

# St. Mary's Episcopal Church | March 9, 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 St. Anne's in Reston, St. Stephen's in Catlett, 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;

*We pray for* Helen (Karen Branch-Brioso's mother), Reynolds Young, Louisa McClanahan, Mildred Busch, and Phyllis & Rupert Treadway, and for healing for Pope Francis. We pray for all who are experiencing job insecurity;

*We commend to your mercy* all who have died, especially Carolyn Leckie Smith Holt (Nancy Brooks' sister), David Santmyer and Tina Santmyer (friends of Rev. Janettarose and Maria), that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

### A Prayer from the Ministry of Racial Justice & Healing in the Diocese of Virginia

Grant us, Lord God, a vision of your world as your love would have it: a world where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor; a world where the riches of creation are shared, and everyone can enjoy them; a world where different races and cultures live in harmony and mutual respect; a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love. Give us inspiration and courage to build it through Christ our Lord.

**Check out the Lenten Offerings Insert** available in the March Edition of the Messenger

### Luau Celebration Today 11 am - 1 pm in Paca Hall

A Luau to celebrate Jackie Ly and Adrian Vigil's upcoming wedding will take place today. We come together to rejoice and support our Youth and Family Formation Minister and her fiancé in their upcoming nuptials. All are welcome!



**We will also be having a Coffee with Clergy downstairs at 11 am.**



## Coffee with Clergy

### FOR NEWCOMERS

**THIS SUNDAY AT 11:00 AM**  
DOWNSTAIRS IN  
MERROW FELLOWSHIP CENTER

We want to get to know you!  
Please come and introduce yourself and ask clergy any questions you have about St. Mary's.



  
**YOUTH MARCH MADNESS PARTY**  
MARCH 16 | 6-7:30 PM  
PACA HALL, ST. MARY'S



BRING AN APPETIZER OR DESSERT TO OUR POTLUCK AND WATCH THE MARCH MADNESS BRACKET RELEASE!

YOUTH COUNCIL IS PROVIDING PIZZA, GAMES AND FUN

6th -12th Graders,  
RSVP for the party and bring a friend.  
We'll release info about our tournament pool at the party and leave it open until the first game. Prizes for best bracket!



### Prayers on the Point

St. Mary's is transforming the fence on the Point into Prayers on the Point so that ALL may offer prayers and experience healing during this season of uncertainty. Select a ribbon that expresses your feelings. Write a prayer if you'd like, or pray over your ribbon, then tie it to the fence as an outward and visible sign of our collective lament, gratitude, and hope for the future. The Prayers on the Point turns a fence, normally meant to separate, into something that draws our neighbors and us together with God.

**White = Hope**

**Blue = Loss of a Loved One**

**Gold = Joy**

**Red = Anger, Frustration, or Despair**

**Purple = Grief and Lament**

**Green = Gratitude**

**Lenten Clean-Up Day**  
March 22, 9 am - 12 pm



**Lenten Quiet Day**  
March 29, 9 am - 12 pm



Led by Father Andrew on Psalm 46  
*God is our hope and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.*

**Lenten Labyrinth**  
March 29 thru April 12

We will have a cloth labyrinth in Paca Hall from Sat., March 29 thru Sat., April 12.

The labyrinth will be available:  
9 am – 5 pm, Mon. thru Fri.  
1 pm – 4 pm, Sat. and Sun.

**Rebuilding Together**  
April 26, 8 am - 4 pm

Register w/ QR code or on the Hub today!  
Contact Jane Shafran for more info.  
As always, Fr. Andrew will be taking part in this important ministry.



# St. Mary's Weekly Calendar

*(online at [stmarysarlington.org/events-calendar](http://stmarysarlington.org/events-calendar))*

<b>Sun., Mar. 9</b> First Sunday in Lent	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite I</b> , said
	8:30-11:30 am	Nursery is open (Downstairs Nursery)
	9:00 am	Coffee Hour   Sunday School & Youth Forums Adult Forum with Canon Victoria
	9:15-9:45 am	St. Mary's Choir (Choir Room/Nave)
	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> , with music
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour Reception for Jackie Ly & Adrian Vigil (Paca)   Coffee with Clergy (MFC)
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> , said
<b>Mon., Mar. 10</b>	9:30 am	Path Forward Sandwich Making (Kitchen)
	7:00 pm	Sacred Ground Discussion (Vestry)
<b>Tues., Mar. 11</b>	11:00 am	Staff Meeting
	<b>12:00 pm</b>	<b>Noonday Prayer</b> (Chapel)
	12:00 pm	Arts Committee Meeting (Small Conference Room)
	3:00 pm	Handcrafts Ministry (MFC)
	7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting (Vestry)
	7:00 pm	Lenten Study on Ephesians w/Canon Heard (Zoom)
	7:30 pm	Centering Prayer (Zoom)
<b>Wed., Mar. 12</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b> (Chapel)
	6:30 pm	Treble Choir
	7:00 pm	Discussion on Grace & Depression w/Rosanna Esposito (Chapel)
<b>Thurs., Mar. 13</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b> , with healing (Chapel)
	5:30 pm	4th & 5th Grade Youth Group
	6:30 pm	Boys and Girls Choir
	7:30 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal
<b>Fri., Mar. 14</b>	CONFIRMATION RETREAT AT SHRINE MONT (THROUGH SUNDAY)	
	12:00 pm	Fri. Book Group (Zoom)
	5:00 pm	Stations of the Cross (Nave)
<b>Sat., Mar. 15</b>	8:30 am	Altar and Flower Guilds (Nave)
	10:00 am	The Wild Rehearsal (MFC)
	10:00 am	Women's Prayer Tool Kit (St. Mary's)
<b>Sun., Mar. 16</b> Second Sunday in Lent	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite I</b> , said
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	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> , with music
	<b>10:15 am</b>	<b>Wilderness Church</b> (Zachary Taylor Park)
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour (Paca)
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> , said
	6:00 pm	Youth March Madness Party (Paca)



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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)

Melissa Wiley (2026)

## FULL-TIME AND VOLUNTEER STAFF

The Reverend Andrew T.P. Merrow  
The Reverend Janettarose L. Greene  
The Reverend Dr. Kate Sonderegger  
The Reverend Canon Victoria Heard  
The Reverend Deacon Greg Williams  
Tom Welch  
Dr. Gregory Hooker  
Matt Gabay  
Gariné Adams  
Jackie Ly  
Rosanna Esposito  
Derek Greten-Harrison  
Andrea Meier  
John Bednar  
Jane Shafran  
Prosper Daziorlor  
Kelly Marcellus  
Deborah Gandy  
Dennis Carter-Chand

*Rector*  
*Associate to the Rector*  
*Priest Associate*  
*Part-time Priest Associate*  
*VTS Seminarian*  
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*Music Minister*  
*Volunteer Associate Organist*  
*Wilderness Worship Leader*  
*Youth and Family Formation Minister*  
*Minister of Community Life*  
*Parish Administrator*  
*Communications Minister*  
*IT Specialist*  
*Facilities Manager*  
*Assistant Facilities Manager*  
*Finance Manager*  
*Volunteer Treasurer*  
*Part-time Outreach Coordinator*

## ❖ Thank You for Serving Today ❖

	<b>8 am</b>	<b>10 am</b>	<b>5 pm</b>
<b>USHERS</b>	Leyda Fajardo	Kathryn Dominguez, Jim Hahn Adam Hess	Neel Teague

<b>LAYREADERS</b>	Bentley Andrews Pam Frick	Lisa Crye, Claire Hoopengardner Deb Gandy	Susan Cole Janet Tasker
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<b>CHALICE</b>	John Keith Tom Welch	Chris Eimas Tom Welch
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**ACOLYTES AT 10 AM** Declan Stroup, Idahosa Daziorlor, Teddy Hotra

**VPOD AT 10 AM** Colleen Mason