

recognize the same kinds of excuses we might give when God calls us to deepen our prayer life.

If you have difficult trials coming up, don't make the same mistake as the Apostles. Some trials are easy to overcome. Other trials are so difficult only by fidelity to that holy hour can you overcome them; with those, anything less will result in failure.

"Could you not spend one hour with Me?"

In Christ through Mary,

*Fr. David Franco, FSSP*

**Thrifty Sisters**  
The store that helped support the ministry of the Little Sisters of the Poor in Richmond, is now supporting the mission of Saint Francis Home — a facility that cares for the elderly poor in Richmond. For more information about the store visit <https://thriftysistersrva.org> or call 804-658-4153.

**Online Giving**  
Thank you for your continued and very edifying generosity; the Parish depends on it. Please visit [stjosephrichmond.weshareonline.org](http://stjosephrichmond.weshareonline.org) to create an account. For help or questions, please don't hesitate to contact the office.

<b>Special Collections July 2021</b>	
Collection	Total
Altar Flowers	\$65
FSSP Seminary Burse	\$1,244
Home Missions	\$20
Poor Box	\$1,171.06
St. Bernadette Fund	\$2,136

<b>Sunday Offertory for July 25, 2021</b>			
	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
<b>Operations</b>			
In Pew	\$4,775	—	—
Online	\$5,698	—	—
Total	\$10,473	\$9,327	\$1,146
YTD	\$40,986	\$37,308	\$3,678
<b>Capital Improvements</b>			
In Pew	\$879	—	—
Online	\$1,231	—	—
Total	\$2,110	\$1,923	\$187
YTD	\$7,901	\$7,692	\$209

*Thank you for your continued generosity!*

**"Every one that exalteth himself, shall be humbled: and he that humbleth himself, shall be exalted."**

*(Luke 18:14)*



# Saint Joseph Parish

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

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<b>Schedule for Holy Mass</b>	
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-8 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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**COMMITTEES AND ACTIVITIES**

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MASS SCHEDULE	INTENTIONS	REQUESTED BY
<b>Sun. August 1</b> 10th Sunday after Pentecost (2nd Cl.)	8:30 am Pro Populo 11 am Duane Rubertus Family 4:30 pm Adelaide Eliasek †	— WC JE
<b>Mon. August 2</b> St. Alphonsus Liguori (3rd Cl.)	7 am Diana Super † 9 am Celebrant's Intention	JP —
<b>Tues. August 3</b> Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Bernice Nestor † 9 am Celebrant's Intention	CBP —
<b>Wed. August 4</b> St. Dominic (3rd Cl.)	7 am FSSP 6 pm Gabrielle Piccininni <i>Adoration: 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	KH BP
<b>Thurs. August 5</b> Dedication: Basilica of St. Mary Major (3rd Cl.)	7 am Maria Liberatore 9 am Marjorie Beck †	ML GCP
<b>Fri. August 6</b> Transfiguration of the Lord (2nd Cl.)	7 am Megan Bean <i>Adoration: 8 am to 5 pm</i> 6 pm FSSP	LH VS
<b>Sat. August 7</b> St. Cajetan (3rd Cl.)	9 am The Honor Our Lady of Ransom	CADP
<b>Sun. August 8</b> 11th Sunday after Pentecost (2nd Cl.)	8:30 am Joe Guerrero † 11 am Pro Populo 4:30 pm Kathleen Smith	AG — HCS
<b>Mon. August 9</b> Vigil of St. Lawrence (3rd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am The McKenna Family	— RM
<b>Tues. August 10</b> St. Lawrence (2nd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Mary Palm Schlangen †	— GCP
<b>Wed. August 11</b> Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Tyler Garrett 6 pm Hal Sigmon † <i>Adoration: 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	PK SJHC
<b>Thurs. August 12</b> St. Clare (3rd Cl.)	7 am Carrie Dickson & Jorge Lara 9 am FSSP	TD EMD
<b>Fri. August 13</b> Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am FSSP <i>Adoration: 8 am to 12 noon</i> 6 pm Liliane Michniak	LB SEM
<b>Sat. August 14</b> Vigil of the Assumption (2nd Cl.)	9 am The Honor the Agony in the Garden	PHD

**PRAYER INTENTIONS**

Frank & Carolyn Baratta, Gary Harpe, Kathy Buttner, Denise Parrish, Priscilla Calhoun, Janet Caudle, Celeste Burba Schenck, Bill & Lydia Colberg, Charlie Adams, Cathy Dickson, Joyce Clarke, Sharon Curry, Mary Esparza, Theresa & Les McCall, Sam Sponeybarger, Carrie Wilson, Ginny Franklin, Mary Rose Poerstel, Matthew Owen Balducci, Rob Welch, Bill Madigan, Peter, 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.**

**Obligation to Attend Mass Reinstated**  
The Catholic Bishops of the Province of Baltimore and the Archdiocese of Washington (which includes Richmond) have lifted the dispensation of the Sunday and Holy Days Mass obligation. See the official statement on the Diocesan website: <https://richmonddiocese.org/coronavirus/>

**Free Firewood!**  
We have a large pile of split wood along the ballfield fence. Please take what you need. Any remaining wood will be discarded after August.

**Upcoming Events**

**Aug. 7**—Abortion Clinic Rosary  
**Aug. 8**—Comboni Missionary Sisters  
**Aug. 15**—Assumption of the B.V.M.  
K of C Ice Cream Social  
**Aug. 21**—Abortion Clinic Rosary  
Apostolate of Mary, Mother of Priests

**Knights of Columbus Raffle Winner**  
Congratulations to Paul Thurston!

**New Parish Policies**

Due to an increase in unclaimed items in the building, Fr. Marsolle is instituting the following policies:  
**Lost & Found:** Items left on the premises with no name or phone number will be discarded after 3 months.  
**Blessed Items:** Similarly, items left on the blessed items table will become property of the parish after 3 months.

**Parishioner Needs Assistance**

Homebound parishioner in need of assistance with basic household tasks. Thank you to those who have already volunteered. Please contact the office if you are able to help out.

**K of C Ice Cream Social**

Sun. 15 August., after both morning Masses in Fr. Adrian Hall. \$1/scoop. Proceeds will support the St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus Council in their various charities and works within the parish.

**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.

**Comboni Missionary Sisters**

Raffle tickets will be available in the vestibule following the morning Masses on Sunday, 8 August. Thank you for supporting the Sisters' mission.

**Pastor's Corner**



Dear Parishioners,

When Saints were asked to bear heavy crosses, how did they prepare for it? Some saints lived through horrific times, yet they made cross-carrying look easy. If you find your own cross-carrying virtue inadequate to the cross you currently have (or perhaps might have down the road), what can you do to fix that? Let's look at what our Lord told His disciples shortly before He carried His own cross: He told them to pray. Specifically, stay awake and make a holy hour.

If you wish to remain faithful to Christ, no matter how difficult things get, make that holy hour. Want to know what happens to those who skip it? Look at the Apostles who were in the Garden of the Agony; how many stuck it out when things got tough? St. John. Only one out of the twelve. True, St. Peter had a bit more bravery and followed Him at a distance, but when confronted, he crumpled and denied even knowing our Lord. Imagine how different that story would have been if St. Peter had remained awake and prayed like our Lord specifically asked him.

Fulton Sheen was a big advocate of the holy hour. He was faithful to it even when it was difficult. If he had an early flight, he would wake up even earlier in order to make it. If he tried visiting a church and the church was locked, he prayed in the parking lot.

Bottom line: While it is easy to say you will be faithful to Christ, you need to prove it with action! If you cannot remain faithful to Christ in prayer when it is merely inconvenient, what makes you think you will act differently when things really get crazy?

Remember, the Apostles just got ordained and attended the first Mass. Imagine if we could hear the thoughts of the Apostles in the Garden: *"Phew, that Last Supper was pretty long. I mean, it was great, but you can only take so much before you get tired. [Later on, when our Lord tells them to pray] I know I need to pray more, but we just finished the Last Supper. Doesn't that 'count'?"* Of course, none of them would say that, at least out loud, but you can