

is overcome, sadness is put to flight. In prayer, the senses are renewed, lukewarmness vanishes, failing virtue reinvigorated, the rust of vices is scoured away; and in this exchange, there come forth living sparks, blazing desires of heaven, in which the flame of divine love burns.”

Lord, help me have the prayer life you expect of me!

A few announcements:

-This church is one of the biggest facilities served by the FSSP. The costs to keep it going are quite considerable. Thank you for your generous and continual support. May God reward you.

-The VIRTUS certifications are mandatory for anyone who works with children on our premises. Make sure you meet those requirements as they will be verified before anyone will be able to participate in such activities.

-Thank you for your response to come adore Our Lord exposed in the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday evenings.

-Fr. Novokowsky has asked that we publish his email address: novokowsky@protonmail.com

-As always, you and your families are ever present in my prayers, especially at the Altar of Our Lord.

Fr. Karl Marsolle FSSP

Solemn High Pontifical Mass of Priestly Ordinations

Sat. 10 Aug., 10 am. The Hermits of Our Lady of Mount Carmel invite all to attend at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Harrisburg, PA. For details or to RSVP: <https://www.eremitaednmc.org/priestly-ordination-invitation/>

Crisis Pregnancy Help

A 24-hour helpline offers peer counselling and referral to local recourses; operated by Heartbeat International. optionline.org or 800-712-HELP (4357)

Sunday Offertory for July 28, 2019

	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
Operations			
In Pew	\$4,685	—	—
Online	\$2,416	—	—
Total	\$7,101	\$8,846	(\$1,745)
YTD	\$38,672	\$44,230	(\$5,558)
Capital Improvements			
In Pew	\$987	—	—
Online	\$677	—	—
Total	\$1,664	\$1,635	\$29
YTD	\$8,995	\$8,175	\$820

Thank you for your continued generosity!

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	Safe Environment Committee Mary Poerstel 804-432-5134
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“...if you live according to the flesh you will die...”

(Rom. 8:13)



Saint Joseph Parish

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Schedule for Holy Mass

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

Holy Days of Obligation: see calendar
Confession: ½ hour before all Masses,
Saturdays - 10 am to 12 noon

Devotions:

- 1st Sat. Rosary & Meditation after Mass
- Miraculous Medal Novena after Wednesday evening Mass
- Adoration: Wednesday 7 pm-9 pm
1st Friday 8 am-5 pm
Other Fridays 8 am-12 noon

Parish Office

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MASS SCHEDULE — INTENTIONS — REQUESTED BY		
Sun. August 4 8th Sunday After Pentecost (2nd Cl.)	8:30 am Caroline Stolle 11 am Pro Populo 4:30 pm Francesca Satalino †	RRS — MJM
Mon. August 5 Dedication: Basilica, St. Mary Major (3rd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Marjorie Beck †	— GCP
Tues. August 6 Transfiguration of Our Lord (2nd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Sr. Maria Carmen of Christ	— KH
Wed. August 7 St. Cajetan (3rd Cl.)	7 am Private Intention 6 pm Tony Douglas <i>Adoration 7 pm—9 pm</i>	EB BMD
Thurs. August 8 St. John Mary Vianney (3rd Cl.)	7 am Mrs. Anne Kulda † 9 am Fr. Adrian Harmening	LRH PJO
Fri. August 9 Vigil of St. Lawrence (3rd Cl.)	7 am Fr. Novokowsky <i>Adoration from 8 am—12 noon</i> 6 pm James G. Eliasek, Jr. †	SU JE
Sat. August 10 St. Lawrence (2nd Cl.)	9 am Mary Palm Schlangen †	GCP
Sun. August 11 9th Sunday After Pentecost (2nd Cl.)	8:30 am Brian McHugh 11 am Fr. Vincent Bork 4:30 pm Pro Populo	HCS AR —
Mon. August 12 St. Clare (3rd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Maria Liberatore	— ML
Tues. August 13 Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Nicholas Fontana †	— J
Wed. August 14 Vigil of the Assumption (2nd Cl.)	7 am Kevin Angelo † 6 pm Monica Mejia Bernal <i>Adoration 7 pm—9 pm</i>	RB EG
Thurs. August 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (1st Cl.)	7 am Frs. Novokowsky & Gordon <i>2 pm Pro Populo (at Monte Maria Monastery)</i> 7 pm Celebrant's Intention	TD — —
Fri. August 16 St. Joachim, Father of the B.V.M (2nd Cl.)	7 am George Rodenburg † <i>Adoration from 8 am—12 noon</i> 6 pm Jared Stolle	MAH RRS
Sat. August 17 St. Hyacinth (3rd Cl.)	9 am FSSP	EMD

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Brian Cahill, Catharine Palm, John Osborne, Michael Osborne, DJ Wanting, Monique Diman, Clarence Proffitt, Connie Hoffman, Margaret Stacy, Joyce Matte, Renu Brennan, Rachel Bisson, Joanne Burchell, Linda Bishop, Cathy Dickson, Brenda Baldwin, Ruth Zacharias, George Jay, Louise Caouette-Diman, Gerald Thomas, Angela Thomas, Justine Madigan, Rhonda McCoy, Mary Wilhelm, Edward Horgan III, The D'Aconti Family, Tom Osborne, Andrew Priddy, Dorothy McKinley, The Patrowicz Family, Joe Bush, Natalie McNiel, Charles Furlough, Ed Peters, Angela Rhys-Sonnenschein, Bob Martin, Patricia Willard, Elizabeth Storm, Jeanette LaPaglia, Cathy Van Pelt, Barbara Reith, Diane Hayes, Gerard Lajoie, Kathleen Stells, Julie Trexler, Theresa Trexler, Dick and Nan Wray, Mary Zacharias, Suki & Beau Simpson, Maryann McLaughlin, Ann Horgan.

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

Limited Office Hours

The Parish Office will be open from 9 am to 12 noon only, Thurs. 8 August, through Wednesday, 14 August inclusive.

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thurs. Aug. 15 -Holy Day of Obligation**

In celebration of the Feast, we have three Masses scheduled: 7 am & 7 pm Low Masses **here at St. Joseph's**, and a 2 pm High Mass at Monte Maria Monastery: **1221 Bienvenue Rd., Rockville, VA 23146**. The sisters look forward to meeting with all the girls (of all ages) in the parlor after Mass.

August Altar Server Practice

Our next server practice will be held on the usual third Saturday of the month, August 17, from 1:00pm until 4:00pm. New servers are welcome!

Upcoming Events

Aug. 8-14—Parish Office Hours: 9 am to 12 noon
Aug. 15—Holy Day of Obligation
 Low Masses 7 am & 7 pm
 High Mass at **Monte Maria** 2 pm
Aug. 17—Apostolate of Mary, Mother of Priests
 Altar Server Practice 1-4 pm
Sept. 7—VIRTUS class; Signups TBA

Office of Safe Environment Mandate

The Office of Safe Environment requires that all volunteers working with children and vulnerable adults attend a VIRTUS presentation for Adults and complete a background screening request which is now a part of the online registration. To access the VIRTUS system go to www.virtus.org and follow the prompts for registration and background screening.

New Server Schedule Program

We have a new program called Ministry Scheduler Pro to organize the altar servers. It is now up and running. Please be patient as we transfer all the information into the program and work out all the bugs. Those already entered into the system should have received emails containing their login credentials. If you have not received this email, please visit the "Altar Boy" page of the Parish website: <http://stjosephrichmond.org/groups-organizations/altar-boys>
 Please let Fr. Franco know ASAP if you are not able to serve on the days you are scheduled.

**St. Bernadette Fund
Parishioners Helping Parishioners**

St. Bernadette's family fell on hard times and were forced to live in accommodations considered too unhealthy for prisoners. Economic prosperity is only partially within our control. Gifts from this fund are made anonymously to parishioner families whose need is manifested in some way to the pastor. Disbursements are never made to individuals, but rather to cover expenses, i.e. a gas or water bill. Donations can be made using the Supplemental Envelopes; please clearly mark them "St. Bernadette Fund" and put them in the collection basket.

Pastor's Corner



Dear Faithful,

In the weeks past, we have considered:
 -that our prayer life must be structured very practically in order for it to go anywhere,
 -that daily spiritual reading is essential to fuel our prayer life.

This week let us consider: a) the reason for prayer and b) why it is of utmost necessity for our prayer life to be regular [Yes, every day!].

Why do we pray? Our Lord said:

- “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”
- “If any man thirst, let him come to me, and drink.”
- “he that comes to me, I will not cast out.”
- “I am come that they may have life, and may have it more abundantly.”

Prayer is essentially a response to God's invitation: “Come to me.” Our first motivation for prayer should be because God wants it! When we respond by setting out to have a prayer life, it really is an act of Faith insofar as it is trusting obedience to God's invitation. It is a resolve to put the time in and make God the center of our lives. And when God is at the center of our lives, everything else falls into place.

Why is prayer to be regular? Our Lord said: “Without me you can do nothing.” He meant it. Pride blinds us to this fact. If, however, we have the experience of weakness and misery then it makes perfect sense that we need Our Savior every step of the way. If we are convinced of this truth then, practically speaking, we must make it a priority in our life. So we pray primarily because Our God who wants our eternal beatitude asks us to, and we pray regularly because we realize that without Him no virtue is possible, no progress in our vocations, no progress in holiness.

St. Peter of Alcantara, a spiritual advisor of St. Teresa of Avila, teaches us the following: “In prayer the soul is purified from sin, charity is nurtured, faith takes root, hope is strengthened, the spirit gladdened. In prayer the soul melts into tenderness, the heart is purified, the truth reveals itself, temptation