+ST. MARY'S PARISH

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WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S CHURCH. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Haynes or to one of our usher/greeters, and sign our guest register so that we have a record of your visit. We hope you will come again. If you have questions, need more information, or have other concerns, please contact the Parish Office at parishoffice@stmarysburlington.org or call at us (609) 386-0902. The Parish Office is located in the Guild House, Broad & Talbot Streets. The Rector is available at any time by appointment.

THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR this weekend are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Robert A. Grimes; those at the Pulpit, Lectern, and Shrine are given as a thankoffering for Maway Dolo's birthday.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP burns this week to honor the Sacramental Presence of our Lord, in memory of John Tieman.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Friday 2/28	12:00 p.m. Low Mass – New St. Mary's Church
Saturday 3/1	5:30 p.m. Low Mass – New St. Mary's Church
Sunday 3/2	7:30 a.m. Low Mass – New St. Mary's Church
	9:00 a.m. Sung Mass – New St. Mary's Church

SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY (**FEBRUARY 23**): The three Sundays preceding Lent are traditionally designated as "Septua," "Sexa-," and "Quinqua-" gesima Sundays, because they are roughly 70, 60 and 50 days before Easter.

These pre-Lenten Sundays are not observed liturgically in most places these days, but they do offer an opportunity to look forward to, and prepare for, the penitential season of Lent. Ash Wednesday falls on March 5th, with Easter Day on April 20th.





ST. MARY'S LADLE OF LOVE operates as a Food Pantry for the community on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Wednesday of each month at St. Mary's Guild House. The Food Pantry is open from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on February 26th.

Statistics for February 19th:

Children (0 - 17) in Assisted Households: 149 Adults (18 - 59) in Assisted Households: 225 Seniors (60+) in Assisted Households: 36

Total Households Assisted: 110 households with a total of 374 members

LOL Donations:

Mitchell and Theresa Arnold - In loving Memory of Joey Morris Anna Cook-Karwacki Jennifer Mendez Tomiko Thompson

Thank you, parishioners of St. Mary's, for your support of this ministry... for your prayers, contributions, and service. Thank you, volunteers, who make this ministry possible.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

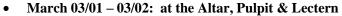
Saturday 2/22 Maway Dolo Sunday 2/23 Helen Conard Wednesday 2/26 Betty Baird Thursday 2/27 Allen Conard



COFFEE HOUR DATES FOR 2025: Thanks to everyone we have all our hosts lined up through August. If you still want to help one of our future hosts, please reach out to Barbara Frake. Thanks to Mary Wirth, Don Hawkey and Amy Ancharski for help with last Sunday's Coffee Hour.

- March 2nd Grace & Dave Gardellin St. Patrick's Day
- May 4th Maway Dolo
- June 22nd Mikell & MJ Dolo/Old St. Mary's
- July (Date to be Determined) Cindy Robertson & Jennifer Martin/Old St. Mary's
- August 10th St. Mary's Choral Society/Old St. Mary's

OPENINGS FOR FLOWER OFFERINGS IN MARCH: Week by week, flowers decorate St. Mary's for our worship services. These are offered by parishioners and friends as memorials, thankofferings, or other dedications. We have "openings" for flower offerings on the following weekend:



Please call the parish office: (609) 386-0902, or email parishoffice@stmarysburlington.org. Thanks!



SOUPER SUNDAY - PRE-ORDER NOW FOR MARCH 1ST AND 2ND

St. Mary's Outreach is sponsoring a gourmet Soup Sale the weekend of March 1st and 2nd, with these delicious selections to choose from:

- Loaded Baked Potato
- Hearty Chicken Noodle
- Authentic Italian Pasta Fagioli
- Old Fashioned Ham & Bean

Pints are \$4 and Quarts are \$7 or three Quarts for \$20. Soups will be ready for pick up the evening of Saturday the 1st (5:00 pm to 6:30 pm) or Sunday the 2nd (9:00 am to 10:30 am) from the Guild House. They will be sold in containers you can freeze.

Sale proceeds will go to the Colonial Burlington Foundation for their continued building and garden maintenance and restoration efforts of the historic Thomas Revell House. The one-room Revell House, dating 1685, is the oldest building in Burlington County: www.colonialburlingtonfoundation.org.

Pre-Orders will be taken through **Sunday**, **February 23rd**. Share this sale with family, friends and neighbors!

Order forms can be found on the tract table in the Church or obtained from the Parish Office (parishoffice@stmarysburlington.org). Please contact Barbara Frake or Amy Ancharski with any questions.

LOOKING AHEAD TO LENT:

Shrove Tuesday Confessions: The Rector will hear confessions in the New Church on Shrove Tuesday, March 4th, from 9 - 9:30 a.m. and 6 - 6:30 p.m., or by appointment. Please speak to Fr. Haynes if you would like to learn about confession, or would like advice in preparing for confession.

Ash Wednesday – March 5th. On this day we begin the 40-day season of preparation for Easter by confessing our sinfulness and marking our foreheads with ashes as a sign of mortality and penitence. It is one of two days in the Episcopal kalendar (the other is Good Friday) designated as a day of fasting and abstinence. This means not eating during the day, refraining from meat and other luxuries, and taking one simple meal, usually in the evening. (Of course, these guidelines are flexible according to age and physical ability.) Plan to join with your parish family in making this beginning of a holy Lent and a renewed life! We will celebrate Mass, with imposition of ashes, at 12:00 Noon and at 6:30 p.m.

Palm Sunday Palms: If you saved blessed palms from last Palm Sunday, you should bring them to the church for reverent disposal; a basket will be found in the narthex. Alternatively, you can dispose of them at home by burning. Remember, they are blessed and should not be thrown away with trash.

LENTEN STUDY SERIES: "THE FIRST LETTER TO THE CORINTHIANS"

One aspect of Lenten discipline is "reading and meditating on God's holy Word." (See the "invitation to a holy Lent," p. 264 in the Prayer Book). This year we'll be taking a look at **The First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians**, which contains many familiar passages and teachings. This is an ambitious undertaking, and if we find that we don't have sufficient time we'll continue our study in Eastertide! We'll be holding our conversations "remotely" by Zoom on **Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m., March 12 & 19 and April 2 & 9** (Fr. Havnes will be away on March 26.)

If you'd like to participate but need a Bible, please speak to Fr. Haynes – we have spares to share. Also, there are a multitude of online resources for Bible reading. Two examples are blueletterbible.org and biblegateway.com.

If you plan to take part in the Lenten study, please add your name to the list at the back of the church to make sure you receive the link for the Zoom meeting, which will be emailed in advance.

Blessing box

UPDATED NEED FOR THE BLESSING BOX: The Outreach group is requesting the following donation for the Blessing Box located along the walkway from the Guild

House Parking lot to the New Church. The donation bin will be located at the rear of the New Church at the rear. Any donations are welcome, we are concentrating our efforts on the following for each month to build up supplies! We thank you for your contributions!

• February: Toothbrushes

March: Toothpaste

April: SoapMay: ShampooJune: DeodorantJuly: Lotion

• August: Detergent (small size available at most Dollar stores)

FORWARD DAY BY DAY: The February/March/April 2025 edition is available at the back of the church, or in the Parish Office. Many have found this devotional booklet a good way to deepen their familiarity with Scripture, and a valuable tool in their spiritual journey. You could find it helpful as well! A \$1.00 donation is requested.



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS



We encourage you to take our prayer list with you and pray for them at home. Those on the list are remembered during worship services. Request forms can be found at the back of the church, if you would like to ask that a name be added to the prayer list. Give the completed form to an usher or to the rector. Please pray for

THE ILL AND THOSE IN NEED: Dan Dufner, Joanne Grimes, Rich Janulis, Kathleen Junkerman, Alex Kline, David Kline, Kaylee Matthews, Glenn Mettrock, Kimberly Parzyck, James Shedaker, William, Mary Wolbert.

THE DEPARTED: Larry Mead, Laura Reynolds

THE CHRONICALLY ILL/SHUT-IN: Bill Baird, Rita Barber, Judy Battista, Kitty Birkett, Linda Bowker, Christopher Browne, Renee Calderone, Barbara Candelaria, Luise Cherubini, Linda de la Rosa, Jackie Fine, Harry Fisher, Esther Franklin, Christine Gakeler, William Gares, Bronwyn Haynes, Diane Koger, Dwight Koger, Brett McCaw, Courtney Page, Davis Parker, Barry Petty, Mandy Picone, Marian Pierpont, Harry Rebeck, Barbara Reynolds, Dae Rebeck Sanchez, Michael Stoer, Rick Thomas, William Ward, Joe Whitehouse, Camille Zagaroli.