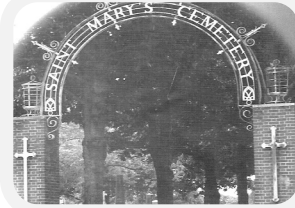


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3000 Church Street, Norfolk, VA 23504

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## OUTDOOR MASS NEWS & UPDATES

Please plan to join us for the Mass for All Souls  
Sunday, November 6, 2016  
In the Chapel Mausoleum  
Rosary—1:30 p.m.  
Mass —2:00 p.m.

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For more information or to volunteer contact-  
Jim Fitzpatrick at 757-482-9121  
or email Jim at fitzpatrick1100@aol.com

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*Mark your calendar!*  
*Plan to attend the 2017 Easter Sunrise Mass*  
*~ April 16, 2017 ~*

## FUNDRAISING EFFORTS UNDERWAY

The following letter was sent out in August.

*Please consider making a tax deductible donation if you have not already done so.*

*We need your help!*

Dear Friend of St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery,

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery has been serving the Hampton Roads Catholic community since 1854 and is a national and Virginia historic landmark. Since the cemetery receives no financial assistance from the Diocese of Richmond or area parishes, the cemetery board is reaching out for your assistance.

Several capital projects to enhance the cemetery have been under consideration by the board for several years; however, lack of funds prevents the board from moving forward. The projects include the purchase and installation of a new Blessed Mother Mary statue for the triangle area, installing a new roof on the garden mausoleum, and refurbishing the north entrance gate. The cemetery board also has plans to develop an area near the Alhambra Memorial as well as an area at the rear of the cemetery for future gravesites.

Several attempts to obtain a historic grant have been unsuccessful. The board is currently attempting to obtain a foundation grant and several requests have been submitted.

You are encouraged to visit the cemetery website at: [www.stmaryscemeterynorfolk.com](http://www.stmaryscemeterynorfolk.com)

There you can learn some of the rich history of St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. Included is an internet database to locate the burial places of deceased loved ones as well as copies of past newsletters. We have recently added an online giving option to the website. Of course, donations may be made by check or money order and sent to the P.O. Box.

**St. Mary's Cemetery, P.O. Box 5940, Virginia Beach, VA 23471**

Please consider a donation to one of the oldest monument regional Catholic cemeteries in the state of Virginia. Any donation gift, no matter how small or how large, will be put to good use. Together, we can continue to honor the memory of those interred in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

Sincerely, Mike Leonard, President, Board of St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

### *In Memoriam*

*Martha Jane Ashley*

*Addie Balfour*

*Katherine Bradford*

*Maria Isabel Burchell*

*Ernest Jordan Denson*

*Peter J. Gibbard*

*Jack Henry Hahn*

*Thomas J. Hipple Jr.*

*Montgomery Knight Jr.*

*Mary Gail Kuhneman*

*Argentina Russo Lovisi*

*Josephine Gallagher Lowery*

*Theresa Merritt*

*Jose M. Montano Jr.*

*Edward J. Nichols*

*Irma Kay Niegro*

*Robert Neil Pretlow Sr.*

*Anne Hannegan Prince*

*Augustine J. Russo*

*Lucy D. Smith*

*Anthony Thomas*

*Barbara Walker*

*Loretta Ranhorn Weber*

*Eloise R. Wheat*

*Requiescat In Pace*

### FUNDRAISING UPDATE COLLECTED TO DATE :

**\$ 3,206.85**

We are still a long way from  
our goal needs.

*Please consider  
making a tax deduction donation!*



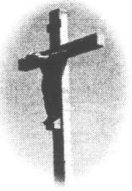
**Columbarium Info**

The structure is located in front of the Garden Mausoleum under the statue of the Blessed Mother. It houses 96 niches. Single niches are very limited and sell for \$1,350.00. Companion niches sell for \$2,500.00.

**For information on the Chapel Mausoleum**  
**Please contact:**  
**Ilona Webb-Bruner**  
**757- 663-2830**  
**Email: [ibmrb@cox.net](mailto:ibmrb@cox.net)**

**Limited Ground Plots Available**

There are a limited amount of ground plots still available at St. Mary's Cemetery! Please contact Alesia at 757-627-2874 for more information.



**SMCC News Tidbits**

SMCC is now on the web! Check it out!

[www.stmaryscemeterynorfolk.com](http://www.stmaryscemeterynorfolk.com)

The site contains a detailed history of the cemetery, available property for sale, links to the interment database, copies of the Newsletters, & contact information.

**For more information please contact Alesia**

**St. Mary's Cemetery Board & Staff**

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| Clemons & Assoc. / <i>Bookkeeper</i>   | 757-587-8244 |
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*Honorary Board Members:*

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| Bishop Francis X. DiLorenzo                | 804-359-5661 |
| Ed Fiorella - Art Prince - Michael O'Toole |              |

**Chapel Mausoleum Information**

Ilona Webb-Bruner will have an information table set up at the reception following the All Souls Mass on Sunday, November 6, 2016. She will be able to answer your questions about the availability and cost of either niches or crypts in the Chapel Mausoleum dedicated in 2009.

*Please take a moment to explore your options to have St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery as your final resting place.*

**VOTIVE CANDLES**

If you are interested in purchasing a votive candle to burn on holy days and holidays, please use the enclosed form to place your request for 2017. With an annual donation of \$125.00, a beautiful votive will burn on the graves for an estimated four days and nights. Proceeds from the votive candles help underwrite the costs of cemetery beautification projects including general maintenance, flowers, and headstone repairs for forgotten graves. Proceeds are also supplied to the St. Mary's Cemetery Endowment Fund. The first lighting of the 2017 year will be on Good Friday, April 14, 2017 and the candles will burn through Easter Sunday. Other holidays include: Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Father's Day, All Soul's Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.

**For more information or to purchase a votive candle, please contact Alesia at (757) 627-2874.**

If you are interested in purchasing a candle for All Souls Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas 2016 contact Alesia for pricing!

The St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery Board along with the Friends of St. Mary's would like to thank all of our volunteers who have given so generously of their time and talent over the years. It is because of you that we have been able to have successful events that have helped promote the Cemetery as a beautiful historic location!

A special thank you to the priests, the musicians, the extraordinary ministers, the reception hosts, the Norfolk Sheriff's department, the parking assistants, the candle lighters... without you we would not have been able to come this far!

**Volunteers are needed in the following areas: Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers/ Greeters, Altar Servers, Music Ministers and Traffic Control.**

*Thank you!*

**~ Mailing List Information ~**

**We need your help to keep the mailing list updated, and current to keep down unnecessary postal expense!**

If you are receiving multiple copies of *The Herald* or have had an address change, or know someone who has had a change, please contact Joanie Woodard, Treasurer & Newsletter Editor, to correct information at (757) 583-4391.