

# Saint Mary of the Annunciation

March 6-7, 2021, The Third Sunday of Lent

*RECONCILIATION - SATURDAYS STARTING AT 4:10 PM*

Mass Times:

Saturday 5:00 PM (+Vincent Nguyen requested by John and Holly)

Sunday 8:30 AM (+Annette Wisniewski requested by The Vibert Family)

Sunday 11:00 AM (People of the Parish)



## WEEKLY ADORATION AND MASS TIMES

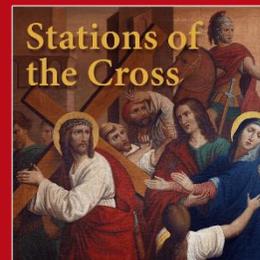
Tuesday - Adoration 9:00 AM; Mass 10:00 AM

Wednesday - Adoration 8:30 AM; Mass 9:30 AM

Thursday - Adoration 8:30 AM; Mass 9:30 AM

Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays at 7:00 PM throughout Lent. Be sure to sign up and join us as we retrace the final journey of Christ to Calvary (this will be live streamed).

Sign ups will be located on our website



## 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

## 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.



## Join us for a Lenten Rosary!

Your Knights of Columbus Council will be saying the Rosary each Tuesday night during Lent at 7pm via Zoom. All are welcome so please join us! Gather your loved ones together as we pray for your intentions. To join visit the News & Events section of our website ([saintmarycc.org/lenten...](http://saintmarycc.org/lenten...))

## Second Collections for March

3/7 - Building Fund  
3/14 - Catholic Relief Services  
3/21 - Easter Flowers

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Weekly Offertory Summary		
Feb 14 to Feb 20		YTD
Sat/Sun/Holy Days	\$ 595	
On Line Giving	\$ 2,689	
Total Actual Receipts	\$ 3,284	\$ 143,560
Budgeted Receipts	\$ 4,500	\$ 148,875
Over/Under	\$ (1,216)	\$ (5,315)

## St. Mary's Weekly Giving Report

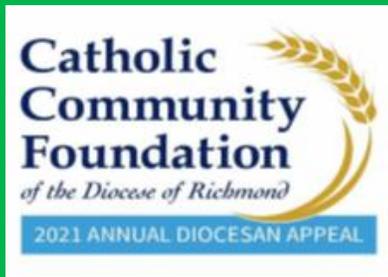
If you are of an age you must take minimum mandatory distributions from an IRA please consider donating some of these funds to St Mary's. You can avoid taxes and benefit your parish at the same time! To find out how to do this talk to your broker or contact Sue at [sbrim@saintmarycc.org](mailto:sbrim@saintmarycc.org). Thank you for your continued support of our community.

To give on line go to the [St Mary Online Giving website](http://St Mary Online Giving website). God Bless you all!

Next week, our second collection will be for The **Catholic Relief Services Collection**. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection, and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).



The Joseph M. Johnson Council #7538 of the Knights of Columbus is now accepting applications for its Virgil S. Hicks, Jr. Memorial Scholarship. Any St. Mary parishioner or their dependent is eligible. **Applications are due by April 30, 2021.** Award recipients may attend any Catholic high school or any college or university. Anyone interested in additional information or an application are asked to contact Ron Wisniewski at 804 307-1615 or any other member of the Council that they know.



WELCOME TO THE  
2021 DIOCESAN APPEAL

*BUILDING OUR FAMILY OF FAITH*

## Diocese of Richmond Annual Appeal 2021

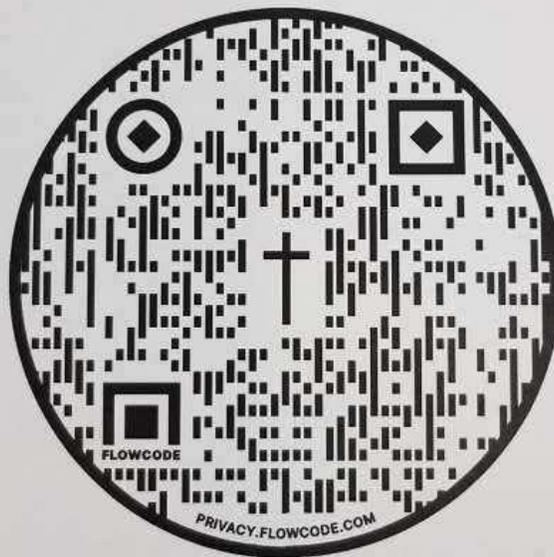
We now have a secure and convenient way to make your 2021 Appeal commitment online.

- You can go to our website, [www.saintmarycc.org](http://www.saintmarycc.org), and click on the Annual Appeal link.
- You can go directly to the Annual Appeal website by clicking on the following link, [richmondcatholicfounda...](#)
- You can use your cell phone and scan the code below:

Catholic  
Community  
Foundation  
*of the Diocese of Richmond*

2021 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE APPEAL



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on your phone



Aim it at the  
Flowcode



Tap the banner  
that appears

## We Are Blessed to be Americans

We are blessed to be Americans! We are free because thousands of American soldiers went to war to keep us free. Sadly, a great many soldiers gave their lives and died on foreign soil to achieve this goal.

The expression 'War is Hell' is so true. Behind all the evil in the world is the devil who comes from Hell. He enters people's minds and souls and unless they have God in their lives, he is able to lead them down a sinful path.

The saddest and most heinous war of all time is going on right now. It is called Abortion. Since 1973, we have actually killed over 62 million little Americans, more than soldiers who died in all the wars put together. Granted, they are human babies still in the womb, but they are alive, they are our future.

How did this happen in America? Are we so blind to this atrocity? We must not lose this war! Our soldiers fought for each and every one of us, from the babies in the womb to the elderly, to have life until natural death. God gave us the Ten Commandments and a free will to choose right from wrong. We will never have peace until our "Little Americans" have life.

We are a country of a lot of good people who save animals' lives. Now let's save our children, including the unborn!

*Ruth Weber  
Davenport Iowa*



**The United States Constitution  
was written for us and our  
Posterity.  
Posterity is all future generations  
including those in the womb.**

## Daily Readings

8 MARCH 2021 - MONDAY: **Second Kings 5:** 1-15b; **Psalms 42:** 2, 3; 43:3, 4; **Luke 4:** 24-30

9 MARCH 2021 - TUESDAY: **Daniel 3:** 25, 34-43; **Psalms 25:** 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8 and 9; **Matthew 18:** 21-35

10 MARCH 2021 - WEDNESDAY: **Deuteronomy 4:**1, 5-9; **Psalms 147:** 12-13,15-16, 19-20; **Matthew 5:** 17-19

11 MARCH 2021 - THURSDAY: **Jeremiah 7:** 23-28; **Psalms 95:** 1-2, 6-7,8-9; **Luke 11:** 14-23

12 MARCH 2021 - FRIDAY: **Day of abstinence from meat (age 14 and up)**

**Hosea 14:** 2-10; **Psalms 81:** 6c-8a,8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; **Mark 12:** 28-34

13 MARCH 2021 - SATURDAY: **Hosea 6:** 1-6; **Psalms 51:** 3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; **Luke 18:** 9-14

14 MARCH 2021 - SUNDAY: **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**Second Chronicles 36:**14-16, 19-23; **Psalms 137:** 1-2, 3,4-5, 6 (6ab); **Ephesians 2:** 4-10; **John 3:** 14-21

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

That we may learn to turn away from the false idols of our society – those visible and invisible.

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

*"You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything..." - Exodus 20:4*

How many "gods" do you put before God? "Idols" do not always take the shape of physical things, things we can touch and feel. Those are easy to recognize. Many times they take the form of things we cannot touch and are much harder to spot like pride, power, ego, time, comfort or health. Pray for God's help to prune our vices and to grow in virtue.

## VOCATIONS

"We proclaim Christ crucified...the power and wisdom of God."

Could Jesus be calling you to proclaim His life, death and resurrection as a priest?

Call Father Brian W. Capuano at (804)359-5661, or write: [bcapuano@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:bcapuano@richmonddiocese.org).

## Prayers for the Sick

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

**\*\*\*\*\* NAMES WILL BE REMOVED AFTER 6 MONTHS \*\*\*\*\***

*The Biddulph Family, Robert Bingaman, Deborah Brooks, Nancy Coffield, Levie Edmond, Deacon Dave Geary, Maureen Ketrick, Jennifer Leaming-Lyons, Barbara Litten, Eugene Mimnaugh, Bette Moore, Donald & Bella Paradis, Bill Pickett, Marge Polivka, Barbara Purks, Duane Riden, Mary Rudy, Laurie Snowman, The Tate Family, The Wheeler Family*

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!

Sign up for the [FORMED](#) platform and join our Parish Community for fantastic faith-based movies, books and more! A great way to share the faith with your families at home.



If you know of someone in the Parish that hasn't subscribed to Flocknote let them know they can sign up via our [Website!](#)