

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 23, 2022



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.

New Parishioner Welcome Sunday, February 20 10:30am-12pm

Welcome to St. Mary's! Fr. Mosimann and a few members of our Welcoming Committee are looking forward to spending some time with you, to get to know you a bit and see how you (and your family) might be interested in sharing your gifts and talents with your new parish family.

Please sign-up for a time slot (in-person OR via ZOOM) for yourself and/or family to spend time with our Welcome Committee Team and with your new pastor.

www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B48A9AF29AAF58-newparishioner1

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
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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

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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
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from our pastor

pax et bonum

Dear Folks,

Ahhhh... football playoffs are upon us. More than once this has led me to yell at the TV, "Are you blind ref?*@!?" Have you ever screamed this from the upper deck or this in a stadium or at home? The problem is that this usually amounts to a complaint that my team did not get favored treatment and we are not getting our way! We all have seen calls completely blown in sports, but I don't think I have ever yelled at the TV when the blown call went in favor of MY team!

Temporary blindness can also be tragic with more serious consequences than a sporting event. A blind spot while driving can lead to a serious accident. Not seeing one key fact may change the entire meaning of events, or relationships that we hold most dear.

Or politics? The proliferation of information sources means that we are even less in agreement about what is real news and what is fake news. This week our governor announced a rollback of mask mandates for Virginia. As this goes to press, we are awaiting direction from the Bishop to see how this will affect policies in our school, religious education and parish. Listen for announcements at Masses this weekend. No matter how the decisions fall, and thank you for your patience and understanding. If we always took more time to understand the opinion of our neighbors, instead of rushing to condemn, the world would be a better place.

But blindness is most serious when it is willed; when we refuse to see the most serious matter for our eternal lives: sin. Sin is often described as darkness in the soul, so it makes sense that it would blind us. How can we see in the dark? We need light to see clearly. Paul says to the Ephesians: "Brothers and Sisters: You were once in darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light..." This is much of the work of Lent, opening our eyes to the true light that illuminates the path to Heaven. Not only does Christ enable us to see, but then we in turn become the light to the world living in darkness.

I know that my guardian angel is much more patient when I fail to see my own sin. I don't imagine him yelling at me, "Father, are you blind?" Instead he kindly intercedes for me, and obtains graces to open my eyes!

And Jesus, help the Washington Football team please. We are a mess.

Pax et Bonum (peace and all goodness),



Fr Mosimann



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- Teacher Aide Substitute
- Teacher Substitute

For more information, please visit: arlingtondiocese.org/catholic-schools/careers/faculty-and-staff-openings-in-catholic-schools/

Please email Mrs. Angie Tomayko, atomayko@holycrossweb.com with your cover letter and resume if interested.

education religious education

Religious Education Events

Monday to Wednesday, January 24 to 26

Religious Education Classes | Semester 2 Begins

Thursday, January 27

First Penance & First Communion meeting at 7pm in church

Monday to Wednesday January 31 to February 2

Religious Education Classes

Thursday, February 03

Confirmation Year 2 Formation Night at HCA 7-8pm

Monday to Wednesday, February 7 to 9

Religious Education Classes

Monday to Wednesday, February 14 to 16

Religious Education Classes

Monday to Wednesday, February 21 to 23

No Religious Education Classes

Wednesday, February 23

5th Catechist Training 6-9pm

Sacraments of Christian Initiation: Baptism

“The origin and foundation of Christian Baptism is Jesus. Before starting his public ministry, Jesus submitted himself to the baptism given by John the Baptist. The waters did not purify him; he cleansed the waters. . . . Jesus did not need to be baptized because he was totally faithful to the will of his Father and free from sin. However, he wanted to show his solidarity with human beings in order to reconcile them to the Father. By commanding his disciples to baptize all nations, he established the means by which people would die to sin – Original and actual – and begin to live a new life with God.



In Baptism, the Holy Spirit moves us to answer Christ's call to holiness. In Baptism, we are asked to walk by the light of Christ and to trust in his wisdom. We are invited to submit our hearts to Christ with ever deeper love.”

-from the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults

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PICK OF THE WEEK

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WATCH

THE BIBLE COLLECTION - PAUL THE APOSTLE

The story of Paul's life acts as an incredible witness to God's mercy and love as he went from persecuting the Church to proclaiming it to all the nations! This film brilliantly captures portrays this great missionary saint!



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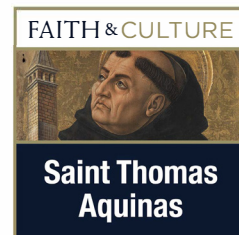
Outside of Jesus, the greatest teacher of the faith was Paul the Apostle. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Barber as they discuss the great theologian known as the Apostle.

LEARN

LISTEN

SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS WITH RANDALL SMITH

The Angelic Doctor is often associated with his Summa Theologica among his other great works. Join Drs Christopher Blum and Randall B. Smith as they explore some of the lesser known works of St. Thomas Aquinas.



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our parish happenings

Men's Cursillo Weekend

The Men's Cursillo weekend for the Arlington Diocese will take place March 24-27, 2022 at San Damiano Retreat House, White Post VA. This is a fun, fast moving retreat designed to center oneself, grow in grace, and connect with other Catholic Men in small groups with discussions. There will be 2 Spiritual Directors and 10 lay speakers. There will be time for Reconciliation, Mass, reflection and learning from others. Please contact: Tammie Chute at tammiechute@hotmail.com or go online to: arlingtoncursillo.org and click on the top right hand choice of Cursillo Weekends.

As an added note....TMIY, we would love to have any of you participate for another angle on living your faith. Knights of Columbus, this is an opportunity to gather with other Catholic Men who walk the faith journey. All men are welcome!

Pray the Rosary with Our 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.



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

FEBRUARY 12-13

HELP STOCK **CATHOLIC CHARITIES'**
ST. LUCY PROJECT PANTRY AND SCORE
A **TOUCHDOWN** FOR THE **HUNGRY IN**
OUR COMMUNITY BY BRINGING **CANS OF**
HEARTY SOUP OR RAVIOLI TO MASS

TMIY

THAT MAN IS YOU!

ALL MEN ARE WELCOME!

BEGINS JANUARY 29th

Saturday Mornings at 6:00am

Hot breakfast followed by a presentation and small group discussion

Contact Peter (paquettepeter@yahoo.com) or Stephen 714-305-7553 to learn more

our parish happenings

Welcome to Communal First Saturdays Devotion at St. Mary's

8pm, Saturday, February 5

We'll pray the Fatima Prayers, with the Rosary immediately, then followed by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 9am Then we'll keep company to the Blessed Mother for 15 minutes after the Mass, while meditating in one of the mysteries of the Rosary.



St. Mary Marriage Ministry

Providing support for married and engaged couples to clearly understand, strengthen and nurture the beauty of their sacramental marriage and create community here at St. Mary!

The Choice Wine Program to

NEW LAUNCH DATE: February 19

We will gather the 3rd Saturday of every month at

St. Mary's Parish Life Center

6:30pm for Wine & Cheese (refreshments/social)

7:00-8:30pm Program

Register by emailing

Elena Doyle edoyle@stmaryfred.org

Monthly Meetings

February 19

March 19

May 21

June 18

July 16

August 20

September 17

October 15

operations given in love

Weekly Offertory

Donations Received

January 11 to January 18

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| Sunday Offertory | \$23,752.00 |
| Christmas Offertory | \$150.00 |
| Solemnity of Mary | \$230.00 |
| Parish Debt Reduction Fund | \$1,964.17 |
| Arlington Catholic Herald | \$229.00 |
| First Offering for Envelopes | \$300.00 |
| St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box | \$1,826.00 |

Thank you for your generosity.

First Offering Contributions to Help Offset Cost of Collection Envelopes

Each year in January the envelope packet always includes an envelope marked "First Offering" with a suggested donation of \$15.00. This is not a regular collection, but merely a request for a free-will offering to help offset the cost of the printing and bimonthly mailing of collection envelopes to more than 5,000 parish families. From July 2020 to June 2021, the parish's cost for the offering envelopes was \$20,965.19. First Offering donations received for the same period totaled \$4,274.03. Your generosity and support in helping to offset the cost of the envelopes is greatly appreciated.

Pro-Life Reflection

Dr. Alveda King, niece of Martin Luther King, Jr., while marching at the annual March for Life was asked, "Does this remind you of the civil rights movement and the marches with your uncle?" Her response was, "This is the civil rights movement." The message of Martin Luther King was not just about the equality of our black brothers and sisters; it was about

the equality of all our brothers and sisters. Civil rights begin with the right to life. Defend Your people, O God, and protect the rights You have given to them all. (Pro-life Reflections for Every Day)

Children's Offertory Envelopes for January

Camp Rainbow is held every Spring for children who are coping with the loss of a loved one. Camp Rainbow provides a path for child campers along their journey through grief and toward healing. Little Buddies (child participants) are paired with trained Big Buddies (adult volunteers) to explore their feelings through age-appropriate crafts, activities, discussions and one-on-one time. Expressive therapies such as art, music and dance are used to assist children with their grief and are balanced with traditional camp activities, like arts and crafts, kayaking, and singing by the fire. For more information, go to marywashingtonhealthcare.com.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue

Have the Blessed Mother to visit your home? Contact Mary Lou Felts, 571-723-3333 or maryloufelts@gmail.com.

Faith Direct

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 and use our church code: VA635. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

Thank You From Togo

Thank you once again to the pastors who were generous enough to invite me to preach and take a collection for the Togo mission in their parishes during my recent "begging tour" visit to the United States.

I think, often enough, collections are taken up and soon forgotten about, but I wanted you to know that your parishioners' generosity has had a real, practical effect here. We were able to pay a good, reliable well-drilling company to come up from Lome, the capital, and successfully drill four more wells for villagers who really need clean water.

Below is a photo of the drilling equipment at work. Thank you again for your support and may God continue to bless you in your own efforts to provide "living water" for your people.

- William Ryan



liturgy daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List - January

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

Carol Dalton, John Bandy, Judy Hinish, Dorie Lee, Mary Ann Seidlinger, Jim Mann, Courtney Kirby, Lloyd and Mary Johnson, Mark and Susan Mosher, Chris Breth, Michael Vasquez, Shirley Bozicevic, Chris Breth, Joanne O'Brien, Florence Desroches

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.

Are You Affected By A Loved Ones' Addiction to Drugs?

If you are, please be aware that there is a program at St Mary that offers support to family members and friends of loved ones struggling with this problem. The program is called Nar-Anon.

One of the best benefits of Nar-Anon is that you will find compassion and support from others who are experiencing similar problems and struggles as well as people who have made it through these struggles. You will have the opportunity to hear stories from other members who have addicts in their families as well and see what coping mechanisms worked for them.

All information and discussion at the meetings are non-judgmental, informative, and strictly confidential. The meetings are in Room 100 in the Parish Life Center on Thursday from 7-8 pm and are open to the community at large. For more information, contact Wayne at cushingwr@gmail.com/540-840-5230 or Wanda at wandasj823@gmail.com/540-538-6978.

Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

January

24 MONDAY

6:30am Conor Jerome Gardner+
9:00am Paul Lysner
2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30

25 TUESDAY

6:30am Philip Antonio Jenkins
9:00am Ruth Stellino+
Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18

26 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Blanca Maribel Pineda
8:15am* Leanne Gold
9:00am Lee Fleming+
12:00pm Marian Wilinski+
2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5 (520)/Mk 4:1-20

27 THURSDAY

6:30am Lauriano Gonzalez+
9:00am John Holback
2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Mk 4:21-25

28 FRIDAY

6:30am Lawrence Ptaschek+
9:00am Christopher Lanzacone
2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mk 4:26-34

29 SATURDAY

9:00am Armando Castillo
5:00pm Ed and Joel Barnardo
7:00pm Manuel Pacheco+
2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41

30 SUNDAY

7:00am Kenneth Penczak
8:30am Ruth Stellino+
10:30am For Our Parish
10:30am* Mary Lou Halovich+
12:30pm Our Military Living and Deceased
2:30pm Lorenzo Vidal
5:00pm Raymond and Suzanne Poulox
7:00pm Manuel Pacheco+
2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20

** 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.*