

victorious will that shall be vindicated in the end... So the Christian's concern is engaged for the will of God, which is the highest of the high and the end of all things, and yet, in this temporal world, appears most frail when it wills what is most holy." (Taken from "The Lord's Prayer" Sophia Inst. Press).

Thank you for your support,
Fr. Novokowsky



Daddy-Daughter Dance — May 2018

An Evening With Our Bishop
Wed., June 6, 7 pm, St. Benedict's in Richmond. His Excellency the Most Rev. Bishop Knestout will speak to young adults (18-30). Food and beer trucks on site 6-9 pm.

2018 Annual Parish Yard Sale
Sat., 16 June, 8 am—2 pm. 2/3 of available tables have already been reserved. Call Mike Rowland [745-7844](tel:745-7844) Donations are needed for the St. Joseph's Table, which benefits the parish. Call Christine DeSimone [804-405-7381](tel:804-405-7381). You are absolutely forbidden to drop any item off before Sunday, June 10 at 12 noon.

Room for Rent
Shared bathroom & kitchen in condominium with pool, gym, sauna and parking. Catholic, non-smoking ladies, call [804-729-7344](tel:804-729-7344).

10th Annual RVA Latino Festival
June 8 & 9, Sacred Heart Church, 1400 Perry St.

Job Openings
Development & Enrollment Director for St. Joseph Catholic School in Petersburg, System Administrator in IT at the Pastoral Center, etc. Contact Sara Board: jobs@richmonddiocese.org Asst. Director of The Virginia Catholic Conference. Jeff Caruso: jeff@vacatholic.org

"Blessed be the holy Trinity and undivided Unity..."
(Tobias 12. 6)



Saint Joseph Parish

Roman Catholic Diocese of Richmond
Served by the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter

Sunday Offertory			
	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
Operations			
Sun. 5/13	\$6,657	\$7,700	(\$1,043)
YTD	\$379,332	\$361,900	\$17,432
Capital Improvements			
Sun. 5/13	\$1,415	\$1,250	\$165
YTD	\$76,107	\$58,750	\$17,357

Thank you for your continued generosity!

-Pastor-
Rev. Robert Novokowsky, FSSP
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-Parochial Vicar-
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Hours: Mon. - Fri., 9 am — 3 pm

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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	9 am

- ◆ **Sacramental Emergencies: 396-5665**
- ◆ **Confession: ½ hr before all Masses, Saturdays - 10:00 to 12 noon**
- ◆ Novena & Benediction: Wed. evenings.
- ◆ **Holy Days:** look for announcement
- ◆ **Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Friday from 8 am until noon, First Fridays from 8 am until 5 pm.
- ◆ Other Sacraments: please call the office.

COMMITTEES AND ACTIVITIES

Ladies Altar Guild Mary Claire Adams 515-0973	Parish Pastoral Council Andy Piffat 804-897- 4322	Parish Library Antoinette Cleary 748-3179 antoinettejjj@gmail.com	Grounds Crew Steve Michniak 804-320-4932
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MASS SCHEDULE — INTENTIONS — REQUESTED BY		
Sun. May 27 Trinity Sunday (1st Cl.)	8:30 am Private Intention 11 am Pro Populo 4:30 pm Charles & Mary Claire Adams	DV — CA
Mon. May 28 St. Augustine of Canterbury (3rd Cl.)	8 am Deceased Veterans, POWs & MIAs	JMO
Tues. May 29 St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi (3rd Cl.)	9 am Kathleen Rodenburg †	GR
Wed. May 30 Feria (4th Cl.)	6 pm Private Intention	DV
Thurs. May 31 Corpus Christi (1st Cl.)	9 am Griffin Taylor †	SM
Fri. June 1 St. Angela Merici (3rd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 6 pm Aline Caouette †	— LCD
Sat. June 2 Saturday of Our Lady (4th Cl.)	9 am Margaret Palombo †	CF
Sun. June 3 Ext. Solemnity of Corpus Christi (1st Cl.)	8:30 am Margaret Ansari 11 am Pro Populo 4:30 pm Celebrant's Intention	MA — —
Mon. June 4 St. Francis Caracciolo (3rd Cl.)	7 am Karin Haley † 9 am Anna Kronen	LH JP
Tues. June 5 St. Boniface (3rd Cl.)	7 am Mary & Robert Polczynski 9 am Celebrant's Intention	CP —
Wed. June 6 St. Norbert (3rd Cl.)	7 am Private Intention 6 pm James Gordon †	CP MH
Thurs. June 7 Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Rev. Fr. Jason Burchell	— JB
Fri. June 8 Sacred Heart of Jesus (1st Cl.)	7 am Private Intention 6 pm Christina E.B. Hadford	DV BSS
Sat. June 9 Saturday of Our Lady (4th Cl.)	9 am Anna M. Gaworski & Joshua M. Taubel	DM

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Missy & John Paul D'Aconti, Clifford Thorstenson, Jr., Andrew Priddy, Dorothy McKinley, Jeff Hamm, Theresa Jones, Chelsea Bicknell-Rivera, Holly Straight, Charlie Adams, Evan Jones, Sharon Curry, Kora Glover, Trish McGovern, Toni Liberatore, The Patrowicz Family, Betty Proffitt, Zachary Tanner, Virginia Craig, Justine Madigan, Joe Bush, Natalie McNeil, Margaret Latimer, Bosco Sanctafamilia, Charles Furlough, Ed Peters, Angela Rhys-Sonnenschein, Karen Evans, Bob Martin, Patricia Willard, Elizabeth Storm, Jeanette LaPaglia, Cathy Van Pelt, Barbara Reith, Diane Hayes, Andria Morris, Gerard Lajoie, Betty Faina, Kathleen Stells, Julie Trexler, Theresa Trexler, Bobby Overman, Dick and Nan Wray, Mary Zacharias, Casey Bouchard, Suki & Beau Simpson, Maryann McLaughlin, John Osborne, Ann Horgan.

In your charity, please remember the repose of the souls of all the faithfully departed. Requiescant in pace.

Fr. Gordon is travelling; please note the amended Mass schedule.

Memorial Day—Mon., May 28
Special Mass time: **8 am.** The Parish Office is closed.

Online Donations Transition

We are changing vendors. Those already registered on our current platform will receive an email invitation to join the new site starting Fri., June 1. We will have a registration drive for those interested in beginning to donate online on Sun. June 11. Both platforms will be operational for the entire month of June. Thank you for your patience during this transition.

Altar Server Camp

VIRTUS certification, Sat., June 2, 10 am, St. Peter Room. Anyone over the age of 18 who is assisting with camp must be certified. Signups are available on the bulletin boards.

Upcoming Events

May 27—Treasure Swap Sunday
June 1—First Friday: Adoration 8 am—5 pm
June 2—VIRTUS class, 10 am
June 3—Corpus Christi Procession
June 8—Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: Low Mass 7 am; High Mass 6 pm

TODAY—Treasure Swap

Bring your unwanted items (clean and in good condition) to Fr. Adrian Hall on Fri., May 25 or Sat., May 26. Come back Sun., May 27 and find your treasure. Bring your husbands.

TODAY— Bake Sale

The teenagers of our parish are selling baked goods. Thank you for your support.



TODAY—Baby Bottle Campaign

Please take home a baby bottle today to support the Pregnancy Help Center of Chesterfield. Return the bottle in three weeks on Father's Day, June 17.

External Solemnity of Corpus Christi

There will be a Eucharistic Procession following the High Mass on Sun., June 3.

2018 Graduation Swing Dance

Sat., June 2, 6:30—9:30 pm in the Picnic Pavilion. All youth, ages 10+ are invited. Generator and chaperones provided. Info: Cris bcjkabc@gmail.com or <http://www.thingtobring.com/events/58784/rsvpshow>

Young Adult Dance

Sat., June 16, 7 pm—11 pm in the picnic pavilion. Bring a friend and a snack!

Immaculate Heart of Mary Camp for Girls 2018

Sun., Aug. 26 until Sun., Sept. 2, at Bear Creek Lake State Park. For girls ages 13-16. Camp Coordinator: Mrs. Becky Ciresi. Chaplain: Fr. Gordon. See fliers.

Pastor's Corner



Dear Parishioners,

The WILL of God is the best. It is also many things, including a threat. Yes, a threat; it is threatening and terrifying. Jesus came to reveal and to accomplish the will of God: "As the Father hath given me commandment, so do I," (Jn 14:31). What was humanity's reaction to this messenger and his message? We killed him; nothing less would do. "If the world hate you, know that it has hated me before you," (Jn 15:18). "He that hateth me, hateth my Father also," (Jn15:23). Jesus added: "But that the word may be fulfilled which is written in their law: "They hated me without cause," (Jn.15:25, Ps.24:19). Love it or hate it, the will of God was revealed.

Jesus taught us to pray, "Thy will be done." If the will of God referred to here are things like cosmic realities, like planetary motion, the sun rise, or gravity, etc., these things are so remote that it would be odd to pray for them. If the will in the Lord's prayer referred to things unchangeable, like human history, or the nature of a triangle, then praying would seem superfluous. If "thy will" referred to our moral code, as in, the commandments, etc., then it would seem too small a reality. Switching out the phrases makes this clear: "May thy commandments always be followed," is a good wish but inadequate.

The highest part of the will of God is a covenant relationship, which is not compelled, not remote, not an unchanging reality. In this sense, the will of God can only be accomplished by a loving heart. Please consider the thoughts of Romano Guardini: " But what a restless, frail, uncertain thing this free will of man is! What strength it has, but also what weakness. How many good constructive, elevating powers it harbors, but also, alas, how many corrupting, degrading, disruptive forces. Man is prone to evil, and his will goes counter to God's. To the will of God, he answers with a rebellious "I don't want to." ... The nobler the thing that God's will desires, the less assured it is of being done and the more frail, as it were, this divine will appears on earth. ... That it is nevertheless God's almighty and