



St. Mary's

CATHOLIC CHURCH EST. 1938

FEBRUARY 11, 2024
SIXTH 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

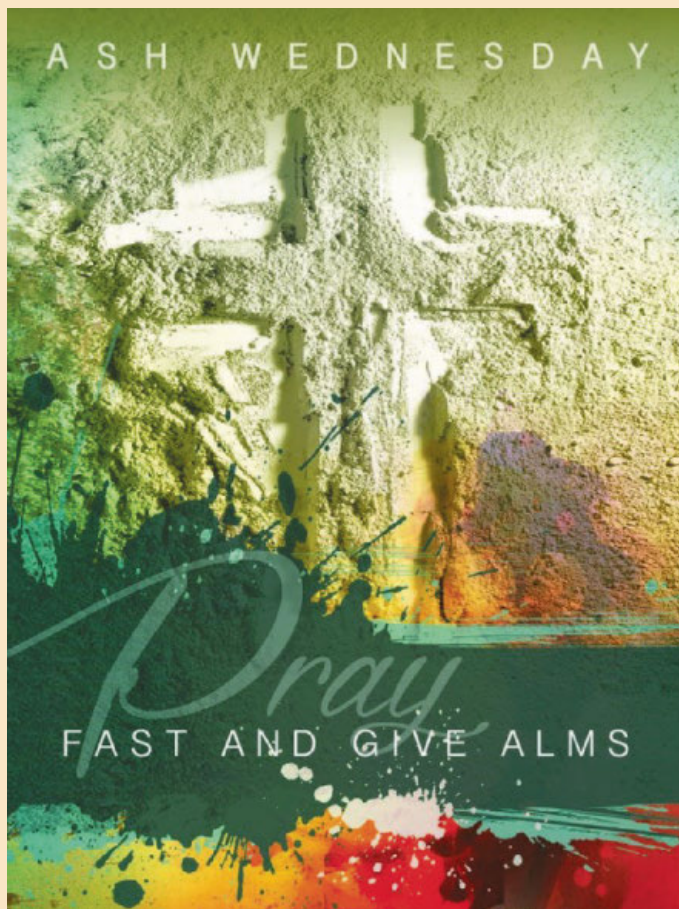
Friday: 11:15 AM*

*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, Feb 10	5:00 pm	The Community of St. Mary's
Sunday, Feb 11	8:30 am	Donald Natarelli † Richard Dore †
	11:30 am	Kate & Anthony Cotroneo †
Tuesday, Feb 13	9:00 am	Arleen Einloth
Wednesday, Feb 14	12:00 pm	
	7:00 pm	Joseph Montalvo II †
Thursday, Feb 15	6:30 am	
Friday, Feb 16	11:15 am	Marie Moran †

Upcoming Events

Online: stmarysblacksburg.org/calendar-1

Feb 10 & 11 - Knights of Columbus Sub Delivery
 Feb 10 & 11 - K of C - 40 Cans for 40 Days of Lent begins
 Feb 11 - World Marriage Day
Feb 14 - Ash Wednesday, Masses: Noon & 7pm
 Feb 16 - Lenten Friday Soup Supper, 6pm
 Feb 16 - Stations of the Cross, 7pm
 Feb 16 & 17 - Glean Team Potato Drop
 Feb 17 - Children's Eucharistic Adoration - 10am
 Feb 17 & 18 - Annual Appeal In-Pew Collection
 Feb 17-23 - To Our House Meal Preparation
 Feb 19 - Parish Office Closed - Presidents' Day



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

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: 207.6 lbs.
2024 Goal: 2024 lbs.



Weekly Offering

Feb 4

Regular Collection

Offertory \$5,361.50
 Debt Reduction \$586.00

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Offertory \$375.00
 Debt Reduction \$0

Mass Attendance: 681

YTD Average Attendance: 695

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.



The Lourdes Gift Shop
 will be open after the
 following Masses in
 February:

Feb 10 - 5:00pm
Feb 11 - 8:30am/11:30am
Feb 18 - 11:30am
Feb 25 - 11:30am

YOUTH MINISTRY HAPPENINGS

- There is NO heartbeat this Wednesday, February 14. Start off lent strong and go get your ashes!
- Please pray for our 19 teens who have been attending the Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC) in Richmond this weekend (and for our volunteers)! Please pray for them to encounter Christ in a real way as they celebrate their faith with 700 other teens from around the diocese.
- To keep up with middle school and high school youth ministry events throughout the year, subscribe to our Flocknote listserv directly at nrwym.flocknote.com or email Austin at nrwym@richmonddiocese.org.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

RCIA

Next Session

February 13, 2024

Topic

Madonna House

Living the Gospel

Speakers

Madonna House Staff

rcia@stmarysblackburg.org

See schedule at: stmarysblacksburg.org/rcia

16th GLEAN TEAM POTATO DROP

The 16th Glean Team Potato Drop will take place **February 16 and 17** at the Montgomery County Christmas Store. Signup to help us distribute potatoes to regional food providers. Contact John Galbraith at jmg1@vt.edu for more information.



TO OUR HOUSE

Again this year, St. Mary's will be a 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.



2024 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL (ST. MARY'S TARGET: \$33,100)

Sharing His Love with Others— February 17 & 18

Recently, many of you received a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal. We hope you will prayerfully consider this request. For those of you who did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our In-Pew Process at all Masses during the weekends of February 17 & 18. An important aspect of the Appeal is that all parishes receive back a portion of their funds collected to be used for important local priorities. **Thank you in advance for your support of the 2024 Appeal!**



CHILDREN'S ADORATION

Please join us for Children's Adoration on **Saturday, February 17** from 10-10:30 am. 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 are all welcome, with their parents! Fellowship and snacks follow. Questions? Please contact Joanna Hitzelberger, jbhitzelberger@gmail.com.

40 CANS or \$40 FOR 40 DAYS OF LENT

The Knights of Columbus will kick-off their annual food collection event this weekend, **February 10 & 11** in the Narthex. Food and money collected will benefit the St. Mary's Caring Closet. Please consider this opportunity for part of your Lenten Almsgiving.

FUEL & HUNGER GRANT

The Diocese of Richmond has awarded St. Mary's a Fuel & Hunger Grant of \$5000 this year! This grant helps several of our service ministries to provide assistance to those in our community.

EASTER EGG HUNT

St. Mary's will host our 2nd Annual Easter egg hunt on **Palm Sunday, March 24** at 1pm for all kids aged 1 - high school seniors. Please bring in donations of plastic Easter eggs and/or wrapped candy to help make this event **eggstra** special! A box for donations can be found in the Narthex.

Lenten Friday Meals

Please join us on Friday evenings in Lent for a meager, meatless meal of soup, salad and bread. You are invited to bring soup or salad to share, but it is not necessary. **We will begin eating at 6:00pm.**



Stations of the Cross Blessed Sacrament Adoration

Join in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Stations of the Cross starting at 7pm on all Fridays in Lent.



As a community, we strive to support survivors of child sexual abuse on their journey toward healing and wholeness.

For those who have suffered abuse by clergy residing in the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, we invite you to join virtually, February 7 at 7:00 p.m. Spouses and affected community members are also welcome. These gatherings, led by an independent facilitator, will offer a safe environment for participants to connect, share, support, and heal.

These meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month.

If you would like more information, or the virtual meeting link, please call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (877) 887-9603 or email dana@atreeplanted.org.

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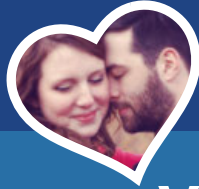
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