

Saint Mary of the Annunciation

February 6-7, 2021, The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

RECONCILIATION - SATURDAYS STARTING AT 4:10 PM

Mass Times:

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM (+Limbria & Francis Yanes requested by Valerie Sparks)

Sunday 11:00 AM



WEEKLY ADORATION AND MASS TIMES

Tuesday - COMMUNION SERVICE ONLY

Wednesday - NO ADORATION OR MASS

Thursday - NO ADORATION OR MASS

COVID 19 Phase 3 is in Effect

For COVID 19 guidelines and Mass Sign Ups, please go to our [Parish Website](#) for more detailed information

Saint Mary Online Sundays 8:30 AM!

Live Streaming of the Mass is being offered via the [St. Mary Public Facebook](#) page. Have you visited? Please note that you don't need a Facebook account to participate.

This week look for the following:

Daily Readings, Weekly Mass Times & Homily Fr. Muddu - sent via St. Mary Flocknote and on Facebook



Please bring all Palms and Blessed articles in need of disposal to church no later than February 14th. These items will be burned after the 11:00 AM Mass on the 14th to make ashes or to be buried

Because Palms have been blessed by a Priest and therefore are holy objects, the palm branches used for Catholic Church services, especially those used on Palm Sunday, should not be disposed of in the regular fashion. Once an object is blessed, it is considered to be in the service of God and should be treated with respect. Therefore, it is considered sacrilegious to throw a holy item in the garbage, where it might end up in a sewer or a landfill. Holy palms should be returned to nature. The Catholic priests take all of the collected palms and burn them. They save the ashes to use for the Ash Wednesday service. Palms are not the only objects routinely blessed by the Catholic Church. Holy water, oils, rosaries and relics also have a special religious significance. Churches typically have a special sink that runs straight into the ground where holy water, oils and blessed wine is discarded. Combustible items may be burned, everything else should be buried in an area where people are not likely to walk, such as under a tree.

Regulations for Fasting and Abstinence

Fasting is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

Abstinence is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence.

All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.

The Word Among Us daily meditations for Lent 2021 will be distributed by the Knights of Columbus after each Mass next weekend (**February 13th-14th**). Books can also be picked up in the office during regular office hours which are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.



Church Financials' & Giving

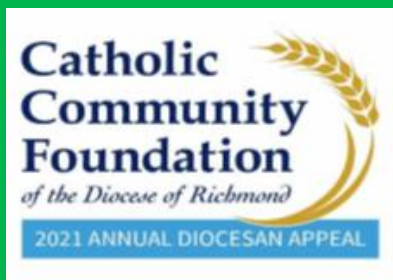
Thank you for your continued support of our community. If you have any questions, please email Sue at sbrim@saintmarycc.org. To give on line go to the [St Mary Online Giving website](#). God Bless you all!

Saint Mary of the Annunciation		
Weekly Offertory Summary		
Jan 17 to Jan 23		YTD
Sat/Sun/Holy Days	\$ 1,189	
On Line Giving	\$ 2,530	
Total Actual Receipts	\$ 3,719	\$ 122,900
Budgeted Receipts	\$ 4,500	\$ 130,875
Over/Under	\$ (782)	\$ (7,975)

Second Collections for February

February 14 - The Catholic Virginian

The Catholic Virginian is published biweekly and serves the people of the Diocese of Richmond. Circulation is approximately 73,000. The newspaper emphasizes diocesan news with a balance of national and international news of interest to Catholics. The mission of the paper is, "To help meet peoples' needs for information that they may better live out the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to support their understanding of themselves as a believing community." Subscription is \$12.50 per year. Each family is asked to contribute \$6.25 semi-annually, January and June.

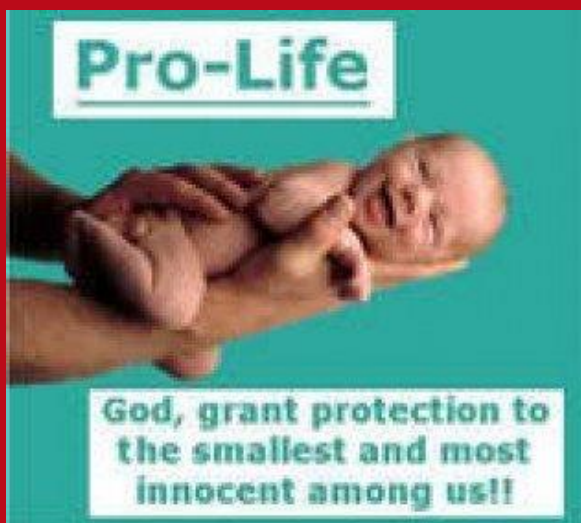


**WELCOME TO THE 2021 DIOCESAN APPEAL -
BUILDING OUR FAMILY OF FAITH**

It's Super Bowl Sunday! The NFL is inviting approximately 7,500 vaccinated healthcare workers to tonight's Super Bowl game to thank and honor them for their service during the pandemic.

A day like today should help to remind us to be thankful for our health. It is until we are unwell that we remember that having a health body and food to nourish it is so important. Let's remember that without God and all He gives us and all the blessings we have, we need to thank him. A lot. So remember, when the game is on the line and you need this touchdown or last-second field-goal, and you're praying to God that they make it, pray for the health of the teams and thank him for ALL your blessings too.

And thank you for your participation in the Annual Diocesan Appeal. It's the Super Bowl of the Bishop's mission to serve his flock.



This Troubled World

We are living in a very troubled world! Nature itself is even trying to warn us to change our ways, but do we listen? No! We ignore the signs.

Back in the time of Moses, God gave us the Ten Commandments to live by. They are the same today as they were then. God has never changed them, because God never makes mistakes. But we human beings have! Money, power and greed have replaced God. We make our own laws that allow sinful deeds to become legal such as abortion. Abortion is the greatest sin against God there is! With abortion we are refusing His precious gift of Life. We have allowed over 63 million innocent babies to be killed! Yet, we are appalled when the terrorists ISIS kill innocent people. Since when do we have the right to kill?

This whole war is a battle between good and evil. The devil is having a field day with us. He wants us to keep him company in hell! We can put a stop to this. We need a spiritual awakening. We need to turn back to our God for forgiveness. We need to change our hearts and minds. We need to uphold the dignity of all human life, young and old. It can be done.

*Ruth Weber
Davenport Iowa*

Daily Readings

8 FEBRUARY 2021 - MONDAY: **Genesis 1:** 1-19; **Psalms 104:** 1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c;

Mark 6: 53-56

9 FEBRUARY 2021 - TUESDAY: **Genesis 1:** 20 - 2: 4a; **Psalms 8:** 4-5, 6-7,8-9; **Mark 7:** 1-13

10 FEBRUARY 2021 - WEDNESDAY: **Genesis 2:** 4b-9, 15-17; **Psalms 104:** 1-2a,27-28, 29bc-30;

Mark 7: 14-23

11 FEBRUARY 2021 - THURSDAY: **Genesis 2:** 18-25; **Psalms 128:** 1-2, 3,4-5; **Mark 7:** 24-30

12 FEBRUARY 2021 - FRIDAY: **Genesis 3:** 1-8; **Psalms 32:** 1-2, 5, 6,7; **Mark 7:** 31-37

13 FEBRUARY 2021 - SATURDAY: **Genesis 3:** 9-24; **Psalms 90:** 2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; **Mark 8:** 1-10

14 FEBRUARY 2021 - SUNDAY - **SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Leviticus 13: 1-2, 44-46; **Psalms 32:** 1-2, 5, 11(7); **First Corinthians 10:** 31- 11: 1; **Mark 1:** 40-45

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

That – just as Jesus rose early to pray – we, too, may find time in our day to be with God and to receive strength and nourishment from Him.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.’” - Mark 1:35, 38

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

VOCATIONS

February 7, 2021 - World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

“Everyone is searching for You.”

If your search for the Lord is leading you to a vocation to the priesthood, call Father Brian W. Capuano at (804)359-5661, or write: bcapuano@richmonddiocese.org.

Prayers for the Sick

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

The Ackerman Family, Eli Ames, Bob Arnold, Mike Arnold, Larry Azzopardi, Estelle Bareford, Donald Barker, The Biddulph Family, Robert Bingaman, Annemarie Bockman, Maria Bridge, Deborah Brooks, Daniel Clarke, Nancy Coffield, Cindy Cook, Levie Edmond, Deacon Dave Geary, Verde Halley, Paula Jane Hass, Celeste Henkel, Jean Johnson, Michael Johnson, Maureen Ketrick, Deborah Landsnes, Jennifer Leaming-Lyons, Cindy Lent, Barbara Litten, Dawn Long, Esther Luiggi, The Matekenya Family, Ed Miskin, Bette Moore, Patrick Moore, Donald Paradis, Marge Polivka, Marianna Porter, Barbara Purks, Duane Riden, Mary Rudy, Wayne Scott, William Simulcik, Hadley Spacht, David Stanion, The Tate Family, Kathleen Waites, 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.

God Bless!

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