

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery
3000 Church Street, Norfolk, VA 23504



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THE HERALD

In Memoriam

Requiescat In Pace

Geraldine Frances Bannon

Charles Vincent Bashara

Martha Bland

Franklin H. Booth

Aubrey Query Consolvo

Vincent Contrado

Melvin Pete Decker

Henry Lee Eyster, Sr.

Jennifer Ann Fisher

John Freire

Ranzy Gammal

Gladys Jenkins

Sadie B. John

Katrina A. Merrill

Edward Millan

Dr. Norman Patrick Moore

Jeannett T. Moore

Mary Marsh Newsome

John Anthony Plaskett

Lucile R. Shea

National Catholic Cemetery Conference Member

OUTDOOR MASS NEWS & UPDATES

On Sunday, November 6, 2011, the Friends of St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery sponsored the 13th Annual Rosary and Mass for All Souls in the Chapel Mausoleum. The celebrant for the Mass was Fr. Tran, retired Air Force Chaplain. The music was provided by music ministers from the St. Gregory the Great Contemporary Choir & Holy Trinity Catholic Church. A reception followed the Mass. There were approximately 150 people in attendance. Many thanks to all the volunteers who made the afternoon possible! *Plan now to attend the Mass for All Souls, Sunday, November 4, 2012!*

**The Annual Easter Sunrise Mass
will be held**

Sunday, April 8, 2012, 6:30 a.m.

At the Garden Mausoleum

The Celebrant for the Mass will be

Fr. Joseph Tran

Retired Air Force Chaplain

Please make plans to join us!

**For more information or to volunteer contact-
John Langlois at 757-499-7202.**

Porcelain Cameos

Cameos to display pictures of deceased loved one have been approved by the cemetery board and are available for purchase. The Cameos can be mounted on headstones or the mausoleum and columbarium doors.

As with the bronze vases and candle units, the Cameos must be purchased at the cemetery office and installed by cemetery staff.

For pricing or other information contact Alesia at the cemetery office- 757-6272874

~ Spring Clean up ~

Christmas and other winter decorations that were not in permanent containers were removed in early March to prepare for the upcoming mowing and trimming season. Please note that the cemetery regulations prohibit the planting of trees, shrubs or any sort of ground cover on the lots, as well as, placing anything not in permanent containers that will interfere with the normal mowing and trimming operations. Thank you for your support in this!



Mass Celebrants



It is becoming more difficult to find priests to celebrate the twice a year outdoor Masses. Over the years we have been blessed with many wonderful celebrants- Fr. James Parke, Fr. Richardson, Msgr. Pitt, Msgr. Caroluzza, Fr. Tran, to name a few and especially, Fr. Brian Rafferty who celebrated more Masses for St. Mary's over the many years than any other priest. Anyone who may know if their pastor or any other priest, active or retired, might be interested in celebrating one of the Masses, please contact Jim Fitzpatrick at 482-9121



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.

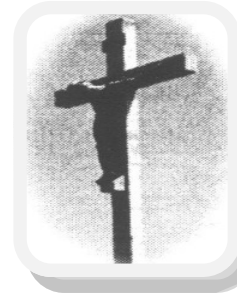
Bronze Vases & Lamps

Bronze vases & lamps for placement on the mausoleum & columbarium doors are available for sale. Crypt vases are \$250.00, Crypt lamps are \$300.00, Niche vases are \$200.00. These items must be purchased at the cemetery office and are installed by cemetery staff.

For information on the
NEW CHAPEL MAUSOLEUM
Please contact: Alesia Raper
at the Cemetery Office
757-627-2874

Plots Available

It is true!
Plots are still available at
St. Mary's Cemetery!
Please contact Alesia for more
information.
Please leave a message if she is
away for any reason and she
will get back with you!



USGenWeb Archive Online
Cemetery Burial Records
<http://www.usgarchives.net/va/norfolkcity/cemeteries/stmarys/sm-a.html>

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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 2012. 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 2012 year will be on Good Friday, April 6, 2012 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.*

Save the Date!

2012
All Souls Mass
Sunday
November 4th
1:30 p.m. Rosary
2:00 p.m. Mass

SMCC News Tidbits

SMCC is now on the web!
Thanks to the efforts of board member
Martin Thomas and web designer,
Jessica Blair! Check it out!
www.stmaryscemeterynorfolk.com
The site contains a detailed history of the
cemetery, available property for sale, links to
the interment database, copies of the News-
letters, & contact information. Plans are to
add a link to the Diocese of Richmond.

~ Mailing List Information ~

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

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

You may email any additions, corrections or changes to:
StMarysNews@aol.com

**Be sure to complete and return the enclosed
Votive Candle Order Form!**
Also, included on the order form is
information on the Porcelain Cameos to be
offered for purchase through St. Mary's.