



**MESSAGE FROM OUR SR. WARDEN
PAM FERGUSON (9.16.18):**

Dear Parish Community,

This is an exciting week for St. Mary's! We completed our series of Focus Groups which provided us with a better understanding of who we are and what is important to our members moving forward. This information was incorporated into our Ministry Portfolio which paints a picture of our faith community and explains our vision for the future to potential candidates. We have now entered the next phase of our transition...our official clergy search!

I would like to once again thank Kelly Noles and Sally Williams for doing an amazing job facilitating our focus groups! And, thank all of you for enthusiastically embracing and contributing to this very important endeavor. Whether you physically attended our focus groups or offered feedback via the Suggestion Box, email, conversations with Vestry members, etc., your voice was heard!

It is with great joy to introduce Mother LaRae and Father Mark Rutenbar to St. Mary's as our long-term transition priests! We are very blessed to have them with us and look forward to their spiritual leadership throughout the coming months. Please join me in offering a warm welcome to them!

Blessings,
Pam Ferguson