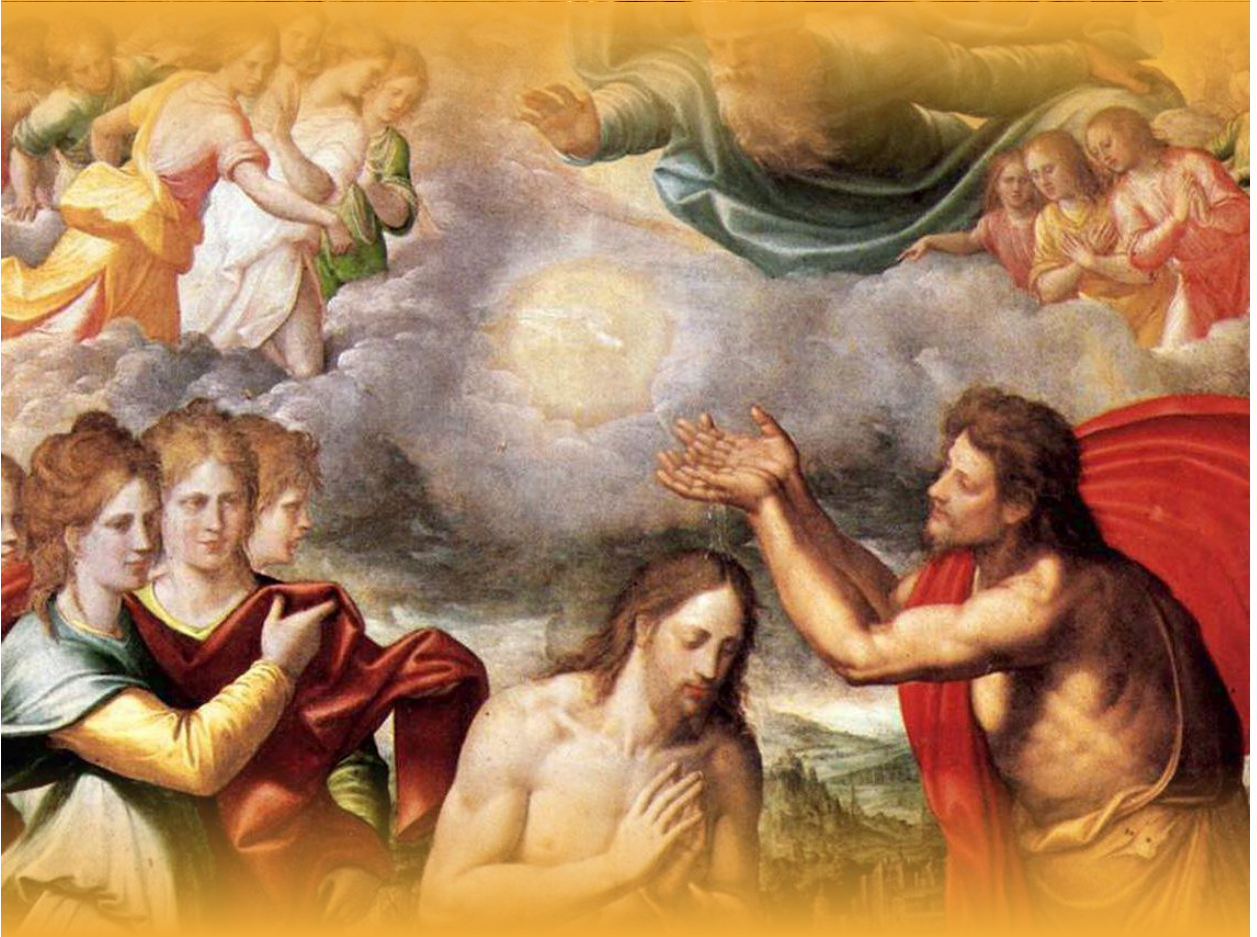


THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 9, 2022



Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church

1009 STAFFORD AVENUE - FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA

announcements

LIVE-STREAMING NEWS

The 8:30am Sunday and weekday Masses are the ONLY live-streamed Masses.

Live-streaming will ONLY take place on Sunday's at the 10:30 and 12:30 Masses if needed due to overflow in the PLC. If the PLC is empty, no live-streaming will occur. Folks are encouraged to join the celebration of Mass in the church. For those with health concerns, Mass is being offered Sunday's at 8:30am at Holy Cross Academy - Mask are mandatory and Holy Communion is offered on the hand ONLY.

Please note, once the 8:30am live-stream is complete, the Mass is available to view all day long.

USHERS NEEDED

AT ALL MASSES

With the lifting of the dispensation for Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation by the Bishops, we will be in need of additional assistance at ALL MASSES

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stmaryfred.org

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil 5 & 7pm
Sunday 7, 8:30, 10:30am, 12:30,
2:30pm (Spanish), 5pm, 7pm
10:30am at Holy Cross Academy

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday: 6:30am, 9am
M/W/F: 12 Noon
Saturday: 9am
First Friday 8pm
Holy Days of Obligation, as announced

DEVOTIONS

Adoration, Daily between 6:30am & 9am Mass,
Wednesday 12:30pm - Friday 9am
Miraculous Medal Novena, Monday, after 9am Mass
Divine Mercy, Wednesday, 3pm

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
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Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm;
Students staff office weekdays until 9pm,
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Fr. John Mosimann, Pastor
Fr. Sean Koehr, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Michael Folmar, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Scott Sina, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Phillip Cozzi, 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, Jachebel Rios

MUSIC

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HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

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Associate Director, Karen Sturtevant
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YOUTH MINISTRY

Director, Tatiana Beltran

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

from our pastor

pax et bonum

Dear Folks,

What a week: snow, trees, cars on I-95, and power outages. If you are reading this, then you got the email or the digital version of our bulletin. With all the of closures this week, getting a print bulletin in time for the weekend was not possible.

When I read of folks stranded on I-95, fortunately it was stories of people who live near 95 bringing blankets and food to stranded motorists. That is something I can picture in a serious traffic mess! Many in our parish are still without power 3 days after the storm ended, but the folks that I ask have all found showers and heat with neighbors and fellow parishioners (ok, and a Resident Inn or two)!

10+ years ago then Pope Benedict met with Italian ski instructors. He praised the ski instructors saying, "Your engagement as 'ski masters' helps to boost certain capacities, for example steadfastness in pursuing aims, respect for the rules, tenacity in confronting and surmounting difficulties." I saved that quote to use in the bulletin one day, and so today it is. Steadfastness, tenacity, and overcoming difficulties: sounds like a description of graces we have all had to rely on this week.

I pray that the rest of 2022 will be a little more gentle on us than this first week and that your power be turned back on with thanksgiving for warm showers.

pax et bonum,



Fr Mosimann

New Parishioner Welcome

Sunday, January 16
10:30am-12pm

Welcome to St. Mary's! Fr. Mosimann and a few members of our Welcoming Committee are looking forward to spending some time with you, to get to know you a bit and see how you (and your family) might be interested in sharing your gifts and talents with your new parish family.

Please sign-up for a time slot (in-person OR via ZOOM) for yourself and/or family to spend time with our Welcome Committee Team and with your new pastor.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0B48A9AF29AAF58-newparishioner>

holy cross academy



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Christmas Events

With the current weather situation, Holy Cross has been closed this past week but we'd like to share some pictures from our Pre-K Nativity.

We pray you are all staying warm and safe during these times of widespread power outages.



religious education

Religious Education Events

Monday to Wednesday, January 10 to 12

Religious Education Classes

Monday to Wednesday, January 17 to 19

No Religious Education Classes, Semester 1 ends

Wednesday, January 19

4th Catechist Training 6-9pm

Thursday, January 20

Confirmation Year 1 Formation Night at HCA from 7-8pm

Monday to Wednesday, January 24 to 26

Religious Education Classes

Thursday, January 27

First Penance & First Communion meeting at 7pm in church

Baptism

Today we celebrate the Baptism of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Yesterday over twenty unbaptized children of our parish were baptized. The type of baptism that John performed was not yet a Christian Baptism; it was a preparation for Christian Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received.

“1212 The sacraments of Christian initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist - lay the foundations of every Christian life. "The sharing in the divine nature given to men through the grace of Christ bears a certain likeness to the origin, development, and nourishing of natural life. the faithful are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the sacrament of Confirmation, and receive in the Eucharist the food of eternal life. By means of these sacraments of Christian initiation, they thus receive in increasing measure the treasures of the divine life and advance toward the perfection of charity."3

1213 Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit (vitae spiritualis ianua),4 and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission: "Baptism is the sacrament of regeneration through water in the word." ...

1255 For the grace of Baptism to unfold, the parents' help is important. So too is the role of the godfather and godmother, who must be firm believers, able and ready to help the newly baptized - child or adult on the road of Christian life.55 Their task is a truly ecclesial function (officium).56 The whole ecclesial community bears some responsibility for the development and safeguarding of the grace given at Baptism." https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/___P3G.HTM

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PICK OF THE WEEK

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WATCH

REBORN - EPISODE 1: A NEW CREATION

This week, as we contemplate Jesus' Baptism, dive into the mystery of the Sacrament of Baptism! Through our Reborn series, you will come to understand the deeper meaning behind your Baptism!



LECTIO: MARK, EPISODE 2: PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

Jesus couldn't have been baptized without a baptizer. Join Dr. Tim Gray as he explains the opening verses of Mark's Gospel that depict the ministry of John the Baptist – the man who would baptize Jesus.

LEARN

LISTEN

CHANGED FOREVER: THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM BY FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

Renowned Catholic speaker and priest, Fr. Mike Schmitz, explores the beautiful gift of the Sacrament of Baptism. In this talk, Fr. Mike provides a wonderful presentation on the waters that give new life!



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our parish happenings

Men's Cursillo Weekend

The Men's Cursillo weekend for the Arlington Diocese will take place March 24-27, 2022 at San Damiano Retreat House, White Post VA. This is a fun, fast moving retreat designed to center oneself, grow in grace, and connect with other Catholic Men in small groups with discussions. There will be 2 Spiritual Directors and 10 lay speakers. There will be time for Reconciliation, Mass, reflection and learning from others. Please contact: Tammie Chute at tammiechute@hotmail.com or go online to: arlingtoncursillo.org and click on the top right hand choice of Cursillo Weekends.

As an added note....TMIY, we would love to have any of you participate for another angle on living your faith. Knights of Columbus, this is an opportunity to gather with other Catholic Men who walk the faith journey. All men are welcome!

Micah Cold Weather Shelter

Micah has started housing those in need in local hotels and will continue to do so until mid- to late-March. Teams of Saint Mary volunteers assist on Tuesday evenings by greeting and registering clients at the hospitality center, helping with other tasks and busing the clients to a local hotel. **Each participating church is asked to bring items for those in need. Items most requested are t-shirts (all sizes), underwear (boxers), deodorant and razors. 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 Micah can provide hotel rooms 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**, brisbencenterv.org.

Pray the Rosary with Our Parish

Join your parish family every morning to pray the Rosary, Monday through Friday immediately following the 6:30am Mass and Monday through Saturday at 8:15am before the 9am Mass. On Thursday mornings, the Rosary is offered for all Priests.

New CCW Website & Conference

The St. Mary Council of Catholic Women has a website! Check it out at stmaryccw.org. We think you will be surprised and pleased!

The Artlington Diocese Annual Women's Conference will be held Saturday, March 12, 2022, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Herndon, Virginia. This year's theme is "True Presence to Calm the Present." Speakers will include Bishop Michael Burbidge, Sonja Corbett, and Stephanie Burke. For more information and to purchase a ticket, visit arlingtondiocese.org/women.



TMIY

THAT MAN IS YOU!

ALL MEN ARE WELCOME!

BEGINS JANUARY 29th

Saturday Mornings at 6:00am

Hot breakfast followed by a presentation and small group discussion

Contact Peter (paquettepeter@yahoo.com) or Stephen 714-305-7553 to learn more

our parish
happenings

2022 MARCH FOR LIFE

JANUARY 21, 2022 | WASHINGTON DC

Pro-lifers from across the nation will gather at a Rally on the Mall in Washington, DC and proceed down Constitution Avenue toward the Supreme Court and the US Capitol. Participants are of all ages, from unborn babies to grandparents. It is especially thrilling and encouraging to note how many pro-life teenagers and young adults participate! This year's March will be held on Friday, January 21 to commemorate the 49th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Please plan to join your parish family in this peaceful protest against abortion.

St. Mary will have two buses for the March. There is no charge for transportation; however, participants are asked to bring diapers and/or baby items for Birthright.

The buses for the March will leave immediately following the 9am Mass at St. Mary and will return to St. Mary at approximately 5:30pm. Participants are advised to dress warmly, wear comfortable shoes and pack a light lunch. Sign up sheets are available in the vestibule of the Church. Please consider taking a visible stand for life, and sign up as soon as possible to reserve your seat on the bus.

EQUALITY
BEGINS IN
THE WOMB



St. Mary Marriage Ministry

Providing support for married and engaged couples to clearly understand, strengthen and nurture the beauty of their sacramental marriage and create community here at St. Mary!

The Choice Wine Program to

NEW LAUNCH DATE: February 19

We will gather the 3rd Saturday of every month at

St. Mary's Parish Life Center

6:30pm for Wine & Cheese (refreshments/social)

7:00-8:30pm Program

Register by emailing

Elena Doyle edoyle@stmaryfred.org

Monthly Meetings

February 19

March 19

May 21

June 18

July 16

August 20

September 17

October 15

operations given in love

Weekly Offertory

Donations Received

December 21 to December 27

Sunday Offertory	\$29,197
Christmas Offertory	\$31,220.13
Catholic Charities	\$377
Parish Christmas Charities	\$162
Parish Debt Reduction Fund	\$1,366

Faith Direct Donations December 15

Sunday Offertory	\$17,704
Christmas	\$1,000
Parish Christmas Charities	\$495
Debt Reduction	\$760
Catholic Charities	\$290
Immaculate Conception	\$210

Thank you for your generosity.

First Offering Contributions to Help Offset Cost of Collection Envelopes

Each year in January the envelope packet always includes an envelope marked "First Offering" with a suggested donation of \$15.00. This is not a regular collection, but merely a request for a free-will offering to help offset the cost of the printing and bimonthly mailing of collection envelopes to more than 5,000 parish families. From July 2020 to June 2021, the parish's cost for the offering envelopes was \$20,965.19. First Offering donations received for the same period totaled \$4,274.03. Your generosity and support in helping to offset the cost of the envelopes is greatly appreciated.

Pro-Life Reflection

God does not make mistakes. When a human being is alive, it is because God wants him or her to be alive.

People do not have to measure up to our standards or expectations in order to have dignity and deserve protection. "Lord, I pray for all those who are disabled, frail, and ill. Give them Your strength and peace, and give us the eyes to see their dignity and value." (Pro Life Reflections for Every Day)


Children's Offertory Envelopes for January

Camp Rainbow is held every Spring for children who are coping with the loss of a loved one. Camp Rainbow provides a path for child campers along their journey through grief and toward healing. Little Buddies

(child participants) are paired with trained Big Buddies (adult volunteers) to explore their feelings through age-appropriate crafts, activities, discussions and one-on-one time. Expressive therapies such as art, music and dance are used to assist children with their grief and are balanced with traditional camp activities, like arts and crafts, kayaking, and singing by the fire. For more information, go to marywashingtonhealthcare.com.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue

Have the Blessed Mother to visit your home? Contact Mary Lou Felts, 571-723-3333 or maryloufelts@gmail.com.



**"WE SAW THE STAR IN THE EAST, AND
WE CAME TO WORSHIP HIM."**

CF. MATTHEW 2:2

LET ALL CHRISTIANS GATHER TO PRAY,
TO END DIVISION AND BEGIN HEALING

JOIN BISHOP BURBIDGE AT SAINT BERNADETTE CHURCH
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19 AT 7:30PM
7600 OLD KEENE MILL RD, SPRINGFIELD VA 22152

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2022

liturgy

daily bread

Saint Mary Prayer List - January

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

Carol Dalton, John Bandy, Judy Hinish, Dorie Lee, Mary Ann Seidlinger, Jim Mann, Courtney Kirby, Lloyd and Mary Johnson, Mark and Susan Mosher, Chris Breth, Alice Whalen, Michael Vasquez

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

Glenn Dickinson, Paul Fischer, John Moring, Dominick Joseph Petro, 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, Monica Hannan, Julio A. Alarcon, Gabe Gonzalez, David Oechslein, Shawn Herr, Logan Mullins, Greg Feroldi, Tyler Wood, Jason Cullinan, Frank Spatt Jr., Thomas Wickham, Hunter Keiser, Sean Jobes, Michael Scott, Samuel Hoffman, Andrew Qualls, Matt Gioia, Jennifer Brothers, Jack Merker, Daniel Algert, Jason King, Lieutenant Ashton Briganti, 2nd Lieutenant Tazman Briganti, Davon Bare, John Fartro, Michael Fedowitz Jr., Eric Menser, Sean Penczak, Will Atkins

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.

Are You Affected By A Loved Ones' Addiction to Drugs?

If you are, please be aware that there is a program at St Mary that offers support to family members and friends of loved ones struggling with this problem. The program is called Nar-Anon.

One of the best benefits of Nar-Anon is that you will find compassion and support from others who are experiencing similar problems and struggles as well as people who have made it through these struggles. You will have the opportunity to hear stories from other members who have addicts in their families as well and see what coping mechanisms worked for them.

All information and discussion at the meetings are non-judgmental, informative, and strictly confidential. The meetings are in Room 100 in the Parish Life Center on Thursday from 7-8 pm and are open to the community at large. For more information, contact Wayne at cushingwr@gmail.com/540-840-5230 or Wanda at wandasj823@gmail.com/540-538-6978.

Daily Mass Intentions and Readings

January

10 MONDAY

6:30am Lillian and Alvin Romero
9:00am Bill Bearden+
1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20

11 TUESDAY

6:30am Karen Viossenberg
9:00am Jean Lucas
1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28

12 WEDNESDAY

6:30am Margaret Birkofer
8:15am* Leanne Gold
9:00am Clarence Thibeault+
1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39

13 THURSDAY

6:30am Barbara Michalski+
9:00am Steven Barlow
1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45

14 FRIDAY

6:30am Hubert Chase
9:00am The Crisp Family
1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12

15 SATURDAY

9:00am Deacon Alberto
5:00pm Sambat Family
7:00pm Sharon Griphover
1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17

16 SUNDAY

7:00am For Our Parish
8:30am Jason Stanislawski
10:30am George Holzworth
10:30am* Riley McNichol
12:30pm Huynh and Hiếu Family
2:30pm Katherine Orellana
5:00pm Julia Verbeten+
7:00pm Bobby Reeves+
Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

** 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.*