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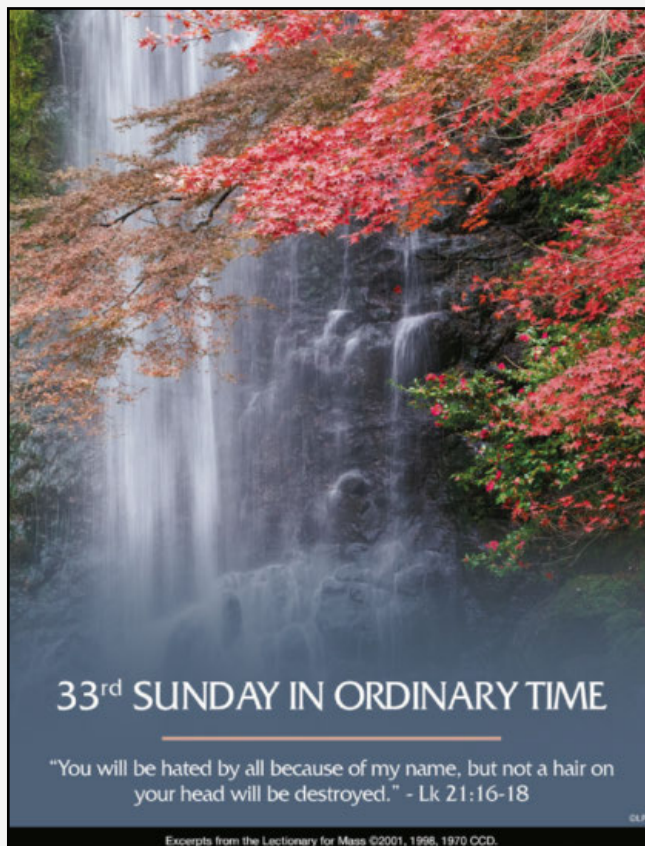
**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

MASS TIMES

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:30 AM & 11:30 AM
Monday: No Daily Mass
Tuesday: 9:00 AM
Wednesday: 9:00 AM
Thursday: 6:30 AM & 9:00 AM
Friday: 11:15 AM

RECONCILIATION

Friday: 12:00-1:00 PM
Saturday: 3:30-4:15 PM




33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on
your head will be destroyed." - Lk 21:16-18


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OUR LOCATION

St. Mary's Catholic Church


 1205 Old Mill Road
Blacksburg, VA 24060


 540-552-1091

 officestaff@stmarysblacksburg.org

Office Hours

Mon.-Fri. 9:00am-2:00pm

 www.stmarysblacksburg.org

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Mass Intention at St. Mary's

Would you like to offer Mass for a special intention, thanksgiving, healing or for a beloved departed? Our Mass intention schedule has plenty of opportunity to do so. For more information or to offer a Mass, contact the Church office at 540-552-1091.

Suggested donation is \$10 per intention.

Saturday, November 12	5:00 pm	Richard & Marion Walzel †
Sunday, November 13	8:30 am	Donald Ntarelli †
	11:30 am	Church Ladies and their Families †
Tuesday, November 15	9:00 am	No Daily Mass
Wednesday, November 16	9:00 am	Godwin Mbinji †
Thursday, November 17	6:30 am	No Daily Mass
	9:00 am	No Daily Mass
Friday, November 18	11:15 am	No Daily Mass

Upcoming Events

Online: stmarysblacksburg.org/calendar-1

Nov 18 - Fr. John returns from vacation
 Nov 18 - Middle and High School YM Movie Night, 7-9pm
 Nov 19 - Children's Eucharistic Adoration
 Nov 20 - Campaign for Human Development
 Nov 24 - Thanksgiving Day - No Daily Mass
 Nov 25 - No Daily Mass
 Nov 30 - Confirmation Session - Holy Spirit



Janice Bennett
 Corey Blake
 Nelson Carey & Family
 Judy Gwazdauskas
 Stefan Jaronski
 Genevieve Jaronski

Becky Meisner
 Stephen Orr
 Betty Jo Prater
 Jeanette Snider
 West Vaughn

Families may submit prayer requests to
officestaff@stmarysblacksburg.org

YOUTH MINISTRY HAPPENINGS

High School Youth Group meets this **Wednesday, November 16**, 7:30-9pm at St. Jude.

MOVIE NIGHT

High and Middle Schoolers are invited to a movie night at St. Mary's on **Friday, November 18**, 7-9pm.

Early registration for the Diocesan Youth Conference is open, \$50 discount if you sign up before **November 23**. Scan the QR code below or email Austin for details and to register.

Austin Mee
nrvym@richmonddiocese.org
 540-251-1754



RECYCLE PLASTIC BAGS FOR BENCHES AT ST. MARY'S

THANK YOU TO ALL for helping St. Mary's acquire two new benches through your plastic donations! We are still collecting so be sure to bring your used plastic bags to the Parish Hall.

Year to Date: 1,380.78 lbs. of 2000 lbs.



Weekly Offering

Regular Collection

Offertory	\$3,708.15
All Saints Day	\$727.00
Debt Reduction	\$1,075.00

eGiving

Offertory	\$1,390.00
Debt Reduction	\$40.00

Thank you for your continued generosity and support!



Through **Faith Direct** you can make all of your contributions to St. Mary's via online giving from your checking account or credit card.

Lourdes Gift Shop

Open after Saturday and Sunday Masses on the following dates:

November 12 & 13 sale at Holy Spirit
November 19 & 20 sale at St. Mary's
December 10,11

The gift shop is looking for volunteers, two weekends per month for at least 15-20 minutes after the Mass you attend.

Contact Janice Steele
 540-505-9508 with questions.
 Thank you for your patronage.



RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS CARD SALE - KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus' annual Keep Christ in Christmas: Send Religious Cards Sale is ongoing! This year's sale supports Diocese of Richmond Seminarian David Arellano. For more information on David, stop by the Christmas Card display in the Narthex. Prices are located on the front of each box of cards. Cash or checks made out to Knights of Columbus are accepted. Donations for the Seminarian Fund are also gratefully accepted.

Potato Drop - Glean Team

On December 2-3, we will hold the 13th Glean Team potato drop at the new AGAPE Center in Christiansburg. Give two or more hours of service to the those in need in our community and to all of SW Virginia. For more information visit stmarysblacksburg.org/news-and-resources



Special thank you to
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Bishop Knestout encourages anyone aware of sexual abuse of minors on the part of clergy or staff of our diocese to notify civil authorities, call the Attorney General's Clergy abuse Hotline at 1-833-454-9064, and reach out to the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1-877-887-9603.



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

FATHER JOHN VACATION

Fr. John is visiting Ghana from **October 19 until November 18.**

- Fr. Jay Biber will be celebrating our Sunday Masses and will offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays at 3:30 pm
- Daily Mass will be offered Wednesdays at 9:00 am

RCIA

Next Session

Tuesday, November 15 @7pm
at St. Mary's Church

Topic

Scripture in the Mass

Presenters

Bob Canfield

rcia@stmarysblacksburg.org

See schedule at: stmarysblacksburg.org/rcia

KID'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AND CHOIR 2022!

Children ages 3 and up are invited to participate in the Annual Christmas Pageant presented at the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass **December 24**, and kids ages 7 and up are invited to sing in the Christmas Choir. Rehearsals for the pageant and choir are Saturday mornings, **December 3, 10 and 17** from 10:00-11:15 am in the worship area. Sign up in the Narthex TODAY! Contact Miss Beth for all the information: liturgy@stmarysblacksburg.org.



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Did you know that nearly 34 million Americans live below the poverty line? You can help by supporting the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at Mass next weekend.

CHILDRENS' ADORATION - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Please join us for Childrens' Adoration on **Saturday November 19**, from 10-10:30 am, at St Mary's. This is a wonderful opportunity to introduce your children to the Catholic practice of Adoration - spending time with the Eucharistic Jesus - in a very kid-friendly way. School-age children, toddlers and babies all welcome, with their parents! Fellowship and snacks follow. Questions? Please contact Joanna Hitzelberger - jbhitzelberger@gmail.com

ANGEL TREE

The Angel Tree will be up next weekend. We ask that each family initially take one angel until all of the Masses have had an opportunity to choose an angel. This year, we again ask that you register your angel by filling out and tearing off the slip that is attached to each angel tag and placing it in the box by the tree. Please pray for you angel during the Advent season! All angel tree gifts are due back by **Sunday, December 11.**

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Bible Study is seeking new recruits as we finish 1 Maccabees and soon begin 2 Maccabees, books included within our Catholic Bible but expunged from Protestant Bibles. We meet every Wednesday from 7 to 8:30pm in the Haiti Room at church to discuss the weekly chapter readings. Please consider joining us when you can to expand your knowledge of the Word of God.

HAITI BOX IN SANCTUARY

For all newcomers, there is a Haiti Box on the wall strategically located next to the Confessional in the sanctuary. Donations are used to support a seminarian from our twin parish in Haiti. In the last 15 years, we have been able to provide support to 5 seminarians, now priests, with one in the works. Whatever you can donate (coins, bills, checks) before or after Mass will be much appreciated.

ST. MARY'S MINISTRY CORNER

St. Mary's Altar Servers: Disciples in Action!



Training is
by appointment.
Contact Mrs. Shaver
552-1091

WHY ALTAR SERVE?

- ~Grow in your Catholic faith and in **GOD'S LOVE**
- ~You get a front row seat with **JESUS** in the **EUCARIST**
- ~Deepen your understanding of the **MASS**
- ~Serve with your **FRIENDS** and make new ones
- ~Flexible schedule

WHAT'S REQUIRED?

- ~Be in the 3rd Grade or above
- ~You have received your First Communion
- ~Complete the training course and keep your skills sharpened
- ~Commit to serving St. Mary's Community

A note to parents: Your child's involvement at our liturgical celebrations is an opportunity to instill in them a love of serving others at a young age, and a chance for them to grow in their love of Jesus in the Eucharist. We understand the demands on family schedules, but please don't let that hinder this wonderful faith formation opportunity. The Ministry Scheduler Pro program lets you decide which Masses your child can be scheduled to Altar Serve and how often. Put in a request for a substitute on those occasions when something comes up, or accept someone else's substitute request and jump in to Altar Serve when you're here. It's that easy and convenient. A one-on-one training session can be scheduled at your convenience. Please contact Beth Shaver liturgy@stmarysblacksburg.org for more information and thank you for your interest.

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