

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

January 26, 2020



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

1009 STAFFORD AVENUE - FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA

# upcoming

## January



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

### **26 SUNDAY, THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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

*Scrip on Sale after all Masses Except 2:30pm*

**9:30am, St Mary Preschool Open House**

**1pm, Holy Cross Academy Open House**

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

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

### **27 Monday, Weekday**

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

4:45pm & 6:30pm, RE Class, Parish Life Center

7:30pm, RCIA, Church

### **28 Tuesday, Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

10am, Outreach Pillowcase Project, Parish Life Center, Room 100

4:45pm & 6:30pm, RE Class, Parish Life Center

6pm, RE Class at HCA

### **29 Wednesday, Weekday**

12:30pm, Confessions, Church

3pm, Divine Mercy Devotions, Church

4:45pm, RE Class, Parish Life Center

6pm, Bishop Barron Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room

6:30pm, RE Class, Parish Life Center

6:30pm, Confessions, Church

6:30pm, YOUCAT, John Paul II House

7:30pm, Young Adults Meeting, Parish Office Library

### **30 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

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

7pm, First Penance Meeting, Church

### **31 Friday, Saint John Bosco, Priest**

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

6:30pm, Middle School Youth Group

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

8pm, Spanish Legion of Mary, Courtyard Meeting Room

**8pm, Concerts at St Mary Presents Payne String Quartet, Church**

## February

### **1 Saturday, Weekday**

8am, Confessions, Church

8am, Hispanic Oracion y Vida Series, Parish Life Center, Main Hall

10am, Baptisms, Church

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

2pm, Spanish Baptism Class in Courtyard Meeting Room

3:30pm, Confessions, Church

**6pm, KofC Monthly Dinner, Parish Life Center**

### **2 SUNDAY, THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

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

*Scrip on Sale after all Masses Except 2:30pm*

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

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

# pulpit announcements

## nota bene (note well, please):

### ■ Upcoming Valentine's Dinner

*More information on page 8*

### ■ Virginia March for Life - February 13

*More information on page 9*

### ■ Date Nights at St Mary - Join Us February 8

*More information on page 11*

### ■ Noticias en Español

*Más información en la página 12*

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

### O Come Let Us Adore Him in Eucharistic Adoration!

"The shepherds hastened to Bethlehem, where they found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger" (Lk 2:16). 'We fall down in adoration before the Son of God. As we adore Christ, born in a stable... we feel the shepherds' same amazement and their same joy" (Saint John Paul II). Please come and adore Our Lord in the most beautiful Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We have continuous Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday after the 12 Noon Mass until Friday morning before the 9am Mass.

## 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, after 12pm Mass, 6:30-  
8:30pm; Sat., 8am & 3:30pm, or by appt.

### PARISH OFFICE

540-373-6491, fax 371-0251  
stmary@stmaryfred.org  
Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm;  
students staff office weekdays until 9pm,  
Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays 9:30-1:30pm

Pastor, Fr. John Mosimann  
Fr. Sean Koehr  
Fr. Michael J.R. Kelly  
Fr. Michael Folmar  
Deacon Alberto Bernaola  
Deacon Dick Delio

Business Manager, Elaine Stanislawski  
Parish Secretary, Jachebel Rios  
Director of Music, David Uschold

### HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

540-286-1600  
250 Stafford Lakes Parkway  
Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406-7234  
Principal - Dr. Stephen Fry,  
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

tbeltran@stmaryfred.org  
Tatiana Beltran

### YOUNG ADULTS

stmaryya@gmail.com  
540-847-1872

### OUTREACH

540-373-6491  
Elena Doyle - edoyle@stmaryfred.org

### BAPTISMS

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

### MARRIAGE

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

### JOIN US

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

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

## stmaryfred.org

from our pastor

# pax et bonum

Dear Folks,

It is with great joy and enthusiasm that I wish to inform you that Tatiana Beltran has accepted the promotion to be our Youth Director. She has capably served as the Assistant Youth Director, and generously assisted while the search was being conducted for this job. Happily, our best candidate is she whom we already know and treasure!

Congratulations Tatiana! Because of the great value of youth ministry, we are now searching for a replacement for the assistant job as best fits Tatiana's vision and needs.

Catholic Schools Week!!!

I want to thank Dr. Fry and all of our school staff for their hard work and generosity in teaching and serving the children of our parish.

This weekend, at all Masses, we are having children from the school speak after communion to express gratitude for all who support the school, and to give witness to the many graces received in this most important ministry. Teaching and living our faith is at the heart of the mission of the parish, and the school is often on the front line of this work for so many parish families.

I recall one time asking a pre-schooler what she had learned. Without hesitation, she looked up and said, "I learned that Jesus can never stop loving me. His grace is His love in my heart." I was stunned with the depth of what she said. And that is why we make sacrifices and try to educate as many of our children as possible, where this truth will shape their lives.

pax et bonum,



Fr Mosimann



**SOUPER BOWL WEEKEND  
AT SAINT MARY'S**

**FEBRUARY 1-2**

**HELP STOCK OUR EMERGENCY  
FOOD PANTRY AND SCORE A  
TOUCHDOWN FOR THE HUNGRY  
IN OUR COMMUNITY BY  
BRINGING CANS OF HEARTY  
SOUP OR RAVIOLI TO MASS**



# education holy cross academy

## Alumni Visits are Always Welcome!

We love when our former students come back to visit us. Kansas City Royal and Holy Cross alum Ryan McBroom came back for a visit and spent time with the students answering questions and signing autographs. Thank you Ryan! You inspire us all! Best of luck with your season - we are all cheering you on!



*A National  
Blue Ribbon  
School of  
Excellence*



**Many Gifts, One Nation**  
*A Day of Giving to Catholic Schools*

**Give back to your  
local Catholic school!**  
**January 28-29, 2020**

[NCEA.org/csw/manygifts](http://NCEA.org/csw/manygifts)

## OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

**HOLY CROSS ACADEMY**  
1-3 PM

**ST. MARY PRESCHOOL**  
9 AM-12 PM

A National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence offering a strong academic program, daily religious instruction, character formation, numerous extracurricular opportunities, a variety of music and art programs, and much more. Come discover what a blessing Holy Cross Academy and St. Mary Preschool can be for your family!

**TOURS**  
**CLASSROOM VISITS**  
**Q&A WITH ADMIN, FACULTY, AND STUDENTS**

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY | 250 STAFFORD LAKES PKWY | FREDERICKSBURG, VA 22406 | 520-285-1600

ST. MARY PRESCHOOL | 1009 STAFFORD AVE. | FREDERICKSBURG, VA 22406 | 540-373-7553

# religious education

## First Penance and First Communion Meeting

On Thursday, January 16, Parents gathered in the church for the Annual First Penance and First Communion meeting. After his Opening Prayer Fr. Sean Koehr gave an inspiring presentation beginning with two stories of the miraculous “real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.” He urged parents to “keep up the good example, so that your children will be disposed to receive this treasure that is Jesus’ forgiveness in confession and His physical presence in the Eucharist.”

Karen Sturtevant also presented the First Penance and First Communion schedules and First Communion dress code. Tatiana Beltran summarized both presentations in Spanish.

## Catechesis within the Family

While the catechesis offered within the family is ordinarily informal, unstructured, and spontaneous, it is no less crucial for the development of the child's faith. In a certain sense, nothing replaces family catechesis, especially for its positive and receptive environment, for the example of adults, and for its first explicit experience and practice of the faith. The catechesis of infants and young children nourishes the beginnings of the life of faith.

Parents have shared the gift of human life with their children and, through Baptism, have enriched them with a share in God's own life. They have the duty to nourish it. Their faith, their attitude toward other human beings, and their trust in a loving God strongly influence the development of the child's faith. **Parents are catechists precisely because they are parents. Their role in the formation of Christian values in their children is irreplaceable.** They should speak naturally and simply about God and their faith, as they do about other matters they want their children to understand and appreciate.

Parents are also the most effective catechists of prayer for their young children. They know what their children are capable of understanding and can easily teach their children basic prayers and the fundamental attitude of prayer. By praying frequently with their children at special moments during the day and especially by praying with them at the Sunday Eucharist, parents introduce children into the prayer life of the Church. By incorporating prayer into everyday family experiences, parents teach their children by example. Their witness encourages their children to call upon God as their Father who loves and protects them; to look to Jesus, their Savior and brother, who leads them to the Father; and to acknowledge the presence of the Holy Spirit, who dwells within their hearts.

Children ordinarily enjoy listening to their parents read to them and tell them stories. Reading stories from Sacred Scripture combines both these simple activities. Just as children learn their family histories through stories told by their parents, they learn about the Catholic faith as their parents introduce them to the person of Jesus and the beauty of the word of God and tell them the story of Mary, the Mother of God, as well as of the lives of the saints. [usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/who-we-teach/children/index.cfm](http://usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/who-we-teach/children/index.cfm)

## Magnifikid

### Get on the right path

Each morning when you wake up or when you are on your way to school, recite to yourself the verse from Psalm 143: “Show me the path I should walk, for to you I entrust my life.” Think about each word so that you can focus on the path that leads to the Lord.



### Walk together in faith

Ask one of your friends to come to Mass with you, or ask your parents for permission to sit with one of your friends during Mass. These are beautiful ways to walk together in faith.





# our parish youth ministry

## St. Mary's Craft Club

Free! All ages 3 and up can join us for a fun time creating craft projects with the "St. Mary's Craft Club". We meet the last Saturday of each month 9:45 - 10:45am in the Pope John Paul II house kitchen area. (Just go up the steps to the porch and enter through the door and you'll be there!)

**February 29**

**Wooden crosses & wooden birdhouses**

**March 28**

**Easter crafts**

**April 25**

**Decorating planters & Planting flowers**

**May 30**

**Choose a Summer Beach Bag or a summer hat for fabric painting and Tie Die (also, please bring a white T-shirt to class).**

Each craft club includes faith formation activities as well. To complete a Craft Club enrollment form, just come to a class and we'll give it to you. RSVP to [Julia.Apicella@gmail.com](mailto:Julia.Apicella@gmail.com).



### Fitness Club

**Middle Schoolers!**

**Join us for some faith, fun and fitness! All fitness levels welcome.**

**We meet at Green Fitness and Wellness 9am-10am.**

**Meets Saturday:**

- Feb 8th
- March 7th
- April 18th
- May 9th

**Please contact: Rachel Luciani for more info: [lucianir@comcast.net](mailto:lucianir@comcast.net)**



### High School

## WINTER RETREAT

**Feb. 21-23**

**Permission Slips online**

**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)

# get involved

## Upcoming Adult Education Bible Study Opportunity

No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, No Greater Love is a five-part video series and full-length book that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life in this biblical pilgrimage.

While taking this study or reading this book, you will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to the Mount of Calvary.

Every step of the way, biblical experts reveal how Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death.

Cost: The materials cost \$20 per person. Class size limited to 40. Class Dates: Mondays - March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and April 6. Class run time shouldn't be more than 90 minutes. Time: 12:45pm. Location: Father Rooney Community Room

Please sign up in the Parish Office (540-373-6491) before Feb. 21, 2010

## 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. 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.

## Women's Conference Registration

Registration is open for the 2020 Women's Conference sponsored by the Arlington Diocese Council of Catholic Women, to be held March 14 at St. Joseph's in Herndon. A full day of speakers, breakfast and box lunch, and Mass with Bishop Burbidge! The cost is \$60 through February 1, \$70 thereafter. Seats sell out extremely quickly! To register or for detailed information visit [arlingtondiocese.org/women](http://arlingtondiocese.org/women) or call the Office for Family Life, 703-841-2550; have your credit card ready, or ask about mailing a check.

## Valentine's Family Dinner

The Valentine's Family Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 15 from 6 to 8:30pm in the Parish Life Center. The net proceeds will be donated to local charities. The menu includes: Hand Cut Steak, Au Gratin Potatoes, Ginger Glazed Carrots, Fresh Biscuits, Chocolate Mousse with Raspberry, Coffee & Tea. 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:\$8, Seniors (60&up):\$7, Children (7-12): \$5, Children (under 7): Free. THE MAX COST PER FAMILY is \$25

## Help Needed at Thurman Brisben Homeless Shelter

The Thurman Brisben Homeless Shelter has a program called Bridges. This program operates every Monday night from 7:00-8:00pm 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. For more information contact Aaron Sawyer [bridges.fxbg@gmail.com](mailto:bridges.fxbg@gmail.com).

## Cursillo of the Arlington Diocese

It is registration time for the Women's Cursillo to be held March 19-22, 2020 at San Damiano Retreat House in White Post VA. The cost is \$250 for meals and lodging. The word Cursillo means short course. This is a three day short course to revitalize your faith, your Catholic connections, and increase your time with God, study skills, and action in the church and home community. Following the retreat all will be invited and encouraged to join a small group gathering call a Group Reunion. There are several groups already meeting in the greater Fredericksburg area. There will be a Men's Cursillo in May. For registration and more information please contact: Tammie Chute at [tammiechute@hotmail.com](mailto:tammiechute@hotmail.com).



# parish life happenings



**9:15am**

*Mass at the Greater Richmond Convention Center, concelebrated by the Most Rev. Barry C. Knestout, Bishop of Richmond and the Most Rev. Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington*

**10:30am**

*Visit your Virginia General Assembly member offices*

\*VCC will be providing talking points and advocacy tools

**11:45am**

*Rally at State Capital*

**12:45pm**

*March for Life*

**For more details, visit [vacatholic.org](http://vacatholic.org)**



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

***Monday, February 10***  
*as we "prepare a place for unity and peace" together.*



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



Porque eres polvo y al polvo volverás

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El Ministerio Hispano de Saint Mary Catholic Church en coordinación con El Grupo de Oración Carismático Parroquial "Confiados en Jesús y María"

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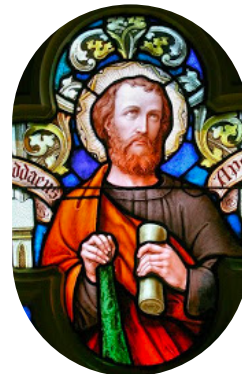
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8AM  
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### ITINERARIO

8AM - SANTO ROSARIO "LEGIÓN DE MARÍA"  
9AM - SANTA MISA  
10AM - DESAYUNO  
10:30AM - TEMA DE RELEXIÓN  
11:30AM - PREGUNTAS Y RESPUESTAS  
11:50AM - ORACIÓN FINAL  
12PM - DESPEDIDA

Lugar: Centro de Vida Parroquial Saint Mary Catholic church



## Un Paseo Bíblico a Través de La Misa Estudio Bíblico de seis semanas

El próximo estudio bíblico en español se ha programado para febrero y marzo de 2020, los sábados después de la misa de las 5:00 pm en la iglesia de St. Jude. Una vez más, estamos utilizando el excelente programa de Ascension Press que incluye libro de texto, guía de estudio y acceso total a los videos. El costo es de solamente \$20. La inscripción para el Estudio Bíblico se puede hacer por correo electrónico a [tonygibert61@gmail.com](mailto:tonygibert61@gmail.com). o contactando a él en 540-2876067

Hora: 6:30 pm en el Centro de Actividades (planta baja) Iglesia St. Jude  
Fechas: Febrero 15, 22 y Marzo 7, 14, 21, 28  
Líder del curso: Sr. Tony Gibert

## Nuevo horario de confesiones

Día- miércoles (excepto los días de obligación)

Hora: después de la misa del mediodía

## Rosario en Comunidad

Día: domingos

Hora: 1:55 pm (antes de la misa)

Lugar: iglesia



## Bendiciones Especiales

Grupo de Apoyo Católico

¿Es el padre o encargado de un niño/a con necesidades especiales? Lo invitamos a que forme parte de este nuevo ministerio.

Las reuniones son cada otro mes los jueves de 7-9 pm en el Salón Courtyard (salón de las cruces) al costado de la oficina parroquial.

13 de febrero



Para más información contacte a:  
Vivian Heltemes (habla español) • [vivi0775@gmail.com](mailto:vivi0775@gmail.com)



# parish life happenings

## DATE NIGHTS AT SAINT MARY'S



SAINT MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

*marriage ministry*

### JOIN US FOR THIS POWERFUL SESSION

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

### Forgiveness: A Marriage Rich in Mercy | February 8

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

*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.*

All married and engaged couples are warmly invited to attend!  
No reservations necessary-just show up!

## The Summit Academy

*Have you asked what high school should do for your son or daughter?  
Come find out how The Summit Academy can serve your student.*

### PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Wednesday, February 5th  
7:00 p.m.

5888 Plank Road, Fredericksburg

RSVP: [www.thesummitva.org](http://www.thesummitva.org)  
Phone: (540) 684-3989  
[info@thesummitva.org](mailto:info@thesummitva.org)

### St Michael High School Open House

Saint Michael the Archangel Catholic High School is holding an Open House on Sunday, January 26th from 1-4 pm. Come and meet our Faculty and staff and learn about our outstanding Accredited College Prep Catholic Educational STEM program that prepares our students for college; our Catholic culture that builds strong Christian men and women; our award winning Fine Arts program; and State Championship level Sports program. Formally recognized by the Diocese of Arlington in May 2019, enrollment is limited and 2020 is closing fast. Come and learn the Warrior way. 6301 Campus Drive, Fredericksburg, 22407. Learn more at [vsaintmichalhe.org](http://vsaintmichalhe.org) or call 540-548-8748.

# operations given in love

## Weekly Offertory

### Offertory Collections - January 19

Offertory Collection	\$33,820
Parish Building Fund (add'l)	\$3,443
St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box	\$260

*Next week's second collection will support the Arlington Catholic Herald. Thank you for your generosity!*

## Diocesan Newspaper Collection

As registered members of St. Mary Parish, everyone receives a copy of our Diocesan Newspaper, the Arlington Catholic Herald. The Parish pays an assessment to the Diocese on 40% of its registered families for subscriptions to the Arlington Catholic Herald. All subscriptions paid to St. Mary during the year and contributions made in the Annual Diocesan Newspaper Collection stay with the parish to help offset this assessment. Last year we received a total of \$11,203.30 from the annual newspaper collection and quarterly subscription envelopes to help offset a \$53,544.00 assessment.

If you have not paid for or renewed your subscription to the Arlington Catholic Herald, we ask that you consider doing so now. The subscription rate of \$24.00 a year is one of the lowest of any Catholic newspaper with a circulation of more than 50,000, and the wealth of Catholic articles and information about your Diocese is invaluable. Green subscription envelopes are included with the January, April, July and October envelope packets for your convenience, and the Annual Diocesan Newspaper Collection is next weekend. Your generosity is truly appreciated, and we are very grateful for your constant support. God bless you.

## Pro-Life Reflection

*"When a woman is facing a difficult pregnancy, the reaction of the first person she tells tends to set the tone for her decision-making. How do we respond in a loving way that is life-affirming for both her and her baby?" Find out in "What to Do When a Friend is Considering Abortion" [www.bit.ly/friendconsidering-abortion](http://www.bit.ly/friendconsidering-abortion). (USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities)*

## Children's Charity for February

The children's charity that will benefit from the offering in February is Hazelwild Farm's Therapeutic Riding Program. The program offers specialized horseback riding lessons for all ages of riders with a wide range of physical, cognitive and emotional disabilities. The lessons increase stability, flexibility, strength, motor skills, cognitive ability and confidence for the riders, along with providing many other physical and emotional benefits. For more information, go to [hazelwildfarm.com](http://hazelwildfarm.com).

## The Feast of the Presentation of our Lord

Jesus Christ — the Light of the nations and the glory of Israel  
"Beloved Christian, you esteem Simeon happy in having been permitted to take the Infant Jesus in his arms; and were you to receive a grace like him, no doubt you would exclaim: "Now dost Thou dismiss Thy servant in peace: because my eyes have seen Thy salvation." (The Holy Eucharist, Jose Guadalupe Trevino)

## Thank You

Thank you for being a part of our St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception family. As we begin a New Year, we hope you will consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach

us even when you cannot. Visit [faithdirect.net](http://faithdirect.net), and use our church code: VA635. If you do enroll, consider donating by ACH withdrawal from your checking account, since all credit card fees are passed onto the parish. Last year, credit card fees paid by the parish totaled \$11,719.59. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family

## Virginia March for Life February 13, 2020

Join your parish family at the Second Annual March for Life at the Virginia State Capitol on Thursday, February 13. We will have two buses leaving St. Mary at 9am and returning by 3:30pm. See additional details in today's bulletin and sign up as soon as possible in the back of the Church to reserve your seat on the bus.

## Pregnant?

Feeling trapped and alone?  
Know someone who may be?

Make us your first call

-Non-Judgemental

-Confidential

-Supportive

Pregnancy tests available

All Services are FREE

 **Birthright**  
Fredericksburg

540-898-8558

24hour help line:

1-800-550-4900

2006 Lafayette Blvd, #202  
Fredericksburg, VA 22401  
[birthrightoffredericksburg.com](http://birthrightoffredericksburg.com)



# liturgy daily bread

## Saint Mary Prayer List

**Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially:** 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, Nikolai & Bridget Sherba, Randy McNulty, Riley Horstick, David A., Marty T., Janet Yerkie, Brittany Yerkie, Elizabeth Stoeher, 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 Guadarama, 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, 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 Ribelino Soto, Giles Morgan, Kim Matkovsky, Frances Conn, Christine Frescas, James Murphy, Daniel Burke, Joan Baker, Stephen O'Byrne, Marian Wilinski, Martha Clements, Bernard Cruz, Margaret Krebbel, Floyd Carver, Jr., Michael Sharkey, Jerry Werline, Patricia Johnston, Claire Matthews, Isabelle McLoone, Kensington McLoone, Zachary Payne, Ernalina Kyle, Betty Curtis, Patrick Sherba, Sr., Dennis Farmer, Ernalina Kyle, Maria Wood, Margie Hougasian, Maria Wood, Robert Gibson, Mary Brussell, Karen Danis, Bruce Mattern, Miles Wood, Roseanne Nash, Jeanne Burke, Prudy Tarpey

**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, 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 Jobs, Michael Scott, Samuel Hoffman, Andrew Qualls, Matt Gioia, Jennifer Brothers

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

## Al Anon Surviving the Weekend Group

Al Anon is 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

### January

#### 27 MONDAY

6:30am Rose Caiafa+  
9:00am Theresa Drabbant+  
2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30

#### 28 TUESDAY

6:30am Bill Wallace+  
9:00am Christopher Lanzarone  
2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mk 3:31-35

#### 29 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Jeffrey Alexander+  
9:00am Izzy and Ellie Motta  
2 Sm 7:4-17/Mk 4:1-20

#### 30 THURSDAY

6:30am Joseph Hawkins+  
9:00am Stephen Inguanti, Jr.+  
2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Mk 4:21-25

#### 31 FRIDAY

6:30am Anna Maria Visich+  
8:15am\* Holy Cross Academy  
9:00am Ruth Stellino+  
2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mk 4:26-34

#### 1 SATURDAY

9:00am Cecilio Albo+  
5:00pm Bernie Cruz+  
7:00pm Marie Rooney+  
2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41

#### 2 SUNDAY

7:00am Judy Godek+  
8:30am Grace Marie Zettler-Fidiam+  
10:30am Those Who Died in January  
10:30am\* Mirko Ante Mrva+  
12:30pm For Our Parish  
2:30pm Roland and Candy Vazques  
5:00pm Paula Gabriella Lozinsky  
7:00pm Charlene Bartman+  
Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40

*\* 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.*