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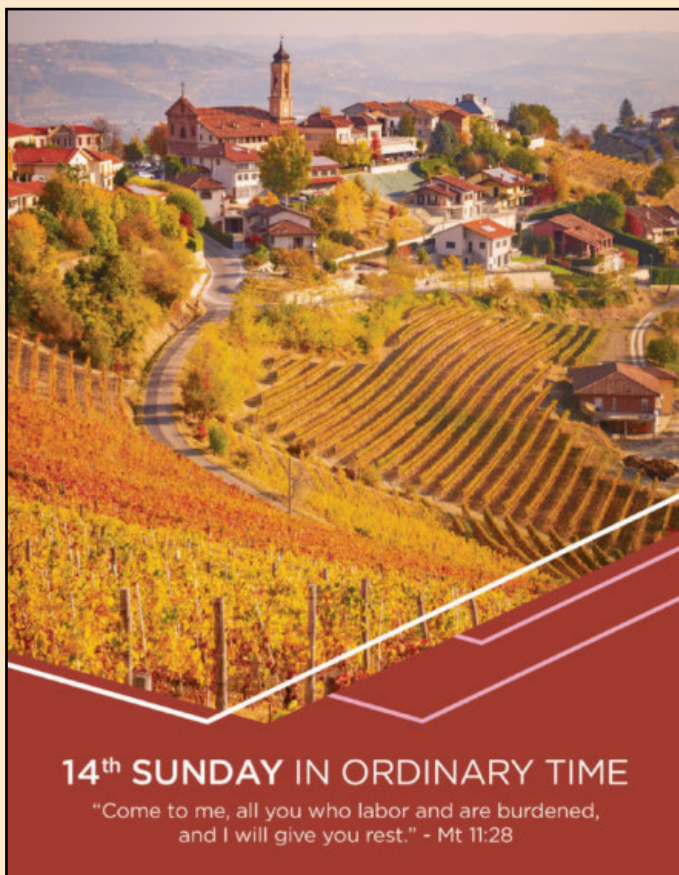
**14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## 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  
Friday: 11:15 AM\*  
\* Livestreamed

## RECONCILIATION

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





**14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**


"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,  
and I will give you rest." - Mt 11:28

## OUR LOCATION

### St. Mary's Catholic Church


 1205 Old Mill Road  
Blacksburg, VA 24060


 540-552-1091

 [officestaff@stmarysblacksburg.org](mailto:officestaff@stmarysblacksburg.org)

### Office Hours

Mon.-Fri. 9:00am-3:00pm

 [www.stmarysblacksburg.org](http://www.stmarysblacksburg.org)

 [www.facebook.com/stmarysblacksburg](https://www.facebook.com/stmarysblacksburg)



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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, Jul 8	5:00pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sunday, Jul 9	8:30 am	Bill & LaRue Drischel †
	11:30 am	The Community of St. Mary's
Tuesday, Jul 11	9:00 am	No Daily Mass
Wednesday, Jul 12	9:00 am	No Daily Mass
Thursday, Jul 13	6:30 am	No Daily Mass
Friday, Jul 14	11:15 am	M. B. Breene †

### Upcoming Events

Online: [stmarysblacksburg.org/calendar-1](http://stmarysblacksburg.org/calendar-1)

- July 11-13 - No Daily Mass
- July 12 - Summer Book Study, 6:30-8pm
- July 12 - High School Youth Group Campfire, 7pm
- July 14 - Youth Ministry Middle School Hike
- July 15 - Children's Adoration, 10am
- July 15-16 - Flower Bouquet Sales in the Narthex
- July 17-21 - Vacation Bible School
- July 20 - Sacristan Cleaners, 9-10am



Rosemary Anderson	Butch Kelly	Madison Neale
Ryan Barbeau	Kyle Kuzemchak	Stephen Orr
Alex Brisendine	Ariyah Jarome	Butch Perkins
Jill Burley	James Laignel	Therese Petersen
Nelson Carey	Darla Linkous	Ted Ricks
Carmyn Collins	Martins Family	Susan Ryan
Jim Driskell	Bob Meighan	Lisa Sburlati
Renee Gambon	Becky Meisner	West Vaughn
Elijah Garbatini	Solei Mueller	

Families may submit prayer requests to [officestaff@stmarysblacksburg.org](mailto:officestaff@stmarysblacksburg.org)

### YOUTH MINISTRY HAPPENINGS

High School Youth Group has a summer campfire social this **Wednesday July 12 at St. Mary's 7-9pm**. Invite your friends! We will be inside if weather is bad.

#### Sign up for upcoming events:

- MS Hike - Jul 14
- HS Lake House Trip - Jul 22
- Diocesan MS Rally - Aug 19
- HS Retreat - Sep 16-17
- Email Austin for details [nrvym@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:nrvym@richmonddiocese.org)



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### RECYCLE PLASTIC BAGS FOR BENCHES AT ST. MARY'S

**THANK YOU TO ALL** for helping St. Mary's acquire enough plastic for a THIRD bench! We are still collecting so be sure to bring your used plastic bags to the Parish Hall.



**2023 Total: 1,002.92 lbs.**

**Goal: 2000lbs.**

### Weekly Offering

June 25

#### Regular Collection

Offertory	\$2,909.00
Debt Reduction	\$341.00

#### eGiving

Offertory	\$680.00
Debt Reduction	\$20.00

Mass Attendance: 530 ↓ 36  
YTD Average Attendance: 607

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Need	54,061.50	594,676.50
Collected	37,859.00	525,703.14
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### MIRACLES OF THE EUCHARIST - ST. MARY'S DISPLAY

As part of our parish effort to enkindle a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist, we have posted selected panels of **Eucharistic Miracles** in the left hallway leading away from the Parish Hall. **Please come and see!!**

*International Exhibition*  
**MIRACLES OF THE EUCHARIST**  
ACROSS THE WORLD  
What is a Miracle of the Eucharist?

*M*iracles of the Eucharist are events in which the bread and wine of the Eucharist are transformed into the body and blood of Christ. These miracles are not only a sign of the power of God, but also a sign of the power of the Eucharist. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is not just a meal, but a sacrament of the body and blood of Christ. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of grace and life. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of unity and communion. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of hope and joy. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of love and peace. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of life and light. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of all that is good and beautiful in the world. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of all that is holy and sacred. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of all that is true and eternal. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of all that is good and beautiful in the world. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of all that is holy and sacred. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of all that is true and eternal. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of all that is good and beautiful in the world. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of all that is holy and sacred. They are a reminder that the Eucharist is a source of all that is true and eternal.

*Father Roberto Coggi O.S.A.*

"Miracles of the Eucharist are miraculous divine interventions that are aimed at confirming faith in the real presence of the body and blood of the Lord in the Eucharist. ... Miracles of the Eucharist are intended to confirm this faith, which based on the words of Christ, according to which what seems like bread is no longer bread and what seems like wine is no longer wine."

Father Roberto Coggi O.S.A.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

## **CHILDREN'S ADORATION**

Please join us for Children's Adoration on **Saturday, July 15** 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](mailto:jbhitzelberger@gmail.com)

## **SUMMER BOOK STUDY**

Deacon Mike will lead a discussion of **CATHOLICISM: A Global History from the French Revolution to Pope Francis** by John McGreevy (Provost at Notre Dame), 2022, ISBN: 978-1-324-00388-5 on **Wednesday, July 12**, 6:30-8pm at the home of Dr. Tom and Susan Ryan. If you are interested, please obtain the book and register to attend by calling or emailing Teri Wysocki at church, 540-552-1091 or [officestaff@stmarysblacksburg.org](mailto:officestaff@stmarysblacksburg.org). All are invited! Please join us!

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RAFFLE FUNDRAISER**

Knights of Columbus, Father Edward Fox Council 6747 is conducting their annual Virginia Tech Football Season Tickets Raffle Fundraiser. The Knights raffle is for two sets of home football tickets. Raffle tickets are \$5 each; 3 tickets for \$10; book of 10 for \$25 per book. Sales will be held after Mass on the weekends of **July 15/16, July 22/23 and August 26/27**. The raffle drawing will be on **August 27th**. You need not be present to win.

## **CHICKEN SOUP MINISTRY**

A huge **THANK YOU** to Caroline Bartlett, our new coordinator of St. Mary's Chicken Soup Ministry. Chicken Soup Ministry brings the tangible expression of Christ's love to fellow parishioners in the form of meals.

## **LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

Liturgical Ministers, it's time to log into Ministry Scheduler Pro to submit those dates you are unable to serve in the months of August and September, please. This is also a good opportunity for those folks who stepped away from serving during the pandemic to resume their ministry by contacting Beth Shaver, [liturgy@stmarysblacksburg.org](mailto:liturgy@stmarysblacksburg.org). Interested in joining a liturgical ministry? St. Mary's annual Ministry Fair is scheduled August 26 & 27 and a great opportunity to answer God's calling to serve the community in abundance! To all our Liturgical Ministers, we say THANK YOU.

## **SACRISTAN CLEANERS - Still looking for more helpers!**

Have you been looking for an opportunity to serve your parish in a meaningful, flexible, low-stress way?

\*First Thursday of the month, evening crew at 5pm

\*Third Thursday of the month, morning crew at 9am

No special skills are required, and all training and gear will be supplied. Kids, teens and students are welcome, grandparents are essential, Boomers are encouraged, singles and couples are all appreciated to revitalize this ministry. **We need you!**

Contact Kate Bixby at 706-836-5001 or [kbixby@verizon.net](mailto:kbixby@verizon.net), or the parish office for more information and to offer your service.

## **ROTARY CLUB BLOOD SCREENING**

The Rotary Club of Christiansburg-Blacksburg is hosting a blood screening, **Saturday July 15**, 6:30-10am at the Lewis Gale Hospital - Montgomery Lobby. The cost is \$50 cash or check and test results will be mailed to you and to your physician. Pre-register online at [www.rotary7570.org/blood](http://www.rotary7570.org/blood) or call 540-951-8988. Screening panel includes Hemoglobin A1C, Chem 14, CBC and Lipid panel.



## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**Registration is OPEN!**

(Children ages Rising K - 5th Graders)

## **SHINE THE LIGHT OF JESUS**

Ready, Set, Launch! It is time to register for this year's **STELLAR** Vacation Bible School, being held **July 17-21**.

Kids will Shine Jesus' Light with "out of this world" fun activities including Stellar Bible Adventures, Imagination Stations, Cinema, Galactic Snacks and All-Star Games.

VBS meets every morning from 9am-noon. Registration forms are available in the Narthex or at [stmarysblacksburg.org/parish-forms](http://stmarysblacksburg.org/parish-forms). The supply fee is \$50 per child. Registration deadline was **July 5**. T-shirts and supplies cannot be guaranteed for late registrations.



## **ST. MARY'S MINISTRY CORNER**

**This week: St. Mary's Flower Garden**



**Flower Bouquets are on sale in the Narthex after all Masses July 15 through September for \$10. Money raised goes to parish projects. Thank you!**

## **ST. MARY'S FLOWER GARDEN**

St. Mary's Flower Garden Ministry **needs volunteers** this Summer **to help with cutting flowers and wrapping bouquets on Saturday mornings**. If you like nature and the outdoors, this is the right volunteer job for you! Located in the back acreage of the church grounds, St. Mary's Flower Garden is a wonderful outdoor project to involve the entire family. We provide fresh flowers to adorn the altar and worship area from mid-June through mid-October. Special orders of flowers for private parties and weddings are accepted in advance. Please contact Angelika Huber-Kucera for more information, [geli.huber.kucera@gmail.com](mailto:geli.huber.kucera@gmail.com).



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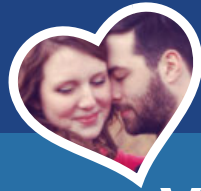
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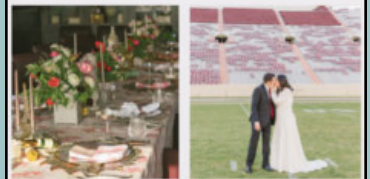
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