

# Saint Mary

OF THE ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH



**August 4, 2019**

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**MASS**

**SATURDAY 5:00 PM**

**SUNDAY 8:30 AM**

*(+Vincent Nguyen req. by Holly Nguyen)*

**AND 11:00 AM**

## MASS READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

**Monday, August 5, 2019:** NUMBERS 11:4B-15; PSALM 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; MATTHEW 14:13-21

**Tuesday, August 6, 2019:** DANIEL 7:9-10, 13-14; PSALM 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; LUKE 9:28B-36

**Wednesday, August 7, 2019:** NUMBERS 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26A-29A, 34-35; PSALM 106:6-7AB, 13-14, 21-22, 23;  
MATTHEW 15:21-28

**Thursday, August 8, 2019:** NUMBERS 20:1-13; PSALM 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; MATTHEW 16:13-23

**Friday, August 9, 2019:** DEUTERONOMY 4:32-40; PSALM 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 & 21; MATTHEW 16:24-28

**Saturday, August 10, 2019:** 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-10; PSALM 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9; JOHN 12:24-26

**Sunday, August 11, 2019:** WISDOM 18:6-9; PSALM 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22; LUKE 12:32-48

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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

Monday, August 5, 2019	
Tuesday, August 6, 2019	NO MASS OR ADORATION; <b>10:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE ONLY</b> , 11:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6:00-7:30 PM Food Pantry
Wednesday, August 7, 2019	NO MASS OR ADORATION; 7:00 PM Scout Pack 1421
Thursday, August 8, 2019	NO MASS OR ADORATION; 6:00 PM –7:30 PM Food Pantry; 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 253
Friday, August 9, 2019	Church closed for cleaning in AM
Saturday, August 10, 2019	Visiting Priest Msgr. Michael Schmied, 4:10 PM Confessions; <b>5:00 PM Mass</b> (+Pauline Mazzaferro req. by Donald and Monica Mills and Family); 5:00 PM Dance for People with Intellectual Disabilities
Sunday, August 11, 2019	Visiting Priest Msgr. Michael Schmied, <b>8:30 AM Mass</b> (+Ann Bolecek req. by Gloria Bolecek), <b>11:00 AM Mass</b>

# Upcoming Parish News/Events

## WAYS I CAN MAKE MY PARISH BETTER

Think of yourself as part of a parish family. Family members share a common heritage and history. They are grounded in the same beliefs, values, and traditions. They embrace new members of the family with a spirit of love and acceptance. Family members don't always agree, but they do feel a strong commitment to one another and to the family as a whole.

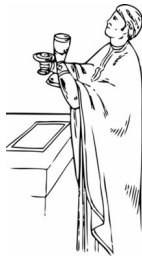
Be welcoming. When you come together on the weekend for Mass, think of it as a large family reunion — with people you know well, know slightly, and don't know at all. Introduce yourself to people you don't know, especially if they are sitting alone in church or standing by themselves at the coffee-and-donut hour. If they're new to the parish, offer to give them a tour, introduce them to other parishioners, or simply tell them why you love the parish. Enthusiasm is catching! Watch your nonverbal communication, too. If you're sitting on the end of a pew, for example, don't make others crawl over you to get to middle seats. Remember to smile; take the time to compliment the people sitting around you on everything from their singing ability to the cuteness of their kids.

**Source: Our Sunday Visitor**



Please welcome our visiting Priest  
for the weekend of August 3-4,  
2019:

Fr. Jim Gordon  
(Director of Clinical Services,  
Saint Luke Institute)



## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."* LUKE 12:15

The Gospel message today is contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle and become more "other-centered" and less "self-centered."

**Did you know that our Religious Ed program starts at age 3 !**



**If your child is turning 3 by September 30<sup>th</sup> then they are eligible for our 3-year-old Pre-K Class!!**  
**Look for our sign-up sheets in the Narthex.**

St. Mary's is looking for a volunteer to assist with parish communications, in particular with Flocknote and parish website updates. Time commitment would be limited, all work could be done from home, and training would be provided. If you have an interest and willingness to help, please email the office at [office@saintmarycc.org](mailto:office@saintmarycc.org).



## VOCATIONS

If simplicity of life and the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience especially attract you, discover that life as a priest. The Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

That we may remember that the many possessions we strive to acquire are worthless in the eyes of the Lord.

## OFFERTORY GIFTS

2019	June	YTD
Sat/Sun/Holy Days	\$12,187	
On Line Giving	\$5,665	
Total Actual Receipts	\$17,852	\$229,025
Budgeted Receipts	\$17,127	\$205,525
Over/Under	\$725	\$23,500
Building Fund Collections		
Actual Receipts	\$3,914	
Our Debt at end of June is:		\$ 136,548



**THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS  
FOR 2019 ENTRUSTED TO THE POPE'S  
WORLDWIDE PRAYER NETWORK  
(APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER)**

**AUGUST—Families, Schools of Human Growth**

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly “schools of true human growth”.

While the Holy Family may seem like an unreachable ideal for some, the circumstances faced by the Holy Family are more than relatable: Joseph had to leave his home country with his young family in order to avoid persecution; their only child was lost for three days during a family trip, and talked back at them upon being found. While many things can be distilled from these events, let us focus on one: Listening.

Listening needs to be understood in two ways: Listening to God through our prayers, and listening to the voice of God in others. Listening is truly an art, as we can have ears but not hear the voice of God (Mark 8:18). Even when we hear, we may not listen. In this day and age, we are easily distracted by many things, notably technology. You may have already been distracted by updates from your smartphone as you read this very reflection. In order to live a life of prayer and love within the context of the family through listening to the voice of God, we need to be very intentional about our use of technology, lest it become a hindrance rather than a help.

The pivotal role of the family is especially highlighted in Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation in 2016, *Amoris Laetitia*. Pope Francis cautions against the mentality that the formation of children can somehow be outsourced to places such as the church parish or the school. The lived, credible example of Christian love – especially that of family members – exerts the most influence on children. As such, families are truly the schools where the formation of the human person takes place.

Reflection by Fr. Joseph Koterski, SJ

**Levie's Dance  
NEXT Saturday, August 10th**

The Annual Dance for People with Intellectual Disabilities will be held NEXT Saturday, August 10th at 5:00 PM. The participants greatly enjoy their time at the party. Parishioners who wish to help with set up, clean up, and other things needed for the dance, please contact Ron Wisniewski at [rkwisniewski2@gmail.com](mailto:rkwisniewski2@gmail.com). Please consider making a financial donation to help cover the expenses of the dance.

St. Mary's is looking for a small group of volunteers willing to manage the Food Pantry ministry. This includes coordinating pantry stock pick-up at the regional food bank (Fredericksburg) and area grocery stores (Ladysmith and Fredericksburg), maintaining inventory, working with local charities and other churches, and ensuring program requirements are met. Training will be provided, and more information is available to anyone interested in hearing more about this critical role. Food Pantry is one of our parish's largest and most active ministries and an important resource in our community.

Please prayerfully consider this rewarding volunteer position. If you are interested in being part of the Food Pantry leadership group or even just hearing more about it, please email Anne Bradshaw at [am-bonner@hotmail.com](mailto:am-bonner@hotmail.com)



**Pray for the Sick of our Parish**

Bob Arnold, Fran Arnold, Mike Arnold, Estelle Bareford, Donald Barker, Ann Bateman, Kevin Bera, David Biddulph, Jackie Boak, Maria Bridge, Lee Brooks, Adam Bullock, Jim Carolus, Daniel Clarke, Sue Collins, Cindy Cook, Robert Cook, Harvey Eckert, Jacqueline Eckert, James Eichholz, Levie Edmond, Lois Fazenbaker, Mike Fisher, Cathy Fullem, David Geary Jr., Debbie Grissom, Verde Halley, Diane Hollis, Jean Johnson, Michael Johnson, James Landry, Marie Lay, Richard Lay, Jennifer Leaming-Lyons, Cindy Lent, Barbara Litten, Dawn Long, Esther Luiggi, Matekenya Family, Patrick Moore, Craig Norris, Donald Paradis, Marianna Porter, Anna Porter-Toure, Barbara Purks, Duane Riden, Sophis Rodriguez, Clare Roussel, Julie Sadowski, Wayne Scott, Marilyn Sherman, Claudia Sims, William Simulcik, Brandi Smith, Mary Smith, Hadley Spacht, Catherine Squires, Linda Stanton, Megan Toigo, George Tracey, Scott Trice, Lorraine VanWhy, Richard Wasels, 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](mailto:office@saintmarycc.org). Thank you.



# Community/Diocesan Events

## Our Commitments to Address and Prevent Sexual Abuse and protecting God's children in our parish

- Every allegation of sexual abuse of a minor is reported to civil authorities and all adult survivors of sexual abuse or harassment are encouraged to file a report with civil authorities.
- To ensure that no priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer in ministry has been credibly accused of sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult or accused of sexual harassment of another person. Since 2002, the Diocesan Review Board, consisting mostly of volunteer lay professionals, reviews all allegations of sexual abuse by a member of the clergy in conjunction with civil authorities.
- All priests, deacons, religious, lay employees, and volunteers working with children or vulnerable adults are background screened every five years.
- All priests, deacons, religious, lay employees, and volunteers working with children or vulnerable adults are trained to identify inappropriate behavior, grooming techniques used by abusers, and how to report suspicious behavior or abuse and are required to read monthly bulletins to maintain an awareness of child sexual abuse. This is accomplished through our Virtus Training.
- For further information or concerns please contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance/Safe Environment Coordinator 804-622-5175 or go to the Diocesan Website. <https://richmonddiocese.org/>

## Traveling this Summer?

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## PARISH OFFICE

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**Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony** (a minimum of 6 months preparation is typical), and **Anointing of the Sick**, or to receive a home visit or home blessing, Fr Muddu.....804.448.9064.

Food Pantry, Cathy Poole.....804-448-8353

Knights of Columbus, Ron Wisniewski.....804-448-4348

Weekly Bulletin.....804-448-9064

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RCIA, Deacon Frank Leaming.....804-761-5714

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