

# St. Mary Catholic Church

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stmarylovington.org

Pastor: Father Rogelio Abadano  
Deacon Peter Coleman

*“Blessed is he  
who comes in  
the name of the  
Lord!  
Blessed is the  
kingdom of our  
father David  
that is to come!”*

*-Mark*

*11:9,10*



November 24 2024  
The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe



## **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:

✠ **Mary Katherine Zipko**

requested by  
The Plourde Family

✠ **Bobbie Napier**

requested by  
The Gruber Family

## 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, Stu Harvey, Richard & Judy Plourde, Renee Brumfield, Marti Naro, Chris Flynn, Krissy Martin, Joshua Piland, Ron Westgate, Kathleen Vanison, & 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, December 01  
First Sunday of Advent

I. Jeremiah 33:14-16

II. 1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2

**Gospel:** Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

**Lectors-** Nick Mason & Ethan Mason

**Coffee Hostesses:** Team 1: Mary Anne Stevens, Becky Davis, Kay Thompson

## December Lector Schedule

**December 01**

I. Nick Mason  
II. Ethan Mason

**December 08**

I. Jeanne Scott  
II. Gary Scott

**December 15**

I. Houser Boyette  
II. Ruger Young

**December 22**

I. John Petchul  
II. Claudia Van Koba

**December 29**

I. Kay Thompson  
II. Anita Doran

## Events

### NOVEMBER

- 24 Ladies Guild Bake Sale and Craft Sale
- 27 Wednesday 10am Mass Cancelled
- 28 Thanksgiving Day Mass @ 10am
- 29 Friday 10am Mass Cancelled

### DECEMBER

- 01 No CCD Classes- Thanksgiving Break
- 09 Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception @ 7pm
- 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe: Rosary and Procession @ 6pm followed by Mass @ 7pm
- 13 No 10am Mass as Father will be with the Bishop in Roanoke
- 15 Ladies Guild Cookie Sale and Live Greens Sale
- 18 Advent Reconciliation from 11a-12p after 10am Mass
- 20 Advent Reconciliation from 7:30-8:30p after 7pm Mass
- 22 No CCD Classes- Christmas Break
- 24 Christmas Eve Mass @ 6pm
- 25 Christmas Day Mass @ 10am
- 27 No 7pm Mass
- 29 No CCD Classes- New Year Break

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## Parish News

- Beginning in December, there will be several days when our CCD students will not have classes. A list of these dates was previously sent home, and additional copies are available on the bulletin boards. Please remember to keep track of these important dates.
- **Pancake Breakfast!** The Knights of Columbus will host a pancake breakfast **Sunday December 1** between the 10:00 and 12:30 masses. Please bring your out-of-town guests and set them up well before they're on their way home! We will ask for your donations because this is one of our fund raisers for the new parish addition. Please be as generous as you can! There will also be Christmas cards for sale. Thank you and we look forward to serving you!

# Events & News

- **Christmas Cards for Sale!** The Knights of Columbus are selling new Christmas cards. Beginning this Sunday, we will have cards in English and Spanish for sale. Prices are marked on each package. Cash, checks, and cards are welcome. We will also have a donation jar for our annual Coats for Kids effort. This year we've had more requests from elementary schools in Nelson County to provide coats for children who don't have one. Any donations we receive are used 100% for the purchase of coats. Thank you for your generosity!

- The **MIGRANT WORKER MINISTRY** has started a donation tote in the Narthex earlier this year due to increased needs for winter items for arriving Migrant Workers. They request sweatshirts, coats, gloves, hats, towels, and blankets, especially hooded sweatshirts. Since their first visit three years ago, the number of workers at camps has grown from 6 to 12. They plan to visit at least three camps before Christmas, focusing on donations for male workers only. Thank you for your generosity! **Thank you to all those who have generously donated!**

- The winner for the drawing of the raffle quilt was Cindy Parent. **Congratulations!** Thank you to all who supported this fundraiser. A check for \$2,820 from the Ladies Guild will be given to the St. Mary's Building Fund.



# Advent & Christmas Schedule

**December 01 (Sunday): FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

10AM English

12:30 Spanish

**December 08 (Sunday): SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

10AM English

12:30 Spanish

**December 09 (Monday): THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS**

*(Holy Day of Obligation)*

7pm

**December 12 (Thursday): OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MASS**

Rosary & Procession @ 6PM

Mass @ 7pm

**December 15 (Sunday): THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

10AM English

12:30 Spanish

**December 18 (Wednesday): ADVENT RECONCILIATION  
AND MASS \*ENGLISH\***

10am

\*RECONCILIATION: 10:45am-12pm

**December 20 (Friday): ADVENT RECONCILIATION AND  
MASS \*SPANISH\***

7pm

\*RECONCILIATION: 7:30-8:30pm

**December 22 (Sunday): FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

10am English

12:30pm Spanish

**December 24 (Tuesday): CHRISTMAS EVE MASS**

6pm

**December 25 (Wednesday): THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD MASS**

10am English

12:30pm Spanish

**DECEMBER 29 (SUNDAY): HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY MASS**

10am English

12:30pm Spanish

**January 1 (Wednesday): SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

10am



*Advent & Christmas  
Schedule*



## 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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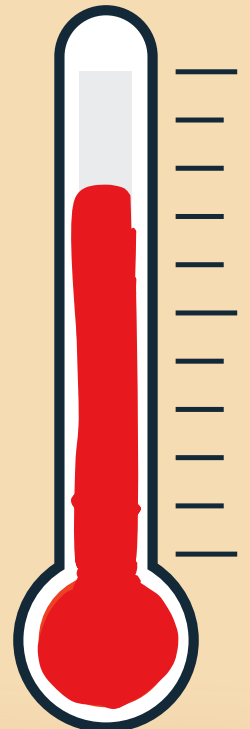
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FUNDS RAISED  
TO DATE

**\$ 572,073**

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE  
TO DATE

OUR  
GOAL  
**\$750,000**



**76.28%**

# 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**

*A wounded Ukrainian civilian holds a poster from the Knights fundraiser for the Ukrainian Solidarity Fund, which supports war-affected civilians. Injured by Russian shelling, he expresses gratitude for the poster created by Colleen Doran, daughter of our parishioners, reminding Ukrainians they are not forgotten and are being prayed for globally.*



## **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.*

## **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).*

## **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.*

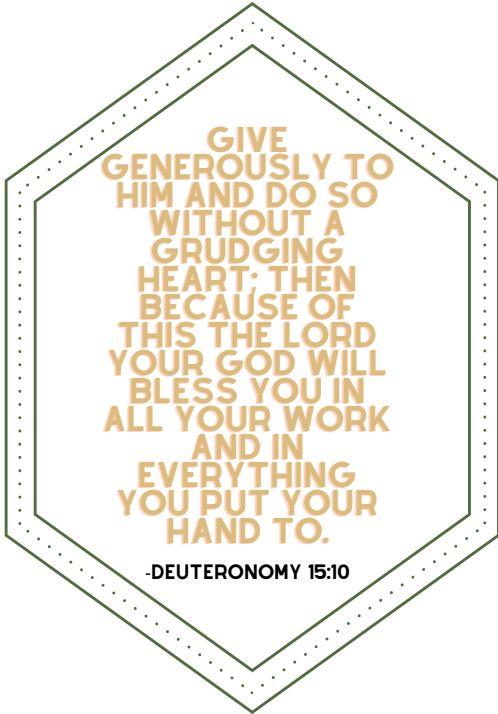
## **Prison Ministry**

**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



	October	Fiscal Year to Date
10 AM Mass	\$ 4,351.00	\$ 18,538.00
12:30 PM Mass	1,769.00	8,521.00
e-giving	9,935.00	22,275.00
Holyday	-	203.00
Other Donations	-	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 16,055.00</b>	<b>\$ 49,537.00</b>
Annual Budget		\$173,000.00
Year to Date		
Budget		59,773.58
YTD Surplus/(Shortfall)		\$(10,236.58)

**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 November Birthdays & Anniversaries**

### **Birthdays**

- 2 Claudia Van Koba, Kathleen Vanison  
3 Robert Mahoney, Terese Whitehead  
6 John Tani, Damian Serrano  
8 Wes Korab  
9 Joseraph Pilenza  
11 Judy Ladjack, Héctor Garcia, Carol Murphy  
12 William Trainer  
16 Judy Serkes, Holly Korab, Emanuel Casimiro Alcántara  
17 Cheryl Ehrenfried  
19 Kevin Gomez  
20 Jim Calme  
21 Ollen Wade  
24 Ann Ziegler  
25 Maria Arroyo  
27 Erica Mateo

### **Anniversaries**

- 8 Wes & Holly Korab  
12 John & Mary Jean Tani  
14 Alejandro González & Teresa Álvarez  
22 Gonzalo & Caritina Rodríguez  
28 Kurt & Linda Ziegler

*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.



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the Lord!  
Blessed is the kingdom of our father David  
that is to come!”*

*-Mark 11:9,10*