May 30, 2021

Some priests kept the doors to their church open while other parishes around kept them shut. They were reported by visitors (whose parishes were shut down!) for not adhering to the guidelines or for not providing the Sacraments in the manner they expected.

Some priests made it "parishioners only" and created sign-ups in order to avoid being denounced by outsiders, and yet were tackled from behind by some of their own faithful who disagreed with one point or another.

I cannot imagine a more divisive scenario than the one we have experienced the past year. Please know that I will keep doing my best to provide the Sacraments to you and if there is a hill I deem worth dying on, I'll be ready for the fight.

Now, dear parishioners, all this having been said, I count my blessings. I know priests who are in conditions that would have made me lose my mind! I count my blessings because I have had continued support from the vast majority of you in your prayers, your generosity and your kindness. As we can finally breathe a little more freely, and parish life resumes in a more normal fashion, may we always remember the reason why we come here: His Sacrifice on the Altar. May God bless you abundantly!

Fr. Karl Marsolle FSSP

#### Corporal Works of Mercy—Items Needed

St. Peter's programs for the homeless need volunteers and are still in need of various items. Please take a list, available on the bin in the main vestibule, to see what items are urgently needed.

#### **Online Giving**

Thank you for your continued and very edifying generosity; the Parish depends on it. See <u>stjosephrichmond.weshareonline.org</u> to create an account. For help or questions, please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Sunday Offertory for May 23, 2021						
-	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)			
Operations	<b>\$</b>					
In Pew	\$4,259	_	_			
Online	\$5,317	_	_			
Ascension Thursday						
Online	\$320	_	_			
Total	\$9,896	\$9,211	\$685			
YTD	\$491,117	\$432,917	\$58,200			
Capital Improvements						
In Pew	\$670	_	_			
Online	\$1,077	_	_			
Total	\$1,747	\$1,923	(\$176)			
YTD	\$92,454	\$90,199	\$2,255			
Thank you for your continued generosity!						

#### COMMITTEES AND ACTIVITIES

Ladies Altar Guild	Parish Pastoral Council	Parish Library	Special Events Coordinator		
Mary Claire Adams	Andy Piffat	Antoinette Cleary 748-3179	Lorraine Hewitt		
515-0973	804-897- 4322	antoinettejjj@gmail.com	events@stjosephrichmond.org		
Maintenance/Improvements	Religious Education	St. Camillus de Lellis	Safe Environment Committee		
John Hewitt	Katy Hichborn	Prayer Group	Mary Poerstel		
804-320-4932	edu@stjosephrichmond.org	Margaret Ansari 716-1086	804-432-5134		
Savvy Seniors	Finance Council Bob Stolle finance@stjosephrichmond.org	Volunteer Coordinator	Sacristan		
Mary Alice Hoffman		Michelle Blake	Antoinette Cleary		
440-1618		volunteer@stjosephrichmond.org	748-3179		
Gift Shop Rose Mary Cosby 272-3908	Web Master website@stjosephrichmond.org	Flower Guild Andria Morris 525-0733	Legion of Mary Uni Kemp 804-439-6907		
Ushers Patrick Latimer 262-7628	Knights of Columbus Michael Smart 804-614-5183 mhsmart2@verizon.net	Friday Adoration Bernadette Piccininni 291-8961	Apostolate of Mary, Mother of Priests Louise Caouette-Diman 935-3399		

"Blessed be the Holy Trinity and its undivided Unity; we shall ever give him thanks, for he has dealt with us according to his mercy."

(Introit)



# Saint Joseph Parish

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**Beverly Howe,** Administrative Assistant office@stjosephrichmond.org

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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 7 am & Friday 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-8 pm 1st Friday 8 am-5 pm Other Fridays 8 am-12 noon **Trinity Sunday** May 30, 2021

Mass Schedule —	– Intentions — Requested	By	
Sun. May 30 Trinity Sunday (1st Cl.)	8:30 am Fr. David Franco 11 am Pro Populo 4:30 pm Anne-Marie Henry	CBF — JVD	
Mon. May 31 Queenship of Mary (2nd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Thomas Zacchetti †	 MP	
Tues. June 1 St. Angela Merici (3rd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Zanoni Family		
Wed. June 2 Feria (4th Cl.)	6 pm Camy Harper Adoration: 7 pm to 8 pm	WC	
Thurs. June 3 Corpus Christi (1st Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Fr. Terrence Gordon	— LH	
Fri. June 4 St. Francis Caracciolo (3rd Cl.)	7 am Karin Haley † Adoration: 8 am to 5 pm 6 pm Edward Kastus †	LH JE	
Sat. June 5 St. Boniface (3rd Cl.)	9 am Roxanne Escobar † & Family	KB	
Sun. June 6 Ext. Solemnity of Corpus Christi (1st Cl.)	8:30 am Pro Populo 11 am FSSP 4:30 pm Maria Liberatore	— KH ML	
Mon. June 7 Feria (4th Cl.)	9 am Enrique Magnelli	RB	
Tues. June 8 Feria (4th Cl.)	9 am Milagros Villarroel-Cruz	DV	
<b>Wed. June 9</b> Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 6 pm The Larsen Family Adoration: 7 pm to 8 pm	— TD	
Thurs. June 10 St. Margaret of Scotland (3rd Cl.)	7 am Chester Dolph 9 am Carolyn Mondy †	JP CH	
Fri. June 11 Sacred Heart of Jesus (1st Cl.)	7 am To Honor the 9 Choirs of Angels <i>Adoration: 8 am to 5 pm</i> 6 pm Harold Smith, Sr.	CADI HCS	
Sat. June 12 St. John of San Facundo (3rd Cl.)	9 am The Krolick Family	JVS	

#### **PRAYER INTENTIONS**

Sharon Curry, Mary Esparza, Theresa & Les McCall, Sam Sponeybarger, Carrie Wilson, Ginny Franklin, Mary Rose Poerstel, Matthew Owen Balducci, Georgette Cote, Amanda Keller, Donna Wilson, Missy Jennings, Samantha Finnegan, Robert & Uni Kemp, Rob Welch, John Calhoun, Valentino Simoncelli, Bill Madigan, J.W. Stephens, James Wigand, Joanne Leach, Bruce Douglas, Don Jones, Peter & Joan Marie Osborne, John, Michael, & Tom Osborne, Ken Diman, Kenny Montgomery, Clarence Proffitt, The D'Aconti Family, Andrew Priddy, Charles Furlough, Ed Peters, Angela Rhys-Sonnenschein, Bob Martin, Patricia Willard, Elizabeth Storm, Jeanette LaPaglia, Cathy Van Pelt, Barbara Reith, Gerard Lajoie, Julie Trexler, Theresa Trexler, Suki & Beau Simpson, Maryann McLaughlin.

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

#### **Mass Schedule Changes**

Please note the Mass times over the next two weeks. Certain 7 am Masses are cancelled due to travel schedules.

#### Parish Office Closed—Mon. 31 June

#### **Corpus Christi Procession**

Sun. 6 June, immediately following the 11 am High Mass.

#### **Parish Picnic**

Sun. 6 June, following the Corpus Christi Procession. Bring picnic blankets and lawn chairs for your family. See the sign ups in Fr. Adrian Hall to help provide food.

#### **Special Day of Adoration**

Fri. 11 June is the Feast of the Sacred Heart. In honor of this, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 8 am to 5 pm. Sign up today on the vestibule bulletin board. For info: berniepicci@gmail.com

#### **Upcoming Events**

May 31—Parish Office Closed

June 5—Rosary at the Abortion Clinic

June 6—Corpus Christi Procession Parish Picnic

#### **Volunteer News**

We are returning to our pre-COVID volunteer schedules and needs. Due to the lapse of time, please email volunteer@stjosephrichmond.org and let Michelle Blake know: your name, what volunteer position you hold, the days you were scheduled, & whether you are able to return to that commitment. If you were not previously a volunteer but are interested in becoming one, please email Michelle with what tasks you are able to take on: indoor cleaning, outdoor maintenance, parish events, potlucks/picnics, Sunday coffee prep, holiday decorating, etc. There is plenty for everyone! Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

#### **Baby Bottle Campaign**

Now—20 June Return the baby bottles filled with black crates in the vestibule. Didn't get a bottle? Lord's House as a place of prayer. The majority of Online donations gratefully accepted at: phochesterfield.net

#### **Religious Education News**

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for teachers and parents (and parent teachers!) who made this year possible. We had 21 well-prepared First Communicants and 15 Confirmandi thanks to your efforts. Let's pray that next school year we may be back he can do for the faithful (aside from prayer). in the classrooms.

As we wind down the school year, we have scheduled another used book sale for 20 June after both morning lifted. Pray for them. Masses. There will also be a table available for a homeschool book swap if there is interest. If you have books to donate, please drop them off in the 3rd/4th Grade Classroom. Please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Hichborn (see back of bulletin) if you have any questions or comments.

## Pastor's Corner



Dear Faithful,

The COVID restrictions are finally being lifted. For more details and current diocesan protocols, please follow this link: https://richmonddiocese.org/ coronavirus/

What to expect this Sunday: the blue tape will be gone, as will be the social distancing. The social gatherings after Mass will resume as before. Most people will not be wearing face coverings, some will be. The diocese has made it extremely clear that someone (whether masked or not) cannot be asked if he has received the vaccine or not. Please observe this directive in a spirit of fraternal charity.

**Question/Answer:** Someone asked the other day: Father, has this past year taken a toll on priests?

Well, I think it has taken a toll on everybody. The people I have seen suffer most, right at the outset of the pandemic, are the daily communicants who could change, bills or checks (made out to PHCC) to the not receive Our Lord in the Eucharist or stay in the them were sad, angry, confused, hurt and felt betraved -which I understand. What an ordeal this has been...

My objective from the beginning was to do what was necessary to be able to provide the Sacraments to my faithful. This does come at a price, and sometimes a steep one, but the Lord must will it or I would be elsewhere doing something entirely different. A Priest without faculties and ministry is very limited in what

I have been in contact with many priests during this shutdown; for some of them restrictions still have not

There were priests who tried as best they could to follow guidelines and were treated in an odious manner by their parishioners - sometimes met with threats, insults and violence.

Some priests tried to do what they could to appear to follow the guidelines and were accused of cowardice by their own, or of not doing enough or of doing too little.

Some priests did not really follow guidelines and were swiftly reported to the CDC and to their respective dioceses, sometime with consequences and sometimes without.