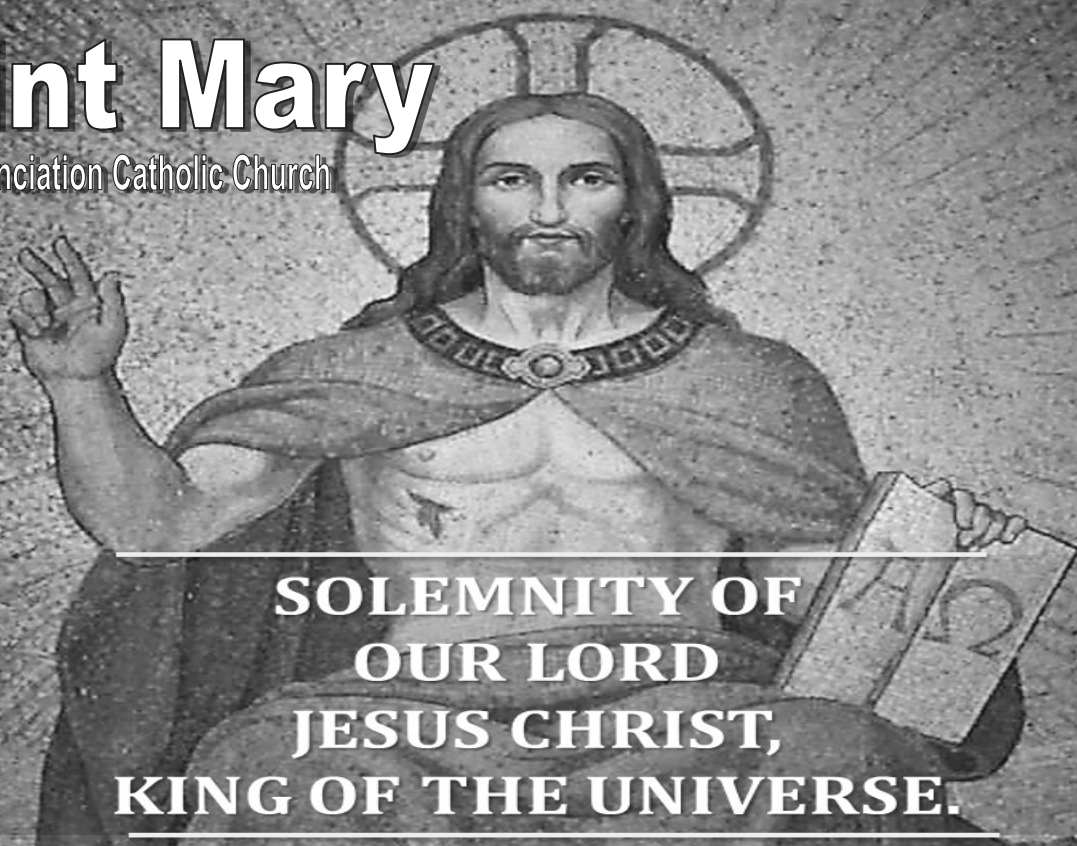


# Saint Mary

of the Annunciation Catholic Church



## SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE.

**November 24, 2019**

*Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
in Ordinary Time*

**MASS**

**SATURDAY 5:00 PM**

**SUNDAY 8:30 AM**

*(+Daniel Maida req. by The Biddulp Family)*

**SUNDAY 11:00 AM**

### MASS READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

**Monday, November 25, 2019:** DANIEL 1: 1-6. 8-20/ DANIEL 3: 52. 53. 54. 55. 56/ LUKE 21: 1-4

**Tuesday, November 26, 2019:** DANIEL 2: 31-45/ DANIEL 3: 57. 58. 59. 60. 61/ LUKE 21: 5-11

**Wednesday, November 27, 2019:** DANIEL 5: 1-6. 13-14. 16-17. 23-28/ DANIEL 3: 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67/ LUKE 21: 12-19

**Thursday, November 28, 2019:** DANIEL 6: 12-28/ DANIEL 3: 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74/ LUKE 21: 20-28. Proper Mass in Thanksgiving to God, esp. SIRACH 50: 22-24/ 1 CORINTHIANS 1: 3-9/ LUKE 17: 11-19

**Friday, November 29, 2019:** DANIEL 7: 2-14/ DANIEL 3: 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81/ LUKE 21: 29-33

**Saturday, November 30, 2019:** ROMANS 10: 9-18/ PSALM 19: 8. 9. 10. 11/ MATTHEW 4: 18-22

**Sunday, December 1, 2019:** ISAIAH 2: 1-5/ PSALM 122: 1-2. 3-4. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/ ROMANS 13: 11-14/MATTHEW 24: 37-44

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

(office hours 9 AM—1 PM Tuesday and Wednesday; **CLOSED on THURSDAY**)

Monday, November 25, 2019	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM CCM Home Schoolers
Tuesday, November 26, 2019	9:00 AM - 10 AM Adoration; <b>10:00 AM Mass</b> ; 11:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6:00-7:30 PM Food Pantry
Wednesday, November 27, 2019	8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Adoration; <b>9:30 AM Mass</b>
Thursday, November 28, 2019	<b>HAPPY THANKSGIVING - NO MASS - OFFICE CLOSED</b>
Friday, November 29, 2019	Church closed for cleaning in AM
Saturday, November 30, 2019	4:10 PM Confessions; <b>5:00 PM Mass</b> (+Vincent Nguyen req. by Holly Nguyen)
Sunday, December 1, 2019	<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 8:30 AM Mass</b> (+Joseph Trieu Le req. by Holly Nguyen); 8:30 AM Breakfast with Santa; NO RE; <b>11:00 AM Mass</b>

# Upcoming Parish News/Events

## 34th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C Solemnity of Christ the King

*Readings: ( 2 Samuel 5:1-3; Colossians 1:12-20 ; Luke 23:35-43 )*

The Solemnity of Christ the King marks the end of the Liturgical Year and prepares for Advent by speaking about the Second Coming and the end times. It was established by Pope Pius XI to both to celebrate the jubilee year 1925, and to mark sixteenth century since the Council of Nicea (325 AD). The Council of Nicea affirmed the teaching of the apostles on the divinity of Christ and expressed that teaching in the Creed. The Creed had been developing around the Rite of Baptismal three-fold questions. This Solemnity therefore highlights the divinity of Jesus Christ, of whom the Angel Gabriel told Mary, "of his kingdom there will be no end" (Lk.1:33); the one anointed King by the Father. That is why today in the preface we pray: "You anointed Jesus Christ, Your only Son, with the oil of gladness, as the eternal Priest and universal King." The account of David's anointing in the first reading speaks of his closeness to the people and his future role as a shepherd-king. David is the deliverer and shepherd of his people, thus pre-figuring the mystery of Christ, who is King, Shepherd and at the same time the lamb slain on the cross for his sheep. That is the point of Luke's crucifixion narrative, in which everything said about Jesus comes to be true: the "chosen one", the "Messiah", the "Savior of all"; the one who saves himself by surrendering his own life. Indeed the readings lead us to meet Christ, who, in Paul's Letter to the Colossians, "is the image of the unseen God and the first born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible...everything was created through him and for him" (Col. 1. 15-16). In this beautiful hymn that is highly poetic, St. Paul gives us a glimpse of the Father, who sums up all creation in Christ.



**Santa Breakfast and Photo Opportunity**  
Santa will be at St. Mary's Church Hall on Sunday, December 1st. Plates are \$10/ adult, \$5/kids and \$30/family. Breakfast will start at 8:30 AM and pictures with

Santa will start at 10:00 AM. This is a fundraiser for the Teens Conference.

### 2019 Angel Tree is UP!

Our Angel Tree is up and tags are available to sign out. Please make sure you sign out for the tag(s) in the Narthex and **return your wrapped gift by Noon, Sunday, December 15th.** Thank you for your generosity.



### Annual Christian Christmas Card Sale

The Knights of Columbus reminds us to "Keep Christ in Christmas" and at the center of your family's life during the seasons of Advent and Christmas. Christmas cards can be a way to share your faith with family and friends. Christian Christmas Cards may be purchased after each weekend Mass.

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR

#### ADVENT (11/30/2019) TO NEW YEARS DAY (1/1/2020)

Nov 30—Dec 1	First Sunday of Advent (Regular Mass Schedule)
Dec 7-8	Second Sunday of Advent (Regular Mass Schedule)
Dec 14-15	Third Sunday of Advent (Regular Mass Schedule)
Dec 19	<b>7:00 pm Advent Reconciliation Service</b>
Dec 21-22	Fourth Sunday of Advent (Regular Mass Schedule)
<b>Dec 24 Christmas Eve</b>	<b>4:00 pm Vigil Mass of the Nativity (Children's Mass)</b> <b>8:00 pm Vigil Mass of the Nativity</b>
<b>Dec 25 Christmas Day</b>	<b>10:00 am The Nativity of the Lord</b>
Dec 28-29	Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph (Regular Mass Schedule)
<b>Dec 31 New Year's Eve</b>	<b>5:00 pm Vigil Mass Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</b>
<b>Jan 1 New Year's Day</b>	<b>10:00 am Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</b>

Closed Thanksgiving Day



**Second Collection THIS week is for Christmas Flowers. Thank you for your generosity!**

**Thank you to everyone who donated food and their time to help make our Thanksgiving meals a great success. We really appreciate all your donations**



### LETTER TO A SUFFERING CHURCH

*Letter to a Suffering Church: A Bishop Speaks on the Sexual Abuse Crisis* is Bishop Robert Barron's appeal to Catholics questioning their faith and searching for hope and encouragement amid the most recent scandal. Bishop Barron, Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, offers a clear path forward by looking at the current crisis through the lens of Scripture and Church history.

Copies of the book, which is targeted to adults and is being widely circulated among many Catholic parishes, will be available this advent season in the Narthex for interested parishioners to take. After the holidays, Fr. Alex will conduct a study group for anyone interested in discussing it further; date TBD.



### We are still in need of a Christmas Pageant Director

We are looking for someone to direct our Children's Christmas Pageant this year. If you are interested or have any questions, please see Bevin Arnold or Gina Stargel or email Gina at [gcip81@yahoo.com](mailto:gcip81@yahoo.com)

The St. Mary's Lottery Raffle ticket sales begin this weekend. We are asking each family to sell at least three tickets. Your efforts are appreciated! Pick up tickets in the narthex after Mass. Please be sure to sign out which tickets you're taking by jotting your name, contact #, and ticket #s on the tracking sheet in the Narthex.

Not a sales person? Consider selling to yourself! The holidays are coming – a ticket makes a great gift!



### Breaking Bread Gathering



Information packets are in the Narthex. Keep the information and return the sign – up sheet to basket that is provided.

We call this a Gathering so you can use your imagination on what type of meal you want it to be. Brunch, Lunch, Picnic, BBQ or Dinner. We even experimented with Family Gatherings last year and it was very successful. For more information text Penny Geary 540-710-3368 or Shonnie Carroll 804- 592-8145 or email Mary Gajdos [steve\\_g\\_15668@yahoo.com](mailto:steve_g_15668@yahoo.com)



### Pray for the Sick of our Parish

Bob Arnold, Fran Arnold, Mike Arnold, Estelle Bareford, Donald Barker, Kevin Bera, The Biddulph Family, Maria Bridge, Shonnie Carroll, Daniel Clarke, Cindy Cook, Charlie Crum, Levie Edmond, David Geary Jr., Verde Halley, Antionette Hilyard, Diane Hollis, Jean Johnson, Michael Johnson, Jennifer Leaming-Lyons, Cindy Lent, Dawn Long, Esther Luiggi, Matekenya Family, Patrick Moore, Mary Lou O'Leary, Donald Paradis, Marianna Porter, Barbara Purks, Duane Riden, Wayne Scott, William Simulcik, Hadley Spacht, Scott Trice, Richard Wassels, Jonathan Webb, Joan Williams

If you would like to add/remove someone to the Sick of our Parish list, please call Chris Nowark at 804-448-9064 or email her at [office@saintmarycc.org](mailto:office@saintmarycc.org). All prayer requests will remain in place for 6 months and then be removed. Thank you.

### Announcing FORMED!

FORMED is a digital platform that gives our parish unprecedented access to video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. FORMED provides:

**STUDY PROGRAMS** - Hundreds of episodes of transformational video-based study programs including accompanying study guides for small groups or personal study

**AUDIO PROGRAMS** - Hundreds of audio talks to inspire your faith and to share with others

**MOVIES** - Hundreds of movies/documentaries for both children and adults

**EBOOKS** - Over a hundred inspiring eBooks to download to your device

FORMED is being provided by the Parish so there is no charge to our Parishioners. Registering is easy! Go to [FORMED.org](http://FORMED.org) to sign up. Search for St. Mary's by entering our zip code – 22546. No passwords are needed. You can also visit our website for instructions. There will be more information provided but you don't have to wait to start exploring today!



We have 375 members and 20+ groups in our Parish Flocknote community. If you haven't subscribed it is easy to join and get the latest information on the Parish including updates on the new FORMED library. To join visit [SMOTAVA.flocknote.com](http://SMOTAVA.flocknote.com) or Text SMOTAVA to 84576 and follow the instructions.

### Knights of Columbus Council #7538 A Big Thank You

Thanks to all those who purchased Brunswick Stew last weekend. We appreciate your support of this annual fund raiser for our council. Funds raised help to support programs for veterans, youth and other community programs.

T-SMOTA Social Night will be on  
Monday, December 9th, at 6:00 PM.  
Come and join in our fun!



### Polar Bear Plunge is February 1, 2020

The Polar Bear Plunge is our biggest fundraiser of the year for the Food Pantry/Homeless Ministry. We will have applications in the Narthex for anyone who might like to "take the plunge". We won the trophy for raising the most money for the last two years. Let's keep it going for another year!



# Community/Diocesan Events

## Support My Church and Save on Taxes! What's Better than That?

Want a way to boost your tax savings beyond the newly increased standard deduction? If you are 70 ½ or older, you can use your **IRA** to make a gift to Saint Mary of the Annunciation and save taxes!

Normally, a distribution from your IRA is taxed as ordinary income. However, federal tax law **now** allows you to make a distribution of up to \$100,000 each year from your IRA to a qualifying charity and it is not subject to federal income tax.

By making a 'qualified charitable distribution' from your IRA, you can give to Saint Mary of the Annunciation and it counts toward your IRA's annual required minimum distribution. Transfers must be made directly from your IRA administrator to your parish. For more information, contact Sue Brim at [sbrim@saintmarycc.org](mailto:sbrim@saintmarycc.org).

### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

That we may serve Jesus, Our King, with love and gratitude, generously offering our gifts to help build up the kingdom of God here on earth.

### VOCATIONS

*"Jesus, remember me when you come into Your kingdom."*

Will you make Christ the King and His merciful love remembered as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? The Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to [vocations@richmonddioocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddioocese.org).

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"....giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light."*

*COLOSSIANS 1:12*

God wants us to be happy! Instead of looking at the Ten Commandments as being restrictive and telling us what we can't do, look at them as guides for living a joy-filled and peaceful life. Most of our problems arise when we put our own needs first or spend most of our time trying to acquire "things". Try putting God first in all things instead. Ask Him how He wants you to use your gifts.



Catholic Diocese of Richmond  
1820 Bicentennial 2020



The Diocese of Richmond has created a beautiful commemorative book, to be released in the winter of 2019, which highlights our two-hundred-year history with text, pictures, and profiles of our nearly 150 parishes. A book will be available soon.

**"Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord." Rejoice in your marriage.** Attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Mar 20-22, 2020 in FAIR-FAX, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us at [applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org](mailto:applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org) or 757-690-1369.



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