

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

February 22, 2026



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

capital campaign

grow our legacy in faith

A Golden Light in the Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel

We are overjoyed to announce the arrival of the exquisite new liturgical appointments that will grace the altar of our Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel. Six gold-plated, Romanesque-style candle holders and altar cross are more than just functional items; they are profound works of sacred art designed to draw our hearts closer to the Eucharist.

Crafted with incredible precision, the Romanesque design evokes the strength and timelessness of the early Church. While the front of the altar cross presents the image of our crucified Lord, the reverse side contains a beautiful image of our Blessed Mother. This thoughtful detail reminds us of Mary's constant presence at the foot of the Cross and her role in leading us to her Son in the Blessed Sacrament.

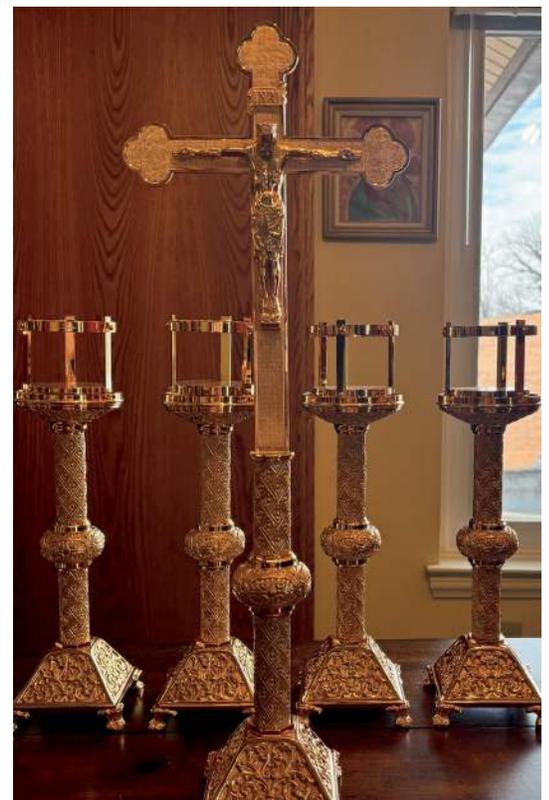
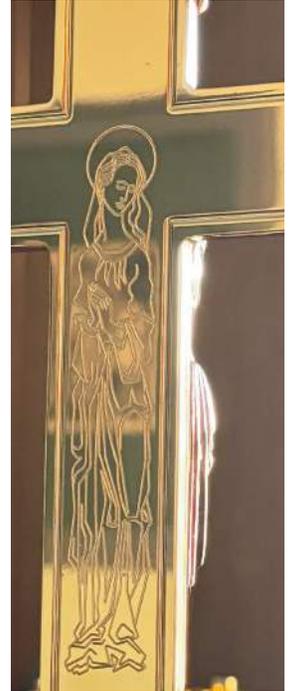
These pieces were handcrafted by Granda, the world-renowned liturgical arts atelier based in Madrid, Spain. Founded in 1891 by Father Felix Granda, a priest and artist, the studio was born from a desire to restore beauty to the liturgy. Father Granda believed that the items used on the altar should be the finest works of human hands.

As noted on the Granda website, his philosophy remains the heartbeat of their work today:

"The artist who works for the Church must be a believer, and his work must be a prayer."

A Heartfelt Thank You

These stunning additions were made possible through the generosity of our parishioners who chose to memorialize these pieces in honor of their loved ones. We extend our deepest gratitude to the donors for providing these "sacred jewels" to our parish. As the light of the candles reflects off the goldwork, may it serve as a constant reminder of the prayers offered by those we love and of the eternal light of Christ that shines in our chapel.



from our pastor

Dear Folks,

Lent. Let's Go!!!!

We are kicking this Lent off with a retreat led by Father Jack Riley. He is a priest of our diocese, and director of the diocesan retreat house in Whitepost, VA! He was here 2 years ago, and many folks found his talks and abundant hours of extra confessions to be of great spiritual benefit.

The retreat conferences will be Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday at 7pm — but he also has the 9 am Masses Monday & Tuesday. His generous offering of Masses, Confessions, and retreat conferences is too detailed for me to list here, but check it out here in the bulletin.

Also, Adoration: 40 extra hours of adoration this week! Beginning Monday morning, running into our regular adoration and going non-stop all the way to Friday morning! Sign-up using the link found on this page – THANK YOU!

I hope you enjoy this opportunity to kickstart your Lent!

Pax,



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



Parish Lenten Mission
40 HOURS OF ADORATION
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23
through
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Sign-up to spend some time with our Lord
<https://bit.ly/4kIYRuQ>

*“You come to visit Me in the tabernacle.
I will bless you, and you will return to your home
with a new peace and strength.”*

St. Peter Julian Eymard

announcements

St. Mary Coffee & Donut Shop

Following ALL Morning Masses
Come and enjoy some fellowship!

No 12pm Mass on
Tuesdays or Thursdays
until further notice

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 and 9am
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 Tim Courtney, Parochial Vicar
Reverend Kevin Dansereau, Parochial Vicar
Reverend Joseph Connor, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Alberto Bernaola

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Director of Music, musicdirector@stmaryfred.org
Assistant, Music Ministry, Emily D'Isidoro

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

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

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Director, Allison Gardner
540-286-1600

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Director, Dr. Katherine Evans
Associate Director, Amy MacKinnon
Administrative Assistant, Sonia Spencer

YOUTH MINISTRY

Director, Tatiana Beltran

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (OCIA)

Director, Dr. Katherine Evans
kevans@stmaryfred.org

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 or Margaret Bereit
margaret@stmaryfred.org

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

Vocations Day at Holy Cross Academy – Celebrating Catholic Schools Week

As Catholic Schools Week came to a close, Holy Cross Academy celebrated one of our most beloved traditions—Vocations Day, a joyful reminder that God calls each of us to a unique purpose. Students arrived dressed as the future vocations and careers they feel drawn to, and our halls were filled with young “doctors,” “nurses,” “police officers,” “construction workers,” “veterinarians,” “stay-at-home parents,” and even future priests. Each child proudly represented a path of service, compassion, and leadership, reflecting the many ways God works through His people.

This special day highlights the truth at the heart of Catholic education: every vocation is a gift from God, and each child is created with a mission that will unfold in God’s time. Seeing our students step into these roles—roles rooted in care, protection, creativity, and sacrifice—was a beautiful reminder that our future truly is in good hands. These young saints, scholars, and leaders are already showing the character and faith that will guide them wherever God calls them.

Our faculty and staff joined in the fun as well, trading roles with one another and spending a few minutes “in each other’s shoes.” The laughter and camaraderie that filled the building gave everyone a deeper appreciation for the dedication and gifts each person brings to our school community.

Vocations Day was a joyful, faith-filled finale to Catholic Schools Week—one that celebrated not only the careers our students dream of, but the vocations God is preparing their hearts to embrace. At Holy Cross Academy, we, as faculty and staff, are blessed to walk with them as they grow into the people God created them to be.



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our parish religious education

THERE ARE NO R.E. CLASSES THIS WEEK!

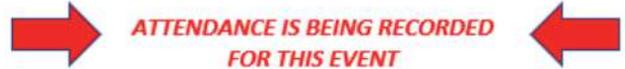
Instead, students are expected to attend one night of the Parish Retreat OR one hour of Adoration.

The Adoration schedule for St. Mary's is 7-9am Monday through Friday, and 12:30pm (after the noon Mass) on Wednesday through Friday 9am, including overnight.



Your child should submit this slip, along with the Ash Wednesday Mass attendance slip, to his/her catechist at class next week (March 2-4).

THESE MANDATORY EVENTS REQUIRE PARENT-SIGNED EVENT ATTENDANCE SLIPS:



Give this signed slip to child's catechist at the next Religious Education class



My child, _____
attended one night of the PARISH RETREAT
Mon/Tues/Wed, February 23-25, 2026 or one
hour of ADORATION:

Signed: _____
Parent Signature



DID YOU KNOW? If your child misses an RE class, you can contact your child's catechist to request a make-up work assignment. Make-up work can be submitted to the catechist for approval. If approved, the catechist will instruct the RE office to give your child attendance credit for the missed class. (Special events usually cannot be made up.)

The diocesan standard is that students receive credit for at least 70% of classes each year.

OCIT students are required to submit make-up work for all missed classes.

RE - FEB 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	RE: 4:45PM 6:30PM	RE: 4:45PM 6:00PM (HCA) 6:30PM	RE: 4:45PM 6:30PM	5	6	7
8	RE: 4:45PM 6:30PM	RE: 4:45PM 6:00PM (HCA) 6:30PM	RE: 4:45PM 6:30PM	12	1 ST PEN 4PM, 5PM	14
15	NO RE PRESIDENTS DAY	NO RE	NO RE ASH WED	1 ST PEN 4PM, 5PM GR 8 FORM NIGHT 7PM	19	20
22	NO RE PARISH RETREAT	NO RE PARISH RETREAT	NO RE PARISH RETREAT	25	26	27
						21 SPRED 10AM-12PM
						28

THERE IS NO R.E. 2/16-18. STUDENTS ARE TO ATTEND AN ASH WEDNESDAY MASS INSTEAD.
THERE IS NO R.E. 2/23-25. STUDENTS ARE TO ATTEND ONE NIGHT OF THE PARISH RETREAT OR GO TO ONE HOUR OF ADORATION INSTEAD.

our parish youth ministry



**Mac-N-Cheese
VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**



WHO DO YOU SAY
THAT
I am?

Can you donate homemade Mac-N-Cheese to support our St. Mary youth attending WorkCamp?

Donations needed
FEBRUARY 27 & MARCH 13
at 5:00pm at the PLC

Contact Tatiana at (540) 373-6491 or
Tbeltran@stmaryfred.org



ST. MARY YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2026



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 HSYG	2	3	4 YOUCAT	5	6 MSYG	7 FIGHT CLUB
8 NO HSYG - SUPERBOWL	9	10	11 YOUCAT	12 FEMININE GENIUS	13 HS RETREAT	14 NO FIGHT CLUB
15 NO HSYG RETREAT	16	17	18 NO YOUCAT ASH WED.	19	20 MSYG	21 FIGHT CLUB
22 HSYG	23	24	25 YOUCAT	26 FEMININE GENIUS	27	28 FIGHT CLUB
1 HSYG	2	3	4 YOUCAT	5	6 MSYG	7 FIGHT CLUB

"I HAVE CALLED YOU BY NAME; YOU ARE MINE." ISAIAH 43:1

our parish lenten mission

ST. MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH LENTEN MISSION

Who do you say that I am?

Pope Leo's motto "In the One we are one" helps us to know how best to answer Christ's question. Join us every evening for our Lenten Mission, as Fr. Jack Riley leads us on a path of discovery –seeking to find our Lord with others.

Conferences every evening 7pm | Church

Monday, February 23

Tuesday, February 24

Wednesday, February 25 (Begins with Mass)

Confessions after each conference

40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration

Monday, February 23 after 9am Mass

Special Confession Hours with Fr. Riley

Saturday, February 21

Following 5 & 7pm Masses

Sunday, February 22

During and following Masses

Monday, February 23

10am, 2pm

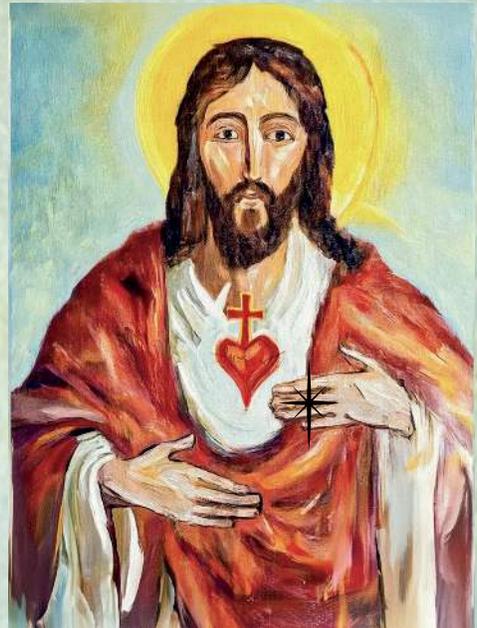
Tuesday, February 24

7:30am, noon, 3pm

Wednesday, February 25

9am, 4:30pm

Note: Fr. Riley will be in the confessional at all times listed above and will hear confessions until the line gives out. When the line gives out, he will depart. Please be prompt; we would not want you to miss out on God's mercy in this moment.



Welcome Back!

Fr. Jack Riley is leading our mission once again! Formerly the chaplain of the Augustine Institute, he has been a priest for over 30 years and currently serves as the Spiritual Director of the Arlington Diocese's San Damiano Retreat Center. He has taught and led hundreds of conferences, missions and retreats around the country. His first love is helping people seek and find Jesus by treasuring and pondering the Gospels in deep quiet prayer.

A great spiritual resource is found by visiting Fr. Riley's website bit.ly/45NTKdf



our parish happenings

WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S!

Fr. Mosimann and
members of our Welcoming

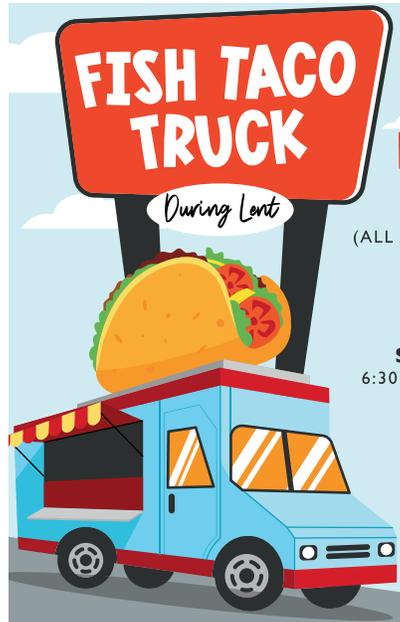
Committee are looking
forward to meeting you and
introducing you to the many
fantastic ministries at St.
Mary so that you (and your
family) can share your gifts
and talents with your new
parish family.

Please sign-up for a time slot
on Sunday, February 22nd
10am-1pm for yourself
and/or family to spend
time with our Welcome
Committee Team and with
your new pastor.

Meetings will take place
in the parish office located
behind the church.

If you have any questions,
please email Elena Doyle at
edoyle@stmaryfred.org.

<https://bit.ly/3LGP9Mp>



JOIN US THIS LENT FOR

STATIONS OF THE CROSS + FISH TACOS & MAC-N-CHEESE!

FIRST 500 TACOS ARE 3 FOR \$6 (1/2 OFF)
(ALL ARE FISH TACOS WITH CHOICE OF FLOUR OR CORN TORTILLA)

MAC-N-CHEESE AVAILABLE IN THE PLC
(DONATIONS APPRECIATED FOR WORKCAMP)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN THE CHURCH
6:30PM - ENGLISH | 7:30PM - SPANISH | EVERY FRIDAY THIS LENT

FEBRUARY 27 - 5:30-8:30PM

MARCH 13 - 5:30-8:30PM

WHO DO YOU SAY
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50 Years of Birthright

Birthright of Fredericksburg will celebrate the 50th anniversary of its founding by the late Irene Hagerty and fellow members of the Council of Catholic Women of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church in 1976.

The site of the merry-making will be the Holiday Inn Conference Center at 20 Sanford Drive, Fredericksburg 22406, which is conveniently located off I-95 at Exit 133. Guests will enjoy a complimentary dinner and a cash bar. Cocktail attire is suggested for the event which will run from 4-8pm on Sunday, March 22.

Required reservations by the deadline of March 14 can be made on the Birthright website at birthrightoffredericksburg.com or by mail to the office at 2006 Lafayette Blvd., Suite 202, Fredericksburg 22401. For more information, leave a message at 540-898-8558.

While the dinner is complimentary, guests will have an opportunity to donate to the non-profit 501©(3) organization that evening. In addition, there are also available table sponsorships in advance of the evening ranging from \$1000 to \$250.

our parish happenings

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul-January

Did you know that the Poor Box located in the back of our church helps to fund the good work of our local St. Vincent de Paul?

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul provides financial grants, prayers and emotional support every Thursday evening to folks right here in our community encountering emergency situations. Proceeds from the all-volunteer Thrift Store located at 142 Olde Greenwich Rd. Fredericksburg, along with private donations and the Poor Box make this assistance possible. In January 77 families (totaling 164 people) were interviewed, and the Society provided \$16,723 in financial assistance to these families.

If you would like to volunteer with the Society, either working at the Thrift Store or being trained to interview clients on Thursday nights, please contact Amy Pata at ramrap94@hotmail.com or Maureen at mjones@mckcompany.com. To provide financial assistance, please continue to use the Poor Box.

St Mary's Singles Group

An open invitation to everyone single and 40 years of age or older for monthly group social gatherings like dinners, movies, plays, works of charity, prayers, Mass and other church events.

Contact Eileen at emw5348@gmail.com to get on the email newsletter list.

There is a gathering each month at the Wegmans upstairs meeting space at 10 am to plan activities. Our next meeting will be March 7.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #4034 PRESENT


**St. Patrick's
Family Dinner**

SATURDAY, MARCH 14
5-8PM IN THE PARISH LIFE CENTER

Adults/Teens: \$15 ||| Seniors (60+) \$12 ||| Children (7 to 12) \$10

MAXIMUM COST PER FAMILY: \$40

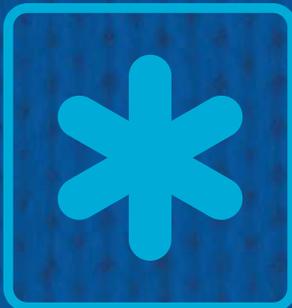
Cash Bar (beer and wine). Must be 21 years of age or older to purchase or consume alcohol. All alcohol must be consumed on premises.

MENU
**Irish Soda Bread, Corned Beef, Cabbage,
Red Potatoes, Dessert**

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE USED TO UPGRADE
THE PARISH LIFE CENTER KITCHEN EQUIPMENT**

our parish
love thy neighbor

february 28, 2026



Join TEAM ST. MARY and walk with us to support the good work of Micah Ecumenical Ministries, providing a sense of community and care for our homeless neighbors. Let's team up, fundraise and walk!

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

The walk takes place in Fredericksburg, beginning at Riverfront Park. All details for the event are found on the link. Once registered, we will follow up with more details! Any questions, please reach out to Elena at edoyle@stmaryfred.org

Gather for good...because its cold out there!
<https://bit.ly/4qmsmof>



our parish
happenings

Join FESTIVAL CHOIR for Holy Week!

- Festival Choir is a group of volunteer singers who join the Parish Choir during Holy Week.
- Weekly rehearsals are in the PLC beginning on March 4 every Thursday evening in March, 7pm - 8:30



Contact Music Director Joseph Ciskanik for more details or to sign up:
musicdirector@stmaryfred.org

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Fredericksburg

This month

The Mass: The Source and Summit of God's Love

Fr. John David Ramsey is the pastor of St. Benedict Church in Richmond. He was ordained in 2010 and has served in Williamsburg, Newport News, and as the Catholic chaplain at the College of William and Mary.

He is a 2000 convert from the United Methodist tradition. Father Ramsey holds a PhD in Systematic and Moral Theology from Duke University, and an STL in Sacramental Theology and Liturgy from The Catholic University of America.

Connect with us! fredericksburgtot@gmail.com



Presenter
Fr. John David Ramsey

MONDAY, MARCH 2

Strangeways Brewing

350 Landsdowne Rd, Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Doors open at 5pm
Presentation at 6:30pm



our parish happenings

Micah Ecumenical Ministries Seeking Respite Care Coordinator

The Respite Care Coordinator receives referrals, supports guests in implementation of their goals and managing day-to-day operational needs of the eight-bed licensed Respite group home. The end goal for the Respite Care Coordinator is expeditiously connecting new guests to services and supports that put them on a path to healing, housing stabilization and lasting impact.

For the full job description visit: <https://indeedhi.re/3M8M87B>

Public Rosary

Please join other Parishioners to pray the Holy Rosary on Saturday, February 21 at noon at St. Mary. Please RSVP to michaelgkasey@verizon.net

FEBRUARY SNACK BAGS

Hugh Mercer Students

Our local elementary school has identified 80 children who rely on receiving school meals as their main source of nourishment. On the weekends many of these children go hungry and the school has reached out to area churches to ask for assistance. St. Mary's is happy to help and will be providing snack bags on the 4th Friday of every month.



TWO WAYS TO HELP:

Sign-up to drop off items needed by visiting bit.ly/3TM9z72

Make a donation to St. Mary Church – include "Outreach-Snack Bags" on the memo line.

Thank you in advance for your goodness! Questions, contact Elena Doyle edoyle@stmaryfred.org

Brisben Center Support

We are thrilled to be continuing our work at the Brisben Center in support of the children! St. Mary's hosts "The Kids Club" EVERY Wednesday from 4:30-5:30 thru May. Join us in crafting, playing games and having some outdoor fun as well as reading and giving some homework help to the children at the homeless center.

If you can encourage kids and like to have fun - this is the perfect ministry for you!

Looking for volunteers 18 years or older.

7th-8th graders students preparing for confirmation are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult.

*****IMPORTANT*** If signing up family members to help - please sign-up each person individually who is coming. Space is limited for each session. Thank you!**

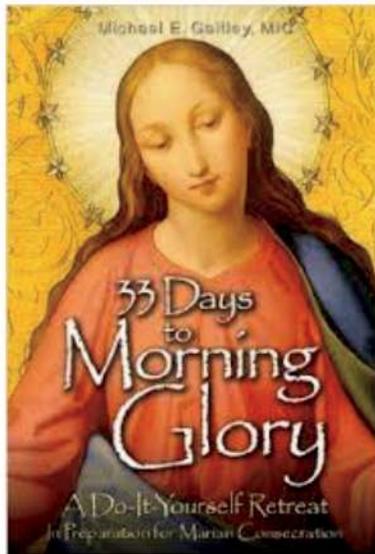
Any questions, please reach out to Sydney McDonald sydjim92@msn.com or Elena Doyle at 540-373-6491. To sign-up scan or visit: <https://bit.ly/4bcgDE1>



our parish happenings

You Have Waited for a Marian Consecration!

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



*You can 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 teachings. He simplifies their writings and makes it easy to understand and to apply practically in your daily life! This is a user-friendly retreat that offers numerous blessings for everyone. Whether you've been thinking about entrusting yourself to Mary for the first time, if you are looking to deepen or renew your consecration to her, or you are renewing your consecration, **33 Days to Morning Glory** is the perfect retreat leading to your consecration to Mary.*

After completing weekly retreat sessions, we will make our consecration together attending noon mass and completing the consecration prayers following the May 13th (Our Lady of Fatima) Mass.

Retreat Specifics

1. Retreat Session Dates: March 30th, April 13th, April 20th, April 27th, May 4th, and May 11th
2. **Consecration:** May 13th
3. All sessions are held in the **St Joseph House** on St Mary's campus
4. **Time:** 1 – 3:30PM (except, consecration day follows 12:00PM mass)
5. There is **no cost** for the retreat, but **please purchase the book** (at Amazon), **33 Days to Morning Glory**, by Fr. Gaitley, before the first session on March 30th. For people with low vision, an audiobook is available, please contact Evelyn (below).

MUST REGISTER NO LATER THAN March 18th, 2026

Drop off your registration in the Parish Office No Later than 3/18/2026

Name _____

Email Address _____

Phone No. _____

For more information, email Evelyn Clingerman, at emclinge@yahoo.com, noting 33 Days in the Subject of the email.



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Programa de preparación Sacramental
para el
Matrimonio
Amor, Alianza y Sacramento



FECHA DE INICIO
DOMINGO 22 DE FEBRERO | 12 PM

LUGAR: CASA JUAN PABLO II
ST. MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
1009 Stafford Ave Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Para más información, contactar a Lizette Arce:
(540) 429-9291



Centro Católico de Formación JSV

Retiro Tetelestai



contemplaremos

La gloria de Jesús en su pasión. Veremos los personajes y el escenario de la Última Cena, Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección de Jesús que manifiestan su gloria.

21 y 22 de Marzo
Sábado 8am-5pm • Domingo 8am-5pm

Holy Cross Academy
250 Stafford Lakes Pkwy.
Fredericksburg, VA 22406



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

operations given in love

The next Financial Report will be published
in the March 1 Bulletin

Thank you for your generosity!

National Collection for U.S. Black & Indian Missions "Building Our Mission to the Missions" February 21 & 22

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 far-reaching 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.

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.

Children's Charity - March

The Children's Charity that will benefit from donations in March is the Fairy Godmother Project. At the heart of Fairy Godmother Project (FGP) is a commitment to lighten the load for parents dealing with pediatric cancer. We understand that time is one of the most precious gifts we can offer these families. As we walk alongside them, we are able to offer tangible support in their most challenging times. By providing meals and professional house cleaning, along with financial support, we help free up time for our families to focus on what matters most. All donations received in March through our Children's Charities Program will be given to the Fairy Godmother Project. For families facing end-of-life, FGP ensures they receive the compassion and help they need during the most heartbreaking moments, offering both emotional and financial assistance. Children's Envelopes are available through our Religious Education Office. Call the Parish Office and we will be happy to send you a set of envelopes.

Pro Life Reflection

"We often assume parenthood happens easily after 'I do,' but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility... If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and His Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple." (USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities)



OCIA INQUIRY GROUP

Anyone interested in starting the next OCIA class, on Thursday, September 17, 2026, is welcome!

Meetings
Fridays in Lent after 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross. Gather outside the church doors at 7:00 pm. After Easter, monthly meetings.

Contact: Dr. Katherine Evans, EdD
Director of Religious Education
(540) 373-6491 x230
kevans.stmaryfred@gmail.com



liturgy

daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List - February

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: Bonita Boyer, Brooke Fornea, Charles Boyer, Chris Breth, Drew LoRusso, Fred Royer, Jacob R. Moser, Jason Stoker, JoAnne O'Brien, Joseph Krieg, Logan Leslie, Margaret Murphy, Maria Mangini, Maryann Carroll, Roy Schmidt, Shirley Bozicevic, Sue Moorefield, Susan Harvin, Teresa Lopez, Theresa & Kieth Kovalefsky, Walt Boswell, Logan Leslie, Bonnie Kenney, Justina McGuire, Michael Fedowitz III, Joseph Krieg, Theresa & Keith Kovalefsky, Susan Harvin

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

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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.

Did you know.... Our parishioners gather every Wednesday at 3pm – The Hour of Great Mercy - to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet?

All are warmly welcome to spend time in Adoration in the church and join in this powerful devotion.

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Mass Intentions

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.

Daily Mass Intentions

February

23 MONDAY

6:30am Justin and Mary Ringler
9:00am Tillman Wiggans+
Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46

24 TUESDAY

6:30am Elizabeth Stanislawski
9:00am Katherine Evans
Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15

25 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Brendan Williamson
8:15am* Amber Dimmer
9:00am Leslie Hardcastle+
Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32

26 THURSDAY

6:30am Levi Ringler
9:00am David Spellman+
Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12

27 FRIDAY

6:30am Rosa Anita Vazquez+
9:00am Phillip Atkins+
Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26

28 SATURDAY

9:00am Fr. Joseph Connor
5:00pm Warren Kwieciński+
7:00pm Joseph Cascio+
Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

March

1 SUNDAY

7:00am Larry Delaney+
8:30am Ryan Epps+
8:30am* Joseph and Jennifer Mazzara
10:30am All Those Who Died in February
10:30am* Hugh and Margaret Williamson
12:30pm Anthony DeTrane
2:30pm Jose Soto+
5:00pm The Muggeridge Family
7:00pm For Our Parish
Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

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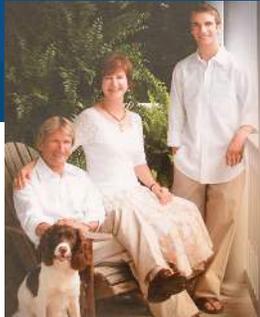
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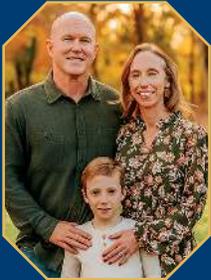
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