"The home of Nazareth is the school where we begin to understand the life of Jesus - the school of the Gospel. First, then, a lesson of silence. May we esteem for silence, that admirable and indispensable condition of mind, revive in us . . . A lesson on family life. May Nazareth teach us what family life is, its communion of love, its austere and simply beauty, and its sacred and inviolable character . . . A lesson of work. Nazareth, home of the 'Carpenter's Son,' in you I would choose to understand and proclaim the severe and redeeming law of human work."

Pope Paul VI

SAINT MARY’S CHURCH

REV. MSGR. ROBERT G. AMEY, V.F. PASTOR
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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SUNDAY………………..7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm and 5:00 pm
SATURDAY VIGIL……..5:00 pm
DAILY……………………7:00 am, 9:00 am and 12:10 pm (in chapel)
         Saturday 9:00 am only
HOLY DAY………………7:00, 9:00 am, 12:10 pm and 7:00 pm

Please consult the special schedule for Holy Week, Easter, Christmas and New Year’s Masses, Confessions and Services.

EVERY 4TH SUNDAY
OF THE MONTH……..6:00 pm Filipino (Tagalog) Mass

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
In Our Lady’s Chapel, Monday - Friday • 9:30 am to 6:00 pm
Benediction every First Friday at 5:45 pm

CONFESSIONS
Wednesday 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Saturday 4:00 pm

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UPCOMING EVENTS

January
Jan 3  Confessions, 5pm
Jan 4  First Holy Communion Parents Meeting, Gym, 7pm

Next Weekend Mass Celebrants
January 6  5:00 pm Fr. Lucian
January 7  7:30 am Fr. Val
9:00 am Msgr. Amey
10:30 am Fr. Jorge
12:30 pm Fr. Jorge
5:00 pm Fr. Lucian

Monday, January 1 is the Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God. It is a holy day but not one of obligation this year. However, St. Mary’s is offering 4 Masses in celebration of our Blessed Mother.

MASS INTENTIONS

Thursday, January 4
7:00 am • William Trzyzewski †
9:00 am • Philip J. Tierney †
12:10 pm • Patty Powell

Friday, January 5
7:00 am • Cooper Abbott †
9:00 am • Becky Myles
12:10 pm • Denise Hedgepeth †

Saturday, January 6
9:00 am • William Albrecht †
Vigil 5:00 pm • Gerardo Gonzalez

The Epiphany of the Lord Sunday, January 7
7:30 am • Michael Swiderski †
9:00 am • Tohakova Family
10:30 am • Peace on Earth
12:30 pm • Michael Francis Conway †
5:00 pm • Parishioners

Nothing is impossible with God

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PARISH MEMBERSHIP
Registration forms are available in the vestibules of the church. Please notify the Rectory if you change your address or move from the parish. You must be a registered parishioner for at least 6 months before we can issue a certificate of eligibility to be a sponsor or godparent. Please make an appointment with Monsignor Amey if you need a Pastoral Recommendation.

BAPTISMS
Baptisms are held two Saturdays per month at 10:00 am and two Sundays per month at 11:30 am, subject to scheduling. Pre-baptism classes for all new parents will be held on the 4th Wednesday of the month in the Rectory Meeting Room. To enroll, call the Rectory 4-6 weeks prior to class. Six months prior parish registration is required.

MARRIAGES
Couples must make arrangements with one of the parish priests at least six months prior to the tentative wedding date. At least one party must be a member of St. Mary’s Parish.

BULLETIN DEADLINE
Items may be emailed, faxed, mailed or brought to the Rectory office 10 days prior to the bulletin’s publication date.
**Important Message for New and Veteran Altar Servers:**

Father Jorge will hold training for **NEW** Altar Servers and for **any veteran altar servers who missed the October training sessions** on the dates listed below. The server and their parent(s) **MUST** attend **ONE** of the dates of **SESSION ONE**. The server is required to attend **ONE** of the dates of **SESSION TWO**.

**Session One in the Parish Hall:**
- Friday, January 12, at 6 pm OR Sunday, January 14, 2 pm.

**Session Two in the Main Church:**
- Friday, January 19 at 6 pm OR Sunday, January 21, 2 pm.

Attendance at both of these meetings is **required to become a St. Mary’s altar server**. Contact Father Jorge at stmaryserver@gmail.com or 301-424-5550 for more information.

**Anointing of the Sick**—is for those Catholics who have attained the use of reason and whose physical health is seriously impaired. Through this sacrament, the Church comforts and supports the person who is suffering and continues the healing ministry of Christ. It is fitting to have this sacrament just prior to a serious operation. If you or a family member has a scheduled surgery, please call the rectory to make an appointment to see a priest prior to the surgery for the administering of the sacrament. 301-424-5550.

**Benediction on First Friday Evenings**—As Catholics we know that Christ is fully present—Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity—in the Eucharist. The Eucharist is exposed in Our Lady’s Chapel, Monday thru Friday from 9:30am to 6:00pm. Benediction is offered every First Friday of the month. Come join us on **Friday, January 5, at 5:45 pm** for this special devotion.

**First Communion Parents Meeting**—On **Thursday, January 4, 2018, at 7:00 pm** in the school gym there will be a First Communion Meeting for parents of our second grade and Advanced Sacraments students in St. Mary’s School and CCD. One parent/guardian of each family must attend. Contact Mrs. Lacy Prebula with any questions, smrockville@gmail.com or 301-762-8750.

**Rosary Tour**—New Year’s Day, **Monday, January 1, 2018**, at local abortion facilities. Contact Bill Luksic, 301-461-9282 or bluksic1@verizon.net.

**Mass Intentions**—Any one of the regularly scheduled Masses may be offered for a specific intention: in memory of a deceased person; for a sick person’s recovery; a special birthday; anniversary, or other occasion. You may make arrangements in the rectory office for a specific date. The customary offering for a Mass card is $15.00. To request a Mass offering visit the rectory Monday-Friday 9am to 5pm and Saturday and Sunday, 8 am to 1 pm.

**To all of our Visitors:**

**Welcome to St. Mary’s** - We are happy you are here! To become registered parishioners please obtain a registration form online at www.stmaryrockville.org, email the rectory at stmaryrockville@yahoo.com, or stop by the rectory during business hours.

**Evangelization:**

**Religious Minorities in Asia** - That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

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**Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention for January 2018**

Each month, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month.

**The grace of God was upon him**
St. Mary's Annual Cash Raffle

Support St. Mary's Parish and School by purchasing raffle tickets. Each ticket goes DIRECTLY back into our school to better our curricula and facilities. Raffle tickets are ONLY $10 EACH!

Msgr. Amey will draw the winning ticket at our "Silver Anniversary" Gala on February 10th. You need not be present to win.

CASH PRIZES
1st Place - $5000
2nd Place - $2000
3rd Place - $1000

Tickets sold after Masses from December 31 thru February 4!

Contact Jenn Do with questions: Jenn.do@me.com

Activities for Young Adults

St. Mary’s School Toy Drive—Thank you to all who contributed to the St. Mary's School Toy Drive sponsored by the Junior National Honor Society. 287 toys and $150.00 in gift cards were collected and given to the City of Rockville Toy Drive. Thank you for your generous support!

Nativities of the World Exhibit—A collection of more than 150 creches from around the globe will be on display daily at the Franciscan Monastery until January 7, 2018, 9 am to 5 pm. 1400 Quincy St. NE, Washington, D.C. 20017. Free parking. For more information myfranciscan.org or 202-526-6800.

Our Lady of Bethesda—Offers retreats for men, women, married and engaged couples throughout the year. Visit their website to see the schedule and to register. WwW.ourladyofbethesda.org or call 301-365-0612.

St. Mary’s Young Adult Ministry—seeks to provide a home, a place to be rooted for Young Adults attending St. Mary’s. We hope that you’ll join us as we start our journey towards creating a vibrant young adult ministry here at St. Mary’s. Together we'll pursue God through service, fellowship, and joyful worship. Check out our Facebook page or contact Deanna Cho, deannaycho@gmail.com for more details.

Epiphany Party for Young Adult Catholics—St. Catherine Laboure Church, 11801 Claridge Rd. Wheaton, MD, Saturday, January 13, 2018, 7pm to Midnight. Mingle with local Catholics and enjoy a delicious Greek dinner, dancing and more. Tickets are $21.00 by January 8 or $25.00 at the door. RSVP and purchase tickets online at http://slsociety.org/epiphany/

270Catholic 270Catholic is a lively young adults ministry (20's and 30’s, single and married) seeking to grow closer to Christ in the I-270, Montgomery County region. The representative for 270Catholic at St. Mary's is Crystel Britto. She can be reached at crystel@270Catholic.org. Visit their Web site, 270Catholic.org, and sign up for the newsletter at the bottom of their homepage.

For more details about any 270Catholic events, please visit https://www.facebook.com/270Catholic/events or send an email to 270catholic@gmail.com.
Can you help Pregnant Women in Need?- Look for the Gabriel Project display in the Main Church entrance nearest the school where the following new items can be dropped off anytime: diapers, (especially 4-5), crib sheets, onesies for infants and sizes 3-24 months, children’s underwear, diaper bags, receiving blankets, children’s socks, baby towels, wash cloths, children’s pajamas, baby’s shampoo and lotion; educational toys for children up to 12 years old and children’s Bible-themed books. Thank you for supporting the Gabriel Project!

ONGOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

♦ Monthly Food Collection– 2nd Sunday of every month benefiting Rockville
Help to assist families in our local community.

♦ Monthly Blood Pressure Screenings– 2nd Sunday of every month after the
9:00 and 10:30 am Masses provided by the Social Concerns Health Ministry.
Contact Sue at shbrn54@aol.com.

Food Recovery – Volunteers are needed to pick up perishable food that would
otherwise be thrown away from restaurants/stores and deliver to Nourish Now in
Rockville for distribution to shelters and individuals. Please contact Kathleen at
kmmckillen@gmail.com for more information.

Chase Partnership (Catholic Charities) – Prepare a meal once a month.
Contact Mary at maryperry@comcast.net.

Rainbow Place– Volunteers are needed to serve dinner to women at the
homeless shelter located in downtown Rockville. Please contact Casey at
casey.gessner@gmail.com.

Becky’s House–Volunteers are needed to serve lunch and play bingo on
Saturdays. Please contact Casey at casey.gessner@gmail.com.

VOCATION ACTIVITIES

MEN’S DISCERNMENT RETREAT – Cardinal Wuerl invites men in their 20s, 30s, or 40s who are open to a call to the priesthood to attend a discernment retreat led by priests of the Archdiocese of Washington. The retreat will be held on the weekend of February 2 – 4, 2018, at Saint John Paul II Seminary in Washington, D.C.

The weekend will offer time away from your daily routine and will provide an opportunity for prayer and reflection to examine God’s call. There is no cost to attend. Registration is now open at www.depriest.org. Email vocations@adw.org with any questions.

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO THE DIACONATE?– The Office of Permanent Diaconate Formation of the Archdiocese of Washington will begin a new cycle of recruitment and preparation of men for the diaconate. The initial selection process will be preceded by 6 opportunities to “Come and See” about the permanent diaconate. These events will be held at various locations around the Archdiocese in January thru March 2018. To learn more contact Deacon Desi Vikor, Director of Formation, at 301-853-4582. Or vikor@adw.org.

WOMEN RELIGIOUS POSTER

- The Archdiocese Office of Consecrated Life and Office of Priest Vocations are working together to create a vocation poster featuring women from the Archdiocese who are currently in religious formation. To facilitate production, please help gather names of women originally from the Archdiocese or those who lived in the Archdiocese before entering religious life. Please submit their name, home parish and religious order to Teresa Yao at yaot@adw.org or call 202-636-9020 by January 31, 2018.

PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR CHURCHES FREE OF CLUTTER— Materials may not be posted or left in the Main Church or Our Lady’s Chapel without the Pastor’s permission.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXHIBIT ON THE RESTORATION OF JESUS’ TOMB-Journey to the Holy Sepulchre and the Tomb of Christ. Exhibit runs through August 15, 2018, at the National Geographic Museum. Go to nationalgeographic.org/dc/exhibitions/tomb-of-Christ for more information on this 3-D exhibit. Tickets $15.00; 3-D Movie $7.00. Group rates available. The museum is located at 1145 17th St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20036.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SPECIAL NEEDS MASS– Upcounty Community Resources invites all to attend St. Francis of Assisi, Derwood, MD, Sunday, Jan 7, 2018, 5 pm, to celebrate the Gift of All God’s Children in a special Mass for adults & children with developmental differences. There will be a reception following the Mass. If you wish to participate in this event as a liturgical reader, greeter, usher, or altar server please contact Sylvia Jones, 301-762-6564. All are welcome.
In Your Prayers…

Please pray for the men and women of our parish who serve in the armed forces and their families, especially…


Remember the sick, especially…..


Remember the deceased, especially…… Mary Dell Mason, Robert Harlow, Jose Marroquin.

Our deepest sympathies go out to their loved ones. May God’s steadfast love and the support of family and friends comfort them.

Names remembering the sick, will remain on this list for 4 consecutive weeks, but can be repeated by calling the Rectory. If you have recovered and want your name removed, please notify the Rectory.

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The Church serves its people.

It takes the people to serve the Church.

“As generous distributors of God’s manifold grace, put your gifts at the service of one another.”