

THE ANNUNCIATION

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Third Sunday after Pentecost June 10, 2018

Welcome!

Whether it is your first Sunday at St. Mary's, or your 401st, we're glad that you're with us. Please feel free to introduce yourself to a greeter, usher, or a clergy member, and consider filling out a welcome card. We invite you to join us on future Sundays at 10 a.m. for Eucharist or Morning Prayer, on Wednesdays for Noonday Prayer at 12 p.m. in beautiful and quaint Little St. Mary's, or for many of our other fellowship and outreach offerings. Little St. Mary's is also open Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and available to you for prayer and reflection. Flip the page over to get a sense of what we have going on around St. Mary's.

Nursery

Our nursery is available for **infants through 4-year-olds** from 9:45 a.m. until 11:15 a.m. The nursery is located in the Preschool and Sunday School Building. Nursery Director Meg Zehmer and Cassie Vestal will be happy to help you get your child settled into the nursery.

Worship bags

We provide worship bags that contain a coloring page based on the Gospel reading of the day. Worship bags are in the wood bins near the entrances to New St. Mary's.

Sermons available

Find past sermons by visiting **stmarysgoochland.org/sermons** to hear audio and download print versions.

Connect with us

We would love to learn more about you! If you are a visitor, please pick up a **welcome card** from one of our ushers or in the back of a pew.

Would you like to write for us? Contact Ashley Cameron at acameron@stmarysgoochland.org to learn more.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

10 a.m. Morning Prayer Rite One, *New St. Mary's* **11 a.m.** Cookies and Lemonade, *Café and New Parish Hall*

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Visit <u>stmarysgoochland.org/communications</u> to sign up for weekly updates and news from us.

A WEEKLY REFLECTION

When I was 14 years old, I went on my first "real" mission trip. My youth group visited Gloucester, VA several months after a hurricane struck, and helped rebuild a family's house that had been destroyed in the storm. I remember that trip so vividly—from the painting and construction, to the tree frogs we caught near the water in our spare time. A year later, my youth group came to Richmond in the middle of winter, and we grilled hot dogs for and handed out coats and gloves to the homeless living in Monroe Park. I was so moved that day that I took off my own gloves and gave them to a woman who had shared with me her story. It was then that I realized how privileged I was to be able to go home and choose another pair of gloves.

When I was 16, I went on my first international mission trip, assisting a medical team in the mountains of Honduras. I spent a week handing out anti-parasite pills to people who couldn't afford shoes or clean water. It was the first time I had experienced an entire community living in poverty, and it made a huge impact. I returned three more times over the next five years, and during those visits, saw so much growth in those communities that I was able to see firsthand just how much mission work can make an difference. The last time I went, everyone had shoes, they had electricity, and most had water filters. At 21, I spent two weeks teaching summer school at a Child Rescue Center in Sierra Leone, and I still believe that it was the most influential two weeks of my life. I spent all my time with children who had been trafficked sold away from their families or orphanages and forced to work breaking rocks in mines or selling goods on the streets. These kids were grateful for snacks, for a toothbrush, for owning more than one pair of pants. It was this trip that made me realize that I wanted service work to be a much bigger part of my life.

I am thrilled to be heading to California later this month with Matt and eight of our awesome youth. I'm excited not only to have an opportunity to serve those in need in California, but also to see the impact it has on our high schoolers. Mission trips can change our whole perspective on the world; they open our eyes to situations that we read about but never fully understand until we're there; they change our priorities and shape our future goals. St. Mary's youth are going to do and witness and experience amazing things, and I can't wait to see it all in action.



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NEW 4TH & 5TH GRADE VBS!

What about the 4th and 5th graders' Vacation Bible School, you ask? Our older children are invited to a VERY SPECIAL week of learning! St. Mary's presents 2018 On-the-Go Camp from August 6-10. This is a new experience for our kids at St. Mary's. Catherine Ashman, a St. Mary's member and 5th grade teacher, will be leading our kids around Richmond. They will be on the hunt for the different ways people are serving others around the city and the many places that people are at work to make Richmond a better place.

LILIES IN BLOOM

The Garden Club of Virginia hosts the Lily Horticulture Show at St. Mary's on Tuesday, June 19 from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Please stop by during the exhibit floor opening in the New Parish Hall to see the amazing showcase of lilies in bloom. The event is open to the public for exhibiting and viewing at no charge. To learn more and see the full schedule of events, please visit www.gcvlilies.org.

This Week at St. Mary's

Sunday, June 10, Third Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Prayer Rite One, 10 a.m., New St. Mary's Cookies and Lemonade, 11 a.m., Café and New Parish Hall

Monday, June 11

Pastoral Care Team 2, 5 p.m., Old Parish Hall

Tuesday, June 12

Staff Meeting, 2 p.m., Rector's Study

Wednesday, June 13

Noonday Prayer, 12 p.m., Little St. Mary's

Saturday, June 16

A.A., 10 a.m., Education Building Classroom

Sunday, June 17, Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist Rite Two, 10 a.m., *New St. Mary's* Cookies and Lemonade, 11 a.m., *Café and New Parish Hall*

Coming Up

Sunday, June 17 to Wednesday, June 20

Confirmation Class Mission Trip to New York City **Tuesday, June 19**

Lilies in Bloom, 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., New Parish Hall

Wednesday, June 20

St. Peter's Bible Study and Food Distribution, 8:30 a.m., *St. Peter's Episcopal Church*

Noonday Prayer, 12 p.m., Little St. Mary's

Sunday, June 24, Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Prayer Rite One, 10 a.m., New St. Mary's

Cookies and Lemonade, 11 a.m., Café and New Parish Hall