

Saint Mary

OF THE ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH



May 19, 2019
Fifth Sunday of Easter

MASS
SATURDAY 5:00 PM
SUNDAY 8:30 AM
(+Marie Straub req. by Don & Cindy Straub)
AND 11:00 AM

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."
(JOHN 13:34)*

It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes strength and courage to love someone when we feel unappreciated, used or feel our opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage to "love my neighbor" when he may be someone I don't like, someone I don't know or someone that doesn't look like me.

VOCATIONS

"Love one another." "By this everyone will know that you are My disciples." How will you manifest your discipleship? Consider living the Lord's new commandment of love 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.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

That we have the courage to love someone that I don't like, I don't know or doesn't look like me.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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

Monday, May 20, 2019	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM CCM Home Schoolers
Tuesday, May 21, 2019	9:00-10:00 Adoration, 10:00 AM Mass , 11:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6:00-7:30 PM Food Pantry
Wednesday, May 22, 2019	8:30-9:30 AM Adoration, 9:30 AM Mass (+Vincent Nguyen Xuan Ngoc req. by Holly Nguyen), 7:00 PM Scout Pack 1421
Thursday, May 23, 2019	8:30-9:30 AM Adoration, 9:30 AM Mass , 6:00 PM —7:30 PM Food Pantry; 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 253
Friday, May 24, 2019	Church closed for cleaning in AM
Saturday, May 25, 2019	4:10 PM Confessions; 5:00 PM Mass
Sunday, May 26, 2019	8:30 AM Mass , 11:00 AM Mass (+Edward Minarcin req. by Mr. & Mrs. Dominick L. DiAscro and Family), Noon VIRTUS Training

Upcoming Parish News/Events

5th Sunday of Easter, Year C, 18.05.2019
Acts 14:21-27 / Apocalypse 21:1-5 / John 13:31-35

No number of crosses on the walls of our homes or around our necks will make us Christians unless we practice Jesus' commandment of love which is of course so very hard to follow. All of us struggle to put into practice this great teaching of Jesus.

Today's readings remind us that as suffering and death on the cross was the necessary prelude to Jesus' exaltation and enthronement in heaven and so are our hardships to inherit true peace and joy in life here on earth and in heaven.

We read in the Acts of the Apostles that two of the apostles, Paul and Barnabas, returned to Antioch to strengthen the believers and to encourage them to persevere in faith. In the previous chapter (13:50) to today's text we are told, "The Jews stirred up a persecution against Paul and Barnabas and expelled them from their territory."

So, despite the animosity and persecution, the two apostles went back to the city and continued to preach to the people there boldly. They said, "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships before we can enter the kingdom of God."

In other words, they warned the believers that suffering is an essential part of Christian life. The apostles did not only warn others of suffering, they also gave witness of suffering. In his letter to the Romans (8:35) Saint Paul emphasizes the apostles' commitment and faithfulness to Christ. He says, "Can anything cut us off from the love of Christ - hardships, distress, persecution, lack of food and clothing, threats or violence; as scripture says: For your sake we are being massacred all day long, treated as sheep to be slaughtered?"



Join Father Alex in his presentation
"Tracing the Origin of the Uganda Martyrs Pilgrimage"
Monday, June 3rd, at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

MASS READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday, May 20, 2019: Psalm 133; 1 Samuel 20:1-23, 35-42; Acts 11:19-26

Tuesday, May 21, 2019: Psalm 133; 2 Samuel 1:4-27; Acts 11:27-30

Wednesday, May 22, 2019: Psalm 133; Leviticus 19:9-18; Luke 10:25-28

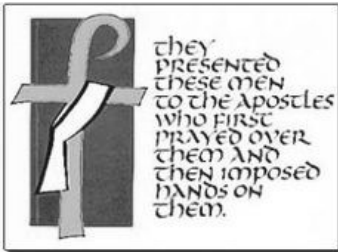
Thursday, May 23, 2019: Psalm 67; Proverbs 2:1-5; Acts 15:36-41

Friday, May 24, 2019: Psalm 67; Proverbs 2:6-8; Acts 16:1-8

Pray for the Sick of our Parish

Bob Arnold, Fran Arnold, Mike Arnold, Estelle Bareford, Ann Bateman, Kevin Bera, David Biddulph, Jackie Boak, Maria Bridge, Lee Brooks, Adam Bullock, Jim Carolus, Daniel Clarke, Sue Collins, Cindy Cook, Robert Cook, James Eichholz, Levie Edmond, Lois Fazenbaker, Mike Fisher, Cathy Fullem, David Geary Jr., 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, Therese Poirier, 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, Peggy Sparks, Catherine Squires, Linda Stanton, Megan Toigo, David Townsend, George Tracey, Scott Trice, Mae Vanvalkenburg, 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.



DEACON DAVE'S 40TH JUBILEE

Please join us to celebrate Deacon Dave's 40th Jubilee **This Sunday, May 19, 2019**

Deacon Dave was ordained May 19, 1979 in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, CA. May 19th, 2019, marks his 40th year as a Deacon. **Coffee and Cake will be served after the 11:00 Mass.**

If you would like to have Father Alex come and bless your home, please contact him at 757-707-6626



YARD SALE!

SIGN UP'S ARE IN THE NARTHEX

St. Mary's is having a yard sale on Saturday, June 8th – save the date! We need your help! Please bring your gently used clothes, toys, and household items with you to Mass on weekends in May. If it's more convenient, you can also drop them off at Village Self Storage near the Food Lion. Ask in the Village office for access to the St. Mary's unit. We ask that all items be clean and in working condition. Questions? Contact Maria Bridge: call/text 804-867-6721 or email her mamiefazenbaker@gmail.com.

Huge Thank You to Village Self Storage for providing us with a storage unit for FREE for one month.



THANK YOU

A HUGE THANK YOU to all those who helped in our Annual Spring Cleanup last weekend.

A special THANKS to Scout Pack 1421.

The landscaping looks beautiful, especially with all the new mulch. Your hard work is greatly appreciated.



VIRTUS TRAINING



There will be a Virtus Training Session Sunday May 26th at Noon.

If you are interested in being a Religious Education teacher or volunteering at the Vacation Bible School, you must be Virtus Trained.

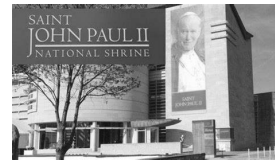
If you are not Virtus Trained, please consider coming to this training session. We plan on having additional training prior to the start of VBS and the Religious Education school year. If you are interested contact the office at Office@saintmarycc.org or Shonnie Carroll at shonnie.carroll@gmail.com. Or call Sue at 443-939-0936.



2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal – Building Our Family of Faith

If you made a pledge to the 2019 Appeal, the Diocese has begun sending reminders, so you can fulfill your pledge. It is important for all our parishioners to complete their pledges.

The assistance that is provided to the ministries and programs the Appeal supports, such as grants to our mission parishes, heating and grocery assistance to families and tuition for our future priests to attend the seminary, is based on what is collected.



The Knights of Columbus from Church of the Redeemer will be taking a pilgrimage to the St. John Paul II Shrine and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on June 14th, 2019.

The bus will leave the Church of the Redeemer parking lot at 7:30 am.

Upon arrival at the John Paul Shrine, we will tour the facility and then attend a noon Mass, for those who are interested.

After Mass, we will go to the Basilica and have lunch in their cafeteria and then tour the Basilica.

We will depart the Basilica at 3:30 pm and return to the Church of the Redeemer.

Price for this event is \$30 per person.

Please make checks payable to the K of C, 11042

Mail to:

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6432 Midway Lane

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SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK (5/26/2019)

THE CATHOLIC VIRGINIAN

The Catholic Virginian is published biweekly and serves the people of the Diocese of Richmond. The mission of the paper is, "To help meet peoples' needs for information that they may better live out the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to support their understanding of themselves as a believing community." Subscription is \$12.50 per year.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS (5/27/2019) COLLECTION:

THE CEMETERY/PERPETUAL CARE FUND



Mark the Holiday, join us for a Memorial Day Mass **next Monday, May 27th**, at St. Mary Cemetery on Woodford Road just east of Route 2, the Richmond-Fredericksburg Turnpike north of Bowling Green. Bring lawn chairs. Mass and Blessing begin at 10:00 AM.

Volunteers are needed for VBS 2019 Mars and Beyond!!!

If you're interested in volunteering please join the VBS group on Flocknote. This is where all our information will be sent through. If you don't have Flocknote just download the app on your phone and sign up. If you have any questions please email Gina at gcip81@yahoo.com.

VBS will be July 29th - August 2nd from 6-8 pm



Community/Diocesan Events



Jesus says "I give you a new commandment: love one another." Learn how to love your spouse more on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Jun 21-23, 2019 in Cary, NC and Sep 20-22, 2019 in CHARLOTTE, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org or 757-690-1369.

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For More Information, Please Contact:

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SPACE IS LIMITED! SIGN UP TODAY!!!

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.

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.

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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,
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