

# TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 6, 2019



*Parish Life Weekend*

**Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church**

1009 STAFFORD AVENUE - FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA

# upcoming

## October



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

### 6 SUNDAY, TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Coffee Shop after 7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, Mass  
Scrip on Sale after all Masses except 2:30pm  
6pm, CYM Dinner and High School Youth Group*

### 7 Monday, Our Lady of the Rosary

10:15am, Legion of Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help Praesidium in, Parish Life Center Room 100  
12:45pm, Bible Study in the Courtyard Meeting Room  
4:45pm, Religious Education Class, Parish Life Center  
6:30pm, Religious Education Class, Parish Life Center  
7:30pm, RCIA in the Church

### 8 Tuesday, Weekday

10am, Outreach Ministry Pillowcase Project in, Parish Life Center Room 100  
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 in the Spirit Prayer Gathering in the Courtyard Meeting Room

### 9 Wednesday, Weekday [Saints Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest]

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

### 10 Thursday, Weekday

9:30am, Craft Group in, Parish Life Center Room 100  
9:45am, Bible Study in the Courtyard Meeting Room  
6pm, Walking With Purpose, Parish Life Center  
7pm, Nar-Anon in, Parish Life Center Room 100  
7pm, Special Blessings Meeting in the Courtyard Meeting Room

### 11 Friday, Weekday [Saint John XXIII, Pope]

9am, St Anne's Sisters in Faith, John Paul II House  
6:30pm, Spanish Junior Legion of Mary in the Courtyard Meeting Room  
8pm, Spanish Legion of Mary in the Courtyard Meeting Room

### 12 Saturday, Weekday

8am, Confessions in the Church  
9am, CYM Fitness Group  
9:30am, Letter to a Suffering Church with Fr. Kelly in the Courtyard Meeting Room  
10am, Baptisms in the Church  
10am, SPRED Classes, Parish Life Center Main Hall and Room 100  
10am, Al-Anon in, Parish Life Center Room 204  
10am, Mariamante Sewing Circle, John Paul II House  
3:30pm, Confessions in the Church  
6pm, Marriage Ministry Date Night, Parish Life Center Main Hall

### 13 SUNDAY, TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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# pulpit announcements

## nota bene (note well, please):

### ■ St Mary Marriage Ministry Date Nights are Back!

*More information on page 4*

### ■ Respect Life Sunday Annual Life Chain is THIS Weekend - Join Us

*More information on page 9*

### ■ Noticias en Español

*Más información en la página 10*

## Save the Date

### Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Thursday, November 7 at 6pm at Holy Cross Academy

Please RSVP by November 1

540-373-6491 or [stmary@stmaryfred.org](mailto:stmary@stmaryfred.org)

## We've Got Scrip Gift Cards For That!

Do you buy groceries at Giant, Walmart or Weis? We've Got Scrip Gift Cards For That! Buy breakfast or lunch at Chipotle, Taco Bell, Wendy's, or Panera? We've Got Scrip Gift Cards For That! Enjoy fine dining at Red Lobster, Outback, Bravos, Bonefish, Carrabba's, Bob Evans, or Cracker Barrel? We've Got Scrip Gift Cards For That! Stop by the Scrip Gift Card table in the Parish Life Center after Mass and purchase gift cards or to review the list of all the Scrip Gift Cards that are available. Set up an account today and continue earning rebates for HCA! Email Scrip Coordinator at [scripcordinator@holycrossweb.com](mailto:scripcordinator@holycrossweb.com) for the school enrollment code so HCA gets credit for your purchase or with any questions. Thanks for using Scrip 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](mailto: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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250 Stafford Lakes Parkway  
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406-7234  
Principal - Dr. Stephen Fry,  
[sfry@holycrossweb.com](mailto: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

[tbletran@stmaryfred.org](mailto:tbletran@stmaryfred.org)  
Tatiana Beltran

### YOUNG ADULTS

[stmaryya@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryya@gmail.com)  
540-847-1872

### OUTREACH

540-373-6491  
Elena Doyle - [edoyle@stmaryfred.org](mailto: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](mailto:bulletin@stmaryfred.org). Thanks!



# from our pastor

# pax et bonum

Dear Folks,

Today want to touch upon the question of when we leave Mass. Our Lord continually refers to us as sheep, and contemplation of shepherding shows that goats go before the shepherd, sheep follow him. So do you leave before the priest at Mass or after??

Of course I have noticed folks who come forward for Holy Communion and run out the door. I understand the human urge to cut the corner, to take a short cut, but should we be doing this in regards to our weekly worship of God? No Way! I know priests that have given long homilies on the sinfulness of arriving late for Mass or leaving early. I also know what family life is like, and that sometimes the family walking in late is not doing so because of sloth. Sometimes it is because the children decide to walk the dog, or visit the bathroom, or hide in the basement at the very time when parents are trying to shepherd them to the mini-van to go to Mass. Tardiness is not always directly willed, and so I try to be understanding on the late arrivals. (Yes, and know that this even affects me, as sometimes Mass begins late because I am waiting for altar boys to vest, or trying to find a lector, or talking to a grieving widow, or sometimes I am just plain late). Because I ask your understanding as a parish family with my weakness, I give you my understanding and patience as well.

However, making a habit of leaving immediately after receiving communion is another issue entirely. Even on the occasions when Mass runs longer, that is not sufficient excuse to leave before the end of Mass. I don't want to enter into debate about the sinfulness of leaving early or willfully arriving late. Everyone knows that missing Mass without serious cause is a grave sin. To look at this issue in terms of 'when is the latest I can arrive?' or 'when is the earliest I can leave?' is the wrong way to look at this. It is a recipe for spiritual disaster to measure our love for God by what is the minimum permissible. I give you this quote from St. John Chrysostom:

*When we perform an act of kindness we should rejoice and not be sad about it... If you do away with miserliness and counting the cost, with hesitation and grumbling, what will be the result? Something great and wonderful! What a marvelous reward there will be: Your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will rise up quickly. Who would not aspire to light and healing.*

What costs are you counting? Extra time in the parking lot? First in line at IHOP? Jesus gives you life at the cost of his own life. Is it really too much cost to stay for the entire Mass?

pax,



Fr Mosimann

## WE NEED YOU!



## Our Parish Ministries in Need of Your Assistance

### Parish Life Committee

We are a fun bunch of folks who organize and set-up the many social events that promote community at St. Mary's like the Ice Cream Social, Catechist/Teacher Appreciation Dinner & Easter at the EXPO. We need heavy lifters and creative helpers.

Contact: Barbara Walor [dhs321@comcast.net](mailto:dhs321@comcast.net)

### New Parishioner Welcome

Are you friendly? How about joining this team in welcoming new parishioners once a month after the 10:30am Mass?

Contact: Elizabeth Dominguez [elizabethdom@hotmail.com](mailto:elizabethdom@hotmail.com)

### Ushers

We sure could use some more reliable ushers. Are you up for welcoming and helping the other members of your parish find a seat and assist in collections etc. Ushers play a huge role in our ability to celebrate Mass.

Tom Fish [fishbrx@gmail.com](mailto:fishbrx@gmail.com)

Javier Flores [javier112690@yahoo.com](mailto:javier112690@yahoo.com)

### Outreach Committee

This group of inspiring people, help our brothers and sisters in so many ways throughout the year by delivering food, assembling birthing kits, visiting nursing homes etc. Always looking for more helping hands!

Contact: Torie Baldwin [keetongirl2@yahoo.com](mailto:keetongirl2@yahoo.com)

### Garden's Committee

Do you have a green thumb or wish you did? Come and learn about all sorts of plants and help our parish campus stay beautiful at the same time.

Contact: Arlene & Joe Wilkinson, [jbmwilkinson@verizon.net](mailto:jbmwilkinson@verizon.net)



# education holy cross academy

## September Happenings

The month of September has been a very busy one at St. Mary Preschool. Our year started just after Labor Day and right after our First Day of School Pictures had been taken, we were displaced for a week due to the installation of sump pumps in the Parish Life Center. We made the best of it though, spending lots of time on the playground and learning in the Father Rooney Room and the JP II house. Our students especially loved looking at all of Father Mosimann's beautiful crosses in the Fr. Rooney Room! We were so happy to get back into our classrooms for the third week of school. Since getting back into our classrooms along with our ABCs, numbers, shapes, and colors we've been having lots of fun learning about apples, the things that make our friends special, and the wonderful world God has made for us! We also went "camping," manned a farm stand in an apple orchard, made prayer rocks for the front of the church, and played lots of dress up! Preschool is so much fun!



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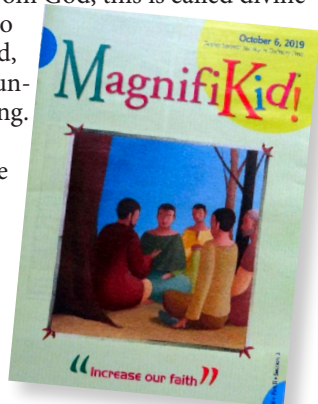


# religious education

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### Be a guardian of the Gospel

The beautiful stories of the Bible are not make-believe. They come to us from God; this is called divine revelation. God speaks to us through his holy word, and he gives us faith to understand what he is saying. He wants us to treasure the Scriptures, to live the message of the Gospel, and to share the Good News of salvation with everyone in the world.



## Excerpts from Catholic Diocese of Arlington Faith Formation Policies and Guidelines

### The Need for Catechesis

A recent study released by the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate at Georgetown University reveals that only 34% of Millennial Adults (born after 1981) who attended Catholic Elementary School and who still identify themselves as Catholic attend Mass weekly. Sadly, only 5% of Millennial Adults who did not attend Catholic Elementary School (including those who were homeschooled and attended parish religious education programs) and who still identify themselves as Catholic still attend Mass weekly. ...While this study raises some interesting questions about demographics, finances, and the long-term effects of religious education, the focus must be on the state of religious education in the Church in America today. The single greatest reason parents gave for enrolling children in a Catholic Elementary School was, "for a quality religious education." The majority of parents make the sacrifice to send their children to Catholic School because they want their children to be raised in, and to continue living, the faith. Likewise, parents who cannot afford to send their children to Catholic Elementary Schools or who have other reasons for not doing so, have the same desire for their children. Yet, these statistics show there is clearly a disconnection between religious education and life-long discipleship

## Upcoming Dates:

### Monday-Wednesday, October 7-9

Religious Education Classes

### Monday and Tuesday October 7 & 8, 6:30pm

Deacon Alberto classes with Spanish speaking parents

### Monday to Wednesday, October 14-16

No Religious Education Classes

### Monday, October 14 - Columbus Day, Office closed

Tuesday, October 15 - Teaching Masses at 4:45pm and 6:30pm

### Wednesday, October 16 at 6pm

2021/ Yr. 1 Confirmation Class Formation Night at Holy Cross Academy

### Thursday, October 17 at 6pm

2020/Yr. 2 Confirmation Class Formation Night at Holy Cross Academy

## Science & Faith

Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception

Parish Life Center

Tuesday, October 29, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

### Proclaiming the Reality of God: Scientific and Human Evidence of God's Existence

This PowerPoint and video-based presentation provides amazing scientific evidence—as well as evidence from human nature—demonstrating God's existence. Contrary to the prevailing myth of a conflict between science and faith, attendees will be excited to learn "the rest of the story" regarding scientific evidence of God's existence, mostly presented on video by scientists themselves. This information will strengthen our faith and be valuable for sharing with family and friends who may doubt the existence of God.

Wednesday, October 30, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

### Which is True: Creation, Evolution, or Both?

This apologetics presentation explores key Church teachings on the biggest challenge to faith experienced by many people today, especially in college: Is evolution compatible with faith in God? Or does evolution make it possible to be an "intellectually fulfilled atheist" (to quote Oxford Professor Richard Dawkins)? This multimedia presentation will provide valuable information for discussion with those who have questions about God's role in the development of life on earth, including how an intelligent cause is a valid explanation for the genetic information in DNA.



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Catholic Diocese of Arlington



Steve Hemler  
President of Catholic Apologetics  
Institute of North America  
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# our parish youth ministry

## JOIN FITNESS CLUB!

Next meeting is October 12, please contact Rachel Luciani at [lucianir@comcast.net](mailto:lucianir@comcast.net)

## 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.

**October 26:**  
**Fall wreath**

**November 30th:**  
**Christmas Ornaments and Advent Wreaths**

Join the club! Please email Mrs. Julia at [Julia.Apicella@gmail.com](mailto: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!

Open to all High School Students

## St. Vito Dance Club

**Friday, October 25th :**  
**6:30pm-8:30pm**  
Parish Life Center

**StMaryCYM**    

**#GetInvolvedBeTransformed**

**Stay Up-to-Date**

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



# parish life get involved

## 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.

## Public Square Rosary Crusade

Please join the 2019 Public Square Rosary Crusade. Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance, and conversion. We ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother.

Please join us in praying for our nation on October 12 at 12noon. The local Public Square Rosary Rally will take place: in front of Giant, on Rt. 1, at Eagle's Village Shopping Center right near Mary Washington College. For more info please contact Maria Costa at 540-220-5886 or 540-373-4763.

## St. Cecilia Children Choir

The St. Cecilia Choir provides music primarily for the 8:30am Sunday liturgy and, on occasion, for solemnities and special occasions throughout the church year. The St. Cecilia choir follows the instructional model set forth by the Royal School of Church Music (RSCM). The RSCM model implements instruction of proper vocal production, music theory and liturgical aspects. Membership is open to children grades 2-8. The St. Cecilia Choir rehearses on Thursday evenings from 4:45-6pm and on Sunday mornings at 7:50am prior to singing at 8:30am Mass. Those interested should contact David Uschold, Director of Music and Organist, [duschold@stmaryfred.org](mailto:duschold@stmaryfred.org) or 540-373-6491, ext. 217.

## Contemporary Ensemble Invitation

The Contemporary Ensemble is looking for additional vocalists, especially men. If you pray in song, St. Mary's wants to hear you. Our vision for the 5pm, Saturday evening Mass is a tasteful mix of contemporary songs and traditional hymns with instrumentation

that includes piano, guitar, flute, trumpet and violin. We rehearse vocals Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30pm as well as Saturday afternoons at 4pm until Mass begins. Instruments rehearse Saturday afternoons at 3pm and are joined by vocalists at 4pm. If you like to sing "God songs" in the car or in the shower, email [Gordon.Alling@comcast.net](mailto:Gordon.Alling@comcast.net) or call 540-786-2200

## 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](mailto:wandasj823@gmail.com) for more information.

## Fr. Mick Kelly's Lecture Celebrating Blessed Cardinal John Henry Newman

"Heart Speaks to Heart"



Join us for this special lecture in honor of Blessed Cardinal John Henry Newman's canonization as SAINT

**Friday, October 11  
7:30pm in the St. Mary's  
Courtyard Meeting Room**

Fr. Kelly presents an overview of Blessed Newman's life and incredible works. **All are welcome!**

# parish life get involved

## Save the dates for upcoming Senior Luncheons

Wednesday, December 11, 2019  
Monday, March 16, 2020  
Wednesday, June 10, 2020

We hope to see you there! Questions? Call Lara Traylor (note the area code) at **504-491-3029**.

## 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](mailto:maryloufelts@gmail.com).

## Adorer Needed

Adorer Needed Looking for Permanent Adorer at the following times: 1-2am ; 2-3am ; noon-1pm Thursdays. Please email [adoration@stmaryfred.org](mailto:adoration@stmaryfred.org)

## SPRED at St. Mary

Special Religious Development (SPRED) serves children and young adults with developmental disabilities. SPRED meets on certain Saturdays, 12 times from September to May.

October 12 & 26, November 2 & 16, December 14, January 11 & 25, February 8 & 22, March 7 & 21, and April 4

\*\*SPRED meets in the Main Hall of the Parish Life Center. Children attend from 10am-12pm

You can register your children in the parish office. We invite you to join us as we share God's Word with God's Special Children! Contact Karen Sturtevant at [ksturtevant@stmaryfred.org](mailto:ksturtevant@stmaryfred.org) or 540-373-6491

## Cases of Love

We are busy making pillowcases for the residents at the Thurman Brisben Center, Mary's Shelter, and Paul Stefan Shelter. Meetings take place on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 10:00 in the Parish Life Center, Rm. 100. 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](mailto:asfalardeau49@gmail.com)

## Christmas Spectacular

Join your friends in the St. Mary CCW at Riverside Center Sunday, December 15 for a Christmas show, all new for 2019! Group seating \$60 each, tax included, 1pm seating for dinner, show starts at 3pm To reserve your places or for more information, contact Donna Davis at [LadyDee519@aol.com](mailto:LadyDee519@aol.com) or 540-752-5502 (if you leave a message, include your phone number) BEFORE OCTOBER 20.

## Let's Celebrate the 102nd Anniversary of the Blessed Virgin Mary Apparitions to Lucia Dos Santos, Jacinta and Francesco de Jesus Marto in Fatima, Portugal

We are conducting a Rosary Crusade for all the Fredericksburg Area. We will assemble in the Loriella Part, Leavells Rd, Fredericksburg on October 12 at 12noon. All are welcome!

Across the Nation, the Rosary will be recited at 12noon, the exact time Our Lady appeared to Lucia, Jacinta and Francesco.

As you enter the Park, we will assemble next to the tennis courts, bring your chair. For more info, please call Claire Dionne 540-548-3503, Laura Morris - 540-845-7289, Ana Houpt - 540-907-9927



*We invite all Christians to gather in the peace of Christ at St. Mary*  
**Monday, October 14**  
*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.

# 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

## ¿ Desea aprender a leer la Biblia y no sabe como empezar?

Lo invitamos a la clase de Biblia en español con el Diácono Alberto lunes y martes a las 6:30 pm (durante las clases de educación religiosa) en el Centro de Vida Parroquial. No tiene que registrarse. Lo esperamos.

## SESIÓN DE VIRTUS EN ESPAÑOL

La Oficina de Seguridad y Protección de Menores de la Diócesis de Arlington, estará ofreciendo una sesión de VIRTUS en español en el salón parroquial (PLC), el día sábado 19 de octubre de 9am - 1pm.  
Para registrarse vaya a la dirección: [virtus.org](http://virtus.org)

## Próxima reunión Ministerio de Bendiciones Especiales para padres o encargados de niños con necesidades especiales es

Día- jueves, 10 de octubre | Hora: 7-9 pm | Lugar: Salón Courtyard (salón de las Cruces) al costado de la oficina parroquial.

## Fredericksburg 40 Days for Life

Since Choices opened in 2012, the number of abortions in our community has decreased from 927 every year... down to 478 each year. That's 449 lives saved every year that we continue to stand in faith & obedience with our King!

I believe that even greater things are possible when we unite together in prayer. For 40 days, I will be standing in faith, praying for even greater Abundant Life in our community. I'm inviting each one of you to join me as often or as little as you're able.

What We're Praying For...

**Weekdays at UMW:** We are praying for The Love of Christ and The Power of The Gospel to transform the UMW campus, standing in faith that everyone on campus will be set free to receive and live in the fullness of the Abundant LIFE God has purposed for them! Where Abundant Life in Christ dwells, the deceptions of abortion cannot stand. So, we're going to be The Love of Christ at UMW. This is prayer & outreach, not protest.

**Weekends at Choices Women's Center:** We're standing in faith together to pray for God's perfect will to be done through the ministry at Choices until every client & baby are, indeed, SAVED!

### Ways You Can Participate...

1 - Sign up to pray at [40daysfor-life.com/local-campaigns/fredericksburg](http://40daysfor-life.com/local-campaigns/fredericksburg). Create a Login > Add Fredericksburg Campaign > Sign Up for Vigil Hours

Contact: Miranda 540-809-7344/  
[mwallo@cwcvva.org](mailto:mwallo@cwcvva.org)

2 - Churches & Life Groups can pray together! Invite your life group or congregation to gather & pray together on a particular day/time of your choice. Let me know the day/time and I'll add the announcement on the vigil calendar & Facebook page.

3 - Come out and worship with us during Worship Nights, Fridays at 7pm at Choices Women's Center (Event tent set up in case of rain; Office bathrooms open).

Follow the Fredericksburg 40 Days for Life Facebook page for updates, testimonies & events.



# our parish happenings



Our Parish Life Weekend was yet again a great success! Thank you to all who were in attendance. Be sure to sign up for your ministry of choice —we look forward to seeing your talents at work.



## DATE NIGHTS AT SAINT MARY'S



SAINT MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

*marriage ministry*

All married and engaged couples are warmly invited to attend! Mark your calendars and make a commitment to grow in your vocation, intentionally loving your spouse more fully.

### JOIN US FOR THIS POWERFUL 6 SESSION PROGRAM

**6:30-7pm Wine & Cheese Social | 7-9pm Gathering**

**United in Love – United in Christ | October 12**

Session One: Building your Marriage on the Rock

**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. In need of a babysitter? We have a list of High School Youth Group Students that might be available to help you. Please contact Elena Doyle at [edoyle@stmaryfred.org](mailto:edoyle@stmaryfred.org). All are welcome Last name A-M bring an appetizer N-Z a dessert to share. The sessions require a book (shared between each couple) Please bring \$10 (cash or check).*

# operations given in love

## Weekly Offertory

### Offertory Collection - September 29

Offertory	\$31,300
Building Fund (add'l)	\$3,414
Hurricane Dorian Collection	\$9,690
St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box	\$634

*Second collection next week will support the Parish Building Fund. Thank you for your generosity!*

## October Children's Charity

The children's charity that will benefit from Children's Offertory Envelopes in October is Safe Harbor Child Advocacy Center in Spotsylvania. This organization strives to strengthen the coordinated community response to situations of child maltreatment, including sexual abuse, severe physical abuse, severe neglect and fatalities, by integrating the existing resources of law enforcement, child protection, prosecution, medical and therapeutic agencies so that perpetrators are held accountable for their actions and children are not further traumatized by the investigative process. Children's Offertory Envelopes are available through Religious Education. All proceeds from these envelopes go to a different children's charity each month.

## Pro-Life Reflection

*"When God created each of us, He did so with precision and purpose, and He looks on each of us with love that cannot be outdone in intensity or tenderness." (USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities) We pray for couples who are experiencing difficulty in conceiving a child that the Holy Spirit may fill them with trust in God's loving plan.*

## October - The Month of the Holy Rosary

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

## A Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. Help expectant parents to welcome from God the priceless gift of their child's life. Console parents who have lost that gift through abortion, and lead them to forgiveness and healing through the Divine Mercy of your Son. Teach us to cherish and to care for family and friends until God calls them home. Help us never to see others as burdens. Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Wednesday 12:30pm - Friday 9am**

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

Come, adore Our Lord in the most beautiful Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, and honor His Holy Mother by saying the Rosary in His Divine Presence. October is the Month of the Holy Rosary and October 7 is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. We have continuous Exposition

of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday after the 12 Noon Mass until Friday morning before the 9am Mass. We also have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7am to 9am Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

## All Souls Novena

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

## Meeting for Parents with Special Needs

Are you the parent of a child with a disability? St. Mary is excited to announce a new ministry especially for parents of special needs children. The new "Special Blessings" ministry will meet every other month at church so that parents can build community, share resources, and lift each other up in Christ as we have been tasked with the unique challenges of parenting God's Special Children.

Please make plans to join us on Thursday, October 10 at 7pm in the Courtyard Meeting Room. Interested in learning more? Contact Joyce Bodoh [joycebodoh@gmail.com](mailto:joycebodoh@gmail.com) 540-521-0588.



# liturgy daily bread

## Saint Mary Prayer List

**Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially:** 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 Mamboy, 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 Keddle, 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 Druett, 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, Zeldia 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, Otilia Dogmoc, Linda Rager, Samantha Stumpf, Lonnie Dalton, Gail Erickson, Brenda Dudley, Debbie Beebe, Blanca Garcia, Rildo Ribellino Soto, Giles Morgan, Kim Matkovsky, Frances Conn, Christine Frescas

**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, 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 Oechlein, Shawn Herr, Logan Mullins, Greg Feroldi, Tyler Wood, Jason Cullinan, Frank Spatt Jr., Thomas Wickham, Hunter Keiser, Sean Jobs, John Paul Smetek, Matthew Molino, Michael Scott, Samuel Hoffman, Andrew Qualls

**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

### October

#### 7 MONDAY

6:30am Frank Marzec III+  
9:00am Augustine and Marcel Astier+  
Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37

#### 8 TUESDAY

6:30am Margaret Langfeld+  
9:00am Frances Wildman+  
Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42

#### 9 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Special Intention  
9:00am Ruth Stellino+  
12:00pm Karen Scanlon+  
Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4

#### 10 THURSDAY

6:30am Allyson Benevides+  
9:00am Erin Lysher  
Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13

#### 11 FRIDAY

6:30am Ryan Sipe+  
8:15am\* The Chaves Family  
9:00am Rosario Salerno+  
Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26

#### 12 SATURDAY

9:00am Santos Vasquez+  
5:00pm Murray Labbe  
7:00pm Lillian Kendall+  
Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28

#### 13 SUNDAY

7:00am Maryann Holzworth  
8:30am Stan Guzik  
10:30am Aubrey Corinne Morgan  
10:30am\* The Georgen Family  
12:30pm Anton Freund+  
2:30pm Edgar Giovanni Castro  
5:00pm Mary Grace Guthrie  
7:00pm For Our Parish  
2 Kgs 5:14-17/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19