THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 2, 2023 Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church
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capital campaign

Growing Our Legacy of Faith

ALL ST. MARY PARISH FAMILIES ARE INVITED "GROWING OUR LEGACY OF FAITH" CAPITAL CAMPAIGN





SUMMER SUNDAE SESSIONS

Come & Learn About All the Wonderful Plans for St. Mary & Holy Cross Academy! Join Fr. Mosimann & the Capital Campaign Team ~ Listen, Ask Questions & Discern ~

June 7 | 7pm PLC

June 15 | 7pm PLC

June 23 | 7pm PLC

July 9 | 12pm Subs Provided at HCA

July 25 | 7pm PLC ~ En Español

August 7 | 7pm PLC

Children Invited & Childcare Provided

Scan to RSVP



Or call the office 540-373-6491

from our pastor

Dear Folks,

This weekend we welcome Fr. Kevin Dansereau who comes to us from his most recent assignment, the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington. Additionally, we welcome Fr. Tim Courtney who is the new rectory rookie! All those graces of ordination fresh on his soul!! The priests are looking forward to working with both of them in serving you!

I always ask incoming priests how they prefer to be addressed: Father first or last name. They expressed a preference for Father Dansereau and Father Tim. I believe it is important to respect the preference of each priest on this, and thus they will be!

Thanks for your loving and gracious farewells to Fr. Sina and Fr. Koehr! They will be greatly missed by the priests and parishioners alike. However, the Lord's perfect plan guides all of our comings and goings.

On News Eve 2008, a priest passed away unexpectedly in an accident. His last words written in his parish bulletin are great words of wisdom for priests and parishioners both in times of change expected or unexpected:

"For 'who has known the mind of the Lord, so as to counsel him?" 1 Corinthians 2: 16

The facts are these - nothing is happening that God has not already seen from all eternity. Also, He has seen all of our parts in His plan from all eternity.

What Our Lord desires of us is not a spirit of despair or a spirit of mindless presumption, but a spirit of prayerful trust. Since most of our present concerns are tied, directly or indirectly to money, pull out that penny again and see the most important words that we can read for the coming year:

IN GOD WE TRUST

pax et bonum,

Fr. Mosimann

Father Kevin Dansereau

"The humility to surrender to God's will changed my focus in life from doing what I want (my will) to focusing on what God is calling me to do (God's will). In His will is our peace. That ... has led to great joy and gratitude to see what God wants to do through me."

#vocationsawarenessweek



Father Timothy Courtney

Why do you want to be a priest?
I want to conform my will to the
Lord's and to do His work in the
way He asks of me; by bringing
His people to Him through the
sacraments.

What is your favorite quote?
"I would have people in time of silence take good heed that their minds be occupied with good thoughts, for unoccupied they will never be." -- St. Thomas More

announcements

The Parish Office Will Be Closed On Monday, July 3rd & Tuesday, July 4th, For The Holiday

No Coffee Shop July 2nd

No Scrip Sales During July

contact us

SUNDAY MASS

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

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday 6:30am, 9am, & 12pm Saturday 9am 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 First Friday 7pm Norvus Ordo (Latin Mass) First Saturday 8:00am – Fatima Prayers & Rosary followed by 9am Mass

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. Phillip Cozzi, Parochial Vicar Fr. Robert Renner, Parochial Vicar Fr. Tim Courtney, Parochial Vicar Fr. Kevin Dansereau, 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, Giovanni Camacho

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MUSIC

Director of Music, David Uschold Assistant to the Music Ministry, Malinda Jones

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

540-286-1600 250 Stafford Lakes Parkway 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, Mary Buer Administrative Asst, Lori Barlow

YOUTH MINISTRY

Director, Tatiana Beltran Assistant Youth Minister, Catie Espiritu

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

holy cross academy

End of School Year Kindergarten Promotion Ceremony

Our youngest crusaders on the Holy Cross Academy campus participated in a promotion program for their families followed by a reception. Next year they will be sporting the HCA plaid with our older students.

First Grade Field Trip

HCA first graders had a beautiful day at the Smithsonian National Zoo in Washington, DC. They enjoyed the day visiting the zoo animals from "A" (Abyssinian Ground Hornbill) to "Z" (Yellow-Spotted Amazon River Turtle). The Prairie Dog display is always a crowd favorite. If it has been awhile since you have visited the National Zoo, the first grade class highly recommends the trip.

2023-2024 Applications/Tours

If you have considered making an academic change for your student, it's not too late. We still have room in some of the grades. Please contact Mrs. Lanier by email (**dlanier@holycrossweb.com**) or call the school office (540-286-1600).

If you are interested in HCA Preschool at St. Mary, please contact Mrs. Sheri Castellarin at **HCAPreschool@holycrossweb.com** or call 540-373-7553.

Open Positions at Holy Cross Academy

Interested in joining our team? Holy Cross Academy Preschool has openings for Part-time Lead Teachers/ Aides for the 2023-24 school year. Interested candidates should contact Sheri Castellarin at 540-373-7553 or preschool@holycrossweb.com.









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holy cross academy



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OFFICE OF SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAMS

MEDIA RELEASE 2023-2024 POLICY FOR PROVIDING FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS

Date: July 1 2023 | Holy Cross Academy

Today, announced its policy for providing free or reduced-price meals for children served under the National School Lunch, and/or School Breakfast Programs. Each school and/or central school nutrition office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

Household size and income will be used to determine eligibility for free or reduced-price meal benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines, shown in the chart below, may be eligible for either free or reduced-price meals. Children who are members of households receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits (formerly the Food Stamp Program) or who receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) may be automatically eligible for free meals. Children who are homeless, migrant, or runaway may also be automatically eligible for free meals. Foster children, who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court, are eligible for free meals regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Children who are members of households participating in WIC may also be eligible for free or reduced-price meals based on the household's income.

Household Size	Maximum Household Income For Free Meals	Household Income For Reduced Price Meals		
1	\$18,954	\$18,954.01 - \$26,973		
2	\$25,636	\$25,636.01 - \$36,482		
3	\$32,318	\$32,318.01 - \$45,991		
4	\$39,000	\$39,000.01 - \$55,500		
5	\$45,682	\$45,682.01 - \$65,009		
6	\$52,364	\$52,364.01 - \$74,518		
7	\$59,046	\$59,046.01 - \$84,027		
8	\$65,728	\$65,728.01 - \$93,536		
For Each Additional Family Member - ADD	\$6,682	\$9,509		

holy cross academy

Under the provisions of the free and reduced price meal policy,

Mary Beall <u>Hcakitchen@holycrossweb.com</u> will review applications and determine eligibility. An application for free or reduced-price meals cannot be approved unless it is complete. Households dissatisfied with the ruling of the eligibility determining official may wish to discuss the decision with the official on an informal basis. Households wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either verbally or in writing to:

Stephen Fry

Households may apply for free or reduced-price meals at any time during the school year. If a household is not eligible now but has a change, such as a decrease in household income, an increase in household size, becomes unemployed or qualifies for SNAP or TANF, the household should contact the school for an application. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines.

Households that receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits (formerly the Food Stamp Program) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) may not have to complete an application for free or reduced-price student meals. School officials will determine eligibility for free meals based on documentation, obtained directly from the Virginia Department of Social Services, that a child is a member of a household currently receiving SNAP or TANF. School officials will notify these households in writing of their eligibility. Households who are notified of their eligibility, but who do not want their children to receive free meals, must contact the school. SNAP and TANF households must complete an application if they are not notified in writing of their automatic eligibility within the first 10 days of the new school year.

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-1-2-8-17Fax2Mail.pdf, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

mail:

U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
email: program.intake@usda.gov

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religious education

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES IS OPEN!

Please visit the parish office TODAY to register your children!

Raising a Catholic Family through Prayer

"By occasionally praying aloud in your own words, you can teach your child that God is always present and that we can pray whenever we wish or wherever we are. When beginning an activity together, such as a school project, include God by asking His help to do a good job or to help others." "Catholic Prayer for Catholic Families" page 9

SPRED First Holy Communion and Confirmation Mass

On Saturday, June 24 at 12:00 noon at a SPRED Mass 4 children made their First Holy Communion and 3 received the Sacrament of Confirmation. It was inspiring to experience the tremendous love and support they got from the parish and their families.

Religious Education Registrations as June 23

RE Children in Grades K-8	K	Gr1	Gr 2	Gr 3	Gr 4	Gr 5	Gr 6	Gr 7	Gr 8	Totals
Monday 4:45	0	2	13	4	1	2	2	2	8	34
Monday 6:30**	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	32
Tuesday 4:45	0	2	6	2	2	1	0	0	3	16
Tuesday 6:00	3	4	9	6	3	3	8	3	4	43
Tuesday 6:30	0	2	8	1	0	1	2	6	6	26
Wednesday 4:45	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	3
Wednesday 6:30	0	0	6	3	5	3	4	10	10	41
Home Taught	0	2	1	0	1	2	1	0	2	41
Totals	3	14	46	16	13	12	17	21	34	204
Last Year's Registrations	9	118	97	38	45	48	60	126	119	820
**Children catching up on Sacraments	Confirmation			Reconciliation & Holy Eucharist				у	Totals	
Year One	4				8				12	
Year Two	9				7				16	
Last Year's Registrations	75				85				160	

SIGN UP FOR FREE AT FORMED.ORG/SIGNUP
CLICK REGISTER THEN ENTER PARISH CODE: F6F228

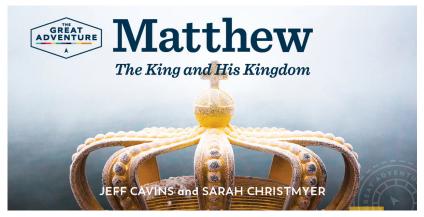








adult education



The book of **Matthew** brings the history of Christ to life. We see Jesus as the awaited Messiah who fulfills the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament, establishes the New Law, and inaugurates the kingdom of heaven. Matthew: The King and His Kingdom, a twenty-four-part Bible study, explores how Jesus is challenging and empowering us to a new level of holiness and shows how we must be thoroughly immersed in the kingdom of heaven on earth, the Church, to live it.

St. Mary's will begin *Matthew: The King and His Kingdom* on *Monday, September 11 at 12:45 pm* in the Courtyard meeting room. Participants will meet to view an engaging video presentation followed by group discussion. Cost for materials is between \$35-\$40. Class size is limited to 25 people. Visit the Parish Office to sign up and pay for materials. Materials will be distributed at the first class. Facilitator: Bryan R.

The Acts of the Apostles is the story of how a few Christians empowered by the Holy Spirit were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the earth. Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom is a Bible study that traces how the gospel witness spread outward in waves from Jerusalem and reveals how the seeds of Church structure and authority took root. It shows how the joys and struggles of the early Christians in living the life of Christ apply to us today.



St, Mary's will begin a twenty-week Bible study Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom on Wednesday, September 13 or Thursday, September 14 at 9:45 am in the Courtyard meeting room. Participants will meet to view an engaging video presentation followed by group discussion. Cost for materials is between \$30-\$40. Each class size is limited to 25 people. Visit the Parish Office to sign up and pay for materials. Materials will be distributed at the first class.

Facilitator: Suzette Y.

Continue reading the bulletin for other upcoming adult education opportunities.

farewell fr koehr

A Word of Gratitude from Fr. Sean Koehr

I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the people of St. Mary's who kindly sent messages, gifts, wished me well and offered to pray for me. I can't possibly thank you enough for your goodness to me.

Prayers of thanksgiving for all of you. I have arrived at my retreat and will be remembering you all in prayer.

May God bless you all.



















our parish happenings

In Thanksgiving for the Gift of our Priests

Women: Join the Seven Sisters ~ Offer an hour of prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament for the needs one of our priests. This commitment is for one day of the week (of your choosing) for one year, time of day flexible. For more information or to sign up for contact Kara Horne by email, text, or phone at karahorne@gmail.com or 202-255-3178.

Men: Join the Fasting Brothers ~ Commit to a fast of your choosing, one day a week for a year for the needs and intentions of our priests. Brothers, Contact Michael Horne at **stmarysfastingbrothers@gmail.com**

Men, are you looking to energize your spiritual journey this summer?

COME JOIN US AT THE

"That Man is You" Regional Men's Conference 2023

ALL MEN WELCOME! ATTENDING A TMIY
PROGRAM IS NOT A REQUIREMENT! GUEST
SPEAKERS. FOOD PROVIDED. NO COST.

Saturday July 15 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM

St. Timothy Catholic Church, 13807 Poplar Tree Rd, Chantilly, VA 20151

FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO REGISTER SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT THE LINK BELOW



TMIYRegionalConv.eventbrite.com



View the TMIY Mission night to see what TMIY is about

vimeo.com/819618082/057d7988ce

QUESTIONS?

TMIYREGIONALCONV1@GMAIL.COM

Over 40 Singles

Mission: to develop and coordinate activities for single, widowed, or divorced Catholics over 40 years of age. To foster spiritual growth, friendships and service to St. Mary Parish and our community.

Time: meeting once a month to plan dates for events and get-to-togethers as a group.

For more information contact Eileen Walts with any questions **emw5348@ gmail.com**.

St. Mary Outreach

We are in need of a vehicle for a parish family that can seat at least 6.

If you have a mini van or SUV that you no longer need, consider donating it to St. Mary's.

We can provide you with a tax receipt.

Thank you. Please reach out to Elena Doyle edoyle@stmaryfred.org.



CCW Yard Sale - July 15

Our big Yard Sale will be at the Parish Life Center Saturday, July 15, from 8am-2pm. Come shop the treasure trove! Bring your friends! All proceeds go to support our church and school and local charities. We will accept toys, books, housewares, potted plants, just about any

We will accept toys, books, housewares, potted plants, just about any item you care to donate, except clothes, shoes, encyclopedias and infant car seats. (Car booster seats are okay. So are commercial--not DIY--VHS tapes.) Clean out that attic, basement, garage, and junk room (we've all got 'em) now! You'll be glad you did!

Drop off hours:

Thursday, July 13 – 9:30 - 11:30am and 4:30 - 7pm Friday, July 14 – 9:30am - 7pm No donations accepted on Saturday, the day of the sale

Upcoming Community Bazaar

On Sunday, July 16th from noon- 4pm, Saint Michael Catholic High School will be hosting a community bazaar for buyers & sellers. Inside tables: \$20/Outside spots: \$10. 540.548.8748 or **buttaro@saintmichaelhs.org** to reserve your space today! Or come shop and find bargains!

happenings



THURSDAY, AUG. 3RD • 7:05PM

Join your parish at the ballpark and experience a night of fun!

Head to Virginia Credit Union Stadium and catch a FredNats baseball game with your friends and family.







PLAN YOUR GAME NIGHT TODAY! ★ ★

Purchase your tickets here: https://fevo.me/41ZjpnK or by scanning the QR Code:



For more information, contact Austin Byrd at abyrd@frednats.com or 540-681-1536

Follow the FredNats:



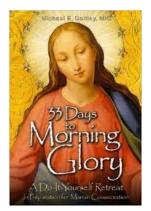




happenings

DON'T MISS MAKING THIS LIFE-CHANGING RETREAT:

Marian Consecration is a great weapon to fight the evils against the nurch and in the world. Mary will obtain the grace for us to trust in God's ercy, as she is the Mother of Mercy.



Experience this extraordinary 33-day journey to Marian Consecration with four giants of Marian spirituality: St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta and St. John Paul II.

Fr. Gaitley masterfully summarizes their teaching, making it easy to grasp and simple enough to put into practice. He weaves their thought into a user-friendly retreat that will bless even the busiest of people. So if you have been thinking about entrusting yourself to Mary for the first time or if you are simply looking to deepen or renew your consecration to her, 33 Days to Morning Glory is the right book to read and the perfect retreat.

We will make our consecration together at the August 22nd mass.

Retreat Sessions to be held

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July 15 (Court Yard Meeting Room)
July 22, 29 & August 5, 12, 19 (Parish Life Center)
Saturday 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

MUST REGISTER NO LATER THAN July 7, 2023

COST: \$13.00 for the Book
Name
Email Address
Phone No.

For more information, call Donna Harring at $540\,316-1105$ or donnaharring2@gmail.com Bring this this registration and drop off a \$13 payment for the book at the parish office.

ENCOUNTER SCHOOL OF MINISTRY SUMMER INTENSIVE COURSE

July 31 - August 3, 6pm Mother of God Community, Gaithersburg, MD 20879

The Encounter School DC Campus in Gaithersburg, a two-year prayer ministry program approved by the Archdiocese of Washington, is holding a Summer Intensive Course from July 31-August 3 that will present inspirational talks from the first four quarters of the two-year program. Talks will include presentations about our Identity and Transformation in Christ, Hearing God's Voice & the Prophetic Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Power & Healing, and Inner Healing & Freedom. All who are interested in encountering Christ in a deeper way - and learning to help others do the same - are encouraged to attend!

Summer Intensive will be held at the Mother of God Community 20501 Goshen Rd. Gaithersburg, MD 20879 at 6 PM.

For more information see encounterschooldc.org or visit https://encounterdc.regfox.com/encounter-dc-summer-intensive-2023

Scan the QR Code to Register Now!





St. Mary Food Pantry

St. Mary's has a small Food Pantry located within our parish office. It is open to ANYONE seeking food M-F 8:30am-9:00pm and Sat. 9am-1pm. We reorganized and made changes to how we feed our neighbors. We no longer accept miscellaneous food donations, but instead give bags of specific food items that will feed with dignity, those seeking assistance. When our supply is low, we alert our parishioners. Well, it's that time again. If you would like to contribute, please pick up a special ST. MARY FOOD PANTRY BLUE BAG in the back of the church (in the pull-out cabinet located across from the women's restroom). Please purchase ALL ITEMS listed on the stapled list and return the bag, at your convenience, to the parish office. Thank you and may God bless you!

List of Items:

Box of cereal
Spaghetti sauce & pasta
2 cans of tuna or chicken
2 cans of HEARTY Soup
2 cans of ravioli
2 cans of fruit
2 cans of veggies
2 boxes of mac and cheese
1 lb bag of white rice
2 cans of black beans
1 jar peanut butter
1 jar jelly



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
25	26	27 SPORTS TUESDAY	28 CHOSEN STUDY	29 CHESS CLUB	30	1	
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* 9	*10	* 11 SPORTS TUESDAY	*12 CHOSEN STUDY	*13 CHESS CLUB	*14	*15	
16	17	18 SPORTS TUESDAY	19 CHOSEN STUDY	20 CHESS CLUB	21	22	
23	24	25 SPORTS TUESDAY	26 KINGS DOMINION	27 CHESS CLUB	28	29	
30	31	1	2	3	4	5	

* Please pray for everone on the mission trip to the Dominican Republic July 8 - 15th

SPORTS TUESDAY (6th-12th)

Every Tuesday, 6:30 - 8:00pm Holy Cross Academy Fellowship and sports for middle and high school!

THE CHOSEN BIBLE STUDY (9th-12th)

Every Wednesday, 6:00 - 8:00pm John Paul II House Watch and discuss Season 1 of The Chosen with scripture!

CHESS CLUB (3rd-9th)

Every Thursday, 2:00-3:30pm Parish Life Center Play chess and grow in skill and sportsmanship!

SPECIAL EVENTS!

KINGS DOMINION DAY

6th-12th Grade Wednesday, July 26 Permission slips due by July 12!

ASJB COLLEGE NIGHT

Rising College Freshmen Wednesday, July 26th 7:00 at HCA



Open to Middle and High School \$38 per teen*

*Season pass holders only pay \$5 to help with gas

Arrive at St. Mary's by 8:50am for Mass with **Bishop Burbidge** followed by a day of fun with the whole diocese!

Permission slips in the parish office or at www.stmaryfred.org/youth-ministry/



ASJB COLLEGE NIGHT!

@associatesofst.johnbosco



WEDNESDAY, JULY 26 FREE PIZZA AND GIVEAWAYS!

Hear from college students about their faith journeys and

7:00PM

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

www.asjb.org/about-college-nights

SENIORS, REGISTER NOW!



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Weekly Offertory

Donations Received June 14 to June 20	
Sunday Offertory	\$24,693.34
Parish Debt Reduction	\$337.00

Faith Direct Donations June 15

Sunday Offertory	\$18,581.00
Peter's Pence Collection	\$360.00
Parish Debt Reduction	\$665.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Special Diocesan Collection

Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa July 8 & 9

Next weekend we will take up a special collection to support the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. The people of Africa are joyous and faith-filled, but as the Church in Africa grows, the pastoral needs of the people also increase. From the formation of clergy to communications programs that bring the Gospel to remote territories to youth ministries that engage the next generation of disciples, the Church's needs are wideranging. The Solidarity Fund is an opportunity for our parish to stand with the people of Africa. Our contributions help them face these challenges, and we support them as they build lasting foundations of missionary discipleship. Your generosity is appreciated.

A Child's Prayer

The Statue of Liberty is a strong symbol of the welcome our nation has given to people from around the world. On its base are the words of Emma Lazarus, "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free." This welcome can make no sense if we are afraid to welcome the children in the womb. Lord, fill our hearts with a spirit of welcome for born and unborn alike.

Pro-Life Reflection

O God our Creator... we ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith." (USCCB "Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty")

Children's Charity - July

Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of July will be donated to Families of the Wounded Fund. This fund was created in 2005 to help the families of service members who come to McGuire Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Richmond with traumatic brain injuries and spinal-cord injuries from combat in Iraq and Afghanistan. Former Army Captain William Haneke, a wounded Vietnam Veteran, and some colleagues recognized the need to assist family members who were away from home tending to their loved ones when they saw two young mothers with babies arrive from across the country with no money and barely enough gas to make the trip. The organization gives 100 percent of all tax-deductible donations to the families to help with food, lodging, transportation, child care, diapers and longdistance calling cards during the many weeks a family is in the Richmond area, and each family who qualifies currently receives \$9,000.00. For more information, visit their website at **fotwf.org**.

Attention All Parish Organizations

Your calendar for the use of parish facilities from September 2023 to August 2024 should be submitted to Elaine in the Parish Office by August 4th. Please make sure you submit your request to Elaine, in writing, as soon as possible, either by regular mail, or by email to **estanislawski@stmaryfred.org**. In setting up your schedule, please note that evening activities cannot be scheduled before 8:00pm Monday through Wednesday from September through May, due to Religious Education classes in the Parish Life Center and Preschool classes take place 8am-3pm Monday through Friday. Thank you.

Act of Consecration for Our Country

Most Holy Trinity — Our Father in Heaven, Who chose Mary as the fairest of Your daughters; Holy Spirit, Who chose Mary as Your spouse; God the Son, Who chose Mary as Your Mother — in union with Mary, we adore Your majesty and acknowledge Your supreme eternal dominion and authority.

Most Holy Trinity, we put the United States of America into the hands of Mary Immaculate in order that she may present the country to You. Through her we wish to thank You for the great resources of this land and for the freedom which has been its heritage. Through the intercession of Mary, have mercy on the Catholic Church in America. Grant us peace. Have mercy on our President and on all the officers of our government. Grant us a fruitful economy born of justice and charity. Have mercy on capital and industry and labor. Protect the family life of the nation. Guard the innocence of our children. Grant the precious gift of many religious vocations. Through the intercession of our Mother, have mercy on the sick, the poor, the tempted, sinners -- on all who are in need.

Mary, Immaculate Virgin, Our Mother, Patroness of our land, we praise you and honor you and give ourselves to you. Protect us from every harm. Pray for us, that acting always according to your will and the Will of your Divine Son, we may live and die pleasing to God.

liturgy

daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List - July

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

Adam Burgh, Andy Costa, Anthony D'Ostilio, Bobby Gibson, Chris Breth, Clifford Snipe, Ed Lombardi, Giulia Restivo, Jack Smith, Jason Stoker, William David Jacksonnickname Liam, Joanne O'Brien, Joseph Krieg, Karl Eugene, Kelsey Just, Kieth & Theresa Kovalefsky, Larry Dillman, La Vaughn Halloway, Lynette McMorland, Michael Fedowitz III, Michael Hancock, Pj Hancock

Please pray for all the men and women in our military and civilian support services overseas, especially:

Joseph Gardner, Glenn Dickinson, Paul Fischer, John Moring, 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, Julio A. Alarcon, Gabe Gonzalez, David Oechslein, Shawn Herr, Logan Mullins, Greg Feroldi, Tyler Wood, Frank Spatt Jr., Thomas Wickham, Hunter Keiser, Sean Jobes, Michael Scott, Samuel Hoffman, Andrew Qualls, Matt Gioia, Jennifer Brothers, Jack Merker, Lieutenant Ashton Briganti, 2nd Lieutenant Tazman Briganti, Davon Bare, John Fartro, Michael Fedowitz Jr., Eric Menser, Sean Penczak, Will Atkins, LT Scott C. Boyd

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.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's EVERY Wednesday following the 12 noon Mass ALL DAY – ALL NIGHT Wednesday & Thursday Concluding on Friday Mornings at the 9am Mass.

"To be alone with Jesus in adoration and intimate union with Him is the GREATEST GIFT OF LOVE – the tender love of Our Father in Heaven"
- St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Contact: Serena Nguyen, Coordinator Adoration@stmaryfred.org

Daily Mass Intentions

July

3 MONDAY

6:30am Miriam Dutra 9:00am Gluse Nguyễn+ 12:00pm Miguel Correa Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29

4 TUESDAY

6:30am Eugenio Bonilla+ 9:00am For Our Country 12:00pm Felix Murillo Perez+ Gn 19:15-29/Mt 8:23-27

5 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Nathan Nguyễn

9:00am Adam and Rita Stanislawski

12:00pm Ruth Tucker Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Mt 8:28-34

6 THURSDAY

6:30am Rosa Herrera

9:00am Jason and Elizabeth Stanislawski

12:00pm Ginny Foreman Gn 22:1b-19/Mt 9:1-8

7 FRIDAY

6:30am In Reparation 9:00am In Reparation 12:00pm In Reparation 7:00pm In Reparation

Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Mt 9:9-13

8 SATURDAY

9:00am Maria Hays

5:00pm Maritza Estrada Guerra+

7:00pm Brandon Nutter+ Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Mt 9:14-17

9 SUNDAY

7:00am Joseph and Sue D'Incau

8:30am Vicki Kopeke+ 8:30am* Ruth Stellino+ 10:30am Valerie Cantin 12:30pm For Our Parish

2:30pm Maria Julia Ortiz & Andrew E. Alas

5:00pm Elizabeth Engbert 7:00pm Paula Snellings

Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

* 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.