ON DEMAND.



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"It's as if I am there among them! ... I am transported to the place and time of Jesus! Amazing!" —Melissa G.

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WE WELCOME YOU HOME. 540-373-6491



# our parish youth ministry



## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

STARTING SEPTEMBER 16  
| 6PM DINNER | 7PM MEETING |  
PARISH LIFE CENTER

#GETINVOLVEDBETRANSFORMED

### 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.



## MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

6TH-8TH  
GRADERS

1ST & 3RD  
FRIDAY

SEPT. 7TH & 21ST  
OCT. 5TH & 19TH  
NOV. 2ND & 16TH  
DEC. 7TH & 21ST

PLC: 6:30PM-8PM



## CALLING ALL UNMARRIED YOUNG ADULTS AGES 18-29!

JOIN SAINT MARY'S VERSO L'ALTO YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY IN FORMATION, SERVICE, AND COMMUNITY AT THESE UPCOMING EVENTS:

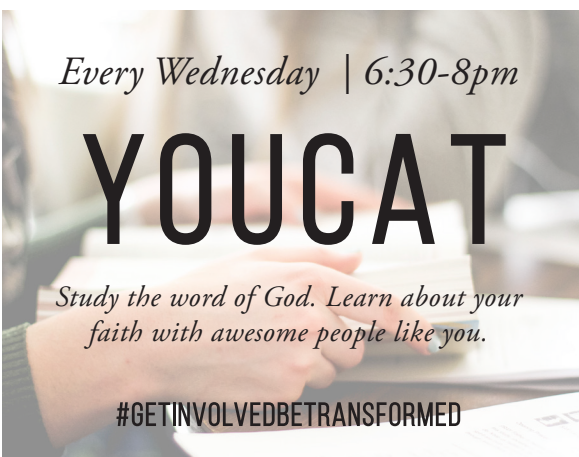
SEPTEMBER 22: MARIAN CONSECRATION MASS @ 6:30AM

SEPTEMBER 26: ADORATION AND SOCIAL EVENT FROM 6:30-9PM

OCTOBER 10: FRASSATI FELLOWSHIP - OPPORTUNITY FOR ADORATION/ CONFESSION, FOLLOWED BY A DISCUSSION ON HOLINESS, AND ENDING WITH A JOURNEY TO CAPITAL ALE HOUSE FROM 6:30-9PM

ALSO, LOOK FOR US OUTSIDE OF ALL MASSES  
THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 22-23!

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED OR HAVE ANY QUESTIONS,  
PLEASE EMAIL [STMARYYA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:STMARYYA@GMAIL.COM) OR CALL 540-847-1872



Every Wednesday | 6:30-8pm

# YOU CAT

Study the word of God. Learn about your  
faith with awesome people like you.

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### Stay Up-to-Date

Be sure to stay in the know with St. Mary CYM by visiting  
[stmaryfred.org/youth-ministry](http://stmaryfred.org/youth-ministry)

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#GetInvolvedBeTransformed



# our parish get involved

## New Choral Opportunity at St. Mary

This fall, as we say goodbye to the summer months and many of the ministries at St. Mary resume, it is with great excitement that the music ministry announces a new choral opportunity at St. Mary. In addition to the many current ensemble opportunities, the music ministry would like to announce the establishment of the Festival Choir. The Festival Choir will be a group comprised of members of the Parish and Magnificat (Youth) choirs and welcomes those who, for reasons, can't make the yearly rehearsal and performance commitment of one of the current ensembles. The Festival Choir's function, as its name implies, will be to provide music for special programs and liturgies throughout the program year. Rehearsals will coincide with the regularly scheduled Parish Choir rehearsals on Thursday night. However, members who wish to be a part of the Festival Choir will only have to attend the last hour of the rehearsal (8-9 p.m.) and only for the times in which preparations are being made for the special programs and liturgies. The first program in which the Festival Choir will participate will be on Friday, December 14, 2018, where the Festival Choir will present a Christmas concert as part of Concerts at St. Mary. The concert program, which will include a variety of repertoire for the season, will feature Gloria by Antonio Vivaldi, performed with soloists, orchestra and organ. What an exciting opportunity for those who wish to be more involved in the music ministry. Those interested should contact David Uschold, Director of Music and Organist at 540.373.6491 or [duschold@stmaryfred.org](mailto:duschold@stmaryfred.org).

## Fall Scrapbook Crop!

Boy Scout Troop 1410 is hosting a Fall Scrapbook Crop at Holy Cross Academy from 9am-9pm. We will provide a 6' crafting table, snacks/drinks, and Boy Scouts to help carry your supplies in/out to your car. Register by October 15 to **Torie Baldwin** at [vebaldwin1@gmail.com](mailto:vebaldwin1@gmail.com). Cost is \$35 per person.

## CCW Updates

A huge thank you goes out to all of our scoopers and cleaning crew members who made the Parish Ice Cream Social a wonderful success! Now we look forward to even more enjoyable functions together. Mark your calendars!

### September 18 – 10am

Our General Meeting in the Courtyard Meeting Room. Father Mosimann will be our speaker.

### September 29 – 2-4pm

Our Annual Afternoon Tea at Holy Cross Academy. Tickets are on sale after each weekend Mass in September, just \$10. Do not miss this lovely event!

### September 29 & 30

Parish Life Weekend - Volunteers are needed at the CCW Table to share our information. Please contact Denise McCollum ([denisemmccollum@gmail.com](mailto:denisemmccollum@gmail.com)) if you can help.

### October 27 & 28

Craft Bazaar and Bake Sale!! It is time to finish the beautiful projects you wish to donate and to start filling your freezer with bake goods!

## 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](mailto:br22406@cox.net)

## 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](mailto:stone48@verizon.net). To donate furniture visit [micahfredericksburg.org](http://micahfredericksburg.org).

## Save the Date

**The Paul Stefan Foundation's 11th Annual Gala - "I Can Only Imagine"** Saturday, November 10 at The Waterford at Fair Oaks, Fairfax, Virginia

Come hear the heartfelt miraculous story of Baby Paul Stefan James & the beginning of the foundations as told by Randy & Evelyn James.

More information can be found at [paulstefanhome.org/events](http://paulstefanhome.org/events)

# our parish get involved



## Knights of Columbus Freedom 5K

**October 7, 2018**

The Knights of Columbus Fredericksburg Council #4034 promotes the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

This year's Freedom 5K Sponsor's proceeds will go 100% evenly split to Birthright, Hope House and Mary's Shelter all non-profit local community organizations.

Find out more and register at [kofcfreedom5k.com](http://kofcfreedom5k.com).

Be sure to follow us on Instagram and Facebook as well! [@kofcfreedom5k](https://www.instagram.com/kofcfreedom5k)

Sponsorship opportunities still available. Please email [5k@kofc4034.org](mailto:5k@kofc4034.org) to support this wonderful event.

## 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.

*We invite all Christians  
to gather in the peace of  
Christ at St. Mary  
Monday, October 8  
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.

## Catholic Charities

Interested volunteers can start by submitting their information on [ccda.net](http://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](mailto:areynoso@ccda.net).

## 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](mailto:maryloufelts@gmail.com) for more information.



## 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!



# our parish get involved

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## NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY - OCTOBER 7

JOIN THOUSANDS ACROSS THE NATION STANDING UP  
AGAINST ABORTION IN THIS PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION

### What is a Life Chain?

The first Life Chain, born through prayer, was built in 1987 by Please Let Me Live, a small pro-life ministry in Yuba City, California. From its small beginning, the Life Chain has grown to over 1,800 Life Chains in the United States and Canada, and is a call to the Christian Church to mobilize against an abortion holocaust that claims over one million American lives annually, and has claimed over sixty million lives worldwide, through surgical abortion. The Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful, silent demonstration.

Hundreds of Christians – clergy and lay people -- stand 25 to 50 feet apart to form a prayer chain and hold signs reading Abortion Kills Children, Jesus Forgives and Heals, Adoption: The Loving Option, Lord, Forgive Us and Our Nation, Life: The First Inalienable Right. This powerful, visual impact not only raises community awareness but has also been credited with saving children's lives. Consider the words of Pope John Paul II who said, "When life before birth is attacked, we will stand up. No one ever has the authority to destroy unborn human life."

St. Mary Parish will again participate in the Annual Life Chain on Sunday, October 7 and welcomes all our parishioners and local churches as well. We will meet in the Parish Life Center at 2pm to pick up our signs and walk up to Route 1, where we will form a chain along Route 1 from Route 3 to College Avenue until 3:30pm. Please join us and take a stand for the unborn.

*"But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, so that, just as sin reigned in depth, so also grace might reign through righteousness." – Romans 5:20-21*

Walking with Purpose is a women's Catholic Bible study that aims to bring us to a deeper relationship with Christ. The course involves personal study and small group discussions that link our everyday challenges with solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church. Be a part of a Catholic women's group that will help you grow in your faith. We offer two different studies beginning this fall. Pick the one that is most convenient for you!

**Tuesdays 6:45-8:15pm at Holy Cross Academy (begins on October 2nd)**

Do you feel pulled in many directions? Do you find it hard to balance the demands placed on your time? Is it difficult to manage all the details thrown your way? God wants to support and help us so that we can be our best in every season of our



### walking with purpose

lives.

The study Keeping in Balance will take us on a journey throughout Scripture as we discover the relevance of Old and New Testament wisdom to our daily challenges. Join us as we explore biblical ways that we can manage life's pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness. A lifestyle of health and holiness awaits!

**Thursdays 6:30-8pm at the Parish Life center (begins on October 4th)**

Are you stretched and would like a way to refuel and be refreshed while making authentic connections with others? Would you like to have a better understanding of your faith and learn more about God?

The study Opening Your Heart is designed for women who are new to WWP as well as those with more Bible study experience. Join us as we examine the core questions that we wrestle with if we want to experience all that God has for us.

Each of these WWP studies is 22 weeks long and meets until April 2019. This may sound like a lot of time, but there are several breaks built in. And, we are confident that you will grow in your faith and knowledge!

Preregistration is not required; book information will be given at the first meeting. Come and see what we're all about! For more information contact Lori Mattson at [Lori.Mattson@comcast.net](mailto:Lori.Mattson@comcast.net) and/or go to [walkingwithpurpose.com](http://walkingwithpurpose.com).



# around the parish happenings

## 26th International Week of Prayer and Fasting (IWOPF)

The 26th International Week of Prayer and Fasting coalition in collaboration with the Marians Fathers, Legion of Mary and Priests for Life, are asking for individuals, families, prayer groups and parishes to unite for nine days (Sept 29 – Oct 7) of prayer and fasting for the following goals: Conversion of all Peoples and Nations, to Build a Culture of Life, to Defend the Sanctity of Marriage and Family Life, to Pray for Peace and to Implore God's Mercy. Parishes are encouraged to host holy hours, recitation of the Rosary, Masses and some kind of sacrifice or penance during these nine days.

For the opening day, on Saturday, September 29th, please join us at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. from 9 am – 4:30 pm for the International Day of Prayer. Registration is FREE, but please register online at [iwopf.org](http://iwopf.org) to receive a free prayer card at the Basilica event.

The Celebrant and Homilist for the noon mass is Bishop Roy Edward Campbell, Jr., Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C.

Speakers to date include Father Francis J. Peffley, parochial vicar at St. Mary of Sorrows in Fairfax, Virginia and Colleen Willard, a prolific speaker on life and healing and Ted Flynn author, speaker, and film producer on Catholic issues. We are waiting to confirm other speakers. For more information visit [iwopf.org](http://iwopf.org) or call 888-478-PRAY (7729).

## 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](http://arlingtondiocese.org/MJM).

## Rosary Rally for Peace

Please join us in praying the Rosary for Peace on Saturday, October 13 from 12-1pm. The rally will be held on the patio of St. Isidore the Farmer Catholic Church in Orange, Virginia. For more information, please contact Kathy Weakley at 540-308-5612.



## SEEKING HOPE & HEALING IN THE MIDST OF THE OPIOID CRISIS

Hosted by Bishop Michael F. Burbidge & Catholic Charities, Diocese of Arlington

**September 29th, 2018 | 10AM - 3PM**

Registration at 9:30AM (Mass will be celebrated at 9AM)

Good Shepherd Catholic Church | 8710 Mount Vernon Hwy, Alexandria, VA 22309

**Keynote Speaker: Dr. Michael Horne, Psy.D.**

Director of Clinical Services, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Arlington

The day includes a keynote address and a variety of informative breakout sessions.

Bishop Burbidge will conclude the Conference with a Prayer Service for the intentions of all affected by the opioid crisis.

Free will offering for refreshments and lunch will be accepted.

Registration required. RSVP to attend by Sept. 26th at [events@arlingtondiocese.org](mailto:events@arlingtondiocese.org)



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# operations given in love

## Weekly Offertory

### Collections for September 9

Offertory	\$57,704
Parish Building Fund	\$4,722
Religious Education	\$4,681
Catholic University	\$1,394

*Thank you for your generosity!*

*Next week's second collection will support the Severe Flooding In Kerala, India (Father Sunny's Archdiocese of Changanacherry)*

## Special Collection

Kerala, India, is experiencing its worst flash-floods and landslides in nearly 100 years. Due to heavy rainfall, flooding and landslides killed more than 160 people in 36 hours. Rail, air and road transportation is disrupted, and water has reached dangerous levels at multiple dams. Houses are destroyed and unharvested crops washed away. Many families are in emergency shelters, and Father Sunny has been going into relief camps every day to help provide food and tend to spiritual needs.

Your generosity in donating to this very special collection is most appreciated. All checks should be made payable to the parish, and Father Mosimann will personally deliver the donation from our parish to the Archbishop in Changanacherry when he goes to India in October.

## Children's Offertory Envelopes for September

Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of September will be donated to the Stafford Junction HUGS Program. Stafford Junction is a faith-based nonprofit

organization that serves high-need children, youth and their families residing in Stafford County. Their mission is to transform lives through faith and action. They partner with residents, local churches, service agencies, and businesses to connect lives, build relationships, and foster understanding across socio-economic lines. Partners share the love of God by meeting the physical, emotional, intellectual, and spiritual needs of those we serve. HUGS (Helping Us Grow Strong) is a program uniquely designed to complement the success of the Brain Builders after school program by working with children ages zero to five. Offering activities to enhance children's social and emotional development, HUGS helps to prepare these children for the school environment. Additionally, their partnership with the YMCA Massad Preschool allows the children to participate in structured preschool learning to further enhance their school readiness. For more information visit their website a [staffordjunction.org](http://staffordjunction.org). Children's Offertory Envelopes are available through the Religious Education Office. All proceeds from the envelopes go to a different children's charity each month.

## Choose Life Reflection

"Humanae Vitae" is much more than a "birth control" encyclical. It declares and reaffirms the very meaning of human life as a sacred gift from God. We find our fulfillment precisely in welcoming, nurturing, and giving ourselves away for that gift of life. By capturing this vision of life, prohibitions on abortion and contraception make sense as pieces of a greater picture. *Jesus, You fill the world with life. Take away our fear and make us fruitful.*

## Our SCRIP Program Needs You!

We are seeking a dedicated individual who would be willing to help manage the SCRIP program, as one of its coordinators. Our SCRIP program directly supports Holy Cross Academy (HCA) earning rebates for the school expansion fund through the sale of gift cards for many favorite stores and retailers such as Wal-Mart, Giant, Wawa, Target, Olive Garden, Ruby Tuesday and Regal Theatre just to name a few. The SCRIP Coordinator duties are shared by two enthusiastic individuals who divide the duties. This volunteer position takes approximately 1-2 hours per week and includes placing orders to replenish inventory, picking up and delivering the St. Mary and HCA Scrip bags in partnership with the other coordinator, creating the SCRIP Schedule (once a month), and being the POC for Parishioners who need assistance with setting up an account in SCRIPWARE and/or answering questions. Training will be provided.

We are also seeking additional volunteers to help sell after Saturday and Sunday Masses. SCRIP is sold after most Masses at the Church, at the 10:30am Mass at HCA, and at HCA during the week during carpool. This effort takes about 15 minutes after each of the Masses when SCRIP is sold.

If you are intrigued by the possibility of either (1) taking over as one of the Co-Coordinators, (2) selling SCRIP or (3) both, please email [scripcordinator@holy-crossweb.com](mailto:scripcordinator@holy-crossweb.com) for more information.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration in being a part of this important effort that directly benefits Holy Cross Academy, our parish school. After all, It's FOR the CHILDREN!

# liturgy daily bread

## Saint Mary Prayer List

**Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially:** 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, Muriel Bovat, Gina Wood, Michelle & Lawrence Hudson, Monica White & Patrick White, Betty McKee, Arturo Mendoza Sanchez, Vickie Coburn, Susana Rios- Villagrana, Jeff Shinrock, Mary Ulmer, John Michaelides, Joyce Tally, Dona Tally, Thomas Biddulph, Pat Tholen, Mary Ulmer, Fernando Guadarrama, Margaret Dougherty, Fred Becker

**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., Roberta White, Linda Burrell

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

## 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.**

## Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

### September

#### 17 MONDAY

6:30am: Sr. Frances Carol

9:00am: Leo and Jess Chavarria

1 Cor 11:17-33/Lk 7:1-10

#### 18 TUESDAY

6:30am: Shirley Alrutz+

9:00am: Tracie Corbett

1 Cor 12:12-31a/Lk 7:11-17

#### 19 WEDNESDAY

6:30am: Jim and Irene Hagerty

9:00am: Lewis Wade+

1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Lk 7:31-35

#### 20 THURSDAY

6:30am: John Hand+

9:00am: Olivia Marie Scharf+

1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 7:36-50

#### 21 FRIDAY

6:30am: Kyle Morgan+

8:15\*: George Graf+

9:00am: Ruth Stellino+

Eph 4:1-13/Mt 9:9-13

#### 22 SATURDAY

9:00am: Trung Trinh+

5:00pm: Glen and Karen Sturtevant

7:00pm: Laura Paquette

1 Cor 15:35-49/Lk 8:4-15

#### 23 SUNDAY

7:00am: Lewis Wade+

8:30am: Stanley Guzik+

10:30am: Chase Strader

10:30\*: Leslie Dreaden+

12:30pm: Steven Reggio+

2:30pm: Maria Garcia Najera+

5:00pm: For Our Parish

7:00pm: Clemente Family

Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

*\* 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.*