

December 6, 2015

Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners!

We are glad you came—we are eager to share the treasures of God with you. Please do not hesitate to ask if you need assistance. If the Traditional Latin Mass is unfamiliar to you, we have green booklets (in the vestibule) which have a simple format, and are easy to use. To register as a parishioner, please see the green and white forms in the Social Room. Please visit our website at www.stjosephrichmond.org. If you register on the site, you will receive an e-bulletin and important notices from the office.

Don't Forget the Unborn

Parishioners are reminded to join fellow pro-life Catholics each first and third Saturday at 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. to pray the Rosary at the abortion mill at Boulevard and Grove in Richmond. This is an important witness to the sanctity of human life and can often convince a mother to preserve the life of her child. Those parishioners who have been there can testify to the efficaciousness of their prayer. For additional information, call Patrick Latimer at 262-7628.

Online Giving

Thank you for those that have been successful with accessing the online giving website. If we did not have your email address when you originally registered in the parish, you may receive a message saying it does not recognize your email address (even if you have an account on the website). That can be remedied quickly by calling or emailing the office and I can update the records. Please call me if you have any questions and also if you are going to use the online giving and would like to stop receiving the envelopes in the mail, just contact the office.

Sister's Christmas Catechism: The Mystery of the Magi's Gold

Give yourself and your family an early Christmas Treat! Come see the newest addition to your holiday traditions. Starring Aubrey Manning as "Sister" (Also known as St. Benedict alum: Barbara Binford.) Tickets: \$30. At the Abbey, Sheppard Auditorium. Sun. Dec. 6, 2015, 2:00 pm. Info and tickets online at: www.benedictinecollegeprep.org/abbeyannualevents

"I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: we shall go into the house of the Lord."

(Ps. 121:1)



SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF RICHMOND
SERVED BY THE PRIESTLY FRATERNITY OF ST. PETER

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
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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. Dec. 6	Second Sunday of Advent (1st Cl.)	8:30am Leonard & Louise Rauch+ 11:00 am Pro Populo 4:30 pm Martha Beck+
Mon. Dec. 7	St. Ambrose (3rd Cl.)	7 am Private Intention 9 am Johnston Family Intentions
Tues. Dec. 8	Immaculate Conception of the BVM (1st Cl.)	7 am Richard DeSimone+ 10am Pro Populo 6 pm Eric Palm, Sr.
Wed. Dec. 9	Feria of Advent (3rd Cl.)	7 am Sr. Josephine Koola 6 pm Caesar Labort
Thurs. Dec. 10	Feria of Advent (3rd Cl.)	7 am Joseph Lagarde 9 am David Wooten+
Fri. Dec. 11	St. Damascus I (3rd Cl.)	7 am Ed Militti 6 pm Robert Kemp
Sat. Dec. 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe (3rd Cl.)	7 am Paul & Amanda Bonette 9 am Anna Marie Mills 10 am Confession Hour
Sun. Dec. 13	Third Sunday of Advent (1st Cl.)	8:30 am Pro Populo 11:00 am Greg McNerney+ 4:30 pm Private Intention
Mon. Dec. 14	Feria of Advent (3rd Cl.)	7 am Emily Mazzaresse 9 am Private Intention
Tues. Dec. 15	Feria of Advent (3rd Cl.)	7 am James Donlan 9 am Alfonso Molina Ibarra+
Wed. Dec. 16	Ember Wednesday of Advent (2nd Cl.)	7 am McKenna Family 6 pm Robin Wolf+
Thurs. Dec. 17	Greater Feria of Advent (2nd Cl.)	7 am Joan Marie Osborne 9 am Bert Hobson
Fri. Dec. 18	Ember Friday of Advent (2nd Cl.)	7 am Kailana & Kai Davis, Jerome III & Allyzah Carbugo 6 pm Kelli & Ed Peters
Sat. Dec. 19	Ember Saturday of Advent (2nd Cl.)	7 am Kathleen Rodenburg+ 9 am Gregory DiNardo 10 am Confession Hour

PRAYER LIST

Reed Foster, Patricia Willard, Anne-Marie Beauchesne, Grace & Jennifer Stivers, Justine Madigan, Natalie McNeil, Bishop Francis DiLorenzo, Joyce Matte, Mitchel Shaw, Shirl Wicks, Liz Grapes, Theresa Jones, Mary Greer, Kathleen Stells, Edward Crawford, Caroline Laing, Julie Trexler, Theresa Trexler, Jean Spadaro, Antoinette McLoughlin, Bobby Overman, Dick and Nan Wray, Fr. Adrian Harmening, Jack Howe, Abigail Maria Alvey, Mary Zacharias, Casey Stalvey, Suki & Beau Simpson, Maryann McLaughlin, John Osborne, Ann Horgan, Bernice Nestor, Karen Haley.

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.

Advent Days of Recollection

The holidays are a busy time of year. Remember feeling like Jesus got left out, again? Can we honestly sing “*Veni, veni, Emmanuel*” if we haven’t made some space? Advent is a time to take back our priorities.

Recollection for men — Sat. Dec. 12.

Schedule is a very easy 8:30 am to 3 pm. Breakfast and Lunch included. Sign-up on the window wall; last -minute arrivals very welcome too. Invite your friends.

Offertory Collections

Sunday November 29, 2015

1st Collection (Operations): \$ 6,502
Avg. Weekly Operating Need: \$ 7,114
Avg. Weekly Year to Date: \$ 6,656
2nd Collection (Building Fund): \$ 10,686

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Upcoming Events

- Dec. 6 St. Nicholas Day Activities Raffle Drawing
- Dec. 8 Immaculate Conception—Holy Day of Obligation Masses at 7a, 10a, 6p
- Dec. 12 Day of Recollection for Men

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Tues. Dec. 8 is a Holy Day of Obligation, a 1st Cl. Feast on the Universal Calendar, and the patronal feast of the U.S. We need this patron! Masses at: 7am (Low), 10 am (High Mass), and 6pm (Low).

Parish Christmas Party

Please begin your preparation for our fun get-together to celebrate the season. Pot-luck, and talent show. **Sun. Jan. 3, 2016, 12:30 pm.** Details to follow.

Christmas Flower Donations

You will soon see an envelope for Christmas flowers. You may dedicate your gift in a loved one’s honor. A list is published before Christmas. We appreciate your generosity. N.B.: Any excess funds, more than is needed to decorate, will be folded into the operating account at the end of the fiscal year.

Bake Sale

The **St. Camillus de Lellis Prayer Group** will be having a bake sale next Sunday after the Masses. Proceeds from the bake sale will be used to help defray the cost of cards and postage that they use in their ministry to the sick and homebound. They meet every Tuesday morning for prayers and sending cards. Please contact the office if you or you have a family member or friend who is in need of prayers. Thank you for your support.

2015 Liturgical Wall Calendars

Calendars have arrived and will be for sale in the Gift Shop. Please help support the Fraternity by adding one to your home and also giving as gifts.

Pastors’ Corner



Dear Parishioners,

To assist us in preparing to welcome Our Savior at Christmas, what more noble example could the Church set before us than that of John the Baptist? John preached penance – a turning away from sin – and the mortification of the body; John practiced what he preached. He knew the truth and followed it even though it led to the executioner’s block. John had a mission to fulfill; he fulfilled it though it meant imprisonment and a violent death. How do we compare with this noble example?

Advent is a season of mortification, do we practice any? We do not have to wear a camel-hair tunic, but are we extravagant in our wardrobe? Could we do with less expensive things and save a little to help the naked and the needy? Can we not deprive our taste buds of many unnecessary delicacies and with the money saved bring joy to the hungry on Christmas day? We are not called to rebuke Herods publicly, but we are called on and expected to live up to and stand by the teaching of Christ.

The reed shaken by the wind is awfully broad-minded, it tolerates every theory and approves of every opinion. Are we such a reed? If we are to receive Christ’s blessings at Christmas, we have to lay the ax to the root of many evil habits and inclinations now. We can and should cut out many an indulgence in food, drink, clothing, and speech. We can and should be a precursor, who will lead others to Christ by our own faithful following of His law and by a word of advice when the occasion arises.

“John was more than a Prophet”; we too can and should be more than a prophet = we can and should be a saint.

In Their Hearts,
Fr. Casavantes, FSSP

