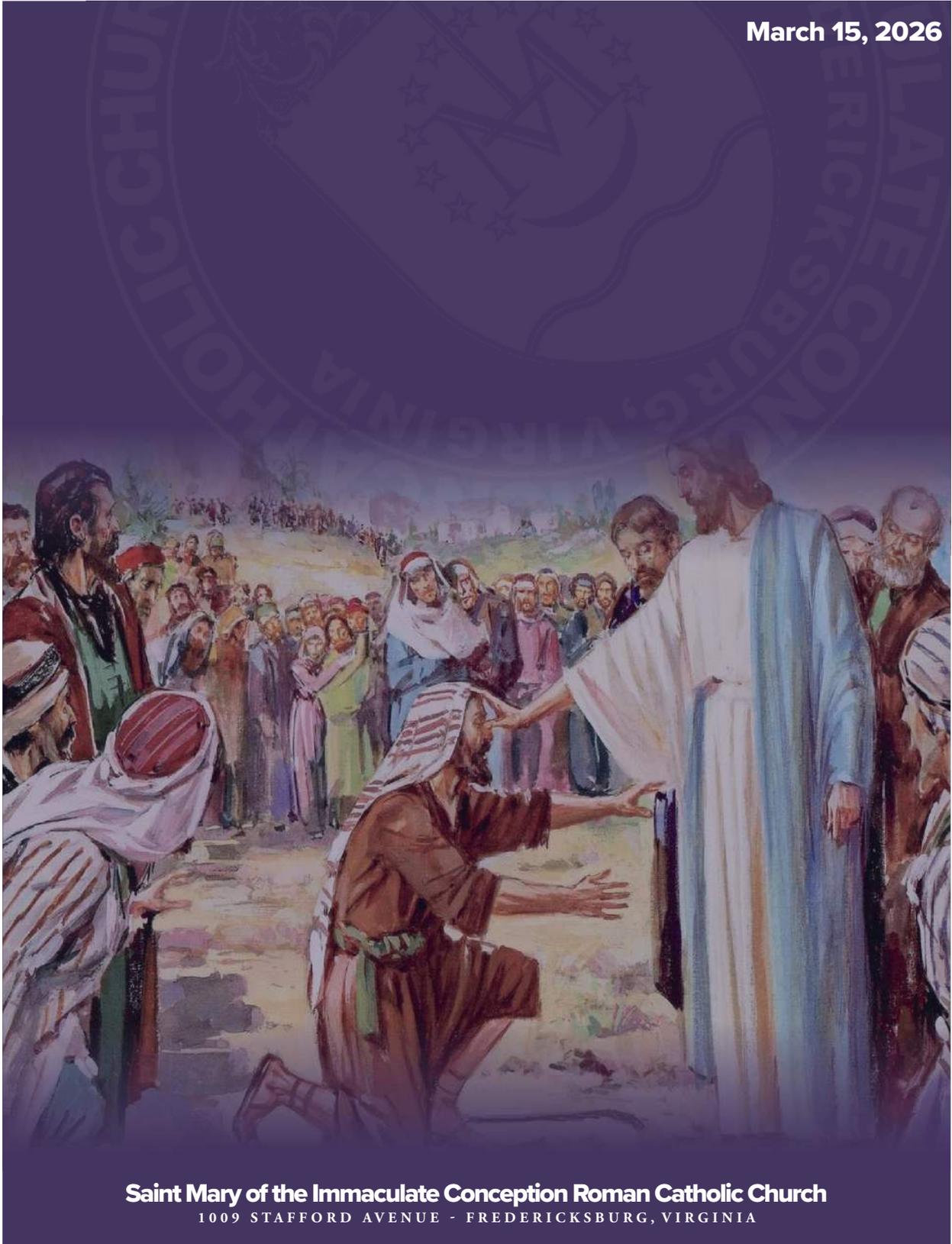


FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 15, 2026



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

capital campaign

grow our legacy in faith

Financial Update

It is with a spirit of joy and thanksgiving that we provide this update on our Capital Campaign. Your faithful stewardship is the foundation upon which we are "Growing Our Legacy of Faith."

A Testament to Your Generosity

- **Our Financial Milestone:** We have successfully collected \$5,209,694.33 to date, which represents 71% of the total amount pledged.
- **Exceeding Our Goals:** We are currently outpacing the Diocesan forecast at 112.6%. With four months left in the Fiscal Year, your steadfast generosity continues to exceed all expectations. Thank you for your goodness!
- 40% of all pledges (479) are now fully paid. We thank these donors for their complete commitment.

Looking Toward the Future

Of the \$7,369,387.56 total pledged, our remaining balance to collect stands at \$2,159,693.23. These remaining funds are vital as we continue to fulfill the capital campaign's critical priorities and physical needs of our parish.

Memorial Opportunity Status

Our two chapel initiatives continue to show strong support from the parish family:

CHAPEL	TOTAL MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES	TOTAL MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES PLEGGED	MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES PAID	BALANCE DUE	AVAILABLE MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES
St. Helena	\$181,000.00	\$158,500.00	\$156,500.04	\$1,999.96	\$22,500.00
Divine Mercy	\$442,000.00	\$442,000.00	\$418,173.37	\$88,427.60	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$623,000.00	\$600,500.00	\$574,673.41	\$90,427.56	\$22,500.00

While the Divine Mercy Chapel memorials are now fully spoken for, there are still \$22,500.00 in memorial opportunities remaining for the St. Helena Chapel. We invite those interested in these final opportunities to join us in this lasting tribute to our faith and future.

*"Start by doing what's necessary
then do what's possible;
and suddenly you are doing the impossible."
~ St. Francis of Assisi*

from our pastor

Dear Folks,

Today is Laetare Sunday, the midpoint of Lent. The name comes from the first word of the entrance antiphon: Laetare Jerusalem — “Rejoice, O Jerusalem.”

This Sunday is one of the favorites of children and adults who like to tease the priest. If I had a dime for every time someone said, “You look pretty in pink,” we would never have to do a capital campaign! Some priests respond with, “It is rose, not pink!” My usual line is, “I’d wear polka dots if Jesus told me to!” Some would argue that my detachment from concern over my appearance goes too far! Haha!

But all silliness aside, the priests wear rose vestments today — the color of spring blossoms and the sunrise. In the middle of a penitential season, the Church gives us a moment to breathe and remember why we are doing all this.

Lent is not meant to be forty days of misery. It is forty days of preparation for joy.

Here are two ways to visualize this:

1. If you are driving across the country, sometimes you crest a hill and suddenly see the distant skyline of the city you are heading toward. You’re not there yet—but seeing it reminds you why you started the journey in the first place.
2. If you are up before the crack of dawn, in the

darkest portion of the night, when the first rays of the sun begin to appear on the horizon, they are rose-colored. I don’t remember much from reading the Iliad, except that Homer frequently spoke of the “rosy-fingered dawn.”

That’s Laetare Sunday. When our penances feel heavy and we cannot see through the darkness, the rosy-fingered dawn of the Resurrection peeks over the horizon to remind us why we have taken up our crosses.

The penances, sacrifices, fasting, and prayer are not the goal themselves. They are meant to clear space in our hearts so that we can receive the victory of Christ more deeply. The Cross is real—but so is the Resurrection—and the Church never lets us forget where the road is leading.

So if Lent has been going well for you, keep going. If Lent has not been going well for you... this is a perfect day to start again.

Pax,



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

Extra Lenten Confessions

Monday, March 23 - Friday March 27 | 6:30pm-7pm

Saturday, March 28 | 8am and 3:30pm

Monday, March 30 | 11:30am-12pm & 6:30pm-7pm

Tuesday, April 1 | 6:30pm-7pm

Wednesday, April 2 | 11:30am-12pm & 6:30pm-7pm

All Holy Week Masses at Expo Center

Holy Thursday, April 2: 7:30pm Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper

Good Friday, April 3 | 12-3pm Tre Ore at Expo Center

3pm | Passion and Veneration of the Holy Cross

6:30pm | Stations of the Cross

7:15pm | Spanish Stations

Holy Saturday April 4 | 8pm Easter Vigil

Sunday April 5 | 8am - 10:15am - 12:30pm Bilingual

announcements

St. Mary Coffee & Donut Shop

Following ALL Morning Masses
Come and enjoy some fellowship!

Stations of the Cross in the Church

EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT

6:30pm English

7:30pm Spanish

All are welcome!

contact us

stmaryfred.org

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
Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 12 noon
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
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Students staff office weekdays until 9pm,
Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays (Closed)

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

Business Manager, Elaine Stanislawski
Director of Operations, Chris Lanzarone
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Joseph Ciskanik
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HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

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Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406-7234
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sfry@holycrossweb.com

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY PRESCHOOL

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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

Discover the Joy of Learning from PreSchool to 8th grade at Holy Cross Academy!

At Holy Cross Academy, learning isn't just taught — it's experienced. Our Pre-Kindergarten 4 students recently wrapped up their study of the letter P with a lively parade of Pirates and Princesses, turning literacy into a magical adventure. Under the creative guidance of Mrs. YGardner and Mrs. Yarrington, children don't simply memorize letters — they live them. Classrooms transform into worlds of wonder, curiosity is encouraged at every turn, and each child is celebrated for the unique spark they bring to our community.

Families choose Holy Cross Academy because they want more than a school — they want a warm, faith-filled community where their child is known, loved, and inspired to grow. Here, every moment of learning is rooted in our mission: **Holy Cross forms young men and women to be saints, scholars, and leaders in the image of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Blessed Mother.** Our teachers nurture creativity, encourage exploration, and celebrate every milestone along the way.

Enrollment is still open for all grades!

We are currently accepting students for both Preschool (3-year-olds are 2 days a week) and Pre-Kindergarten (4-year-olds). With flexible options — short days or full days, and Pre K is 3 days a week or 5 days — you can choose the schedule that fits your family best.

If you're looking for a nurturing, imaginative, and academically rich start for your child, Holy Cross Academy is ready to welcome your family into ours.



A National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence



our parish religious education

LENTEN CONFESSIONS: Over the past two weeks, children enrolled in Religious Education, as well as homeschooled and home-taught RE students, have participated in Lenten Confessions. Catechists are also encouraging their students to prepare their hearts for Easter by growing closer to Jesus through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

RICE BOWL: One of the ways you can participate in these penitential acts at home is through the Catholic Relief Services "Rice Bowl" program. This ministry gets its name from a simple idea: in many parts of the world, rice is a basic daily food. The "rice bowl" symbolizes the simple meal that millions of people rely on and invites Catholics in the United States to practice solidarity with those who have less.



During Lent, families are encouraged to eat simpler meals, sacrifice small luxuries, and place the money they save into a small cardboard "rice bowl" box. The collected donations support the humanitarian work of Catholic Relief Services, helping people around the world with food security, agriculture, clean water, education, and emergency relief.

You can pick up your family's rice bowl in the church narthex, in the entryway to the PLC, or during Tuesday night RE at HCA. It comes with a Lenten calendar that guides families throughout the 40 days of lent with activities, reflections, stories, and opportunities to put alms in their Rice Bowl.

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Another Lenten activity for your family to participate in is the Stations of the Cross. There will be a special CHILDREN'S Stations of the Cross this Friday, March 20, at 4:30pm at the church. Please join us!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 RE 4:45, 6:30	3 RE 4:45, 6:00, 6:30	4 RE 6:30	5	6	7
	<i>Turn in attendance slips</i>					
8	9 RE 4:45, 6:30	10 RE 4:45, 6:00, 6:30	11 RE 6:30	12	13	14 SPRED 10-12
15	16 RE 4:45, 6:30	17 RE 4:45, 6:00, 6:30	18 RE 6:30	19	20 YF Sta of the Cross 4:30	21
22	23 RE 4:45, 6:30	24 RE 4:45, 6:00, 6:30	25 RE 6:30	26	27	28 SPRED 10-12
29 PALM SUNDAY	30	31	NO RE --- HOLY WEEK ---		✠✠	
RE - March 2026						

our parish
youth ministry



BASH

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2026

ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE INVITED!



AN EXCITING DAY FOR MORE THAN A THOUSAND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS TO GATHER WITH BISHOP BURBIDGE TO CELEBRATE THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH!

- 🕯 Vigil Mass with Bishop Burbidge
- ✉ Message from Rachel Leininger
- 🎩 Illusionist: Ciancarlo Bernini 🎮 Inflatable Games
- 🍕 Pizza 🍦 Ice Cream 🎉 Fun with Friends!



PLEASE EMAIL TATIANA FOR A PERMISSION SLIP - TBELTRAN@STMARYFRED.ORG



ST. MARY YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

MARCH 2026



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 HSYG	2	3	4 YOUCAT	5	6 MSYG	7 NO FIGHT CLUB
8 HSYG	9	10	11 YOUCAT	12 FEMININE GENIUS	13	14 FIGHT CLUB
15 HSYG	16	17	18 YOUCAT	19	20 MSYG	21 FIGHT CLUB
22 HSYG	23	24	25 YOUCAT	26 FEMININE GENIUS	27	28 FIGHT CLUB
29 HSYG	30	31	1 NO YOUCAT HOLY WEEK	2	3 NO MSYG	4 NO FIGHT CLUB

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

our parish
happenings

STEP UP TO THE PLATE

SPRING
Sign-Up

SEEKING PLAYERS & COACHES

**USHERS: THE "STADIUM CREW"
(WELCOMING THE CROWDS)**

Providing assistance to our fellow parishioners at Mass. Tasks include; extending a warm greeting, seating, assisting with the collection and Holy Communion lines and distributing the bulletin at the conclusion of Mass.

**EXTRA HELP NEEDED FOR THE TRIDUUM AT THE
FXBG CONVENTION CENTER
THURSDAY, APRIL 2 - SUNDAY, APRIL 5**

Contact Tom Fish
headusher@stmaryfred.org

**YOUTH MINISTRY/
WORKCAMP: "HEAD COACHES"
(LEADING THE NEXT GENERATION)**

Assist in the preparation, coordination and participation of our annual WorkCamp. The goal is to make homes warmer, safer and drier for families in need within our diocese.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Contractors, crew leaders security, stakeholder, lunch preps, van donation, fundraising help and more. No experience needed just a willingness to join the team!

(We draft rookies!)
Contact: Tatiana Belfran
tbelfran@stmaryfred.org

**LEGION OF MARY: "THE
OUTREACH SCOUTS" (CHECKING IN ON OUR
VETERANS IN ASSISTED LIVING).**

Weekly meetings at St. Mary where the team is nourished by prayer in order to complete acts of service and mercy; visiting parishioners in hospitals, homes and nursing facilities.

Contact: Donna Harring
donnaHarring2@gmail.com

**SUBSTITUTE CATECHISTS:
"RELIEF PITCHERS"**

Our 'Starting Pitchers' (Full-time Catechists) are doing great work, but every winning team needs a strong Bullpen. We're looking for Relief Pitchers to step in when a starter needs a break, ensuring our students never miss a beat.

Currently, our greatest need is substitute catechists at Holy Cross Academy on Tuesday evenings.

Contact Katherine Evans
kevans@stmaryfred.org

our parish outreach

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 4:30-5:30pm. 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>

Hesed House (Hebrew word for love)

It's time for St. Mary's to supply items for a room at the Hesed House for a new neighbor!

Micah Ecumenical Ministries opened up the Hesed House. It was formally a rundown motel in the college heights area of Fredericksburg, off of Rt.1. Together with the downtown churches, it has been renovated and currently serves as a temporary home for adults in need of shelter while a more permanent solution is found. A true blessing.

As part of our support of the Hesed House, St. Mary's will continue to donate items as needed. When a resident moves on, they are able to take their bedding, towels, toiletries etc. and a few items with them. New items are now needed for the next resident. Please visit the link below which has items listed, and sign-up to donate an item or two!

Please bring your donation to the parish office, and label it "Hesed House" Questions? Reach out to Megan D'Lugos at thedlugos5@gmail.com

God bless you! <https://bit.ly/4u01tZw>

MARCH 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 to the parish office no later than Monday, March 23 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



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GO ♣ ALL IN FOR ♣
HOLY CROSS ACADEMY
SILENT AUCTION & CASINO NIGHT
SATURDAY ♥ APRIL 25, 2026 ♥ 6-11 PM



COCKTAIL HOUR & HORS D'OEUVRES
DINNER & DANCING
GAMING TABLE ENTERTAINMENT
CRAPS, ROULETTE, POKER & BLACKJACK
JOIN THE FUN & MAKE A BID TO SUPPORT LIBRARY UPGRADES
& STUDENT ENRICHMENT



TICKETS \$50/PERSON \$90/COUPLE
INCLUDES 2 DRINK TICKETS FOR BEER, WINE OR HARD SELTZER
& 10K FUNNY MONEY TO PLAY
LINK TO BUY TICKETS [HTTPS://PAYIT.NELNET.NET/FORM/EKSO5GNS](https://PAYIT.NELNET.NET/FORM/EKSO5GNS)
TICKET PRICES INCREASE TO \$60/PERSON AFTER MARCH 21ST

**PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE & HOME
ENTHRONEMENT**

We're excited to announce that the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available to visit your home!

This is a wonderful opportunity to invite the presence of the Blessed Mother into your family's daily life, offering a special time for prayer, reflection, and devotion.

If your family would like to host the Pilgrim Virgin Statue, please contact Mary Lou Felts to schedule a visit:

571-723-3333

maryloufelts@gmail.com

We encourage you to consider this beautiful spiritual experience for your household.

DREAMING OF SUMMER? SAVE THE DATE NOW!

Vacation Bible School

July 27-31, 2026

9 am to noon @ HCA

for kids entering K-5th

Teen and adult volunteers

also needed

REGISTRATION OPENS JUNE 1

Young Family VBS

June 20, 2026

9 am to noon @ HCA

for children ages 0-5 and

their parents

Older siblings welcome

REGISTRATION OPENS MAY 1

stmaryfxbgvbs@gmail.com



Marriage Masterplan

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception
One-Day Marriage Enrichment Retreat

Saturday, March 21, 2026

Led by Fr. Mosimann and David & Margaret Bereit

Saturday, March 21 Schedule:

- 9:00 AM—Mass in the Church
- Breakfast—Parish Life Center
- Guided Activities, Private Couple Discussion, Prayer
- 4:00 PM—Conclusion

FREE to Attend

Register at bit.ly/4cvS6KF

Call the parish office with any questions 540-373-6491

Bring Brown Bag Lunch

Open to all married couples, whether married 1 year or 71.

Space is limited.

Wherever your marriage is today, this retreat will help you take it to the next level.

Through guided exercises, prayer, and quality time with your spouse, you'll reflect on the love story God has been writing in your lives, and build a plan for deeper love and greater joy in your marriage.

The day includes Mass, lots of time for private discussion with your spouse, and a couples roadmap to take home.

This is not a lecture. Think of it as a date with a purpose—and a plan.

REDISCOVER where you've been. **RENEW** where you are. Build the **ROADMAP** for where God is taking you—*together*.

our parish happenings



✠ THE
GUADALUPE FREE CLINIC
INVITES YOU TO THE
*10th Annual
Roses of Castile Gala
Fundraiser*
MAY 2, 2026
5:30PM TO 11:00PM
OLD HICKORY GOLF CLUB
11921 CHANCEFORD DR.
WOODBIDGE, VA 22192
Guadalupefreeclinic.org/gala

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul - February

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. February's Poor Box contributions were \$2,913.00 and 80 families (totaling 208 people) were interviewed, and the Society provided \$32,395 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.

Ushers Needed

St. Mary is in need of Ushers to help serve at ALL MASSES. What a great New Year's resolution to assist your brothers and sisters in this generous way! Contact Tom Fish TODAY at headusher@stmaryfred.org.

Women's 160th Cursillo Retreat

The Women's 160th Retreat Weekend for the Arlington Diocese will take place at Mission Hurst Retreat Center, Arlington VA, on April 16 - 19, 2026. The theme for the retreat is "Women of grace and faith". Cursillo (cur See yo) is a Lay Catholic movement. It's about friends helping friends grow in Christ and shared Christian values in our challenging world. The Cursillo charism is rooted in an understanding that God, in Christ, loves us deeply just as we are. Through the Cursillo Movement we encounter Christ in the lives we live everyday, and especially, through friendship and community. Please contact Miguel Ayala at miguel.a.ayala@gmail.com for more information or visit arlingtoncursillo.org



our parish happenings

NO GREATER LOVE

A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH
CHRIST'S PASSION



Dates – Times – Location

This program will be offered on 4 different days/times for 5 weeks beginning in April!

At St. Mary in Room 101-
Mondays 12:45-2:15pm; April 13- May 11
Wednesdays 9:45-11:15am; April 15-May 13
Thursdays 9:45-11:15am; April 16-May 14

At Holy Cross Academy in the Library-
Wednesdays 6:30-8:00pm; April 15-May 13

Cost – Registration

\$30.00 per person
Registration will take place daily in the Parish Office.
Each class size is limited to 25 at St. Mary & 15 at Holy Cross, so register early!!!

For More Information

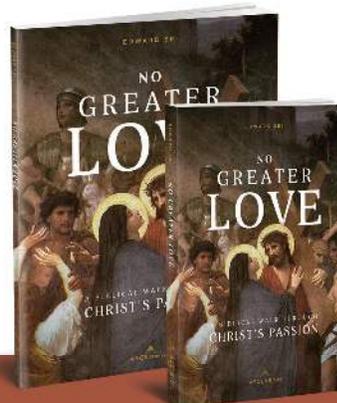
This is an opportunity to deepen your Lenten & Easter journeys, which we will have just completed at the start of this program.

For more information, please contact Jackie Ezersky - jezersky13@gmail.com.

Thousands sought Jesus during his life.
Only a few followed him to Calvary.

What will you do?

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *No Greater Love* is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life. You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death. Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for you—and grow closer to Jesus.

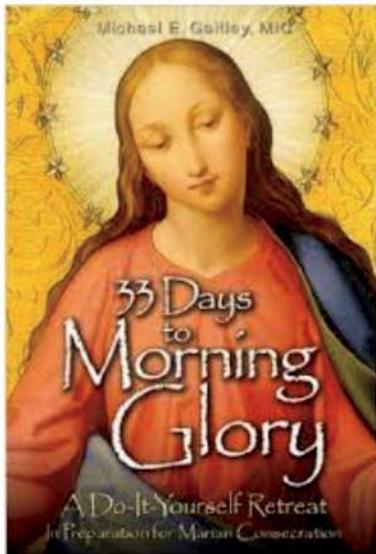


Visit ascensionpress.com to learn more!

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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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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

Regístrate



\$50

<https://bit.ly/4qBdT7b>

O en persona en la oficina con Giovanni
540-373-6491 o gcamamacho@stmarysfred.org

operations given in love

Donations Received February 25 - 26

Sunday Offertory	\$33,628.00
Parish Debt Reduction	\$270.00
Black & Indian Missions	\$372.00
Poor Box for St Vincent de Paul	\$803.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Masses were offered in January for the following unscheduled intentions: +Charles Abt, +Nancy Fishenden (2), +Maria Vincent, +Julie Diggs, Yousef, Pope Francis, +Francis B. Phelan, Jr., Patrick Metts, Josephine Bonazza Hanlon, Maria Thi Vu, +David Spellman, +Wendi Gifford, +Lucio Alejandro Quiroz Mercado, Jessica Aljandra Quiroz Mercado, Albert DiMarcantonio, Catherine Clagett, Brooklyn Leslie, +Jeanne Hollingsworth, +All Souls (2), +Gregorio Catolico, +Souls in Purgatory (4), Father Dansereau, Janie Sherry, +Nate Norton, +Ann Graf, and +Linda Hoarie.

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

Saint Joseph is a model for all fathers in his example of faithfulness and protection of his family. Thousands of times a day, children are aborted because of the choice of a father who fails to show that faithfulness and willingness to protect the child he has helped conceive. *Lord, bless all fathers so that they may welcome every child and join the child's mother in saying yes to life.*

Easter Flowers

Remember someone you love, either living or deceased, with a donation for our beautiful Easter Flowers. Envelopes are available in your envelope packets and in the Church.



The Holy Cross Academy PTO is seeking donations for our Spring Auction Fundraiser, which will be held on the evening of April 25th at Holy Cross Academy. If you are in a position to donate or facilitate the donation of the following items, please email HCAPTO@holycrossweb.org

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- Professional Photography sessions
- Other professional services and goods

All adult parishioners are welcomed to attend this special evening! Please email HCAPTO@holycrossweb.org for more information.



liturgy

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Saint Mary Prayer List - March

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: Bonnie Kenney, Charles Boyer, Chris Breth, Drew LoRusso, Jack Smith, Jason Stoker, JoAnne O'Brien, Joseph Krieg, Logan Leslie, Maryann Carroll, Michael Fedowitz III, Shirley Bozicevic, Sue Moorefield, Susan Harvin, Teresa Lopez, Theresa & Keith Kovalefsky, William Pell III, Xavier Ronan, Maura Gabriel, Jacob R. Moser

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

Joseph Gardner, Glenn Dickinson, Paul Fischer, Jamal Williams, Lance Schulte, Brian Hellmann, 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, Staff Sergeant Sean Walker Brown, Matthew Sampson, Kenneth Linstrom, Lt. Gregory Odland, Andrew Doyle, Olav Brooks, Gabriel Sanger, Josh Lawson, David Brown, Annah Brown, Joshua Brown, Diego Esparza, Brian Inguanti, LCDR Jason King

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.

"Jesus, I trust in You"



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

March

16 MONDAY

6:30am Amy Baker+
9:00am Virginia Lee Marrenco+
12:00pm Delilah Reed+
Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

17 TUESDAY

6:30am Martin Cook+
9:00am George and Christine McWhirt
Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

18 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Julie Diggs+
8:15am* Juan and Sara Silva+
9:00am Charles White+
Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

19 THURSDAY

6:30am Peter and Erika Paquette
9:00am The Spencer Family
2 Sm 7:4-16/Rom 4:13-22/Mt 1:16-24a

20 FRIDAY

6:30am The Martinez Family
9:00am Chris Ducic+
Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

21 SATURDAY

9:00am Thomas Faleskie+
5:00pm David Toigo+
7:00pm Anthony Khang Nguyễn+
Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

22 SUNDAY

7:00am For Our Parish
8:30am Zona Gordon+
8:30am* Kathleen Bryce+
10:30am George McMullen+
10:30am* Jose de los Santos
12:30pm Steve Lambrecht+
2:30pm Jolman Reyes+
5:00pm Simeon Vaquerano+
7:00pm Nanvy Mathers+
Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45

* Indicates Mass at Holy Cross Academy.

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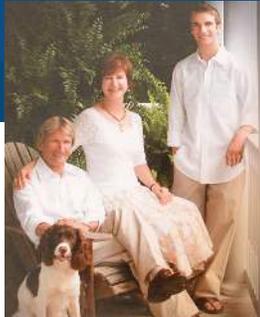
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