

SERVANTS OF THE LORD AND THE VIRGIN OF MATARÁ

MASS OF PERPETUAL PROFESSION OF RELIGIOUS VOWS

Solemnity of the Triumph of the Cross

SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2020 3:00PM

St. John Baptist de La Salle Catholic Church 5706 Sargent Rd, Chillum, MD 20782

PRIVATE MASS AND RECEPTION

RELIGIOUS FAMILY OF THE INCARNATE WORD

## St. Augustine's own Sr. Mary Strength of Martyrs



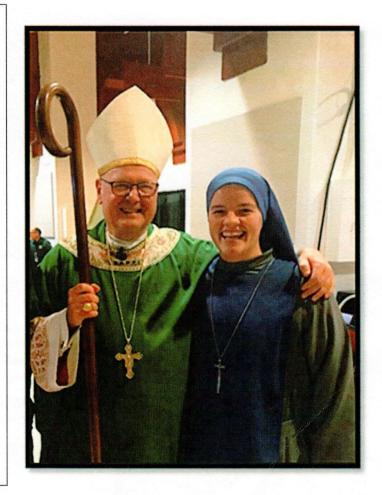
On September 14, 2020, the Solemnity of the Triumph of the Cross, Sr. Mary Strength of Martyrs Breslin and seven others will profess their Final Solemn Vows during a Private Mass at St. John Baptist de La Salle Catholic Church in Chillum, Maryland.

Sr. Mary Strength of Martyrs (formerly Megan Breslin) was raised in Milton, NY. She attended St. Augustine Catholic School in Highland and Our Lady of Lourdes High School in Poughkeepsie. She was Baptized at St. James Church in Milton. She received her First Holy Communion and Confirmation at St. Augustine's Church.

Sr. Mary had hoped to return to her home parish of St. Augustine's to personally thank the community, but due to the daily changing COVID restrictions she is unable to plan her return to New York at this time. Please keep all the Sister Servants of the Lord & the Virgin of Matara in your prayers.

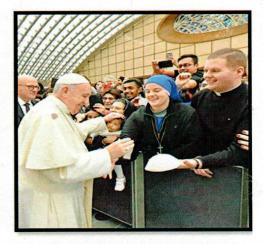
On May 20, 2013 Megan Breslin began her postulancy at the SSVM Novitiate House in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. In December of that year she received her habit and new religious name, Sr. Mary Strength of Martyrs. Soon after receiving her habit she moved to their Juniorate House of Formation in Washington, D.C. for additional studies and on November 3, 2014 she professed her First Vows. In 2015 she traveled to Argentina and later that year, for an intense Spanish language immersion, spent three months in the Canary Islands at a mission for the elderly before heading to their International Juniorate House of Studies in Bagnoregio, Italy to complete her formation. During the summer of 2017 she served at youth programs in Ireland, France, and the Netherlands and that September resumed her studies in Italy. In February of 2018 she completed her formation and returned to the United States to start her first assignment at Sts. Peter and Paul's Parish in Mankato, Minnesota where she remains today. Needless to say, it has been an exciting seven years!

Please join me is celebrating the most important day of her life. Due to her vow of Poverty she is unable to accept gifts, but prayers and notes of well wishes are greatly encouraged. They can be mailed to her directly and, though not expected, those who wish to make a monetary donation are welcome to do so. Checks should be made out to "Servants of the Lord" and mailed to: Sr. Mary Strength of Martyrs 104 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street Mankato, MN 56001











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