



9900 Thomas Nelson Highway  
Lovingson, VA 22949  
July 16, 2023

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**Pastor: Fr. Roger Abadano**

**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.**

## **PASTOR'S MESSAGE:**

I extend a warm welcome to our parishioners and our visitors. St. Mary's Catholic Church is where we pray, work, and journey as one united family. Together we create an environment that is Christ-centered and full of spirit. May you always feel welcome and find your place in our parish.

Rev. Fr. Roger Abadano  
St. Mary Catholic Church, Pastor

## **Mass Intentions:**

10 AM

+John J. Gude, Jr. requested by the Castros

12:30PM

+ Jose E. Hernandez requested by Raquel Garcia

## **Masses at St. Mary's**

- Sunday 10:00 A.M. (English) and 12:30 P.M. (Spanish)
- Every Wednesday 10:00 A.M. - English Mass
- 1st and 2nd Friday of the month 10:00 A.M. - English Mass
- 3rd and 4th Friday of the month 7:00 P.M. - Spanish Mass
- (If there is 5th Friday 10:00 A.M. English Mass)
- Confession: (Sunday) 9:30-9:50 A.M. and 11:45 - 12:20 P.M.

### ***Holy Hour / Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament***

- 1st Friday of the month right after 10am Mass
- 3rd and 4th Friday of the Month 7:00 -8:00 P.M.
- First Sunday of the month right after 12:30 P.M. Mass

## **Masses at St. Francis**

- Saturday 5:00 P.M.
- Sunday 8:00 A.M. (No Mass, first Sunday of the month)
- Wednesday 1:00 P.M.
- Confession: Saturday 4:30 - 4:50 P.M.

## ***Holy Hour / Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament***

- 1st Wednesday of the month right after 1:00 P.M. Mass

**Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday during the Mass and Holy Hour at St. Mary's, Father will offer a Healing Blessing and an Anointing of the Sick for those who wish to receive it.**

## **Sacraments**

*Baptisms – Contact the office in advance.*

*Weddings – Contact the office to schedule an appointment with Father at least 6 months in advance.*

*Confession/Penance – 9:30 and 12:30 on Sunday and any time by appointment.*

## **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

***Phone: 434-263-8509***

*Monday thru Friday: 8A.M.-12:00 P.M.*

*Fridays: 5:00 -8:00 P.M.*

*Sundays: 9:30 A.M.- 12:30 P.M*

## **Calendar of Events**

### **July**

**20** Parish Pastoral Council Meeting @ 6:30pm

- 23 CCD Registration Begins
- 25 Finance Committee Meeting @ 7pm

**August**

- 13 Bilingual Family Day Mass @ 11am
- 19 Ladies Guild Yard Sale

**Parish News and Notes**

- The office will be **closed** from **August 16<sup>th</sup> thru the 21<sup>st</sup>**. Sorry for any inconvenience.
- St. Mary is looking for a committed pianist/organist that is available for Sunday Mass (English and Spanish Mass). Ms. Peggy would like to spend more quality time with her brother and her family. Please contact the office or Ms. Peggy if you are interested.
- The **Diocesan 2023 Appeal** continues, the QR codes to donate electronically are in the bulletin, on the bulletin board and the front door. Envelopes to donate via paper the old way will be available at a table in the Narthex.

St. Mary has contributed 86% of our 2023 goal of \$10,180.

If you have any issues Wayne Parent is always available to help, as is Raquel in the office, and you can call **Give Central** and they will help. But it is actually pretty easy. If you want to use the old way, we have packages with a pledge form that you can fill out and mail in the enclosed



envelope. We will have those available if you request one. We will do the same next weekend at Mass.

The QR codes will be available in the church and contained here in the Bulletin for your use if desired.

**THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING TO GIVE TO THE 2023 DIOCESAN APPEAL.**

- **EWTN Kids Faith Adventures** is a free, fun and fortified programming with important lessons to build a strong foundation of faith. Give your children entertainment you can feel good about. Stream on any device or watch on channels 370 (DirectTV) and 261 (Dish Network). Visit [www.ewtnkids.com](http://www.ewtnkids.com) for more information.

## CCD INFORMATION

Registration starts Sunday July 23<sup>rd</sup> and new classes will begin in the Fall. Registration forms will be available in the office or one can be picked up from the table in the Narthex.

Brian Dudley, Faith Formation Coordinator  
909-762-3829  
[briandudley@gmail.com](mailto:briandudley@gmail.com)

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FOR EMERGENCY USE AFTER HOURS THE PHONE NUMBER AT THE RECTORY FOR  
FATHER ROGER IS 434-361-6007.

## St Mary Security System Procedures

The new security system at St. Mary requires a 4-digit number to be inputted within 60 seconds of unlocking the front door. If you do not have a code to input, then the alarm will be set off and several people will be immediately notified as well as the Sheriff's office. If you have access to the outside lock box but do not have a 4-digit code, you do not have access to the church. If you are having a meeting during normal working hours then the system should be off if people are already in the church. If you have a question, or if you require access to the church call the office at 434-263-8509.

### SUPPORTING OUR PARISH.

**eGiving** is a secure online method of supporting our parish. It is provided by the **Catholic Foundation in Richmond**. You can easily sign up at: <https://membership.faithdirect.net/VA947>. You can also easily opt out of any planned gifts at any time.

You can also still give via the envelope method. Please see contact the office to sign up for envelopes or email the parish secretary at [secretary@stmarylovingston.org](mailto:secretary@stmarylovingston.org).

### COLLECTIONS REPORT FY 2023

	June	Fiscal Year to Date
10 AM Mass	\$ 3,717.00	\$ 82,567.50
12:30 PM Mass	3,068.00	33,838.00
Wintergreen	-	3,553.00
e-giving	4,105.00	52,757.74
Holyday	-	8,737.00
Other Donations	60.00	4,055.63
Totals	\$ 10,950.00	\$185,508.87
Annual Budget		\$170,000.00
YTD Budget		170,000.00
YTD Surplus/(Shortfall)		\$ 15,508.87

*Note:* The minutes of the Financial Council meetings are available. See Raquel or Jerry in the Parish office.

## **Communications**

We are now publishing electronically a Bulletin which is distributed via Flock notes and posted on our website. If you are not receiving it, please sign up for a **Flocknotes** account. You can do so by **texting GUADALUPE to 84576** and following the instructions. If you need to do it in **Spanish then text GUADALUPE to 202-765-3441**. There are small cards with this info available in the Narthex and on the Bulletin Board.

If you do not text, you can still register with an email by going to:

<https://StMaryCatholicChurch12.flocknote.com/everyone>. Only a name and email is required to register but if you have a text number that is highly recommended to ensure you don't miss any important material or communication from the pastor or church.

## **Prayer List**

Jordan Shirk, Hank Gibb, Annabelle Laudeman, Sutter Blair Strong, Ellie Lattus, Sr. Federico Ruiz, Brianna Vergara Alfaro, Richard Painter, Raymond Parent and Elaine Guidry.

*Please call the office at 434-263-8509 to have someone placed on this prayer list.*

## **Readings** for the next week.

Sunday July 23, 2023, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- I. Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
- II. Romans 8:26-27

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43

Lectors – Kay Thompson and Anita Doran

Coffee Hostesses Team 2: Mary England, Jean Smith, Lynn Leder, Joyce Claman

## **Altar Servers (Tom Eick) (540) 430-7661**

Anyone interested in helping in this area please contact Tom Eick at 540-430-7661 or [thomaseick4@gmail.com](mailto:thomaseick4@gmail.com).

## **Lectors 10 AM Mass Mary Anne Stevens (434) 263-4940**

July 16	I. Jerry Gress II. Tom Eick
July 23	I. Kay Thompson II. Anita Doran
July 30	I. Marti Naro II. Carolyn Drumheller

## **Migrant Worker Ministry.**

Workers have arrived at several camps. We have made several visits to distribute the clothes donated. We will start making visits with Father in June. If you want to be part of this very rewarding work, let me know. If you have men's clothing to donate, please do so ASAP. Please see Wayne Parent for a large donation and put smaller things in the tub provided in the Narthex. Sweatshirts, towels, blankets, jeans, socks and gloves are always in demand. Thanks to all who have donated in the past and those who will donate in the future. Wayne Parent: 571-477-5045, [Comms@stmarylovingston.org](mailto:Comms@stmarylovingston.org).

## **Prison Ministry Jackie Castro (240) 620-1465**

THE PRISON MINISTRY NEEDS YOU! Our Saint Mary's prison ministry is now down to only 3 people. We cannot say enough how rewarding an experience this is. It takes several weeks or more to go through the process of getting approved, so if you've been thinking about doing this, please start now. Thank you for considering this worthwhile and life-changing experience.

Jackie Castro



**Ladies Guild (Mary Ann Popielarz /Mary Anne Stevens)**  
**(434) 996-8081 (434) 263-494**



**John Paul 2<sup>nd</sup> Council 16535**  
**Grand Knight – Gary Scott**  
**Deputy Grand Knight –Jay Flynn**

**This year's Officers were installed on July 12 by District Deputy and Father Roger. For a complete list of all the Officers, see the list posted on the Parish's bulletin board.**

Recently the Knights assisted with Vacation Bible School. Thanks to Len Thompson, Larry Lynch, Greg Davis, Brian Dudley and Wayne Parent who cooked meals, ran the games, managed the time clock and made some presentations within the curriculum. Thanks guys for your efforts to this very worthy cause!

Congratulations to Deacon David Arellano who was recently ordained a transitional Deacon by Bishop Knestout. David has been supported by our council under the RSVP program for support to Seminarians.

**Join the Knights!** Our Knights of the John Paul II Council have in a few short years established the council as the go-to organization if you need help with any efforts at the parish (Special Masses and Feast Days, funerals, weddings, etc.). The council raises several thousand dollars each year to donate to Charitable organizations (Ukraine Solidarity Fund, Lifespring Pregnancy Center, KOVAR and more). We hold dinners and breakfasts to raise funds and partner with the Ladies Guild to make purchases for the parish (Pascal Candle, Outside Nativity Scene, etc.). Our members are Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, CCD Teachers and more. If you want to be part of this effort, see Wayne Parent, Len Thompson or any Knight (wearing nametags at Mass). We would be happy to have another Catholic Gentleman join our ranks. You must be 18 years of age and a practicing Catholic.

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries for July**

### **July Birthdays**

- 3 Hank Gibb
- 5 José María Serrano Maldonado
- 7 Virginia Saunders, Yeidi López Espinoza
- 8 Sarah Castline
- 10 Mary Ellen Maybee
- 11 Hannah Glatt
- 13 Liam Romero
- 14 Mickey McKinney
- 15 Veronica Massie, Makaula Massie
- 16 Amy Bender, Mark Miller, Ethan Castline
- 19 Amy Gruber
- 20 Lucero López-Sánchez
- 21 Haley Wade, Danica McGeehan
- 22 Silvia Maldonado
- 25 John Petchul
- 26 Jordi Ariel López Sanchez
- 27 Gary Scott
- 29 Bruce Leader, Missy Wade, Terry Brown

### **July Anniversaries**

- 7 Joe & Judy Serkes
- 21 John & Joyce Claman
- 24 José & Trinidad López

**Please submit your name and birthday or anniversary to the office to be included:**  
[secretary@stmarylovingston.org](mailto:secretary@stmarylovingston.org) or 434-263-8509.