

# Saint Mary

OF THE ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH



**BIENVENIDOS**

ALL ARE WELCOME  
TODOS SON BIENVENIDOS  
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**VITANI**

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**APRIL 21, 2024**

### MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY 5:00 PM**

*(+Eugene Mimnaugh requested by Diane Dye)*

**SUNDAY 8:30 AM**

*(+Debbie Brooks requested by Suzi Tatham & Carolyn Clarke)*

**SUNDAY 11:00 AM**

*(+Debbie Brooks requested by the Nowarks)*

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

(Office Hours 9 AM - 1 PM Tuesday - Thursday)

Monday, April 22	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
Tuesday, April 23	<b>NO ADORATION OR MASS;</b> 11:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Food Pantry
Wednesday, April 24	9:00 AM Adoration; <b>10:00 AM MASS</b> <i>(+Eloise Kaler requested by Redmond and Susan Merrell)</i>
Thursday, April 25	9:00 AM Adoration; <b>10:00 AM MASS</b> <i>(+Otis Lancaster requested by Redmond and Susan Merrell);</i> 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Food Pantry
Friday, April 26	Church closed for cleaning in AM
Saturday, April 27	4:00 PM - 4:50 PM Confessions; <b>5:00 PM MASS</b> <i>(+Jane Larsen requested by Anna Larsen Porter)</i>
Sunday, April 28	<b>8:30 AM MASS;</b> 9:30 AM Religious Education; 9:45 AM Spanish Rosary; <b>11:00 AM MASS;</b> Noon International Potluck Meet & Greet



The Social Activities Committee is planning an International Potluck Meet and Greet Picnic on Sunday, April 28th after the 11:00 AM Mass.

This will be a potluck event so please provide any dish that you would like to share that either represents your ethnicity, nationality, or even some yummy dish you just want to share with us!

Drinks will be provided—water, lemonade or unsweet tea.

The parable of the talents, as told by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew, illustrates the importance of stewardship and using our God-given gifts for the benefit of the church community. Just as the servants were entrusted with talents by their master, so too have we been entrusted with unique abilities and resources. It is not enough for us to simply maintain what we have been given; we are called to invest and multiply our talents for the glory of God.

Representatives of the active Ministries at St Mary's will each have a table. You will have an opportunity to learn more about the Ministries we have in our parish.

There will be raffles for door prizes, games, and fun, as well.

You need to pick up a passport to play, and enter for a chance to win several great prizes. Must be present to win.

Registration will be after each Mass. If you have any questions, representatives from the Social Activities Committee will be available at the registration table.



### SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

MAY 5—REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE  
MAY 12—CATHOLIC HOMES MISSIONS  
MAY 26—CEMETERY/PERPETUAL CARE FUND

### VOCATIONS

*"There is no salvation through anyone else."*

Let us pray for those who are called to follow the Lord as a priest or religious brother or sister that they may generously say YES. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).



### FOOD PANTRY IS STILL IN NEED OF THE FOLLOWING:



**MAC & CHEESE and CANNED TUNA**



### SPECIAL THANKS

The Food Pantry would like to thank all the parishioners for their generosity in donating food and money to our ministry.

Also, a special thank you to our Polar Bear Plunge community and the plungers. Your dedication in this process keeps our Food Pantry with the funds needed to carry on this Ministry.

"Thank You and God Bless"  
Barbara and Don Logan

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*"I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice."*

- JOHN 10:14-16

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Jesus what He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Many times Jesus responds in "quiet whispers" that are not so obvious. So, take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.

## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Don't miss the next event, which is coming up on Sunday, April 28th at 12pm. The International Potluck Meet and Greet Picnic.

Celebrate our diverse community with international dishes, meet and greet tables to promote our ministries, games, and a door prize drawing.

Volunteer sign-ups are open to help make this event memorable! We are looking for help with setup, pop up tents, clean-up. We will be in the Narthex starting this weekend.



### **\*\*International Potluck Meet & Greet Picnic\*\***

Date: Sunday, April 28

Time: 12 PM

Details: Celebrate our diverse community with international dishes, meet and greet tables, games, and a door prize drawing. Volunteer sign-ups are open to help make this event memorable!



### **\*\*Yardsale\*\***

On Saturday, May 4th, we'll be holding a community yard sale. It's the perfect chance to declutter your home and find some hidden treasures. Whether you're looking to sell or buy, it's sure to be a day full of bargains and fun. Come and help us tell potential parishioners all about St Mary's! The hours are 8am-12pm. Spaces are \$15 each for Parishioners, \$20 for all others. Set up begins at 7:30am.



### **\*\*Mother's Day Tea Party\*\***

Don't forget to reserve May 12th for our special Mother's Day Tea. Let's honor all the amazing mothers in our lives with a "time out" with tea, treats, and heartfelt conversations. It's a lovely way to show our appreciation for everything they do. There will be a movie for the kids and Dads during this time. There will be 2 sessions, Be sure to sign up for the one you will attend!

Your participation and support make these events extraordinary. Let's come together, celebrate, and strengthen our community bonds. Thank you in advance for being a part of these special occasions. We can't wait to see you there!

Over the past couple of months, I hope you have gained an understanding of what it means to support the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal. Yes, our parish is a direct beneficiary, however, supporting the Appeal is also about supporting the Catholic Church beyond the parish. For example, did you know that the Appeal:

- Helps supply groceries as well as heating, rent and shelter assistance to children, families in need and the elderly across the Diocese.
- Expands opportunities for college students to deepen their commitment to the Catholic Church.

If you have not yet made a commitment, I hope you will join me in helping to not only meet but exceed this year's goal!

Please visit [richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal](http://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal) to make a secure online donation or visit our parish office for a hard copy pledge card. Thank you for partnering with us on this important ministry of our Catholic Church.



### **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

That we take time in daily silent prayer to talk and listen for Jesus' voice.

### **WEEKLY MASS READINGS**

22 APRIL 2024 : **Acts 11: 1-18; Psalms 42: 2-3; 43: 3-4; John 10: 1-10**

23 APRIL 2024 : **Acts 11: 19-26; Psalms 87: 1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; John 10: 22-30**

24 APRIL 2024 : **Acts 12: 24 - 13:5; Psalms 67: 2-3, 5, 6 and 8; John 12: 44-50**

25 APRIL 2024 : **First Peter 5: 5b-14; Psalms 89: 2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mark 16: 15-20**

26 APRIL 2024 : **Acts 13: 26-33; Psalms 2: 6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab; John 14: 1-6**

27 APRIL 2024 : **Acts 13: 44-52; Psalms 98: 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; John 14: 7-14**

28 APRIL 2024 : **Fifth Sunday of Easter  
Acts 9: 26-31; Psalms 22: 26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; First John 3: 18-24; John 15: 1-8**



# Community/Diocesan Events

## PILGRIMAGE TO MARIAN SHRINES WITH FR. CHARLES & FR. JOHN BOSCO

Lisbon, Fatima, Spain and Lourdes



September 23 – October 2, 2024

\$4,599 Per Person from Norfolk (ORF)

\*All Pricing Based On Double Occupancy\*  
Leave from AFB Airport: www.206tours.com/jadson



Fr. Charles



Jan Barger



Fred Barger



Fr. John Bosco

### Your Trip Includes

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| † Round-trip airfare from Norfolk (ORF)                                 | † Breakfast and dinner daily  |
| † Airport Taxes and Fuel Surcharges                                     | † Transfers as per itinerary  |
| † 8 nights at centrally located Hotels as follows (or similar):         | † Wireless headsets where needed  |
| † 1 night: Sep 24 – Sep 25: Hotel Lumen, Lisbon, Portugal               | † Transportation by air-conditioned private motor coach with free Wi-Fi |
| † 2 nights: Sep 25 – Sep 27: Hotel Santa Maria Jardim, Fatima, Portugal | † Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary                      |
| † 1 night: Sep 27 – Sep 28: Hotel Abba Fonseca, Salamanca, Spain        | † Assistance of a professional local Catholic Guide(s)                  |
| † 1 night: Sep 28 – Sep 29: Hotel Abba, Burgos, Spain                   | † Mass daily & Spiritual Activities                                     |
| † 3 nights: Sep 29 – Oct 02: Hotel Chapelle et Parc, Lourdes, France    |   |



Contact Jan Barger: [jbarger@dreamvacations.com](mailto:jbarger@dreamvacations.com) | Register Online: [www.206tours.com/janbarger/](http://www.206tours.com/janbarger/)

Scan here for more information about the Pilgrimage



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



*Amber Wilber Anderson, David Arnold, Rosemary Baez, Thad (Pete) Beach, Troy Beach, Susan Bennett, The Biddulph Family, Robert Bingaman, Joe Blackburn, Jr., Emily Bolecek, John Bolecek, Maria Bridge, Nicholas Brucker, Bob Buchanan, Emilynn Butler, Barry Carrington, Aiden Christensen, Daniel Clarke, Nancy Coffield, Jack Cook, Doreen Distensa, Brian Eckert, Levie Edmond, Eleanor Elletson, Jack Frank, Jessica French, Andrew Fresler, Deacon Dave Geary, The Hannick Family, Laura Harris, Paula Hass, The Jayger Family, Alice Karkutt, Tony Ketrick, J. & Sketter Lambert, Deacon Frank Leaming, Nina Leaming, Barbara Litten, Dawn Long, Vikki Mahoney, Ryan & Rowyn Manzuk, Carly Max, Luke McFadden, Andrew Newchok, Barbara Oates, Peggy Opel, Eva Ortiz, Robert Pecht, Bill Pickett, Shirley Riden, Chole Rochester, Ritchie Rodebaugh, Christina Russell, Victoria Russell, Beverly Schnarrs, Cindy Schwind, Marjie Schwind, Helen Simulcik, William Simulcik, Diane Sinlock, Isabel Sipe, Rodney Smith, Laurie Snowman, Linda Stanton, Barbara Storen, Ron Summers, The Taylor Family, The Townsend Family, Janie Wagner, Pedro Welsh, Bethany Wheaton, The Wheeler Family, Joan Williams, Judy Yanes*

As always, prayer is an important way Catholics can respond to any crisis as we express our dependence on God. 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***

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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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