

Saint Mary

OF THE ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH



September 26, 2021
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

MASS
SATURDAY 5:00 PM
SUNDAY 8:30 AM
SUNDAY 11:00 AM
(People of the Parish)

Be silent. Be thoughtful. Be reverent, this is God's house.
Before Mass speak to God. During Mass let God speak
to you. After Mass speak to one another.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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

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| Monday, September 27, 2021 | Office closed |
| Tuesday, September 28, 2021 | 9:00 AM - 10 AM Adoration; 10:00 AM Mass ; 11:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6:00-7:30 PM Food Pantry |
| Wednesday, September 29, 2021 | 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM - Adoration; 9:30 AM Mass |
| Thursday, September 30, 2021 | 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM - Adoration; 9:30 AM Mass ; 6:00-7:30 PM Food Pantry |
| Friday, October 1, 2021 | Church closed for cleaning in AM |
| Saturday, October 2, 2021 | 3:00 PM - Blessing of the Animals; 4:10 PM Confessions; 5:00 PM Mass <i>(Nicloe Demick requested by Holly and John)</i> |
| Sunday, October 3, 2021 | 8:30 AM Mass ; 9:45 AM - Adult Bible Study (Parish Hall); 9:45 AM - Religious Education (Parish Hall and Conference Rooms); 11:00 AM Mass <i>(People of the Parish)</i> |

Upcoming Parish News/Events

WEEKLY MASS READINGS

27 SEPTEMBER 2021 - MONDAY: **Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest, Religious Founder Obligatory Memorial**

Zechariah 8: 1-8; **Psalms 102:** 16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; **Luke 9:** 46-50

28 SEPTEMBER 2021 - TUESDAY: **Zechariah 8:** 20-23; **Psalms 87:** 1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; **Luke 9:** 51-56

29 SEPTEMBER 2021 - WEDNESDAY: **Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Archangels Feast**

Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14 or **Revelation 12:** 7-12a; **Psalms 138:** 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; **John 1:** 47-51

30 SEPTEMBER 2021 - THURSDAY: **Nehemiah 8:** 1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; **Psalms 19:** 8, 9, 10, 11; **Luke 10:** 1-12

1 OCTOBER 2021 - FRIDAY: **Thérèse of Lisieux, Virgin, Religious, Doctor Obligatory Memorial**

Baruch 1: 15-22; **Psalms 79:** 1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; **Luke 10:** 13-16

2 OCTOBER 2021 - SATURDAY: **Baruch 4:** 5-12, 27-29; **Psalms 69:** 33-35, 36-37; **Matthew 18:** 1-5, 10

3 OCTOBER 2021 - SUNDAY: **TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Genesis 2: 18-24; **Psalms 128:** 1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; **Hebrews 2:** 9-11; **Mark 10:** 2-16

These are some new icons to look for on our online giving website for some of our familiar donations:



Religious Education Tuition

Formerly the Building Fund



Religious Education Donation

Retired Religious



Retirement Fund
for Religious

Second Collections for October:



October 3rd—Debt Reduction
October 10th—Haiti Education Support Team/ Shalom Fund
October 24th—World Mission Sunday

Thermal Underwear Drive

It is really warm out now but cold weather will be here before you know it. Those who are homeless will suffer through the cold winter. In order to help them, we will have our Thermal Underwear Drive early this year. The homeless shelters always need underwear in sizes Medium, Large, X-Large and bigger. If you can help, please leave your donations in the bin marked HOMELESS in the Narthex. Thank you.



Saint Mary's Weekly Giving Report

Thank you for your continued support of our community. To give on line, go to the St Mary Online Giving website, <https://www.osvhub.com/>. God Bless you all!

Saint Mary of the Annunciation

Weekly Offertory Summary

| Aug 29 to Sept 4 | | YTD |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Sat/Sun/Holy Days | \$ 3,560 | |
| On Line Giving | \$ 1,843 | |
| Total Actual Receipts | \$ 5,403 | \$ 40,431 |
| Budgeted Receipts | \$ 4,450 | \$ 44,500 |
| Over/Under | \$ 953 | \$ (4,069) |
| August Building Fund Collection | | \$ 3,347 |

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Remembering that we will be judged by what we do for the least among us, may we give generously and joyfully to support all those in need.

Blessing of the Animals

Blessing of the Animals will be held on Saturday, **October 2, at 3:00 PM** in the circle in front of the parish hall.

This commemorates the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, who loved of all of God's creatures. All animals are welcome from goldfish to horses! All animals must be under strict control and any necessary cleanup is the responsibility of the owner. In case of inclement weather, cancellation of the Blessing will be necessary.





SHED CLEANOUT
Saturday, October 9th, 9am -?

Come help reclaim space and get St. Mary's organized. Volunteers are needed to help clean and take items to the dump. You don't have to stay the whole time, any help is appreciated!

Please contact Kari Campbell via email or text:
religioused@saintmarycc.org ; 540-424-7893

Second Collections for this Sunday is for the Retirement Fund for Religious

Make a difference. "Every dollar makes a difference in covering our expense," says Trappist abbot. Hundreds of US religious communities struggle to provide for aging members because most senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests served for little pay. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps these communities bridge the gap, offering support for medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please be generous.



Our Parish Tailgate is TODAY...

Starting at 12:30 PM. See you there!



Pray for the Sick of our Parish



The Biddulph Family, Robert Bingaman, Maria Bridge, Daniel Clarke, Nancy Coffield, Doreen Distensa, Brian Eckert, Levie Edmond, Andrew Fresler, Deacon Dave Geary, Paula Hass, The Jayger Family, Maureen Ketrick, Jennifer Leaming-Lyons, Barbara Litten, Carly Max, Brooke Meyer, Bette Moore, Carlos Ortiz, Bella Paradis, Bill Pickett, Marge Polivka, Makayla Prevost, Barbara Purks, Duane Riden, Mary Rudy, John Signor, William Simulcik, Laurie Snowman, Linda Tatham, The Townsend Family, Julian Thomas, Mike Walsh, Ralph Watermeier, The Wheeler Family, 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 in your daily prayers

Names will be removed after 6 months. If you would like to add/remove someone to the Sick of our Parish list, please call Chris Nowark at 804-448-9064 or email her at office@saintmarycc.org. Thank you. God Bless !

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



RCIA - The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA- The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a parish ministry that invites those who are not baptized, baptized but not Catholic or those who were baptized Catholic but not fully initiated, i.e., received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation, to inquire about becoming fully initiated into the Catholic faith.

This weekend we read from Numbers Moses saying to Joshua, "Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets! Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all!" Each of us who are baptized have been anointed exactly as Moses was hoping! When we are anointed with the Chrism of Salvation, we are given "...a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit" and "...anointed Priest, Prophet, and King...". What do you do with the Holy Spirit and in your role as a Prophet? One way is to meet Jesus's challenge and to grow and share your faith. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and possibly becoming Catholic, please reach out and we will be glad to share and answer any questions. If you are already Catholic, consider asking others about becoming Catholic and offering to journey with them as a sponsor.

Please consider where the Lord is calling you! For more information or answers to questions about RCIA please contact Deacon Frank Leaming at fnleaming@aol.com or call 804-761-5714.

DID YOU KNOW... On Monday, September 27th, we mark the Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul in the Diocese of Richmond while the rest of the Catholic Church marks it as a Memorial? A Feast Day has its own liturgical implications (e.g., we say the "Gloria" at Mass) and is "lesser rank than a solemnity and a higher rank than a memorial" (Catholic Dictionary). Why in Richmond is it a Feast? St. Vincent de Paul is the Principal Patron of the Diocese of Richmond. St. Vincent is the patron of charities, hospitals, prisoners, as well the Diocese of Richmond!

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." MARK 9:41

We are made in God's image and likeness. We tend to forget this. When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them? When others look at you, do they see the face of Jesus in you? When we realize that all lives matter to God, then gratitude and generously become easier. Why? Because that's the way we are made! We are one Body of Christ; when one of us is hurting, all of us feel the pain.

VOCATIONS

"Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put His spirit on them."

All Catholics share the prophetic ministry of the Lord through baptism. Is He calling you to bear witness to His truth as a priest? Call Father Brian W. Capuano at (804) 359-5661, or write: bcapuano@richmonddiocese.org.

Community/Diocesan Events



We are so excited to announce that we will be having our festival this year on October 30, 2021. 2020 was a challenging year and we are ready to get back to normal. We would like to invite you to participate in our annual Fall Festival & Parade. This invitation is extended to Fire Departments, Rescue Squads, Civic Groups, Marching Bands, Majorette Groups, Antique Auto Enthusiasts, Equestrians, Floats and many other suitable parade units. Parade line up begins at 9:00 AM and the parade starts at 11:00 AM. Parade line up is 1/4 west of 301 on Route 30. There is no cost to participate. Please invite your families and friends to come along and join in the fun. We have crafts, silent auctions, pies, food and our famous Brunswick Stew. In addition there will be children's activities, live music and fun for all ages. For more information, please contact Crystal at 804-338-8697.

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.



**Saint Mary of the Annunciation
is seeking a
Bookkeeper/Payroll/HR
Administrator**

The candidate will be familiar with bookkeeping and Payroll functions.

Qualifications:

Requirements include experience in bookkeeping using accounting software and experience managing online payroll. Working knowledge of contract negotiations and purchasing procedures is helpful. Abilities include strong interpersonal skills, project management skills, customer service orientation, computer proficiency in Microsoft Office software, strong time management and analytical skills, leadership skills, and detail orientation to projects and tasks.

A background check and completion of the Virtus Safe Environment online program is required.

This is a part-time hourly non-exempt position working approximately 10-14 hours per week.

Interested candidates should contact Fr. Alexander Muddu at amuddu@richmonddiocese.org for further information. A resume and completed Diocese of Richmond Employment Application will be required.

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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.