

# ST. MARY OF THE PRESENTATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Weekend Mass:

Saturday 5:00pm; Sunday 10:00am

## Weekday Mass:

Tuesday-Friday 10:00 am

## Church Office Hours:

Mon-Fri: 9-4 (Lunch 12-12:30)  
*Inclement weather delay/closing follows Suffolk Public Schools*

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4:00pm or by appointment

**Baptism:** Contact the parish office to make arrangements and to register for the parent baptismal preparation class

**Marriage:** Please contact parish office six months prior to the wedding. Engaged encounter or area Pre-Marital instruction normally required.

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**Coffee and Donuts:**

**Parish Goods:**

## ST. MARY OF THE PRESENTATION VISION STATEMENT

A vibrant Catholic community dedicated to spreading the Gospel by living our rich faith with prayer, love, and service.



# St. Mary of the Presentation



August 1, 2021

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mon	08/02	Weekday	Mt 14:13-21
Tue	08/03	Weekday	Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15: 1-2, 10-14
Wed	08/04	St. John Vianney, Priest	Mt 15:21-28
Thu	08/05	Weekday	Mt 16: 13-23
Fri	08/06	The Transfiguration of the Lord	Mt 9:2-10
Sat	08/07	Weekday	Mt 17: 14-20
Sun	08/08	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Jn 6:41-51

### **Please pray for our sick and shut-ins of the Parish**



Inga Barrett, Peg Cicirelli, Dot Crutchlow, Nathan Davidson, Shirley DeBarnard, John Dowd, Danny Ginther, Kathy Hansinger, Tom Grzywinski, Lydia Kee, Jean Petrucci, Samantha Quinn, Becky Salp, Gretchen Shaw, Ruth Silberholz, Mary Stevens, Rowanne Stevenson, Howard Thomson, George Warren

### **Friends, Family & Priests of the Diocese:**

John Aragon, Hugh Ball, Patrick Bales, Sean Behrman, Mindy Cintron, Rachel Cruvey, Selwyn Curtis, Russell Dail, James V. Dudley, Bob Dunn, Jan Estoquue, Lucia Flores-Quiroga, Caroline Godfrey, Carol Gurioli, Hawton-Hill, Brian Hensley, Mildred Jenkins, Susana Livar, Jo & Vic Manuele, Rebecca Maples, Judy Pearson, Gerard Pichon, Jenny Piver: Joel Rivera, Sandy Robertson, Alexis Royals, John Schroeder, Ray Shamburger, Billy Sutton, Daniel Theberge, Deacon Bob Walsh, Charles Weaver, Beverly Whitley



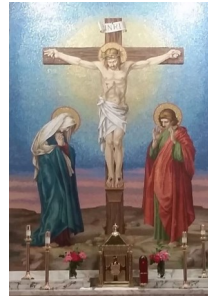
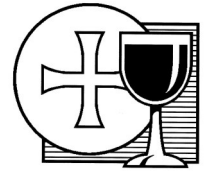
### **Active Duty Military Family and Friends Serving in Iraq and Afghanistan:**

Chris LeGrand, Nathan LeGrand,  
Devin Pisani, David Sjostedt

*“Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us”*

## **Mass Intentions**

08/03/2021 - No Mass  
08/04/2021 - Robert Lammy  
08/05/2021 - Mills Barlow, KOC  
08/06/2021 - Maria Catherine Vidal  
08/07/2021 - Andrew Damiani, KOC  
08/08/2021 - Debbie Arney



### **Mass Schedule: August 3-August 8, 2021**

\*No Daily Mass August 3\*  
Daily Mass Resumes August 4

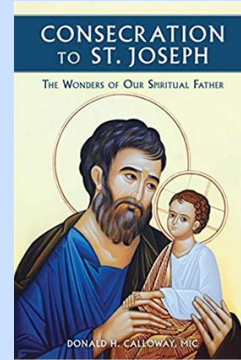
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5pm  
Sunday Mass: 10am

**Reconciliation:**  
Saturday: 4PM



### **Eucharistic Adoration**

First Friday of the Month following the 10am Mass



### **Consecration to St. Joseph**

Consecration to St. Joseph has begun but there is still time to join! Meets every Wednesday, 6:30-8PM in the parish social hall, through September 1.

Consecration will take place Wednesday, September 1, in the Sanctuary. If interested in participating, contact Julie Francis (334) 549-5511 or julie305@charter.net.



**Bishop Knestout encourages anyone aware of misconduct or abuse on the part of clergy or staff of our diocese to notify civil authorities. Call the Attorney General's Clergy Abuse Hotline at (833) 454-9064 and reach out to the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Jennifer Sloan, at (877) 887-9603.**

**IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED THE CHURCH BULLETIN IN YOUR EMAIL, YOUR INFORMATION MAY NEED TO BE UPDATED.**

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OR: Call the Church Office at 757-539-5732**

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**Fiscal Year 2022 began July 1, 2021**

Collection	7/24-25 2021	YTD
Regular Offertory	\$1,530	\$11,490
E-Giving	\$696	\$4,080
Capital Improvement	\$145	\$797
Haiti Student & Ministry	\$0	\$150
Mass Intentions"	\$20	\$71
St. Joseph Consecration	\$30	\$45
Youth Ministry	\$360	\$360
Stole Fee: Jeff Spring Donation	\$500	\$825
Word Among Us	\$20	\$56
<b>Total Collection (*Not Included)</b>	<b>\$3,261</b>	<b>\$17,500</b>
<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$4,745</b>	<b>\$18,980</b>
<b>BUDGET SURPLUS/ SHORTFALL</b>	<b>- \$1,484</b>	<b>- \$1,480</b>



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 or call: 757-690-1369

## Altar Flowers



Dedicate flowers to a loved one or in thanksgiving!

Contact Sandy Nance at  
 (757) 373-9928 or sandynance1@aol.com

## eGiving

You can have your Offertory Donations automatically sent to St. Mary's.  
 Just go to: [www.stmarysuffolk.org](http://www.stmarysuffolk.org)  
 Please become a Recurring E-Donor!



St. Mary's has established a Prayer Partners Group for you special prayer needs. Our partners have no special prayer format but will pray whatever is laid on their heart by the spirit. Some of our partners will be praying the rosary and chaplet after each daily mass for these intentions.

To request prayers

- please send email to [prayers@stmarysuffolk.org](mailto:prayers@stmarysuffolk.org)
- In the subject line put St. Mary Prayer Request
- Keep the request brief with the person's first name or initials only and a brief reason for the prayer intention. We welcome follow-up emails as to the outcome of the request, if applicable.



If you'd like to become a Prayer Partner, please send your name and email address to [prayers@stmarysuffolk.org](mailto:prayers@stmarysuffolk.org) or you can contact Ed Collum, Sr. on his cell (571) 331-4666



Online **VIRTUS** training is being offered through the diocese if you are interested in volunteering at St. Mary's.

Please call Ann Sweet for more information  
 (757) 539-5732



### Home Mission Grant

St. Mary's has been awarded \$9,200 from the Diocesan "Home Mission Grant." The Diocese of Richmond: Office of Propagation of Faith awards this grant to smaller parishes doing capital projects. This grant, supported by funding from the Bishop's Annual Appeal, will help us repair the roof. Thank you for supporting the Bishop's Appeal, and thank you for supporting your parish.

Welcome Back!



## Religious Education Registration has begun!

You can register for Religious Ed.  
grades K-8, Youth Ministry, and  
Preparation for Sacrament Classes  
on our website at [StMarySuffolk.org](http://StMarySuffolk.org)



## ST. MARY'S STORE

Did you know that there is a  
St. Mary's Store on our church  
website? Visit [StMarysSuffolk.org](http://StMarysSuffolk.org)



The death of a loved one can be one of the most distressing and emotional occurrences that a person can experience. When a loved one dies, there are many important decisions that must be made, documents that must be quickly located, and numerous people who must be notified. Often, these decisions are made without guidance and under extreme duress from grief and confusion. The Catholic Community Foundation of the Diocese of Richmond has created this book to provide focus and guidance; a central location for family members to record personal information, convey personal desires and wishes, and identify the location of any important documents that will be needed when there is a death in the family. Contact or visit the office at St. Mary's for a copy of this guide.

## SPIRITUAL GIFTS: THE 2-DAY RETREAT



Attend this 2-day course by Deacon Darrell Wentworth,  
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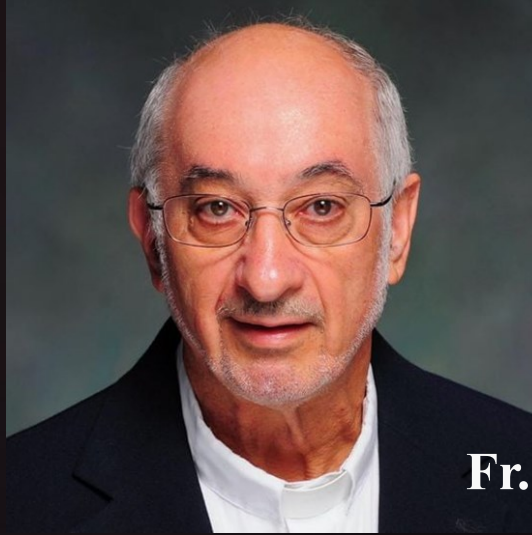


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# IN MEMORIAM



**Fr. Lou Ruoff**

Earlier this week former St. Mary's Pastor, Fr. Lou Ruoff, passed away. His funeral will be held on Thursday, August 6 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Richmond (9505 Gayton Road, Richmond, VA 23229). Fr. Emmanuel will be attending the funeral; if you are interested in attending, please notify the office.

The viewing will start at 6:00 PM in the daily mass chapel. The Funeral Mass will be at 7:00 PM, followed by a reception. Burial will take place in Pennsylvania at a later date. For those who cannot attend, the Funeral Mass will be live streamed via St. Mary's Richmond. A Memorial Mass for Fr. Lou will be scheduled here at St. Mary of the Presentation (date TBD).



## *What to expect on that day*

Originally Posted on June 12, 2014 by Father Lou

I'll let you in on a little secret:  
I can't wait to die—err, that is,  
I'll be excited when that inevitable day comes.  
But I hope I don't hear God calling to me saying,  
that "Lou, how are you doing?"  
Isn't our God supposed to know everything?  
With good and sincere intentions  
I hear people greet others  
all the time  
in supermarkets,  
in banks,  
at church,  
at work,  
at their kids' little league games  
with those words "How are you?"  
But many times it's done perfunctorily,  
that is, it is what you say to be social—  
but the meaning behind it is but  
superficial—and in fact, natural.  
But, we don't expect God to be like that.  
Rather, I want God to greet me saying,  
"Lou, what a journey you've been on.  
I was with you all the way.  
But there are things we ought to  
talk about."

There's no getting away from  
that discussion—but my God,  
I would feel so wonderful—and  
disarmed and less defensive.  
And now an even greater fear  
for me will be after that discussion,  
if God would say to me,  
"Come and welcome into the kingdom—but first,  
spend some time with some other guests  
at our cocktail lounge."  
Cocktail lounge?  
Gosh, talk about superficial!  
I have a hard time at those things.  
I like serious talk,  
honest talk,  
real talk with real people.  
And then,  
I start to think,  
"well there's no time in the Kingdom;  
this can go on forever—and that could be hell!"  
O God, I love talking to you everyday—  
and more so seeing you as you are.  
Being invited to your Kingdom  
would be heaven to me—  
and though I don't deserve it,  
I am honored to be in your presence



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**St. Mary's Women's Club**

*Welcomes*

**All Women of the Parish**



Meetings are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed of the month (except June, July, August)

**6:30PM - Social Hall**

For more information contact

**Lavonne Fletcher, 672-4794**

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[www.kofc7363.org](http://www.kofc7363.org)

Meetings:

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday @ 7:00 P.M.  
Fr. Tommy Nee Social Hall

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