

# Saint Mary of the Annunciation

10306 Ladysmith Rd. Ruther Glen VA 22546



## March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 Fourth Sunday of Lent

### Mass Intentions

3/21/20	5:00 PM	(d) David Phillips	Conrad and Kathy Kost
3/22/20	8:30 AM	Deceased members of the Demick Family	Holly Nguyen
3/25/20	9:30 AM	Jessica Lauren Demick (Birthday)	Holly Nguyen

## Diocesan Directives

St. Mary of the Annunciation continues to follow the directives provided by Bishop Knestout.

Including:

- All liturgies, including Sunday, Holy Day, and weekday Masses, are suspended until further notice except for absolutely necessary baptisms, weddings, and funerals which may be celebrated with only immediately family members not to exceed 10 participants.
- All in-person parish formation activities, programs, or gatherings of any kind should be cancelled effective immediately until further notice, unless it is absolutely essential and cannot be done virtually.

[Click Here for The Bishop's Statement and Diocesan Resources/Information Regarding COVID-19](#)

## Saint Mary Continued Operations

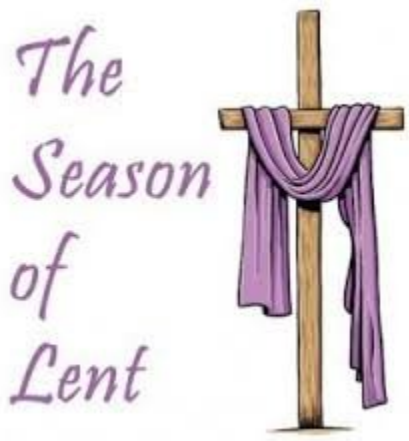
As a suspension of all public celebrations of mass, on Sundays, holy days and weekdays in the Diocese of Richmond takes place, each priest is to celebrate his daily mass in private in the church or a chapel on behalf of the intentions of his parish and for the universal Church to assist all those affected by COVID-19. I will also be available for personal confessions at specific times of the day on appointment since new regulations require at least six feet of space between a priest and penitent. Every day I will post homilies of the daily readings to sustain our spiritual lives especially at this time.

Fr. Alexander Muddu.

The Parish Offices are open normal operating hours. However, Office Staff is working remotely when possible. Before going to the office please [call or email](#) in advance. Updates, if any, will be communicated through email, social media, and our parish website.

## What's happening in the Parish?

- Lenten Schedule
- St. Mary Goes Online!
- Additional Online Resources



**Lenten Schedule (Updated)**

**Sunday's Mass was [Live Streamed](#) and available on our website. Father Muddu will continue to Live Stream Masses. Please watch Flocknote and Facebook for updates!**

Every Friday, February 28th – Friday April 3

Obligatory day of abstinence

6:00 PM Meatless Soup Supper Church Hall (CANCELED)

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (**Online**)

Wednesday, March 25 - Solemnity of the Annunciation

10:00 AM Mass

7:00 PM Mass

Sunday, April 5 - Palm Sunday

Regular Mass schedule for Saturday and Sunday

Thursday April 9 - Holy Thursday

7:00 PM Mass

8:00 PM - Midnight Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, April 10 - Good Friday

Obligatory day of fasting and abstinence;

2:00 PM Stations of the Cross

3:00 PM Veneration of the Cross

Saturday, April 11 - Holy Saturday

10:00 AM Blessing of the Food

8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 12th- Easter

8:30 AM Easter Mass

11:00 AM Easter Mass

## St. Mary Goes Online!

We are offering online prayer services and other information to support the Parish: This week look for the follow:

- Tuesday 7pm - The Rosary
- Thursday 7pm - FORMED Orientation
- Friday 7pm - Stations of the Cross

Details on joining in to follow!

Sign up for the [FORMED](#) platform and join our Parish Community for fantastic faith-based movies, books and more!

There are a lot of resources available through FORMED. Here are some examples:

## Prayer

*All of us need to be in Prayer for our church and the world.*

- [Devotionals](#) including Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Way of the Cross
- [Presence/Presencia](#), focus on the Eucharist since many Masses are cancelled

## Preparing for Holy Week

*With Lighthouse talks*

- [Holy Week](#) by Dr. Brant Pitre
- *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist* by Dr. Brant Pitre, [English](#) and [Spanish](#)

## School Children Missing School

- [Grades K-2](#)
- [Grades 3-5](#)
- [Middle School](#)
- [High School](#)

[Family ideas on FORMED](#) (to keep your kids busy)

## First Holy Communion Preparation

*For children who may have missed retreats, final teaching sessions.*

- For their Parents: [Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist](#) 3 sessions and pdf guides. Children could also watch these, although they are not geared toward children
- In Spanish, [Presencia: El Misterio de la Eucaristia](#)
- [Presence For Children](#): The Miracle at Every Mass 11 min

## Lenten Penance Preparation

*While events may be cancelled, we can all prepare for our next Confession.*

- [Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession](#) 3 sessions and pdf guides. Children could also watch these, although they are not geared toward children
- [Forgiven for Children](#): How to Make a Great Confession 12 min

# Teens Preparing for Confirmation

*And their Parents and Sponsors*

- [YDisciple for Confirmation](#) 5 sessions and pdf guides
- Lighthouse Talks for Teen, Parents and Sponsors...
  - [We Must Go Out](#) by Fr. Mike Schmitz
  - [Confirmation: The Sacrament of Evangelization and Martyrdom](#) by Dr. Brant Pitre

## Magnificat Available

During this challenging time, when we are unable to attend Mass. Magnificat is honored to provide complimentary access to our [Online Version](#) to help people pray from home and following along when we are Live Streaming from St. Mary.

## Prayers for the Sick

Please feel free to reply to this Flocknote to add or remove anyone from this list.

Eli Ames, Bob Arnold, Mike Arnold, Estelle Bareford, Donald Barker, Kevin Bera, The Biddulph Family, Maria Bridge, Daniel Clarke, Cindy Cook, Brandon Dineff, Levie Edmond, Ted Foster, Dave Frank, Peter Frank, Deacon Dave Geary, Verde Halley, Celeste Henkel, Jean Johnson, Michael Johnson, Deborah Landsnes, Jennifer Leaming-Lyons, Cindy Lent, Dawn Long, Esther Luiggi, The Matekenya Family, Patrick Moore, 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, Joan Williams

As always, prayer is an important way Catholics can respond to any crisis as we express our dependence on God. We continue to stand in solidarity with all those affected by the disease as well as those health care professionals who care for them. We ask parishioners to keep these people in mind while we pray, especially as we continue our Lenten journey.



If you know of someone in the Parish that hasn't subscribed to Flocknote let them know they can sign up via our [Website!](#)