Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

upcoming events

October

28 SUNDAY, THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Coffee Shop After Morning Masses Scrip on Sale after all Masses except for 2:30pm, and 7pm HCA Chocolate Sale After All Masses **8am-2pm, CCW Bazaar, Parish Life Center** 6pm, CYM Dinner and High School Youth Group, Parish Life Center

29 Monday, Weekday

10:15am, Legion of Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help Presidio, Parish Life Center, Room 100 12:45pm, Revelation Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room 7:30pm, RCIA, Church

30 Tuesday, Weekday

7:30pm, Life, Spirit Prayer Gathering, Courtyard Meeting Room

31 Wednesday, Weekday

9:45am, Epic Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room 3pm, Divine Mercy Devotions, Church

6pm, Vigil Mass for All Saints

6:30pm, Bishop Barron Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room 6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House **7:30pm, Vigil Mass for All Saints**

November

1 Thursday, ALL SAINTS DAY (Holy Day of Obligation)

6:30am, All Saints Day Mass
9am, All Saints Day Mass
9:30am, Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100
9:45am, Epic Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room
12pm, All Saints Day Mass
6pm, CYM Board Game Group, John Paul II House
6:30pm, Walking With Purpose, Parish Life Center
Baptism Class moved to next week, November 8 at 7pm to honor All Saints Day
7pm, Nar-Anon, Parish Life Center, Room 100
7:30pm, Bilingual All Saints Day Mass

2 Friday, The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

9am, St Anne's Sister in Faith, John Paul II House 9:45am, 33 Days to Morning Glory Group, Courtyard Meeting Rooms 6:30pm, Spanish Legion and Junior Legion of Mary, Courtyard Meeting Room 6:30pm, Middle School Youth Group, Parish Life Center 7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House **8pm, Candle Light Mass for All Souls Day**

3 Saturday, Weekday [Saint Martin de Porres, Religious]

8am, Confessions, Church
8am, Spanish Legion of Mary Auxiliary Members Reunion, Parish Life Center
8:30am, Confirmation Retreat at Holy Cross Academy
9:30am, Diocesan Morning of Mercy for Divorced People, Courtyard Meeting Room
10am, Al-Anon, Parish Life Center, Room 204
10am, Baptisms, Church
3:30pm, Confessions, Church
6pm, Scrip on Sale, Parish Life Center

4 SUNDAY, THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Coffee Shop After Morning Masses Scrip on Sale after all Masses except for 2:30pm, and 7pm HCA Chocolate Sale After All Masses **7am, K of C Pancake Breakfast, Parish Life Center until 12pm**,

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

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



HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

pulpit announcements

nota bene (note well, please):

• 13th Annual Saint Mary Volunteer Appreciation Dinner is 6pm, Thursday, November 29, Please RSVP no later than Monday, November 5. See invitation on page 10

• Senior Luncheon - November 13 More information on page 9

 Baptism Class, which is normally held on the First Thursday of the month at 7pm, is being moved to Thursday, November 8 in honor of All Saints Day

• Knights of Columbus Essay Contest - Last Chance to Enter is THIS week! More information on page 8

• Veterans Appreciation Breakfast, November 4 – More information on page 9

• World's Finest Chocolate is on sale now! More information on page 9

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 MASS 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

October is the Month Of The Holy Rosary

By Apostolic Brief at the Eucharistic Congress of Bologna, in September 1927, a Plenary Indulgence is granted to all the faithful who recite the Holy Rosary in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, either exposed for veneration or reserved in the Tabernacle.



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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.

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

RELIGIOUS 540-373-6491 EDUCATION Director, Aristides Lucas OFFICE 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!

fr sunny tour 2018 india trip

Folks,

All pix this week from Calcutta and the visit to the tomb of St. Theresa of Calcutta and her missionaries of charity sisters. Wow. Humbling to meet living saints.

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education holy cross academy

Kindergarten Fun

If you were in kindergarten right now – remember those carefree days! – you might have a hard time deciding what was the most fun: visiting the pumpkin patch or planting your very own garden. Our industrious gardeners planted spinach, arugula, rainbow Swiss chard, kale, parsley, and mint. They used transplants this time since it is so late in the season, but hope to plant seeds this spring.

Planting their own garden was great, and they are enjoying watching the plants grow, but riding in a hay wagon, going down the pumpkin slide and playing in a big box of corn were amazing too. Oh, and they each got to pick their own kindergarten-sized pumpkin. Fortunately, they don't have to choose. Every day in kindergarten is the best day ever!

World's Finest Chocolate is HERE!

Our chocolate arrived a week later than scheduled but it is here now. Be sure to pick up some World's Finest Chocolate now on sale!







A National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence



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 first Open House of the year will be on November 13 at 9am**. We would love to have you drop by!

parish life **Teaching Masses**

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Upcoming Events

Saturday - November 17

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Monday - October 30 - 7-9pm

Choosing Jesus by getting up on the right side of the bed:

As soon as you wake up, remember that Jesus is with you and wants to be with you through the entire day. On a small piece of paper, write down, "Good morning, Lord! I love you and I offer my day to: you!" Lay it near your pillow. It will be the first thing you see when you open your eyes.

No Religious Education Classes this week, October 29 to 31. Catechist Training on Tuesday

Parish Life Center, Evening Program for Deanery VII catechists, hosted by the Office of Catechetics,

"On the Road to Emmaus: The Mission and Spiri-tuality of the Catechist" Agenda includes:

Video message to catechists from Bishop Burbidge

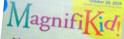
"The Mission of the Catechist," by Soren Johnson "The Spirituality of the Catechist" by John Knut-

Time for Q&A, discussion, and social reception.

Diocesan Catechetical Conference. Will begin with Mass celebrated by Most Rev. Michael F. Burbidge. The keynote speaker will be Joseph White, Ph.D.,

S.T.L., National Catechetical Consultant for Our Sunday Visitor Publishing and Curriculum. The theme for this year is "Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus

Christ." Participants will also attend 2 workshops



Fr. Collin Davis celebrated the two Masses. He explained that our Catholic faith is the most important thing in our lives and that the Mass is its greatest expression. He also reminded us of the importance of Sunday Mass. His lively exchange with the children held their attention.

FORMED PICK

Symbolon: Knowing the Faith Episode 9: Mary and the Saints

Discover the "Cloud of Witnesses"

What is our connection to Mary and the rest of the saints? Why do we ask Our Lady and other "dead people" to pray for us? Discover a framework for the Communion of Saints.

Watch on formed.org





"Well done. Very good analogies used here."

-John T., Tehachapi,CA



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¼ acre \$100, ½ acre \$150, 1 acre \$225

Additional fee based upon number of leaves per foot: \$50-\$75

Additional bag removal fee: \$2-5 per bag

November 10 8:30am

Last day to sign-up - November 5

Location must be 15-20 minutes from St. Mary, Fredericksburg, VA

EMAIL INQUIRES TO CCMYARDWORK@GMAIL.COM

UMW CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

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our parish youth ministry

3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

YOUTH CRAFT CLUB

Do you love to make crafts such as wreaths, blankets, Christmas ornaments, bird houses, or tie-die shirts? Then, join us October 20th from 3:30pm - 4:30pm in room #204 of the Parish Life Center as we kick-off this group with a Fall Wreath Craft. Open to all ages 4 - 11.

Contact Julia Apicella for cost and more information: julia.apicella@gmail.com or 540-394-1212



1ST & 3RD FRIDAY SEPT. 7TH & 21ST OCT. 5TH & 19TH NOV. 2ND & 16TH DEC. 7TH & 21ST

LC: 6:30PM-8PM



MIDDLE

SCHOOL YOUTH

GROUP

GRADERS



And Cued Speech Club

We will share our faith and learn to talk with our hands! We will teach American Sign Language (ASL) and Cued Speech. To register or for more information contact Mrs. Lauren McAdams: Lauren.McAdams2@gmail.com

OPEN TO ALL KIDS AGES 4 - 8

STARTING OCTOBER 18 THURSDAY NIGHTS | ST. JOHN PAUL II HOUSE (DOWNSTAIRS)



Applications available online

Sunday, November 4th 2pm | Parish Life Center

We will discuss the requirements, cost, expectations. Please see our website to download the application. Anyone interested in participating in our WorkCamps must attend this meeting.

https://stmaryfred.org/workcamp/

St. Vito Dance Club: Meeting in November

Unfortunately we have to reschedule our October meeting to November 9, but that means we get to meet twice in one month. High School teens join us on Nov. 9th in the Parish Life Center from 6:30-8:30pm for Swing Dance. For more information contact **Mrs. Schamel Shamelot@gmail.com or 540-379-1449.**

Youth Ministry Middle School Fitness Club

-Faith, Fun, and Fitness!

-Meets Saturday am twice a month; alternates between James Monroe Track and Green Fitness & Wellness (private gym)

-partners with Life Runners of Fredericksburg

-running, strength, and agility training

-Open to grades 6-8; all levels of fitness welcome!

-contact Rachel Luciani: lucianir@comcast.net

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#GetInvolvedBeTransformed Stay Up-to-Date

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

our parish

Vocalists Wanted

The Contemporary Ensemble is looking for vocalists. If you pray in song, St. Mary wants to hear you. Our vision for the 5pm Saturday evening Mass is a tasteful mix of contemporary songs and traditional hymns with instrumentation that includes piano, guitar, flute, trumpet and violin. We rehearse vocals Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30pm as well as Saturday afternoons at 4pm until Mass begins. Instruments rehearse Saturday afternoons at 3pm and are joined by vocalists at 4pm. If you like to sing God songs in the car or in the shower, email Gordon.Alling@ comcast.net or call 540-786-2200 (leave a message).

CCW November Notes

A huge thank you goes out to Wanda Cushing of Craft Group and bakery supervisors Arlene Wilkinson and Lucy Holzworth and all their helpers whose efforts made this year's bazaar and bake sale a wonderful success! The money earned will definitely help us to support our designated charities.

Congratulations to Meghan Dreany, winner of the 2018-19 CCW Scholarship to Saint John Paul the Great High School!

November 13 - 10am General Meeting with Father Mosimann's sharing of the adventures the parish group experienced in India.

December 2 – After Masses Christmas Cookie Sale and **Raffle Drawing**

December 16

Matinee at Riverside Dinner Theater - 1pm arrival, 3pm show, "A Rockabilly Christmas." Buy tickets through Donna Davis, 540-752-5502, Lady-Dee519@aol.com.

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 Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest

All Catholic students in public, private and parochial schools grades 8-12, are invited to participate in the 2018 Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest. This years theme is "How does your family keep its Catholic Faith in Action?"

In an essay of 500–750 words, reflect on how your family puts its Catholic Faith in Action, every day. This could be through daily prayers as a family, volunteering to help the less fortunate in your community, or even just reminding each other of what they mean to us.

Catholics are called to joyfully and enthusiastically live the faith. In a world of increasing noise and activity and so much self-interest, it can feel impossible to focus on what is most important: our families, our communities, our faith. Our Catholic faith is the starting point of all our actions. Just as Jesus challenged his disciples: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you" (Jn 20:21), our families must constantly rise to Christ's challenge. In ways both large and small, He sends us. How have we answered the call to put our faith into action?

"Faith in action is love, and love

in action is service. By transforming that faith into living acts of love, we put ourselves in contact with God himself, with Jesus our Lord"- Saint Mother Teresa

All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the contest with prizes distributed to the top 3 in each grade. Participants are required to furnish written parental consent. Top Winners will be sent to the state level for further judging.

For entry forms can be downloaded at https://goo. gl/9ap7MK . Any additional information contact: Mr. Mark Gardner at **youthdirector**@ kofc4034.org. Essay and Consent Form must be emailed or turned in by October 31, 2018.

Better Your Marriage

TOOL for a better marriage If you are interested in enriching your marriage, come and meet couples that are already involved with an international movement that is doing just that! They will share with you the joy that they have found meeting with like-minded couples once a month, to eat, pray and discuss topics reflecting faith and marriage.

Join us on Thursday, November 15th at 7:30 p.m. in the Courtyard meeting room, and hear more about Teams of our Lady! (teamsofourlady.org)

For more information, contact Helene (540 361 5662) and Gonzague (540 361 5673) de Bonfils, or hdebonfils@gmail.com.

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our parish get involved

Micah Cold Weather Shelter

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

St Mary's Book Club

CATHOLICS and PROTES-TANTS: What We Can Learn From Each Other, by Peter Kreeft, as it's selection. Focusing on the important beliefs that we share in common with other Christians, while acknowledging there are significant differences. This book should have special meaning to those of us who have Protestants in our families. We will meet on Tuesday November 13, at the John Paul II house, downstairs, at 10am. For more info please call Mary Kenney at 540-898 0372.

Veterans Appreciation Pancake Breakfast

Join with us to recognize our local veterans. **All are welcome**. November 4 in the Parish Life Center After 7am, 8:30am, and 10:30am Masses. Pancakes, Bacon, Pork Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, and Hash Brown Potatoes.

Donations accepted. Proceeds go towards AHG VA 0128 and Trail Life VA 4034 service projects. We are thankful for the continued support of CCW, KoC 4034, St. Mary's and HCA.

Senior Luncheon

The next parish senior luncheon will be held in the Parish Life Center on Tuesday, November 13. Doors open at noon and a hot lunch will be served. All seniors in the parish are invited and admission is free . Entertainment will be provided. Come and enjoy the company of your fellow seniors. Usually ends around 1:45pm. No reservation required. Questions? Call Maria D'Amico at 540-785-3580.

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**

33 Days to Morning Glory Small Group

Want to Grow in Holiness, But Too Busy? Want to transform your work, your marriage, your family and your life, but don't have time? Looking for the quickest, surest, and easiest way to holiness, but don't know where to begin? In our hectic day and time, Pope St. John Paul II and St. Teresa of Calcutta knew that the quickest way to be transformed into a saint is through a relationship with Our Blessed Mother, Mary.

Join us Fridays 9:45-11:30am at the Courtyard Meeting Room starting on November 2nd as we begin a 33-day preparation for Marian Consecration. Our consecration day will be on December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. For six weeks, we'll individually read about and reflect on four great Marian giants: St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and Pope St. John Paul II. They'll teach us the secrets to drawing closer to the Heart of Jesus through the Heart of Mary. In our weekly meetings, we'll share our insights within our small group and then watch a 30-minute video by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, brings our individual reflections and group experience into a clear and liveable focus.

If you're looking for a simple way to be spiritually renewed, develop a deeper relationship with Our Merciful Savior, and grow in holiness, join us for 33 Days to Morning Glory Small Group Retreat. **Call the parish office at 540-373-6491 to register**. Cost is \$20 which can be paid at our first meeting. For more information contact **Rachel Chaves at raziechaves@ yahoo.com or 540-372-9877.**

our parish

volunteer dinner

All Who Have Volunteered at Saint Mary or Holy Cross During the Past Year

You are warmly invited to attend the

13th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Thursday, November 29th

6pm - Holy Cross Academy

Please RSVP to the Parish Office at 540-373-6491 by Monday, November 26

Past Lifetime Recipients

Past Winners 2005-Present

Jim and Irene Hagerty Hugh Graninger Ioe Cascio Joe & Julia O'Connor Dale Featherston Kay Janis Sharon McKenna Ed and Mary Kenney Tom and Joyce O'Toole John and Barbara Carneal Jerry and Sandi Nini Roger Moure John and Donna Hetrick Paul Scott LaVaughn Halloway Nikki Corey Pechin Chris Kaila Wanda and Wayne Cushing Ed and Marilyn Knapp Pat Corbett Donna Kurtz Brian Cook Harry and Bobby Crisp Wayne and Wanda Cushing Paul and Sandy Glancy Charlie Herbek Barbara Walor Ann Graf Regis Keddie Bill Crisp Peg Baker Glenn Pickerel Bob and Susan Hohenberg Barb Frasher Wilma Evans Mary Podlesny Ken Kroko Sara Fartro Dianne Paquette Dolores Rubino **Bill Shorter** Katherine Pereira

Maria Hays Mary Keeton Vicky & Jack Kopcak Jennifer Lupi Furman McCormick Beth Merriman Shervl & RJ Sollohub Arlene & Joe Wilkinson Nick Kennedv Dave Medosch Rochelle Grev Barbara Walor Theresa Schlachter Eileen DelRosso Peg LaRose Judy Hellmann Dawn Miller Jeanne Bergeron Alberto & Miralba Bernaola Sylvia Bibby Louis & Carolyn Farrell Jeff Fitzgerald Torie Baldwin Tibor Baksy Barbara Balint James Crockett Iohn Cross Eileen Lanzarone Gail Russell Luisa Slaughter Judy Thielman *Charlotte Lynch* Maggie Lynch Matt and Eve Muggeridge *Marie Sheckels* Mary Ellen Wheeler Karen & Steve Zawisa Tess Thome Margaret Schlacther Joan Doherty Tina Horan Margaret Ford

Ioe Walor Dr. Roberto Canizares **Bob** Speier Julie Appleton Rocio Atkinson Sue Bain Gregg Carneal Leticia Gonzalez Ioe Bussard Mary Beth Cameron Pearl Conroy Doug and Nancy Craig Ann Duhamel Leigh and Jim Florio Steve Keene Christi Greenwell Maureen Jones Patti Kaila Maria D'Amico Mary Jo Medosch Rick Caporali Lori Fowlkes Donna Hart Gladys Williams Jane Gallagher Summer Hughes Susan Hamann Mark & Dori Sewell Tom Mukunnemkeril Lori Simms Lvnda Retterer Bob and Lyn McMorland Susan Keddie Lorie Clark Angie Tompkins Mark and Heather Gardner Steve and Jane Stoecker Suzette Young Alvin and Lilian Romero Tom and Pat Fish

our parish happenings

AHG NoVa Camporee 2018

AHG VA 0128 of St Mary of the Immaculate Conception again hosted the largest AHG gathering in the nation, the AHG NoVa Camporee 2018. Camporee was held Oct 18-21, 2018 in Fredericksburg, VA. There were around 500 girls and 250 adults/ leaders from 5 states--a huge portion of whom were Catholics.

Fr Folmar, one of our wonderful parochial vicars at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Fredericksburg, celebrated the Mass.

Kudos to the girls for being so reverent and respectful! It was a very special Mass. The altar servers and readers did very well and the cantor and choir sang beautifully.

To learn more about AHG VA 0128 or our brother Trail Life troop TL VA 4034 please email ahgva0128@yahoo.com for Maureen Siegmund (American Heritage Girls) or troopmasterva4034@gmail.com Mark Gardner (Trail Life).



VIRGINIA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

November 6th is Election Day. As it has done for other elected offices previously, the Virginia Catholic Conference is pleased to share its side-by-side comparison of the positions of the candidates in this year's Virginia U.S. Senate race.

Conference staff compiled "Know the Positions of the Candidates for U.S. Senate" from the candidates' official and campaign websites, policies, public statements and other resources to help voters understand where the candidates stand on important issues before casting their ballots. The issues appear in alphabetical

Virginia Catholic Conference Voter Education Resources

order for informational purposes only and do not represent a complete list of issues that may be of importance to Catholics. The Conference neither supports nor opposes candidates for public office. A Spanish translation of the candidate comparison is also available.

In addition, the Conference's guidelines for political activities for parishes and other Catholic entities can be found here.

NOTE: The Dioceses of Arlington and Richmond authorize only materials provided by the Diocese, the Virginia Catholic Conference or the USCCB. Non-diocesan voter-education resources are not authorized. The Virginia Catholic Conference is the public policy agency representing Virginia's Catholic bishops and their two dioceses. Please check out these resources before you vote!

If you are not a member of the Conference's advocacy network, click here to receive regular Conference email alerts and updates. Please like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter and sign up for our blog, and visit our website at **vacatholic**. **org.**

In prayer and in public, your voices are urgently needed to bring Gospel values to bear on vital decisions being made by those who represent you.

SAINT MARY of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION www.stmaryfred.org

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Weekly Offertory

Collections for October 21

Offertory	\$34,100
World Mission Sunday	\$5,543
Parish Building Fund (add	1) \$3,029
St. Vincent de Paul Poor Bo	ox \$138

October Faith Direct Deposit

Offertory	\$50,584
Parish Building Fund	\$4,694
Kids Special Needs	\$2,159
World Mission Sunday	\$2,037

Second Collection next week will support the Parish Building Fund.

Thank you for your generosity!

Children's Charity for November

Children's Offertory Contributions in November will be used for Christmas gifts for teenagers in foster care in the City of Fredericksburg. This age group is often overlooked at Christmas, and the contributions made in November will be sent to Social Services for gifts or gift cards. Children's Offertory Envelopes are available in the Religious Education Office. All proceeds from these envelopes go to a different children's charity each month.

Choose Life Reflection

We pray for those who have lost a loved one that they may be comforted in praying for their loved one while trusting in the hope of eternal life. We pray especially for children who have died before birth and we entrust them to the mercy of Our Lord.

Pray for Vocations

"If a tiny spark of God's love already burns within you, do not expose it to the wind, for it may get blown out. Keep the stove tightly shut so that it will not lose its heat and grow cold. In other words, avoid distractions as well as you can. Stay quiet with God." -St. Charles Borromeo (Patron Saint of Seminarians, Feast Day November 4)

All Souls Novena

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the best way to remember your deceased loved ones. Our All Souls Novena will begin on Friday, November 2, All Souls Day. An intention envelope is included with your bimonthly envelope packet; additional envelopes are available in the Parish Office and in the vestibule of the Church. There is no collection on All Souls Day. Envelopes should be turned in early and will be placed near the altar during the Novena.

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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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesday 12:30pm - Friday 9am

"It is not to remain in a golden ciborium that He comes down each day from Heaven, but to find another Heaven, the Heaven of our soul in which He takes delight." – St. Thérèse of Lisieux, Feast Day October 1

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. October is the Month of the Holy Rosary and October 7 is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. 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 Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

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liturgy daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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 Gannón, Daniel Burke, Katherine Perusi, Dorie Lee, Christopher Szynal, Joy Zerby, Mariah Ceidlinger, Kelly Carperter-Silvers, Suzi Eggleston, Bernad Castillo, 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, 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, Betty Gil, Adrienne Menjivar, Deanna White, David Mares, Linda Burrell, Margaret Craig, Mary Dudash, Chuck Boyer, Daniel Bustamonte, Hector Rios-Villagrana & Family, Miguel Correa & Family, Tamlyn Leaf, Gordon Leffel, Graciela Chavez, Nico Luiggi

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.

Part Time Preschool Aide Needed

St. Mary Preschool is seeking a part time aide for the four year old program. A preschool aide should some education beyond high school along with experience in either a child care or school setting. Interested applicants should email their resumes to Sheri Castellarin at **preschool@holycrossweb.com** or contact Mrs. Castellarin by phone at **540-373-7553**

Help Wanted

Holy Cross Academy is looking for a Child Care worker for our Aviat Care program. Duties include engaging students in games and activities after school, and supervising homework time. Hours are from 2:45-5pm, with occasional earlier starts. If interested, please email a resume to Sr. Miriam Elizabeth at **aviatcare@holycrossweb.com** or call the school office at 540.286.1600. A perfect job for someone who loves working with children.

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.

Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

October

29 MONDAY

6:30am Sally Ann Sarber+ 9:00am Jennifer Goonan+ Eph 4:32—5:8/Lk 13:10-17

30 TUESDAY

6:30am George Sanders+ 9:00am Gwen Doherty Eph 5:21-33/Lk 13:18-21

31 WEDNESDAY

6:30am David Wirl+ 9:00am Lori Wilson 6:00pm Michael and Patricia Puskar+ 7:30pm Thelma Odilia Rivera+ Eph 6:1-9/Lk 13:22-30

November

1 THURSDAY

6:30amNancy Sturtevant8:15am*Christopher Ducic+9:00amFr. Michael J. R. Kelly12:00pmFor Our Parish6:00pmAna R. Bernaola+7:30pmMaria BeltranRv 7:2-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

2 FRIDAY

6:30am All Souls 9:00am All Souls 8:00pm All Souls Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11

3 SATURDAY

9:00am All Souls 5:00pm All Souls 7:00pm All Souls Phil 1:18b-26/Lk 14:1-11

4 SUNDAY

7:00am All Souls
8:30am For Our Parish
10:30am All Souls
10:30am* All Souls
12:30pm All Souls
2:30pm All Souls
5:00pm All Souls
7:00pm All Souls
Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

^{*} Indicates Mass at Holy Cross Academy