

Congratulations!

Each child is a miracle of God's Creation. Each baptism is a miracle of God's re-creation, a re-birth in water and the Holy Ghost. Hardy congratulations are in order: The daughter of Pam and Larry Smith, Sarah Reinoehl (Jeffrey) had her first boy, Jeffrey John. Rob and Sarah Meyers had their first boy, John Ronald. Heather and Shaun Alf did not have another girl, Fulton Isadore. The son of Bob and Linda Kaplan, Michael (Sarah) had their second son Joseph Adrian Driggs. Michael and Kimberly Lewis had their first child Patrick Michael. And Clara and Geoffrey O'Brien just had their first child, Lydia Rose.

Calling All Bakers

The brother of a parishioner is part of a Kairos Prison Ministry team going to the Greensville Correctional Center Oct. 22-25. (To find out more about this Kairos ministry, feel free to "google it.") He needs to bring 130 dozen (!) chocolate chip cookies. (It's a big prison.) If you would like to contribute, please text (or call) Gretchen Tombes at (804) 212-4226. Bring the chocolate chip cookies, packaged by the dozen in quart-sized bags, to the Tombes' house or the Social Room. The last Sunday for drop off will be Oct. 18. Please also pray for the success of this mission. Thank you.

COMMITTEES AND ACTIVITIES

Ladies Altar Guild Mary Claire Adams 515-0973	Ushers Patrick Latimer 262-7628	Web Master website@stjosephrichmond.org	Flower Guild Andria Morris 525-0733
Kids Social Coordinator Victoria Sanctafamilia 592-8055 kids@stjosephrichmond.org	Parish Council Greg Hice 320-6011	Volunteer Coordinator	First Friday Adoration Andria Morris 525-0733
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Gift Shop Rose Mary Cosby 272-3908	St. Joseph's Education Guild	St. Camillus de Lellis Prayer Group Margaret Ansari 716-1086	Sacristan Antoinette Cleary 748-3179

Benedictine College Preparatory

Benedictine College Preparatory will be holding an Open House on **Sunday, September 27th at 2:30 pm**. This is an excellent opportunity for prospective students and their families to tour the school and ask questions. 12829 River Road. More info: admission office: 708-9504/9514 or visit their website at www.benedictinecollegeprep.org.

Benedictine Vocation Retreat

The monks at Mary Mother of the Church Abbey in Richmond invite men 18 to 45 to a Vocation Discernment Weekend on October 16 to 18. This is an opportunity for you to discover your call through prayer, monastic liturgies, work and recreation with the monks, Brothers and Priests. Please contact the Vocation Director, Fr. John Mary Lugenwa, OSB at 804-708-9653 or vocations@richmondmonks.org or visit www.RichmondMonks.org.

"The Gentiles shall fear Thy name, O Lord..."

(Ps. 101:16)



September 27, 2015

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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Parish Office

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Sandy Ondishko, Admin. Asst., ext. 301
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Holy Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:30 am (Low)
11 am (High)
4:30 pm (Low)
Monday 7 am & 9 am
Tuesday 7 am & 9 am
Wednesday 7 am & 6 pm
Thursday 7 am & 9 am
Friday 7 am & 6 pm
Saturday 7 am & 9 am

- ◆ **Sacramental Emergencies: 396-5665**
- ◆ **Confession: ½ hr before all Masses, Saturdays - 10:00 to 11:00 am.**
- ◆ Novena & Benediction: Wed. evenings.
- ◆ **Holy Days:** look for announcement
- ◆ **Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament: First Fridays from 8 am until 5 pm.
- ◆ Other Sacraments: please call the office.

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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS		
Sun. Sept. 27	18th Sunday after Pentecost (2nd Cl.)	8:30 am Private Intention 11:00 am Pro Populo 4:30 pm Johnston Family Intention
Mon. Sept. 28	St. Wenceslaus (3rd Cl.)	7 am Charles McChesney+ 9 am American Lawyers Assoc.
Tues. Sept. 29	Dedication of St. Michael (1st Cl.)	7 am Sang Nam Kim 9 am Margaret Mary Lagarde
Wed. Sept. 30	St. Jerome (3rd Cl.)	7 am Carl J. Adler, Jr.+ 6 pm Michael Balducci
Thurs. Oct. 1	Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Kevin Tonnar 9 am Barbara Ann Reardon+
Fri. Oct. 2	Holy Guardian Angels (3rd Cl.)	7 am Sister Mary Jude, O.P.+ 6 pm For the FSSP. —Adoration Today 8-5pm—
Sat. Oct. 3	St. Teresa of the Infant Jesus (3rd Cl.)	7 am Thanksgiving 9 am William Beauchesne 10 am Confession Hour
Sun. Oct. 4	19th Sunday after Pentecost (2nd Cl.)	8:30 am Pro Populo 11:00 am Stephen Loomis 4:30 pm Private Intention
Mon. Oct. 5	Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Private Intention 9 am Frida Nganque+
Tues. Oct. 6	St. Bruno (3rd Cl.)	7 am Francis Bowker+ 9 am Our Lady of Ransom
Wed. Oct. 7	Our Lady of the Rosary (2nd Cl.)	7 am Sophie Franke 6 pm Joseph & Carol Hohos+
Thurs. Oct. 8	St. Bridget of Sweden (3rd Cl.)	7 am Paul Wickland 9 am Fr. Kenneth Walker FSSP+
Fri. Oct. 9	St. John Leonardi (3rd Cl.)	7 am Eric Robert Palm Jr.+ 6 pm Don & Sis Jones
Sat. Oct. 10	St. Francis Borgia (3rd Cl.)	7 am Lizy Kunjipaulo+ 9 am Kathleen Rodenburg+ 10 am Confession Hour

PRAYER LIST

Mitchel Shaw, Shirl Wicks, Liz Grapes, Kathleen Stells, Edward Crawford, Caroline Laing, Cannan Keller, Julie Trexler, Theresa Trexler, Jean Spadaro, Lydia Colberg, Robert Reilhan, Jim O'Reilly, Daniel Doran, Thomas and Dorothy McKinley, Antoinette McLoughlin, Edith Nicolas, Bill Colberg, Sherry & Ron Crawford, Bobby Overman, Dick and Nan Wray, Fr. Adrian Harmening, Jack Howe, Dawn Celentano, Abigail Maria Alvey, Mary Zacharias, Casey Stalvey, Suki & Beau Simpson, Maryann McLaughlin, John Osborne, Ann Horgan, Bernice Nestor, Karen Haley, Thomas Benedict Noble.

In your charity, please remember all the souls of the faithful departed. May they rest in peace.

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

Envelopes are located outside the parish office door in the Social Room. Masses are generally offered in the order received. A Mass stipend is a gift for the celebrating priest and forms part of your participation in the sacrifice. The Diocese of Richmond suggests a stipend of \$10.00 per Mass. While a stipend is not a donation, for our convenience, please make checks payable to St. Joseph's.

Altar Boy Camp

Altar Boy Camp will begin on **Friday, Oct. 2 and end on Sunday, Oct. 4 - the External Solemnity of Our Lady of the Rosary**— after the High Mass and Procession. Registration begins on Friday at 4:30pm. Registration forms are available online; a hardcopy is available in the Social Room.

Offertory Collections

Sunday September 20, 2015

1st Collection (Operations): \$ 6,197
Avg. Weekly Operating Need: \$ 7,114
Avg. Weekly Year to Date: \$ 6,509
2nd Collection (Building Fund): \$ 1,225

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Upcoming Events

Sept 30 (week of) Bible Study class begins
Oct. 2 1st Friday Adoration 8 am to 5 pm
Oct. 2-4 Altar Boy Camp
Oct. 3 1st Saturday Devotion
Oct. 4 Rosary Procession, Pot Luck & Square Dance
Oct. 9 Marriage Course begins.

The Book of Galatians, by Jeff Cavins Starts this week

This is an eight-week course which will be offered **Sept. 30 to Nov. 19th, 2015**. Sessions offered twice: Wed. at 7 pm, and Thurs. at 10 am. Classes led by Frs. Casavantes and Tatman. Sign-up for a work book at the Gift Shop or the Parish Office. Cost: \$20, plus a reg. fee of \$10.

The Marriage Course

This is a 7-week course, offered between **Friday, Oct. 9th to Friday, Nov. 20 from 6:45pm until 9:00pm**. Couples married two years or more will greatly benefit from this course which gives refined teaching about natural virtues that are proper to the spousal relationship. The cost is \$45 per couple. Registration forms are in the Social Room.

Rosary Procession, Pot-Luck, & Square Dance!

Following the High Mass Sun. Oct. 4th, in the Picnic pavilion. Award winning pulled-pork will be available for all; **please sign-up** on the potluck posters for the SIDE DISHES, and DRINKS today. New parishioners especially welcome. Bring a lawn chair for extra comfort.

United in Prayer

An ecumenical Prayer Service with Bishop DiLorenzo for persecuted Christians around the globe, at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. Also coming are Byzantine Catholics, and Orthodox Christians. Tues. Sept. 29th 7-8:30 pm. (Parking at VCU deck: 801 West Main St.) Light refreshments to follow.

Pastor's Corner



Dear Parishioners,

Is it easier for us to love God than for the Jews? There is a definite problem for us who live now in the world. When we think of love, we naturally think of *someone we love* – this living person who is a husband, a wife, a parent, a sweetheart, a child, a friend. Love has to be between persons, persons who are living and real to one another. And it has to be mutual. This love is precious to us. It lifts us up, makes us more than we were before. We cannot live without love – human love. Loveless lives are miserable, unhappy lives, for the human heart is made to love. It is impossible to love God if we close our hearts to human beings.

But the problem remains: how can we love God whom we do not see? Is it harder for us to love Him than it was for the Jews? We can be sure that God would not have commanded the impossible. It would help us a great deal to love God if we knew the Bible better, if we were aware of the history of His love not only for the Jews but for us, too. We must learn from His word to us as well as from anything and everything that can make Him real to us: the beauty of nature, the comfort of the sacraments, the power of the liturgy and even suffering. Think back into your own life for a moment to all the good things He has given to you. Love cannot grow unless everything is seen from the point of view of the loved one, be he God or man.

Both human and divine love is frail, because we are frail and always in danger of falling back into individualism and self-love. Love needs constant refreshing and development. We must never take people or God for granted. We are all persons, and we must treat one another as persons. One of the best tests of love is the desire and the effort to make the loved one loved by others. That is why apostolic interest and action is so essential to prove our love for God.

Because love is frail and we are weak, God comes to our aid with the greatest of His gifts to us – that gift which is the final, definitive proof of His love, the Blessed Eucharist. In it the energy of God's personal love enters our lives, giving us the strength and the desire to obey when He tells us: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart. . . You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Fr. Casavantes, FSSP