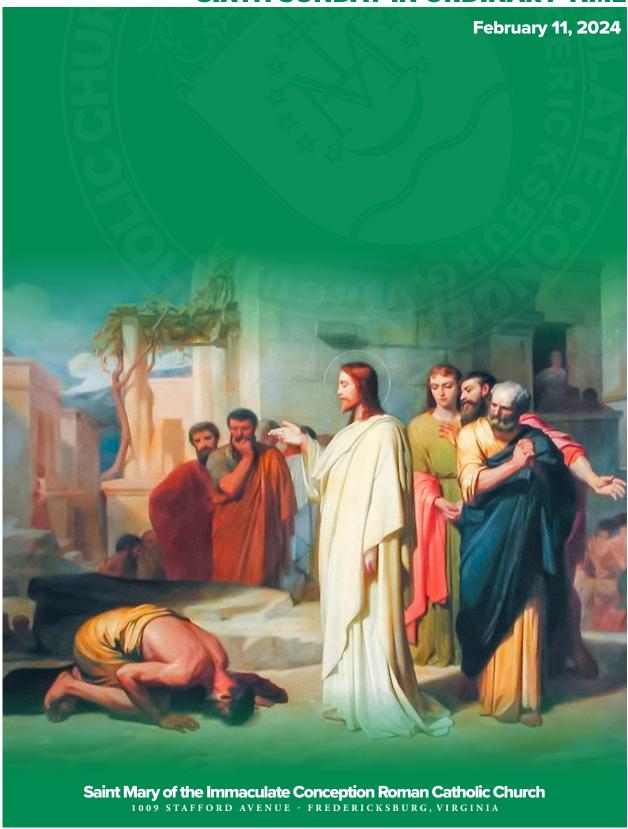
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



capital campaign grow our legacy in faith

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN HIGHLIGHTS

Pledge Statements:

The Capital Campaign Committee is pleased to announce that we sent out the first pledge/contribution statements this week! Please look for them in the mail. The committee hopes to reach 100% of our Capital Campaign supporters who have filled out a pledge card twice a year for transparency and accuracy purposes to make sure that our records match yours. With a large portion of the work expected in 2024 on the expansion and improvement needs expected in the Spring of 2024, having pledge payments on hand will lessen our financing needs. We want to sincerely thank all Campaign Supporters who have begun making payments toward their pledge.

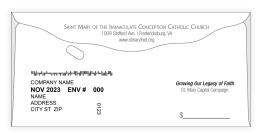
Making Your First Payment toward your Pledge

If you have not had a chance to make your first pledge payment, please consider doing so in February. All pledges can be paid in small increments over a fiver-year period and pledge payments can be made at a frequency of your choosing, monthly, quarterly, and semiannual or annually at your convenience. If you have any questions or need assistance using Faith Direct, you may call us at 540-371-6491.

Campaign Envelopes

Please check your monthly Offertory envelope packages that all parishioners receive in the mail for campaign payment envelopes as they should be enclosed. Additional campaign envelopes can also be found in the vestibule of the church. Please feel free to drop them into the Sunday Offertory basket or at the front desk of the parish office.





Updated Loaves and Fishes Card!

Please be on the look-out for a new Loaves and Fishes Card that you will be receiving in the mail. WE have changed our brick vendor, which means that we can now offer you an extra-line of space for your personalized brick inscription! Stay tuned for a letter with more details!!

Also, if you have pledged but did not have a chance to fill out a Loaves and Fishes card and would like to reserve a brick for your family or in remembrance of a loved one in the new cafeteria at Holy Cross Academy, you may do so when you receive the updated Loaves and Fishes Card in the mail this month. Thank you!!

from our pastor

Dear folks,

Here are the three parish things on my mind this morning as I sip this cup of coffee in Utah (picture below).

Small Groups Lenten Studies:

In the bulletin, today you will find info on signing up for Lenten Small Groups. Why? It is a great way to make connections, support each other, and deepen your faith life. We have parishioners who still get together regularly with a small group that formed about ten years ago!

But don't worry, a Lenten Small Group is not a 10 year commitment! It is a 7 meeting plan (weekly or even bi-weekly)! The theme of the program is Jesus and the Eucharist!

Yes, the vocation most Catholics are called to is the family, which is the God-given small group par excellence! But there is a great strength for families that have rich, vibrant friendships with other families of like values! Please give this a chance!

Bishop's Lenten Appeal:

I know this weekend I'll be preaching all the Masses for the annual appeal. Thank you for making it easy! As I said in most every capital campaign visit, "care more about the people, and the money will be there as the Lord wills!" Your generous response to the annual invitation is an encouraging sign of our sharing our gifts with the Lord.

Lenten Parish Mission:

One more reminder to mark your calendar for Tues/Wed/Thurs of 'President's week' for our parish mission! I really think you will love Father James Searby who is a dynamic and profound speaker!

See you soon!

Falu Mosimum

Pastor



Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

6:30am, 9am, 12pm, 4pm Latin Novus Ordo, 6pm, 8pm bilingual at the church 4:30pm and 6pm at HCA

Confessions are canceled Wednesday morning and Wednesday Evening

All are Welcome to Join

Additional 40 Hour Adoration

Please sign-up to spend an hour with our Lord
Tuesday, February 20 after 9am Mass
Wednesday February 21 until noon Mass

https://bit.ly/30oOUDI

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 meeting you and spending time with you, (and your family) to see how you might share your gifts and talents with your new parish family.

Please sign-up for a time slot on **Sunday, February 25th 9am-12pm** for yourself and/or family to spend time with our
Welcome Committee Team and with your new pastor.

Meetings will take place in the Courtyard Meeting Room (Fr. Rooney Room) behind the church - the room with all the crucfix's on the wall

Sign-up HERE https://bit.ly/46pMXhh

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 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

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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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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

education

holy cross academy

Catholic Schools Week

Holy Cross Academy celebrated Catholic Schools Week last week. Catholic Schools Week is a time to celebrate the excellence and impact of Catholic schools. Each year, Catholic schools around the country observe the celebration through a variety of activities, emphasizing the importance of Catholic education.

At the start of the week HCA students spoke at Mass and distributed thank you cards to parishioners in celebration of our parish. Students celebrated our community by creating posters that will be delivered to local first responders in the community. Stafford County fire department, EMS, and Sheriff's Office also visited the school during recess so our students could get a close up look at their vehicles and ask questions.

Our faculty and staff were celebrated with meals, treats and kind words by our PTO and volunteers. Our PTO also hosted an amazing celebration dinner where families were invited to enjoy a meal together and visit classrooms.

We celebrated our nation by inviting military members from our community to attend Mass. Our military parents visited classrooms to discuss how they serve our country. Students also participated in a "Where in the World is Father Koehr" activity.

Vocations were celebrated with a career dress up day. We celebrate vocations daily by thanking our priests for their tireless work. The week was topped off by celebrating our students with the faculty vs. 8th grade basketball game and pep rally. What a week!

Catholic Schools Week is a time to appreciate the blessings of being a part of the Holy Cross Academy community.

Open Positions at Holy Cross Academy

Interested in joining our team? Holy Cross Academy has the following open positions.

- Enrollment coordinator
- Elementary teacher
- Part-time Spanish teacher
- Instructional aide
- Substitute teachers

For more information on these positions and others in the Diocese of Arlington, please visit arlingtondiocese.org/catholic-schools/careers/



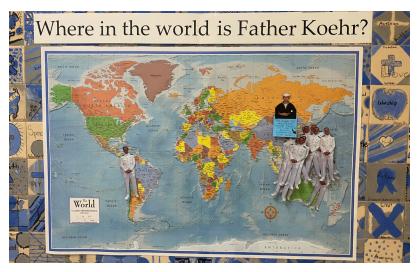


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religious education

Upcoming Events

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

Monday to Wednesday, February 12-14

No Religious Education Classes

Wednesday, February 14

Ash Wednesday

Thursday, February 15

Confirmation Year 1 Formation Night #3 in the Church from 7–8:15pm

Thursday, February 15 at 4pm

First Penance #1: Holy Cross Academy

Thursday, February 15 at 5pm

First Penance #2: Religious Education students on Mondays at 6:30pm

Friday, February 16 at 4pm

First Penance #3: Religious Education students who attend class on Mondays, Tuesday and Wednesdays at 4:45pm.

Friday February 16 at 5pm

First Penance #4: Religious Education students who attend class on

Tuesdays at 6pm

at HCA, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 6:30pm and Home Taught students

First Penance students and parents are asked to arrive early so students can pray and prepare. vParents are also encouraged to go to confession

Saturday, February 17

SPRED classes in the PLC 10am-12 noon

Monday to Wednesday, February 19-21

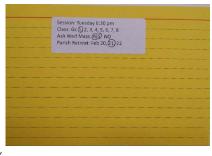
No Religious Education Classes, Parish Mission. Students are expected to attend the Parish Retreat at least once.

CRS RICE-BOWL AND ATTENDANCE CARD

This week Religious Education students took home 2 items. The first item is our annual Catholic Relief Services CRS Rice Bowl. Please use the Rice Bowl for your donation and return it by the week of March 18-20. In it is also a Lenten calendar to assist your family in its Lenten journey of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

The second item is an attendance card to indicate your child's Mass attendance on Ash Wednesday, February 14 and Parish Retreat on February 20, 21 and 22 (children only need to attend one Retreat event). Please circle the circle correct response to the 3 questions, write your child's name,





sign the card, and return it to your child's teacher at the next class.

CRS Rice Bowl Stories of Hope

The CRS Rice Bowl shares stories of hope from CRS' work around the world. These stories are examples of the communities where your Lenten alms are changing lives. Stories are accompanied by a simple, meatless recipe that you and your family are encouraged to prepare on Fridays during Lent. For more information, go to crsricebowl.org/about



Week of February 11, 2024



Whole 40: Making a Spiritual Plan for Lent

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein to discuss the purpose of the season of Lent, how to prepare for it, and why it is such a fruitful season in our life of faith.



The Story of Death | Eternal Rest | Episode 1

Where did death come from? What does death mean for the human person? Is it simply just part of life, or is it something else? In this first session, we discuss the story of death and God's response to it: defeating death by dying and rising from the dead.

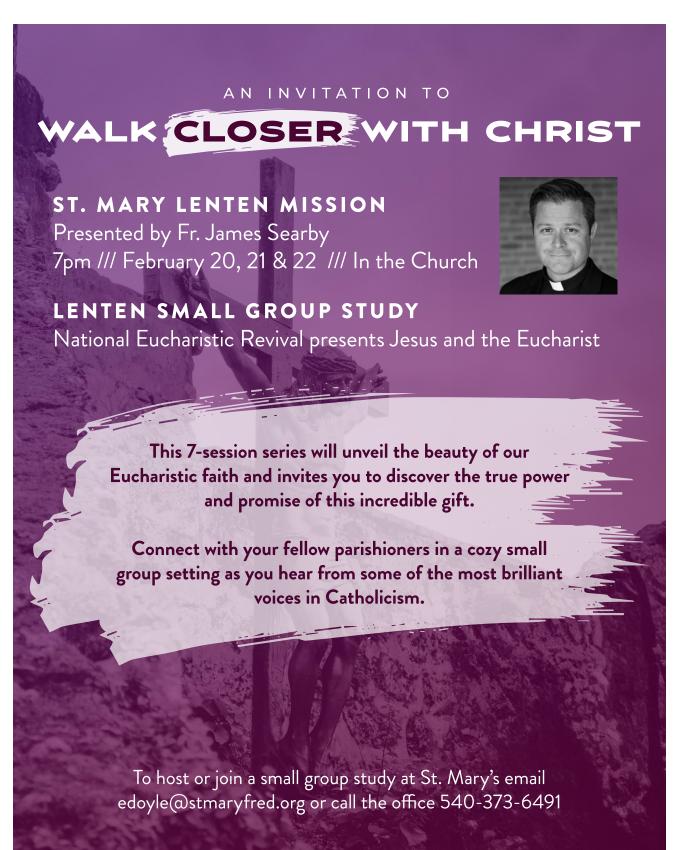


The Spirituality of Lent

Looking to take Lent more seriously this year? Join Tim Gray for ideas for a Lenten spirituality.

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

our parish lenten mission





Freedom in Christ Conference

Based on the 5 Keys to Freedom by Neal Lozano

- Are you anxious or fearful?
- Holding on to past hurts?
- Stuck in a cycle of sin?
- Feel that you are "no good"?

Receive the freedom and love that Christ intends for you!



For more information: stmaryfred.org 540-373-6491

March 15-16, 2024

Friday, March 15—6:30pm-9pm Saturday, March 16—8:30am-8pm

Holy Cross Academy

250 Stafford Lakes Parkway Fredericksburg, VA 22406



Includes food & materials Financial aid available

Register



bit.ly/3vQ8B0U

Join TEAM ST. MARY on February 24 The Coldest Night of the Year!



The Coldest Night of the Year is a winterrific family-friendly walk to raise money for MICAH ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES and help support people experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness. Team up, fundraise, walk, and gather for good... because it's cold out there.

To register to walk in the event with St. Mary for either 1 mile or a 5K, visit the link below and register. If you are unable to attend but want to support our efforts, click the link and donate to Team St. Mary.

All the details for the event are found on the link. Once registered, we will follow up with details on where to meet so we can walk together! Any questions, please reach out to Elena at edoyle@stmaryfred.org

Register by visiting walk.w-ith.me/StMary or scan the code below!



happenings

St Mary 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!

Public Rosary

Join other parishioners at noon in front of St. Mary on Saturday (3rd Saturday of the month) too pray the Rosary as requested at Fatima by our Lady for Peace. RSVP to michaelgkasey@verizon.net. Our next meeting is scheduled for February 17 an noon.

Called & Gifted Small Groups

If you attended the Called & Gifted Workshop this past October, the small group portion of the program is beginning a four-session discernment series beginning Saturday, February 17.

If you are interested in more information contact Mary Morton at **marmarmorts@gmail.com**.

St Mary's Singles Group

An open invitation to everyone single and 40 years of age or older for monthly group gathering's like dinners, movies, plays, works of charity, prayers, Mass, and other church events. Contact Eileen Walts at emw5348@gmail.com to get on the email newsletter list.

Meeting monthly to plan events at Wegmans upstairs meeting space at 10am.

Helpful Hints & Reminders

Did you know that when you write a check, you should use only black or blue ink? All other colors may look very nice, but they don't show up on bank scanners and bank employees have to return the check to us. So please use only black or blue ink when writing a check.

- When you receive your 2023 contribution statement, did you notice that one or more of the collections may have shown only a penny as your contribution. That's because when the envelope was received for posting in our database, no amount was written on the envelope, so a penny was entered to show that an envelope was received but the amount was unknown. Don't forget to write the amount of your contribution on the outside of your contribution envelope.
- If you are using a blank envelope for your contribution, please be sure to print your name, address, date and amount of donation on the envelope, as well as the purpose of the donation. We have had quite a few instances of envelopes being received without any name on it, so the contribution could not be posted.
- From time to time we receive contributions in envelopes from other parishes in the Diocese. If there is no notation, it is our policy to send these contributions to the parish indicated on the envelope. If your contribution is actually meant for St. Mary, please be sure to use St. Mary envelopes, or a plain envelope with your name and address indicated, or cross out the name of the parish on the envelope and clearly write St. Mary on the envelope so that we can process your contribution properly.

Micah Cold Weather Shelter

The Micah Cold Weather Shelter opened for the winter season on November 15 and will remain in operation until mid- to late-March. Teams of Saint Mary volunteers assist on Tuesday evenings by greeting and checking in clients, setting up sleeping areas, and providing hospitality for the 30+ individuals that utilize the facility. Each participating church is asked to bring 3 dozen items (e.g. white socks, thermal underwear, men's boxer briefs, women's underwear and t-shirts). Please consider how you might be able to support this need—all donations are gratefully accepted at our Parish Office. Although it is a good thing that the temporary shelter is available during the harsh winter months, it highlights the continuing need for sustainable housing and support mechanisms in our community. For more information about community efforts to help the homeless, please visit Micah Ecumenical Ministries, dolovewalk.net or Thurman-Brisben Homeless Shelter, thurmanbrisbencenter.

Focus on Brain Health

Please join your St. Mary Council of Catholic Women on Tuesday, February 20 at 10am in the Father Rooney Community Room on the church courtyard. Our special guest will be Mike D'Ostilio, a member of the AARP Virginia Speakers Bureau, who will address us on "Brain Health." We will have a brief business meeting, a 50/50 \$\$ drawing, and refreshments! Mike will begin his presentation about 10:30am. Everyone is most welcome! Please find out more about CCW at stmarvccw.org. Like us on Facebook at **fb.com/StMaryCCW** to keep in touch; and sign up for all the latest at StMaryCCWNews@aol.com. Let's meet in fellowship and get our minds right for a rewarding Lent!

happenings

Saint Mary Altar Society

Sacred Linens!

Needs YOUR HELP!

Do you have a few hours a month to launder the altar cloths,
purificators and towels?

They need to be cleaned, pressed and sometimes, repaired.









Drying

Ironing

Do you have a caring eye for detail?



Upcoming Adult Education Bible Study Opportunity:

Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother is an extraordinary pilgrimage that reveals Mary's unique role in God's kingdom and in our lives. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother will place you in the midst of her earthly life, taking you through her joys ... and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son.

COST: The materials cost \$20.00 per person. This does not include on-line access. Class size limited to 25 each.

Class Dates: Wednesday or Thursdays beginning March 20 or 21. Class run time about 90 minutes. Time: 9:45am. Location: Father Rooney Community Room. This is an eight week class. Please sign-up in the Parish Office (540-373-6491) before March 7.



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

St. Mary will have one bus available for parishioners to attend the Virginia March for Life on February 21st. The bus will leave at 10am for the Rally and March and will return at approximately 4pm. Parishioners who wish to reserve a seat on the bus must call the Parish Office to sign up. Anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Any child without an adult will not be allowed to attend. Seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis, and priority will be given to parishioners. Holy Cross Academy and Youth Ministry will have their own buses. Anyone from Holy Cross or in Youth Ministry will need to contact the school or Youth Ministry directly to make a reservation.

VIRGINIA PROFISE D/ANA

FEBRUARY 21, 2024 • RICHMOND, VA

Find out more at

sbcv.org/prolifeday





vida parroquial

noticias en español

Centro Católico de Fórmacion JSV

Retiro Tetelestai



Registrate



\$60

O en persona en la oficina con Giovanni 540-373-6491 o gcamacho@stmaryfred.org





Lourdes y las Curaciones Milagrosas



Esta presentación multimedia por Tony Gibert del Instituto Católico de Apologética de América del Norte (CAINA) revisa la historia de las apariciones de la Virgen María en Lourdes y destaca varias de las asombrosas curaciones que han tenido lugar allí.



Martes 13 de Febrero, 7- 9 pm

Iglesia Católica Saint Mary

Fredericksburg, VA

¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Después de la presentación podrá adorar al Santísimo y confesarse

iOtra Misa en Español!

Todos los sábados a partir del 17 febrero de 2024



Nuestros sacerdotes de St. Mary presidirán Misa de vigilia dominical

Hora: 7:00pm Lugar: St. Jude Catholic Church

> 9600 Caritas Street Fredericksburg, VA 22408

February 2024



Youth Ministry Calendar

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	28	29	30	31	1	2 MS YOUTH GROUP	3 FIGHT CLUB
	4 HS YOUTH GROUP	5	6	7 YOUCAT	8 FEMININE GENIUS	9	10 FIGHT CLUB
	NO HSYG- SUPERBOWL	12	13	14 NO YOUCAT- ASH WED.	15	16 NO MS YOUTH GROUP HIGH SHO	NO FIGHT CLUB
	18	19	20	21 VA MARCH FOR LIFE	22 FEMININE GENIUS	23	24 MS FIGHT CLUB
	25 HS YOUTH GROUP	26	27	28 YOUCAT	29	1	2

Month of the Holy Family







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!

HIGH SCHOOL FIGHT CLUB (9th-12th BOYS)

1st & 3rd Saturdays, 6:30-8:00am Parish Life Center Explore what it means to be a Man of God!

MIDDLE SCHOOL FIGHT CLUB (7th-8th BOYS)

2nd & 4th Saturdays, 6:30-8:00am Parish Life Center

Explore what it means to be a Man of God!

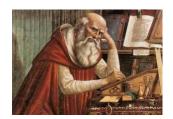
FEMININE GENIUS (6th-12th GIRLS)

2nd and 4th Thursdays, 6:30 - 8:00pm John Paul II House

Explore what it means to be a Woman of God!







St. Augustine Chastity INTEGRATION GROUP

Becoming a man of sexual integration is an ongoing process, and we can help you on the journey. It is common for some who are not familiar with the group process to feel anxious but be assured your facilitators will create a safe environment to help you process what you are learning in a healthy and positive way. This group will help you deal with challenges you may be facing — from relationship issues, shame, self-control, how to manage scruples and gain insight about physical, emotional & behavioral patterns.

For more information or to join group, please contact Catholic Charities Admin. Assistant at 540-371-1124 Mon-Thurs from 8am to 2pm.

What?

In-Person Therapy Support Group

Where?

Catholic Charities Family Services Bldg 1101 Stafford Ave Fredericksburg, VA [at house left side of St. Mary's IC Church]

When?

Starting Mon Feb 12th to Mon May 13th for 12 weeks from 5:30pm to 7pm

Who?

Any Male 18+ and older

Certificate upon Completion!

operations

given in love

Donations Received January 23 - 30

Sunday Offertory	\$25,077.00
Church in Latin America	\$7,398.00
Debt Reduction	\$300.00
Arlington Catholic Herald	\$128.00
First Offering for Envelopes	\$275.00
St Vincent de Paul Poor Box	\$177.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe Ash Wednesday, February 14

On Ash Wednesday, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that struggle to recover from former communist rule. It also aids communities throughout the region that are affected by the war in Ukraine. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. You can find more information at usccb.org/ccee.

National Collection for U.S. Black & Indian Missions "Building Our Mission to the Missions"

February 17 & 18

Established in 1884 as the embodiment of the Church's concern for evangelizing the Black and Indian peoples of the United States and the Eskimo and Aleut peoples of Alaska, the Black and Indian Mission Office has been able to distribute assistance to 132 Dioceses through the generosity of this parish and parishes throughout the United States. Your support provides the presence of missionaries here in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native missions, schools, and religious education programs. Your partnership places Bibles and catechetical materials in the hands of priests, consecrated women and men, and lay leaders in Black Catholic communities in the Diocese of Jackson, Mississippi; in Native American pueblos in the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, New Mexico; to the farreaching villages of Alaska; and so many other places. Your sacrifice addresses the need to train catechists, permanent deacons, and seminarians for future generations here in many of our neighborhoods and backyards.

Pro-Life Reflection

If I speak in the tongues of men, and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient and kind; Love is not jealous or boastful; It is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; *It is not irritable or resentful;* It does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. Love bears are things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends; As for prophecies, they will pass away; As for tongues, they will cease; As for knowledge, it will pass away. For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophecy is imperfect; but when the perfect comes, the imperfect will pass away.

When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became a man, I gave up childish ways. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall understand fully, even as I have been fully understood. So faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love. (1 Cor 13)

Children's Charity - February

The children's charity that will benefit from the offering in February is Hazelwild Farm's Therapeutic Riding Program. The program offers specialized horseback riding lessons for all ages of riders with a wide range of physical, cognitive and emotional disabilities. The lessons increase stability, flexibility, strength, motor skills, cognitive ability and confidence for the riders, along with providing many other physical and emotional benefits. For more information, go to hazelwildfarm.com.

liturgy

daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List - February

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

Charles Boyer, David Smetek, Denise Passagaluppi, Erik Antonio Baker, Jack (John) Smith, Jason Stoker, Katie Slaughter, Maria Emma Lovos, Michael Fedowitz III, Richard Corrigan, Elizabeth Bodoh, David Smetek, Shirley Bozicevic, Drew LoRusso, Chris Breth, Joanne O'Brien, Karl Eugene, Larry Delaney

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, 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, Dominic Marsillo, Fr. Sean Koehr

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.

Is Your Heart Broken by a Loved One's Addiction to Drugs?

If so, please be aware that there is a program at St. Mary that offers support to family members and friends of loved ones struggling with a drug addiction problem. The program is called NAR-ANON.

At NAR-ANON meetings, you will have the opportunity to share your story, hear stories from other members, and develop positive coping mechanisms in dealing with your addict.

Compassion and understanding are ever present at the meetings. You are not alone in this struggle! Please take the first step and come to a meeting. Just listen if you want. There is no pressure to share.

The meetings are held at St. Mary Catholic Church in Room 100 in the Parish Life Center on Thursday from 6-7pm and are open to the public at large. For more information call or text Wayne (540)840-5230 or Wanda (540)538-6978

Daily Mass Intentions

February

12 MONDAY

6:30am Robert Dembenski+ 9:00am Susan Deluca+ Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13

13 TUESDAY

6:30am Scott Gabriel+
9:00am Antonin Scalia+
12:00pm Katherine Varrieur+
Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21

14 WEDNESDAY

6:30am The Burke Derouin Family
8:15am* Jerry Timmons and Family
9:00am Shirley Alrutz+
12:00pm John Wrobel+
4:00pm Cynthia Deuell
4:30pm James Smith+
6:00pm Jonald Ashby+
8:00pm Elizabeth Bodoh

JI 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

15 THURSDAY

6:30am Silvia Ezcurra Cabrera+ 9:00am Charles White+ Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25

16 FRIDAY

6:30am Sollohue Family 9:00am Jose Bonilla+ 12:00pm Michael Kiselka+ Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

17 SATURDAY

9:00am Rocio and Micaela Chacon 5:00pm Suzette and Bob Young 7:00pm Nicholas Caiafa Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

18 SUNDAY

7:00am Larry Dillman+
8:30am Violet Żołnierzak+
8:30am* Stuart Ratcliffe+
10:30am All Souls in Purgatory
10:30am* Edgar Estrada

12:30pm Robyn and Charles Procaccini 2:30pm For Our Parish

5:00pm Christopher Graham+
7:00pm Ron and Joanne Beveridge
Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

* 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.