# **TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

September 8, 2019 Holy Cross Academy and Saint Mary PreSchool Students are full of prayer

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

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# **August**

#### **8 SUNDAY, TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Coffee Shop after 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, Mass Scrip on Sale after All Masses

**9:30am, RCIA** Interest Meeting in the Courtyard Meeting Room 6pm, CYM Dinner and High School Youth Group, Parish Life Center

#### 9 Monday, USA: Saint Peter Claver, Priest

10am, Legion of Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help Presidio, Parish Life Center, Room 100 4:45pm, Religious Education Class, Parish Life Center 6:30pm, Religious Education Class, Parish Life Center **8:15pm, Taize, Church** 

### 10 Tuesday, Weekday

10am, St Mary Book Club, John Paul II House 4:45pm, Religious Education Class, Parish Life Center 6pm, Religious Education Class at Holy Cross Academy 6:30pm, Religious Education Class, Parish Life Center 7:30pm, Life, Spirit Prayer Gathering, Courtyard Meeting Room

### 11 Wednesday, Weekday

9:30am, Prayers and Squares, Parish Life Center, Room 204 9:45am, Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room 3pm, Divine Mercy Devotions, Church 4:45pm, Religious Education Class, Parish Life Center 6pm, Bishop Barron Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room 6:30pm, Religious Education Class, Parish Life Center 6:30pm, Confessions, Church 6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House

#### 12 Thursday, Weekday [The Most Holy Name of Mary]

9:30am, Craft Group, Parish Life Center, Room 100 9:45am, Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room 7pm, Preschool Parent Meeting, Parish Life Center Main Hall 7pm, Nar-Anon, Parish Life Center, Room 100

#### 13 Friday, Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9am, St Anne's Sisters in Faith, John Paul II House 6:30pm, Spanish Junior Legion of Mary, Courtyard Meeting Room 6:30pm, CYM St Vito Dance Club, Parish Life Center Main Hall 8pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Courtyard Meeting Room

#### 14 Saturday, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8am, Confessions, Church
9am, CYM Fitness Club
10am, Baptisms, Church
10am, Al-Anon, Parish Life Center, Room 204
10am, Diocesan Workshop, Parish Life Center
10am, Ushers CPR Training, Courtyard Meeting Room
10am, Mariamante Sewing Circle, John Paul II House

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

Coffee Shop after 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, Mass Scrip on Sale after all Masses except 2:30pm

Manna Food Project Food Drive at All Masses 4pm, Parish Ice Cream, Social and Cake Walk at Holy Cross Academy 6pm, CYM Dinner and High School Youth Group

# pulpit nnouncements

# nota bene (note well, please):

■ St Mary's Ice Cream Social & Cake Walk will be held next week at Holy Cross Academy

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# We've Got Scrip Gift Cards For That!

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# 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.

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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,

St. Mary's Ice Cream Social and Cake Walk @ Holy Cross Academy next Sunday! This is truly a wonderful parish event that I would exhort you to consider attending next Sunday afternoon (15 September). There is free ice cream for all! We ask that each family bring a cake (baked or even store bought). Be imaginative in decorating your cakes as prizes will be awarded for the most creative and beautiful cakes, and then children will have an opportunity to win a cake of their choosing. All parishioners are invited!

Religious Education, CCD or Faith Formation - lots of names for the same task, teaching the content of our faith to our children. This weekend at all Masses we will be commissioning the Catechists who will be sharing the faith with our future generations. We must use our best talents and energies to hand on that which is most important.

I often hear parents say, "I just want to give my kids better than I had growing up." Unfortunately, when I ask for specifics, the list usually ends up being financial, emotional, and educational, but almost never spiritual. We all have limited time, talent, energy, and resources. Are we handing on a fuller expression of the faith so that our children will be even more deeply rooted than we are? That should be our goal!

So this weekend I commend all of our catechists to Our Lord: "May the good work that you have begun be brought to completion by grace through the intercession of Our Lady!" I renew my gratitude to those who teach and are aides to the Religious Education department, I know that they are pouring out their time, talents, and energy into this task. Thank you for your willingness to teach profess, live, and teach our faith!

pax et bonum,

Fr Mosimann

# **Stella Marina Project ~ Birthing Kits for Women in Haiti**

Did you know that an estimated 1 million newborns & mothers will die from infections caused by an unsterile birth environment? A clean birth is essential to the health and survival of both mothers and babies. Providing a woman a clean safe delivery costs LESS THAN \$4! Stella Marina was founded to help the midwives, women and children of Haiti by providing birthing kits composed of sterile items such as; medical gloves, alcohol wipes, soap, scalpels etc.

St. Mary's is jumping in to help too! We have purchased enough items to create 1,000 Birthing Kits for the women of Haiti and we need help to assemble them. On Thursday, September 12 at 6:00pm join the Outreach Committee in the Courtyard Meeting Room to assemble the kits. Please contact Elena Doyle at **edoyle@stmaryfred.org** to RSVP. If you would like to make a donation to help cover the cost, please make your payment to "St. Mary's" and designate "Stella Marina Project" on the memo line and drop it off to the parish office. God bless you!

# St. Mary's Ice Cream Social & Cake Walk

Sunday, September 15 at 4-7pm at HCA

All are welcome!

If you would like to participate in the cake decorating contest, simply bake your most decorative cake and deliver it to HCA between 3-3:30pm to enter into the contest. Judging will take place at 4pm. All cakes that arrive after 4pm will be for sharing and participation in the CAKE WALK.

We ask that all families participating in the cake walk bring at least one cake either baked or store bought.

If you are interested in helping with the event, please contact Dawn Mauro at dawn.mauro@genexservice.com. We are in need of volunteers to help register cakes, run the cake walk and clean-up. Also looking for a DJ! Please reach out! The more the merrier!



# education

Dear St. Mary's Parish Family,

It has been a joy and a blessing welcoming our students back for the 2019-2020 school year. Holy Cross Academy welcomed 408 students in our kindergarten through 8th grade program and St. Mary's Preschool began this year with 70 students. We are fortunate to add a few new, talented teachers to our experienced and dedicated faculty and staff as well as welcome Mrs. Angie Tomayko as our new assistant principal.

As I settle into my role as principal, I am most struck by the things that separate Holy Cross Academy from other schools I've worked at during my seventeen years as a school administrator and twenty-one years as an educator. The dedication of our faculty and staff in preparing their curriculum and their classrooms has been inspiring to witness. I'm blown away by the commitment from our pastor and his brother priests to be involved in the lives of our students. Each of our priests works weekly with a grade of students throughout the year along with celebrating weekly Mass for our school. I have never worked with a PTO group who is as organized or as responsive to the needs of our school. Every day I have someone new ask me, "How can I help?", which is so refreshing. Lastly, I've never been a part of such a dynamic, active parish. It is so inspiring to be in a parish where the ushers are busy at every Mass making room for the faithful that pack our church for services.

I was able to learn enough from my conversations this summer with faculty, staff, and parents to identify a few areas where our school can improve to better fit the needs of our students and families. We have improved our communication efforts by utilizing Constant Contact as our system for E-blast communi-

cations. Constant Contact allows us to send attractive, engaging messages that are very reader friendly and offer interactive links and recent school photos. This year, we revamped our middle school program to increase instructional time in our core subjects as well as extend recess and provide passing time between classes. Holy Cross Academy instituted a one-to-one Chromebook initiative with our 6th grade students, which will greatly improve our teachers' ability to leverage technology in the classroom as a valuable learning tool. With many of our teachers receiving valuable Google Educator training this summer, we have extended the use of Google Classroom programs for our students in grades 4-8.

As we progress through the school year, we will be gathering feedback from all school constituents in order to create a strategic plan to help move our school forward. I am excited to have parishioners involved in our planning efforts so that Holy Cross Academy and St. Mary's Preschool will remain a school

that represents our parish well and is a source of great pride.

In Christo,

Stephen M. Fry, Ed. D. Principal

# 2019-20 Renewal of Commitment

We ask God's blessing on this new school year as we pledge ourselves to Live Jesus and to support the priests, administration, faculty and staff of Saint Mary Parish and Holy Cross Academy.

- We will be faithful to the Gospel of Christ
- We will adhere to the principles of Holy Cross Academy
- We will demonstrate an increased reverence for Jesus present in each person

We will dedicate ourselves to serve others in need and to provide them with hope rooted in Christ We will pursue academic excellence and will work to develop the gifts God has given us

We rededicate ourselves to work for the good of our parish and school and to serve one another after the example of Jesus so that God may be glorified in each of us all through this coming year.



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#### **Carrying One's Cross**

Jesus carried the cross on which he was crucified. He suffered death to show us just how far he would

go to demonstrate his love for us. For us today, "to carry one's cross" means to make the choice to follow Jesus to the end through love of him, even if we encounter difficulties. The cross is also the sign announcing the glory of God. To follow Jesus Christ through love by carrying one's cross is to be truly a sign of his Resurrection.



# **Upcoming Dates:**

**Saturday and Sunday, September 7-8**Catechists Profession of Faith

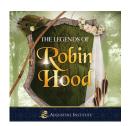
Monday to Wednesday, September 9-11

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

Sunday, September 15

Catechetical Sunday theme is "Christ, Our Mission".

# FORMED KIDS' KORNER

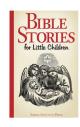


# The Legends of Robin Hood

The child of a reputable family and a faithful son of the Church, Robert of Locksley had no intention of becoming an outlaw. But the relentless cruelty by the nobility of England demanded that someone rise up to give answer.

#### More Kids' Content





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# Lectio: Prayer

Session 1: Prayer

#### Prayer as a Conversation

Prayer is one of the most basic elements of a life of faith, but sometimes it feels like a one-way "conversation." Dr. Gray shows how the solution to this problem can be found in the Scriptures.

Watch on formed.org





"Dr. Tim Gray explains the practice of Lectio in a way that makes you thirst for more!"

—Debbie S., Austin, TX

# our parish youth ministry

# **JOIN FITNESS CLUB!**

Next meetings are September 14 and October 12, please contact Rachel Luciani at **lucianir@comcast.net** 



Middle School Youth Group 6th, 7th, & 8th Graders

Friday, September 20

1st & 3rd Friday of the Month 6:30-8pm in Parish Life Center



# **Stay Up-to-Date**

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

# 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.

September 28: Stations of the Cross Wheel

October 26: Fall wreath

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 S40-394-1212.

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



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# **Manna Food Project**

The Manna Project Food drive is set for September, which is Hunger Awareness Month.

On September 14th and 15th, Manna Project Volunteers will collect non-perishable food and monetary donations outside of Mass for the F ericksburg Regional Food Bank, a member of Feeding America. 1 in 7 Americans turns to Feeding America for food assistance and households often survive on limited budgets. Needed items include: canned meat/fish, peanut butter, pasta/sauce, canned goods, instant potatoes, rice, and personal items such as paper towels. The Food Bank currently feeds over 20,000 people monthly. For each \$10 donation, they are able to provide 20 meals for hungry families. Please help us support them during Hunger Awareness Month!

# 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 11**. Our meetings are at 9:30am 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 task 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

# **Adorer Needed**

Looking for Permanent Adorer from 2-3pm on Wednesday and 1-2pm on Wednesday. Please email adoration@stmaryfred.org

# 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.

# **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: 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 tammie-chute@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.

# 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

# parish life **get involved**

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.

# **Walking With Purpose**

Walking with Purpose is a women's Catholic Bible study that aims to bring us to a deeper relationship with Christ. The course involves personal study and small group discussions that link our everyday challenges with solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church. Be a part of a Catholic women's group that will help you grow in your faith.

- Thursdays 6:30-8pm at the Parish Life Center (begins on October 3rd) and meets until May 2020
- Tuesdays 6:45-8:15pm at Holy Cross Academy (begins on October 1st)
- Thursdays 6:30-8pm at the Parish Life Center (begins on October 3rd)

For more information visit the **walkingwithpurpose.com** and/ or contact Lori Mattson at **Lori. Mattson@comcast.net**.

# Respect Life Sunday

National Life Chain Sunday, October 6 Annual Life Chain 2-3:30pm

"But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, so that, just as sin reigned in depth, so also grace might reign through righteousness."

- Romans 5:20-21

#### What is a Life Chain?

The first Life Chain, born through prayer, was built in 1987 by Please Let Me Live, a small pro-life ministry in Yuba City, California. From its small beginning, the Life Chain has grown to over 1,800 Life Chains in the United States and Canada, and is a call to the Christian Church to mobilize against an

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

St. Mary Parish will again participate in the Annual Life Chain on Sunday, October 6 and welcomes all our parishioners and local churches as well. We will meet in the Parish Life Center at 2pm. Please join us and take a stand for the unborn.

# **Calling All Crafters!**

The Annual CCW Craft Bazaar And Bake Sale will be October 26-27 . Please if you have any handmade items you would like to donate let us know. There WILL NOT be a mini bazaar this year, BUT we will have the cookie sale on December 8. Contact Wanda at wandasj823@gmail.com for more information.

# Scoop Ice Cream Next Sunday!

The St. Mary Council of Catholic Women will be scooping ice cream in one-hour shifts from 4 -7pm at the parish's annual Ice Cream Social on Sunday, September 15 at Holy Cross Academy. It's lots of fun! If you would like to take a turn, please email Donna Davis at LadyDee519@aol.com or leave a

message at 540-752-5502.

Join us at 10am Tuesday, September 17th, in the Rooney Room for the first meeting of our 2019-20 activity year. We'll have refreshments, a 50-50 cash drawing, and our special guest speaker will be Father John P. Mosimann!

### Help Needed at Thurman Brisben Homeless Shelter

The Thurman Brisben Homeless Shelter has a program called Bridges. This program operates every Monday night from 7-8pm and is designed to provide fun activities for the children staying at the homeless shelter. We are seeking volunteers to take the kids outside and lead them in activities such as ball, tag etc. and if the weather isn't cooperating, to lead indoor activities (provided by the shelter) i.e. games, puzzles, books and/or other activities to engage the kids. A Sign-Up Genius (link below) allows groups or individuals to sign-up easily for evenings available. Please consider helping our community in this powerful way.

Please note, this program requires all participants to arrive early. Volunteers MUST complete a registration form and provide a photo ID in an effort to protect the children staying at the shelter. m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/70a0f4facaf2aa3f85-bridges For more information contact Aaron Sawyer bridges.fxbg@gmail.com

# **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.

# vida parroquial

**HORARIO** 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 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

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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

**RELIGIOSA** para más información

(CATECISMO)

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

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 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

**MARÍA** 

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

JUNIOR

**LEGIÓN DE** Viernes 8pm en Salón Father Rooney

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## **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

# Knights of Columbus Freedom 5K Run/Walk & Kids 1-Mile Fun Run

The Knights of Columbus Freedom 5K Family Walk/Run is back and scheduled for October 5, 2019. NEW this year —Kid's 1-Mile Fun Run! 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.

#### **UMW Students**

We would like to invite you to join our community at the St. John Bosco Center! We are the Catholic Campus Ministry for the University of Mary Washington. Come by to visit us at 1614 College Ave. across from University Center on the UMW campus.

For more information, visit our Web site at umwcatholic.org

# **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**.

Come to the

# Halfway to St. Patrick's Day Party at The Colonial Tayern

Home To The Irish Brigade 406 Lafayette Blvd., Fredericksburg, VA Sunday, September 15th 1pm to 5pm

**Co-Sponsored by:** 





**Vendors!** Irish Music! Irish History! Food Specials! Kids Games!

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 - September 1

Offertory \$37,743

St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box \$316

Second collection next week will support the Catholic University of America. Thank you for your generosity!

### Catholic University of America Collection

Next weekend is the Annual Collection for the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States – The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. Founded in 1887, Catholic University is the only higher education institution founded by the US Bishops and chartered by the Vatican. Every dollar given directly supports financial aid for more than 4,000 students from dioceses across the country, including many from the Diocese of Arlington. Your generous support is appreciated.

### **Pro-Life Reflection**

"The Feast of the Triumph of the Holy Cross is September 14th. Because His death destroyed our own, the Cross is a symbol of ultimate triumph over evil and a symbol of the cross we must embrace in everyday life. Especially if we work to save the unborn, we are subject to ridicule and rejection. Our plans for pro-life activity should not be geared towards avoiding rejection but rather should count on it. Lord may we see the cross as our triumph today and forever. (Pro-life Reflections for Every Day)

# September Children's Charity

Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of September will be donated to the Stafford

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

# liturgy

# daily bread

# **Saint Mary Prayer List**

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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, Mary Wehman, Barbara Sisbarro, Maria Atkins. Santo Domingo Hernandez Gomez & family

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, 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

# **September**

#### 9 MONDAY

6:30am Noah Gabriel Adams+ 9:00am Pedro R. Bernaola+ Col 1:24—2:3/Lk 6:6-11

#### **10 TUESDAY**

6:30am Frances M. Wildman+ 9:00am Scott Roberson+ Col 2:6-15/Lk 6:12-19

#### 11 WEDNESDAY

6:30am All Souls 9:00am Ruth Stellino+ Col 3:1-11/Lk 6:20-26

#### **12 THURSDAY**

6:30am Samuel Rotsch 9:00am Evelyn Derouin+ Col 3:12-17/Lk 6:27-38

#### 13 FRIDAY

6:30am Glen Sturtevant, Jr. 8:15am\* Holy Cross Academy 9:00am George Calles+ 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Lk 6:39-42

#### 14 SATURDAY

9:00am Gemma Guthrie 5:00pm Rene Arroyo+ 7:00pm Helena Kominek+ Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

#### 15 SUNDAY

7am Noah Gabriel Adams+
8:30am Owen Lea+
10:30am Steven Michael Scott+
10:30am\* For Our Parish
12:30pm Jane Cuchural+
2:30pm Mauricio Chavez+
5:00pm David and Margaret Bereit
7:00pm Jack Ryan+
Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32

\* 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.