

THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 21, 2021



Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church

1009 STAFFORD AVENUE - FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA

announcements

LIVE-STREAMING NEWS

The 8:30am Sunday and weekday Masses are the ONLY live-streamed Masses.

Live-streaming will ONLY take place on Sunday's at the 10:30 and 12:30 Masses if needed due to overflow in the PLC. If the PLC is empty, no live-streaming will occur. Folks are encouraged to join the celebration of Mass in the church. For those with health concerns, Mass is being offered Sunday's at 8:30am at Holy Cross Academy – Mask are mandatory and Holy Communion is offered on the hand ONLY.

Please note, once the 8:30am live-stream is complete, the Mass is available to view all day long.

USHERS NEEDED

AT ALL MASSES

With the lifting of the dispensation for
Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation by the Bishops,
we will be in need of additional assistance at
ALL MASSES

Sign up by following the link below
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contact us

stmaryfred.org

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, Monday, after 9am Mass
Divine Mercy, Wednesday, 3pm

CONFESSION

Wednesday 11:30am-12pm, 6:30 - 8:30pm;
Saturday, 8-8:30am & 3:30 - 4:30pm

PARISH OFFICE

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

Fr. John Mosimann, Pastor
Fr. Sean Koehr, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Michael Folmar, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Scott Sina, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Phillip Cozzi, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Alberto Bernaola
Deacon Dick Delio

Business Manager, Elaine Stanislawski
Director of Operations, Chris Lanzarone
Facilities, Late-Lawson Drackey
Custodial Services, Carmen Sanchez
Parish Secretary, Jachebel Rios

MUSIC

Director of Music, David Uschold
Asst. Director of Music, Malinda Jones

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

540-286-1600
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Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406-7234
Principal - Dr. Stephen Fry,
sfry@holycrossweb.com

HOLY CROSS PRESCHOOL

540-373-7553
Director, Sheri Castellarin

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Director, Aristides Lucas
Associate Director, Karen Sturtevant
Administrative Asst, Lori Barlow

YOUTH MINISTRY

Director, Tatiana Beltran

OUTREACH

Director, Elena Doyle

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 the parish six
months in advance to begin preparation.

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

Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception
1009 Stafford Avenue
Fredericksburg, VA 22401

from our pastor pax et bonum

Dear Folks,

Two big things coming here this week, Thanksgiving Day and next week begins the first week of Advent!

We will be having our one **Thanksgiving Day Mass at 10 am**. So sleep in, get the turkey in the oven, and come to Mass! We will have our customary food drive benefitting The Fredericksburg Food Bank and you can drop the food off outside the church as you come in. I am so proud that, as someone said to me recently, this parish "loves to give food!"

Candlelight Masses 7:00pm return for Advent / Feast of the Immaculate Conception / Feast of the Holy Family!

Last week I offered a candlelit Mass for last year's deceased of our parish. Several of the folks walking out said that it was the most beautiful Mass they had ever seen!

Given the emphasis in Advent on "the people in darkness have seen a great light," it is an appropriate time. Please check it out if you wish for a fresh and especially contemplative take on the Sacrifice of the Mass! These are the dates of the upcoming candlelight Masses:

7:00 pm Sunday November 28, (1st Sunday of Advent)

7:00 pm Sunday December 5, (2nd Sunday of Advent)

7:30 pm Wednesday December 8, (Feast of the Immaculate Conception)

7:00 pm December 12, (3rd Sunday of Advent)

7:00 pm December 19, (4th Sunday of Advent)

7:00 pm December 26, (Feast of the Holy Family)

pax et bonum,



Fr Mosimann

New Parishioner Welcome

Welcome to St. Mary's! If you are new to the parish (single or a new family) – we want to meet you!

Please sign-up for a time to come and meet Fr.

Mosimann and our Welcoming Committee on Sunday, December 5th 10:30-12pm. You can visit via Zoom or in-person in the Courtyard Meeting Room.

Sign-up to for a time slot by visiting

[signupgenius.com/go/](https://signupgenius.com/go/70a0b48a9af29aaf58-newparishioner)

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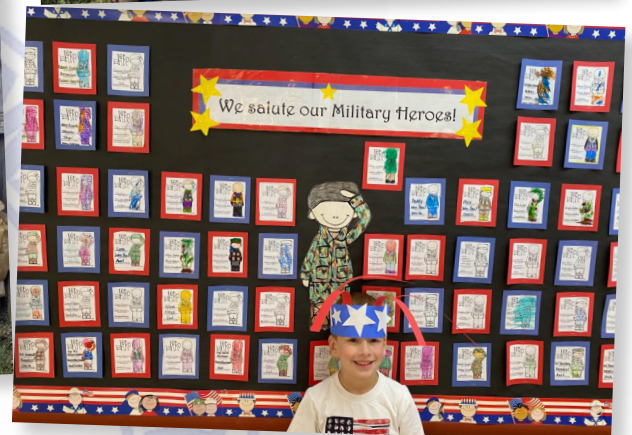


Autumn Activities

October was such a busy and fun month at HCA Preschool! Our classes took a field trip to Braehead Farm to learn about pumpkins, animals, and bees OH MY! We even got to take a hayride! In the classroom we learned about our Guardian Angels, Saints, and the changing of seasons. We also explored nocturnal animals, farms, and the pumpkin life cycle. Our month ended with us celebrating Halloween and the arrival of autumn with our families at our annual Fall Festival!

The first weeks of November see us celebrating our veterans, studying community helpers, exploring gratitude and the power of prayer intentions, and of course getting ready for Thanksgiving. We were also blessed with having Fr. Koehr teach our little ones about holy water. Each of our students went home with their own bottle to bless themselves with at home. Thank you Fr. Koehr!

We are so grateful to be back for another year on the St. Mary campus, and although enrollment is currently closed we will be opening a new three year old class in January 2022. This class will be for younger three year olds whose date of birth falls within the range July 2018 to December 2018 and will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:45-11:45. If you would like additional information about this class, please feel free to contact our director, Sheri Castellarin at preschool@holycrossweb.com or by phone at 540-373-7553. Come find out what makes HCA Preschool at St. Mary a wonderful place for your child to play, learn and grow!



education religious education

Religious Education Events

Monday to Wednesday, November 22 to 24

No Religious Education Classes, Thanksgiving Break

Monday to Wednesday, November 29 to December 1

Religious Education Classes

Advent Confession for Grades 3-8 RE students at St. Mary's

Thursday, December 2

Baptism Zoom Meeting at 7pm in English

Saturday, December 4

Baptism Zoom Meeting at 12 noon in Spanish

Monday to Wednesday, December 6 to 8

Religious Education Classes

Tuesday, December 7

Advent Confession for Grades 3-8 RE students at HCA

Monday, December 13

Third Meeting with parents and godparents of children to be baptized on January 8

Monday to Wednesday, December 13-15

Religious Education Classes,

Monday to Wednesday, December 20 to 22

No Religious Education Classes, Christmas Break.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Thanks to all the Religious Education families for your generous support of the annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. Your tremendous support helps our parish continue our annual tradition of supporting families during Thanksgiving.

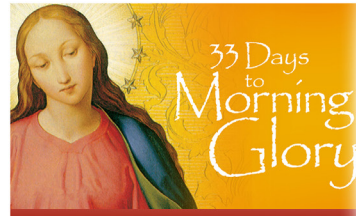
Thank you again for your support.

Please encourage your children to take their Children's Offertory Envelope to Sunday Mass. If they don't, remind them to bring their envelopes to class, so we can continue helping a different group of young people in our community each month.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

November 21, 2021



33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY

Ever considered consecrating yourself or your family to the Mother of God? Follow Fr. Michael Gaitley this Advent in order to draw nearer to Mary—the Mother of God—and her Son and to prepare yourself for a spiritual renewal.

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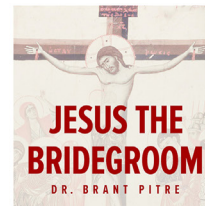
This week we celebrate Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Ring in this great feast by diving deeper into the mystery of Christ's greatest gift to His Church—the Holy Eucharist.



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LISTEN



JESUS THE BRIDEGROOM: THE GREATEST LOVE STORY EVER TOLD BY BRANT PITRE

Listen in as Dr. Brant Pitre examines what it really means to have a "personal relationship" with Jesus Christ as Lord, Savior, and Bridegroom.

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A Thanksgiving Prayer

For all your gifts of nature and of grace,
For health and strength,
For homes and family,
For true friends and wise teachers,
For all the blessings of this life and for
hope of a better life to come.

-Rachel Marie Stone, adapted from
Good Graces, based on a Church of
Scotland prayer

our parish happenings

Pray the Rosary with Your Parish

Join your parish family every morning to pray the Rosary, Monday through Friday immediately following the 6:30am Mass and Monday through Saturday at 8:15am before the 9am Mass. On Thursday mornings the Rosary is offered for all Priests.

The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christocentric prayer. In the sobriety of its elements, it has all the depth of the Gospel message in its entirety, of which it can be said to be a compendium. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary, her perennial Magnificat for the work of the redemptive Incarnation which began in her virginal womb. With the Rosary, the Christian people sits at the school of Mary and is led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and to experience the depths of his love. Through the Rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer. —From On the Most Holy Rosary (Rosarium Virginis Mariae).

Christmas Cookie Sale

The St. Mary CCW invites you to donate to and partake of a Christmas Cookie Sale after morning Masses (7:30am to noon) outside church on Sunday, December 5. Large assortments (in clear boxes, you see what you're getting) \$10, small assortments \$5. To donate homemade cookies, label them "cookie sale" and drop off Thursday, December 2 at parish office, 8:30am-9pm, or Friday, December 3 at Room 100, PLC (door on courtyard), 9:30am-4pm, or at the parish office 4-9pm. Your family will have a variety of delicious treats to welcome Advent, and all proceeds go to charity!

Have a Scrip kind of Christmas

Christmas is coming! Have you placed your Scrip order yet? Scrip is a great way to shop for all your holiday needs.

Start pre-ordering your cards now so you can be ready bright and early for the Holidays. We have many great retailers like Walmart, Target, Macy's, Kohl's, Lowes, Home Depot, Bass Pro Shops, and many more in inventory now. We can order other cards from over 750 retailers. There are no activation fees on Scrip gift cards. Check out the retailer list at **ShopwithScrip.com**. Scrip can help you budget your holiday shopping expenses and help HCA at the same time. Stop by the Scrip table today and find out how to use Scrip for all your shopping needs! Last day to order Scrip cards is 13 December to ensure Christmas delivery. The last weekend for Scrip sales after masses will be the 19/20 December. Shop early!

To set up an account at **shopwithscrip.com**, use our school code, so Holy Cross Academy gets credit for your purchase. If you have any questions about SCRIP or would like the school code, or to place an order, please email the Scrip Coordinator at **scripcoordinator@holycrossweb.com**. Thanks for using Scrip and supporting Holy Cross Academy.

Knights of Columbus Christmas Tree Sales Fundraiser

The Knights of Columbus St. Mary Council 4034 is kicking off our Christmas Tree sales fundraiser. Sales will be in the lot behind St. Mary and will start the Saturday after Thanksgiving - November 27 and continue through Thursday, December 23 or until we sell out.

These are Virginia grown (Mt. Rogers), freshly cut premium Fraser Firs with beautiful long-lasting soft needles and that great memorable evergreen smell.

The best selection and freshest trees of course are when the trees arrive. The trees will be sold on weekends from 8am-8pm and weekdays (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) from 3-8pm.

We also will be glad to work with anyone interested in volunteering to help with

fulfilling your individual or group's community service requirements.

Please help us support the church and the community through helping the Knights of Columbus with your live Christmas Tree purchase. Questions can be directed to Tim Fleming at **timgfleming@gmail.com**.

Las Mañanitas

Acompañenos El Domingo 12 De Diciembre A La Celebracion De Las Mañanitas, Dedicada A Nuestra Señora La Virgen De Guadalupe. Iniciaremos A Las Cuatro De La Mañana Hasta Las Seis De La Mañana. Los Esperamos.

HELP NEEDED at the Micah Cold Night Shelter

As the cold nights begin in the Fredericksburg Region, our homeless brothers & sisters are in need of emergency night shelter. St. Mary's has traditionally helped to run the cold night shelter every Tuesday, November-March. COVID restrictions are in place and sheltering our neighbors looks a bit different. St. Mary's is still assisting every Tuesday, but we are helping to check-in and greet those seeking shelter at the Micah Hospitality Center on Princess Anne Street. We need volunteers who are able to help 3-5pm on Tuesdays (can serve once a month on a team) and we are also seeking a volunteer who can drive the Micah van/bus, transporting the clients to a local motel.

If interested in serving, please email **edoyle@stmaryfred.org**. Thank you.

calling all children

visit saint nicholas



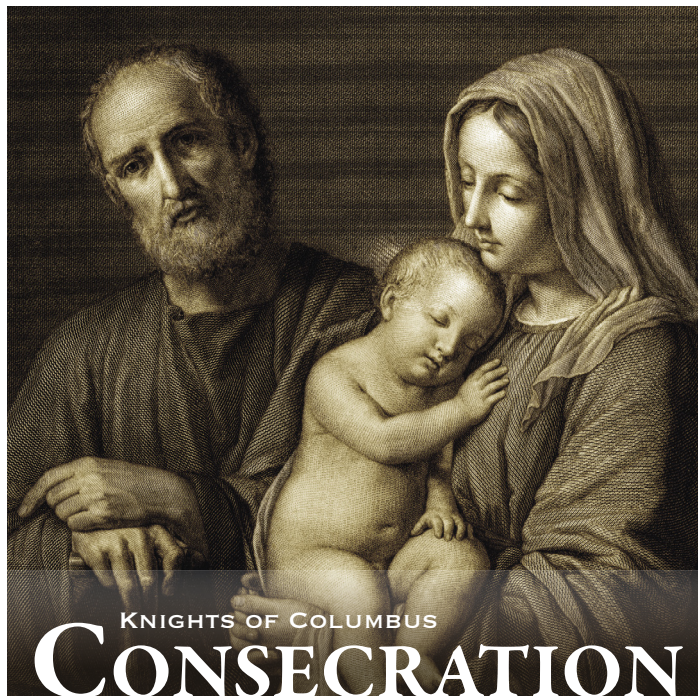
"The giver of every good and perfect gift has called upon us to mimic Gods giving, by grace, through faith, and this is not ourselves."

-St. Nicholas of Myra

Join us in celebrating the Feast of St. Nicholas on Saturday, December 4 after the 9am Mass-12 noon AND on Sunday, December 5 following the 8:30am, 10:30am & 12:30pm Masses. Come over to the Knights of Columbus Tree Lot (behind the church) and visit with St. Nick, have your photo taken, enjoy some hot chocolate and treats!

All children are kindly invited!

our parish get involved



TO THE HOLY FAMILY

Families today face many struggles, both through cultural pressure and through the personal struggles that accompany family life. Despite these struggles — and partly as a result of conquering them — families have great capacity for love and joy, a joy that is strengthened through the peace and truth found in Christ. To assist families in living out this joy of Christ, Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori has composed a prayer through which families may come together to consecrate themselves under the protection of the Holy Family. We invite every family of our parish to engage in the Consecration to the Holy Family on December 26th at 10:30am Mass at Holy Cross Academy

Four suggested steps before praying the Consecration to the Holy Family:

1. Discuss the importance of this consecration as a family and why you are doing it.
2. Each member of your family is strongly encouraged to receive the sacrament of reconciliation.
3. As a family, intentionally choose something to fast from. The fast can be for at least a week. As our physical bodies are drawn to things of the world, it is strongly encouraged that you fast from something that you would normally do or consume. Fasting Helps to discipline our minds and hearts to refrain from secular activities and be more focused on God.
4. Prepare for the commitment you are making. Consecration to the Holy Family is not a single event. You have chosen a way of life for your family. You and your family are consciously choosing to be a beacon of light of God's love through his Church.

The First Saturdays Devotion at ST. Mary's, I.C.

Come and join Deacon Alberto on December 1st or, 15th for a presentation on the Communal First Saturdays & Fatima Message

Time: 7pm

Place: Courtyard Room (Father Rooney Room)

Jesus & His Mother Made a Special Request for the First Saturdays

The First Saturdays Devotion, also known as the "Five First Saturdays" is a special request by Our Lord and Our Lady to make reparation for all the sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Our Lady promised personal salvation if we fulfill the five consecutive First Saturdays. However, we should continue to fulfill them every month to console the Hearts of Jesus and Mary and make reparation for the sins of others. The continued practice of the First Saturdays will help bring about a period of peace and the salvation of many souls as Our Lady promised (Fatima, July 13, 1917).



our parish happenings

Special Christmas Collection for Charity

December 4 & 5

In March of 2019 the city of Ahepe in Togo, West Africa suffered a violent storm which devastated their community. The parish church, Immaculate Conception of the Miraculous Medal of Ahepe lost its entire roof. Since that date, all Masses and church celebrations have taken place outside the church in the open air, under tents and trees, at the mercy of the weather. Our special Christmas collection will assist our brothers & sisters with the cost of replacing the roof of their church.

St. Mary's has been taking up a special Christmas collection for 25 years, and all donations received are distributed as a gift from our Parish to different charities. Thanks to your generosity, we have given almost \$300,000 to special charities over these past 25 years. We know you will be generous, as you have always been, and we thank you for sharing the joy of this holy season with those who are less fortunate.

Please make checks payable to "St. Mary" and include on the Memo Line: Togo Roof. Thank you!



Los Primeros Sábados en ST. Mary's, I.C.

Venga y únase al Diacono Alberto en Diciembre Iro. o, el 15 para una presentación de los Primeros Sábados Comunitarios y el Mensaje de Fátima.

Hora: 8pm

Lugar: Courtyard Room (Father Rooney Room)

Jesús y Su Madre han hecho un pedido especial por los Primeros Sábados. La Devoción del Primer Sábado, También conocida como: "Los Primeros Cinco Sábados, es un pedido especial de nuestro Señor y Nuestra Señora de hacer reparación por todos los pecados en contra del inmaculado Corazón de María. Nuestra Señora prometió salvación personal si cumplimos con los primeros cinco sábados, consecutivos, del mes. Sin embargo, debemos de continuar a cumplirlos de lleno, todos los meses, para, consolar los corazones de Jesús y María y hacer reparación por los pecados de otros. La continua practica de los primeros sábados traerá un período de paz y salvación a muchas almas, como, Nuestra Señora nos ha prometido (FATIMA, Julio 13, 1917).





St. Mary Youth Ministry

stmaryfred.org
540-373-6491

youthministry@
stmaryfred.org

Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th)

Starting Friday, September 17th, Middle School Youth Group meets the **1st & 3rd Friday** of the month from **6:30pm to 8pm** in the Parish Life Center.

CYM Dinner & High School Youth Group

Starting **Sunday**, September 12th, join us in the Parish Life Center for free dinner at **6pm** followed by Youth Group from **7pm-8:30pm**.

YOUCAT Nights

High School Teens are invited to join us for nights of Scripture, fellowship and prayer. We meet on **Wednesdays**, from **6:30pm-8pm** in the John Paul II House.

Fitness Club

Faith, Fun, and Fitness! Open to all Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers. We work on running, strength and agility training. All levels fitness welcome!

Contact Tatiana Beltran
tbeltran@stmaryfred.org

Fight Club

All high school young men are invited to join Fight Club. Meets on **Thursdays 5:30pm-6:30pm** in the John Paul II House. Fight Club is an accountability brotherhood committed to leading young men to the Church through purity of heart.

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St. Mary / HCA SCRIP Inventory

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Product		%
Amazon.com	\$25	2%
Amazon.com	\$100	2%
American Eagle Outfitters	\$25	10%
Applebee's	\$25	8%
Apple Store/Apple.com/iTunes	\$15	5%
Apple Store/Apple.com/iTunes	\$25	5%
Banana Republic/Gap/Old Navy	\$25	14%
Barnes & Noble	\$10	8%
Barnes & Noble	\$25	8%
Bass Pro Shop	\$25	10%
Bath & Body Works	\$10	12%
Bath & Body Works	\$25	12%
Bed Bath & Beyond	\$25	7%
Belk	\$25	8%
Bob Evans	\$10	10%
Bob Evans	\$25	10%
Bonefish/Outback/Carrabba's	\$25	8%
Bravo Cucina Italiana	\$25	12%
Buffalo Wild Wings	\$10	8%
Buffalo Wild Wings	\$25	8%
Burger King	\$10	4%
Carrabba's/Bonefish/Outback	\$25	8%
Cascading Card File	\$3	25%
Cinnabon	\$25	6%
Chipotle Mexican Grill	\$10	10%
Chipotle Mexican Grill	\$25	10%
Cracker Barrel	\$10	8%
Cracker Barrel	\$25	8%
CVS	\$25	6%
CVS	\$100	6%
Darden®/Bahama Breeze/ Cheddar's/ Longhorn Steakhouse/ Olive Garden/ Seasons/Yard House	\$25	8%
Domino's	\$10	8%

Dunkin' Donuts	\$10	3%
Dunkin' Donuts	\$25	3%
GameStop	\$25	3%
Gap/Banana Republic/Old Navy	\$25	14%
Giant Food Stores	\$25	4%
Giant Food Stores	\$100	4%
Great Clips	\$25	8%
Hallmark	\$25	4%
Hardee's	\$10	5%
Home Depot	\$25	4%
Home Depot	\$100	4%
HomeGoods/Marshalls/TJ Maxx	\$25	7%
IHOP	\$25	8%
Apple Store/Apple.com/iTunes	\$15	5%
Apple Store/Apple.com/iTunes	\$25	5%
JC Penny's	\$25	5%
Jiffy Lube	\$30	8%
Jo-Ann Fabric and Craft Stores	\$25	6%
Kohl's	\$25	4%
Kohl's	\$100	4%
Krispy Kreme	\$10	8%
L. L. Bean	\$25	16%
Lowe's	\$25	4%
Lowe's	\$100	4%
Macy's	\$25	10%
Macy's	\$100	10%
Marshalls/TJ Maxx/HomeGoods	\$25	7%
Michaels	\$25	4%
Noodles & Co	\$10	8%
Old Navy/Gap/Banana Republic	\$25	14%
Olive Garden/Bahama Breeze/ Cheddar's/Longhorn Steakhouse/ Seasons/Yard House (Darden®)	\$25	8%

Outback/Bonefish/Carrabba's	\$25	8%
Panera Bread	\$10	8%
Panera Bread	\$25	8%
PetSmart	\$25	5%
Potbelly Sandwich Shop	\$10	8%
Red Lobster	\$25	8%
Red Robin	\$25	8%
Regal Premiere Single Ticket	\$10.50	10%
Regal Entertainment Group	\$25	8%
Regis Saloon	\$25	8%
Rite Aid	\$25	4%
Royal Farms	\$25	4%
Ruby Tuesday	\$25	8%
Sheetz	\$25	3%
Sheetz	\$100	3%
Starbucks	\$5	4.5%
Starbucks	\$10	4.5%
Starbucks	\$25	4.5%
Sonic	\$25	8%
SUBWAY Restaurants	\$10	6%
The Children's Place	\$25	12%
TJ Maxx/Marshalls/HomeGoods	\$25	7%
Taco Bell	\$10	5%
Tanger Outlet	\$25	8%
Target	\$25	2.5%
Target	\$100	2.5%
Visa	\$50	1.25%
Visa	\$100	1.25%
Walgreens	\$100	5%
Walmart	\$25	2.5%
Walmart	\$100	2.5%
Wawa	\$25	1%
Wawa	\$100	1%
Weis	\$25	5%
Weis	\$100	5%
Wendy's	\$10	6.5%

operations given in love

Weekly Offertory

Donations Received
November 3 - November 8

Sunday Offertory	\$30,346.51
Parish Debt Reduction	\$7,435.00
All Saints Day	\$582.00
All Souls Novena	\$742.00

Faith Direct Donations 11/4/21

Sunday Offertory	\$80,878.00
All Saints Day	\$2,848.00
Parish Debt Reduction	\$8,120.00
Catholic Campaign Human Development	\$2,018.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$4,578.00

Due to early Bulletin deadlines for the Thanksgiving Holiday and Parish Office Holiday hours, the next Financial Report will be published in the December 12th Bulletin.

Thank you for your generosity.

Pro-Life Reflection

Jesus is Lord, not only of individuals, but of nations and the entire universe. All history finds its fulfillment in Him. The Dominion of Christ over all creation is shown in the fact that He has conquered death. That is why His followers are pro-life. They bear witness to His Kingdom and look forward to His Second Coming. Lord Jesus, continue to extend Your victory over death throughout the work of Your disciples.

Special Christmas Collection for Charity December 4 & 5

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Children's Offertory Envelopes for November

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

The Summit Academy



Get HANDS-ON at a SHADOW DAY!!

High School Shadow Days

December 1st and 8th
January 12th and 19th

Middle School Shadow Days

December 2nd
January 13th

Call (540) 684-3989 or email info@thesummitva.org

liturgy daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List - November

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially:

Jason Stoker, Paul A. Lombardy, Agnes Lombardy, Courtney Kirby, Jorge Felix, Shirley Bozicevic, Mary Ullmer, Nancy Conley, Joy Zerby, Mary Farrell Bennett, Thomas Moeller, Carol Smoller, Jim Mann, Cheryl Keiser, Joy & Dave Zerby, William Lewis, Shirley Bozicevic, Joanne O'Brien, Paul Lysher, Eileen Geary

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, 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, Daniel Algert, Jason King, Lieutenant Ashton Briganti, 2nd Lieutenant Tazman Briganti, Davon Bare, John Fartro, Michael Fedowitz Jr., Eric Menser, Sean Penczak, Will Atkins

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

St. Mary Prayer List

As a reminder, we will update our prayer list in the bulletin as a monthly listing. If you would like to include a person on the prayer list, please email stmary@stmaryfred.org or call the office at 540-373-6491.

Your intention will be included for the month. If you would like your intention to remain, please reach back out and we will happily include it for an additional month.

Thank you.

AI / Nar Anon Support Available

AI 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 AI 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

November

22 MONDAY

6:30am Louis and Carolyn Farrell
9:00am James Seidlinger+
Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4

23 TUESDAY

6:30am Damaris Judith Mela Gonzalez
9:00am Charles White+
Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11

24 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Linda Prohaska
9:00am Jose Ferdinand Lemus+
Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19

25 THURSDAY

10:00am In Thanksgiving to God
for All of Our Blessings
Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28

26 FRIDAY

6:30am Javier Flores
9:00am Sheila and William Lindsey
Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33

27 SATURDAY

9:00am Barbara Walor+
5:00pm William Marlow+
7:00pm Sean Roland+
Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36

28 SUNDAY

7:00am Gloria Sparks+
8:30am Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Palmento+
10:30am Maryann Holzworth
10:30am* Theodora Woods+
12:30pm Our Military Living and Deceased
2:30pm Steven Flores
5:00pm Miguel and Bethsaida Correa
7:00pm For Our Parish
Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-36

** 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.*