#### St. Mary's Episcopal Church | January 26, 2025 PRAYERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## IN OUR PRAYERS PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for Stephen, the Interim Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, Presiding Bishop; Mark, Gayle and Bud, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

We pray for all those involved in mission: the Church in Jerusalem; for the Church and the people of Haiti; San Lucas in Honduras; St. Mary's and St. Andrew's in Tanzania, St. Matthew's Cathedral in Renk, South Sudan; for the Episcopal parishes of Christ Ascension in Richmond and Santa Maria in Falls Church;

We pray for the care of our planet and for peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan, and throughout the world, and that the ceasefire in Gaza holds:

We pray for Daniel Dut, Susan Williams, Louisa McClanahan, John Boswell, Mildred Busch, Phyllis & Rupert Treadway, for all who work for the federal government, and for those impacted by the school shooting in Nashville;

We pray for those who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.



Today at our Ribbon and Whiting Ceremony we highlight the achievements of our youth choristers in the Royal School of Church Music training program that St. Mary's offers through our affiliation with this international organization which provides training, resources and summer singing courses of the highest caliber to support singers of all ages and levels of experience.



Adult Faith Formation Today at 9 am with The Rev. Canon Victoria Heard

Christian Vocation will be the topic for this presentation and discussion.

You're not too late! Join this week.

The Men's Online Bible Study resumed Jan. 21 from 7-8 am on Zoom

Canon Victoria began a study on 1st Corinthians on Jan. 22, 7-8:30 pm, in person

Contact Paul Douthit for Men's Study (psdouthit@yahoo.com | 202-841-0884) & Canon Heard for 1st Corinthians victoria.heard@stmarysarlington.org

## Walking The Mourner's Path Class begins next week, Sun., February 2

This group is a way to connect with others who are experiencing loss in a safe, confidential and life-giving way.

Sundays, 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm Feb 2, 9, 16, 23,

March 2, 9, 16, 23

A commitment to all classes is asked due to the topic.
ALL are welcome!

Register on the Parish Hub or with QR code



Executive Director of Jerusalem Princess Basma Centre



Friday, February 21 6:00-7:30 pm Please come and be a part of this special evening where a message of hope prevails.

### Join us for Evening Vespers

An evening of music, poetry & prayers featuring the Wild Band

January 31, 6:30-8 pm

"Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice." Psalm 141:2

This will be a festive evening filled with great people, music, poetry and prayers.

Dinner and refreshments will be provided.

A free-will offering is appreciated.

# CANDLEMAS CHORAL EUCHARIST SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2 AT 5:00 PM

Chili Cook Off follows at 6:00 pm Sign Up for Chili Cook off on Parish Hub

Join in the celebration as the St. Mary's Choir leads this Choral Eucharist.

Candlemas is a Christian feast day that celebrates the presentation of Jesus in the Temple of Jerusalem. It is celebrated on February 2, forty days after Christmas and is also known as a festival of light with the blessing of candles. The Nunc Dimittis comes from when Simeon's wish was fulfilled when he met the Messiah in the temple. (Luke 2:25-38)







### art committee

Announces an all-parish exhibition on March 2, with an Opening reception following Choral Evensong.

Greetings, highly favored one! The Lord is with you. Luke 1:28

Celebrating Mary through Image and Word.

See flyer in Paca Hall and Merrow Center.

Save the Date!
Sunday, March 9 from 11am-1pm
Luau to celebrate
Jackie Ly and Adrian Vigil's
upcoming wedding.

All are invited to attend and wish them well.

Look for more info. on flyer in Paca Hall.

#### Clergy Home and Hospital Visits

If you or a loved one is in the hospital, please let clergy know so they are able to provide pastoral care. Prayer shawls that have been blessed are also available to those in need.

Hymn for Epiphany Hymn No. 788 in Wonder, Love & Praise As newborn stars were stirred to song

This hymn was commissioned by the San Francisco Chapter of the American Guild of Organists in 1995. The text by Carl Daw contains examples about great moments of song throughout scripture. The winning tune in a competition was written by John Karl Hirten and named for his wife Alexandra. It is fitting for the season of Epiphany with its reference to stars and the third verse mention of the Word taking flesh, but could be sung at any time of year except Lent.

# St. Mary's Weekly Calendar (online at stmarysarlington.org/events-calendar)

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Sun., Jan. 26 Epiphany III	8:00 am 8:30-11:30 am 9:00 am 9:15-9:45 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 11:30 am 11:30 am 5:00 pm	Holy Eucharist, Rite II, said Nursery is open (Downstairs Nursery) Coffee Hour   Sunday School & Youth Forums St. Mary's Choir (Choir Room/Nave) Holy Eucharist, Rite I, with music Coffee Hour Adult Confirmation & Reception Class (Small Conf. Room) Mission Trip Brunch Meeting (Vestry) Holy Eucharist, Rite II, said				
Mon., Jan. 27	6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Sacred Ground Discussion (Paca) Seminarian Lay Committee (MFC) Adult Confirmation & Reception Class (Small Conf. Room) Finance Committee (Vestry)				
Tues., Jan. 28	7:00 am 10:00 am <b>Noon</b> 7:30 pm	Men's Online Book Study Staff Meeting <b>Noonday Prayer</b> (Chapel) Centering Prayer (Zoom)				
Wed., Jan. 29	<b>7:00 am</b> 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Holy Eucharist (Chapel) Treble Choir Study on 1st Corinthians w/Canon Heard (Small Conf. Room) Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group				
Thurs., Jan. 30	<b>11:00 am</b> 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Holy Eucharist, with healing prayer (Chapel) Boys and Girls Choir Adult Choir Rehearsal				
Fri., Jan. 31	10-11:00 am 6:30 pm	Fri. AM Book Group (Zoom) Evening Vespers featuring the Wild Band (Paca)				
Sat., Feb. 1	8:30 am 11:00 am	Altar and Flower Guilds (Nave) Elizabeth Edmonds Funeral (Nave)				
Sun., Feb. 2 Epiphany IV	8:00 am 8:30-11:30 am 9:00 am 9:15-9:45 am 10:00 am 10:15 am 11:00 am 11:30 am 2:00 pm 5:00 pm 6:00 pm	Holy Eucharist, Rite II, said Nursery is open (Downstairs Nursery) Coffee Hour   Sunday School & Youth Forums St. Mary's Choir (Choir Room/Nave) Holy Eucharist, Rite I, with music Wilderness Church (Zachary Taylor Park) Coffee Hour Adult Confirmation & Reception Class (Small Conf. Room) Walking the Mourner's Path (Vestry) Candlemass Choral Eucharist Chili Cook Off Mission Trip Fundraiser				



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#### THE DIOCESE AND THE VESTRY

The Right Reverend E. Mark Stevenson The Right Reverend Gayle Elizabeth Harris The Right Reverend James Joseph "Bud" Shand Bishop of Virginia Assistant Bishop of Virginia Visiting Bishop

Colleen Mason (2025) *Sr. Warden* David Smith (2025) *Register* Jim Bicksel (2025) Alec Hicks (2026)

Chris Jennings (2026) *Jr. Warden*Suzanne Stroup (2027)
Campbell Hutton (2027)
Michael Devine (2027)

#### FULL-TIME AND VOLUNTEER STAFF

Melissa Wiley (2026)

The Reverend Andrew T.P. Merrow Rector Associate to the Rector The Reverend Janettarose L. Greene The Reverend Dr. Kate Sonderegger Priest Associate The Reverend Canon Victoria Heard Part-time Priest Associate The Reverend Deacon Greg Williams VTS Seminarian VTS Seminarian Tom Welch Music Minister Dr. Gregory Hooker Matt Gabay Volunteer Associate Organist Gariné Adams Wilderness Worship Leader Youth and Family Formation Minister **Iackie** Lv Rosanna Esposito Minister of Community Life Derek Greten-Harrison Parish Administrator Andrea Meier Communications Minister John Bednar IT Specialist Jane Shafran Facilities Manager Prosper Daziorlor Assistant Facilities Manager Janet Tasker Interim Finance Manager Deborah Gandy Volunteer Treasurer Dennis Carter-Chand Part-time Outreach Coordinator

	8 am	<b>❖</b> Thank You for Serving Today ❖ 10 am	5 pm
Ushers	Bob Waters	Al Campos, Dave Fletcher, Felix Martinez Jad Roberts, Kate Waters	Neel Teague
Layreaders	Pam Frick Carol George	Mike Whatley, David Palmer Melissa Wiley	Sarah Sheafor Shep Barge
CHALICE	Cynda Tipple	Russ Randle Matt McCracken	Shep Barge Sarah Sheafor
ACOLYTES AT		Devine Lanier Hutton McKay Deegan len Demory Rose Gola Ruby Gola	