

# Saint Mary

OF THE ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH



Catholic Diocese of Richmond  
1820 Bicentennial 2020



## Presentation of our Lord

**February 2, 2020**

### The Presentation of the Lord

#### MASS

**SATURDAY 5:00 PM**

**SUNDAY 8:30 AM**

**AND 11:00 AM**

*(+Ann Bolecek req. by Gloria Bolecek)*

#### MASS READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

**Monday, February 3, 2020:** 2 SAMUEL 15:13-14, 30; 16: 5-13; PSALMS 3:2-7; MARK 5:1-20

**Tuesday, February 4, 2020:** 2 SAMUEL 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 –19:3; PSALMS 86:1-6; MARK 5:21-43

**Wednesday, February 5, 2020:** 2 SAMUEL 24:2, 9-17; PSALMS 32:1-2, 5-7; MARK 6:1-6

**Thursday, February 6, 2020:** 1 KINGS 2: 1-4, 10-12; 1 CHRONICLES 29:10-12; MARK 6:7-13

**Friday, February 7, 2020:** SIRACH 47:2-11; PSALMS 18:31, 47 and 50, 51; MARK 6:14-29

**Saturday, February 8, 2020:** 1 KINGS 3:4-13; PSALMS 119:9-14; MARK 6:30-34

**Sunday, February 9, 2020:** ISAIAH 58:7-10; PSALMS 112:4-9; 1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-5; MATTHEW 5:13-16

#### WEEKLY SCHEDULE / Office Open Tuesday through Thursday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Monday, February 3, 2020	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM CCM Home Schoolers
Tuesday, February 4, 2020	9:00 AM - 10 AM Adoration; <b>10:00 AM Mass</b> (+Carlos M. Ortiz Jr. req. by Carlos and Eva Ortiz); 11:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6:00-7:30 PM Food Pantry
Wednesday, February 5, 2020	8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Adoration; <b>9:30 AM Mass</b> ; 7:00 PM Scout Pack 1421
Thursday, February 6, 2020	8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Adoration; <b>9:30 AM Mass</b> ; 6:00 PM –7:30 PM Food Pantry
Friday, February 7, 2020	Diocesan Youth Conference; Church closed for cleaning in AM
Saturday, February 8, 2020	Diocesan Youth Conference; 4:10 PM Confessions; <b>5:00 PM Mass</b> (+Carlos M. Ortiz Jr. req. by Carlos and Eva Ortiz)
Sunday, February 9, 2020	Diocesan Youth Conference; <b>8:30 AM Mass</b> ; 9:45 AM Religious Education; <b>11:00 AM Mass</b> (+Dorothy E. Mimnaugh req. by the Wisniewski Family)

# Upcoming Parish News/Events

**Sunday 2 February 2020**

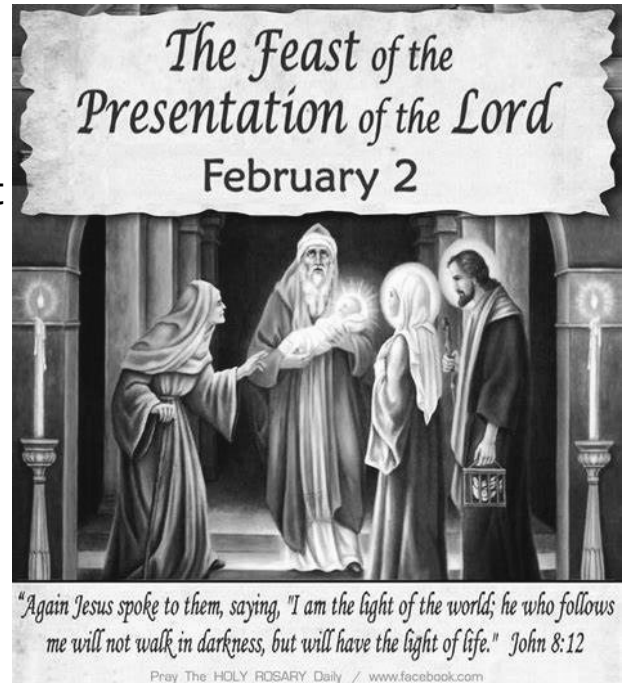
**Malachi 3:1-4**

**Hebrews 2:14-18**

**Luke 2:22-44**

## **The Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple by Mary and Joseph**

The presentation of Jesus in the temple served two purposes; the first is the redemption of the first-born and the second is the purification of Mary. The first-born belonged to the Lord according to the Book of Exodus 13:1-2 but Numbers 18:15-16 tells us the first-born could be redeemed or bought back by paying five shekels. The purification of the mother in Jewish Law (Lev 12) was purification from ritual uncleanness after childbirth. Of course, Our Lady did not need this purification because she was a virgin before, during and after the birth of Jesus but underwent it to fulfill the Law. The purification was normally performed in the local synagogue, but Mary and Joseph decided it should take place in the temple. If the family could afford, they would offer a one-year old lamb, but if not they would offer two young pigeons.



**Second Collection THIS week is for our Building Fund. Thank you for your generosity!**

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK (FEBRUARY 8TH—9TH) IS FOR**

The Serving the People of the Diocese of Richmond  
**Catholic Virginian**

The Catholic Virginian is published biweekly and serves the people of the Diocese of Richmond. Circulation is approximately 73,000. The newspaper emphasizes diocesan news with a balance of national and international news of interest to Catholics. 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. Each family is asked to contribute \$6.25 semi-annually, January and June.

### **Donation Clarification**

We have separate checking accounts for Offertory, Building Fund, Haiti, Cemetery and Food Pantry. Donations made to Building Fund, Haiti, Cemetery or Food Pantry need to be written on separate check from any other donations. For example, donations to the Building Fund and the Offertory need to be on separate checks. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Second Annual Virginia March for Life (Save the Date)!**



**MARCH FOR LIFE**

The Virginia March for Life is taking place on **February 13, 2020**.

11:45 a.m. Rally at the State Capitol – Capitol Square.  
12:45 p.m. March for Life Around Capitol Square.  
We will have cars heading to the March from St. Mary.

## Need to use Church Facilities? Get signed up!

St. Mary's is initiating the use of an Event Approval Form, which is required by all parishioners who want to use parish space for both parish and non-parish events, activities, and meetings. The form can be found on the parish website in the **Parish Life section** or requested in hard copy form in the church office. ALL parish events require an approved event request, even those regular, recurring events and meetings that are currently being hosted in parish facilities. This new process will help streamline scheduling of parish events and meetings, ensure that the use of parish facilities is documented, displayed on the online church calendar and advertised (if requested) via Flocknote and the Website. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

### FAQs

#### **What parish spaces require a reservation/approved event form?**

ALL parish spaces – conference room, classrooms, the parish hall, the kitchen, the Narthex, the sanctuary, the BBQ and pavilion, the parking lot, and all other outdoor spaces.

#### **What exactly is an “event”?**

Anything happening in the parish is an event – a meeting, a fundraiser, a luncheon, a ministry get-together, a practice, etc. If you are using parish space, you are hosting/participating in an “event.”

#### **If my group/ministry is currently using parish space on a regular basis, do we have to complete a form?**

YES, please. This ensures that your regular meeting time is placed on the church calendar and reserved for you.

#### **A form like this has never been necessary before. Why now?**

Our church is very busy! This form ensures the pastor has oversight for all activities taking place in parish facilities, and it provides data on facility usage that is necessary for planning purposes. The electronic form will also notify the parish's communications team about upcoming events so that your meeting or event can be appropriately advertised to the parish.

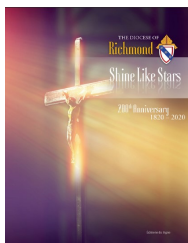
#### **What happens after I complete and submit my form?**

When completed, the office is alerted, the request reviewed and forwarded to Fr. Alex for approval. Once the review is complete you will be contacted by the parish office as to whether or not your request was approved.

#### **What if someone from outside the parish wants to use our facilities?**

We are currently working on finalizing a facility usage policy for non-parishioners, which will use a separate Event Approval Form.

The Diocese of Richmond's beautiful commemorative book, which highlights our 200 year history with text, pictures, and profiles of our nearly 150 parishes, is available for \$35. Sign up sheet is in the Narthex.



We have 380+ members and 20+ groups in our Parish Flocknote community. If you haven't subscribed it is easy to join. Go to the Parish Website ([www.saintmarycc.org](http://www.saintmarycc.org)) under Parish Life-Flocknote and get connected for the latest information from the Parish.

### **THERMAL UNDERWEAR DRIVE**



Winter is officially here and we have had some very cold weather. We are starting our annual Thermal Underwear Drive to help those who are homeless as well as those at Thurman Brisben who have to walk to work at five in the morning. Underwear is needed for both men and women. Sizes from medium to extra, extra large are needed. There will be a bin in the Narthex. Thank you for your help.



### **Pray for the Sick of our Parish**


Bob Arnold, Mike Arnold, Estelle Bareford, Donald Barker, Kevin Bera, The Biddulph Family, Maria Bridge, Daniel Clarke, Cindy Cook, Brandon Dineff, Levie Edmond, Dave Frank, Peter Frank, Deacon Dave Geary, Verde Halley, Jean Johnson, Michael Johnson, Deborah Landsnes, Jennifer Learning-Lyons, Cindy Lent, Dawn Long, Esther Luiggi, The Matekenya Family, Patrick Moore, Mary Lou O'Leary, Sam O'Shea, Donald Paradis, Marianna Porter, Mary Ann Pressman, Barbara Purks, Duane Riden, Wayne Scott, William Simulcik, Hadley Spacht, Faye Spartz, Mary Stella Summers, Scott Trice, Richard Wassels, Jonathan Webb, Joan Williams

### **St. Mary's Detainee Center Ministry**

The St. Mary's Detainee Center Ministry is looking for volunteers to minister to detainees, primarily on Sundays, by sharing the liturgy with them. Both male and female volunteers are needed, as there are both male and female detainees at the center. Volunteers must pass a background investigation and attend training provided by the center before actively joining the ministry. A training session is tentatively scheduled February 8, 2020. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the parish office at [office@saintmarycc.org](mailto:office@saintmarycc.org).



# Community/Diocesan Events

Catholic Diocese of	Richmond Bicentennial	Event Calendar	PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL That others can see we live as Christians by the way we act, dress and talk.
DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	
Saturday, May 9, 2020	Diocesan Pilgrimage led by Bishop Knestout	Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Baltimore	VOCATIONS Are you ready for "a living encounter with the Lord in his people?" Are you being called by the Lord to serve Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359-5661 or e-mail: vocations@richmonddiocese.org .
Saturday, July 11, 2020	Vigil Mass celebrated by Bishop Knestout to commemorate the founding of the diocese (July 11, 1820), and in recognition of the Catholic presence in the Central Vicariate	Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Richmond	
Saturday, July 11 to Sunday, July 12, 2020	Diocesan-wide Masses to commemorate the founding of the Diocese of Richmond	All parishes	STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION "...they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord..." LUKE 2:22 How seriously do you take being a Catholic? Is "being Catholic" something I just do when I attend Sunday Mass or attend one of my parish functions? It's easy to be Catholic then, it's harder to be Catholic when I am out in the world. Would someone recognize you as a Catholic by the way you act, dress and talk? How do you present yourself to the Lord and to others?
Sunday, September 27 to Sunday, October 4, 2020	Diocesan Octave of Service	All parishes	
Saturday, September 26 to Sunday, September 27, 2020	Feast of Saint Vincent de Paul (diocesan patron)	All parishes	 <p>"He said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once they left their nets and followed him." Let us answer God's call to make our marriages the best they can be by attending a <b>Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend</b> on Feb 21-23, 2020 in VIRGINIA BEACH, VA and Mar 20-22, 2020 in FAIRFAX, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <a href="https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/">https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/</a> or contact us at <a href="mailto:applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org">applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org</a> or 757-690-1369.</p>
Sunday, September 27, 2020	Feast of Saint Vincent de Paul (diocesan patron) celebrated by Bishop Knestout in recognition of the Catholic presence in the Western Vicariate	Saint Andrew, Roanoke	
Friday, November 6 to Saturday, November 7, 2020	Eucharistic Congress	Greater Richmond Convention Center	
Saturday, November 7 to Sunday, November 8, 2020	Diocesan-wide Masses to commemorate the conclusion of the Eucharistic Congress	All parishes	
Saturday, January 16 to Sunday, January 17, 2021	Closing of the Bicentennial Year	All parishes	

## 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.

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