

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 27, 2019



2019 CYM Rally Group Photo

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

27 SUNDAY, THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Scrip on Sale after all Masses except 2:30pm

8am, CCW Bazaar, Parish Life Center, Main Hall

6pm, CYM Dinner and High School Youth Group

28 Monday, Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

10:15am, Legion of Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help Praesidium, Parish Life Center, Room 100

12:45pm, Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room

7:30pm, RCIA, Church

29 Tuesday, Weekday

4pm, Altar Server Training, Church

6pm, Catechist Training, Parish Life Center

7pm, New Lector Meeting, Courtyard Meeting Room

30 Wednesday, Weekday

9:45am, Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room

12pm, Red Cross Bloodmobile, Parish Parking Lot until 6pm

3pm, Divine Mercy Devotions, Church

6pm, Bishop Barron Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room

6pm, Catechist Training, Parish Life Center

6:30pm, Confessions, Church

6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House

31 Thursday, Weekday

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

9:45am, Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room

6pm, Walking With Purpose, Parish Life Center

6pm, All Saints Day Vigil Mass, Church

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

7:30pm, All Saints Day Vigil Mass, Church

November

1 Friday, ALL SAINTS DAY - Holyday of Obligation

All Saints Mass Schedule: 6:30am & 9am, 12noon, 6pm & 7:30pm (bilingual)

9am, St Anne's Sisters in Faith, John Paul II House

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

6:30pm, Middle School Youth Group, Parish Life Center

8pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Courtyard Meeting Room

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

8am, Confessions in the Church

8am, Confirmation Retreat at Holy Cross Academy

9:30am, Letter to a Suffering Church with Fr. Kelly, Courtyard Meeting Room

10am, SPRED CLASSES, Parish Life Center Main Hall

10am, Prison Ministry Orientation Training, John Paul II House

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

11am, Seven Sisters, Courtyard Meeting Room

11am, CYM Praise and Worship, John Paul II House

3:30pm, Confessions in the Church

3 SUNDAY, THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Scrip on Sale after all Masses except 2:30pm

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

6pm, CYM Dinner and High School Youth Group

pulpit announcements

nota bene (note well, please):

■ Volunteer Appreciation Dinner November 7

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■ Young Adult Ministry Verso L'alto

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■ Virginia Catholic Conference Voter Education Resources - *More information on pages 14-15*

■ Concerts at Saint Mary - November 8 at 8pm

More information in next week's bulletin

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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

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Director of Music, David Uschold

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Associate Director, Karen Sturtevant

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YOUNG ADULTS

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OUTREACH

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Elena Doyle - edoyle@stmaryfred.org

BAPTISMS

Parish registration (90 days) and class
required.
Please contact the parish office to
schedule the date at least four weeks
in advance.

MARRIAGE

Parish registration required; contact
parish six months in advance to begin
preparation.

JOIN US

New Parishioner Welcome meetings held
in the Parish Life Center on fourth Sun
days, following the 10:30 Mass. Please
notify us of any contact changes.

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

stmaryfred.org

from our pastor

pax et bonum

Dear Folks,

The ties that bind us in life do not unravel with death. It is love that binds us, and love is stronger than death. As November brings the beautiful feasts of the church celebrate this truth.

Friday is the holy day of obligation of All Saints and Saturday we celebrate All Souls.

All Saints: Imagine that your grandmother were to be canonized a saint by Pope Francis. Your friends would all congratulate you, and you would joyfully make arrangements to go to Rome for the Mass and party. This feast is for celebrating all the uncanonized saints in heaven. This is the church celebrating your friends and relatives who have gone to God forever and entered into eternal bliss beyond our imagining. We don't have to go to Rome for the canonization, but can all gather in our parishes to celebrate our loved ones' union with God.

All Souls: here we get to mercifully pray for our loved ones because the Lord doesn't tell us which of our loved ones are in heaven, purgatory, or oops. True friends are always there to help each other. Souls who have are in purgatory can no longer merit for themselves, as their souls are set in their eternal destiny. However, what they can't do, we do for them when we pray to the Lord to have mercy on their souls! Every prayer, every Hail Mary, every loving thought, is like a glass of water given to a thirsty soul.

Don't worry, no soul in purgatory would ever trade places with you.... because their presence in purgatory assures them of eternal bliss in heaven, just as soon as their soul is freed from its disordered attachments. But what gratitude they have for even the smallest of our prayers.

Ever since my mother passed away this summer, so many of you have expressed words of kindness, prayer and solidarity. And our conversations shown me how keenly aware you are of how long it has been since the loss of your loved ones. It has been a constant reminder of how lasting and strong are the bonds of love that even the separation of death can not destroy.

You can do one thing to keep alive and even strengthen those bonds of love: pray for you loved ones. This is a sign of our gratitude to those we love, and our hope for reunion with them one day. It is our love that compels us to attend Mass and worship God for his great work in our families.

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

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

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 fishtbrx@gmail.com

Javier Flores 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

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

education

holy cross academy

HCA Middle School

Middle school students enjoy many opportunities for extracurricular activities such as student government, sports, chorus, science squad, photography club, and others. To learn more about what our school has to offer your children, please contact us at 540-286-1600. We would love to share with you what makes this place so special.

6th Grade Science Squad

Sixth Grade Science Squad is starting a new Green Initiative with the middle school and kitchen at HCA. They are collecting compost material (fruits and vegetables) during lunch and donating the collected material to HCA families who currently compost at their home. They will keep track of the weekly weights collected so they'll know how much trash is kept out of our landfills at the end of the year! In just the first two days we collected 18 pounds of organic material! Way to go students!



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The Readers at Mass

During the Liturgy of the Word at Mass, several people from the assembly may be chosen to read the first reading, the responsorial psalm, and the second reading. The Gospel is always read by the Deacon, if there is one, or by a Priest.



Upcoming Dates:

Monday to Wednesday, October 28-30

No Religious Education Classes

Tuesday and Wednesday, October 29 & 30

Two presentations for all parishioners and the second and third Catechist Training from 7-9pm: Topic: "Science and Faith" Science & Faith, Apologetics Series" by Steve Hemler

Saturday, November 2

2020/Yr. 2 Confirmation Retreat for Students who attend Holy Cross Academy and Religious Education students who attend class on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays at 4:45pm

Monday to Wednesday, November 4-6

Religious Education Classes, Thanksgiving Food Drive Monday and Tuesday, November 4 and 5: Deacon Alberto Bible study classes with Spanish speaking parents

November 9, Saturday

2020/Yr. 2 Confirmation Retreat for Religious Education students who attend classes on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 6:30pm and on Tuesdays at 6pm at HCA

Monday to Wednesday, November 11-13

Religious Education Classes, Thanksgiving Food Drive

Monday and Tuesday, November 11 & 12

Deacon Alberto Bible study classes with Spanish speaking parents

JOIN FORMED

1. formed.org

2. click register

3. enter parish code **F6F228**

Excerpts from Catholic Diocese of Arlington Faith Formation Policies and Guidelines

IV. The Tasks of Catechesis

The catechetical methods come from the Divine Pedagogy. From the very beginning, God's plan was for man to be united with Him through the life of grace. After the Fall (cf. Gn. 3), God promised to send a Savior. God gradually revealed Himself and His plan to man, and established covenants as recorded in the Old Testament. Fulfilling His promise, out of love for mankind, the Father sent His only begotten Son to redeem and save mankind "so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life" (Jn. 3:14). ...

All of Jesus' words, deeds, actions, and silences are part of the Divine Pedagogy, which together gradually reveal and teach God's loving plan. After His Baptism, Jesus proclaimed His Kingdom, calling all to repentance, conversion, and belief (cf. Mk. 1:15). Jesus called men to follow Him as His disciples and formed them by making known to them "the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven" (Mt. 13:11). He taught them how to pray (Lk. 11:2). He opened His "meek and humble heart" to them (Mt. 11:29). He sent them out as Apostles "ahead of Him in pairs to every town to proclaim the Good News" (Lk. 10:1).

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
Visit cainaweb.org

our parish 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.

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!

Youth Group got to chat with Bishop Burbidge at the 2019 Rally (images to the left and bulletin cover)

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Stay Up-to-Date

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



WORKCAMP 2020

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE ONLINE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH
2PM - PARISH LIFE CENTER

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

<https://stmaryfred.org/workcamp/>



parish life get involved

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.*

American Heritage Girls VA 0128 and Trail Life VA 4034

Veterans Appreciation Pancake Breakfast

Join with us to recognize our local veterans. ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

November 10 in the Parish Life Center After 7am, 8:30am, and 10:30am Masses.

Pancakes, Bacon, Pork Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, and Hash Brown Potatoes. Donations accepted. Proceeds go towards AHG VA 0128 and Trail Life VA 4034 service projects. We are thankful for the continued support of CCW, KoC 4034, St. Mary's and HCA.

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 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 or call 540-786-2200.

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 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 or 540-373-6491.

Upcoming Senior Luncheon Dates

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

We hope to see you there! Ques-

tions? Call Lara Traylor (note the area code) at 504-491-3029.

November Family Dinner

The November Family Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 9 from 6 to 8:30pm in the Parish Life Center. The net proceeds will be donated to local charities. The menu includes: Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, and Ice Cream. The dinner is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and is open to the public and pay-at-the-door. Takeouts are available. The cost is Adults/Teens:\$7, Seniors (60&up):\$6, Children (7-12):\$5, Children (under 7): Free. THE MAX COST PER FAMILY is \$25

Cases of Love

Spreading love, one case at a time

Cases of Love is part of St. Mary's Outreach Ministry, which involves making and donating pillowcases for the homeless residents at the Thurman Brisben Center. We also donate to Mary's Shelter, and Paul Stefan Foundation, which both provide housing for women who are facing a crisis during pregnancy.

You don't have to know how to sew to be a part of this rewarding project. Meetings take place on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 10am in the Parish Life Center, Room 100.

We are always in need of fabric, so if you would like to donate fabric, or make a gift card donation, please contact Adele Falardeau at asfalardeau49@gmail.com. Gift cards for Joanne's Fabric and Walmart are available through Scrip after each Mass in the Parish Life Center. All donations can be left at the Parish Office.

Many thanks to those who have already given so generously to our cause!

parish life get involved



VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

NOVEMBER 7 | RSVP AT PARISH OFFICE
540-323-6491 | STMARY@STMARYFRED.ORG

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

To All Who Have Volunteered at Saint Mary or Holy Cross During the Past Year, you are cordially invited to our 14th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on Thursday, November 7 at 6pm at Holy Cross Academy. Join us for an Evening of Dinner & Dancing!

RSVP to the Parish Office 540-373-6491 or stmary@stmaryfred.org by Monday, November 1

We will be honoring amazing volunteers and are in need of nominations for individuals who have served selflessly at St. Mary or HCA. If you would like to nominate someone, please email ed Doyle@stmaryfred.org by November 1 with a few sentences about your nominee. Thank you.

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

Monday, November 11
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.

VIRGINIA LARCUM CONFERENCE



Save the Date! November 22–23, 2019

We encourage you and your ecumenical partners in your local ministerium to come to a conference/workshop on how to renew or restore the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity to your community.

Fr. James Loughran, SA, Director of the Graymoor Ecumenical and Interreligious Institute will present the historical development of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, the challenges to the modern day movement and practical ways in which local ecumenical communities can celebrate this year's theme “*They Showed Unusual Kindness*”, Acts 27:18-28:10

Please plan to join us at this year's **Annual State LARCUM Conference** being held in Virginia Beach, Virginia at Holy Spirit Catholic Church on **Friday and Saturday, November 22 and 23, 2019. Please note this is a week earlier than usual.**

Conference Brochure and Online Registration will be available at www.virginalarcum.org

...“as we gather annually throughout the world to pray for the unity of Christians we are reminded of the importance of need for “unusual kindness” in the dialogue that leads to growth in unity. We do this in a world where separation and division hinder the quest for Christian Unity. “...Fr. James Loughran, SA

parish life get involved

Micah Cold Weather Shelter

The Micah Cold Weather Shelter will open on November 10 and remain in operation until mid- to late-March. Teams of Saint Mary volunteers assist on Tuesday evenings by greeting and checking in clients, setting up sleeping areas, and providing hospitality for the 30+ individuals that utilize the facility. Each participating church is asked to bring 3 dozen items (white socks, thermal underwear, boxer briefs and t-shirts). Please consider how you might be able to support this need—all donations are gratefully accepted at our Parish Office. Although it is a good thing that the temporary shelter is available during the harsh winter months, it highlights the continuing need for sustainable housing and support mechanisms in our community. For more information about community efforts to help the homeless, please visit Micah Ecumenical Ministries, dolovewalk.net or Thurman-Brisben Homeless Shelter, thurmanbrisbencenter.org

AHG NoVa Camporee

American Heritage Girls 0128 of St Mary of the Immaculate Conception again hosted the largest AHG gathering in the nation, the AHG NoVa Camporee 2019. Camporee was held Oct 18-20, 2019 in Fredericksburg, VA. There were almost a thousand girls, leaders, and instructors from 7 states—a huge portion of whom were Catholics!

The Camporee theme was "Pray, Plan, Prepare". The girls learned hands-on survival/search/rescue skills, boating safety, auto repair, archery, bb guns, first aid, virtues, and leadership skills.

Fr Koehr, one of our wonderful parochial vicars at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Fredericksburg, celebrated Mass with hundreds of American Heritage Girls Saturday evening. Afterwards he joined our troop for chili dogs and s'mores fireside!

AHG VA 0128 again thanks our charter, the Council of Catholic Women, our St Mary's priests, and our fellow parishoners for their support for our troop as well as helping us host this massive event.

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

Drivers Needed for Micah Cold Weather Shelter

Volunteers are needed to pick up guests at 6:15pm on Tuesday nights from the community dinner downtown and transport them to the Cold Weather Shelter, using Micah's 15-passenger bus. Any number of nights you can help would be greatly appreciated. No special license or experience necessary. Micah will provide a short orientation and add you to their insurance. Please prayerfully consider this much needed role and contact Greg Wheatley at stmary.cws@outlook.com if interested.

VERSO L'ALTO
Young Adult Ministry

We provide Young Adults the resources to grow in their Faith, create fulfilling friendships, and aide in the community.

Join us in the Parish Library for these remaining talks and discussions:

November 6th @ 7:30 PM:
Father Kelly on Saints and their Contribution to the Church

December 4th @ 7:30 PM:
Father Kelly on Advent as a Penetential Season

Interested in joining?

Email Us at: stmaryjava@gmail.com
Friend us on Facebook: [@stmaryfred@youngadults](https://www.facebook.com/stmaryfred@youngadults)



our parish

italy pilgrimage



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.

Anuncio del Rosario

La Legión de María les invita al Santo Rosario que se llevará a cabo el día Domingo 27 de Octubre del 2019, en la iglesia, después de la misa de 2:30 pm. Se ofrecerá por todos los legionarios y los presidium del mundo entero. Esperamos nos acompañen. Gracias.

¿Desea ayudar con la decoración para la recepción de la Virgen de Guadalupe o simplemente darnos una mano?

Si puede cooperar, por favor, contacte a Janett Prohaska al 703-965-1491

Entrenamiento para nuevos monaguillos con el Padre Mosimann

Requisito: estén por lo menos en el cuarto grado escolar
Comienza el martes, 29 de octubre de 4-7pm en la iglesia.

Fechas:

29 de octubre- 4-7pm

5 de noviembre- 4-7pm

12 de noviembre- 4-7pm

19 de noviembre- 4-7pm

****Tiene que asistir los 4 martes. No hay excepciones**

****Si tiene clase de catecismo ese día, va a ser excusado**

EL GRUPO DE ORACIÓN "CONFIADOS EN JESÚS Y MARÍA"



TE INVITA:
A SU VIGILIA ANUAL

**15/NOVIEMBRE/2019
6:00 PM – 11:00 PM**

LUGAR: CENTRO DE VIDA
PARROQUIAL, SAINT MARY'S,
FREDERICKSBURG, VA

PRÉDICA DIRIGIDA POR:

PADRE KOEHR

HNA. LETICIA GONZÁLEZ

**TE ESPERAMOS NO
FALTES...!**

our parish volunteer dinner

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

You are warmly invited to attend the

14th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

Thursday, November 7th

6pm - Holy Cross Academy

RSVP to the Parish Office 540-373-6491 OR email stmaryfred@stmaryfred.org by Monday, November 4

Past Lifetime Recipients

Jim and Irene Hagerty
Hugh Graninger
Joe Cascio
Joe & Julia O'Connor
Dale Featherston
Kay Janis
Sharon McKenna
Ed and Mary Kenney
Tom and Joyce O'Toole
John and Barbara Carneal
Jerry and Sandi Nini
Roger Moure
John and Donna Hetrick
Paul Scott
LaVaughn Halloway
Nikki Corey Pechin
Joe & Arlene Wilkinson
Deacon Alberto & Miralba Bernaola

Mary Keeton
Vicky & Jack Kopcak
Jennifer Lupi
Furman McCormick
Beth Merriman
Sheryl & RJ Sollohub
Arlene & Joe Wilkinson
Nick Kennedy
Dave Medosch
Rochelle Grey
Barbara Walor
Theresa Schlachter
Eileen DelRosso
Peg LaRose
Judy Hellmann
Dawn Miller
Jeanne Bergeron
Alberto & Miralba Bernaola
Sylvia Bibby
Louis & Carolyn Farrell
Jeff Fitzgerald
Torie Baldwin
Tibor Baksy
Barbara Balint
James Crockett
John Cross
Eileen Lanzarone
Gail Russell
Luisa Slaughter
Judy Thielman
Charlotte Lynch
Maggie Lynch
Matt and Eve Muggeridge
Marie Sheckels
Mary Ellen Wheeler
Karen & Steve Zawisa
Tess Thome
Margaret Schlachter
Joan Doherty
Tina Horan
Margaret Ford
Joe Walor
Dr. Roberto Canizares
Bob Speier
Julie Appleton
Rocio Atkinson
Sue Bain
Gregg Carneal
Leticia Gonzalez

Joe Bussard
Mary Beth Cameron
Pearl Conroy
Doug and Nancy Craig
Ann Duhamel
Leigh and Jim Florio
Steve Keene
Christi Greenwell
Maureen Jones
Patti Kaila
Maria D'Amico
Mary Jo Medosch
Rich & Karen LaRoche
Kathleen Mahoney
Rick Caporali
Lori Fowlkes
Donna Hart
Gladys Williams
Jane Gallagher
Summer Hughes
Susan Hamann
Mark & Dori Sewell
Tom Mukunnemkeril
Lori Simms
Lynda Retterer
Bob and Lyn McMorland
Susan Keddie
Lorie Clark
Angie Tompkins
Mark and Heather Gardner
Steve and Jane Stoecker
Suzette Young
Alvin and Lilian Romero
Tom and Pat Fish
Donna Davis
Lloyd Keeton
Rick & Dayle Reschick
Bernice Schlosser
LuAnn Schlosser
Carol Schlosser-Pfeiffer

Past 2005-Present

Chris Kaila
Wanda and Wayne Cushing
Ed and Marilyn Knapp
Pat Corbett
Donna Kurtz
Brian Cook
Harry and Bobby Crisp
Wayne and Wanda Cushing
Paul and Sandy Glancy
Charlie Herbek
Barbara Walor
Ann Graf
Regis Keddie
Bill Crisp
Peg Baker
Glenn Pickernel
Bob and Susan Hohenberg
Barb Frasher
Wilma Evans
Mary Podlesny
Ken Kroko
Sara Farfro
Diane Paquette
Dolores Rubino
Bill Shorter
Katherine Pereira
Maria Hays

Our parish is blessed! Look at all those who have been recognized as Outstanding Volunteers! If you see someone missing from this list, nominate him/her TODAY! Nominations are now being accepted. Please send an email to edoyle@stmaryfred.org with the individuals name and a short paragraph describing your nominee's service. Deadline for submissions is November 1, 2019. Thank you!

Faithful Citizenship In Virginia

On November 5, voters will elect members to all 140 seats in the Virginia General Assembly – 40 in the Senate and 100 in the House of Delegates.

“Many issues are important. ... Not all issues have equal moral weight. ... Protecting life is paramount. ... Please vote on November 5 with a well formed conscience as a faithful Catholic and as a citizen of our Commonwealth.”

BEING FAITHFUL CATHOLICS AND CITIZENS IN OUR COMMONWEALTH,
PRE-ELECTION LETTER BY BISHOP BURBIDGE AND BISHOP KNESTOUT, SEPT. 2019.



LIFE

“There are some things we must never do, as individuals or as a society, because they are always incompatible with love of God and neighbor. ... These are called ‘intrinsically evil’ actions. They must always be rejected and opposed. ... A prime example is the intentional taking of innocent human life, as in abortion and euthanasia.”

FORMING CONSCIENCES FOR FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP,
NO. 22, U.S. CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS, 2015.

Laws permitting abortion are “profoundly unjust” because they fail to recognize equal rights for every child, born and unborn (*Living the Gospel of Life*, Nos. 32, 35, *U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops*, 1998). The following extreme abortion expansion legislation was considered by the Virginia General Assembly in 2019 and is expected to be considered again in 2020:

- Eliminating most restrictions on second and third trimester abortions.
- Making abortion a “fundamental right” in the Virginia Human Rights Act.
- Eliminating health and safety standards that protect women seeking abortions.
- Ratifying the *Equal Rights Amendment (ERA)*, the language of which has already been used to challenge and overturn pro-life laws in other states.

A bill to legalize assisted suicide, also introduced in 2019, is expected to resurface in 2020. Government should prevent, not promote suicide. The purpose of the medical profession is to heal, not to kill.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

“Religious freedom certainly means the right to worship God, individually and in community, as our consciences dictate. But religious liberty, by its nature, transcends places of worship and the private sphere of individuals and families.”

POPE FRANCIS, REMARKS AT INDEPENDENCE HALL,
PHILADELPHIA, SEPT. 26, 2015.

Catholic organizations throughout Virginia provide vital services to the poorest and most vulnerable. Religious liberty ensures Virginians the freedom to follow sincerely held religious beliefs in the service of others and in their daily lives. The following legislation – considered by the General Assembly in previous years and expected to be reconsidered in 2020 – threatens the freedom to serve:

- Mandating that private health plans in Virginia cover abortions, contraceptives, sterilizations and abortion-inducing drugs – forcing employers with religious or moral objections to violate their consciences.
- Denying religious employers and service providers the ability to operate consistently with their beliefs on human sexuality and marriage – creating lawsuits against faith-based providers.



POVERTY

“A basic moral test for any society is how it treats those who are most vulnerable.”

FORMING CONSCIENCES FOR FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP, NO. 53.

Many struggle to afford basic needs and are trapped in cycles of debt and poverty. The following proposals to help low-income families, previously debated by the General Assembly, are expected to be seen again in 2020:

- *Providing low-income children scholarships to attend private schools their families choose through the Education Improvement Scholarships Tax Credits Program.*
- *Ending predatory lending practices.*
- *Helping Virginia’s lowest income working families by improving the state Earned Income Tax Credit.*

IMMIGRANTS

“The Gospel mandate to ‘welcome the stranger’ requires Catholics to care for and stand with newcomers.”

FORMING CONSCIENCES FOR FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP, NO. 81.

At the national level, much-needed comprehensive immigration reform is a matter for Congress. At the state level, the Virginia General Assembly has debated two bills – both expected to be re-introduced in 2020 – to help immigrant families locally with transportation and education:

- *Helping immigrants get to work, go to school, access healthcare and attend church by creating a state-issued permit granting driving privileges to those who cannot obtain driver’s licenses because of their immigration status.*
- *Allowing undocumented immigrant youth who graduate from Virginia high schools to access in-state college tuition if they apply for permanent residency and they or a parent filed Virginia tax returns.*

GUN VIOLENCE

On July 9, the Virginia General Assembly convened for a Special Session to consider a wide range of proposed bills relating to guns and public safety. The bills were all referred to the Virginia State Crime Commission, which heard public testimony on them on August 20. The statement issued by Bishop Burbidge and Bishop Knestout on the Special Session and the testimony presented by the Virginia Catholic Conference to the Crime Commission can be found at www.vacatholic.org. The Special Session will reconvene on November 18.



To receive e-mail alerts and updates from the Virginia Catholic Conference, please visit www.vacatholic.org and JOIN OUR EMAIL NETWORK, or text VCC to 50457.

operations given in love

Weekly Offertory

Offertory Collection - October 20

Offertory	\$29,385
Parish Building Fund (add'l)	\$2,297
World Mission Sunday	\$6,071
St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box	\$288

Next week's second collection will support the Retirement Fund for Religious. Thank you for your generosity!

Retirement Fund for Religious

"Give to Those Who Have Given a Lifetime"

As you recall the people who have most shaped your life, you may remember the sister who prepared you for First Holy Communion or the brother who coached your high school basketball team. Never counting the cost, these religious shared with you love, faith, and a belief in all that you could be – choosing to invest in your future rather than their own. Today, these sisters, brothers and religious order priests may be elderly or infirm. Today, they need you. Ninety-four percent of every donation to the National Religious Retirement Office aids senior religious. Please give generously to next weekend's second collection, which benefits the many deserving religious who served our diocese and who now need our help meeting the overwhelming costs of elder care, which has exceeded \$1 billion annually for the last eleven years. Checks should be made payable to St. Mary Catholic Church. To learn how your gift helps, visit retiredreligious.org.

November Children's Charity

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

Pro-Life Reflection

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

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.

A Catholic Cemetery in the Fredericksburg Area

It is now possible to purchase burial plots in a special Catholic section of a cemetery located in King George County, just 30 minutes from downtown. This is being made possible by St. Elizabeth in Colonial Beach & St. Anthony in King George, in cooperation with the Historyland Memorial Park located 11227 James Madison Parkway. Development will unfold over time as the grave plots are purchased. We hope that you will be helped by this effort and opportunity.

Some key features:

- All the graves will be facing East, which is traditionally Christian, "Facing the Coming of the Lord" as we await resurrection of our bodies on that Last Day.

- After entering the elegant wrought iron gateway, the main gravel walkway will terminate in an exedra wherein will stand a tall and stately Crucifix.

- Beyond the end of the cemetery is a vast stretch of woods which will provide a natural a beautiful backdrop to our resting place, especially in the Autumn of the year.

- We are also considering the placement of an outdoor altar, benches, and a possible hedge or brick wall. These will depend upon the numbers that show interest in the cemetery.

Currently, plots in this first section are priced at \$2,100. Depending upon when our parish buys and in what volume, discounts may apply.

This is less expensive than any public cemetery in the Fredericksburg area or Northern Virginia. If you are interested in planning ahead we ask that you contact our parish cemetery administrator Shelley Buckles at (540) 848-4785 or stanthony@va.metrocast.net.

liturgy daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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 Kovalsky, 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, 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, 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, James Murphy, Daniel Burke, Joan Baker, Stephen O'Byrne, Marian Wilinski, Martha Clements, Bernard Cruz

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, Matt Gioia

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

28 MONDAY

6:30am Kiery Beltran
9:00am Phyllis Vanasse+
Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16

29 TUESDAY

6:30am Michael Bain
9:00am Frank Mikalcius+
Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21

30 WEDNESDAY

6:30am In Thanksgiving for Everything
9:00am Thelma Odilia Rivera+
Rom 8:26-30/Lk 13:22-30

31 THURSDAY

6:30am Lauri Wilson
9:00am Christopher Ducic+
6:00pm Fr. Michael J.R. Kelly
7:30pm Ava R. Bernola+
Rom 8:31b-39/Lk 13:31-35

November

1 FRIDAY

6:30am In Reparation
9:00am Keegan Bayne
8:15am In Reparation
12:00pm For Our Parish
6:00pm In Reparation
7:30pm In Reparation
Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

2 SATURDAY

9:00am All Souls Day Novena
5:00pm All Souls Day Novena
7:00pm All Souls Day Novena
Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11

3 SUNDAY

7:00am For Our Parish
8:30am All Souls Day Novena
10:30am All Souls Day Novena
10:30am* All Souls Day Novena
12:30pm All Souls Day Novena
2:30pm All Souls Day Novena
5:00pm All Souls Day Novena
7:00pm All Souls Day Novena
Wis 11:22—12:2/2 Thes 1:11—2:2/Lk 19:1-10