

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Sunday, September 6**

Gil Bassetti (†), For the People,  
Mr. & Mrs. Berlarmino Botelho (†), Gorgonio Basanes (†),  
Florance Hall (†), Terrence Eiermann (†)

**Monday, September 7**

John Vloet (†)

**Tuesday, September 8**

Julie Mailki (†), Victoria Dillon (†)

**Wednesday, September 9**

Marie Tomassone (†), Geneva Cheek Hartnett (†)

**Thursday, September 10**

Philip Henry (†), Dominick Porente (†)

**Friday, September 11**

Caroline Turner (†), For the Victims of 9/11

**Saturday, September 12**

Kathleen Hall, Ruth Rainault (†)

**Sunday, September 13**

Sarah Whitcomb, Helen Nielsen (†),  
Fernando Bethelho (†), For the People,  
John Hoffman (†), Thomas Murphy (†)

**READINGS**



Sun: Is 35:4-7a.....Jas 2:1-5  
Mk 7:31-37  
Mon: Col 1:24-23 .....Lk 6:6-11  
Tue: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30 ..Mt 1:1-16, 18-23  
Wed: Col 3:1-11 .....Lk 6:20-26  
Thurs: Col 3:12-17 .....Lk 6:27-38  
Fri: 1Tm 1:1-2, 12-14.....Lk 6:39-42  
Sat: 1Tm 1:15-17 .....Lk 6:43-49  
Sunday: Is 50:5-9a.....Jas 2:14-18  
Mk 8:27-35

**COLLECTIONS**

**Electronic Card Contributions for August, 2009**

We now have 95 parishioners making their contributions through credit cards or debits to their bank accounts. You can join them too, by logging onto St. Mary's website and clicking the Parish Giving box in the upper left corner, then click the big Parish Giving box and you are ready to join!

Sunday Collection	\$12,437.00
Pink Envelopes	\$63.00
Samaritan Fund	\$201.65

**Discontinuing Envelopes**

If you have recently signed up for the Parish Giving electronic donations, please send an email to cindyb@stmaryofsorrows.org to discontinue your church envelopes. For everyone who signed up by July 13, we have already discontinued the envelopes, although you may still receive one packet before they stop.

**PARISH LIFE**

**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

Come to the picnic tomorrow, but please leave your pet at home!

**Country Store**

Cookies, pies, cakes, breads, preserves, home canned goods are needed for the Country Store. Please plan to make something tasty and bring it to St. Mary's this weekend or bring directly to the picnic. Please bring plants directly to the picnic.

**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 **September 5 - 6**. Plan to join us for Labor Day!

**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!

**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.

**Office Closed**

The Parish Center Office will be closed on Monday, **September 7**, in observance of the Labor Day holiday. We'll see you at the picnic!

**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 **September 5 - 6, and September 12 - 13**.

**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! 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**. Visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org/family-life/MJM.php](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/family-life/MJM.php) for more information.

## 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.

## Flu Clinic

The Flu Clinic will be Sunday, **October 18**, from 12:15 to 2:15 in the Upper Room. This will be for the annual flu shot that is required before you can be given the Swine Flu shot.

## 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 Saint Margaret of Cortona Transitional Housing Facility. The money will help to provide housing and supportive services to 29 previously homeless people, including 19 children.

## LITURGY & MUSIC



### Intentions of Pope Benedict XVI

Let us unite our prayers with those of the whole church by praying for the Holy Father's intentions for September.

- General: That the word of God may be better known, welcomed and lived as the source of freedom and joy.
- Mission: That Christians in Laos, Cambodia, and Myanmar, who often meet with great difficulties, may not be discouraged from announcing the Gospel to their brothers, trusting in the strength of the Holy Spirit.

## Please Pray For The Sick

Victoria Patronik, Nancy Dietrich, Tonia Morris, Lilly Morris, Mary Seigenfuse, Madeline Badovinac, Mike Stephens, Jeanice Richards, Martin Hauck, Carole Hauck, Joanne Benner, Christopher Benner, Charlotte Rendine, 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.

## Ushers Needed

We are in great need of ushers to support our worship. This is a great way for individuals or whole families to help out. We schedule one Sunday a month and would like to have as many people involved to make the work a bit easier. Also, with Confirmation classes starting, and our young people in need of services hours, what better way to help out and learn more about the liturgy. If you're interested, please contact Don Bathurst at [SaintMarysUshers@cox.net](mailto:SaintMarysUshers@cox.net).

## 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.

## 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.

## Lazy Person's way to Our Lord

Have you ever wondered what all this "adoration" stuff is all about but were afraid to ask? Well, put very simply, when you come to adoration you don't have to know anything and you don't have to do anything. Just come, sit and do nothing. Let the Lord do all the work. He knows what you need.

## Diocesan Pilgrimage: Save the Date



Celebrate the 35th Anniversary of the establishment of the Diocese of Arlington and the Year for Priests by participating in the 2009 Diocesan Pilgrimage entitled, "Mary, Cause of our Joy and Mother of Priests" on **Saturday, October 10**, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. The day of spiritual enrichment will begin with the Rosary, followed by time for confession and tours of the Basilica, a special presentation by Fr. David Thayer and Mass with Bishop Loverde. In celebration of the 35th Anniversary, Bishop Loverde will re-consecrate the Diocese of Arlington to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Visit [www.arlingtondiocese.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org).

**It's the "Year of the Priest"**

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

**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.

**Reconciliare: Novena, Rosary & Reflection**

All are welcome to join the Reconciliare of Our Lady of La Salette Lay Community and the Sisters on Sunday, **September 13**, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 2 pm for the Novena & Rosary followed by a short gathering for fellowship and sharing in Farrell Hall.

**LaSalette Feast Day Celebration**

Please join Our Lady of La Salette Lay Community and the Sisters for the La Salette Feast Day Celebration for Life at on Saturday, **September 19**. The celebration will begin with 9:15 am Mass followed by brunch in Farrell Hall.

**ADULT SPIRITUAL GROWTH****Men's Ministry**

St Mary's Men's Ministry will hold its **September 12** meeting from 7:30 - 9 am at Old St. Mary's Hall. All men are welcome. Refreshments served.

**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.

**Legion of Mary**

On September 8 we honor Mary on her birthday. Consider joining the Legion of Mary on Mondays at 8:15 pm in Room 6 as your present of love to her! Contact Steve and Katie Lister at 703-818-8960.

**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.

**YOUTH MINISTRY****High School Youth**

Email: brianck@stmaryofsorrows.org

703-978-4141, x11

**Get Ready for Oaur Kickoff, September 20<sup>th</sup>**

We will have Mass at 5pm, followed by dinner, and then a concert with Brendan Walsh (he's on iTunes)...and we'll have an iPod Touch Giveaway!

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION****Interested in the Catholic Faith?**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC) is for teens who are not Catholic and are interested in exploring the Catholic faith. Also welcome are baptized Catholics who have not received the sacraments of Eucharist, Penance, and Confirmation. Classes will begin meeting in September. Call Toni Haaland at 703-978-4141, x18.

**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**. Information, call the R.E. Office at 703-978-4141, x23 or x29.

**Spring 2010 Confirmation Candidates**

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

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

Both retreats are for the second year class and 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.

**FAMILY LIFE****ACOA/ACDF Graduates**

Are you still struggling with anger issues? Is your anger interfering with your recovery? Is it time to take the next step? Releasing and Transforming Anger (RTA) is a 15-week group process that teaches anger management techniques in the context of helping participants address the underlying pain or stress. St. Mary's Pastoral Counselor, Kathleen E. Scheg, JD, LCPC, NCC incorporates both spirituality and body-psychotherapy in this unique transformational process. She is offering the RTA program at St. Mary's in Fairfax beginning Monday, **September 21**, (no class **October 12**). The fee is \$ 40 per week. Prior registration and a commitment to the 15-week process are required. Call Kathleen Scheg at 703-568-0525.

## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

### Samaritan Fund

The amount donated last week is not available. With a portion of that money we helped pay rent for a man who injured his hand with an electronic saw and couldn't work. Thank you!



### School Supplies

The St. Mary's School Supplies Collection ends Monday, Labor Day. On behalf of all of the needy students that we were privileged to serve. Thank you for your generous support!

### Tutoring For a Difference!

Please consider tutoring a group of children from pre-K to grade 8 on Tuesday or Thursday evenings from 7 to 8 pm, at Saint Margaret of Cortona Transitional Residences while their parents are attending classes that will help them establish self-sufficiency. You may choose the age group and all tutors work in pairs. Training and materials are provided. For more information, call 703-910-4845 or email [cnejstrom@ccda.net](mailto:cnejstrom@ccda.net).

### 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.

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

People over 50 of all faiths and backgrounds are invited to the 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](http://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 from 9 am - 1 pm at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Falls Church. For more info, contact Fr. Gerry Creedon at 703-527-5500, or [gerrycreedon@gmail.com](mailto:gerrycreedon@gmail.com).

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sun	06	Coffee & Doughnuts Squires Pancake Breakfast	8:00am 8:00am	FH/OSMH OSMH
Mon	07	Labor Day Picnic Office Closed	10:30am	HC
Tues	08	Boutique Curislo Prayer Group OLPH Rosary Makers Knights of Columbus Pastoral Council Bell Choir	9:30am 9:45am 10:30am 7:00pm 7:15pm 7:30pm	FH(B) 6L 6L OSMH UR MR
Wed	09	AA Prayer Shawl Ministry 7th Grade Catechists' Meeting Finance Committee Joyful Noise Charismatic Prayer Group	10:00am 1:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	OSMH Apt. FH RE MR WC
Thu	10	Mothers' Group Quest 8th Grade Catechists' Meeting LSLC LaSalette Boy Scout Troop 697 Marian Singers	10:00am 10:00am 7:00pm 7:30pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	OSMH Apt. FH 8L OSMH MR
Fri	11	Senior Citizens AA	11:30am 7:00pm	FH(B) 6L
Sat	12	Catechist Training Spanish Class Baptisms Spaghetti Dinner	8:00am 9:00am 10:30am 6:00pm	All Rms 8L WC FH
Sun	13	Pancake Breakfast LaSalette Community Girl Scout Planning	8:00am 2:00pm 6:00pm	FH/OSMH FH OSMH

## HAPPENING IN THE DIOCESE

### 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. Visit the website for more information: [www.paulstefanhome.org](http://www.paulstefanhome.org).

### Generational Healing Mass

Fr. Stefan Starzynski will preside at a Generational Healing Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Manassas, VA, on **September 17** at 7 pm.

### Paul VI Girls Fall Lacrosse Camps- 4 Sessions

Saturday and Sunday, **September 26 & 27; October 3 & 4**, 12 - 3 pm at PVI. Sign-up for one or all four sessions. Four session early discount price: \$95. Registration form at [www.paulvi.net/currentstudents\\_parents/camp/2009\\_girlsLax\\_camp.pdf](http://www.paulvi.net/currentstudents_parents/camp/2009_girlsLax_camp.pdf). For more info email: [pvgirlslaxcamp@gmail.com](mailto:pvgirlslaxcamp@gmail.com).

### "Be strong, do not fear!"

With every true vocation comes the strength and courage of the One who calls. If the Holy Spirit is prompting you to follow Christ, call Fr. Brian Bashista at 703-841-2514.