

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 25, 2019



Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church

1009 STAFFORD AVENUE - FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA

upcoming

August



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

25 SUNDAY, TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Scrip on Sale after all Masses

Coffee Shop after 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, Mass

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

6pm, CYM Dinner and High School Youth Group

26 Monday, Weekday

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

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

27 Tuesday, Saint Monica

7:30pm Life in the Spirit Prayer Gathering in the Courtyard Meeting Room

28 Wednesday, Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:30pm Bible Study in the Courtyard Meeting Room

3pm Divine Mercy Devotions in the Church

6pm Bishop Barron Bible Study in the Courtyard Meeting Room

6:30pm Confessions in the Church

6:30pm YOUCAT, John Paul II House

29 Thursday, The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

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

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

30 Friday, Weekday

6:30pm Spanish Legion of Mary in the Courtyard Meeting Room

31 Saturday, Weekday

8am Confessions in the Church

9:30am, Prison Ministry Orientation Training in the Courtyard Meeting Room

9:45am, CYM Craft Club, John Paul II House

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

10am, Baptisms in the Church

3:30pm Confessions in the Church

1 SUNDAY, TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Scrip on Sale after all Masses

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

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

pulpit announcements

nota bene (note well, please):

■ RCIA Interest Meeting Coming Soon

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■ Join us for Our Lady's Birthday

More information on page 8

■ Noticias en Español

Más información en la página 10

■ The Manna Project Food Drive

will be held September 13 and 14. *Please plan to bring your non-perishable and monetary donations to Mass.*

We've got Script Gift Cards for That

Do you buy groceries at Giant, Walmart or Weis? We have Script Gift cards for that. Buy breakfast or Lunch at Chipotle, Taco Bell, Wendy's, or Panera Breads? We have Script Gift cards for that. Enjoy fine dining at Red Lobster, Outback, Bravos, Bonefish, Carrabba's, Bob Evans, or Cracker Barrel. We have Script Gift Cards for that. Stop by the Script Gift Card table in the Parish Life Center after Mass and purchase gift cards or to review the list of all the Script Gift Cards that are available. Set up an account today and continue earning rebates for HCA! Email Scrip Coordinator at scripcoordinator@holycrossweb.com for the school enrollment code so HCA gets credit for your purchase or with any questions. Thanks for using script gift cards!

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

Monday - Friday: 6:30am, 9am
M/W/F: 12 Noon
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. Sean Koehr
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

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Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406-7234
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sfry@holycrossweb.com

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
Tatiana Beltran

YOUNG ADULTS

stmaryya@gmail.com
540-847-1872

OUTREACH

540-373-6491
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!

stmaryfred.org

from our pastor

pax et bonum

Dear Folks,

This week I went down into the basement and saw a print of one of my favorite paintings of the Immaculate Conception near the youth and RE office! The original is in the Museo del Prado in Madrid, Spain. Since she is our patroness, I am inspired to share it with you here, and a few thoughts as well.

Often times folks confuse paintings of the Immaculate Conception with the Assumption. If you type "assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary" into Yahoo or Google and check the images that come up, some of those which are labeled incorrectly. How can we tell the difference?

The classic painting of the Assumption will have a few factors: Mary will appear a little older, the Apostles will often be gathered below looking up as angels escort her to heaven (or crown her queen of the universe), and Mary will most often be wearing a red garment with a blue cloak (the red represents her humanity and the blue represents heaven with which he is clothed).

On the other hand, images of the Immaculate Conception will have Mary with a very young face, a white garment (for purity), a blue cloak (again for heaven), and held aloft by a number of cherubs (again with young faces to suggest youth and innocence). Obviously it would be impossible to paint an image that is what the IC looked like, so artists have tried to represent this through symbols.

Some artists will combine all of these symbols because they may just want to paint the Blessed Virgin Mary, and with elements from the various Marian dogmas. Hopefully this will help you be able to identify symbolic elements in Catholic art.

And finally, it is time to start extending invitations to folks who are considering becoming Catholic. RCIA will be starting up in September, so pray this week about whom you might invite to consider becoming Catholic. This weekend we are offering you cards that you can hand out to anyone you would like to invite to consider our Catholic Faith! Personal invitations truly matter. Who can you invite to become Catholic?

pax et bonum,



Fr Mosimann



education holy cross academy

St Mary Preschool Open House

St. Mary Preschool, located in the Parish Life Center, will host an Open House on Sunday, August 25 from 9am–12pm. Come visit us to learn more about our 3 and 4 year old classes. For more information please contact Sheri Castellarin, Preschool Director by phone at 540-373-7553 or via email at preschool@holycrossweb.com.

Holy Cross Academy Enrollment

We are currently enrolling students for the 2019-20 school year. To learn more about our school, please visit our website, holycrossweb.com, or call us at HCA at 540-286-1600 or St. Mary Preschool at 540-373-7553. We'd love to give you a tour and answer any questions. Our offices are open during the summer and we are happy to meet with you.

St. Mary Catholic Preschool

St. Mary Catholic Preschool has openings in their program for 3 and 4 year olds. Classes are held in the morning on either Monday, Wednesday, Friday or Tuesday, Thursday. Please contact Sheri Castellarin, Preschool Director by phone at 540-373-7553 or via email at preschool@holycrossweb.com.



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Aviat Care Position Opening

HCA is seeking a loving after-school care employee to help supervise the children in our Aviat Care program during the school year. Hours are 2:45pm to 6pm Monday - Friday. Some flexibility in hours is possible. Please contact Ms. Magruder at pmagruder@holycrossweb.com to apply or learn more about the position.



our parish religious education

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The Offertory

After the intercessions, the priest moves to the altar. He receives the gifts, and presents them to the Father. The bread and wine represent our lives and works. We present them to God, knowing that they are first his gifts to us. The priest says: "Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation/ for through your goodness we have received/ the bread/ (wine) we offer you." The Lord receives our gifts from the hands of the priest, transforms them, and gives them back in Holy Communion. As the bread and wine are changed into the Eucharist, so our hearts are transformed into the likeness of Christ.



The Holy Spirit Wants You!

The "Uncle Sam Wants You!" poster first appeared in 1917 to recruit soldiers for WWI and WWII. Now, St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception is asking the Holy Spirit to help recruit Religious Education Teachers for the 2019-2020 school year.

Volunteering to be a Catechist provides you the opportunity to do more for God than attending Mass for 1 hour a week. The commitment will be about 20- 25 classes a year and attendance at Catechist Training 4 times when you will receive helpful lessons on teaching your students on our faith. "The best way to learn is to teach" is true because your preparation will result in your increase in knowledge and understanding of Christ's messages that he wanted



Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, August 27

New Catechist Orientation, 6-9pm

Tuesday, September 3

First Catechist Training & /VIRTUS Renewal, 6-9pm

Saturday and Sunday, September 7-8

Catechists Profession of Faith

Monday to Wednesday, September 9-11

First Week of R E Classes, Parents accompany children to class

Sunday, September 15

Catechetical Sunday theme is "Christ, Our Mission".



His Church to spread to the world. But for now, let's spread the Word to our children who are the future of our Church. Contact the Religious Education Office at 540-373-7553 for the more than 11 positions we need to fill. You will not regret it!

- Chris Kaila Catechist
7th and 8th Grade Confirmation

FORMED PICK

JOIN FORMED

1. [formed.org](https://www.formed.org)

2. click register

3. enter parish code:

F6F228



Mother Teresa

An Indomitable Force of Love

One woman founded a religious order, won the Nobel Peace Prize, and became one of the most popular figures of the 20th century. Follow the selfless missionary of Calcutta who brought hope, love, and salvation to the poorest of the poor.

[Watch on formed.org](https://www.formed.org)



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"Amazing! I love it. It lights a flame in your heart that can never be extinguished."

—Jennifer C., St. Louis, MO

our parish youth ministry

JOIN FITNESS CLUB!

Next meetings are September 14 and October 12, please contact Rachel Luciani for more info: lucianir@comcast.net.



Stay Up-to-Date

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

StMaryCYM    
#GetInvolvedBeTransformed

St. Mary's Craft Club

All children ages 3 and up are invited for a fun time creating craft projects with the "St. Mary's Craft Club". The club will meet the last Saturday of each month 9:45 - 10:45am in the John Paul II house.

August 31:
Backpack and Pencil case
Fabric Painting

October 26:
Fall wreath

September 28:
Stations of the Cross Wheel

November 30th:
Christmas Ornaments and
Advent Wreaths

Join the club! Please email Mrs. Julia at Julia.Apicella@gmail.com to receive a Craft Club enrollment form or pick one up in the parish office. For questions, please call Mrs. Julia at 540-394-1212.

Each craft club date includes faith formation activities as well. We look forward to seeing you!

RCIA 2019-2020

**LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH AND
HOW TO BECOME CATHOLIC**

JOIN US FOR OUR INTEREST MEETING

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 AT 9:30AM | FATHER DON ROONEY ROOM

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

**REGISTER BY EMAILING
RCIASTMARYFRED@GMAIL.COM**

parish life get involved

Our Lady's Birthday

All are invited to a breakfast celebration for Our Lady's birthday sponsored by the Legion of Mary and the CCW on Saturday, September 7 after the 9am Mass in the Parish Life Center.

Adorer Needed

The Adoration Ministry is in need of a new adorer! Please help spread the word! The Friday EARLY MORNING team will need a new permanent adorer for the 2-3 am time slot on Friday mornings starting in September. Please email adoration@stmaryfred.org or leave your information with the office! Thank you!

Saint Mary Book Club

On Tuesday, September 10, we will be discussing A Pope and A President, by Paul Kengor. This is the extraordinary untold story of the partnership between Pope John Paul II and Ronald Reagan, and how their singular bond drove them to confront the great evil of the twentieth century: Soviet communism. If you have any questions, please email Maureen Guilfoyle at maureenpsg@verizon.net.

Prayers & Squares Ministry

Please come to our meeting and enjoy the fellowship of this Ministry that provides prayer quilts for fellow parishioners who are ill. Prayers & Squares meetings will resume on September 14th. Our meetings are at 9:30 the 2nd Wednesday of the month in room 204 in the Parish Life Center. Come for as long as you can and help string quilts and enjoy meeting some of our members. We provide quilts tied with prayers for parishioners who are suffering with a serious illness. Our duties consist of making quilts, assisting

after masses when a quilt is requested and stringing the quilts at our meetings. You can perform all these tasks or pick and choose what you enjoy.

Currently, we are in need of individuals who would be willing to contribute 15 minutes after the mass they are attending. This individual would put the requested quilt out after mass for others to tie a knot and say a prayer. After the congregation leaves they would return it to the closet in back of the church.

We would like to begin some basic quilting classes during this time if the interest is sufficient. If you are interested in joining our ministry please contact either Barbara Walor at 540-786-9324, dhs321@comcast.com or Dian Epp at 703-475-6232, dianepp2@msn.com.

Cases of Love

Spreading love, one case at a time

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." Galatians 5:22-23.

How are you using the fruits of the Spirit in your life? Are you ready to share those fruits with the less fortunate in our community? Well, we have the perfect opportunity for you! As an extension of the Outreach Ministry, we are forming a Pillowcase Ministry. Its purpose is to provide colorful handmade pillowcases, along with a new pillow, to the homeless in our community. A pillow and pillowcase may not seem like much, but for a homeless person, it could be one of the only sources of comfort they have at the end of the day when they go to sleep. They will also know that each pillowcase is made with love from people who care about them. If you don't sew, no worries! You can

help by donating items that will be needed. The first informational meeting will take place on Tuesday morning, September 10 at 10am in the Parish Life Center, Room 100. Future meetings will take place on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 10am-12pm. If you can't make the meetings, but are interested in helping, or if you want further information, please contact Adele Falardeau at asfalardeau49@gmail.com

Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office through September 30.

- One yard of 100% cotton brightly colored fabric. Flannel is acceptable, but make sure it is 100% cotton.
- Choose themes such as sports, animals, cartoon characters, unicorns, generic patterns, etc. that would be appropriate for children, teenagers, and adults.
- One-half yard of 100% cotton for the cuff of the pillowcase. Choose something that matches or contrasts with the colors in the fabric.
- Place the two pieces of fabric for each pillowcase in a one-gallon zip-top bag.
- All-purpose thread (assorted colors).
- New Standard size pillows (please leave in plastic bag.)

Prison Ministry Pen Pal Program

One of the Corporal Works of Mercy found in the teachings of Jesus calls us to serve the imprisoned. Men and women who are incarcerated are still our brothers and sisters, made in the image and likeness of God. No matter what someone has done, they deserve the opportunity to hear the Word of God and find the

parish life get involved

Truth in the message of Christ. If you like to write, you can help fulfill this important ministry by virtually "visiting" prisoners in spirit, sharing your love, compassion, friendship, encouragement, and spiritual support through the exchange of letters with offenders who are hopeless, alone, and forgotten. To learn more about St. Mary's Prison Ministry, the next orientation session is scheduled for Saturday, August 31 from 10am to 12 noon in the Courtyard Meeting Room. To sign up for the orientation session, or if you have questions, please email, call, or text Jim Shall, jimshall1@yahoo.com, Cell 301-848-6039.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue

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

Cursillo Three Day Retreats

Cursillo begins with a three day retreat to examine and celebrate yourself, your relationship with Christ and your relationship with your church community. You will have a short time of silent reflection, hear talks from laity and Priests or Spiritual Directors, have a chance for reconciliation and Mass. Those involved with Cursillo speak from experience, their hearts and their faith. Cursillo has retreat dates available for anyone who would like to participate. The cost is 250.00 which includes meals and accommodations. These dates are scheduled with the Arlington Diocese: Womens 153rd Weekend, September 5-8, 2019 at the Washington Retreat House, also Women's 154th Weekend March 19-22, 2020 at San Damiano

Spiritual Retreat Center. Men's 139th Weekend is November 7-10, 2019 at the Washington Retreat House and Men's 140th Weekend May 28-31, 2020 at San Damiano Spiritual Retreat Center. Please consider expanding your faith experience to include Cursillo. For information contact: Tammie Chute at tammiechute@hotmail.com.

Upcoming Adult Faith Formation Class

Learning the catechism can be interesting, maybe fun! It will deepen your appreciation and understanding of the Church Pillar I: The Creed provides the foundation needed to begin the four-part journey through the complete Pillars series. The Creed opens up the structure of the Catechism and shows how it is far more than a list of "faith facts," but instead a sure map for your journey of faith.

The cost for workbook, with answers, is \$35. Each class is limited to 35 participants max. This is a twelve week class

Class begins: Either Wednesday, September 11 at 9:45am or Thursday, September 12 at 9:45am. The Wednesday class is almost full.

Retreat for the Seriously Ill

The Retreat for the Seriously Ill, sponsored by Catholic Charities of the Arlington Diocese still has openings for the October 4-6 weekend at San Damiano Spiritual Life Center. This is a unique opportunity for persons who face serious physical illness to come for a weekend retreat of spiritual renewal and refreshment. Celebrate life and the love of the Lord in a beautiful and comfortable setting. The retreat is staffed by health care professionals who are

available throughout the weekend to ensure medical needs are met. Physicians, nurses, priests and other volunteers are present to see you are comfortable and provide what you may need during the retreat. The retreat is open to men and women. There is no cost for this retreat. Please email contact information to Retreat@ccda.net or call 703-335-2779 option 9, for information on the weekend. A nurse from the retreat team will be in contact with you about care needs and the application process. Please provide the following information in the email or voicemail: Name, Phone Number, Available times for a return call, and please state you are calling for the Retreat October 4, 2019. When the return call is made by the nurse, the retreatant must be present to take the call. For any additional information please contact Tammie Chute at tammiechute@hotmail.com

Letter to a Suffering Church

Feeling hurt, angry, or demoralized about the sexual abuse crisis plaguing the Catholic Church? Our parish wants to help, and that's why we've ordered copies of a new book for everyone in the parish. It's titled Letter to a Suffering Church: A Bishop Speaks on the Sexual Abuse Crisis by Bishop Robert Barron. St. Mary will explore these issues with Bishop Barron's series with Fr. Kelly as moderator or group discussions. Please sign up at the Church Office by September 20. The program will run for 5 consecutive Saturday mornings at 9:30am starting on October 5 and ending on November 2. A free and short book by Bishop Barron and a video series will accompany each of sessions.

noticias en español

HORARIO DE MISAS sábado (vigilia)- 5 & 7pm
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 9am
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 PARROQUIAL 540-373-6491, fax 371-0251
stmary@stmaryfred.org
lunes a viernes- 8:30am-4:30pm
Secretaria parroquial- Jachabel
Ríos (habla español)

MINISTERIO DE JÓVENES 540-373-6491
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 RELIGIOSA (CATECISMO) contacte a la oficina parroquial
para más información

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

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

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

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

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

LEGIÓN DE MARÍA Viernes 8pm en Salón Father Rooney

Educación Religiosa para niños y jóvenes con necesidades especiales

El programa (SPRED) utiliza instrucciones por medio de símbolos y sirve a niños y jóvenes con retrasos del desarrollo, Síndrome de Down, autismo y problemas de aprendizaje.

-Los adultos voluntarios y los niños se unen en una comunidad pequeña de fe para descubrir la presencia de Dios en sus vidas.

-Se fomenta que los niños reciban los Sacramentos de Iniciación, dependiendo del nivel de cada uno.

-Se reúnen 12 sesiones al año, comenzando en septiembre y terminando en abril o mayo.

-Los niños junto con los adultos voluntarios participan en el catecismo y en actividades divertidas que incluyen artes manuales, música, merienda y lecciones espirituales diseñadas para llenar las necesidades de cada participante con diferentes niveles de logros.

-Los invitamos a que conozcan más de este programa SPRED y a que nos ayuden a compartir la Palabra de Dios con los hijos especiales de Dios.

Para más información contacte a
Karen Sturverant, asistente del Programa
de Educación Religiosa

ksturtevant@stmaryfred.org
540-373-6491

Faith Direct

Gracias por ser parte de nuestra St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception familia. A medida que se prepara para el fin de verano y el comienzo de una ocupada temporada de otoño, por favor considere inscribirse en dar electrónicamente a través de Faith Direct para que sus donaciones puedan llegar a nosotros incluso cuando usted no pueda. Visite www.faithdirect.net y utilice el código de la iglesia: VA635. ¡Gracias por su continuo apoyo a nuestra familia parroquial!

around the parish happenings

Trail Life

Do you have a son or daughter age 5 to 17 (grades K-12) wanting to participate in a variety of activities such as: camping, archery, shooting, fire building/safety, beekeeping, pinewood derby, ASL, crafting, service projects, and so much more while also learning about their faith?!!

Trail Life Troop VA-4034, chartered through HCA, and American Heritage Girls Troop VA0128, chartered through St Mary's CCW, are having their first meetings of the new program year plus parent information meeting at Holy Cross Academy on Thursday September 5th 7-8:15pm TL and AHG are Christian adventure, character, integrity, and leadership programs for young men and women, respectively. The K-12 programs build skills and allow growth on a personal level and as a role model and leader for peers and to support the Church. For more information visit trailifeusa.com or americanheritagegirls.org

Questions? Email troopmasterva4034@gmail.com for Mark Gardner (Trail Life) and ahgva0128@yahoo.com for Maureen Siegmund (American Heritage Girls)

Save the Date: Knights of Columbus Freedom 5K Run/Walk

The Knights of Columbus Freedom 5K Family Walk/Run is back and scheduled for October 5, 2019. Be sure to register early and find more information at kofcfreedom5k.com or find us on facebook @kofcfreedom5k. 100% of all donations will be used to support three local organizations. This year, the three organizations that will benefit from your generosity are Mary's Shelter, Loisann's Hope House, and Birthright of Fredericksburg.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue

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

Catholic Charities Cars for Families Program Needs your Help!

We give donated cars to families in need and we need a dedicated volunteer at our NEW site in Fredericksburg. 4 hours per week and occasional Saturdays (to accept car donations). Responsibilities include: Screening Applications of recipients, answering phone and email inquiries, promoting the Cars for Families program, contacting donors to schedule vehicle drop-off, and giving cars out to families in need. No special knowledge about cars necessary! Please contact Maria Magdaleno at maria.magdaleno@ccda.net or call (703) 841-3898 to learn more.

We invite all Christians to gather in the peace of Christ at St. Mary

Monday, September 9

as we "prepare a place for unity and peace" together.



You are invited to a monthly gathering of prayer in the ecumenical tradition of the Taizé Community in France, the second Monday of every month at 8:15pm.

It is our hope that this monthly prayer brings together Christians of all churches, pastors and flocks, as together we realize a bit more each day that we must rely upon God's power to bring about Unity among all who follow Jesus, "as he and the Father are one." It is something we are unable to do ourselves.

This Unity which embraces all people stands at the very heart of Christ's mission...and belongs to the essence of our community. Let us provide a place where his Spirit can come and fulfill his plan for us.



operations given in love

Weekly Offertory

Offertory Collections for August 18

Figures will be in next week's bulletin.

Second collection next week will support the Children's Programs of Fredericksburg Area Food Bank. Thank you for your generosity!

Food For Families School Food Pantry

The mission of the School Food Pantry program is to help alleviate child hunger for families in crisis. School-based pantries are located on the grounds of a school to provide a more readily accessible source of emergency food assistance to students and their families. As a need is identified by school staff, the pre-packed boxes containing a few days of emergency food, along with resource materials such as a pantry reference list and SNAP information, are distributed to the families in need.

Club Kids

This structured after-school snack program provides nutrition among at-risk children, ages 4-18 years, in an environment that is safe, accessible, and convenient. Over 3,000 kids are being fed monthly at sites throughout our service area. Sites are located at schools, faith-based organizations, the Boys and Girls Club.

Club Kids II

This structured after-school snack program provides nutrition among at-risk children, ages 4-18 years, and are enrolled in a participating after-school program. The mission of Club Kids II is to provide nutritious, freshly prepared snacks to children in an environment that is safe, accessible, and convenient. Sites are located at organizations that provide after-school

programming for youth such as the Boys and Girls Club, Hazel Hill & Heritage Park.

Kids on the Go Summer Feeding

Kids on the Go is a program of the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank which provides children attending summer school or other summer enrichment programs with a healthy prepared meal. Kids on the Go helps to alleviate childhood hunger by bridging the hunger gap when a reliable source of food may not be available. Children 18 years of age and younger are welcome to receive a free, freshly prepared, well-balanced meal at any of our sponsored sites.

Your kindness and generosity in supporting the less fortunate in our community is greatly appreciated. For more information visit www.fredfood.org/Programs. God bless you. "Lord, when did we see Thee hungry and feed Thee, or thirsty and give Thee drink? ... 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to Me.'" (Matthew 25:37, 40)

August Children's Charity

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

The Owen Lea Foundation was established to provide support to families living with Neuroblastoma. The financial and emotional burdens of treating a child with cancer can be devastating. Your assistance will help families alleviate some of

these overwhelming costs that are not otherwise covered by insurance, such as travel to and from treatment centers and co-pays for necessary medicines. Sadly in many cases this money also replaces life insurance which is unobtainable for families in this situation.

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



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Saint Mary Prayer List

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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 S., 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, 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, Frank Pollack, Leslie and Charlotte Heagney, Joseph Daley, Carolyn Shebora, Melvin Schreckinger, Stephen Inguanti, Rhonda Wolfe, John Druiett, Delia Flores, Bruce Berry, Glen Gress, Bobby Blankenship & family, Buddy & Vincent Yerkie & Family and William Davis III, Carolyn Allen, Mitchell Wood, Felicity Peletier, Leah Sanford, Jason Stoker, Makenna Anne Koetzle, Peggy Silverman, Jack Ryan, Amy Peretta, Janet Fisher, Paul Scott, Wendy Vann, Michael Vann, Michelle Thomas, Jerry Hall, Zelda Meyer, Jack Ryan, Robert Boggio, Ryan McNichol, Bianca Sanchez, Jackeline Sanchez & Family, Mary Hope Burkett, Dick Geary, Sean Duarte, Linda Schaaf, Ingrid Mohammed, Dave & Joy Zerby, David Silberman, Mrs. Joann A. Formeller, Jim Matarese & Son, Paula Hass, Leony Scott, Catherine Laski, Winifred Herrin, Brenda Leffel, Deborah Nunez, Larry Hays, Alma Keyes, Mary Carr-John, Phil Fuller, Jean Guinn, Sylvia Littlepaige, Alma Keyes, Andy Johnston, Jacoby Smith, Andrew Prybys, Richard Epp

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 Hakenon, 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, Sean Jobes, John Paul Smetek, Matthew Molino, Michael Scott, Samuel Hoffman

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

August

26 MONDAY

6:30am Carolyn Farrell
9:00am Rita M. Siver+
10:00am* Holy Cross Academy
1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Mt 23:13-22

27 TUESDAY

6:30am John Klossner+
9:00am Tessie Canizares+
1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26

28 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Jorge Soravia
9:00am Ruth Stellino+
1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32

29 THURSDAY

6:30am Laurence J. Finkel
9:00am Fr. John Wang
1 Thes 3:7-13 (428)/Mk 6:17-29

30 FRIDAY

6:30am Freddy and Leticia Gonzalez
9:00am Kitty Brever+
1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13

31 SATURDAY

9:00am Timothy Hanlon+
5:00pm Patrick Bereit
7:00pm Anna Zmuda+
1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30

1 SUNDAY

7:00am Dorothy Grabowski
8:30am For Our Parish
10:30am Those Who Died in August
10:30am* Gennonte Tubbs
12:30pm Joseph Mascetta+
2:30pm Thelma Odilia Rivera+
5:00pm Hugh Fleming and Family
7:00pm José Pomalaya
Sir 3:17-29/Heb 12:18-24a/Lk 14:1-14

** 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.*