

tion and the Life. I alone am your Savior. I will never leave you orphans. I alone am your Good Shepherd. I alone never change.” This is the Good News.

More good news: our conversion doesn't depend on kings or popes or cardinals. Those who want to know the truth have the means to acquire it; those who do NOT want to know the truth—as always—have the means of self-deception. Beware the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy!

The more I wait for others' conversions the more frustrated I'm bound to be. The more I focus on what I CAN do, the less frustrated I am. But we are so unfaithful. Our Lord quoted from Zacarias:

“In that day there shall be a great lamentation in Jerusalem, and it shall be said: What are these wounds in the midst of Thy hands? And He shall say: With these I was wounded in the house of them that loved Me.” (Zacharias 13:6).

Thank you for not hardening your hearts! --  
*Fr. Novokowsky, fssp*

**2018/2019 Registration For Girls' Groups**  
Registration forms in Fr. Adrian Hall. Third Saturdays from 1 pm—3 pm (or to correspond with altar boy training). There may be service project opportunities around the parish.

**Little Flowers:** Young girls (5-8 yrs.) who gather one Saturday a month for prayer, virtue training, and crafting. \*Moms to stay and help with crafts\*

**Little Women of Hospitality:** Young ladies (9-12 yrs.) who will be honoring the 10 Evangelical virtues, the holy names of Our Lady, and the Nine Choirs of Angels.

**Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** Young ladies (13-17 yrs.) who gather in prayerful discernment of their vocations with virtue lessons from The Catholic Girls Guide by Fr. Lasance. They learn womanly skills such as calligraphy, crocheting, rosary/scapular making, embroidery, etc, works of mercy and sacristy work.

Please see your Leaders on 15 Sept. for important uniform info and to pay \$25 craft fees.

**Mass of Atonement—Fri., 14 Sept., 7 pm**  
Cathedral of the Sacred Heart by His Excellency Bishop Knestout for all victims of abuse. See fliers for more information.

**Benedictine College Prep—Open House**  
Thurs., 27 Sept., 6 pm. Come ask questions of faculty, students, parents and alumni. 12829 River Rd. Info: [benedictinecollegeprep.org](http://www.benedictinecollegeprep.org) or 804-708-9504.

**“Bow down Thine ear to me, O Lord, and hear me; for I am needy and poor.”**

(Ps. 85. 1)



# Saint Joseph Parish

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

<b>Sunday Offertory</b>			
	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
<b>Operations</b>			
Sun. 9/2	\$6,483	\$7,980	(\$1,497)
YTD	\$75,614	\$79,900	(\$4,286)
<b>Capital Improvements</b>			
Sun. 9/2	\$1,512	\$1,250	\$262
YTD	\$13,270	\$12,500	\$770

*Thank you for your continued generosity!*

## COMMITTEES AND ACTIVITIES

<b>Ladies Altar Guild</b> Mary Claire Adams 515-0973	<b>Parish Pastoral Council</b> Andy Piffat 804-897- 4322	<b>Parish Library</b> Antoinette Cleary 748-3179 antoinettejjj@gmail.com	<b>Grounds Crew</b> Steve Michniak 804-320-4932
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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.

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MASS SCHEDULE — INTENTIONS — REQUESTED BY		
<b>Sun. September 9</b> 16th Sunday After Pentecost (2nd Cl.)	8:30 am Rene de La Bastide 11 am Pro Populo 4:30 pm Celebrant's Intention	CH — —
<b>Mon. September 10</b> St. Nicholas of Tolentino (3rd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Rita Mortenson †	— GCP
<b>Tues. September 11</b> Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Crystal McGuire 9 am Zilli Family	MT KNZ
<b>Wed. September 12</b> Most Holy Name of Mary (3rd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 6 pm Private Intention	— AG
<b>Thurs. September 13</b> Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Augustina De Sipac † 9 am Kathleen Rodenburg †	CB GR
<b>Fri. September 14</b> Exaltation of the Holy Cross (2nd Cl.)	7 am Fr. Adrian Harmening 6 pm Patrick Michel	CP PM
<b>Sat. September 15</b> Seven Sorrows of the B.V.M (2nd Cl.)	9 am To Honor Our Lady of Sorrows	NB
<b>Sun. September 16</b> 17th Sunday After Pentecost (2nd Cl.)	8:30 am Pro Populo 11 am Celebrant's Intention 4:30 pm William Alsheimer †	— — BM
<b>Mon. September 17</b> Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Private Intention	— CL
<b>Tues. September 18</b> St. Joseph of Cupertino (3rd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Maryann Fischler †	— —
<b>Wed. September 19</b> Ember Wednesday (2nd Cl.)	7 am Franco & Marissa Sala 6 pm Mrs. Gladys Redondo †	JSG RLH
<b>Thurs. September 20</b> Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Wyndee Hammond 9 am Gina Leohr †	JP JMO
<b>Fri. September 21</b> St. Matthew (2nd Cl.)	7 am John Gallagher 6 pm Harry J. Zilli	LB KNZ
<b>Sat. September 22</b> Ember Saturday (2nd Cl.)	9 am Obreta Burnett †	FB

**PRAYER INTENTIONS**

Nick Heinz, Graham Jennings, Barbara Williams, Madeline Longo, George Rodenburg, Robert D. Jones, Joanne Daria, Jill Jay, Bridget Bean, Margaret Stacy, Mark Mayer, Charles & Mary Claire Adams, LaPortia Wallace, Missy & John Paul D'Aconti, Andrew Priddy, Dorothy McKinley, The Patrowicz Family, Justine Madigan, Joe Bush, Natalie McNiell, Charles Furlough, Ed Peters, Angela Rhys-Sonnenschein, Karen Evans, Bob Martin, Patricia Willard, Elizabeth Storm, Jeanette LaPaglia, Cathy Van Pelt, Barbara Reith, Diane Hayes, 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 all the souls of all the faithfully departed. Requiescat in pace.*

**Requiescat in Pace**

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the soul of parishioner **Maryann Fischler** who passed away 10 August. There will be a Low Requiem Funeral Mass for the repose of her soul on Tues., 18 Sept. at 9 am.

**TODAY—Book Sale**

Sun. 9 Sept. after both morning Masses in Fr. Adrian Hall. Proceeds will be used to support our Religious Education classes.

**Marriage Course—Delayed**

Stayed tuned for Winter Session details.

**Parish Pot Luck**

**Sun., 16 Sept., 12:30 pm**

Please see the posters to sign up.

**Sun. 16 Sept.—Protecting the Family: A Presentation in the St. Joseph Room**

1:30 pm. Mitchel Shaw will discuss the strategies 'Covenant Eyes.' This 45 minute presentation is for parents only.

**Upcoming Events**

**Sept. 9**—Book Sale in Fr. Adrian Hall

**Sept. 15**—VIRTUS Training

Apostolate of Mary, Mother of Priests  
Fall Yard Clean Up Day

**Sept. 16**—First Day of Religious Education

Parish Potluck  
Protecting the Family Presentation

**Sept. 22**—Treasures of the Church - Sacred Relic Exposition

**Sept. 29**—Savvy Seniors: Essential Oils of the Bible

**VIRTUS Training Session**

**Protecting God's Children**

Sat., 15 Sept., 10 am, St. Joseph Room. Anyone over the age of 18 and not yet certified is encouraged to attend. Signups are available on the bulletin boards.

**Treasures of the Church**

**Exposition of Relics—Sat. 22 Sept. at 6 pm**

Fr. Martins will give a talk about the history and spirituality of this devotion beginning at 6 pm. You must come to his talk! Afterwards, he allows veneration of the relics for the rest of the evening. He says: "There are healings at every exposition. Hundreds, perhaps even thousands, have been reported to me. Spectacular ones. I have seen cancer, heart disease, tumors, osteoporosis, physical deformities, etc., disappear immediately and completely. Though a great number of miracles have been physical, the most spectacular are the healing of faith where a new and deeper relationship with God and His Saints are formed in the faithful. It is a most wonderful thing to see a parish or school renewed after an exposition." [treasuresofthechurch.com](http://treasuresofthechurch.com)

**Altar Boy Practice— Sat. 16 Sept., 1 to 4 pm.**

Attendance is mandatory for all, especially the MC's. Any boy not able to attend, especially MC's, are asked to call Beverly with a regret by Friday Sept. 15.

**Fall Yard Clean Up Day**

Please come Sat., 15 Sept., 10 to 12 am to pretty up the place in preparation for many visitors which we expect on Sat. 22nd.

**KofC School Supply Drive—Ends Today**

See the bin in the main vestibule to donate.

**Pastor's Corner**



Dear Parishioners,

We recently commemorated the beheading of St. John the Baptist. He had made some powerful enemies in King Herod and Herodias. Herod's moral life was toxic for the people and had to be challenged, right? Not necessarily. Our Lord ignored him. He said: "*Beware the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.*" Hypocrisy is somehow MORE dangerous than a bad king. The same is true of popes and cardinals, I suspect.

The current crisis is horrible. You have a right to be upset. As Msgr. Pope summarizes it: "*There is simply no acceptable excuse for the deafening silence that has come from too many in the hierarchy in the face of dissent and even outright heresy. It is being taught routinely, openly, and ever more boldly by renegade theologians, wandering clerics, and even certain conferences of bishops. The faithful are bewildered, saddened, and justifiably angry.*" (NCR, 5 Sept.'18).

A "scandal" is a rock in our path which causes us to stumble and halt our progress forward. The worst of all is this: "*All of you shall be scandalized in me this night. For it is written: I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be dispersed. But after I shall be risen again, I will go before you into Galilee.*" (Matt. 26: 31-32). God allows his crucifixion for the sake of his resurrection. God allows evil for the sake of good.

God is using this scandal to call us—perps and victims alike—to conversion. "*If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts!*" (Ps. 94:5). But our frequent responses to God are often hard: "Don't talk to me, THAT guy needs conversion!" —or— "I'll consider conversion, after you punish THAT guy." Okay, all need conversion, but who needs it most? If I think THAT guy's sins are bad, it's because I have a refined sense of justice. If that's true, I know a lot, which means I'm expected to live by a higher standard. So, who's worse at meeting their own standard?! I will never know.

Everything on earth is disappointing, especially the pastors of the Church, the present author included. Let's get used to it. Nevertheless, God is calling.

God only whispers: "I alone am the Resurrec-