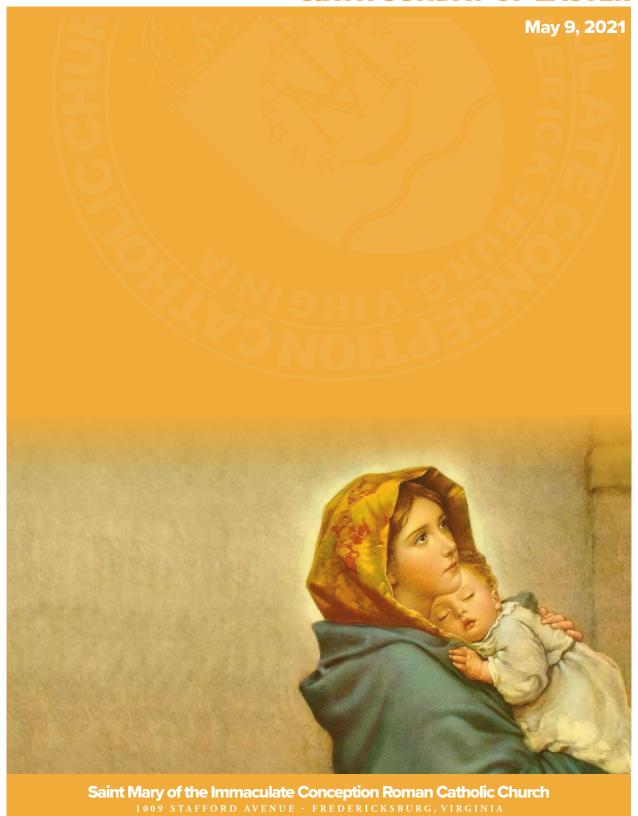
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



announcements

USHERS Needed for ALL MASSES

No special skills required except kindness and a desire to serve your parish family.

Sign up by following the link below signupgenius.com/go/70/70A0B48A9AF29AAF58-ushers

Confession Schedule (Confessions continue at the Parish Life Center ONLY)

Wednesdays 11:30am-12pm & 6:30-8:30pm Saturdays 8-8:30am & 3:30-4:30pm

Adoration | Wednesday 12:30pm- Friday 9am

Spring into Spring with Script Gift Cards

Spring is here. Many important dates will be occurring during the Spring, including teacher appreciation, Mother's Day, Father's Day, graduations, weddings, and a birthday or two. Give the gift of a gift card and support Holy Cross Academy. Can't decide which gift card is best? We have Scrip Gift Certificates available. For more information, just send an Email to the Scrip Coordinator at scripcoordinator@ **holycrossweb.com** or stop by the scrip table after mass. Thanks for using script gift cards!

contact us

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil 5 & 7pm Sunday 7, 8:30, 10:30am, 12:30, 2:30pm (Spanish), 5pm, 7pm 10:30am at Holy Cross Academy

DAILY Monday - Friday: 6:30am, 9am

MASS 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 11:30am-12pm, 6:30-8:30pm; Sat., 8-8:30am & 3:30-4:30pm

PARISH OFFICE

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BAPTISMS Parish registration (90 days) and class

required.

Please contact the parish office to schedule the date at least four weeks in advance.

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

preparation.

JOIN US New Parishioner Welcome meetings held in the Parish Life Center on fourth Sun

days, following the 10:30 Mass. Please notify us of any contact changes.

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

from our pastor

pax et bonum

Dear Folks,

Happy Mother's Day! We owe such a debt of gratitude and prayer to our mothers! May the Lord protect them and keep them always in His loving heart!

Which reminds me: we need to thank our heavenly mother! So May Crowning next Sunday... remember this from prior to the pandemic?

This year we will try something different: at the end of each Mass, all (in church and PLC too) will be invited to process out to the outdoor statue where we can place a flower offering and sing a song in honor of Our Lady.

At its heart, a May Crowning is a simple act of love for our heavenly mother. Today we are honoring our mothers with flowers or breakfast in bed or even doing the dishes without complaining! Does any mother refuse such acts of tenderness? Once I gave my mother eight very small flowers that I brought back from a pilgrimage to a Marian Shrine. One flower for each of her eight children. Mom treasured this gift.

But imagine if you gave mom flowers by just tossing them at her feet and then going about business as if it were just another day. An external act, if it is not also internalized, is meaningless. So much of our Catholic way of liturgy finds itself at this nexus. The external is not itself the meaning, but it gives expression to and forms the internal. Show me how you pray, and I will show you how you believe.

So next weekend all (but especially the young) are invited to bring a flower for Our Lady. And If you forget to bring one, don't panic... we will have some extras for you. May the flowers at the feet of Our Lady, be an external manifestation of the many more acts of Love we place in her hands for her to give to Jesus.

pax,

Fr Mosimann



education



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Clubs Starting at Holy Cross

There is excitement in the hallways of Holy Cross Academy! Students have eagerly signed up for the first clubs offered this year.

The "Gambiteers" Chess Club offered by Father Sina has been so popular that it has been divided into two groups. Chess is a wonderful opportunity to improve strategic thinking, problem solving skills and learn other life skills. We look forward to many intense chess matches in the future.

say hello.

Our Holy Cross Running Club began training this week for the Great Train Race on June 6. Please plan on joining us at this event to cheer our runners to the finish line. HCA will host a tent, so please stop by and

Holy Cross Academy faculty, staff and students would like to wish a Happy Mother's Day to our HCA and St. Mary's moms.





HCA Preschool

Holy Cross Academy Preschool students collected \$648.85 in their coin banks this Lenten season. This generous collection was donated to Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank. With this donation, the food bank will be able to provide 1,298 meals to those in need!

Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank fed 45,400 people last year. Donation and volunteer information may be found at their website, **fredfood.org**. What a blessing this generous donation will be in providing food to the hungry in our community!

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me," - Matthew 25:35

Registration for the 2021-22 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 contact Deena Lanier via email at dlanier@holycrossweb.com or by phone at 540-286-1600 to learn how Holy Cross Academy can be a blessing for your family!

Our preschool is also enrolling for the fall. For more information about enrollment information for 3 and 4 year old students, please contact Mrs. Castellarin via email at preschool@holycrossweb.com or by phone at 540-373-7553.



education

religious education

Congratulations to all of the Religious Education students who received their First Holy Communion!

Please continue to receive the sacraments of Penance and Holy Eucharist as regularly as possible. Come to Sunday Mass in your First Communion clothes once a month for next few months.

Religious Education Video Links on Parish Website

The video links for the "Week of April May 10: "Christ Our Life" and "Year 2 First Communion (Grades 4-6)" and "Year 2 First Communion (Grades 7-12)" Pre/Post Test. Parents are asked to have their child study for the test, administer the test and correct it. Please email the Test Score to religioused@ stmaryfred.org.

Parents are reminded that students, especially those preparing for sacraments, are expected to complete at least 18 chapters of their texts by the end of July. Video Links from the "Week of September 28" to the "Week of May 10 are on the Parish Website stmaryfred.org on the "Religious Ed Videos" tab by grade. Scroll down after clicking on the desired grade to see the links.

Recruiting Catechists: Three Reasons to be a Catechist

1. Be Involved...

"I wanted to stay involved in my child's education and teaching was a great way to do it." "Teaching in the Religious Education Program helps me be more involved in not only my children's education, but also in the church in general." "A church cannot survive without its parishioners working together for its success."

2. Have a Say... "Involvement in the religious education program enables us parents to have a say in the way our children are brought up in the faith." "I also want to be part of the process of motivating young people to work on their personal friendship with God."

3. Do Something You Enjoy... "I enjoy working with kids and being with my son." "It was an excellent way to get involved and it was fun!"

LECTIO DIVINA on ST. MARY FACEBOOK with DEACON ALBERTO on TUESDAY, MAY 4 at 7PM

Classes begin the week of September 13-15. For more information, please call 540-373-6491 or email us at

religioused@stmaryfred.org.

FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

May 9, 2021

ATCH

FATIMA GEMS

Fatima Gems, hosted by Fr. Andrew Apostoli, focuses on the beauty of Our Lady's messages to three young children in 1917. This series demonstrates ways to apply the Fatima teachings to our everyday lives, showcasing that this apparition is just as relevant to our culture today as it was 100 years ago.



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CLICK REGISTER THEN ENTER PARISH CODE F6F228

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Prayers & Squares Ministry

Prayers and Squares is offering Patriotic Pocket Squares in Honor of Memorial Day. We will have Memorial Day Pocket Squares available in the church vestibule on May 22nd & 23rd.

Please take one, tie a knot and say a prayer, then give it to someone currently serving or retired from the armed forces. Or you may take one. tie a knot and say a prayer in memory of someone who has served. If you would like to request a prayer quilt for someone who is ill please contact Dian Epp at **Dbepp65@outlook.com**

Pilgrim Virgin Statue

Would you like the Blessed Mother to visit your family? A beautiful statue of Our Lady of Fatima is taken from family to family by the Legion of Mary. Please contact Mary Lou Felts, 571-723-3333 or maryloufelts@gmail. com for more information.



Young Man and Woman of the Year Announcement

Fredericksburg Council 4034, Knights of Columbus, is pleased to announce Tibor Baksy and Erin Gardner as our Young Man and Young Woman of the Year for Fraternal Year 2020-2021. Their motivational drive and excellent accomplishments have led to this recognition. Please join the Fredericksburg Council 4034 of the Knights of Columbus in congratulating them.





St. Vincent de Paul Donations Accepted
Monday & Wednesday 10am-4pm
Friday 10am-1pm and Saturday 10am-4pm
142 Old Greenwich Drive, Fredericksburg
Some pick-up service available - 540-898-8065

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Are you ready for in person Bible Studies? Watch the bulletin for the classes, days, and times!





PARA MÁS INFORMACIÓN CONTACTE A ELENA DOYLE A EDOYLE@STMARYFRED.ORG HABLA ESPAÑOL El Grupo de Oración Carismático Parroquial, "Confiados en Jesús y María" les invita a su streaming live por Facebook en su página @ confiadosenjesus.

Itinerario:

7pm Santo Rosario 7:30pm Animación 7:40pm Oración y Alabanza 8pm Tema de formación

parish life youth ministry





operations

given in love

Weekly Offertory

Donations Received April 21 - April 26

Sunday Offertory \$29,446.55 Easter Second Collection for Parish Development/Maintenance \$225.00 Parish Building Fund for Debt Reduction \$2,487.25

Good Friday Holy Land Shrines \$105.00

Poor Box St Vincent de Paul \$277.04

Thank you for your generosity.

Catholic Communication Campaign Collection

Communication Builds Community | Connect with Christ

Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign.
This campaign connects people with Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message! To learn more, visit usccb. org/ccc.

Nuestra colecta especial en la próxima semana apoya a la Campaña Católica de la Comunicación. Esta campaña conecta a las personas con Cristo y construye comunidades católicas en los Estados Unidos y en los países en desarrollo, utilizando la Internet, la televisión, la radio y los medios impresos. La mitad del dinero recaudado permanece aquí en la Diócesis para financiar los esfuerzos locales de comunicación. ¡Tu apoyo ayuda a difundir el mensaje del Evangelio! Para informarte más, visita **usccb.org/ccc**.

Pro-Life Reflection

"Gianna Beretta Molla was a simple, but more than ever, significant messenger of divine love. In a letter to her future husband a few days before their marriage, she wrote: 'Love is the most beautiful sentiment the Lord has put into the soul of men and women'. Following the example of Christ, who 'having loved his own... loved them to the end' (Jn 13: 1), this holy mother of a family remained heroically faithful to the commitment she made on the day of her marriage. The extreme sacrifice she sealed with her life testifies that only those who have the courage to give of themselves totally to God and to others are able to fulfill themselves. Through the example of Gianna Beretta Molla, may our age rediscover the pure, chaste and fruitful beauty of conjugal love, lived *as a response to the divine call!*" (From the canonization homily of Pope John Paul II) -- Saint Gianna Beretta Molla, a model for all mothers, gave her life to save the life of her unborn baby. She was beatified on April 24, 1994 and canonized on May 16, 2004. Saint Gianna Beretta Molla, pray for us.

The Most Important Person On earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. Šhe need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral — a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body..... The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other human creature. God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation ... What on God's earth is more glorious than this: to be a mother.

- Cardinal Joseph Mindszenty

Children's Offertory Envelopes for May

Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of May will be donated to the Children's and Teen's Programs of Empower House (formerly the Rappahannock Council on Domestic Violence). These programs provide ongoing support for children ages 5 to 12 affected by domestic violence and teens affected by dating violence and domestic violence.

Faith Direct

The Lord is risen! As Christ's disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of His Resurrection. Our parish's many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call. Our ministries require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception with electronic donations through Faith Direct. Signing up is easy! Visit **faithdirect.net** and use our parish code of VA635 or call 1-866-507-8757. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

St. Michael Enrollment

Saint Michael the Archangel
Catholic High School in
Fredericksburg, VA is now
accepting enrollment for
the 2021-2022 school year.
Applications are available at
saintmichaelhs.org admissions.
For further questions or to
schedule a tour or shadow
day visit, please contact our
registrar at tbruggeman@
saintmichaelhs.org or
540.548.8748. Fully accredited
and diocesan approved. We have
a seat ready for you!

liturgy

daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: 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, Mary Ellen Kearney, Kurt Gutzmann, Lois Michell, Frank Pollack, Charlotte Heagney, Joseph Daley, Carolyn Shebora, Jordan Tackett, Melvin Schreckinger, Rhonda Wolfe, Delia Flores, Bruce Berry, Glen Gress, Bobby Blankenship & family, Buddy & Vincent Yerkie & Family, Carolyn Allen, Mitchell Wood, Isaac, Nikolai & Bridget Sherba, Felicity Peletier, Leah Sanford, Jason Stoker, Makenna Anne Koetzle, Jack Ryan, Amy Peretta, Janet Fisher, Paul Scott, Wendy Vann, Michael Vann, Michelle Thomas, Jerry Hall, Zelda Meyer, Robert Boggio, Bianca Sanchez, Jackeline Sanchez & Family, Mary Hope Burkett, Dick Geary, Sean Duarte, 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, Jean Guinn, Sylvia Littlepaige, Andy Johnston, Jacoby Smith, Andrew Prybys, Richard Epp, Barbara Sisbarro, Maria Atkins. Santo Domingo Hernandez Gomez & family, Otilia Dogmoc, Samantha Stumpf, Lonnie Dalton, Gail Erickson, 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, Margaret Krebbel, Floyd Carver, Jr., Michael Sharkey, Jerry Werline, Patricia Johnston, Claire Matthews, Zachary Payne, Ernalina Kyle, Betty Curtis, Patrick Sherba, Sr., Dennis Farmer, Ernalina Kyle, Maria Wood, Margie Hougasian, Maria Wood, Robert Gibson, Mary Brussell, Bruce Mattern, Miles Wood, Roseanne Nash, Jeanne Burke, Prudy Tarpey, Danielle Mc'Carty, Scott Robey, Kellan Moran, Mary Bostain, Dilma Magalhaes Da Silva, Carol Mauro, Michael Robertson, Michol Durham, Maureen Mizzles, Michael Wood, Paul Remick, James Hogan, Brenda Skinner, Lourdes Jeane De Toledo Moura, Kristen Burns, Erin McMakin, Margaret Nault, Daniel Foster and the Foster Family, Teresa Triplett, Greg Carneal, Annie Duffy, Jimmy Duncan, Schauobe Johnson, Paul Lysher, Doug Johnson, Anne Graf, Linda Wolf, Sharon Bender, Patrick Sevbro, Rhett Loveless, Emma Bang, Rhoda Stackhouse, Karen Short, Amber Short, Adam Rousson, Marybeth Moss, Mary Jean Williams, Linda & Frank Walter, Kay Simmons, Randy Gardiner, Heather Issues, Kristy Fairbanks, Glen Sharlun, Rhoda Stackhouse, Robert Derouin, Thomas Moeller, Julianne Kelsey, Cesar Smith, Leo Conwell, Cloyd Anthony Arce, Matt and Brittnay Meyer, Pam Shapiro, Doug and Dede Meyer, Sara Meyer, Matt Busby, Zelda Meyer, Royal Schmidt Jr., Kelly Keiser, William J. Chavez, Emily Clemente, Tom Burke, Claire Dougherty, Shanon Berry, Mary Ulmer, Jeanie Conwell, Gary Rolla, Grace Sherry, William F. & Anna Mary Perez Dealderett, Faith Hinkle, Jack Grey, Jim Mann, Sue Silvers, William Callahan, Genevieve Callahan, Gilbert Flores, Julia Seale, Paul Hood, Kathy Kabat, Helen Guichard, Marc Wood, Jean Conwell, Mary Ann Seidlinger, Penny Russell, Kathleen Szyna, Helen Guichard, Peter Boland, Eugene Wingert, Joshua White, Mary Kazalski, Paula Snellings

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 Jobes, Michael Scott, Samuel Hoffman, Andrew Qualls, Matt Gioia, Jennifer Brothers, Jack Merker, Daniel Algert, Jason King, Lieutenant Ashton Briganti, 2nd Lieutenant Tazman Briganti, Davon Bare

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

Al / Nar Anon Support Available

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 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 Wayne at cushingwr@gmail.com / 540-840-5230 or Wanda at wandasj823@gmail.com / 540-538-6978

Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

May

10 MONDAY

6:30am All Those in Our Mother's Day 9:00am All Those in Our Mother's Day Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a

11 TUESDAY

6:30am All Those in Our Mother's Day 9:00am All Those in Our Mother's Day Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

12 WEDNESDAY

6:30am All Those in Our Mother's Day 8:15am* All Those in Our Mother's Day 9:00am All Those in Our Mother's Day Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15

13 THURSDAY

6:30am All Those in Our Mother's Day 9:00am All Those in Our Mother's Day Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20

14 FRIDAY

6:30am All Those in Our Mother's Day 9:00am All Those in Our Mother's Day Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17

15 SATURDAY

9:00am All Those in Our Mother's Day 5:00pm All Those in Our Mother's Day 7:00pm For Our Parish Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

16 SUNDAY

7:00am All Those in Our Mother's Day
8:30am All Those in Our Mother's Day
10:30am All Those in Our Mother's Day
10:30am* All Those in Our Mother's Day
12:30pm All Those in Our Mother's Day
2:30pm All Those in Our Mother's Day
5:00pm All Those in Our Mother's Day
7:00pm All Those in Our Mother's Day
Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mk 16:15-20

* Indicates Mass at Holy Cross Academy Please remember, Mass intentions may be requested at the parish office for any remaining Masses of the year. If a desired date is no longer available, 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.