



Spiritual Resolution Checklist

- Mental Prayer (at least 15 minutes daily)
- Daily spiritual reading
- Frequenting the Sacraments
(Confession at least monthly and Holy Communion more often than just once a week)
- The Rosary daily

Winners of the Coin Show Drawings
 Congratulations to Anne Valentine, John Morley, Billy Howe, Charles Noble, Mike DiPaola, Dan Seeley, Nora Long, Sebastian Sanctafamilia, Christopher DeSimone, Xavier Sanctafamilia, Timothy DeSimone, & Paulita Dudley.

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 Dec. 1, 2019

	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
Operations			
In Pew	\$6,145	—	—
Online	\$1,753	—	—
Total	\$7,898	\$8,846	(\$948)
YTD	\$201,085	\$194,612	\$6,473
Capital Improvements			
In Pew	\$965	—	—
Online	\$663	—	—
Total	\$1,628	\$1,635	(\$7)
YTD	\$41,981	\$35,970	\$6,011

Thank you for your continued generosity!

- The parking lot: Please drive carefully. Please do not leave your kids unattended in the parking lot. The surveillance footage is concerning. Let's avoid that tragedy.
 - Thank you to those who have volunteered for the mopping crew. A few more are needed.
 - Please know that you and your families are in my prayers, especially at the Altar of Our Lord.

Fr. Karl Marsolle FSSP

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	Special Events Coordinator Lorraine Hewitt events@stjosephrichmond.org
Maintenance/Improvements John Hewitt 804-320-4932	Religious Education Katy Hichborn edu@stjosephrichmond.org	St. Camillus de Lellis Prayer Group Margaret Ansari 716-1086	Safe Environment Committee Mary Poerstel 804-432-5134
Savvy Seniors Mary Alice Hoffman 440-1618 maternisericordiae@yahoo.com	Finance Council Bob Stolle finance@stjosephrichmond.org	Volunteer Coordinator Michelle Blake volunteer@stjosephrichmond.org	Sacristan Antoinette Cleary 748-3179
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Ushers Patrick Latimer 262-7628	Web Master website@stjosephrichmond.org	Friday Adoration Bernadette Piccininni 291-8961	Apostolate of Mary, Mother of Priests Louise Caouette-Diman 935-3399

“Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.”

(Luke 1:28)



Saint Joseph Parish

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

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Rev. David Franco, FSSP, Vicar
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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

Hours: Mon. - Fri., 9 am — 12:30 pm
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MASS SCHEDULE — INTENTIONS — REQUESTED BY		
Sun. December 8 Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M. (1st Cl.)	8:30 am Anna Maria Mills 11 am Pro Populo 4:30 pm Celebrant's Intention	DM — —
Mon. December 9 Feria of Advent (3rd Cl.)	7 am Margaret Stacy	KS
Tues. December 10 Feria of Advent (3rd Cl.)	7 am The D'Aconti Family	MD
Wed. December 11 St. Damasus I (3rd Cl.)	7 am Julie Pastore <i>Adoration Cancelled</i>	JP
Thurs. December 12 O.L. of Guadalupe (3rd Cl.)	7 am Michele Mullins	MM
Fri. December 13 St. Lucy (3rd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention <i>Adoration from 8 am to 12 pm</i> 6 pm Patrick Michel	— PM
Sat. December 14 Feria of Advent	9 am Ludwig & Anni Schindler †	ARP
Sun. December 15 Third Sunday of Advent (1st Cl.)	8:30 am Joan Marie Osborne 11 am Robin Stolle 4:30 pm Pro Populo	PO BS —
Mon. December 16 St. Eusebius (3rd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Nicolae Mircea Nastase †	— JMA
Tues. December 17 Greater Feria of Advent (2nd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Mark Clay Thurston, Jr.	— PET
Wed. December 18 Ember Wed. of Advent (2nd Cl.)	7 am Elaine Celentano † 6 pm John Kimener † <i>Adoration from 7 pm to 9 pm</i>	BP SB
Thurs. December 19 Greater Feria of Advent (2nd Cl.)	7 am Judi Evans † 9 am Private Intention	JP UK
Fri. December 20 Ember Friday of Advent (2nd Cl.)	7 am Lillian Fontana † <i>Adoration from 8 am to 12 pm</i> 6 pm Dolores Kravetsky †	JLD EB
Sat. December 21 St. Thomas (2nd Cl.)	9 am Jack Smith	HCS

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Stivers Family, Tracie Waldo, Sam Sponeybarger, Boone Hichborn, Elizabeth Waters, Ed Horgan, Donna Beaven, Elizabeth Grapes, Joyce Matte, Kelly Dise, Anne Louise Kelly, Rachel O'Connell, Nancy Pearl Nacey, Justine Madigan, Claire Bonilla, Florence Cahill, Carol Chalkley, Doug Kelley, Ken Diman, Clarence Proffitt, The D'Aconti Family, Tom Osborne, Andrew Priddy, Dorothy McKinley, Joe Bush, 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 souls of all the faithful departed. Requiescant in pace.

One priest is traveling. Please note the Mass schedule this week.

Advent Office Hours

To facilitate the parish's preparation for Christmas and the New Year, and allow us to catch up on all the behind-the-scenes administrative tasks, the Parish Office hours are now: 9 am to 12:30 pm.

FSSP 2020 Calendars Now Available

\$10/ea. at the Parish Office. Please put clearly marked payment in the mail slot. Supplies limited.

Immaculate Conception Celebration

Sun., 8 Dec. in Fr. Adrian Hall. "Stew Thru" after both morning Masses; games and fun and St. Nicholas after 11 am Mass. Come enjoy a bowl of Brunswick stew or take a container home. Contact Michelle Desimone oladynshoe@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

Dec. 8—Immaculate Conception Celebration

Dec. 14—Parish Clean Up Day

Altar Server Practice

Dec. 28—Savvy Senior Activity

December Altar Server Practice

Servers will meet on Sat. 14 December. This is a week earlier than our normal schedule due to Christmas.

Parish-wide Clean Day

Sat. 14 Dec., 10 am. Mark your calendars and come out for our annual Advent cleaning day! There will be jobs inside and outside.

Calling All Confirmands

If your child intends to be confirmed in the spring but is unable to attend our Religious Education classes on Sunday, contact Katy: edu@stjosephrichmond.org

May God Reward You!

Through your generosity, our Used Book Sale to support our Religious Education program was a great success. We raised over \$400! Thank you.

FINAL DAY

2019 Knights of Columbus Angel Tree

Please return all gifts by TODAY, Sun. 8 Dec. Place under the tree, unwrapped in a gift bag, **along with the original gift tag.** Include wrapping paper if you wish. Thank you for your generosity.

Holy Family Hospital Giving Tree

Dec. 8—22 in the vestibule. Holy Family Hospital of Bethlehem is a Catholic teaching hospital located just 1,500 steps from the birthplace of Christ. It is a state-of-the-art maternity and neonatal critical care center serving poor and at-risk women, infants, and children throughout the Bethlehem region. birthplaceofhope.org

The St. Camillus Prayer Group

Our sincere gratitude to all those who participated in our bake sale and made it successful. A special thank you to Fr. Marsolle and the volunteers for their support.

Savvy Seniors Activity

Dec. 28 at 10 am "Star of Bethlehem" presentation by Bryan Walsh from the Shroud of Turin Center. Please RSVP to Mary Alice Hoffman (804) 440-1618

Pastor's Corner



Dear Parishioners,

The season of Advent is already upon us! It begins a New Year as far as the Liturgical cycle goes. It behooves us to look at this past year and reflect. What if this was my last year? Would I be satisfied with it? Was it a fruitful year spiritually speaking? Did I set goals, practical goals? Did I structure my spiritual life? Did I make a list of non-negotiables and tried to keep to them?

Unfortunately, rooted in fallen human nature, there is a certain lack of fortitude, a lack of commitment especially regarding the spiritual life. There is a great term for it in French: *mollesse*. It comes from the Latin *mollitia*. There is not really a counterpart for it in English; these translations come close: softness, listlessness, lack of energy, sluggishness, sloth. What it translates into in the spiritual life is a form of effeminacy: a shrinking away from a goal difficult to obtain. (Very different from 'femininity' which denotes qualities or attributes regarded as characteristic of women, which is something beautiful and ordained by God).

We should be realistic: the spiritual life is hard work. It is a commitment. It will not always be easy. I will have to face myself, my pride, my misery. I will have to learn humility, to depend on God. But the wonders and the graces and the fulfilment I will find in my faith will far outweigh any effort I can put in. Will I commit?

If we do not have a spiritual life or if it is not structured, I suggest at the very least 4 pillars, 4 non-negotiables in our resolutions for this coming year:

- 15 minutes a day of mental prayer (At least)
- Daily spiritual reading (remember the oil in the oil lamp)
- Frequenting the Sacraments (Confession at least monthly and Holy Communion, if possible, more often than just once a week)
- The Rosary daily

May this year not be a waste spiritually. At its end, we will be one year closer to our death. Will this be our last one?