

# St. Mary's Episcopal Church | February 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. George's in Arlington, St. Margaret's in Woodbridge, St. Peter's 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;

*We pray for* Reynolds Young, Nancy Brooks, Anne Deger (sister of Jay Hamilton), Susan Williams, Louisa McClanahan, John Boswell, Mildred Busch, and Phyllis & Rupert Treadway. We pray for all who work for the federal government in this time of uncertainty;

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

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**Happy Birthday today, Rev. Janettarose!**

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### Hymn for Black History Month

Hymn No. 676, "There is a Balm in Gilead"

The Balm of Gilead mentioned in Jeremiah 8:22 is a fragrant resin used for healing. The words of this African American spiritual focus on physical and spiritual healing, a remedy for suffering, offering hope and comfort in the face of hardship. Its message of hope and healing resonates deeply with those experiencing oppression and injustice, providing solace and strength during difficult times.



### Today We Welcome Bishop Rose Okeno

*Bishop Okeno will speak at 9 am Faith Formation and preach at the 10 am service*

The Rt. Rev. Rose Okeno, Bishop of Butere, Anglican Church of Kenya is a Kenyan Anglican bishop who became the second female bishop in the history of the Anglican Church of Kenya (ACK) on September 12, 2021. She is the first full bishop in the Anglican Church of Kenya. Prior to her ordination, she served as acting bishop replacing Bishop Tim Wambunya after his resignation in September 2020. She was consecrated at Butere Girls High School, defying a movement to put a moratorium on women bishops. Archbishop Jackson Ole Sapit of Kenya presided over the ceremony. Bishop Okeno is the head of Butere Diocese, a largely rural area in Kenya of small-scale farmers and traders. Okeno is the mother of four children and has served the Anglican Church of Kenya (ACK) for 20 years. Bishop Okeno is an advocate for women and girls and for the empowerment of marginalized peoples.

### Coffee with Clergy at 11 am

If you are new to St. Mary's or a visitor today, we cordially invite you to meet with Canon Heard in the Merrow Center downstairs following the 10 am service. Find out more about our church community and what areas of ministry might fit in your life.

### Women's Night Out - February 15, 6-9 pm

The Parish Hub is where you can find more details about this special Saturday night fellowship at Ridgely Benjamin's home and where you can sign up!

### God Speed to Jeremy Cannon

We pray for parishioner Jeremy Cannon who attends Wilderness Church as he leaves to study for the next nine months at Holy Cross Monastery in West Park, New York.

**FIRST 15 Emergency Preparedness  
First Aid Training in Paca Hall  
Sat. Feb. 15th Noon - 2:30pm**

All Parishioners, laypeople and staff are invited to sign up on the Parish Hub, where you can read more details about the course. Contact Jane.Shafran@stmarysarlington.org or Jackie.Ly@stmarysarlington.org with any questions or concerns.



**A St. Mary's Potluck Dinner  
has been planned for  
February 21 at 6 pm  
for Violette Mubarak.  
All are welcome!**

See the write-up on pg. 7 in the February Messenger to learn more details about this amazing woman who is the General Director of the Jerusalem Princess Basma Centre. The sign-up is on the Parish Hub. We hope you will come.

**The Parish Hub** located on the St. Mary's Arlington website (stmarysarlington.org) is the one-stop shop for signing up for St. Mary's events, classes, serving, etc. Check it out today!



QR code for Parish Hub

**ADULT FAITH FORUMS  
IN PACA HALL  
Sundays at 9 am**

**February 16**

*Dr. Stephen Cook on  
Jeremiah meets Art!*

**February 23**

*Reception for Bishop Harris after 8 am  
Reception for Newly Baptized after 10 am*

**March 2**

*World Mission Sunday  
Updates on our mission partner parishes*

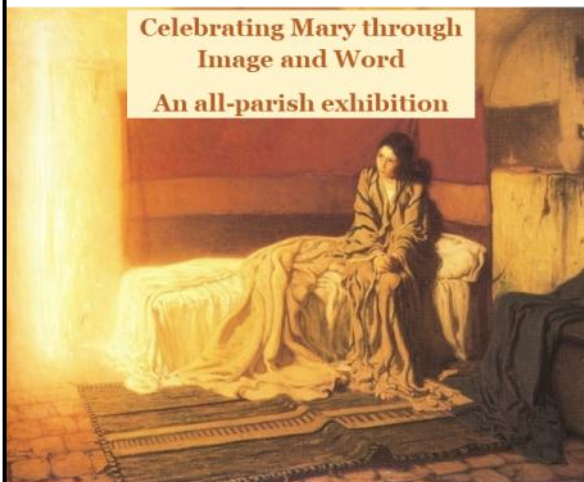
**March 9**

*11 am-1 pm  
Luan to celebrate Jackie Ly &  
Adrian Vigil's upcoming wedding.  
All are invited to attend and wish them well.*

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Psalm 27:27 "The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"

**ST. MARY'S ART SHOW  
March 2 - Opening reception  
following Choral Evensong**

**Celebrating Mary through  
Image and Word  
An all-parish exhibition**



*Annunciation, Henry Ossawa Tanner, 1898, Philadelphia Museum of Art*



Scan for Verses



Scan for Entry Form

How do you imagine Mary? The Arts Committee invites you to respond with your images or words. Entries are invited from parishioners of all ages. Click on the QR code above to download all the scripture passages featuring Mary and some questions to help you reflect on ways you might depict Mary in word or image.



# St. Mary's Weekly Calendar

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

<b>Sun., Feb. 9</b> Epiphany V	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> , said
	8:30-11:30 am	Nursery is open (Downstairs Nursery)
	9:00 am	Adult Forum: Bishop Rose Okeno   Sunday School & Youth Forums
	9:15-9:45 am	St. Mary's Choir (Choir Room/Nave)
	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite I</b> , with music
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour (Paca Hall)   Coffee with Clergy (MFC)
	11:30 am	Adult Confirmation & Reception Class (Small Conf. Room)
	2:00 pm	Walking the Mourner's Path (Vestry)
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> , said
<b>Mon., Feb. 10</b>	9:30 am	Path Forward Sandwich-Making (Kitchen)
	6:30 pm	Sacred Ground Discussion (Vestry)
	7:00 pm	Adult Confirmation & Reception Class (Small Conf. Room)
<b>Tues., Feb. 11</b>	7:00 am	Men's Online Book Study
	11:00 am	Staff Meeting
	<b>Noon</b>	<b>Noonday Prayer</b> (Chapel)
	3:00 pm	Handcrafts Ministry (MFC)
	7:00 pm	Vestry Meeting (Vestry)
	7:30 pm	Centering Prayer (Zoom)
<b>Wed., Feb. 12</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist</b> (Chapel)
	6:30 pm	Treble Choir
	7:00 pm	Study on 1st Corinthians with Canon Heard (Vestry)
<b>Thurs., Feb. 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., Feb. 14</b>	10-11:00 am	Fri. AM Book Group (Zoom)
<b>Sat., Feb. 15</b>	8:30 am	Altar and Flower Guilds (Nave)
	10:00 am	The Wild Rehearsal (MFC)
	10:00 am	Women's Prayer Toolkit (St. Mary's)
	12:00 pm	FIRST 15 Training Class (Paca Hall)
<b>Sun., Feb. 16</b> Epiphany VI	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> , said
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	9:00 am	Adult Forum: Dr. Stephen Cook: "Jeremiah Meets Art"   Sunday School & Youth Forums
	9:15-9:45 am	St. Mary's Choir (Choir Room/Nave)
	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite I</b> , with music
	<b>10:15 am</b>	<b>Wilderness Church</b> (Zachary Taylor Park)
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
	2:00 pm	Walking the Mourner's Path (Vestry)
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> , said



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## THE DIOCESE AND THE VESTRY

The Right Reverend E. Mark Stevenson	<i>Bishop of Virginia</i>
The Right Reverend Gayle Elizabeth Harris	<i>Assistant Bishop of Virginia</i>
The Right Reverend James Joseph "Bud" Shand	<i>Visiting Bishop</i>
Colleen Mason (2025) <i>Sr. Warden</i>	Chris Jennings (2026) <i>Jr. Warden</i>
David Smith (2025) <i>Register</i>	Suzanne Stroup (2027)
Jim Bicksel (2025)	Campbell Hutton (2027)
Alec Hicks (2026)	Michael Devine (2027)
	Melissa Wiley (2026)

## FULL-TIME AND VOLUNTEER STAFF

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

## ❖ Thank You for Serving Today ❖

	8 am	10 am	5 pm
<b>USHERS</b>	Bill Ticknor	Kathryn Dominguez, Jim Hahn Matt McCracken, Gordon Thomas	Mike Poth
<b>LAYREADERS</b>	Mike Devine Hunt Mason	Patty Balestrieri, RoseAnn Ashby Mark Lagon	Janet Tasker Susan Cole
<b>CHALICE</b>	Cynda Tipple Mike Devine	Jim Bicksel Mike Devine	Janet Tasker
<b>ACOLYTES AT 10 AM</b>	Charlie Hotra	Eleanor Fiegl Sophie Deegan	Teddy Hotra Henry Hotra
<b>VPOD AT 10 AM</b>		Jim Bicksel	