



St. Mary's

CATHOLIC CHURCH EST. 1938

JULY 16, 2023

15TH 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




OUR LOCATION

St. Mary's Catholic Church


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Office Hours

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

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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 15	5:00pm	The Community of St. Mary's
Sunday, Jul 16	8:30 am	Michael Brunelle †
	11:30 am	Louis Cotroneo †
Tuesday, Jul 18	9:00 am	Carl Spataro †
Wednesday, Jul 19	9:00 am	No Daily Mass
Thursday, Jul 20	6:30 am	Michael Brunelle †
Friday, Jul 21	11:15 am	Jack & Jeanette Snider †

Upcoming Events

Online: stmarysblacksburg.org/calendar-1

July 15/16 - Flower Bouquet Sales in the Narthex
 July 15/16 - VT Football Raffle, Knights of Columbus
 July 17-21 - Vacation Bible School, 9am-Noon
 July 19 - NO Daily Mass
 July 20 - Sacristan Cleaners, 9-10am
 Aug 26-27 - Ministry Fair (held in Parish Hall)



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

Families may submit prayer requests to
officestaff@stmarysblacksburg.org

YOUTH MINISTRY HAPPENINGS

High School Youth Group meets this
Wednesday, July 19 at Holy Spirit 7:30-9pm.

Sign up for upcoming events:

HS Lake House Trip - Jul 22
 Diocesan MS Rally - Aug 19
 HS Retreat - Sep 16-17
 Email Austin for details nrvym@richmonddiocese.org.

To keep up with events throughout the year, subscribe to our Flocknote listserv at nrvym.flocknote.com.



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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: 1,065.62 lbs.

Goal: 2000lbs.

Weekly Offering

July 9

Regular Collection

Offertory	\$4,394.62
Debt Reduction	\$1,076.00

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Offertory	\$595.00
Debt Reduction	\$20.00

Mass Attendance: 484 ↑ **17**
YTD Average Attendance: 597

	MAY	FISCAL YTD
Need	54,061.50	594,676.50
Collected	37,859.00	525,703.14
(Deficit)	(16,202.50)	(68,973.36)

Thank you for your continued generosity and support!



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.



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!!**



"An inscription in marble from the 17th century describes this Eucharistic miracle which occurred at Lanciaio in 750 at the Church of St. Francis. 'A monastic priest doubted whether the Body of Our Lord was truly present in the consecrated Host. He celebrated Mass and when he said the words of consecration, he saw the host turn into Flesh and the wine turn into Blood. Everything was visible to those in attendance. The Flesh is still intact and the Blood is divided

into five unequal parts which together have the exact same weight as each one does separately'."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE FOR THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Save the Date - October 12, 2023 - Register now!

Join Bishop Knestout and faithful from across the Commonwealth for a pilgrimage focused on the source and summit of our faith, the Eucharist.

Pilgrims will be invited to talks, tours, Eucharistic Procession, Adoration, Music and Mass with Bishop Knestout, all surrounded by the awe-inspiring beauty of the largest Catholic Church in North America. Registration for this free event is open and transportation will be offered from each vicariate. The Eucharistic focus of this pilgrimage supports the ongoing, nationwide Eucharistic Revival. This pilgrimage will offer resources in multiple languages.

Free bus transportation is being offered from three gathering points across the diocese (Roanoke for us). Register for the Pilgrimage and reserve a spot on the bus (if needed): evangelizerichmond.org/events/diocesan-pilgrimage/

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.

HAITI BOX- NEAR RECONCILIATION ROOM

Donations to the Haiti Box in our church sanctuary are used to support seminarians coming from our twin parishes in Haiti, who will be ordained to the priesthood. Since 2008, we have supported 6 seminarians who are now priests in the Cap-Haitien Diocese, and we currently support 3 seminarians, one studying in the Dominican Republic and 2 in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Please remember these 3 men who have committed their lives to our Church, in your prayers and financial support.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Ready, Set, Launch! It is time for this year's STELLAR Vacation Bible School, being held this week, **July 17-21**. VBS meets every morning from 9am-noon. 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.

MINISTRY LEADERS CALENDAR UPDATE

We are in the process of updating our church calendar and website with ministry meetings, events, etc. for the next 9-12 months. If you have meeting times/locations that need to be updated and/or events that should be on our calendar, please send the information to Teri Wysocki at officestaff@stmarysblacksburg.org.

The current church calendar can be accessed at: stmarysblacksburg.org/calendar-1

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. 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.



Have you signed up for GiveCentral, our online giving platform? One helpful thing you can do as a faithful steward of our parish is donate through recurring electronic gifts at GiveCentral. Donations can be deducted directly from bank accounts or transacted with credit/debit cards, on a monthly, weekly or other convenient basis.

Recurring Sunday offerings provide the parish with year-round stability and allow us to best support our ministries and programs. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Please register at
www.givecentral.org/location/1348
or use the QR code



ST. MARY'S MINISTRY CORNER

This week: St. Mary's Flower Garden

Flower Bouquets are on sale in the Narthex after all Masses now 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@googlemail.com.

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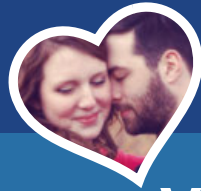
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