

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 23

John Kelly (†), Bob Dill (†),
George Thorry (†), Luis M. Delannoy Vega (†),
Velma S. Hebert (†), Beinvenida Vila

Monday, August 24

Dr. Peter McGinn, For the People

Tuesday, August 25

John Karcich, Sarah Sherer (†)

Wednesday, August 26

Narcisso Morson, Judy & Duane Zieg's 50th Anniversary

Thursday, August 27

Tom Murphy (†), Wesley Hendricks (†)

Friday, August 28

Edward Mascharka, Andrew Kurta (†)

Saturday, August 29

Matthew Gonzalez, James Esker (†)

Sunday, August 30

For the People, William P. O'Connor (†),
Mr. & Mrs. Mario Nunes (†), Gorgonio Basanes (†),
Lynne Raftery (†), Claire Coffee



READINGS

- Sun: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b ...Eph 5:31-32 or Eph 5:2a, 25-32Jn 6:60-69
- Mon: Rv 21:9b-14Jn 1:45-51
- Tue: 1 Thes 2:1-8Mt 23:23-26
- Wed: 1 Thes 2:9-13Mt 23:27-32
- Thurs: 1 Thes 3:7-13Mt 24:42-51
- Fri: 1 Thes 4:1-8Mt 25:1-13
- Sat: 1 Thes 4:9-11Mk 6:17-29
- Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

COLLECTIONS

Collections for the week of August 9

General Collection Total	\$26,790.00
Capital Campaign	\$1,860.00
School Supplies	\$390.00

Collections for the week of August 16

General Collection Total	\$24,295.80
Capital Campaign	\$355.00
Assumption	\$1,598.50
School Supplies	\$828.00

PARISH LIFE



Lost and Found

Please check the table in Farrell Hall this weekend for your missing items. Any items not claimed by August 24 will be donated to charity.

150th Anniversary Parish Photo Directory

The 150th Anniversary Parish Photo Directory is available! All parishioners who had their family photos taken last year for the Directory may pick-up their complimentary copy of the Directory in Farrell Hall before and after all Saturday and Sunday Masses on August 29 - 30, September 5 - 6, and September 12 - 13.

St. Mary's Labor Day Picnic

Monday, September 7, 2009

Mass & Blessing of Tools: 10:30 am

Festivities Begin at 11:45 am

Raffle Winners Announced at 5 pm

Bakers, Planners, Canners Alert!!



Gather those ingredients, prime those pots, preheat those ovens, start those seeds and feed those plants.which means get ready to stock the Country Store at our Labor Day Picnic! Questions? Call Thelma Garry at 703-978-1163 or Carolyn LaRosa at 703-425-2343.

Raffle Prizes

Sony Bravia 46" HD TV, Western Caribbean cruise, Reston Limo 4-person wine tour, Tyson's Ritz Carlton weekend getaway. Why wouldn't you take a chance? Buy some tickets!

Community Service Hours

Do you need community service hours for school or Confirmation class? Volunteer to work a shift at the Labor Day Picnic. Shifts are only two hours long. Sign up as a group or with a friend.

Volunteer Sign-ups

It takes 550 volunteers on Labor Day to run the picnic. Shifts are only two hours long, so you will have plenty of time to enjoy the day. Volunteer sign-ups will be held in Farrell Hall after all Masses on August 29 - 30 and September 5 - 6. Plan to join us for Labor Day!

Historic Church Docents

Historic Church Docents are needed for the Labor Day Picnic. Volunteer for one hour shifts, between noon and 4 pm, and help "Clara Barton" tell the history of St. Mary's. Information booklets are available. Couples are welcome to share a time slot. Please call Jack French, 703-978-1236 or Barbara Stoetzer, 703-323-5511.

Labor Day Picnic Information Booth

We will have an Information Booth at the picnic to advise visitors about our parish. Parish committees are invited to place their pamphlets at the booth.

St. Mary's Seniors

St. Mary's Seniors will hold their first meeting of the year on Friday, **September 11**, at 11:30 am in Farrell Hall. Just bring a sandwich for yourself and join us! Questions or for more information call Joan Kick at 703-250-4971.

Celebrating Your Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary This Year?

Were you married in 1959 or 1984? Then join Bishop Loverde for the 2009 Marriage Jubilee Mass to be celebrated on Sunday, **October 25**, at 2:30 pm, at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More. Contact Linda O'Brien in the Parish Office at 703-978-4141, x13, to register no later than **September 25**. For more info, visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/familylife/MJM.php.

Parish Awareness Weekends

Parish Awareness Weekends are **September 19 - 20** and **September 26 - 27**. All parish ministries are encouraged to be represented. Make sure your parish group is prepared and has reserved space. Ministries in the areas of Administration, Evangelization, Liturgy and Worship, Music, Religious Education and Youth/Young Adult will be present **September 19 - 20**. Family Life and Social Ministry will be represented on **September 26 - 27**. Call 703-978-4141, x29.

Update On The 150th Anniversary Historic Book

We regret the historic book will not be available for sale during the Labor Day Picnic. However, we will be taking pre-orders for the historic book at a discount at the picnic. Also, we are still accepting sponsor applications. Sponsor applications are displayed in the church foyer at the Parish Center and also at Old St. Mary's Hall. If you would like to be a sponsor of the historic book, please complete the application with your sponsor donation and deliver it to the Parish Center Office.

St. Mary's Is a Tithing Parish

"...whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Your donations to Sunday and holy day collections during last year provided \$1,143.00 in unspent funds, which we donated to the Chimbote, Peru School of Water. The money will help support the work of providing clean, safe water to the poor of Chimbote.

LITURGY & MUSIC

Please Pray For The Sick

Mary Ulam, Nancy Dietrich, Tonia Morris, Lilly Morris, Mary Seigenfuse, Madeline Badovinac, Taylor Bray, Mike Stephens, Jeanice Richards, Martin Hauck, Carole Hauck, Joanne Benner, Christopher Benner, Charlotte Rendine, Jayne Kosciusko, Helen Puerling, Mary Basile, James Basile, 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 Those Who Died

Steve Wozny, Al Smith, John Howard.



Baptisms

We joyfully welcome into the Church Jasmine Hui Huang, Joseph Neil Mullen, Claire Madison Penland, Evan Michael Strawn.

Monday, Wednesday & Friday Adoration

Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday we have Eucharistic Adoration after the 9:15 am Mass. At 11:45 we pray Midday Prayer and have Benediction. During Monday Adoration we pray the Blue Army Prayers of Our Lady of Fatima.

It's the "Year of the Priest"

Please remember to pray for our priests. They depend on our prayer support to aid them in their service to Our Lord.

40 Hours Devotion in Preparation For Our Lady of Sorrows Feast Day

Please join your parish family and sign up for a time to spend with Our Lord during the 40 hours of devotion leading up to our Feast Day, **September 15**. The sign up sheets are in the back of the church. We would like to see everyone represented: families, parish groups, individuals, groups of friends, prayer groups. At least two people should always be with our Lord and he should never be left alone. This is your opportunity to receive many graces on Our Lady's Feast Day.

Come Into the Garden

A Vacation Retreat for Catholic Women on the "Song of Songs." Take time for yourself! Drink in love and beauty, be pampered, and replenish body and soul! Presented **September 25 - 27** by Certified Catholic Life Coach, Liz Post, joined by Father Stefan Starzynski at Carter Hall, an elegant 18th Century estate on 200 acres near Winchester, VA. Register by **September 9**. Limit 20. For more information contact Liz Post at 703-425-9213 or lizpost1@verizon.net.

Please join our St. Mary's community this week in praying that we may live our Catholic Faith by promoting solidarity with the poor and oppressed.

ADULT SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Marriage Matters



This box of the bulletin will be dedicated to marriages. It will remind us that 'marriage matters.' It will give us inspirational quotes, thoughts or questions to reflect on in 'matters of marriage.' It will remind us of the true sacramental nature and 'matter of marriage.' Also watch this box for the upcoming marriage enrichment programming at the parish.

Join Us In September For RCIA Classes!

We will begin our RCIA program at St. Mary's in mid September. If you are interested in the Catholic Faith or in becoming a Catholic, please join us! We will meet on Wednesday evenings. You can call the office and leave your name, pick up a brochure from the foyer and fill out the form, or give your name to the parish receptionist. Father Barkett will be in touch with you regarding the program. Please join us for these informational sessions.

YOUTH & COLLEGE MINISTRY**High School Youth**

Email: briank@stmaryofsorrows.org

Junior High Youth

Email: jhyouth@stmaryofsorrows.org

Boys' and Girls' CLC

Come join the faith sharing groups that really get in-depth with the faith.

Boys: Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9 pm in Room 8.

Girls: Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9 pm in the Apartment.

For More Youth Ministry Information

Contact Brian Kissinger at 703-978-4141, x11, or Nate Smith at x70, or visit our website at www.stmaryofsorrows.org/ym.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**Required Confirmation Parents' Meeting**

7th Grade Parents' Meeting (1st Year of Confirmation Program)

Wednesday, **September 2**, 7 pm in Farrell Hall

8th Grade Parents' Meeting (2nd Year of Confirmation Program)

Thursday, **September 3**, 7 pm in Farrell Hall

Catechist Day September 12

All catechists are encouraged to come together on Saturday, **September 12**, at the 9:15 Mass for a day of reflection and inspiration. Program facilitated by Gerri Noble-Martocci will follow in Farrell Hall. This year's catechetical theme is **Catechesis and the Proclamation of the Word**. More information, call the R.E. Office at 703-978-4141, x23 or x29.

Spring 2010 Confirmation Candidates

(2nd Year Class)

Please mark your calendars. The Confirmation retreat for 2nd year candidates will be held on the following dates:

Boy's Retreat - September 12 - 13 (Overnight Retreat)

Girl's Retreat - September 19 - 20 (Overnight Retreat)

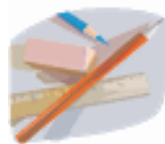
Both retreats will be held at the Village of Mt. Zion, near Woodstock, Virginia.

Classes Begin

Religious Education Classes K - 7 begin Sunday, **September 13**. Letters with class assignments were mailed to families who registered in the spring and early summer on August 12.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY**Samaritan Fund**

\$365.26 was donated the week of August 9 and \$753.62 was donated last week. With those funds, we were able to help a family that was on the verge of eviction to be able to stay in their apartment.

School Supplies

The school supplies collection runs through Labor Day. We are still filling the many requests for school supplies made to our parish. All school supplies are needed, especially backpacks, 2 inch binders, spiral notebooks, dictionaries, thesauruses, protractors/compasses, colored pencils, markers, school boxes, pencil cases, folders, rulers, composition notebooks, scissors and calculators. Let us ask God to bless and multiply our school supplies collection as He multiplied the loaves and the fishes! Thanks!!!

Welcoming a Refugee Family

We still need volunteers! Please see the volunteer forms, with short Committee descriptions, which are available online at stmaryofsorrows.org or in the Parish Center Foyer. We also need donations to the "Family Assistance" account to help cover rent, security deposits, initial food costs and utilities. Please check the parish web site to see what other household items are needed. For more information, contact Pat Holliday at pholliday@yahoo.com or at 703-978-2155.

Homeownership Preservation Forum

The HOPE NOW Alliance is presenting a free public forum for all homeowners having financial hardships and needing help to save their home on **August 27**, from 2 to 9 pm at Hylton Memorial Chapel, 4640 Potomac Mills Road, Woodbridge, VA, 22192. For more information, visit www.hopenow.com.

Are You 50 or Better?

Come to the Lunch N' Life sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke on Thursday, **September 17**, 12 - 2 pm, at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Rd., Fairfax. Randolph Bragg will give a "Spirited" Presentation on George Washington's Distillery at Mount Vernon – the only founding father to operate a successful commercial whiskey distillery. Seating is limited. For reservations, call Faye Quesenberry, 703-620-0161, by **September 10**. The cost is \$8.00. Write checks payable to SCFB. If transportation is needed, call SCFB office, 703-323-4788, one week in advance.

"Third Annual Positive Aging Fair: Tools for Creative Aging"

People over 50 of all faiths and backgrounds are invited to the Third Annual Positive Aging Fair to be held from 9 am to 3 pm, **September 10**, at the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. The keynote speaker will be The New Yorker magazine cartoonist and author of 40 books, Mort Gerberg. There will also be workshops and information on topics related to healthy aging. To register, call 703-323-0880 or visit www.jccnv.org.

"The Living Church: Engaging Parishes in Promoting Human Dignity"

Join the Peace and Justice Commission on **September 19** for their 6th Annual Fall Conference on "The Living Church: Engaging Parishes in Promoting Human Dignity." The program includes a keynote address on The Living Vision: A Perspective on the Parish Social Mission, with presenter Rev. Larry Snyder, President of Catholic Charities USA. We will also have workshops to explore in more depth how we can all be involved with parish ministry. The conference will be held 9 am - 1 pm at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Falls Church. For more information contact Fr. Gerry Creedon, Chair, Peace and Justice Commission, at 703-527-5500, or gerrycreedon@gmail.com.

HAPPENING IN THE DIOCESE

Senior Women's Retreat

Feeling a need to be refreshed and renewed? Seeking a deeper spirituality? Searching for more meaningful relationships? Experience the opportunity for spiritual refreshment and renewal at Retreat for Senior Women on **September 4 - 6** at the Dominican Retreat House in McLean, VA. Father Donald Heet will be our guide on this weekend retreat. Come and experience the spiritual renewal! For reservations or more information call Joan Kick at 703-250-4971 or the Dominican Retreat at 703-356-4243.

The Paul Stefan Foundation Gala

The Paul Stefan Foundation is proud to present the Second Annual Gala, "A Celebration of Life," featuring guest speaker Janet Parshall. Please come and join us for a very special evening! **October 10, 2009**, beginning at 6 pm, at the Fredericksburg Expo and Conference Center. Tickets: \$100 (\$75 if purchased before **August 31, 2009**). Visit the website for more information www.paulstefanhome.org.

Fall Theology Courses

At Christendom Graduate School

Registration is underway for the fall semester (**September 8 - December 19**) at Christendom College's Notre Dame Graduate School. For information, please call 703-658-4304, email NDGS@Christendom.edu, or visit www.christendom.edu/grad.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

School Supplies Collection all week in Farrell Hall and Box in the Foyer				
Sun	23	Coffee & Doughnuts	8:00am	FH
Mon	24	RCIA Planning Meeting	7:15pm	UR
		Historic Church Choir	7:30pm	HC
		Legion of Mary	8:15pm	6L
Tues	25	Boutique	9:30am	FH(B)
		Curisillo Prayer Group	9:45am	8L
		Knights of Columbus	7:00pm	OSMH
		Bell Choir	7:30pm	MR
Wed	26	AA	10:00am	OSMH
		Little Rock Scripture Studies	7:30pm	UR
		Charismatic Prayer Group	7:30pm	WC
Thu	27	Quest	10:00am	Apt.
		Baptism Class	7:00pm	UR
		Cub Scout Roundtable Planning	7:00pm	6L
		Boy Scout Troop 697	7:30pm	OSMH
		Marian Singers	7:30pm	MR
Fri	28	AA	7:00pm	6L
Sat	29	WES Potluck	7:00pm	FH
Sun	30	Coffee & Doughnuts	8:00am	FH/OSMH
		Squires & Squire Roses	10:00am	OSMH
		AOH	2:00pm	OSMH

Generational Healing Mass

There will be a Generational Healing Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Manassas, VA, on **September 17** at 7 pm. Fr. Stefan Starzynski will be presiding. All are welcome.

St. Leo the Great Church Craft Fair

The Columbiettes, the Ladies' Auxiliary for the Fr. Diamond Council Knights of Columbus, is hosting a craft fair at St. Leo's church on Saturday, **October 17**. We are now accepting registrations from vendors interested in renting booth space for this fair. Please contact Linda Baringhaus at 703-385-9455 or columbiettes6292@yahoo.com for registration information.

Unemployed? Networking Ministry CAN Help!

Christians are Networking ("CAN") is a faith-based ministry supporting people who are in career transition, providing a venue where they can prayerfully receive free professional career counseling -- including resume reviews and practice job interviews -- and take advantage of networking opportunities with other professionals. Join us every Thursday, from 6:30 - 9:30 pm at the St. Martin De Porres Senior Center, 4650 Taney Ave., Alexandria, VA 22304. Special guest speakers: **September 3**: Carl S. Savino of Competitive Edge Services on "How to Work a Job Fair;" **September 17**: Bishop Loverde on "Hope." No advanced registration is required to attend. For more details, contact Elizabeth Lucas at 703-683-7704 or elizabeth22305@verizon.net.

"Choose this day whom you will serve."

Consider as well how you are being called to serve the Lord! If you are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, write to Father Brian Bashista at b.bashista@arlingtondiocese.org or call 703-841-2514.