

Saint Mary

OF THE ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ... Hosanna in the highest!'



SATURDAY 5:00 PM

(+EMT Justin Lee Howard
requested by Michael and Loretta
Brindock)

Palm Sunday Lent C

April 10, 2022

SUNDAY 8:30 AM

(+Mary Lou O'Leary requested
by Colleen O'Leary)

SUNDAY 11:00 AM

(People of the Parish)

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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

Monday, April 11, 2022	OFFICE CLOSED
Tuesday, April 12, 2022	9:00 AM Adoration; 10:00 AM MASS ; 11:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6:00-7:30 PM Food Pantry
Wednesday, April 13, 2022	9:00 AM Adoration; 10:00 AM MASS
Thursday, April 14, 2022	7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper; 8:00 PM to Midnight - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; FOOD PANTRY CLOSED
Friday, April 15, 2022	2:15 PM - Stations of the Cross (outside - weather permitting); 3:00 PM Passion of the Lord
Saturday, April 16, 2022 - EASTER VIGIL	7:30 PM - Easter Vigil (+Duane Riden requested by Chris and Mike Nowark)
Sunday, April 17, 2022 - EASTER SUNDAY	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD 8:30 AM (People of the Parish), 11:00 AM (+Eugene and Dorothy Mimnaugh requested by Diane Dye and Bob Buchanan)

Upcoming Parish News/Events

WEEKLY MASS READINGS

11 APRIL 2022 - MONDAY : **Monday of Holy Week**
Isaiah 42: 1-7; **Psalms 27:** 1, 2, 3, 13-14; **John 12:** 1-11

12 APRIL 2022 - TUESDAY : **Tuesday of Holy Week**
Isaiah 49: 1-6; **Psalms 71:** 1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17; **John 13:** 21-33, 36-38

13 APRIL 2022 - WEDNESDAY : **Wednesday of Holy Week**
Isaiah 50: 4-9a; **Psalms 69:** 8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34; **Matthew 26:** 14-25

14 APRIL 2022 - THURSDAY : **Holy Thursday, At evening, begin Easter Triduum of the Lord's Solemnity Passion**
Exodus 12: 1-8, 11-14; **Psalms 116:** 12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; **First Corinthians 11:** 23-26; **John 13:** 1-15

15 APRIL 2022 - FRIDAY : **Good Friday, Day of fast (ages 18-59) and abstinence from meat (age 14 and up)**
Isaiah 52: 13 - 53: 12; **Psalms 31:** 2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; **Hebrews 4:** 14-16; 5: 7-9; **John 18:** 1 - 19: 42

16 APRIL 2022 - SATURDAY : **Holy Saturday / Readings for the Easter Vigil, which Isaiah an Easter Sunday Mass**
 First Reading: **Genesis 1:** 1 - 2: 2 or 1: 1, 26-31a; **Psalms 104:** 1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or **Psalms 33:** 4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20 and 22;
 Second Reading: **Genesis 22:** 1-18 or 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; **Psalms 16:** 5, 8, 9-10, 11;
 Third Reading: **Exodus 14:** 15 - 15: 1; **Exodus 15:** 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18;
 Fourth Reading: **Isaiah 54:** 5-14; **Psalms 30:** 2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13;
 Fifth Reading: **Isaiah 55:** 1-11; **Isaiah 12:** 2-3, 4, 5-6;
 Sixth Reading: **Baruch 3:** 9-15, 32 - 4: 4; **Psalms 19:** 8, 9, 10, 11;
 Seventh Reading: **Ezekiel 36:** 16-17a, 18-28; **Psalms 42:** 3, 5; 43: 3, 4 or **Isaiah 12:** 2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or **Psalms 51:** 12-13, 14-15, 18-19;
 Epistle Reading: **Romans 6:** 3-11; **Psalms 118:** 1-2, 16-17, 22-23; **Luke 24:** 1-12

17 APRIL 2022 - SUNDAY : **EASTER SUNDAY, The Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ**
Acts 10: 34a, 37-43; **Psalms 118:** 1-2, 16-17, 22-23; **Colossians 3:** 1-4 or **First Corinthians 5:** 6b-8; **John 20:** 1-9

Saint Mary's Weekly Donation Report: Don't Forget About Online Giving!

<https://www.osvhub.com/saintmarycc/funds>



Saint Mary of the Annunciation		
Weekly Offertory Summary		
Feb 27 to March 5		YTD
Sat/Sun/Holy Days	\$ 1,875	
On Line Giving	\$ 2,143	
Total Actual Receipts	\$ 4,018	\$ 159,294
Budgeted Receipts	\$ 4,450	\$ 160,200
Over/Under	\$ (433)	\$ (906)

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

- April 3—Easter Flowers
- April 10—Debt Reduction
- April 15—Good Friday
- April 17—Easter
- April 24—Repair and Maintenance



2022 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

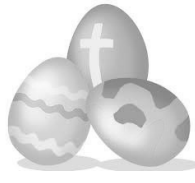
If you've ever run a race, you know that the home stretch isn't the time to take your foot off the gas. It's the time to give everything you've got—to push through the fatigue and the pain in order to ensure that you finish what you set out to accomplish. Christ's entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday marks the beginning of His "home stretch"—His passion, death, and resurrection, the completion of His mission of redemption. Jesus knows what His enemies are planning for Him, but he doesn't hide from them. He enters Jerusalem to the praise of the public. He commits Himself to completing the task ahead.

As we begin Holy Week, we enter the home stretch of our Lenten season and our preparations for Easter. No matter how you've done with your Lenten disciplines to this point, now is the time to put the pedal to the metal. Now is the time to rededicate yourself to prayer, penance, and almsgiving. Now is time to make sure that we finish well the journey we set out on together nearly 40 days ago.

Rather than looking back, let's look forward to the week ahead, our Lenten home stretch. If you're still looking for an opportunity for Lenten almsgiving, which is a great way to grow in self-detachment, consider supporting our Annual Diocesan Appeal. Spend some time with the Lord today, asking Him how He's inviting you to finish Lent strong.

Easter Egg Hunt

Our Easter Egg Hunt will be held after the 11am Mass on Easter Sunday. Donations of candy are needed - there is a bin in the Narthex. If you have questions, please contact Valerie Sparks, 804-572-1768.



*****ATTENTION*****



Ladysmith road east of the church will be closed from South River road to Scotts Lane from April 5th through the end of May. If you are coming from Bowling Green, you will have to find an alternative route.



Have you ever wanted to live more liturgically but not known how? We want to help all families by providing these discussions on liturgical living during Lent to be a resource for the

Domestic Church—the home. We pray that these discussions bless you and your family.
<https://watch.formed.org/living-lent-as-a-family>



THE SHOE DRIVE ENDS GOOD FRIDAY



ALMSGIVING: Provides assistance to the poor among us and helps us recognize God as the true source of our security. Property and wealth exercise less control over us when we give away or share our wealth out of love for God and for others. Almsgiving is a way of bringing our relationship to others into the orbit of Christ's love.

This Lenten season we are encouraged to donate **NEW DRESS SHOES BLACK IN COLOR** for both boys and girls in Uganda between the ages of 4-13. May the Lord bless all of us and reward us abundantly. Drop the shoes in the box marked "Uganda shoes" in the Narthex.



RETURN OF ALTAR SERVERS

We are planning on reintroducing the Altar Server Ministry beginning with limited servers during Holy Week. Following Easter we will be retraining servers who have previously served. In addition we will be recruiting new servers. More information to come. If any questions contact Deacon Frank Leaming at fnleaming@aol.com or call 804-761-5714.



Lenten Schedule

Thursday April 14th—Holy Thursday
7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper
8:00 PM to Midnight - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, April 15th—Good Friday
Obligatory day of fasting and abstinence
2:15 PM Stations of the Cross
(outside-weather permitting)
3:00 PM Passion of the Lord

Saturday, April 16th—Holy Saturday
7:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 17th—Easter Sunday
8:30 AM Resurrection of the Lord
11:00 AM Resurrection of the Lord



The Season of Lent

Every Friday, March 4th– Friday April 8th
Obligatory day of abstinence
6:00 PM Meatless Soup Supper in Church Hall
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross



Soup Suppers and Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays throughout Lent starting on 3/4/22. Soup is at 6:00 PM; Stations of the Cross start at 7:00 PM. Join us as we retrace the final journey of Christ to Calvary. Sign up sheets for soup and bread are in the Narthex. For questions, call Valerie Sparks at 804-572-1768.

VOCATIONS

"... He opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled,..."

Prayer and reflection are essential to discerning a vocation. Are you open to a vocation to the priesthood? Call the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

PARISH REGISTRATION:

Are you interested in joining Saint Mary of the Annunciation? Please go to our website -<http://www.saintmarycc.org/join-the-parish> or scan the QR code.



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"...I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me. " (LUKE 22:34)

How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about God or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet not to cause a disturbance? Or, because you don't want people to think negatively about you? Or, because you don't think you know enough about the Catholic faith? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful dialogue when the opportunity arises. Joyfully share your faith with others.

Community/Diocesan Events

Knights of Columbus Scholarships!

Your Knights of Columbus council is now accepting applications for the Virgil S. Hicks Memorial Scholarship. Here are the guidelines:

Any St. Ann's or St. Mary's parishioner and their dependents are eligible.

The award winner may attend a:

Catholic high school, or any college or university.

The criteria for determining awards will include:

- a completed application form
- academic record
- assessment of character based on the letter(s) of recommendation
- a service-oriented work ethic Virgil Hicks would be proud of

An essay of 500 words maximum on the subject "How I have put my Catholic faith into action during the COVID-19 pandemic."

Applications are due by **April 30, 2022**.

Award announcements will be made the end of June 2022.

Notification of awards will be made by letter to the recipients.

The disbursement of the award funds shall be by check to the recipient.

To receive an application please email: Tres Bradshaw at tbshaw01@hotmail.com

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.



Pray for the Sick of our Parish



Marge Barnes, Susan Bennett, The Biddulph Family, Robert Bingaman, Maria Bridge, Alvin Calhoun, Barry Carrington, Daniel Clarke, Nancy Coffield, Doreen Distensa, Brian Eckert, Levie Edmond, Michael Fisher, Andrew Fresler, Deacon Dave Geary, Paula Hass, The Jayger Family, Rodney Ketterman, Maureen Ketrick, Gerry Lesko, Barbara Litten, Dawn Long, Carly Max, Bette Moore, Peggy Opel, Carlos Ortiz, Bella Paradis, Robert Pecht, Bill Pickett, Marge Polivka, Makayla Prevost, Mary Rudy, Christina Russell, Victoria Russell, John Signor, William Simulcik, Laurie Snowman, John Speck, Barbara Storen, Ron Summers, Julian Thomas, The Townsend Family, 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 COVID 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

CAMPUS FOR LIFE: Saint Michael the Archangel Catholic High School cordially invites YOU to our "Hope for the Future Capital" Campaign reception on Tuesday, April 12 from 6:00-7:30pm. Learn about our planned 26 acre campus with an expanded school, new chapel, library, and athletic center. We're building the next generation of Pro-Life Warriors! Learn more at www.campusforlife.org



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. Call the office at 804-448-9064.

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