

# St. Mary Catholic Church

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stmarylovington.org

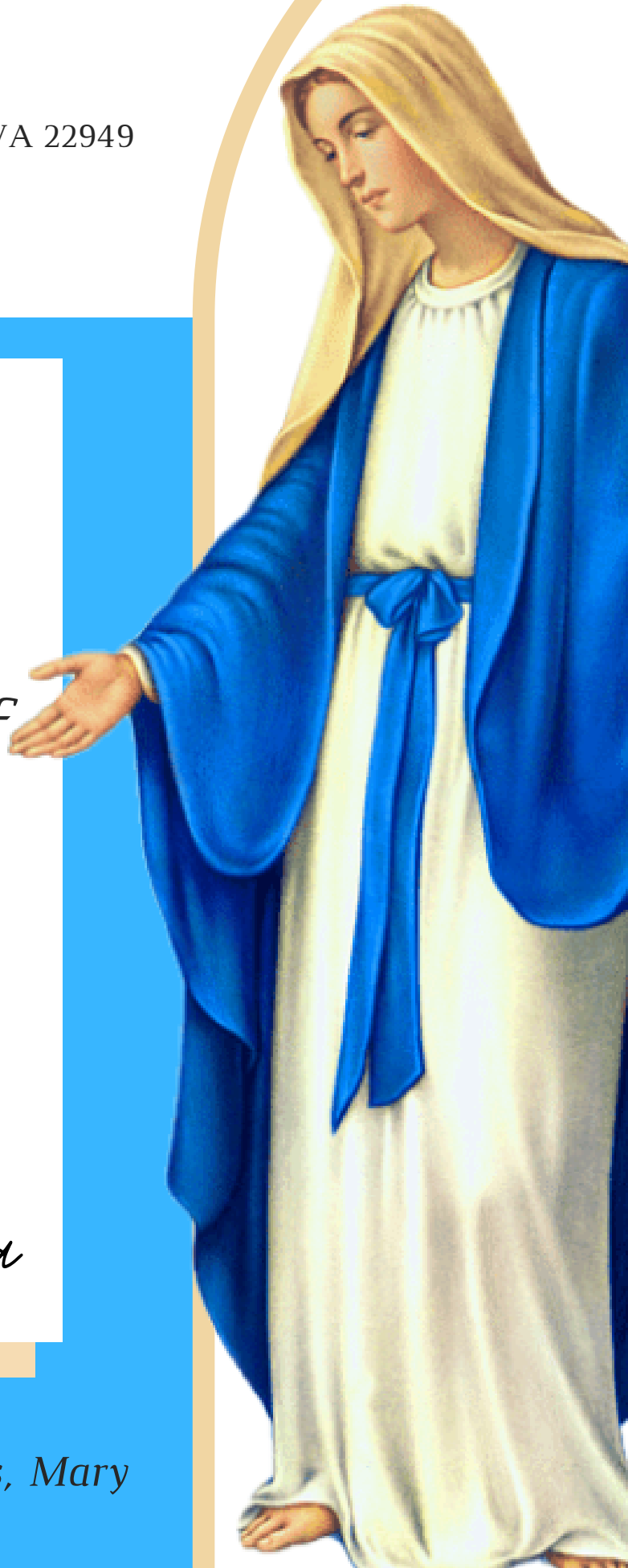
Pastor: Father Rogelio Abadano  
Deacon Peter Coleman

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*-Colossians*

*3:15a, 16a*

*December 29, 2024  
Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary  
and Joseph*





## **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:

**Fernando Adriazola**

12:30pm Mass:

**Fernando Adriazola**

## 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, Fernando Adriazola.



## 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, January 05  
The Epiphany of the Lord

**I.** Isaiah 60:1-6

**II.** Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

**Gospel:** Matthew 2:1-12

**Lectors-** Kay Thompson & Anita Doran

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

## January Lector Schedule

**January 05**

**I.** Wayne Parent

**II.** Jerry Gress

**January 12**

**I.** Elizabeth Mason

**II.** Tony Mason

**January 19**

**I.** Jeanne Scott

**II.** Gary Scott

**January 26**

**I.** Nick Mason

**II.** Ethan Mason

## **Events**

### **DECEMBER**

- 28** Knight's of Columbus's Christmas Devotional Hike @ 10am
- 29** No CCD Classes- New Year Break

### **JANUARY**

- 01** Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God @ 10am
- 05** CCD Classes Began Again
- 09** Parish Pastoral Council Meeting @ 6:30pm

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## **Parish News**

- **Donation Envelopes** have arrived and are ready to be picked up in the office. If you would like to sign up to receive a box or want to stop receiving them please speak to Raquel in the office.
- 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 are focusing on donations for male workers only. Thank you for your generosity! **Thank you to all those who have generously donated!**
- **Thank you for all your support!** The Ladies Guild would like to thank the parishioners for all their support for The Bake and Craft Sale in November and the sale of Cookies and Live Greens in December. Both sales were very successful and all the funds will be used for church projects. **THANK YOU!** If you would like to return the empty baskets from the live greens, please leave them in the Narthex for Mary Anne Stevens.

**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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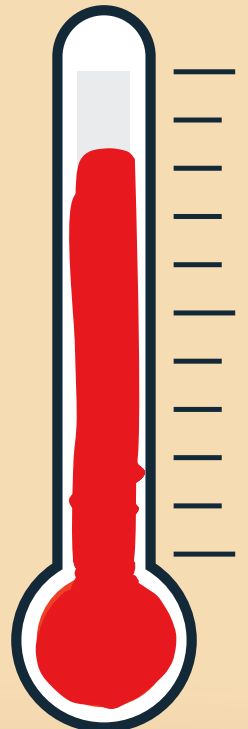
**\$ 277,605**

FUNDS RAISED  
TO DATE

**\$ 577,605**

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE  
TO DATE

OUR  
GOAL  
**\$750,000**



**77.01%**

# 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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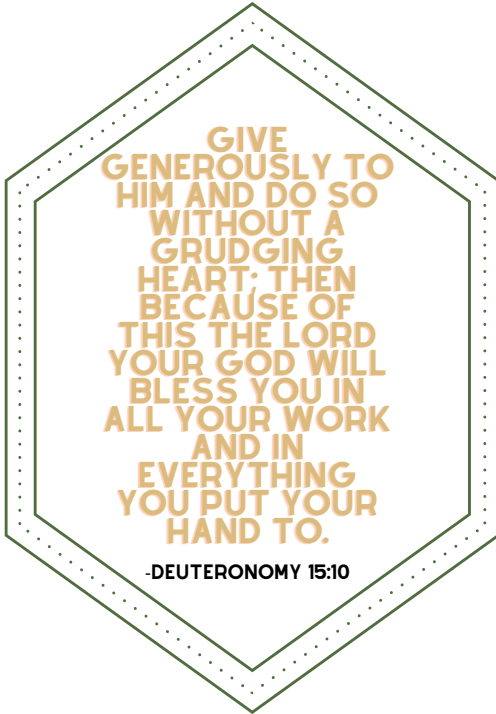
## **Prison Ministry**

**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



	November	Fiscal Year to Date
10 AM Mass	\$ 5,464.00	\$ 24,002.00
12:30 PM Mass	2,224.00	10,745.00
e-giving	2,785.00	25,060.00
Holyday	175.00	378.00
Other Donations	-	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 10,648.00</b>	<b>\$ 60,185.00</b>
Annual Budget		\$173,000.00
Year to Date Budget		73,056.60
YTD Surplus/(Shortfall)		\$ (12,871.60)

**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 December Birthdays & Anniversaries**

### **Birthdays**

- 1** María Gómez, Gabriel Romero
- 2** Nailda Mulder
- 5** Anayesica López
- 6** Victoria Trinidad, Aurelio Garcia, John Murphy
- 7** Otilia Arroyo, Mateo Trinidad
- 8** Wes Korab, Norma Fuentes
- 10** Larry Anderson
- 12** Gwen Casale
- 14** Dale Del Priorie, Hector Dominguez
- 16** Nicolas Mendoza López, Holly Korab
- 17** Henry López
- 19** Mary England
- 20** Ginny Hamner, Lourdes Alcántara, Yariani Sánchez
- 21** Ariella & Briella Serrano
- 22** Blanca Mendoza López
- 24** José Soriano, Joselyn Serrano, Jesús Serrano
- 26** Stephanie Gravera
- 29** Aleta Childs
- 31** Tim Tinsley, Larry Lynch, Ziclali Casimiro Santarrosa, María Sánchez Fragoso

### **Anniversaries**

- 18** Greg & Becky Davis
- 21** Miguel Casimiro & Lourdes Alcántara
- 25** Nicolas Mendoza & Rocío Aguado, Pancho & Nancy Barragán
- 26** Gary & Jeanne Scott, John & Gene Demsky, Bob & Barbara Yates, John & Mary Ellen Maybee
- 29** George & Mickey McKinney

*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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