



St. Mary's

CATHOLIC CHURCH EST. 1938

JANUARY 28, 2024
FOURTH 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

1205 Old Mill Road
Blacksburg, VA 24060

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Office Hours

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

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Mass Intentions 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 person.

Saturday, Jan 27	5:00 pm	Michael Overstreet † Jim Armstrong †
Sunday, Jan 28	8:30 am 11:30 am	The Community of St. Mary's Lou Cotroneo †
Tuesday, Jan 30	9:00 am	Frank and Sherry Rectenwald
Wednesday, Jan 31	9:00 am	Sharon Desilets
Thursday, Feb 1	6:30 am	Frieda Snyder †
Friday, Feb 2	11:15 am	Mary Ann Enos

Upcoming Events

Online: stmarysblacksburg.org/calendar-1

Jan 27 & 28 - Youth Ministry Fundraiser
Jan 27 & 28 - Knights of Columbus Sub Orders
Jan 31 - St. John Neumann Academy Open House
Feb 1 - Sacristan Cleaners, 9am
Feb 2 - First Friday Adoration, 9-11am
Feb 2 - The Presentation of the Lord
Feb 2 - World Day for Consecrated Life
Feb 4 - Donut Sunday



Rosemary Anderson	Butch Kelly	Madison Neale
Ryan Barbeau	Kendra Kohl	Stephen Orr
Joyce Bolger	Kyle Kuzemchak	Sam Orth
Alex Brisendine	Ariyah Jarome	Therese Petersen
Jill Burley	James Laignel	Ted Ricks
Nelson Carey	Darla Linkous	Walter Sandberg
Carmyn Collins	Teresa Maher	Bev Shull
Maryann Enos	Martins Family	Paul Sorrentino
Renee Gambon	Annie Martin	West Vaughn
Elijah Garbatini	Becky Meisner	Doug Whichard
Brittany Heath	Solei Mueller	Loretta Zamer

Families may submit prayer requests to
officestaff@stmarysblacksburg.org

RECYCLE PLASTIC BAGS FOR BENCHES AT ST. MARY'S

We accomplished our 2000 lbs. goal for 2023! With everyone's help, we collected **2023 lbs** of plastic and were able to get two benches. Thank you for all the plastic. Next year's goal is 2024 lbs.

2024 Total: 133.5 lbs.
2024 Goal: 2024 lbs.



Weekly Offering

Jan 21

Regular Collection

Offertory	\$6,137.00
Debt Reduction	\$246.00

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Offertory	\$6750.00
Debt Reduction	\$0

Mass Attendance: 722 ↓ 49

YTD Average Attendance: 691

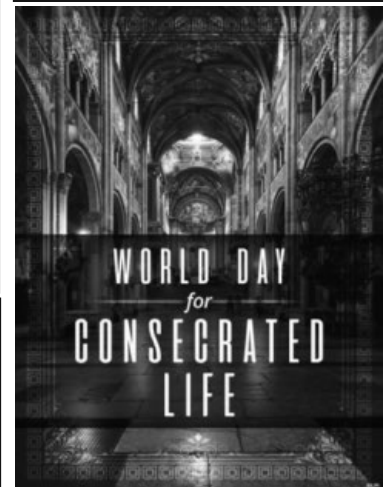
Thank you for all your continued generosity and support!

Parish Registration

Are you new to St. Mary's?
Welcome! Please register at
stmarysblacksburg.org/parish-forms.



Welcome to Give Central!
Please register at
www.givecentral.org/location/1348
or use the QR code to give.



YOUTH MINISTRY HAPPENINGS

- If you missed our fundraiser this Sunday and would like to support our youth, please email Austin (nrvym@richmonddiocese.org) for more info! This particular fundraiser is to help support the cost of our 19 high schoolers attending the Diocesan Youth Conference in February.

- NRV High School Youth Group meets this **Wednesday, January 31** at St. Mary's 7:30-9pm!

- To keep up with middle school and high school youth ministry events throughout the year, subscribe to our Flocknote listserv directly at nrvym.flocknote.com or email Austin at nrvym@richmonddiocese.org for more info.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

RCIA

Next Session

January 30, 2024

Topic

Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism & Confirmation

Speaker

Fr. Cassidy Stinson

rcia@stmarysblackburg.org

See schedule at: stmarysblackburg.org/rcia

ST. JOHN NEUMANN ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE

St. John Neumann Academy - **All are welcome to attend our school's Open House on Wednesday, January 31.** We would love to meet your family! Visit anytime between 9:00 am – 2:00 pm to learn more about our school! SJNA is Middle States Association accredited, offers challenging & engaging Preschool – 8th Grade classes, a very safe/respectful environment, licensed teachers, and vibrant school life. Tuition assistance available.

Can't make our Open House? Contact us for tour at (540) 552-7562 or director@sinacademy.org.



2024 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: Sharing His Love with Others— Feb 17/18 & 24/25

Over the past couple of weekends, you have been hearing about the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal. With a goal of **\$4,169,230**, the 2024 Appeal will provide critical funding to many diverse and impactful ministries that affect the lives of thousands of people in our Diocese. In early February, many of you will receive a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2024 Appeal. It is our sincere hope that you will answer our Bishop's request and make a generous commitment to this effort.



**Your gift to the Annual
Diocesan Appeal Empowers
the Next Generation**

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RichmondCatholicFoundation.org/Appeal



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Liturgical Ministers are reminded to enter their "away" dates in Ministry Scheduler Pro for the upcoming February & March roster. Update contact information, Mass preference and frequency of serving on the profile page. God bless you for your continued service to St. Mary's Community!

TO OUR HOUSE

This year St. Mary's will be the support church providing hot meals for dinner, breakfast and a bag lunch. The host church is New Life Christian Fellowship at 1521 S. Main Street. Our week is **February 17 - 23**. Look for sign-up sheets in the Narthex in the coming weeks.

YOUTH MINISTRY DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE FUNDRAISER

We are fundraising for our February trip to the Diocesan Youth Conference starting this weekend. Stop by the table in the Narthex after Mass or email Austin at nrvym@richmonddiocese.org for more information.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FATHER EDWARD FOX COUNCIL #6747 SUPER BOWL LVIII SUB FUNDRAISER



No matter who you are rooting for in the Super Bowl, you don't want to do it on an empty stomach!! Feed your inner beast and support a great organization at the same time!

Place your order at the Knights table in the Narthex

Orders will be taken after all Masses:

January 27-28

February 3-4

Subs delivery after the Masses on Super Bowl Weekend:

February 10-11

Subs are **\$10.00 per sub** with the choice of ham & cheese, turkey & cheese or combo & cheese.

Proceeds provide essential funding for multiple Knights of Columbus charities and administration costs.

ST. MARY'S MINISTRY CORNER

This week: NRV Glean Team

NRV Glean Team potato drop #16—February 16 & 17

The NRV Glean Team is hosting Potato Drop #16! We provide 50-lb bags of Maine potatoes to food providers, but some food banks ask us to divide those into smaller bags. And we must cut empty mesh bags from a large roll to provide to food banks.

The Drop will be on **Friday, February 16**, 3-6 pm and **Saturday, February 17**, 8-11 am at the Montgomery County Christmas Store. Park at the parking lot near 6 Hickok St SW in Christiansburg.

Contact John Galbraith at 540-392-1184 or jmg1@vt.edu with questions or for the sign-up link.



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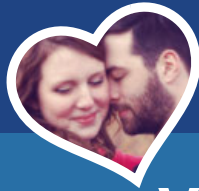
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