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Email addresses will be coming soon, via our new web site!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020

“The act of charity is not, in fact, simply almsgiving to ease one’s conscience...Charity, therefore, is at the center of the life of the Church and, in the words of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, is truly the heart of the Church. Both for individual members of the faithful and for the Christian community as a whole, the words of Jesus hold true: that charity is the first and greatest of the commandments: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength... You shall love your neighbor as yourself” (Mk 12:30-31).”

Pope Francis

Twin Springs Farm 434-964-6911

Gary & Jeanne Scott
Ecologically Grown Produce & Berries

Freespiritflowers.com

Sharon Gress 434-361-1280

Pregnancy Centers of Central Virginia

Charlottesville, VA 434.220.3777

Call for information on other locations

Our **Migrant Worker Ministry** is starting to prepare for the 2020 season. Last year over 200 Migrant Workers were assisted by our ministry at 9 different camps in Nelson County. Religious items, cold weather clothes, blankets, towels and personal hygiene items are distributed. Father Carlos said mass at 8 different camps during the season. CONSIDER:

1. **Volunteering** with this ministry
2. **Donating** good or new articles for the workers. See any member of the Ministry for info!



Our Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who donated to the recent Baby Bottle Campaign to Support the Pregnancy Center in Charlottesville. A check for \$1001.20 was recently sent to the Center for Respect Life and Pro-Life Activities. Thank you for your generosity to this great cause.

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF RICHMOND BICENTENNIAL

1820-2020 WEBSITE WITH CALENDER AND EVENT INFORMATION

<https://2020.richmonddiocese.org/>

Mission Statement

St. Mary's is a Roman Catholic community based on faith. We are committed to celebrating the real presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. We believe we are called to serve the Lord and our community.

Vision

St. Mary's Parish is committed to the discipleship of Jesus Christ in each of its members. We will encourage discipleship by providing educational programs for spiritual growth to include all age groups. We will promote and maintain our growing Christ centered ministries strengthening the family where ever possible. We will endeavor to understand and be accepting of every culture represented in our community with the goal of sharing the message and love of Christ with everyone we encounter.

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The Baptism of the Lord January 12, 2010

**Mass Intention: Parishioners of St. Mary's
Requested by Father Carlos Lerma**

Pastor: Rev. Carlos Lerma

Deacon: Richard Nees

Deacon: Robert Kruse

Masses

Sunday: 10:00-am English, 12:30-pm Spanish

Wednesday & Friday 12:00 Noon English

Confessions Sunday: 9:30 English 12:00 Spanish

Eucharistic Adoration 1st Friday after Mass and Benediction

Masses at St. Francis of Assisi Amherst

Wednesday and Friday 1:05 pm

Saturday night 5:00 pm

Sunday morning 8:00 am

January Calendar of Events

14 Knights of Columbus Mtg 7pm
 15 Financial Council Meeting 6pm
 18 First Bicentennial Mass at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart 10am
 22 Prison Ministry to Buckingham Correctional Center

February Calendar of Events

7-9 Diocesan Youth Conference (Richmond)
 26 Ash Wednesday

CCD Information

-The Diocesan Confirmation Retreat will be held on 7 March at St. Mary's in Richmond. This retreat is required for a confirmand to receive the sacrament. Confirmation will be held on 29 May @ St. Thomas Aquinas in Charlottesville.

Father Carlos' Reflection on the Baptism of the Lord

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Baptism of Our Lord. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

In the mystery of Christ's Baptism in the Jordan River, we again encounter and represent the truth of the Lord's incarnation and His manifestation as the Christ. Jesus' Baptism is in fact His definitive manifestation as the Messiah or Christ to Israel, and as the Son of the Father to the entire world. Here we find the dimension of the Epiphany which was His manifestation to all nations. The Father's voice from heaven shows that Jesus of Nazareth is the eternal Son and the descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove shows the Trinitarian nature of the Christian God. The true and unique God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, shows Himself in Christ, through Him, with Him and in Him.

We celebrate the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord that brings the end of Christmas. How this feast it is important for you to remember your own baptism?

Through our own baptism we become children of God by the adoption of the Holy Spirit. How do you fulfill God's love in your life, family and friends?

As Catholics and civilians, we are called to bring God's mission to the society and church. What kind of work would you like to do it to make that effort?

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord. Let's pray that the Holy Spirit strenght and encourage our hearts to do God's will. As we pray: Almighty ever living God, who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, solemnly declared him your beloved Son, grant that your children by adoption, reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, may always be well pleasing to you. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

January 19, 2020

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lectors

Youth Mass

Eucharistic Ministers

Youth Mass

Altar Servers

Nick and Ethan

Coffee Host

Amy Gruber
 Masry Ann Popielarz
 Kathy White

First:

Isaiah 49:3,5-6

Second

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

Gospel:

John 1: 29-34

January Anniversaries

Nick and Kathy Hammner(3), John and Sue Petchul(13), Luis and Jackie Castro(15).

January Birthdays

Lily Smith, Becky Davis, Rose Slonknes(1), Ti mothy Holland, Ethan Mason (3), Joanne Camden, Krista lyn ch (4), Joe Sderkes(5), Joseph Rednagle(6), Samantha De Sibour(8), August and Mark Mason, Mike Whitehead(10),Bronwyn Whitehead (14), Oaul Drumheller(16), Mary Anne Stevens, Cindy Parent (18), Tom Eich(19), Alayna Wade, Melissa Hamner, Robert Mulder(21), Fred Masotti, Bob Yates(23), Luis Castro(24), Madeline Hamilton(26), Marti Naro, Tim Roan(28), Wayne Parent (30)

St Mary's Prayer List

Please pray for Deacon Dick Nees, Len Thompson, Richard Plourde , Dave Ladjack and Claudia Van Koba.

Food on the tables in the narthex is for anyone who needs it. Feel free to

Parish Ministry Activities

Ladies Guild

1st Saturday each month at 9:00am for Rosary, a meeting & coffee.

Prison Ministry

Volunteers from St. Mary's visit the inmates at Buckingham Correctional Center on the 2nd Thursday at 2:30pm for Mass. Participants leave the church at 12:30 and go to lunch in Dillwyn before mass at the prison. If you are interested in participating, please contact Gwen Casale @ 434-263-5025.

Knights of Columbus

St. John Paul Council 16535 of the Knights of Columbus meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month. Locations alternate between St. Mary's and St. Francis.

Choir

St. Mary's Choir is always happy to have new members, no experience necessary.

Migrant Worker Ministry

The ministry visits two migrant worker camps per month from February to October to provide the sacraments and materials. New members are always welcome.

RECYCLING AT ST MARY'S Please remember that we recycle plastic paper and aluminum. These products are very harmful to our environment. We recycle these products, in the three black trash cans. The cans are labelled. Please DO NOT PUT Styrofoam IN THE PAPER RECYCLING BOX! If you have any questions, please see Molly Lynch.
Coffee Cups – St Mary's is reducing use of disposable Styrofoam cups. Please use the real coffee cups after mass. Note the different trays for clean and dirty cups!

eGiving

eGiving has come to St. Mary's! We have contracted with Faith Direct (www.faithdirect.net), a highly regarded electronic giving provider based in Alexandria, VA.

Sign up at

<https://membership.faithdirect.net/VA947>

You can also sign up on our website!

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS REPORT FY 19-20

	Last Week	Month to Date	Year to Date
10 AM Mass	\$ 2,430.00	\$ 2,430.00	\$ 52,518.00
12:30 PM Mass	791.00	791.00	18,051.50
e-giving		-	9,905.52
Wintergreen	462.00	462.00	1,704.00
Holiday	538.00	538.00	5,402.00
Totals	\$ 4,221.00	\$ 4,221.00	\$ 87,581.02

Annual Budget	\$165,000.00
Year to Date Budget	88,846.15
Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$ (1,265.13)