

# Saint Mary

OF THE ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH



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**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**MAY 15, 2022**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY 5:00 PM**

**SUNDAY 8:30 AM**

**SUNDAY 11:00 AM**

*(People of the Parish)*

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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

Monday, May 16, 2022	<b>OFFICE CLOSED;</b> 10:00 AM CCM Homeschool Planning Meeting
Tuesday, May 17, 2022	9:00 AM Adoration; <b>10:00 AM MASS;</b> 11:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6:00-7:30 PM Food Pantry
Wednesday, May 18, 2022	9:00 AM Adoration; <b>10:00 AM MASS;</b> 11:00 AM Cemetery Meeting
Thursday, May 19, 2022	9:00 AM Adoration; <b>10:00 AM MASS;</b> 6:00-7:30 PM Food Pantry
Friday, May 20, 2022	Church closed for cleaning in AM
Saturday, May 21, 2022	4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Confessions; <b>5:00 PM Mass</b>
Sunday, May 22, 2022	<b>8:30 AM Mass;</b> 9:45 AM - Adult Bible Study (Parish Hall); 9:45 AM - Religious Education (Parish Hall and Conference Rooms); <b>11:00 AM Mass</b> <i>(People of the Parish)</i>

# Upcoming Parish News/Events

## WEEKLY MASS READINGS

16 MAY 2022 - MONDAY : Acts 14: 5-18; Psalms 115: 1-2, 3-4, 15-16; John 14: 21-26

17 MAY 2022 - TUESDAY : Acts 14: 19-28; Psalms 145: 10-11, 12-13ab, 21; John 14: 27-31a

18 MAY 2022 - WEDNESDAY : Acts 15: 1-6; Psalms 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; John 15: 1-8

19 MAY 2022 - THURSDAY : Acts 15: 7-21; Psalms 96: 1-2a, 2b-3, 10; John 15: 9-11

20 MAY 2022 - FRIDAY : Acts 15: 22-31; Psalms 57: 8-9, 10 and 12; John 15: 12-17

21 MAY 2022 - SATURDAY : Acts 16: 1-10; Psalms 100: 2, 3, 5; John 15: 18-21

22 MAY 2022 - SUNDAY : SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29; Psalms 67: 2-3, 5, 6 and 8; Revelation 21: 10-14, 22-23; John 14: 23-29

### Saint Mary's Weekly Donation Report:

Don't Forget About Online Giving!

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



### 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.



### Knights of Columbus Big Green Egg Raffle!

What the heck is a Big Green Egg?

The Big Green Egg is the highest quality, most versatile and simplest-to-use outdoor cooker available.

Grill, roast, smoke, sear and bake the EGG does all this and more! What a great gift for the outdoor cook of the family.

Your Knights of Columbus council will be raffling off a "large" Big Green Egg valued at \$1000 including the "nest" (large steel rolling stand).

Tickets are \$20 each and limited to only 300. Payment can be made by cash, check or Venmo (**Knights of Columbus@JMJCouncil-7538**).

If you decide to pay with Venmo, you must include your name, phone number, and note Big Green Egg.

Contact Pat Brim at [pbrim01@gmail.com](mailto:pbrim01@gmail.com) with questions.



### Saint Mary of the Annunciation

#### Weekly Offertory Summary

April 17 to Apr 23		YTD
Sat/Sun/Holy Days	\$ 3,568	
On Line Giving	\$ 3,097	
Total Actual Receipts	\$ 6,665	\$ 193,214
Budgeted Receipts	\$ 4,450	\$ 191,350
Over/Under	\$ 2,215	\$ 1,864
March Debt Reduction		\$ 3,906
Collection Total		

### 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. Call the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

IF YOU HAVE BOOKS OR ANY TYPE OF RELIGIOUS OBJECTS THAT YOU WANT TO DONATE TO THE CHURCH, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE **FIRST**. PLEASE DON'T JUST DROP IT OFF.

## SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

May 22—Cemetery/Perpetual Care Fund  
May 29—Catholic Home Missions Appeal



The company who issues our envelopes are having paper/mailing issues. For the time being, please put your donation in a plain envelope marked with where you want the donation to go and drop it in the collection basket.

### Food Pantry is in need of Cereal



### 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)*

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually comes with strings attached. It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes mercy and compassion to love someone when you feel unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love my neighbor" when they may be someone you don't like, someone you don't know or someone that doesn't look like you.

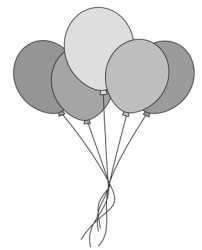


What does "glory" look like? Is it a triumphant general after a decisive victory? Or the MVP after a championship-winning performance?

In today's Gospel, which takes place during the Last Supper, Jesus suggests that God's glory looks a little different: it looks like someone offering themselves so another can have life. This is, after all, what Jesus will do shortly after the Last Supper, when he offers His life on the cross for all mankind. This, he tells us, is how God is glorified. And he makes the point even more clear when he tells those present that having love for one another is the truest sign that they are his disciples, that they are partaking in His glory.

So what does it look like for us to participate in God's glory? It means giving of ourselves at home, to our spouse and children, friends and family. It means giving of ourselves in our local community, volunteering and serving others. And it also means offering ourselves to build up our local Church. One important way we can do this right now is by supporting our Annual Diocesan Appeal. Ask God how you can glorify Him through your contribution, and give today.

## You're Invited! Join us for the Debt Reduction Picnic Celebration!



To celebrate the end of our current parish debt, St. Mary's is hosting a catered picnic on **Sunday, 6/12/2022, at 12:00 Noon.**

**ALL FAMILIES MUST RSVP by 5/24** - just click the Sign Up button that is at the bottom of the Flocknote that went out on Tuesday, 5/10/22. Please add a response for *each member of your family who will be attending.*

Tickets will be provided for each person on the RSVP list.

Please ensure you pick up your family's tickets—either after Mass in the Narthex (on May 28-29 or June 4-5) or at the event's Welcome Tent on June 12th. Tickets will then be collected at the event. Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

Any questions can be directed to the Parish Office at 804-448-9064 or [office@saintmarycc.org](mailto:office@saintmarycc.org)



### HISTORIC CEMETERY IDENTIFIED

An historic cemetery has been identified on church property, located half way back on the west side. History tells us that this is an African American cemetery. The cemetery has not been cared for and requires considerable restoration.

A few parishioners have formed a committee to develop a plan to apply for a grant(s) to obtain funds to:

- create a walkway to the cemetery from the church
- restore and protect the cemetery
- do historical research on who is buried in the cemetery.

Funding for this project will be from grants and money specifically donated to this project. No church funds will be used. No funds donated for the upkeep to the two St. Mary cemeteries will be used for the historical cemetery on church grounds.

Until completion **ONLY** people involved with the project will be allowed to visit this cemetery. This is a long-term project that needs to be carried out in a systematic way.

If there are any parishioners who have any connections (including education) relating to cemeteries, historical properties, landscape architecture or historical architecture please let the office know. Your participation will be greatly appreciated.



# Community/Diocesan Events

## FORMED

Join us on the FORMED Platform! FORMED is a digital platform that gives our parish unprecedented access to video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters. FORMED provides:

**STUDY PROGRAMS** - Hundreds of episodes of transformational video-based study programs including accompanying study guides for small groups or personal study

**AUDIO PROGRAMS** - Hundreds of audio talks to inspire your faith and to share with others

**MOVIES** - Hundreds of movies/documentaries for both children and adults

**EBOOKS** - Over a hundred inspiring eBooks to download to your device

FORMED is being provided by the Parish so there is no charge to our Parishioners. Registering is easy! Go to **FORMED.org** or scan the QR code below to Sign Up and click I belong to a Parish or Organization. Search for St. Mary's by entering our zip code - 22546. No passwords are needed.



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



*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](mailto:office@saintmarycc.org). Thank you.*

God Bless

## 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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