

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 14

For the People, James Fink (†),
James Basile (†), Marguerite Gagen (†),
Victoria & Elizabeth Stefan (†),
(HC) Harold Brown (†), Roger Kirim Tabet (†)

Monday, March 15

Raymund N. Roggenbuer (†), Maria Hartung (†)

Tuesday, March 16

Pearl F. Huston (†), Anthony J. Weeda, USMC (†)

Wednesday, March 17

Pat McCrave (†), Kelly Elizabeth Baker (†)

Thursday, March 18

Reichard Kahley (†), The Brown Family

Friday, March 19

Anthony Tanzi (†), Hugh Moar (†)

Saturday, March 20

Slava Beder (†), Med Caigoy (†)

Sunday, March 21

Nellie Evans (†), Nicholas Marques Silva,
For the People, Harold Brown (†),
Sarah Ecklund,
(HC) Pat McCrave (†), Clara & Will Purkert (†)



READINGS

Sun: Jos 5:9a, 10-12.....2 Cor 5:17-21
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Mon: Is 65:17-21Jn 4:43-54
Tue: Ez 47:1-9, 12.....Jn 5:1-16
Wed: Is 49:8-15Jn 5:17-30
Thurs: Ex 32:7-14Jn 5:31-47
Fri: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16....Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Sat: Jer 11:18-20.....Jn 7:40-53
Sunday: Is 43:16-21Phil 3:8-14
Jn 8:1-11

COLLECTIONS

Collections for the week of March 7

Regular \$34,569.45
Capital Campaign \$4,511.00
Samaritan Fund \$725.24
Easter Floral Memorials \$320.00

2009 Donation Statements

Annual statements will be mailed only upon request. Please email: cindyb@stmaryofsorrows.org or call Cindy Bevilacqua at 703-978-4141, x24. If you are participating in electronic Parish Giving, please go online to your account to print your statement.

PARISH LIFE

An Evening of Music &



Eucharistic Adoration

Mark Forrest will join us in the Worship Center this Sunday, **March 14**, at 7:30 pm, for an evening of music and Eucharistic Adoration. Please take the time to come and relax before our Lord.

Widow to Widow

- Widow to Widow will continue to hold the Monday night session in the Apartment. We will gather at 5 pm on **March 15**.
- A new widows' group will be forming beginning Thursday, **April 8**. We will be meeting every Thursday at 4:40 pm. All widows are welcome. For more information, please contact Joyce Johnson, MA, CT at 703-455-7007.

St. Mary's Preschool Openings



- **Current Openings:** St. Mary's Preschool has openings in their NEW afternoon Tuesday/Thursday Teddy Bear class (age 2-1/2 & up).
- **Fall Openings:** There are openings in the four-year-old classes beginning this September. All students must be potty trained. Please call the Preschool at 703-978-4141, x35.

Marriage Matters

Due to the blizzard last month, it was necessary to postpone the Kick-off Session for Marriage Matters to Thursday, **March 25**. Beginning promptly at 7 pm in Farrell Hall, it will continue until 8:30 pm. Please plan to join other parish couples to deepen your spousal relationship.

Room Requests For July 2010 - June 2011

"Room/Activity Scheduling" forms are now available in the Parish Office. Please turn in completed forms to Linda O'Brien by Friday, **April 9**.

Parish Giving Collections

Contributions for the month of January

Sunday Collection \$20,701.00
Capital Campaign \$840.00
Samaritan Fund \$193.00
Holy Day \$1,415.00

Contributions for the month of February

Sunday Collection \$19,479.00
Capital Campaign \$1,080.00
Samaritan Fund \$334.65

To make electronic donations to St. Mary's, visit our website: www.stmaryofsorrows.org and click on the Parish Giving link on the left.

Lost & Found

Please check the Lost & Found table in Farrell Hall for your missing hats, gloves, etc. this weekend, **March 13 - 14**. Items not claimed by **March 22** will be donated to charity.

Car Raffle Update

Car raffle tickets have been mailed to each parish family. Once again this year we are participating with All Saints parish and hope another of our parishioners wins a car or cash prize. It's an excellent opportunity to win one of 5 cars. Last year's proceeds were detailed in the letter from our pastor included with the tickets.

Join the Boutique Ladies

The Boutique ladies are gearing up for another year of crafting in anticipation of their sale **November 13 - 14, 2010**. We meet in the back of Farrell Hall from 10 - 2 most Tuesdays. Bring your lunch and come anytime. For more information, call Lou at 703-426-8092.

2010-11 Catholic School Tuition Assistance

The monies available to assist parishioners in paying for Catholic school tuition (out-of-parish to in-parish difference) is critically low. For the upcoming 2010-11 school year, we will only be able to pay one half of the difference between out-of-parish and in-parish rates. Without additional funding, we feel the funds will be depleted in the 2010-11 school year. This program was funded from contributions made to the Diocesan Rooted In Faith, Forward In Hope Campaign.

Trip To Italy

Join Mark Forrest and Father Barkett on a trip to Italy. When: **October 17 - 25, 2010**. Trip includes a visit to the Vatican. See the brochure in the foyer for more details.

White Elephant Sale Donations

The White Elephant Sale will be held on **June 4, 5, & 6**. Storage is immediately available for your donations. Contact Lucy at 703-323-0345 or lucys5959@yahoo.com

Scholarships 2010

Applications for scholarships offered by St. Mary's Knights of Columbus, The Kelly Elizabeth Baker Memorial, The Ancient Order of Hibernians, and Amigos en Cristo † Friends in Christ are available at the Parish Center office.

St. Mary's Is a Tithing Parish

"Our belief in the sanctity of human life and the inherent dignity of the human person is the foundation of all the principles of our social teaching." Sharing Catholic Social Teaching: Challenges and Directions. Thanks to your donations to Sunday and holy day collections, our parish provides \$5,300 to S.O.M.E (So Others Might Eat) to purchase breakfast food that our parishioners cook for about 400 needy people eight to ten times a year. To learn more or to volunteer, please call Don Allen, 703-681-2213 or Eric or Mariko Hein, 703-426-4520.

Lenten Opportunities

Cornucopia of Lenten Opportunities

Friday nights at St. Mary's provides an array of Lenten possibilities. Within an hour and a half one can abstain from meat at the Soup Supper, and the featured charity can provide you with an opportunity for almsgiving. At 7:30 pm if you proceed into the Worship Center you can participate in the Stations of the Cross. The Stations take about a half hour and then we expose our Lord in the monstrance. Adoration begins and the presiding priest will hear confessions. When the confession line ends, in usually about a half hour, we have Benediction. You can take advantage of as little or as much of what is offered.

Perhaps on your way out to dinner with your family, stop by the Church and pray the Stations for a half hour and then feel free to leave before Adoration begins. No penalties will be given. Perhaps you just want to come for the soup, hear the talk about the featured charity and leave; that's fine too. St. Mary's is a one stop Lenten opportunity waiting for you to take advantage of on Friday nights. It's up to you to make it work for your circumstances. Let our Lord be a part of your Friday night.

Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Confession

Please join us for the Stations of the Cross in the Worship Center on Fridays during Lent at 7:30 pm. Adoration begins at approximately 8 pm, with confessions being offered until the line ends. We conclude with Benediction.

Help Feed the Hungry



Through Operation Rice Bowl

This week we are focusing on the Dignity of Work and Rights of Workers. Catholic Relief Services help women to support their families through microfinance programs in Nicaragua and 62 other countries. Give 63¢ to your Rice Bowl to help provide people with opportunities for productive work. We pray for the women of Nicaragua and around the world who are seeking to establish small businesses so that they may provide for the needs of their families. May our generosity and prayers this Lent provide opportunities for productive employment.

Lenten Soup Suppers



The theme of our suppers this year is, Saint Mary of Sorrows: A Community of Service. Don't miss this week's soup supper on **March 19, 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm**. Members of the Knights of Columbus of Saint Mary's Religious Education will tell us about the many ways the Knights serve the needy in our community and beyond.

Easter Baskets Are Coming!

Please help by collecting filled baskets, wrapped candy, new or gently used baskets, small toys or small stuffed animals for our annual Easter basket outreach to help foster children and other needy children to celebrate Easter. Bring your donations to Farrell Hall on **March 20 and 21**.

LITURGY & MUSIC**Please Pray For The Sick**

Alex Green, Ann Maguire, Ae Kyong Morrell, David Cliffe, Julie Adkins, Lilly Morris, Tonia Morris, Madeline Badovinac, Erica Paul, Robbie Pirhalla, Erica Paul, Thomas O'Hare, Pat Seiler, Carmela DeChristopher, George Badovinac, Jeff Camilletti, Lt. Mark Wise, Joanne Benner, Christopher Benner, Mason Shaffer, Martin Hauck, Carole Hauck, Helene Puerling, Mary Basile, and Austin Ruby. Names will be kept on the list for a month. Please call then and advise if you need an extended time.

Please Pray For The Deceased

Silea Luchini.

Music During Lent

Have you noticed that our music is different during Lent? During this season we are trying to simplify the music we use during Mass. This means we sing unaccompanied when possible and use the piano only when necessary to keep the melody going. We have not used the guitars, flutes, violins, drums, tambourines etc. We are also trying to observe silence after communion. After spending Lent in this way we hope that we can all enjoy the glorious music of Easter!

Easter Floral Memorials

Easter Floral Memorials are a lovely way to remember deceased friends and relatives. The deceased will be remembered at all Easter Masses. Their names will be posted in the foyer at the Worship Center. Donations will help defray the cost of our Easter flowers.

Interested In Becoming An Altar Server?

If you are fourth grade or higher, come join us in the Worship Center on Tuesday, **April 6**, from 6:30 - 8 pm to receive training. Need more info? Call Marques Silva at 703.503.1124 or email at stmaryservers@silvaclan.net.

ADULT SPIRITUAL GROWTH**March Cursillo Ultreya**

The March 2010 Ultreya will be held Saturday, **March 20**, at St. Mary of Sorrows, beginning at 7:30. As Lent draws to a close, come and spend time in prayer and sharing with others and our Lord. Bring a friend, a snack and drink to share.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**Registration For Religious Education 2010-11**

Registration for Religious Education classes K-8 will be held after all Masses at the Parish Center on **March 13 - 14 and March 20 - 21**. First Communion is celebrated in the spring of the second grade year. Children must attend the first and second grade classes to receive Eucharist in Grade 2. There are special classes for those students who are older and have not received the sacraments of Penance and Eucharist. In the Diocese of Arlington Confirmation is ordinarily received in the 8th Grade. Students must attend the seventh and eighth grade classes to be eligible. Fees are \$100 for one student and \$120 for two or more. Please pay fees at the time of registration.

Vacation Bible School Registration This Weekend

Register for VBS after Masses at the Parish Center on **March 13 - 14 and March 20 - 21** during Religious Education registration. Kids from preschool (age 4) through sixth grade; teen volunteers (great service hours!); adult volunteers – there is room for everyone under the baobab tree! Pay in March and get a cool Baobab Blast magnet. Register now to join the fun **August 2 - 6**, 9 am to noon.

YOUTH MINISTRY**High School Youth**

Email: briank@stmaryofsorrows.org
703-978-4141, x11

Check out our new website: www.smosyouth.org

This Sunday, March 14**Mass and SNL: Homosexuality**

After Mass and dinner, we will be having Fr. Scalia joining us as a guest speaker. He will be talking to us about the Church's misunderstood and often-mocked teachings on homosexuality. This topic is a very relevant one in our culture today, and all high school students are invited.

Tuesday, March 16**Info. Meeting For Summer Trips (7:30 - 8:30 pm)**

For both parents and teens, we'll have a meeting to discuss our two upcoming Summer Trips: **June 25 - July 3**: Steubenville Conference and Mission Trip (current 9th - 12th graders); **August 14 - 19**: Northbay Camp in MD (current 8th - 12th graders). We will discuss trip details, fundraising opportunities, and logistic information.

Next Sunday, March 21**Mass and Small Groups: God vs. gods**

After Mass, we'll have a HOME-COOKED MEAL MADE BY LEAH PFEIFFER!!! After the aforementioned meal, we'll have a night all about the 10 plagues and the Jewish feast of Passover. We'll discuss how much we have in common with the Chosen People who longed for freedom from slavery.

Junior High YouthEmail: jhyouth@stmaryofsorrows.org

703-978-4141, x70

Going Deeper – March 15

We have dinner, we hang out and we study the Bible. 6:30 - 8 pm. All 7th and 8th graders are welcome.

Junior High Hang Out – March 16

All 7th and 8th graders are invited to come hang out at St. Mary's after school until 5 pm. Come ready to play video games, floor pong, cards, or just to hang out. All are welcome.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY**Samaritan Fund Assistance**

This week your donations helped an elderly man with many medical conditions to acquire a lift chair that his family could not afford to help him purchase. Please assist the poor by donating to the Samaritan Fund in the collection box or baskets, or giving a check to our parish receptionist.

Fair Trade Returns Next Week

Chocolate is sweeter when children aren't exploited to produce the cocoa beans, and farmers receive a fair price for their labor. Fair Trade chocolate bars and coffee will be for sale next weekend after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses and before the 12:30 pm Mass.

Are You 50 or Better?

Come to the Lunch N' Life sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke on Thursday, **March 18**, 12 - 2 pm, at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Rd., Fairfax. The program will be presented by Matt Latimer, speechwriter for President G.W. Bush, and author of Speech-less: Tales of a White House Survivor. Seating is limited. For reservations, call Faye Quesenberry, 703-620-0161. The cost is \$8.00; checks payable to SCFB.

Adventures In Learning

Join the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke for its Adventures In Learning program open to all adults age 50 or better. Registrants bring a bag lunch and stay for a full day of exercise/classes/activities and socializing, or pick and choose the classes that interest them the most. For the spring session, classes will meet each Monday, from **March 22 - May 3 (except April 5)**, 9:30 am -2:45 pm, at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax; registration fee - \$30. Class schedule and registration forms are available at www.fairfax-burkesc.org or by calling the SCFB office at 703-323-4788.

Current Need of Our Refugee Family: Tailoring

Assorted donated clothing items are too long for refugee family members to wear. Is someone willing to volunteer to hem jeans and slacks to help expand their wardrobes? If so, please contact Pat Holliday at pholliday@yahoo.com or 703-978-2155. Thanks!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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| Sun | 14 | Pancake Breakfast | 8:00am | FH/OSMH |
| | | Girl Scouts' Planning Meeting | 6:00pm | OSMH |
| | | Mark Forrest Evening of Music 7:30pm | | WC |
| Mon | 15 | Widow's Group | 5:00pm | Apt |
| | | Christmas Volunteer Potluck | 6:00pm | FH |
| | | ACOA/ACDF | 7:30pm | UR |
| | | Historic Church Choir | 7:30pm | HC |
| | | Boy Scout Troop 697 Committee | 7:30pm | 8L |
| | | PSM Planning | 7:30pm | Apt. |
| | | Legion of Mary | 8:15pm | 6L |
| Tues | 16 | Boutique | 9:30am | FH(B) |
| | | Cursillo Prayer Group | 9:45am | 8L |
| | | OLPH Rosary Makers | 10:30am | 6L |
| | | Knights of Columbus | 7:00pm | OSMH |
| | | Landings | 7:15pm | Apt. |
| | | Youth Ministry Parent Meeting | 7:30pm | FH(B) |
| | | Bell Choir | 7:30pm | MR |
| Wed | 17 | AA | 10:00am | OSMH |
| | | Knights of Columbus | 6:30pm | OSMH |
| | | Charismatic Prayer Group | 7:30pm | BSC |
| | | Joyful Noise | 7:30pm | WC |
| | | RCIA | 7:30pm | UR |
| Thu | 18 | Mother's Group | 10:00am | OSMH |
| | | Widow's Group | 4:30pm | Apt. |
| | | Children's Choir | 5:00pm | MR |
| | | Baptism Class | 7:00pm | 8L |
| | | Marian Singers | 7:30pm | MR |
| | | Boy Scout Troop 697 | 7:30pm | OSMH |
| | | CLT Counseling | 7:30pm | UR |
| Fri | 19 | Soup Suppers | 6:30pm | FH |
| | | Sharing Hope | 7:30pm | OSMH |
| Sat | 20 | Spanish Class | 9:00am | 8L |
| | | Cursillo Ultreya | 7:30pm | UR |
| Sun | 21 | Coffee & Doughnuts | 8:00am | FH/OSMH |

Execution Scheduled

Paul Warner Powell will be executed by the Commonwealth of Virginia on **March 18**. Join us at the Grotto at the Historic Church, 8:45 - 9:15 pm, to pray for him, the victim of the crime for which he is being executed, and their families. If you cannot come to the Grotto, please take some time to pray for them that evening.

Sandwich Collection March 28

Bring sandwiches to Farrell Hall or Old St. Mary's Hall when you come to Mass. They will be taken to Washington by parishioners who distribute food monthly as part of Martha's Table's outreach to street people. Sandwiches can be meat, cheese, meat and cheese, or peanut butter (no jelly and no condiments). Put each sandwich in a bag and put the bags in the bread wrapper. Call Bill Seiler, 703-978-0242, if you would like to volunteer to distribute sandwiches on a Sunday later this year.

Please join our St. Mary's community this week in praying that we will show compassion towards others, especially during these weeks of Lent.