

Saint Mary

OF THE ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH



February 17, 2019
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Music & Responses

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PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

That we have the strength and courage to joyfully proclaim our faith, especially in uncomfortable situations.

MASS
SATURDAY 5:00 PM
SUNDAY 8:30 AM AND 11:00 AM

Pray for the Sick of our Parish

Fran Arnold, Estelle Bareford, Ann Bateman, Kevin Bera, Jackie Boak, Maria Bridge, Lee Brooks, Adam Bullock, Daniel Clarke, Sue Collins, Cindy Cook, Robert Cook, James Eichholz, Levie Edmond, Lois Fazenbaker, Mike Fisher, Cathy Fullem, David Geary Jr., Donna Godsey, Diane Hollis, Jean Johnson, James Landry, Marie Lay, Richard Lay, Jennifer Leaming-Lyons, Cindy Lent, Barbara Litten, Dawn Long, Esther Luiggi, Patrick Moore, Craig Norris, Donald Paradis, Therese Poirier, Marianna Porter, Anna Porter-Toure, Barbara Purks, Duane Riden, Sophis Rodriguez, Clare Roussel, Julie Sadowski, Marilyn Sherman, Claudia Sims, William Simulcik, Brandi Smith, Mary Smith, Peggy Sparks, Catherine Squires, Linda Stanton, Jeannie Sutts, Megan Toigo, George Tracey, Scott Trice, Lorraine VanWhy, Richard Wassels, Joan Williams



If you would like to add/remove someone to the Sick of our Parish list, please call Sue Brim at 804-448-9064 or email her at office@saintmarycc.org. Thank you.

VOCATIONS

“Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD ...” Are you considering a vocation to the priesthood? The Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

Upcoming Parish News/Events

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2019—Year C

Jeremiah: 17:5-8; 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20; Luke: 6:17,20-26

Even though it might not seem like it at first, all three readings are pointing to the same conclusion. Namely, those who put their trust and hope in earthly things — in money or possessions, in earthly power, in earthly pursuits, in their own will or ego — will end up like withered trees in the desert, fruitless in the final analysis. But those who put their trust in the Lord, who love his law and put it into action, who follow the Lord all the way — they are the ones, who even though they might experience some sufferings now from those who think they're crazy not to live for the present moment, will rejoice in the future forever. Jesus draws these conclusions in today's Gospel, which is taken from his Sermon on the mountain. He blesses those who now are poor, not because they're poor per se, but because their treasure now is the kingdom of heaven. He defines the poverty he's talking about not negatively, as the state of having small bank accounts, but positively, as those who put their treasure in the kingdom of God. Even people who would be materially well-off could be "poor" as Jesus is talking about, if they put all of their being and resources to the pursuit of God's kingdom. Similarly, those who have very little money might indeed not be poor as Jesus describes, if they're greedy, if they're cheating in any way to get ahead, if they're putting their goals in some type of material success rather than setting their hearts on God's kingdom. From the point of view of God, all of our money, our houses, our cars, our material possessions are like money and property in a game of monopoly. As soon as the game finishes, the monopoly money is worth nothing. The only currency that is worth anything in the final analysis, God says, are acts of love flowing from faith. These are what we need to pass into heaven and to collect eternal life.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Blessed are you when people hate you, ...exclude and insult you, and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man."
(LUKE 6:22)

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time, the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

Mass Readings For Next Week

Monday, February 18, 2019: Psalm 120; 2 Kings 24:18-25:21; 1 Corinthians 15:20-34

Tuesday, February 19, 2019: Psalm 120; Ezra 1:1-11; 2 Corinthians 1:12-19

Wednesday, February 20, 2019: Psalm 120; Jeremiah 22:11-17; Luke 11:37-52

Thursday, February 21, 2019: Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40; Genesis 43:16-34; Romans 8:1-11

Friday, February 22, 2019: Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40; Genesis 44:1-17; 1 John 2:12-17

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

(office hours 9 AM—1 PM Tuesday—Thursday)

Monday, February 18, 2019	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM CCM Home Schoolers , 6:30 PM Youth Ministry Mtg
Tuesday, February 19, 2019	9:00-10:00 Adoration 10:00 AM Mass , 11:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6:00-7:30 PM Food Pantry
Wednesday, February 20, 2019	8:30-9:30 AM Adoration, 9:30 AM Mass , 7:00 PM Scout Pack 1421
Thursday, February 21, 2019	8:30-9:30 AM Adoration, 9:30 AM Mass , 6:00 PM –7:30 PM Food Pantry
Friday, February 22, 2019	Church closed for cleaning.
Saturday, February 23, 2019	4:10 PM Confessions; 5:00 PM Mass (+ George & Joann Hayden, req. Redmond & Susan Merrell)
Sunday, February 24, 2019	8:30 AM Mass, 11:00 AM Mass (+ Marlys K. Roba req. Nicholas & Dawn Tilton)

OFFERTORY GIFTS		
2019	January	YTD
Sat/Sun/Holy Days	\$9,895	
On Line Giving	\$6,155	
Total Actual Receipts	\$16,049	\$126,235
Budgeted Receipts	\$17,127	\$119,890
Over/Under	(\$1,078)	\$6,345
Building Fund Collections		
Actual Receipts	\$3,829	
Our Debt is currently at \$165,392		



Lenten Soup Suppers and Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays throughout Lent starting on 3/8/19. Soup is at 6pm; Stations of the Cross start at 7pm. Join us as we retrace the final journey of Christ to Calvary. Sign up sheets for soup and bread are in the Narthex. For questions, call Valerie Sparks at 804-572-1768.



SAVE THE DATE
March 9th

Tickets go on sale this Sunday (2/17) for the St. Patrick's Day Dinner being held on March 9th. Join us for great food and fellowship.



WATCH FOR INFORMATION

PRAYER WALL

Our 7th and 8th graders created a prayer wall as a part of their Religious Education class. A few classrooms added their prayers and the 5th grade incorporated the prayer request into their prayer table time. We would like to invite you to come to the PRAYER Wall where you can join with them in praying for their requests and add your own prayer request, so we may all pray together for each other.



2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal: *Building Our Family of Faith*

An important aspect of the Appeal is that all parishes receive back a portion of their funds collected to be used for important local priorities. Last year, our parish used the funds toward repairing the parking lot.

This year, the funds returned to our parish will be used for needed church/parking lot repairs and faith formation opportunities. All pledges can be paid in 12 monthly installments which makes it easy to support the important ministries of our Diocesan Church while also supporting our parish needs. Thank you in advance for your partnership in the 2019 Appeal.

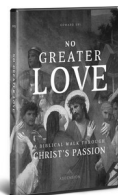
LENTEN PROGRAMS—SIGN UP!

We're offering online daily reflections through the Parish Flocknote Prayers Community. Our group has grown to nearly 90 Parishioners. We welcome all to this online community to pray together during Lent. Not part of Flocknote? If you haven't subscribed it is easy to join. Visit our website under Parish Life you'll find the Online Community to connect and get the latest information on the Parish.

While on the website you can register for the Adult Formation series No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion by clicking the link on the site homepage. If you want to join you can participate online, attend hosted sessions or both. Hosted group sessions will take place on Wednesday evenings at 7pm at the Church starting March 13th for five sessions.

IN THIS STUDY, YOU WILL DISCOVER:

- The Biblical background to each scene in Christ's passion.
- What was Jesus going through at each moment?
- How did the Old Testament foretell of Christ's death?
- Why did Christ die for us? What did it accomplish?
- What was the meaning behind of the tearing of the temple veil, the crowning with thorns, and other events during Christ's Passion?



All sessions can be watched online so if you miss a group session you can always catch up and still attend the next session. There is no cost for the program. There is a book available that is used as part of the video study program for \$15 which can be purchased online. Those interested can find details and sign up via the church website, on the signup sheet in the narthex or email Pat Brim

The Season of Lent



The Season of Lent - The Season of Lent begins at Midnight on the morning of Ash Wednesday, March 6th. Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Palm Collection – Traditionally Saint Mary asks parishioners to bring in any palms saved from last year to burn for ashes for this year's Ash Wednesday. We will have placed a container in the Narthex for this purpose. Thank you



Silver Rose Program – Save the Date!

Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners, and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Save the date for the evening of March 12th at 7pm at the church. More details to come!



Bishop Knestout encourages anyone aware of sexual abuse of minors on the part of clergy or staff of our diocese to notify civil authorities, call the Attorney General's Clergy Abuse Hotline at 1-833-454-9064, and reach out to the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Jennifer Sloan at 1-877-887-9603.

Community/Diocesan Events

Prayer for Healing Victims of Abuse

God of endless love,
ever caring, ever strong,
always present, always just:
You gave your only Son
to save us by the blood of his cross.

Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,
join to your own suffering
the pain of all who have been hurt
in body, mind, and spirit
by those who betrayed the trust placed in them.

Hear our cries as we agonize
over the harm done to our brothers and sisters.
Breathe wisdom into our prayers,
soothe restless hearts with hope,
steady shaken spirits with faith:
Show us the way to justice and wholeness,
enlightened by truth and enfolded in your mercy.

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,
heal your people's wounds
and transform our brokenness.
Grant us courage and wisdom, humility and grace,
so that we may act with justice
and find peace in you.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Priests Prayer of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

O Jesus, I pray for your faithful and fervent priests;
for your unfaithful and tepid priests;
for your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields;
for your tempted priests;
for your lonely and desolate priests;
for your young priests;
for your dying priests;
for the souls of your priests in purgatory.
But above all, I recommend to you the priests dearest to me:
the priest who baptized me;
the priests who absolved me from my sins;
the priests at whose Masses I assisted and who gave me your Body
and Blood in Holy Communion;
the priests who taught and instructed me;
all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way
(especially ...).
O Jesus, keep them all close to your heart,
and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity. Amen.

HELP FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE - CHILD PROTECTION/SAFE ENVIRONMENT

The Diocese of Richmond completed its Independent Audit of Clergy Files. "The Diocese of Richmond has published names of clergy with credible and substantiated allegations of sexual abuse of a minor. We pledge to do everything in our power to protect children, help victims in their healing, to restore trust from the faithful and in our Church...."

Please, go to our website, <http://www.saintmarycc.org>, for links to the Bishops letter and the Diocesan website for complete information.

At Saint Mary's we are working to ensure everyone who works with children is educated in the Child Protection/Safe Environment policies. We are dedicated to safeguarding the children of our parish. We pray for the victims, their family and our Church for God's healing and guidance

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