

## **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**February 9, 2020**



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

1009 STAFFORD AVENUE - FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA

# upcoming

## February



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

### **9 SUNDAY, FIFTH SUNDAY, DAY 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, Parish Life Center

### **10 Monday, Saint Scholastica, Virgin**

10:15am, Legion of Mary Our Lady of Perpetual Help Praesidium, Parish Life Center, Room 100  
4:45pm, RE Class, Parish Life Center  
6:30pm, RE Class, Parish Life Center  
7:30pm, RCIA, Church  
8:15pm, Taize, Church

### **11 Tuesday, Weekday [Our Lady of Lourdes]**

10am, St Mary Book Club, John Paul II House  
10am, Outreach Pillowcase Project, Parish Life Center, Room 100  
4:45pm, RE Class, Parish Life Center  
6pm, RE Class at HCA  
6:30pm, RE Class, Parish Life Center  
7:30pm, Adult Confirmation Class, Parish Office Library  
7:30pm, Life, Spirit, Courtyard Meeting Room

### **12 Wednesday, Weekday**

9:30am, Prayers and Squares, Parish Life Center, Room 100  
9:45am, Weekly Bible Study, Courtyard Meeting Room  
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

### **13 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, Special Blessing, Courtyard Meeting Room

### **14 Friday, Saints Cyril, Monday, k, and Methodius, Bishop**

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

### **15 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  
3:30pm, Confessions, Church  
6pm, KofC Valentine's Day Dinner, Parish Life Center

### **16 SUNDAY, SIXTH SUNDAY, DAY 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, Parish Life Center

# pulpit announcements

## nota bene (note well, please):

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## 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,

Is your car a mess? Or your office? Or your Inbox? My car is actually pretty clean inside, while the outside is a little salty this winter. But I know lots of folks struggle with keeping a car interior clean, especially if they have children! I remember years ago my nephew being very concerned because he got chocolate all over the seats in my car. I laughed and said, "That is the price of being an uncle, sometimes the chocolate is all over."

But my office? That is another story! Yikes, stacks of paper, all representing work or marriage prep or annulments or meeting requests or sales pitches and on and on.

And email inboxes? How many people just give up on trying to empty them out? My dad recently asked for help clearing out the 27,000 emails out of his inbox. We just made him a new gmail.com account instead.

Ok... but what possible 'Jesus connection' am I thinking? When you clean out your car/office/inbox, you suddenly become much more aware of previously unnoticed threats to re-cluttering your life. A candy wrapper in the car, an unreturned message on the desk, or email spam coming in. The same thing can happen with our souls, especially if we haven't been to confession in ages. It is such an amazing experience as a priest, to help people to clear out their souls of the debris and clutter of sin. Truly, as a priest, I rank it a privilege second only to transubstantiating bread and wine into Jesus.

Once we clear out the debris that was intimidating us from returning to Jesus, we become much more sensitive to maintaining the spiritual health and cleanliness of our souls. I often tell folks who return from many years away from the sacrament, "Don't be surprised if you start to remember and recall smaller sins. Just bring them confidently to your next confession. Jesus will always welcome you home."

pax et bonum,

*Fr Mosimann*

Fr Mosimann

## LET US COUNT THE WAYS

The churches of Fredericksburg, following Christ to cultivate community and care for neighbors



### Do Justice

56% decline in chronic homelessness  
74% reduction in recurring hospital visits  
Outreached 196 people for mental health services



### Love Kindness

13,104 extensions of hospitality  
15,600 lunches packed  
3,769 winter shelter stays  
2,005 nights of respite care  
730 community meals served



### Walk Humbly with God

40 jobs obtained  
65 incomes increased  
102 people housed  
88% do not return to homelessness  
20 connections to education  
More than 500 volunteer relationships  
12 people buried



### How to love your neighbor

\$15 keeps someone from freezing to death  
\$20 keeps someone in housing for a day  
\$30 buys a tent or sleeping bag  
\$78 buys a night of respite care  
\$250 covers a bus pass for a year  
\$900 covers a rental deposit  
\$1500 bridges someone to work  
Priceless your hands, feet and heart working directly with our neighbors

### Micah Special Collection

On the weekend of February 15 & 16 our second collection will benefit Micah Ecumenical Services. Please be generous. God bless you.



# education holy cross academy

## Catholic Schools Week

### What a wonderful Catholic Schools Week at Holy Cross Academy!

In one week our school held a successful Open House and a special school-wide prayer service, heard the vocation story of Father Koehr, hosted nearly 300 students and family members for a Mission BBQ dinner, celebrated Mass, competed in a wild faculty vs. 8th grade basketball game, raised \$11,500 from generous supporters, and ended the week with the always-popular father/daughter dance. Huge thanks go out to our amazing PTO and everyone in our school community who helped make the week such a wonderful celebration of Catholic education.

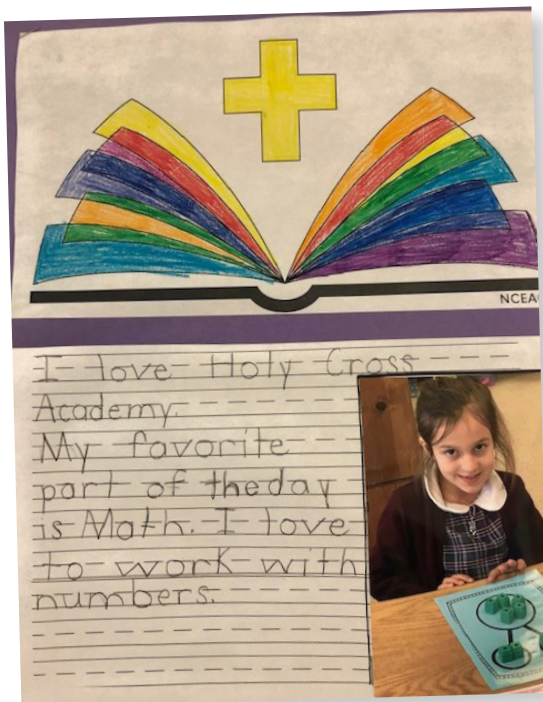
With the \$11,500 raised last week, we will be able to move forward with the room divider

and two additional hoops in Fr. Brisson Hall. We will also be able to purchase Reflex Math, an online program our students can use to build their confidence in math facts, an essential building block of mathematical skills.

Registration for the 2020-21 school year is underway. HCA is 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 so much more. Please give us a call at 540-286-1600 or email [acarroll@holycrossweb.com](mailto:acarroll@holycrossweb.com) to learn how Holy Cross Academy can be a blessing for your family!



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# religious education

## Magnifikid

### Be honest in prayer

In the second reading, St. Paul tells us that he carries out his mission feeling weak and afraid. Imitate him this week by taking a minute each day to tell God about the things that make you feel weak, embarrassed, or afraid.

### Share what you have

The Lord tells us through Isaiah that he hears the prayers of those who do not turn their backs on others. Do something this week to help the poor, or care for a family member who is suffering.



[watch.formed.org/videos/the-jeweller-s-shop-a-modern-mystery-by-pope-john-paul-ii](http://watch.formed.org/videos/the-jeweller-s-shop-a-modern-mystery-by-pope-john-paul-ii)

## First Penance

On February 21 and 27 children preparing for First Holy Communion, this spring will make their First Confession. Below is an excerpt from the Diocese second grade standards for learning.

### Moral Life

Suggested Reading: God gave the Ten Commandments to Moses (Exodus 20:1-21).

Sin is when we choose to break God's laws (e.g., The Ten Commandments); sin is an offense against God

- We can sin by our thoughts, words, deeds, and omissions (what we fail to do)
- God hates sin, but is patient with sinners. We too should hate sin and be patient with sinners
- There are two kinds of sin: mortal sin and venial sin
- Mortal Sin kills the life of grace in the soul
  - Mortal sin requires three conditions:
    - 1) It is grave (ask: is it serious?)
    - 2) It is committed with knowledge (Ask: did we know it is wrong?)
    - 3) It is committed with free will (ask: did we freely choose to do it?)
- Venial Sin weakens the life of grace in the soul but does not remove it.
  - Venial sin is less serious.
- Serious sin that lacks full knowledge or free consent lessens culpability
- An accident is not a sin, even when its effects are serious.

JOIN FORMED

1. [formed.org](http://formed.org)

2. click register

3. enter parish code **F6F228**

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PICK OF THE WEEK

Shot on location in France, this film is highly recommended by the Vatican as a "sensitive portrayal of a very moving story that deserves a wide audience," and was chosen to be shown daily at the shrine in Lourdes to retell the epic story.

## Bernadette

St. Bernadette and the Apparitions of Our Lady of Lourdes



[WATCH ON FORMED.ORG](http://WATCH.ON.FORMED.ORG)



# 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).

## Assistant Director for Youth Ministry

### St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

St. Mary Parish is seeking a full-time Assistant Director of Youth Ministry. The position requires collaboration with the Director in guiding the overall ministry to teens in 7th-12th grade as well as directing the middle school program, coordination of Confirmation program and retreats for both middle and high school students. The Assistant Director assists in the leadership of the High School Youth Ministry program which includes; Life Teen, retreats, WorkCamp, bible study and other events. Administrative tasks, programming and coordination of schedules are included. For more information on the position and requirements visit our website [stmaryfred.org](http://stmaryfred.org)



## 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, 2020

## 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 \$70. 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.

## Help Needed at Thurman Brisben Homeless Shelter

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

Please note, this program requires all participants to arrive early. Volunteers MUST complete a registration form and provide a photo ID in an effort to protect the children staying at the shelter. 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).

## Saint Mary Book Club

We will discuss A Death in the Family by James Agee, a novel that deals with loss and heartbreak when a beloved member of the family suddenly dies. Yet it is not a sad book but is a story of love and tenderness and of great courage. It is set in Knoxville, Tennessee forty years ago when the world was simpler and life moved at a gentler pace.

Join us for Saint Mary Book Club on Tuesday, February 11, in the Father Rooney Community Room at 10am.

## SPRED at St. Mary

Special Religious Development (SPRED) serves children and young adults with developmental disabilities. SPRED meets on certain Saturdays, February 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.

## Meet Dr. Stephen Fry

Please join your St. Mary Council of Catholic Women at 10am on Tuesday, February 18, in the Father Rooney Community Room on the courtyard. We will welcome Dr. Stephen Fry, Principal of Holy Cross Academy, who will tell us about himself and our church school. Refreshments, a 50/50 \$\$ drawing, fellowship, and a short business meeting. All welcome!

Our spring high tea will be held at Holy Cross on April 4. To find out how you can help make "Tea in the Vatican Gardens" the best time ever, please contact Delores "Loli" Ibarra, 540-899-8949 or [lacasablanca2@gmail.com](mailto:lacasablanca2@gmail.com).



# parish life happenings



**WITH FATHER MOSIMANN**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29**

RETREAT BEGINS WITH  
9AM MASS AT ST MARY CHURCH

PLEASE BRING A BIBLE AND  
BROWN-BAG LUNCH

CONCLUDES AT 5PM

WELCOME TO INVITE FRIENDS  
SPREAD THE WORD

**MUST REGISTER BY SENDING AN EMAIL  
TO EDOYLE@STMARYFRED.ORG**

St. Mary's is seeking a digital piano for parish events/gatherings. If you have one and are willing to donate it, please reach out to David Ushold [dushold@stmaryfred.org](mailto:dushold@stmaryfred.org) or call the parish office.

Thank You!

VIRGINIA

## MARCH *for* LIFE



Join us in our fight for life in Virginia!

**February 13, 2020**

**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)**

*Join your parish family at the Second Annual March for Life at the Virginia State Capitol on Thursday, February 13th. We will have two buses leaving St. Mary at 7:30am to attend Mass at the Richmond Convention Center and the Rally & March at the Capitol and return to St. Mary 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.*



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"

## TE INVITAN

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## MAÑANA DE REFLEXIÓN DE CUARESMA

FEBRERO  
22

8AM  
A  
12PM

### 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: CASA JUAN PABLO II - 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

## Conozca a Dr. Stephen Fry

Acompañe al Consejo de Mujeres Católicas de St. Mary, el martes 18 de febrero a las 10:00 a.m. en el salón Padre Rooney. Dr. Stephen Fry, director de la Academia Holy Cross será nuestro invitado. El nos hablará de él y de nuestra escuela parroquial. Tendremos refrigerio, una rifa 50/50, camaradería y más. ¡Sean todas bienvenidas!

Nuestro té de Primavera será en la Academia Holy Cross el 4 de abril. Si quiere saber cómo hacer de este "Te en los Jardines de el Vaticano" el mejor evento, contacte a Dolores "Loli" Ibarra al 540-899-8949 o [lacasablanca2@gmail.com](mailto:lacasablanca2@gmail.com)

## 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

**Knights of Columbus 4034 and St. Mary's Parish Cordially Invite You, Your Sweetheart, and Your Family to Our**

## *Valentine's Family Charity Dinner*

**February 15 | 6-8:30pm  
St. Mary Parish Life Center (PLC)**

### **Menu**

Hand cut steak, Au gratin potatoes, Ginger glazed carrots, Fresh biscuits, Chocolate mousse with raspberry, Coffee, & tea.

### **Costs**

Adults/Teens: \$8,  
Seniors (60&up): \$7,  
Children (7-12): \$5,  
Children (under 7): Free.  
Maximum COST PER FAMILY for dinner: \$25.00.

**(attendees limited to 200)**

**Please R.S.V.P by February 12 to  
KofC-ParishValentinesDinner@KofC4034.org**

**All proceeds go to local non-profit  
Pro-Life charities**

### **Donations Needed!**

Cases of Love is part of the St. Mary's Outreach Ministry, which involves making and donating pillowcases for the homeless residents at several of our locations, in and around the Fredericksburg area. We are in need of fabric donations in order to continue this ongoing project.

**FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:** 1 yard in length x 42-44 inches in width of 100% cotton for the body of the pillowcase; ½ yard in length x 42-44 inches in width of contrasting color for the cuff. Most of these pillowcases are for children, so we like bright, colorful, juvenile patterns. Joann's Fabrics has a wide selection, including flannel. We also accept gift cards. Scrip has Joann's gift cards which can be purchased after each Mass in the Parish Life Center. All donations can be left at the Parish Office.

If you are interested in helping out with this very rewarding project, please contact Adele Falardeau at [asfalardeau49@gmail.com](mailto:asfalardeau49@gmail.com).



Are you the parent of a special needs child?  
Please join us for a brand-new ministry.

### **Virginia Catholic Conference FREE Registration**

Our Holy Father Pope Francis encourages us to get involved with the legislative process in our country. "A good Catholic meddles in politics." Our Catholic faith compels us to take an active role in the political process to support human life and dignity. The VA Catholic Conference established by the bishops of Arlington and Richmond, provides a quick and easy way to advocate for public policy that promotes our Gospel values as Catholics. Take a minute TODAY and join its email advocacy network. Sign-up online at [vacatholic.org](http://vacatholic.org). God bless you!

Meetings are held every other month  
on Thursday from 7-9 PM  
in the Courtyard Meeting Room



**February  
13**

Contact:

Joyce Bodoh  
[joycebodoh@gmail.com](mailto:joycebodoh@gmail.com)

Vivian Heltemes  
[vivi0775@gmail.com](mailto:vivi0775@gmail.com)



# operations given in love

## Weekly Offertory

### Offertory Collections - February 2

Offertory Collection	\$37,431
Arlington Catholic Herald	\$1,434
Church in Latin America (add'l)	\$2,053
St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box	\$490

*Next week's second collection will support Micah Ecumenical Ministries "Love Your Neighbor". Thank you for your generosity!*

## Pro-Life Reflection

*Heavenly Father, bless all expectant mothers who are placing their children for adoption and who may also be young and afraid. They love their children so much that they are willing to place them with a loving family. Bless, too, all the women who already have shown the sacrificial nature of a mother's love in making adoption plans for their children. Give them all your courage and your peace, through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## 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 [hazelwild-farm.com](http://hazelwild-farm.com).

## Pilgrim Virgin Statue

Would you like the Blessed Mother to visit your family for two weeks? Please contact Mary Lou Felts at 571-723-3333 or [maryloufelts@gmail.com](mailto:maryloufelts@gmail.com) to schedule a time.

## Helpful Hints & Reminders

– Did you know that when you write a check, you should use only black or blue ink? All other colors may look very nice, but they don't show up on bank scanners and will not be accepted by the bank. So please use only black or blue ink when writing a check.

– When you receive your 2019 contribution statement, you may notice that one or more of the collections may show only a penny as your contribution. That's because when the envelope was received for posting in our database, no amount was written on the envelope, so a penny was entered to show that an envelope was received but the amount was unknown. Don't forget to write the amount of your contribution on the outside of your contribution envelope.

– From time to time we receive contributions in envelopes from other parishes in the Diocese. If there is no notation, it is our policy to send these contributions to the parish indicated on the envelope. If your contribution is actually meant for St. Mary, please be sure to use St. Mary envelopes, or a plain envelope with your name and address indicated, or cross out the name of the parish on the envelope and clearly write St. Mary on the envelope so that we can process your contribution properly.

– Our parish supports the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in their outstanding ministry to those in need, through all Poor Box Donations. If you wish to make a poor box donation by check, please be sure to make the check payable to St. Mary Catholic Church. If you make your check payable to St. Vincent de Paul, the check should be mailed directly to them at PO Box 1493 College Station, Fredericksburg VA 22402.

## Catholic Cemetery

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.

Plots are currently priced at \$2,100, discounts may apply depending on time of purchase.

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](mailto:stanthony@va.metrocast.net).

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## Saint Mary Prayer List

**Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially:** Marc and Susan Wood, Lita Mary Mam-boyo, 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 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, 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, Danielle McCarty, Scott Robey, Kellan Moran

**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, Jack Merker

**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

### February

#### 10 MONDAY

6:30am Mary Alling  
9:00am Barbara Walor+  
1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56

#### 11 TUESDAY

6:30am Amante Marinas  
9:00am Jennie Curch+  
1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13

#### 12 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Mary Wheatley  
9:00am Akram Mustafa+  
1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23

#### 13 THURSDAY

6:30am Donald Mosher+  
9:00am Charles White+  
1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30

#### 14 FRIDAY

6:30am Roseann Burke+  
8:15am\* Julie and Jordan Taylor  
9:00am Alan Charles Cucullu+  
1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37

#### 15 SATURDAY

9:00am Alfredo and Coraton Catolico+  
5:00pm Indira Murillo Alvarado+  
7:00pm Evelyn and Lester Latourelle  
1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Mk 8:1-10

#### 16 SUNDAY

7:00am Jennifer Sullivan  
8:30am Maryanne Holzworth  
10:30am Ashleigh Holzworth  
10:30am\* Brother Brian Pacquette  
12:30pm Nancy Craig  
2:30pm Jessica Hernandez Rios  
5:00pm For Our Parish  
7:00pm Bon Van Than  
Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37

*\* 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.*