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Gary & Jeanne Scott
Ecologically Grown Produce & Berries

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. Sweatshirts, sweaters, coats, hats, blankets and gloves are needed! Place the donations in the box in the Narthex! any member of the Ministry for info!

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS REPORT FY 19-20

	Last Week	Month to Date	Year to Date
10 AM Mass	\$ 1,458.00	\$ 11,246.00	\$ 61,334.00
12:30 PM Mass	646.00	2,782.00	20,042.50
e-giving	1,400.00	3,505.00	13,510.00
Wintergreen	238.00	867.00	2,109.00
Holyday	30.00	578.00	5,442.00
Totals	\$ 3,772.00	\$ 18,978.00	\$102,437.50

Annual Budget	\$165,000.00
Year to Date	
Budget	98,365.38
Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$ 4,072.12

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF RICHMOND BICENTENNIAL

1820-2020 WEBSITE WITH CALENDER AND EVENT INFORMMATION

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020

“To love with all your heart means to do so without reserve and without bending, without spurious interests, without seeking one’s own personal or career success. Pastoral charity means going out towards the other, understanding him, accepting him and forgiving him wholeheartedly. This is pastoral charity... But alone it is not possible to grow in that charity. That is why the Lord called us to be a community... This does not go out of fashion; it continues to be as relevant today as it was in the earliest times of the Church. It is an ongoing challenge to overcome individualism, to live diversity as a gift.”
Pope Francis

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.

Saint Mary's Catholic Church

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The Presentation of the Lord February 2, 2010

Mass Intention: Robert A. White
Requested by: Ruth White

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

February Calendar of Events

- 1 Ladies Guild 9am
- 5 Parish Staff Mtg 6:30pm
- 11 Knights of Columbus 7pm
- 12 Pastoral Council Meeting 6:30
- 13 FLOCKNOTES Training for Group Admins 6:30
- 14 Spaghetti Dinner St Francis 11am-7pm
- 26 Ash Wednesday Mass Noon and 6:30
- 29 Boy Scout Fund Raiser 6pm Firehouse

March Calendar of Events

- 7 Confirmation Retreat @ St Mary's Richmond
- 8,15 Diocesan Appeal In Pew

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The parish has expanded its website, the bulletin, and our Facebook Page and we are now implementing FLOCKNOTES. If you would like to help with these very important communication tools please consider volunteering for the Parish Communications Team. See Father Carlos, Paul Busch or Wayne Parent for more info.

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.
-First Communion will be held on 3 May@ Both Masses
-RCIA candidates will receive their sacraments at the Easter Vigil on 11 April.
ALL PARENTS ARE REMINDED TO ENSURE THAT ALL REQUIRED FORMS ARE COMPLETE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH RECEIVING SACRAMENTS.

Next Sunday
February 16, 2020

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lectors

Tom Eich
John Petchul

Eucharistic Ministers

Karen Kruse
Mary Anne Stevens

Altar Servers

Nick, Ethan and Tony Mason

Coffee Host

Amy Gruber
Mary Ann Popielarz
Kathy White

First:

Isaiah 58: 7-10

Second

1 Corinthians 2: 1-5

Gospel:

Matthew 5: 13-16

February Anniversaries

Hank and Barbara Gibb (3), David and Cathy White (12)

February Birthdays

Jim Brewer (3), Eleanor Critchlow (4), Ina Waterman, Mathew Vanison (6), David White (7), Richard Kelley (9), Maddy Brewer, Christine Gangloff(10), Mike Hamner, Nick Mason(11), Nancey Laufer (12), Anna Allard (14), Patrick Drumheller(15), Maria Kelley, Wanda Espada(16), Mary Ann Popielarz, Woody Lynch (17), Nick Hamner (18), Carolyn Drumheller, Amy White, Sara Glatt(24)

St Mary's Prayer List

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

FLOCKNOTES IS COMING SOON TO THE ENTIRE PARISH



Annual Spaghetti Dinner Friday February 14th. 2019, 11:00 A.M.-7:00 P.M. at St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 332 S. Main Street, Amherst, VA. The meal includes spaghetti and sauce, salad, garlic bread, beverage and homemade dessert. Adults-\$7. Children under 12 years old-\$3. Dine-in or take-out - call 946-2053 that day to order take-out meals or order at the door when buying tickets. Profits support local organizations and charities. Come join us for a wonderful meal, either lunch or dinner or both!

"Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always." -1 Chronicles 16:11--

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!



ST. MARY'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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!

Father Carlos' Reflections on the Presentation of the Lord

Today the Church celebrates the feast of the Presentation of the Lord which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus and is also known as Candlemas day as the blessing and procession of candles is included in today's liturgy.

The Presentation of the Lord concludes the celebration of the Nativity and with the offerings of the Virgin Mother and the prophecy of Simeon, all events now point toward Easter. In obedience to the Old Law, the Lord Jesus, the first-born, was presented in the Temple by his Blessed Mother, Mary and Saint Joseph. The Presentation of the Lord is a manifestation of God's glory and visible sign of God's saving presence. How this feast would help you to see his light in your heart?

We are living in a difficult time right now that our hearts and life feel burden and heavy. What hope do you find in this feast of the presentation of the Lord to seek light and goodness in your heart? How can this Feast of the Presentation encourage us to live our lives as living hosts and instruments of light and love?

As we rejoice in the Lord always. Let's pray for our community and nation. Almighty ever living God, we humbly implore your majesty that, just as your Begotten Son was presented on this day in the Temple in the substance of our flesh, so, by your grace, we may be presented to you with minds made pure. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.