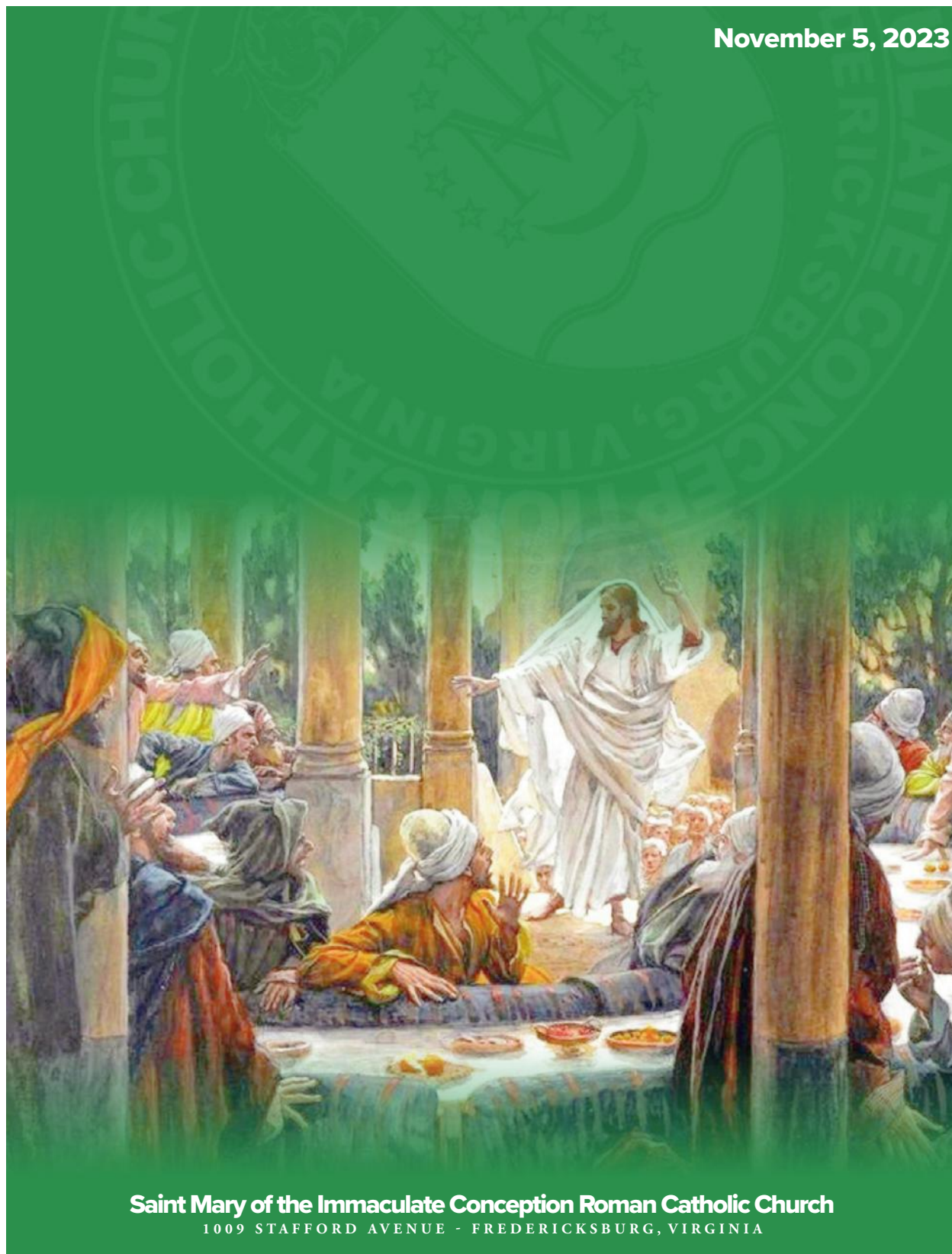


THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 5, 2023



Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church
1009 STAFFORD AVENUE - FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA

capital campaign

Growing Our Legacy of Faith

“Loaves and Fishes” Commemorative Brick Wall



A commemorative brick wall will be displayed in the new Holy Cross Academy cafeteria for all to see for years to come. These bricks will serve as lifetime reminders of those generous families that desired to “Grow Our Legacy of Faith.”

3 WAYS TO RECEIVE A BRICK

1. Make a five-year pledge or gift of \$1,000+ after 10/01/23
2. Any pledge or gift made prior to 9/30/23
3. Purchased brick in the 2016 sale

Our Loaves and Fishes wall allows you to be part of this expansion as you honor your family, memorialize loved ones or commemorate special events, such as graduation.

Please complete the form on the reverse side and submit it along with your completed pledge card on or before Commitment Weekend or drop it off to the parish office. Questions call 540-373-6491.

Jesus took that small gift of five loaves of bread and two fish and He multiplied it by five thousand. Jesus can do the same with us too. We bring to Jesus our treasures, talents and abilities that we have and He makes our gifts grow, if we cooperate with the graces that He sends us.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN & COMMITMENT WEEKEND FOLLOW UP

A special thank you to the 1,000+ parish families and HCA supporters who made financial contributions to the Growing Our Legacy of Faith Capital Campaign. To date we have received 98% of our identified parish needs!

This week the building committee received the estimated costs for the HCA expansion and they are under review by the diocesan construction office. The scope includes the cost of replacing the school's outdated, 25 year-old, heating and cooling system.

On November 9th and 10th, we will be holding “Commitment Days” at HCA. We are requesting that HCA families turn in their pledge cards, to the capital campaign table that will be set up in the lobby during these two days of Parent/Teacher conferences.

Why should all families help?

Typically a small amount of pledges, 5-10% that do not get fulfilled during a five-year campaign, because people move, struggle financially or go home to Jesus. So, we hope to ensure the parish has enough for all projects. A pledge is a good faith commitment to help our parish family, it is not a binding contract.

If all families join this effort then those who struggle will be supported by their fellow parishioners.

Now is the time for you to say **YES!**

from our pastor

Folks,

Two Celebrations:

Congrats to our Holy Cross Academy Volleyball team! The girls won the championship, defeating Aquinas School, in a match where many tears of joy were shed! See the pictures on this page and rejoice! So proud of the hard work and success of these young ladies! Congrats!

Congrats to our parish family! Our in-pew effort for the Capital Campaign was an amazing success with more than a million dollars pledged and we are on the verge of crossing the finish line! We have so much to be grateful for:

- 1000+ families have said 'yes' to expanding our parish school!
- 1000+ families have said 'yes' to a bigger and better playground!
- 1000+ families have said 'yes' to replacing all the Heat/AC in the school!
- 1000+ families have said 'yes' to an Adoration Chapel at the parish!
- 1000+ families have said 'yes' to PLC, church, and rectory renovations!
- 1000+ families have said 'yes' to debt reduction!

Our memorial brick wall in the cafeteria will have the theme of loaves and fishes from the scriptures. We may not be a small boy offering 5 loaves and 2 fish, but Jesus takes our gifts of any size and multiplies their efficacy to make wonderful things happen! Thanks be to God!

As promised last weekend, the bids from the contractor are now being reviewed by the diocesan office of planning, construction and facilities! With this review in hand, I will be making a presentation to the diocese on the scope of construction and financing to get the bishop's approval moving forward!

Pax,



Very Reverend John P. Mosimann, V.F.
Pastor



announcements

St. Mary Coffee & Donut Shop

Following ALL Morning Masses

Come and enjoy some fellowship!

New Parishioner Welcome

Welcome to St. Mary's! Fr. Mosimann and members of our Welcoming Committee are looking forward to spending time with you, to get to know you (and your family) and see how you all can share your gifts and talents with your new parish family.

Please sign-up for a time slot on **Sunday, November 19th 9am-12** for yourself and/or family to spend time with our Welcome Committee Team and with your new pastor. Please visit bit.ly/46pMXhh to secure your 30-minute appointment.

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
Divine Mercy, Wednesday, 3pm
First Friday 7pm Novus 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 - 9pm;
Students staff office weekdays until 9pm,
Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays (Closed)

Very Reverend John P. Mosimann, Vicar Forane, Pastor
Reverend Phillip Cozzi, Parochial Vicar
Reverend Robert Renner, Parochial Vicar
Reverend Tim Courtney, Parochial Vicar
Reverend 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, Emma Atkinson

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, Katherine Evans
Administrative Asst, Lori Barlow

YOUTH MINISTRY

Director, Tatiana Beltran
Assistant Youth Minister, Catie Espiritu

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (OCIA)

Director, Katherine Evans

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

Trunk or Treat

We could not have placed an order for a more perfect night for our Trunk or Treat. Even the moon cooperated. Deputy Curtis from Stafford County Sheriff's Office distributed candy to our students from the trunk of his cruiser. We would like to thank our PTO and their volunteers for another wonderful event.

Open House

Please join us during Discover Catholic Schools Week Open House on Sunday, November 12 from 1-3pm. Tours of the school will be provided. Administration and staff will be available to answer questions. Mrs. Lanier may be reached by email (dlanier@holycrossweb.com) or phone (540-286-1600) if you have questions or would like to schedule a tour.



*A National
Blue Ribbon
School of
Excellence*



our parish religious education

Upcoming Events

Monday to Friday, Registration of Religious Education students at the Parish Office.

Monday to Wednesday, November 6 to 8
Religious Education classes

Thursday, November 9
Year 2 Formation Night 7pm in the church

Monday to Wednesday, November 13-15
Religious Education classes

Tuesday, November 14
Advent Confessions for Grades 3-8 RE students at HCA during classes

Thursday, November 16
Year 2/Grade 2 First Penance & First Communion meeting, 7pm in the church

Saturday, November 18
Diocesan Catechetical Conference 2023, Reston Sheraton 7:30am to 4:30pm

Monday to Wednesday, November 20 to 22
No Religious Education classes, Thanksgiving Break

Monday-Wednesday, November 27-29
Religious Education Classes

Saturday, December 2
SPRED classes in the PLC from 10am to 12noon

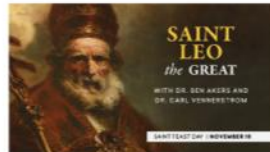
Saturday, December 2
Baptism Classes in English at 10am and Spanish at 12noon

Monday to Wednesday, December 4-6
Religious Education Classes

Monday to Wednesday, December 4-6
Advent Confession for Grades 3 to 8 RE students at St. Mary's

THIS WEEK ON
FORMED

Week of November 5



St. Leo the Great | Catholic Saints
Join Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vennerstrom as they discuss St. Leo the Great, who served as pope during the tumultuous time of the Council of Chalcedon.



The INCREDIBLE Eucharistic Miracles w/Fr. Robert Spitzer | Chris Stefanick Show
Did you know there are miracles that back up the true presence of the Eucharist? It's true! And I brought Fr. Robert Spitzer back to tell us about the incredible science behind them.



The Church Needs More Saints w/ Jason Evert | SEEK23
Using the example of Pope St. John Paul II, Jason Evert discusses the importance of interior life in the mission of evangelization to which all Christians are called.

**SIGN UP FOR FREE AT [FORMED.ORG/SIGNUP](https://formed.org/signup)
CLICK REGISTER THEN ENTER PARISH CODE: **F6F228****

SPRED Volunteers Needed

SPRED (Special Religious Development) is a program in which persons who are developmentally disabled come together with a spiritual friend/catechist to share a one-on-one relationship and form with others a small faith community. SPRED fosters and nourishes spiritual and personal growth by helping those with developmental disabilities discover God's action and presence in their lives.

In our parish SPRED students meet about 12 times for the year on Saturdays from 10am to 12noon. Volunteers are urgently needed. Please call the parish office at 540-373-6491 for more information.

our parish happenings

St. Mary's **SPECIAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE**

Supporting Catholic Charities Migration & Refugee Services, area social services and those in our parish in need of support

We are hoping to provide over 250 area families with a Thanksgiving Meal

CAN YOU HELP?

WE THINK WE CAN DO IT AGAIN THIS YEAR!

If interested, pick-up a special blue St. Mary bag located in the Church vestibule with shopping list included. Purchase the items and return COMPLETED bag to the Parish Office **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10th**

ITEMS NEEDED

- (1) Box of mashed potatoes, (4) cans of corn,
- (4) cans green beans, (2) cans sweet potatoes/yams,
- (2) jars gravy, (2) box of stuffing, (1) can cranberries,
- (1) brownie or cake mix

Please try not to purchase glass jars

GOD BLESS YOU!

Concerts at Saint Mary presents

Project Trio



FREE

**Friday
November 10
8pm**

On Friday, November 10, 2023 at 8:00 p.m., Concerts at Saint Mary will open the 2023/2024 series season as it presents PROJECT Trio, a dynamic and innovative music group known for their genre-blending performances and captivating stage presence.

Acclaimed by Downbeat Magazine as "packed with musicianship, joy and surprise" and "exciting a new generation of listeners about the joys of classical and jazz music", PROJECT Trio pushes the boundaries of traditional chamber music with their unique fusion of classical, jazz, hip-hop and world music influences. With their virtuosic musicianship and contagious energy, Peter Seymour, Double Bass, Greg Pattillo, flute, and Daniel Berkey, saxophone, have gained worldwide acclaim for their electrifying performances that defy categorization and captivate audiences of all ages. Their creative and adventurous approach to music-making has earned them a devoted following, making them a trailblazing force in the contemporary music landscape.

The eclectic program of works of Bach, Bernstein, Brahms, Davis, Lennon, McCartney and Mozart, will also include many original works in a variety of styles including salsa, hot jazz and bluegrass. Admission to the concert is free and a free-will offering will be taken to support future Concerts at Saint Mary productions. Following the concert there will be a reception in the church's Parish Life Center where there will be an opportunity to meet the performers and share fellowship with others.

our parish happenings

Veterans' Day

On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in the eleventh month of the year 1918, an armistice was signed, ending the "war to end all wars." This year we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the signing of that armistice.

November 11 was set aside as Armistice Day in the United States to remember the sacrifices that men and women made during the war in order to ensure a lasting peace. In 1938 Congress voted Armistice Day as a legal holiday, but World War II began the following year. Armistice Day was still observed after the end of the Second World War. In 1953 townspeople in Emporia, Kansas called the holiday Veterans' Day in gratitude to the veterans in their town. Soon after, Congress passed a bill renaming the national holiday to Veterans' Day. Today, we remember in our prayers all those who have served for our country in the armed forces.

A Veteran's Day Prayer

Dear Lord, today we honor our veterans, worthy men and women who gave their best when they were called upon to serve and protect their country. We pray that you will bless them, Lord, for their unselfish service in the continual struggle to preserve our freedoms, our safety, and our country's heritage, for all of us. Bless them abundantly for the hardships they faced, for the sacrifices they made, for their many different contributions to America's victories over tyranny and oppression. We respect them, we thank them, we honor them, we are proud of them, and we pray that you will watch over these special people and bless them with peace and happiness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. (By Joanna Fuchs www.poemsource.com)

We've got Scrip Gift Cards for That

Do you buy groceries at Giant, Publix, Target, Walmart or Weis? We have Scrip Gift cards for that. Buy breakfast or Lunch at Chipotle, Taco Bell, Wendy's, Burger King, Hardee's, Sonic, or Panera Breads? We have Scrip Gift cards for that. Enjoy fine dining at Red Lobster, Outback, Bravos, Bonefish, Carrabba's, Bob Evans, or Cracker Barrel. We have Scrip Gift Cards for that. Need a cup of Starbucks coffee, we have a Scrip Gift card for that also. Stop by the Scrip Gift Card table after mass and purchase gift cards or to review the list of all the Scrip Gift Cards that are available. Set up an account today and continue earning rebates for HCA! Email Scrip Coordinator at scripcordinator@holycrossweb.com for the school enrollment code so HCA gets credit for your purchase or with any questions. Thanks for using script gift cards and supporting HCA!

Prayers and Squares

The Prayers and Squares ministry has distributed many prayer quilts to sick and troubled members of our parish family. There is no cost involved in requesting a quilt for a sick family member or friend. The comfort these prayer quilts provide is visible in the faces of those who receive them. Please consider stopping by our table after mass when we put a quilt out and say a prayer as you tie a knot for someone in need.

If you would like to request a quilt for someone, please pick up a request at the office or contact DianEpp at dbep65@outlook.com.

Young Adults

Are you between the ages of 18 and 39 and looking to meet new friends in your community? Join the St. Mary's Catholic Young Adult Group! We strive to bring glory to God by serving the young adult population of our parish through faith building activities, opportunities to volunteer in the wider community and relationship building social events. To join us please contact Tyler at stmaryyava@gmail.com - we would love to have you!

Parishioners Seeking Assistance

A married couple, both disabled veterans, are seeking help with housekeeping, cooking and assistance with transportation to medical appointments and with errands. Seeking to hire someone up to 30 hours weekly (but are flexible). Must be a legal resident of Virginia for at least 5 years, have a valid driver's license and transportation.

If interested, please email Elena at edoyle@stmaryfred.org

Parish Trip to the Theater

On Sunday, December 10th the St. Mary Council of Catholic Women will sponsor a parish group outing to Riverside Center for the Performing Arts for a matinee performance of Meredith Wilson's "Miracle on 34th Street," (live musical) three weeks before Christmas! Group tickets are \$71 per person. This includes dinner, the show, taxes, meal service and a \$4 gratuity. We have secured eight seats on the floor (two tables of four) for those who can't climb steps, and 30 seats on Tier B, Tables 1 -5, all together, and all prime seating! If we have a larger response, we may be able to reserve more space. Please reserve your seating as soon as possible by emailing Donna Davis at LadyDee519@aol.com. Specify how many tickets you need and whether you are requesting a floor seat. Be sure to include a phone number where you can be reached. Make your check payable to "St. Mary CCW" with "Riverside" on the memo line, and drop it off at the parish office in an envelope addressed to "CCW" no later than November 29th. You may also bring your payment to our November general meeting on the 21st. The doors will open at 1:00 p.m. Dinner will be served when everyone is seated. There is plenty of parking at the Riverside Center. Come celebrate with your parish family!

our parish happenings



ST. MARY'S

COAT DRIVE

**NOW ACCEPTING ALL SIZES
CHILDREN AND ADULT
NEW AND GENTLY USED COATS
Until Friday, November 17**

**We also have a need for
NEW HATS & MITTENS**



HOLES



STAINS

Please leave your donations in the donations boxes
located in the Parish Life Center & Holy Cross Academy

Coat Pick-Up is Sunday, November 19th after
ALL MASSES until 4pm

Questions? Call the Parish Office at 540-373-6491

New Altar Server Training

Interested in becoming an altar server?

Training for new altar servers is open to any children of the parish who are in 4th grade or higher. The training schedule is below. All of these meetings take place in the church.

Session 1 - Tue, 11/7 from 4-7pm

Session 2 - Tue, 11/14 from 4-7pm

Session 3 (choose one of these dates; we meet in smaller groups this week):

Mon, 11/20 from 4-7pm, Tue, 11/21 from 4-7pm, or Friday, 11/24 from 1-4pm.

Session 4 - Tue, 11/28 from 4-7pm

All sessions are necessary to attend and will be held in the Church.

RSVP to Lori Mattson at stmaryfxbg@gmail.com. Please let us know the name of your child and what grade they are currently in school.



Presented by St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Fredericksburg



Strangeways Brewing

350 Lansdowne Rd.
Fredericksburg, VA 22401

MON. NOVEMBER 6

Doors open at 5pm
Presentation at 6:30pm



This Month

The Human Person

Carrie Gress has her doctorate in philosophy and is a fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center and a scholar at the Institute for Human Ecology at the Catholic University of America. She has authored ten books and runs an online magazine on the theology of the home. She is married and a mother of five. She will be speaking to us on what is the authentic beauty of the human person, especially women. This is a night not to miss! Come join us for good friends, good beer, and good conversation.



CARRIE GRESS



Contact

St. Mary's Young Adult Group
fredericksburgtot@gmail.com

Open to all!
Young families welcome!

our parish youth ministry

November 2023

Youth Ministry Calendar



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29	30	31	1 ALL SAINTS DAY	2 ALL SOULS DAY	3 MS YOUTH GROUP	4
5 HS YOUTH GROUP	6	7	8 YOUCAT	9 FEMININE GENIUS	10	11 FIGHT CLUB
12 HS YOUTH GROUP	13 SENIOR MINISTRY	14	15 YOUCAT	16	17 MS YOUTH GROUP	18 FIGHT CLUB
19 HS YOUTH GROUP	20	21	22 HAPPY THANKSGIVING! NO CYM ACTIVITIES	23	24	25
26 NO HSYO	27	28	29 YOUCAT	30	1	2

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP (9th-12th)

Every Sunday, 6:00 - 8:30pm
Parish Life Center
Dinner, friends, and faith formation for high school!

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP (6th-8th)

1st and 3rd Fridays, 6:30 - 8:00pm
Parish Life Center
Dinner, friends, and faith formation for middle school!

YOUCAT (9th-12th)

Every Wednesday, 6:30 - 8:00pm
John Paul II House
Dive deeper into your Catholic faith!

FIGHT CLUB (7th-12th BOYS)

Every Saturday, 6:30-8:00am
Parish Life Center
Explore what it means to be a Man of God!

FEMININE GENIUS (6th-12th GIRLS)

2nd and 4th Thursdays, 6:30 - 8:00pm
John Paul II House
Explore what it means to be a Woman of God!

SAVE THE DATE!

WorkCamp Interest Meeting
Sunday, Dec.3 at 12:00pm
Parish Life Center



@stmarycym



flocknote



WORKCAMP 2024

MANDATORY INFORMATION MEETING

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

12:00PM - 1:30PM

PARISH LIFE CENTER

ALL HIGH SCHOOLERS INTERESTED IN ATTENDING
WORKCAMP THIS SUMMER MUST ATTEND WITH A
PARENT IN ORDER TO APPLY!

WorkCamp is scheduled for June 22-28, 2024 in Frederick County, VA

CALLING ALL MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS!

Join us every 2nd and 4th Thursday for our young women's group, Feminine Genius! Twice a month, girls meet to form strong bonds as Catholic women and lead one another to lives of greater virtue through prayer, accountability, and Catholic teaching! Middle and high schoolers meet separately in the John Paul II House.



vida parroquial

noticias en español

A poster for a silent retreat. The top half features a blue sky with tall grass and a small circular inset showing a silhouette of a person in prayer. The text is in a mix of black and white serif fonts. A small crest is in the top right corner.

Retiro En **Silencio**

Sábado 18 de Noviembre
9:00am-5:00pm

\$30 Incluye alimentos

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY
250 Stafford Lakes Pkwy
Fredericksburg VA
(571)336-6032

Organiza
Hogares de Sta. Maria

Le invitamos a la presentación
***El Significado y la Ciencia
De Nuestra Señora de
Guadalupe***

Descubrirás los
hallazgos
sorprendentes
de estudios científicos que analizan
la aparición de la
Virgen María
a Juan Diego

A traditional painting of the Virgin Mary of Guadalupe, standing with her hands clasped in prayer, wearing a blue mantle with stars and a pinkish-gold dress, with a radiant halo.

14 de Noviembre de 2023
7—9 pm
St. Mary Catholic Church, Fredericksburg, VA
También podrá adorar al Santísimo y confesarse

Presentación por Tony Gilbert del Instituto Católico de Apologética de América del Norte

A poster for a Bible study course. It features a background of an open Bible with a glowing light emanating from the pages. The text is in white and yellow. A small logo is in the top left corner.

**Descubrir el
misterio de la Biblia**

JEFF CAVINS y SARAH CHRISTMYER

Descubrir el Misterio de la Biblia
Tu viaje por la historia de la salvación
¡Ahora dos sesiones! Lunes a las 4:45 y 6:30 pm
Iglesia St. Mary - Salón Padre Rooney

Muchos católicos quieren leer la Biblia porque saben que es la Palabra de Dios, pero abandonan su propósito porque les parece muy algo muy complicado.

Descubrir el misterio de la Biblia te ayuda a captar el panorama general mostrándote cómo catorce libros narrativos de la Biblia cuentan la historia completa, desde Adán y Eva hasta Cristo y la Iglesia. Este curso te enseña a leer la Biblia de forma que puedas comprenderla.

Descubrir el misterio de la Biblia te ayudará a captar la historia de la salvación y a entender cómo entras tú en el plan de Dios. Este programa de estudio —de ocho sesiones— incluye videos de presentación, guía de estudio y material adicional.

¡Te esperamos!

operations given in love

Donations Received October 18 - 23

Sunday Offertory	\$23,474.00
World Mission Sunday	\$8,763.00
Parish Debt Reduction	\$222.00
Poor Box St Vincent de Paul	\$300.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Retirement Fund for Religious "Give to Those Who Have Given a Lifetime" November 11 & 12

As you recall the people who have most shaped your life, you may remember the sister who prepared you for First Holy Communion or the brother who coached your high school basketball team. Never counting the cost, these religious shared with you love, faith, and a belief in all that you could be – choosing to invest in your future rather than their own. Today, these sisters, brothers and religious order priests may be elderly or infirm. Today, they need you. Ninety-four percent of every donation to the National Religious Retirement Office aids senior religious. Please give generously to next weekend's second collection, which benefits the many deserving religious who served our diocese and who now need our help meeting the overwhelming costs of elder care, which has exceeded \$1 billion annually for the last twelve years. Checks should be made payable to St. Mary Catholic Church. To learn how your gift helps, visit retiredreligious.org.

Pro-Life Reflection

When considering faithful citizenship, "The U.S. bishops have reaffirmed that 'the threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed'" (Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann, Chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities "Priorities at the Polls" citing Introductory Letter to "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship"). *We pray for all public officials, especially those newly elected that they may strive to govern with the wisdom of God, and protect life from conception to natural death.*

Children's Charity - 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.

National Vocation Awareness Week November 5 - November 11

National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW) is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. NVAW began in 1976 when the United States Bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year for NVAW. In 1997, this celebration was moved to coincide with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord in January. Beginning in 2014, NVAW was moved to the first full week of November.

"National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country November 5-11, 2023. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation." (uscgb.org/vocations).

Prayer for Vocations

Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let Your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come, follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to Your voice. Support our bishops, priests and consecrated people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to Your service. Awaken in our community a missionary eagerness. Lord, SEND WORKERS TO YOUR HARVEST, and do not allow humanity to be lost for the lack of pastors, missionaries and people dedicated to the cause of the Gospel. Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "Yes" to the Lord Who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation. (Pope Saint John Paul II)



liturgy daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List - November

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

Chris Breth, Connie Brimmer, Eileen McVicar, Ethan Harring, Giulia Restivo, Jachebel Rios, Jason Stoker, Shirley Bozicevic, Jennifer Hall, Jim Palmer, Joanne O'Brien, Joseph Krieg, Karl Eugene, Kieth & Theresa Kovalefsky, Larry Dillman, Lexie Haglund, Rebecca Perry, Sarah and Nick Bularzik, William David Jackson (aka Liam), Pat Carroll

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, Elijah Hornback

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

November

6 MONDAY

6:30am All in our All Souls Day Novena
9:00am All in our All Souls Day Novena
12:00pm All in our All Souls Day Novena
Rom 11:29-36/Lk 14:12-14

7 TUESDAY

6:30am All in our All Souls Day Novena
9:00am All in our All Souls Day Novena
12:00pm All in our All Souls Day Novena
Rom 12:5-16b/Lk 14:15-24

8 WEDNESDAY

6:30am All in our All Souls Day Novena
9:00am All in our All Souls Day Novena
12:00pm All in our All Souls Day Novena
Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33

9 THURSDAY

6:30am All in our All Souls Day Novena
9:00am All in our All Souls Day Novena
12:00pm All in our All Souls Day Novena
Ez 47:1-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

10 FRIDAY

6:30am All in our All Souls Day Novena
9:00am All in our All Souls Day Novena
12:00pm All in our All Souls Day Novena
Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8

11 SATURDAY

6:30am Patrick C. Hagans+
5:00pm John Wrobel+
7:00pm Frances Hart+
Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Lk 16:9-15

12 SUNDAY

7:00am Virginia and Joseph Clay
8:30am For Our Parish
8:30am* Margaret Schlachter+
10:30am Juan Carlos Chavez+
10:30am* All Those Who Died in October
12:30pm The D'Lugos Family
2:30pm Javier and Jachebel Flores
5:00pm Ben Robertson+
7:00pm Brian Crochetienne
Wis 6:12-16/1 Thes 4:13-18/Mt 25:1-13

* 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.

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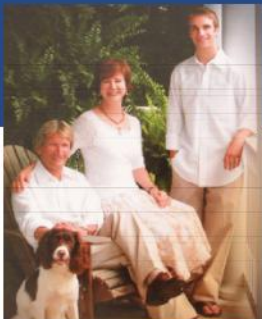


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