

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 21, 2026



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

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Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel Update: The Beauty of Patient Waiting

As the heat of summer settles in, the rhythm of life naturally shifts into a slower, more deliberate pace. In our modern world, we often rush from one milestone to the next, but our faith reminds us that summer is a reflection of "Ordinary Time"—a season meant for steady, hidden growth, rest, and patient trust in God's perfect timing.

Our Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel project is mirroring this gentle summer pace.

Many of you have enjoyed seeing the artistic designs for the first two scenes of our four custom stained-glass windows. Currently, our artisans are working diligently behind the scenes to revise, refine, and perfect the designs for the remaining two scenes. Because this sacred art will inspire generations of worshippers, we want to ensure every detail perfectly captures the beauty of its spiritual message before we share it with the parish. Similarly, the creation of our Adoring Angels stained-glass windows is making quiet, steady progress. It is a meticulous, slow craft. This master blueprint phase layout highlights the intricate, piece-by-piece assembly process where every section is coded for specific glass types. The pieces currently appear much darker because they are lying flat on an opaque workbench without any backlighting to bring out their true, vibrant colors.



In her Diary, St. Faustina herself reflected deeply on the spiritual value of these slow, hidden moments. When she anxiously awaited progress on the works Jesus asked of her, she surrendered her timeline to His, writing:

"But God in all His designs is sweet and unfathomable... Let every soul trust in the Lord and not seek its own realization, because God has His own time for everything." (Diary, 1152)

Like the deep roots growing silently beneath the summer soil, a lack of visible noise does not mean a lack of progress. Sometimes, the Lord's building requires us to wait in joyful anticipation, trusting that He is working beautifully behind the scenes.

Thank you for your continued prayers, patience, and generosity as we slow down this summer to ensure our new sacred space is built with the utmost care and reverence.

from our pastor

Dear Folks,

Fr. Stan Lee arrives this Thursday! One of the priests here told him on the phone this week, “never has there been such excitement and anticipation for the arrival of a new priest!” Maybe a little hyperbole, but maybe not!

It was a long year for the priests of St. Mary’s, and we had to trim the Tuesday / Thursday Noon Masses from the schedule, because we just couldn’t cover them. Yes, we kept them going as long as we could, in hopes that another priest might come....well, that day is now here!

So I am adding back to the schedule:

Tuesday & Thursday Noon masses — beginning Thursday June 25th, the day Fr. Lee arrives and it will be his first scheduled Mass in the parish!

Monday 4pm Summer Mass at Holy Cross Academy — beginning Monday June 29th. If it is well attended, I will consider making this a more permanent addition.

Turkey / Greece?? It was mentioned in here once, but if you are interested in a pilgrimage trip to Turkey / Greece, I had a couple of cancellations this week, and so there is room for another couple or two. Dates: Friday October 23rd to Friday November 6th. Cost \$5500 per person/double occupancy. It will be a small trip, with about 20 folks, and an adventure! If you would like to see the itinerary, email me directly: frmosimann@stmaryfred.org

Pax,



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



PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

Father in Heaven,
you chose Mary
to be the mother of your Son
and gave her to us to be our mother also.

As we celebrate
the 250th anniversary of independence
of the United States, we ask Mary to
protect and guide our country.
May we, under her protection,
be united with you
and with one another.

Strengthened by the gift of the Holy Spirit,
help us to have a stronger faith,
be filled with hope,
and live in charity with all
of our brothers and sisters.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Front Image: Statue of the Immaculate Conception at the Basilica of Saint Mary in Alexandria



announcements



**St. Mary Coffee &
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Following ALL Morning Masses

Come and enjoy some fellowship!

With the arrival of Fr. Lee this week,
Fr. Mosimann happily announces
the return of:

12 noon Masses on Tuesday & Thursday
beginning on Thursday, June 25th
AND
4:00pm Mass every Monday - St.
Helena Chapel at Holy Cross Academy
beginning on June 29th

contact us

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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

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Saturdays 9-5pm, Sundays (Closed)

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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!

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holy cross academy

Class of 2026

The HCA Class of 2026 is leaving its legacy in truly remarkable and faith-filled style. From the students who began their journeys together in Preschool and Kindergarten to those who joined our community in the past three years, each one now steps forward as a confident, capable young person formed by years of prayer, learning, friendship, and grace. They are ready to engage the world with the strong character, values, and self-driven determination that have been nurtured at Holy Cross Academy. Their growth reflects our mission of forming young men and women to become saints, scholars, and leaders in the image of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Blessed Mother.

Under the leadership of the Very Reverend Father Mosimann, Dr. Fry, Principal, and Mrs. Tomayko, Assistant Principal, the graduation ceremony was a beautiful testament to their accomplishments and to God's work in their lives. Numerous awards recognized excellence in academics, service, leadership, and faith. A special award, the Altar Service Award, was presented by Father Mosiman to altar server Matthew E., who also received the Hibernians Award for piety and service — a powerful reminder of the importance of living one's faith with humility and devotion.

The speeches delivered by Alexis H., Salutatorian, and Luke M., Valedictorian, were exceptionally written and touched the hearts of all in attendance. Their words reflected gratitude, perseverance, and a deep understanding of what it means to be part of the Holy Cross Academy family.

Before the ceremony began, one graduation parent quietly removed his suit jacket and laid it over a pew to save a place for a graduating student and her family, who had not yet arrived after attending her father's funeral — a simple, heartfelt gesture offered "just in case." Our close-knit community was moved profoundly when the student entered the church, processing in with her entire family behind her. It was a moment that revealed the true heart of Holy Cross Academy — a community rooted in faith, compassion, and love. In that sacred silence, many were reminded that in our greatest joys and deepest sorrows, we walk together as the Body of Christ, carrying one another with tenderness and grace.

This class has left an imprint of faith, unity, and courage — a legacy that will continue to shine long after they leave our halls.



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INTRODUCING...

STARE is the St. Thorlak Adaptive Religious Education program, a new Religious Education ministry of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church. STARE is designed for students with diverse, diagnosed learning or physical disabilities whose spiritual and religious educational needs are not able to be met through traditional Religious Education and SPRED (Special Religious Education) classes.

The STARE Motto is: *In Silencio Sapientia* ("In Silence is Wisdom"). This principle acknowledges that, for many students with ASD-1, Down Syndrome, and other neuro-processing conditions, wisdom and intelligence are often internal and deep, even if not always expressed through traditional social or verbal channels.

STARE seeks to transform "silence" from a perceived deficit into a sacred space for reflection, catechesis, and divine connection. We believe every student deserves to experience the fulness of the Catholic faith through consistent, meaningful faith formation and adaptive teaching methods that respect their love of God.

STARE implements an adapted version of Christ Our Life, the curriculum used by the regular Religious Education program of the parish. STARE also uses tactile, concrete learning tools to prepare students for the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation on an individualized timetable.



Students in elementary through high school are welcome to enroll in STARE. However, STARE is limited to students who are verbal and demonstrate independence in their personal care needs. STARE will meet on Tuesday nights from 6-7:15pm at the HCA campus starting in September.

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD - 540-373-6491



our parish
youth ministry

GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS
ARE INVITED TO...

COLLEGE NIGHTS

Kick off college with faith, friendships, and meaningful connections! Meet fellow Catholics from your college (and beyond) before the semester begins. All events begin at 7PM. Pizza dinner included!

- JUNE 30** Holy Spirit, *Annandale*
- JULY 9** St. Theresa, *Ashburn*
- JULY 14** Holy Trinity, *Gainesville*
- JULY 21** Basilica of St. Mary, *Alexandria*
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MIGRATION AND REFUGEE SERVICES WORLD REFUGEE DAY

*We Invite you to learn more about how to help
newly-arrived families thrive in Northern Virginia.*

Since 2021, Catholic Charities' Migration and Refugee Services (MRS) has helped resettle thousands of refugees and Afghan allies who are now building new lives in the United States.

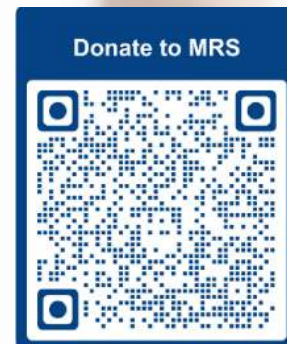
Today, our focus is helping families achieve long-term self-sufficiency through employment support, job training, English and citizenship classes, and temporary assistance during times of transition. These targeted services help families move from stability to independence.

While state grants fund many core programs, private donations are essential to helping families overcome final barriers and fully participate in their communities. Your support helps create lasting opportunities for success.

As we observe World Refugee Day during the weekend of June 20, St. Mary's is invited to support this mission by donating:

- Gift cards (Uber, Target or Walmart) for flexible family needs
- Amazon Wishlist items: <https://a.co/3CwyIQ9>
- Online giving at the Catholic Charities website: select Giving Migration and Refugee Services

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our parish happenings

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Fredericksburg



Presenter

Fr. Joseph Hagan, O.P.

MONDAY, JULY 6

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350 Landsdowne Rd, Fredericksburg, VA 22401

This month

10 Things You Don't Know About Confession

Fr. Joseph Hagan is a Dominican friar currently serving as the Catholic chaplain at the University of Virginia. He is also the percussionist in the friars' bluegrass band The Hillbilly Thomists! He'll be discussing with us the theology and practice around the Sacrament of Reconciliation and how to level up your confessions, navigate scruples and anxiety, and confess like a saint!

Connect with us! fredericksburgtot@gmail.com

Doors open at 5pm
Presentation at 6:30pm



Don't miss out on such great things!

We had an outstanding **254** people in attendance for our June ToT!

Father's Day Novena

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the best way to remember your father, living or deceased – or your grandfather, godfather or someone who is like a father to you. Beginning June 21, Father's Day, a Novena of Masses will be offered for all the intentions placed near the tabernacle throughout the Novena. Father's Day Cards and novena envelopes are available in the vestibule of the Church.

Campaign eSurvey

As Bishop Burbidge discerns the details of the One in Christ, Joyful in Mission capital campaign, including which ministries to raise support for, the overall campaign fundraising goal, and related policies, he is seeking feedback from parishioners across the Diocese.

tinyurl.com/CDAcampaign

Attention All Parish Organizations

Your calendar for the use of parish facilities from September 2026 to August 2027 should be submitted to Chris Lanzarone in the Parish Office by the end of July. Please make sure you submit your request to Chris, in writing, as soon as possible, either by regular mail, or by email to clanzarone@stmaryfred.org. In setting up your schedule, please note that at this time evening activities cannot be scheduled before 8pm Monday through Wednesday from September through May, due to Religious Education classes in the Parish Life Center. Thank you.

our parish
happenings

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SUMMER TMIY GROUP

ST. MARY'S MEN'S GROUP



MEETING DATES

June 13, 20, 27

July 11, 18, 25

August 8, 15, 22

*We are not meeting on
the first Saturday of each month
to support First Saturday Devotion.*



SATURDAY MORNINGS

7:00 – 8:00 AM



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Drop off items
in bin in the PLC
by June 22nd



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St. Mary's 2026 School Dressing Days!

New donation items needed:
Boys athletic pants & boxer briefs

size M/L/XL



- Help needed for the event dates: July 23 - July 25
- Sign up to volunteer at: www.tinyurl.com/2026sddvolunteer

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:

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



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In Pew & Mail Donations Received

June 1 to June 9

Sunday Offertory	\$37,373.85
Catholic Communication Campaign	\$7,342.00
Parish Debt Reduction	\$425.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Peter's Pence Collection

2026 Collection for the Works of the Holy Father

June 27 & 28

“Together we have to look how to be a missionary Church, building bridges, dialogue, always open to receiving with open arms for everyone, like this square, open to all, to all who need our charity, our presence, dialogue, love.”

Pope Leo XIV

Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including the charitable works of Pope Leo XIV. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters.

Be a sign of hope with your generosity. For more information, visit obolodisanpietro.va/en.html. Thank you for standing in solidarity with the Holy See with your generosity. Please continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in faith who are facing adversity.

The Peter's Pence Collection derives its name from an ancient custom. In ninth century England, King Alfred the Great collected money – “pence” or pennies – from landowners as financial support for the Pope. Today, the Peter's Pence Collection supports the Pope's charitable work by giving the Holy Father the means to provide essential assistance.

Children's Charity - June

Our Children's Offertory Contributions for the month of June will be donated to Hope House, which was established in 1987 and serves homeless families and their children from the City of Fredericksburg, and the counties of Stafford, Spotsylvania, Caroline, and King George. Hope House is a non-profit, 501(c)(3), transitional facility, which provides safe housing and the opportunities to transition to successful, independent living. Hope House also provides a childcare program that demonstrates excellence in childcare and ensures academic success.

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. However, there are many fathers who desperately wanted their baby to live. Imagine the helplessness of these fathers unable to save the life of their unborn child – a situation that can lead to long-term mental health issues. *Lord, on this Father's Day, bless all fathers so that they may welcome every child and join the child's mother in saying yes to life. Bless all fathers in need of healing prayers as a result of abortion.*

Prayer to St. Joseph for Priests

O ILLUSTRIOUS PATRIARCH St. Joseph, who carried the Infant Jesus in thy blessed arms and who, during the space of thirty years, lived in the most intimate familiarity with Him, take under thy powerful protection those whom He has clothed with His authority and honored with the dignity of His priesthood, whom He has charged to continue His mission, to preach His Gospel, and to dispense everywhere His graces and blessings. Sustain them in their fatigues and labors; console them in their pains; fortify them in their combats; but above all, keep far from them all the evils of sin.

Obtain for them the humility of St. John the Baptist, the faith of St. Peter, the zeal and charity of St. Paul, the purity of St. John and the spirit of prayer and recollection of which thou, my dear Saint, art the model, so that, after having been on earth the faithful dispensers of the Mysteries of thy foster Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, they may in Heaven receive the recompense promised to pastors according to the Heart of God. Amen.

A Child's Prayer

I thank You, Lord, for my father. Grant me to realize the depth of his love for me so often left unspoken. And to appreciate his great and continuous sacrifices. His fatherly care reflects Your divine care. His strength, Your power. His understanding, Your wisdom. He is Your faithful servant and image. Bless him with peace of soul, health of body, and success in his life. Amen.



liturgy

daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List - June

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, especially: Andy Gaeta, Carlos Enrique, Christopher Risetto, Drew LoRusso, Jack Smith, Jacob R. Moser, Jason Stoker, Joe Debernard, Joseph Krieg, Justina McGuire, Logan Leslie, Loretta Dice, Margie Renner, Maryann Carroll, Michael Fedowitz III, Shirley Bozicevic, Sue Moorefield, Teresa Lopez, Theresa & Keith Kovalefsky, Xavier Ronan, Margaret Murphy, Mary Ann Seidlinger & Mike Seidlinger, Charles Boyer, Lourdes Interiano, Xiomara Macia, Efrén Pérez Gutiérrez, Aaron Deditch, Margaret Hein, Robert Hein, Glenn Cunningham

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, John Paul Frasher, 1LT Justin Addis, Liam Crowley, Josh Martin

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 Ann Skinner at askinner@stmaryfred.org

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

June

22 MONDAY

6:30am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
9:00am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
12:00pm All in Our Fathers Day Novena
2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Mt 7:1-5

23 TUESDAY

6:30am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
9:00am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
12:00pm All in Our Fathers Day Novena
2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Mt 7:6, 12-14

24 WEDNESDAY

6:30am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
9:00am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
12:00pm All in Our Fathers Day Novena
Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

25 THURSDAY

6:30am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
9:00am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
12:00pm All in Our Fathers Day Novena
2 Kgs 24:8-17/Mt 7:21-29

26 FRIDAY

6:30am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
9:00am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
12:00pm All in Our Fathers Day Novena
2 Kgs 25:1-12/Mt 8:1-4

27 SATURDAY

9:00am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
5:00pm All in Our Fathers Day Novena
7:00pm All in Our Fathers Day Novena
Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Mt 8:5-17

28 SUNDAY

7:00am For Our Parish
8:30am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
8:30am* All in Our Fathers Day Novena
10:30am All in Our Fathers Day Novena
10:30am* All in Our Fathers Day Novena
12:30pm All in Our Fathers Day Novena
2:30pm All in Our Fathers Day Novena
5:00pm All in Our Fathers Day Novena
7:00pm All in Our Fathers Day Novena
2 Kgs 4:8-16a/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

* Indicates Mass at Holy Cross Academy.

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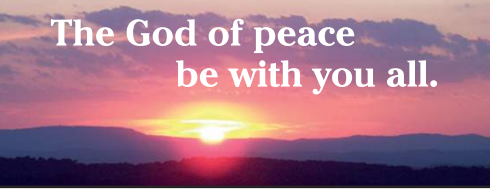
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