

# St. Mary Catholic Church

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stmarylovington.org

Pastor: Father Rogelio Abadano  
Deacon Peter Coleman

*“The Son of  
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*-Mark*

*10:45*



October 20, 2024  
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## **St. Mary Mass Schedule**

Sunday | 10 am English

12:30 pm Spanish

Wednesday | 10 am

1st, 2nd, & 5th Friday | 10 am English

3rd & 4th Friday | 7pm Spanish

3rd Friday | 7pm Healing Blessing & Anointing

## **St. Francis Mass Schedule**

Saturday | 5 pm

Sunday | 8 am

No Mass the 1st Sunday of the month

Wednesday | 1 pm

## **Holy Hour/Adoration Schedule**

**St. Mary:** 1st Friday | 10:30 - 11:30 am

2nd, 3rd & 4th Friday | 7:00 - 8:00 pm

1st Sunday | After 12:30 pm Mass

**St. Francis:** 1st Wednesday | After 1:00 pm Mass

## **Reconciliation**

**St. Mary:** Sunday | 9:30 - 9:50 am

11:45 am - 12:20 pm

Or By Appointment

**St. Francis:** Saturday | 4:30 - 4:50 P.M

Or By Appointment

## **Parish Office Hours**

Sunday | 9:30 am - 12:30pm

Monday-Thursday | 8 am - 12 pm

Friday | 8 am - 12 pm | 5 pm - 8 pm (Evening hours only on 3rd & 4th Fridays)

Saturday | Closed

For **Emergency Use** after hours the phone number at the rectory for  
Father Roger is 434-361-6007.

## 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.*

*Fr. Roger L. Abadano  
Pastor*



## St Mary Security System Procedures

*To access St. Mary's, input a 4-digit code within 60 seconds of unlocking the door. Without a code, the alarm triggers, notifying authorities. If you do not have a code for inside, it means you do not have access to the building, even if you know the lockbox code. During office hours, the system is off if people are inside. For inquiries or access, call (434) 263-8509.*



## Bulletin Info

Contact the Parish Office if you wish to add someone to the Prayer List, Mass Intentions, Birthday/Anniversary List or would like something announced. **Deadline for all announcements is Wednesdays at 11am in order for them to be in Sunday's Bulletins.**

## Stay Connected

**Phone** - (434) 263-8509

**Email** - [secretary@stmarylovingston.org](mailto:secretary@stmarylovingston.org)

**Website** - [www.stmarylovingston.org](http://www.stmarylovingston.org)

**Flocknote** - Text **Guadalupe** to 84576 to join our email communications



## 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.

## Mass Intentions

10am Mass:

Lester "Jimmy" Fortune,  
Jr.

12:30pm Mass:

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## Prayers for Parishioners

Jordan Shirk, Hank Gibb, Sutter Blair Strong, Ellie Lattus, Federico Ruiz, Brianna Vergara Alfaro, Elaine Guidry, Colleen Doran, Tony Kitchen, Carmen & Ramon Garcia, Carl Doerr, Stu Harvey, Richard & Judy Plourde, Renee Brumfield, Marti Naro, Chris Flynn, Krissy Martin, Joshua Piland, Ron Westgate, Kathleen Vanison, Wes Korab, & Raymond Parent.



## 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 am & 12 pm on Sunday and any time by appointment.



## Next Week's Readings

Sunday, October 27

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

I. Jeremiah 31:7-9

II. Hebrews 5:1-6

**Gospel:** Mark 10:46-52

**Lectors-** Houser Boyette & Ruger Young

**Coffee Hostesses:** Food Sale

## October Lector Schedule

**October 06**

I. Jerry Gress

II. Elizabeth Mason

**October 13**

I. Nick Mason

II. Tony Mason

**October 20**

I. Jeanne Scott

II. Gary Scott

**October 27**

I. Houser Boyette

II. Ruger Young

## Events

### OCTOBER

27 Food Sale between both Masses, Movie Matinee @ St Francis of Assis's social hall starting at 3pm

### NOVEMBER

24 Ladies Guild Bake Sale and Craft Sale

### DECEMBER

12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

15 Ladies Guild Cookie Sale and Live Greens Sale

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## Parish News

- There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex if you wish to sign up to receive a paper copy of the bulletin.
- **Nelson County Public Schools' English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program** is planning a **Fall Community Event on Wednesday, Oct. 23** for its students and their families to celebrate their accomplishments for the year. With any food donation, you could help this program provide an evening of community and celebration for our Hispanic families in Nelson County schools, some which are our very own parishioners. Please speak to Ms. Raquel in the office or send her a message if you would like to help them in any way.
- RCIA Students must attend the **Rite of Election**. The date for this is **March 08, 2024 @ Sacred Heart Cathedral** in Richmond.
- Confirmation students will be attending an upcoming Retreat, again when more information is known, details will be relayed to parents.
- **Confirmation will be Wednesday, April 30th at 7pm in St. Thomas Aquinas** with a bilingual service.
- Holy Communion date has not been set. Once it is known, parents will be informed, but we are looking at a May date.

- The holiday season is fast approaching. Once again this year, we would like to decorate the altar with **Poinsettias**. The poinsettias are \$22.00 each. If you would like to donate a Poinsettia in the memory or honor of a loved one, please see Mary Anne Stevens after Mass in the Narthex. The order will be placed on **Monday, November 11th**. Thank you.  
Mary Anne Stevens, 434-263-4940 or mastennis@earthlink.net
- On behalf of all the parishioners, Father would like to extend a heartfelt **thank you** to Gary Scott for his dedicated service as our Maintenance man. We are genuinely grateful for everything you have done for St. Mary's. Additionally, let us warmly **welcome and support** our new **Maintenance Team**. Tom Eick, Gary Jaketic, and Miguel Gomez will be stepping into this role and continuing the work that Gary has done.
- The **MIGRANT WORKER MINISTRY's** tote for donations has been put out earlier than normal in the Narthex due to a great need for materials to benefit the growing number of Migrant Workers that are coming early and staying for the winter. Please consider donating **SWEATSHIRTS, COATS, GLOVES, HATS, TOWELS AND BLANKETS**. The need is great and if you don't have any articles from your own wardrobe consider buying some and donating them. Hooded sweatshirts are very useful for these workers. Three years ago we made our first visit at Christmas time to one camp with 6 guys who arrived 2 days before Christmas. Today the same camp just had 12 workers arrive to stay and work the winter. We know that we will visit at least three camps right before Christmas. Thanks in advance for your generosity. **Note** that all of these workers are here by themselves, so donations of women's or children's clothes are not sought or needed.
- **Movie Matinee** - Boystown with Spencer Tracy and Mickey Rooney on **October 27th at 3pm** in **St Francis of Assis's Social Hall**. It will be preceded with short presentation on the Virgin Mary's appearance at Fatima.

Events & News



## St. Mary's New Religious Education Building



If you have any questions, please reach out to Ms. Kay Thompson, Father Roger, or the office. For questions regarding donations or e-Giving, please reach out to Jerry Gress.

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### E-giving for the Education Building Fund

There are two ways to donate to the education building fund using FaithDirect for a donation.

1. If you already contribute through FaithDirect, you can set up periodic payments to go to the building fund. Simply log on to your account and set up the donation as you would for any other donation you make through FaithDirect.
2. If you do not contribute now through FaithDirect, or if you do but prefer not to set up periodic payments, you can make a one-time donation (as many times as you would like) by using the following link:

<https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA947/54470>

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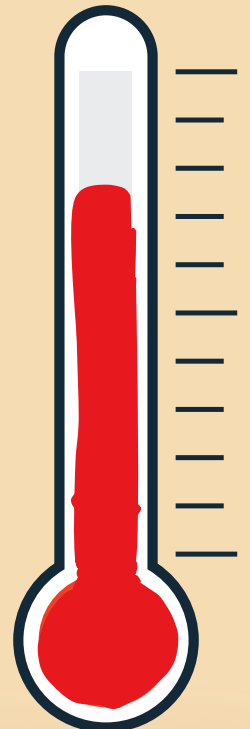
**\$ 209,566**

FUNDS RAISED  
TO DATE

**\$ 559,566**

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE  
TO DATE

OUR  
GOAL  
**\$750,000**



**74.61%**

# Ministry Coordinators

If you are interested in helping in any of the ministries shown below please reach out to the corresponding person or contact the Office.  
We are always in need of volunteers and all are welcome!



## English Coordinators

### Financial Council

Edward Camden

### Pastoral Council

Gregory Davis

### Ladies Guild

Mary Ann Popielarz

### Knights of Columbus

Jay Flynn

### Migrant Ministry

Wayne Parent

### Choir

Peggy Nees

### Bulletin

Raquel Garcia

### FlockNotes Coordinator

Wayne Parent

### Decorations/Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers

Mary Anne Stevens

### Altar Servers

Thomas Eick

### Maintenance

Tom Eick, Gary Jaketic & Miguel Gomez

### Bookkeeper

Jerome Gress

### Prison Ministry

Jacqueline Castro

### Ushers

John Petchul

### Community Life

Eleanor Crichlow

### CCD

Brian Dudley



## Hispanic Coordinators

### General Coordinator

Jose Lopez

### Children's Mass

Kathy Barragan

### Baptism Preparation

Norma Espinoza

### Quniceañera Preparation

Angeles Crescencio

### Wedding Preparation

Henry & Karina Lopez

### Choir

Imelda Huerta

### Divine Mercy Coordinator

Leticia Gomez

### Children's Dance & Presentation Coordinator

Modesta Sosa

### Lectors

Rosa Mateo

### Altar Servers

Jorge Lopez

### Decorations/Flowers

Guadalupe Serrano

### Eucharistic Ministers

Karen Rodriguez & Guadalupe Serrano

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Pedro Serrano

### Ushers

Miguel Casimiro

### Video Camera Operator

Franco de la Luz

### 3rd Sunday Ground & Church Cleanup

Jose Lopez

### 3rd Sunday Inside Church Cleanup

Guadalupe Serrano & Trinidad Lopez





**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

John Paul 2nd Council 16535

**Grand Knight: Jay Flynn**

**Deputy Grand Knight: Gary Scott**

*Join the Knights of the John Paul II Council in Virginia for charity work, supporting parishes, fundraising for charitable organizations, and collaborating with other church groups. Membership requires being 18 years old and a practicing Catholic.*

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## **Ladies Guild**

**Mary Ann Popielarz & Mary Anne Stevens**

*If you have questions or are interested in joining the Ladies Guild contact Mary Ann Popielarz at (434) 996-8081 or Mary Anne Stevens at (434) 263-4940.*

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## **CCD**

**Brian Dudley, Faith Formation Coordinator**

*For questions or more information contact Brian Dudley at (909) 762-3829 or [briandudley@gmail.com](mailto:briandudley@gmail.com).*

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## **Migrant Worker Ministry**

**Wayne Parent**

*St. Marys' Migrant Worker ministry, established in the 1980s, visits 12 camps in Nelson County, providing clothes, faith items, and mass services. Supported by the diocese and local parishes, they distribute essentials like clothing, personal items, and faith articles. To help, contact Wayne Parent or Raquel. Activities start in late February and continue through Christmas for workers overwintering.*

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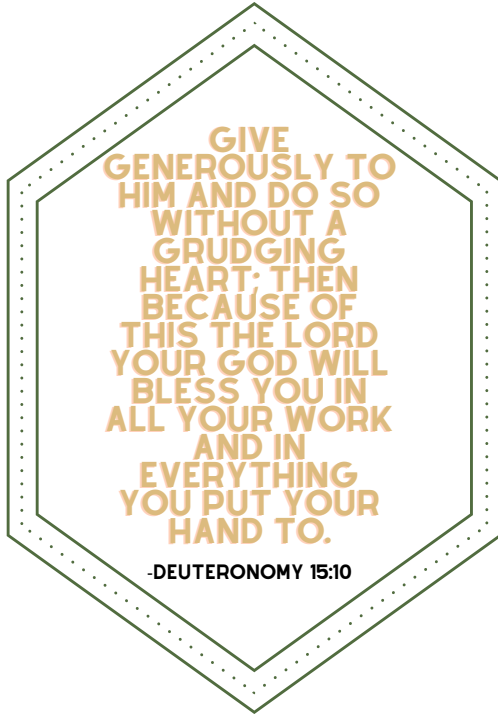
## **Prison Ministry**

**Jackie Castro**

*Saint Mary's prison ministry urgently seeks volunteers as their team has decreased to only 3 members. The rewarding experience requires weeks for approval, so interested individuals are encouraged to begin the process promptly. Join to make a meaningful impact.*

*Our Ministries*

## Parish Giving



	September	Fiscal Year to Date
10 AM Mass	\$ 5,396.00	\$ 14,187.00
12:30 PM Mass	2,510.00	6,752.00
e-giving	4,485.00	12,340.00
Holyday	-	203.00
Other Donations	-	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 12,371.00</b>	<b>\$ 33,482.00</b>
Annual Budget		\$173,000.00
Year to Date		
Budget		46,480.57
YTD Surplus/(Shortfall)		\$ (13,008.57)

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

## 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).



## **Upcoming October Birthdays & Anniversaries**

### **Birthdays**

- 1 Buzz Goad, Nicholas Puzon, Cristian Sanchez
- 3 Emily Anderson
- 4 Stuart Moore
- 5 Charlotte Saxon, Caritina Rodriguez
- 10 Timothy Brown
- 11 Paul Dudley
- 12 Donald Mitchem
- 13 Patty Schmitt, Edwin Lopez Sanchez
- 16 Barb Yates
- 18 Karina Lopez
- 19 Matthew Drumheller, Desmond Stump
- 21 Lynn Leader, Rodolfo Lopez Muñoz
- 23 Patti Millison
- 25 Sara Ziegler
- 29 Nikki Waterman, Dulce Hernandez
- 31 Eduardo Espinoza, Norma Espinoza, Gerzon Lopez

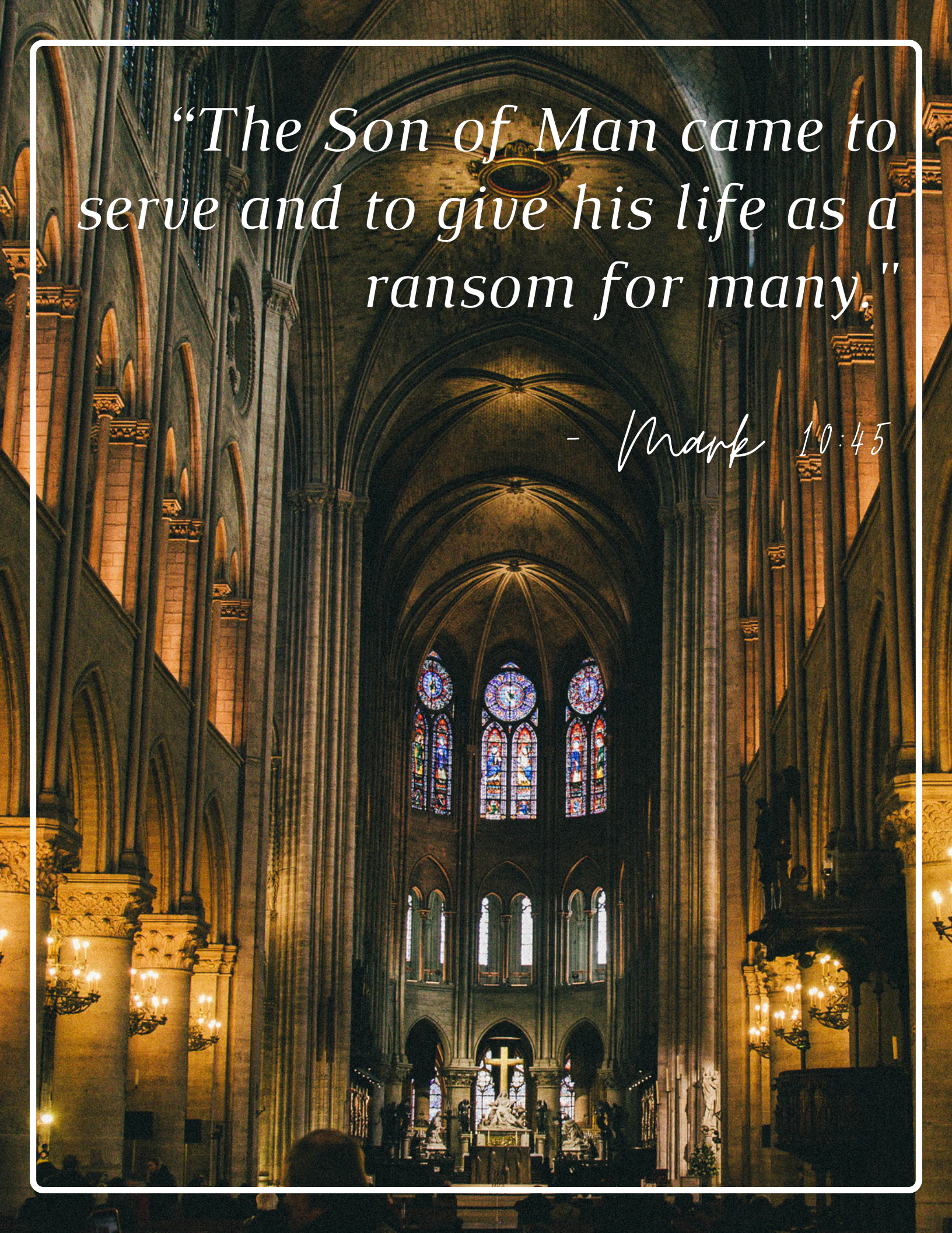
### **Anniversaries**

- 19 Guadalupe & Erica Trinidad
- 20 Gary Jaketic & Claudia Van Koba
- 22 Colleen & Donald Mitchem
- 24 Vicente & Maria Arroyo

*May your  
next year be  
filled with  
His joy and  
love.*

Birthday Blessings are performed on the 1st Sunday of the month during 10am Mass and on the 2nd Sunday of the month during 12:30pm Mass.



The image shows the interior of a Gothic cathedral, characterized by its high, vaulted ceilings and tall, slender columns. The architecture is filled with intricate details, including pointed arches and ribbed vaulting. In the distance, a large, colorful stained-glass window is visible, and below it, the altar area is illuminated. The overall atmosphere is one of grandeur and historical significance. A white border frames the entire scene.

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*- Mark 10:45*