FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 19, 2019



Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church 1009 STAFFORD AVENUE - FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA



May



CONCEPTION

Roman Catholic Church

19 SUNDAY, FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Marine Corp Historic Half Marathon—William, St Closed from 6:30am-9am

Coffee Shop after 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, Mass Scrip on sale after all Masses except 2:30pm 11:30am Evangelization Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room 6pm CYM Dinner and High School Youth Group

20 Monday, Easter Weekday [Saint Bernardine of Siena, Priest]

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

21 Tuesday, Easter Weekday [Saint Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs]

9:30am, CCW General Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room 12pm, Senior Luncheon, Parish Life Center 7:30pm, Life, Spirit Prayer Gathering, Courtyard Meeting Room

22 Wednesday, Easter Weekday [Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious]

9:45am, Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room 3pm, Divine Mercy Devotions, Church 6:30pm, Confessions, Church 6:30pm, Bishop Barron Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room 7:30pm, Young Adult Meeting, Parish office Library

23 Thursday, Easter Weekday

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

24 Friday, Easter Weekday

9am, St Anne's Sisters in Faith, John Paul II House 6:30pm, Spanish Legion and Junior Legion of Mary, Courtyard Meeting Room 7pm, Spanish Prayer Group, John Paul II House

25 Saturday, Easter Weekday [Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church;

Saint Gregory VII, Pope; Saint Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin]

8am, Spanish Prayer Group Retreat, Parish Life Center 8am, Confessions 10am, Baptisms 10am, Al-Anon, Parish Life Center, Room 204 3:30pm, Confessions, Church

26 SUNDAY, SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

No Coffee Shop

11:30am, New Parishioner Meeting, Parish Life Center

pulpit nnouncements

nota bene (note well, please):

- Cathletics! Vacation Bible School More information on page 6
- St Mary Marriage Ministry Date Nights More information on page 9
- Noticias en Español Más información en la página 10
- Save the Date! Parish Picnic June 2! More information on page 11
- School Dressing Days 2019! More information on page 12

Flowers for Marv

This weekend, all children of any age (7 months to 77 years) are invited to bring flowers to place in front of our Lady at the beginning of all Masses. A simple act of love to honor her. Flowers will also be available for anyone who wishes to participate.



contact us

Saturday Vigil 5 & 7pm

Sunday 7, 8:30, 10:30am, 12:30, 2:30pm (Spanish), 5pm, 7pm 10:30am at Holy Cross Academy

Monday - Friday: 6:30am, 9am M/W/F: 12 Noon **DAILY**

MASS

Saturday: 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 Wednesday, 6:30-8:30pm;

Saturday, 8am & 3:30pm, or by appt.

PARISH OFFICE

540-373-6491, fax 371-0251 stmary@stmaryfred.org

Monday - Friday, 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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250 Stafford Lakes Parkway

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Tatiana Beltran

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Elena Doyle - edoyle@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 Parishioner Welcome meetings held in the Parish Life Center on fourth Sun

days, following the 10:30 Mass. Please notify us of any contact changes.

Articles must be submitted two weeks prior to publication. Send articles to bulletin@stmaryfred.org. Thanks!

from our pastor

pax et bonum

Dear Folks,

This week Father Folmar and I will be on retreat at the Jesuit retreat house in Faulkner Maryland. It is a requirement for all priests to go on a retreat to spend a week in prayer every year. Father Kelly went away earlier this year, and Father Colin is scheduled for October.

Dr. Ralph Martin wrote in his book The Fulfillment of All Desire. "Prayer is, at root, simply paying attention to God (p. 121)."

Such a wonderful image: paying attention to God. Imagine that, actually paying attention to Him. Also a reminder of why the church insists that her priests go apart and pay attention to Him!

Yet we so often overlook this. Haven't we all been involved in one sided conversations that we long to escape? It is good that the Lord is patient with us. I sometime describe recollection (which is the necessary preparation of the soul for prayer) as letting the mind settle and quiet down. We must live Psalm 46:10... "be still and know that I am God."

This 'paying attention to God' struck me as the opposite of the social media... where I must put out my great words, and all who "follow" me can reap my

wisdom. Sometimes on social media we are saying to the world, 'pay attention to me.... but I don't want to hear what you have to say!'

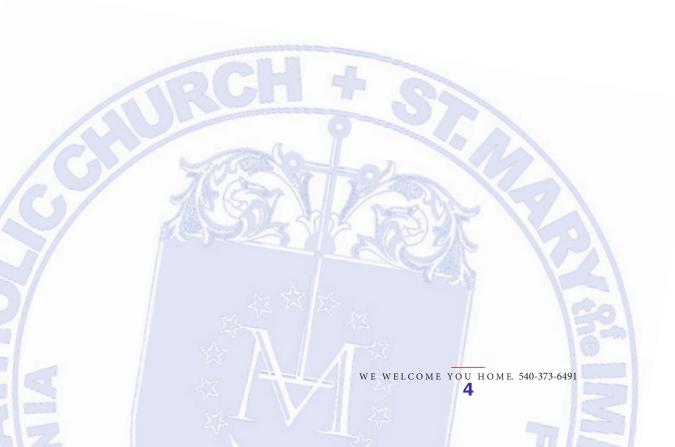
But technology can also be a great assist. I will have a picture of the parish on my phone 'lock screen.' That way every time I look at it to see what the time is, I will be reminded to pray for the parish! Yes.... I basically use my cell phone as a watch.

There are countless ways throughout the day where we can take a moment and pay attention to God and countless ways we can remember one another.... Momentary aspirations, a quick thought sent heavenward, a look of love, whereby we pay attention to Him and one another.

I'll be praying for you this week. Please pray for Father Folmar and me!

pax et bonum,

Fr Mosimann



education

holy cross academy

Winning at HCA in So Many Ways!

Spring is definitely here. The 25th annual Great Train Race took place in downtown Fredericksburg two weeks ago and Holy Cross Academy made a great showing! As a school, we came in 2nd place for the highest number of participants. The award came with a prize of \$250 to support our physical education efforts. Many HCA students placed in their heats and received trophies. There are too many to mention here so we want to extend a huge CONGRATULATIONS to all who ran. The day was rainy but that did not stop our Crusaders from showing up in large numbers and doing their best! That is what makes them winners.

Muffins with Mom is a time honored tradition at Holy Cross. We celebrated it this past week as a great warm up to Mother's Day. Father Brisson Hall was packed with smiling faces: happy children and beautiful mothers as our faculty and staff took over the service for the day. At HCA we love and appreciate our Moms who do so much for us.

We would like to congratulate all the children who received their first Holy Communion recently. It is always a day of grace and joy for the children, their families, and our entire parish community.

Holy Cross Academy is accepting applications for teachers for the coming school year. If you are interested in applying, please email a cover letter and resume to Sr. Susan Louise at **principal@holycrossweb.com**.

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 at 540-286-1600 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.



A National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence









Holy Cross Academy is seeking a business manager, effective immediately. This position is full-time. Applicants must have experience with QuickBooks. Payroll experience is preferred. The Business Manager is responsible for Accounts Payable and Accounts Receivable. Salary is based upon experience. Interested applicants should email their resume to Sr. Susan Louise at principal@holycrossweb.com

our parish

Magnifikid

Choose Love

There is probably someone in your class whom you do not like. You may try to avoid this person and you may even have had a fight with him or her. Jesus invites us to love even those we don't like. This week, try to think of the good qualities of this person and pray for him or her. You'll soon be loving as Jesus loves.

Let yourself be loved by God

God is the one who loved us first, but we don't always understand that. Every week he invites us to meet him at Mass. This week, you can get ready to meet him by reading the Bible texts for Sunday's Mass.

The Ministry of Catechesis

"All members of a community of believers are called to share in (the ministry of catechesis) by being witnesses to the faith. Some, however, are called to more specific roles. Parents, teachers, and principals in Catholic schools, parish catechists, coordinators or directors of religious education, those who work in diocesan and national catechetical offices, deacons, priests and bishops - all are catechists with distinct roles." National Catechetical Directory, #204

"Since parents have given their children life, the Catholic Church recognizes parents as the primary and principal educators of their children. Catechetical programs assist parents in the Christian formation and the sacramental preparation of their children." arlingtondiocese.org/



FORMED PICK

The Story of Father Kapaun

A True **American Hero**

Servant of God Emil Kapaun is the most decorated Chaplain in United States history. making a name for himself on battle fields and prison camps with his fearless attitude and undying commitment to his men.





"I can't recommend this film more highly!! His life is a true inspiration!"

-Amanda H., Westpoint, NY



JOIN FORMED

1. formed.org

2. click register

3. enter parish code: F6F228

First Holy Communion Liturgies

On Saturday, May 4, two First Holy Communion liturgies were celebrated. At 10am it was for Holy Cross students. At 12:30pm it was for Religious Education students who attend class on Mondays at 6:30pm. Two more First Communion Liturgies were held on May 11.



our parish youth ministry



Youth Craft Group

All children between the ages of 4-11 are invited to participate. Meetings are are 3:30pm in the Parish Life Center, room 204. There is a small fee for each craft to offset the cost of materials.

May 25 - Tie-Dye Shirts (\$10)

June 8 - Fabric Hat Painting (\$10)

Please Email Ms. Julia at Julia. Apicella@gmail.com or call 540-394-1212 if you are interested in joining the craft group. Children may attend one or all the activities we have planned for the year.

Fitness Club

Open to youth in 6th - 8th grade

May - No meet up | June 8 | July 13 | August 9

Contact Rachael Luciani for more info at lucianir@comcast.net

Stay Up-to-Date

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



parish life

get involved

CCW Update

Summer is almost here and with that Comes our final meeting for this season, and it is a very important one. We hope you will mark your calendar for May 21 at 10am In the Courtyard Meeting Room. Please join us. We need you for The election of our officers, for voting on the distribution list for our charity funds, and for an opportunity to volunteer to serve at our Parish Picnic on June 2.

Senior Luncheon

The next parish senior luncheon will be held in the Parish Life Center on Tuesday, May 21, 2019. Doors open at noon and a hot lunch will be served. All seniors in the parish are invited and admission is free. Come and enjoy the company of your fellow seniors. Usually ends around 2pm. No reservation required. Questions? Call Maria D'Amico at 540-785-3580.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue

Would you like the Blessed Mother to visit your home for two weeks? Please contact Mary Lou Felts at 571-723-3333 or maryloufelts@gmail.com to schedule a time.

Upcoming Bible Study

On June 5, join fellow parishioners on a quick journey through the Bible. Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible is an eight part study that provides the easiest way to understand the Bible. This study makes the complex simple. It helps you uncover the story woven throughout the Scripture so that you can get the "big picture" of the Bible and understand what it is about. The Bible is a story about the Father's unfailing love for you – a love that you will be eager to share with others.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible begins June 5 at 9:45am in the

Father Rooney Meeting room. Cost for materials is \$20. Please sign up in the Parish Office. Class size is limited to 30. At the first class, you will get your materials and a code that will allow you to access the study on-line. This is a great feature that will help you take this course over the summer!

2019 Lenten Soup Supper Thank You!

Many thanks to our school, Holy Cross Academy, and members of our Music Ministry, our Youth Ministry, our Hispanic Ministry, our Council of Catholic Women and the Knights of Columbus who all gave so generously of their time and talents to make our Lenten Soup Suppers so special. The soups were delicious! And a very special thank you to all those who attended the Soup Suppers and donated so generously for our special charity. A total of \$1762.87 was raised to support the Virginia Catholic Conference and the March for Life in their pro life efforts against abortion. May Our Risen Lord bless all of you with His many graces for your kindness, generosity and continued support.

Wednesday - Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

From Wednesday 12:30pm to Friday 9am

"Jesus speaks in the silence of the mystery of the Eucharist and reminds us each time that following him means going out of ourselves and making our lives not something we 'possess,' but a gift to him and to others."

- Pope Francis

Come and adore Our Lord in the most beautiful Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We have continuous Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday after the 12 Noon Mass until Friday morning before the 9am Mass. At least two people must be present with Our Lord at all times during Adoration.

Attention Class of 2019

The Associates of St. John Bosco will be hosting four College Nights throughout the Arlington Diocese for graduated high schoolers headed to college in the fall. All events will be from 7-9pm:

June 19 - St. Mark's, Vienna
July 1 - All Saints, Manassas
July 17 - Basilica of St. Mary, Alexandria
July 24 - St. Mary of the Immaculate
Conception, Fredericksburg

The purpose of these free events is to help students keep their faith while transitioning into college. Catholic college students from George Mason, Mary Washington, UVA, Virginia Tech, William & Mary and others will be in attendance to meet students and share their experiences of being a Catholic college student. It's a wonderful chance to meet fellow peers going to your school before even stepping foot onto campus! Free dinner with registration and the chance to win door prizes! Student registration can be found by visiting **asjb.org**. Registration is limited to 50 students per night.

Catholic Charities Counseling Center

Seeking volunteer on Friday's any hours between the hours of 9am-5pm. Answering phones, greeting clients etc. Please call Lee Ann at 540-371-1124.

ST MARY'S ANNUAL PACE SISH PACE SISH

JUNE 2 - 3-7PM HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

HELP IS NEEDED!

Hamburgers, turkey burgers, hot dogs, sausages, baked beans, potato salad, and drinks are prepared by the Knights of Columbus and served by the CCW. Side dishes and desserts provided by parishioners.

To help serve food

Contact the Council of Catholic Women: Eileen Geary, eileengeary@yahoo.com

To help cook, set up or clean up Contact Knights of Columbus: Paul Scott, pscottsis@aol.com / 540-891-9331

GAMES

Extreme Air Bungee Jumper
Wrecking Ball
Jurassic Adventure
5-in-1 Clubhouse
Bungee Run / Gladiator Joust
Fire Rescue Obstacle Course
Screamer Dry Slide

PICNIC AT A GLANCE

AMAZING games and rides

LIVE MUSIC in concert by Vision

GREAT TASTING

food and drinks served from 3-6pm

AND everything you bring:

If your last name starts with:

A-E: bring chips to share

F-O: bring a dessert to share

P-Z: bring non-perishable snacks

ACTIVITIES

Face Painting
Pony Rides
Cotton Candy
Sno Cones
Popcorn

Majest Martial Arts Demo

vida parroquial

noticias en

¿Desea casarse por la iglesia?

La fecha de la próxima reunión del Grupo de Convalidaciones ha sido cambiada del 12 de mayo al 2 de junio de 12-2pm en el Centro de Vida Parroquial. Para más información contacte al Diácono Alberto o a la Sra. Leticia González.

El Grupo de Oración de la RCC "Confiados en Jesús y María"

Parroquia St. Mary's Fredericksburg, VA

THE INVITED AL SEMINARIO DE VIDA EN EL ESPÍRIRU

HABLA, SEÑOR, QUE TU SIERVO ESCUCHA 1 Sam 3.10

SÁBADO 25 & DOMINGO 26 DE MAYO DE 2019

Hora: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Para más información e inscripciones contáctar a los hermanos:

Ismael Bermúdez: (540) 735-6813 Isinael Bernúdez: (340) 733-6613 Isabel Bernúdez: (540) 295-3093 Elvis Lara: (540) 287-8480 Ulices Reyes: (540) 684-8857 Email: confiadosenjesusymaria@gmail.com Facebook: @confiadosenjesus

HORARIO sábado (vigilia)- 5 & 7pm

DE MISAS domingo- 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm, 2:30- español, 5pm, 7pm

10:30am en la Academia Holy Cross

MISA DIARIA lunes a viernes 6:30am y 9:am lunes, miércoles y viernes- 12 mediodía

sábado- 9am

Primer viernes del mes-8pm Días de obligación, se anuncia en el boletín y en anuncios de la misa en español

DEVOCIONES Adoración al Santísimo diaria entre misa 6:30 y 9am

Adoración Perpetua- miércoles 12:30pm hasta viernes 9am Novena Medalla Milagrosa- lunes después misa 9am

Coronilla Divina Misericordia miércoles 3pm

CONFESIONES miércoles 6:30-8:30pm Sábados - 8am &3:30pm o por cita

OFICINA 540-373-6491, fax 371-0251

PARROQUIAL stmary@stmaryfred.org lunes a viernes- 8:30am-4:30pm Secretaria parroquial- Jachabel Ríos (habla español)

MINISTERIO 540-373-6491

DE JÓVENES Director, Leo Chavarria Tatiana Beltra

BAUTISMOS clases el primer sábado del mes a las 2pm en el Salón Father Rooney (Salón de las cruces al lado oficina)

MATRIMONIO contacte la oficina parroquial para más información

CONVALIDACIONES contacte a la oficina parroquial para más información

QUINCEAÑERAS contacte a la oficina parroquial para más información

EDUCACIÓN contacte a la oficina parroquial para más información RELIGIOSA (CATECISMO)

lunes 7:30pm comienzan en septiembre más información en la oficina parroquial

CORO practicas los viernes 7-9pm, domingos PARROQUIAL 12:30-2pm en el salon música Centro de Vida Parroquial

GRUPO DE El cuarto domingo del mes de 12-2pm PAREJAS en el salón 204 Centro de Vida Parroquial

GRUPO DE "Confiados en Jesús y María" todos los ORACIÓN viernes a las 7pm en la Casa Juan Pablo II

LEGIÓN DE viernes 6:30-8:30pm en el MARÍA Salón Father Rooney **JUNIOR**

LEGIÓN DE viernes 8pm en Salón Father Rooney **MARÍA**

Los artículos deben ser enviados dos semanas antes de la publicación. Envíe los artículos a bulletin@stmaryfred.org. :Gracias!



DATENIGHTS AT SAINT MARY'S

All married and engaged couples are warmly invited to invest in their relationship by attending "Date Night". Meet members of your parish family and grow in your vocation, intentional loving each other more fully!

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

6:30pm | Wine & Cheese 7-9pm | Presentation

"Agape Love~Loving for over 50 Years!"
Our seasoned married couples share their tips for a lasting and holy marriage. What a treasure!!!

All gatherings are at the St. Mary's Parish Life Center

If you are interested in joining the Marriage Ministry Team, we would love to welcome you. Please contact Elena Doyle at edoyle@stmaryfred.org

get involved

chool dressina

School may be ending soon but it's never too early to plan for back to school and SCHOOL DRESSING DAYS 2019 for families in

F'burg, King George, Caroline, Stafford and Spotsylvania counties. This year, our event will be held on July 26-27 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1710 Bragg Rd., Fredericksburg. St. Mary has been asked to donate the following new items

- All Sizes Kids K-12
- Boys and Girls jeans and/or teen joggers, (skinny preferred, regular, slim and husky waist, no flares or bootcut please)
- Girls leggings
- Boys and Girls socks
- Backpacks for elementary, middle and HS students
- Large and XL men's white crew neck undershirts
- Teen medium boxers/boxer briefs

We will also be collecting gently used jackets for the elementary ages and hoodies and sweatshirts for all ages as well as gently used shoes appropriate for school. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Life Center from June 2-23 and at Holy Cross Academy from June 2 until June 11.

Please consider also giving of your time at this very joyful event! To volunteer, simply access SignUpGenius online with this address: www.tinyurl.com/SDD2019.

Need to pre-register? The dates are as follows: June 6, 19 and July 6 at the LDS church, 1710 Bragg Rd; June 15 and July 10, 20 at the Fredericksburg United Methodist church 308 Hanover St., all from 9:30a-1P. Please remember to bring proof of address and 1 form of ID for each child.

The families are always grateful for your donations and your volunteer support. Questions? Please call Jaye Anastasio @ 540-412-1622.

parish life get involved

Senior Luncheon Coordinator Needed

The Senior Luncheons are a gift to our St. Mary's seniors and provide an opportunity for all to gather, connect and enjoy a delicious lunch and entertainment. The Senior Luncheon Committee hosts 4-6 gatherings annually. We are in need of a new coordinator so that this ministry can continue its warm welcoming charism. Our sweet coordinator, Maria D'Amico is stepping down after serving so generously for over 5 years – thank you Maria! She is willing to show the new coordinator the ropes! Please spend some time in prayer and discern if this is something our Lord might be calling you to do in the service of your parish family. Thank you. If you are interested, please contact Elena Doyle at edoyle@stmaryfred.org or call the office at 540-373-6491. God bless you!





parish life pilgrimage

Saints of Central Italy!

Join fellow parishioners on a parish pilgrimage to Italy

October 8 - 18, 2019

Package Inclusions:

Round-trip Airfare from Washington-Dulles 11 Days/9 nights Escorted Tour of Italy. 3 nights
Castellammare di Stabia, 1 night St. Giovanni Rotondo, 1 night Montecassino, 1 night Lanciano, and 3
nights Rome. Professional English speaking Tour Director during the whole stay. Buffet breakfast &
dinner with wine daily (1 dinner in Praiano -Trattoria San Genaro) Papal Audience Wednesday October
16. Daily Mass. Sightseeing of Naples, Pompeii, Sanctuary of Santa Filomena, Sorrento, Amalfi Coast,
Positano, Praiano, St. Giovanni Rotondo, Mt. St. Angelo, Abadia de Montecassino & Sanctuary of Sta.
Maria Goretti, Lanciano, Norsia, (Nettuno), and Roman Forum. Professional English-speaking Tour
Director throughout local English speaking guides with all visits. Headsets throughout. Round-trip
airport transfers all hotel city taxes in Italy.

Day-by-Day, Itinerary:

Tuesday, October 8: USA (Dulles Airport) > Italy

Wednesday, October, 9: Arrive at Naples & transfer to Castellammare di Stabia

Thursday, October, 10: Sanctuary of Santa Filmena & Sorrento

Friday, October, 11: Full day visit to Amalfi Coast, Positano, & Praiano

Saturday, October, 12: Castellammare di Stabia - San Giovanni Rotondo - Mt. Sant'Angelo

Sunday, October, 13: San Giovanni - Abadia de Montecassino & Sanctuary of Santa Maria Goretti, Nettuno

Monday, October, 14: Montecassino - Lanciano

Tuesday, October, 15: Lanciano - Nursia - Rome

Wednesday, October, 16: Rome - Papal Audience, Basílica of St. Peter, Ancient Rome (Coloseum & Forum)

Thursday, October, 17:
Vatican Museums & City tour of Rome

Friday, October, 18: Rome > Dulles, USA

Please contact Margaret Ford at Fredericksburg Travel 419 Sophia Street, Frederickburg, VA 22401 Phone 540-373-6900 Single supplement \$525. Travel Insurance \$252

PRICE \$3995

(coverage up to \$4000)

parish life happenings

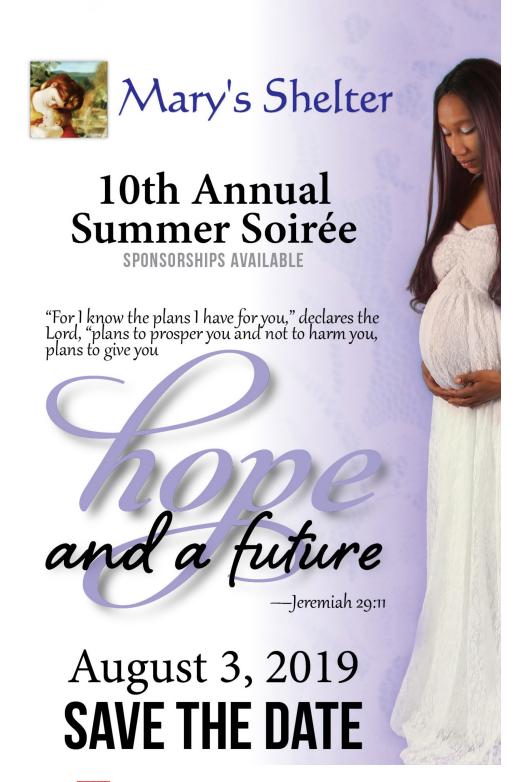
We invite all Christians to gather in the peace of Christ at St. Mary Monday, June 10 as we "prepare a place for unity and peace" together.



You are invited to a monthly gathering of prayer in the ecumenical tradition of the 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.



operations

given in love

Weekly Offertory

Offertory Collections

Offertory Collection May 5 \$40,456 Offertory Collection May 12 \$31,568 Parish Building Fund \$5,524 Catholic Home Mission Appeal (add'l)

\$1,708

Special Parish Needs Collection

\$4,790

St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box (2 weeks)

\$549

Faith Direct Deposit for May:

Offertory \$60,182 Parish Building Fund \$5,248 Diocesan Retired Priests Collection

\$3,216

Special Parish Needs \$2,139

Thank you for your generosity!

Masses were offered in April for the following unscheduled intentions: +Net Stanton, +Virginia Bare, +Rev. Mr. Billy Joe Malcolm, Carla Hungerford, Wanda Cushing, Mary & Leilani Flores, +Josephine Taylor, +Rosa Man Vu, +Charles Sanders, +Patrick Brennen, Randy Lee Hall, +Anne Mackiewicz, +Claude P. Weinzierl, Amanda & Carlos Gonzales, +Johnny Kocis, +Thomasa Arroyo, +John Hathaway, +Agnes Florschutz, +Marie McCormick, +Timothy Woodington, Bon Van Than, Bich Daw Le, +Charles Patten, All Souls (2), and Barbara Michalski.

May Children's Charity

Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of May will be donated to the Children's and Teen's Programs of Empower House (formerly the Rappahannock Council on Domestic Violence). These programs provide ongoing support for children ages 5 to 12 affected by domestic violence and teens affected by dating violence and domestic violence.

Faith Direct

The Lord is risen! As Christ's disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of His Resurrection. Our parish's many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call. Our ministries require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception with electronic donations through Faith Direct. Signing up is easy! Visit faithdirect.net and use our parish code of VA635 or call 1-866-507-8757. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

Choose Life Reflection

"If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple. Seek his guidance, and let the healing power of prayer, a conversation in which 'heart speaks unto heart,' strengthen you." (USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility")





Saint Mary Prayer List

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: Tracey Hansen, Elizabeth Ames, Aleisa Barber, David Arnold, Maryann Greatsinger, Antonio Ferrara, Wilson and Joan Parker, Emma Gilbert, Virginia Gannon, Daniel Burke, Dorie Lee, Christopher Szynal, Joy Zerby, Mariah Ceidlinger, Kelly Carperter-Silvers, Suzi Eggleston, Bernad Castillo, Michael Durant, Matthew Gomer, Tricia Davis, Martha Clements, Donna Long, Mary Ann Maynard, Zachary Payne, Margaret Krebbel, Adrianna Pruitt, Deanna Pruitt, Montgomery Wood, Patricia Russo, Charles Dittmer, Bruce Mattern, Dorothy Simmons, Nikolai Sherba, Sharon Ś., Barbara Clarke, Roseanne Nash, Jeanne Burke, Prudy Tarpe, Maureen Mizzles, Miles Wood, Mary Ellen Kearney, Kay Simmons, Robert Meyer, Marc and Susan Wood, 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, Robert L Gomer, Carla J Gomer, 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, Thomas Biddulph, Pat Tholen, Fernando Guadarrama, Margaret Dougherty, Betty Gil, Adrienne Menjivar, Deanna White, David Mares, Chuck Boyer, Daniel Bustamonte, Hector Rios-Villagrana & Family, Miguel Correa & Family, Tamlyn Leaf, Gordon Leffel, Graciela Chavez, Nico Luiggi, Vickie Coburn, Ana B. Rojas, Maria Mangini, Melanie and Chris Koumentakos, Maryanne Schram, Jackie Davia Johnson, Jenna Cappello, Matt Seidlinger, Benjamin Grillo, Gavin Menteer, Jim Seidlinger, Mary Ellen Kearney, Kurt Gutzmann, Lois Michell, Albert Lemanski, Frank Pollack, Leslie and Charlotte Heagney, Joseph Daley, Carolyn Shebora, Melvin Schreckinger, Stephen Inguanti, Karen Scanlon, Rhonda Wolfe, JJohn Druiett, Delia Flores, Bruce Berry, Glen Gress, Bobby Blankenship & family, Buddy & Vincent Yerkie & Family and William Davis III, Carolyn Allen, Elise Dutton, Nancy Firestone, Mitchell Wood, Felicity Peletier, Leah Sanford, Dawn Dittmer, Jason Stoker, Makenna Anne Koetzle, Peggy Silverman, Jack Ryan, Amy Peretta, Janet Fisher, Dave Fisher, Leony Scott, Paul Scott, Wendy Vann, Michael Vann, Bob Jankovits, Michelle Thomas, Jerry Hall, Zelda Meyer, Jack Ryan, Robert Boggio ,Ryan McNichol, Bianca Sanchez, Jackeline Sanchez & Family, Mary Hope Burkett, Dick Geary, Mary Dudash, Sean Duarte, Linda Schaaf

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, Frank Spatt Jr., Thomas Wickham, Hunter Keiser, Patrick Johnson

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

Al Anon Surviving the Weekend Group

For those 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. Especially at this time of year, it's important to know that you are not alone and there is help. There is an Al Anon meeting 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 100 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

May

20 MONDAY

6:30am All in Our Mother's Day Novena 9:00am All in Our Mother's Day Novena Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26

21 TUESDAY

6:30am Sr. Miriam Elizabeth 9:00am Fr. John Mosimann Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a

22 WEDNESDAY

6:30am George O"Reilly+ 9:00am Cecilia Chavarria Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8

23 THURSDAY

6:30am David Pourreaux 9:00am Whitney Tetor Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11

24 FRIDAY

6:30am Jay Ryan Anderson and Family 8:15am* Staff of Holy Cross Academy 9:00am Jack and Joann Beal Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17

25 SATURDAY

9:00am Ed Owen+ 5:00pm Lawrence Billing+ 7:00pm For Our Parish Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21

26 SUNDAY

7:00am Marie Rigor-Fernandes+ 8:30am Edward Holzworth+ 10:30am Eleanor Rossi 10:30am* John F. Carneal

12:30pm Our Military Living & Deceased 2:30pm Lorena Hernandez-Rios 5:00pm David J. Spellman+

7:00pm Betty Ginn+

Acts 15:1-29/Rv 21:10-23/Jn 14:23-29

* 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.