

Corner Cont.

cept of "Sunday best." If you are properly disposed, you will soon receive Our Lord into your body for Holy Communion. While your soul might have the requisite grace, how is your "Tabernacle veil" so to speak? We would not use shabby rags to cover the Tabernacle, or use dirty priestly vestments. We use the best things we have. Likewise, wearing our Sunday best is giving God our best. Don't skip Mass if you happen to forget to bring nice clothes on a trip, but take care when dressing for Mass. Remember: *Lex orandi, lex credendi*. If you grow careless when coming to Mass, soon your faith will weaken. You don't need me to tell you how crazy this world is, and the importance of holding fast to that which we have received. Don't just hold the Catholic Faith: live it!

In Christ, through Mary,

Fr. David Franco, FSSP

Irish Heritage Presentation

Mon. 29 Nov, 7 pm via Zoom, John Countryman, Ph.D. will speak about the Irish National War Memorial, and the Irish killed in WWI, fighting for Britain. The presentation is sponsored by the Msgr. Charles A. Kelly Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. The presentation link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82676619443>. All are welcome. Questions: AOH.Kelly@gmail.com.

Online Giving

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

Sunday Offertory for Nov. 21, 2021			
	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
Operations			
In Pew	\$4,397	—	—
Online	\$5,470	—	—
Total	\$9,867	\$9,327	\$540
YTD	\$221,811	\$195,867	\$25,944
Capital Improvements			
In Pew	\$883	—	—
Online	\$1,062	—	—
Total	\$1,945	\$1,923	\$22
YTD	\$43,251	\$40,383	\$2,868
<i>Thank you for your continued generosity!</i>			

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 antoinettejij@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	Finance Council Bob Stolle finance@stjosephrichmond.org	Volunteer Coordinator Michelle Blake volunteer@stjosephrichmond.org	Sacristan Monica Mell sacristan@stjosephrichmond.org
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 Greg Hice 804-320-4932	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

"It is now the hour for us to rise from sleep. For now our salvation is nearer than when we believed."

(Rom. 13:11)



November 28, 2021

Saint Joseph Parish

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

Rev. Karl Marsolle, FSSP, Pastor
office@stjosephrichmond.org

Rev. David Franco, FSSP, Vicar
Fr.Franco@stjosephrichmond.org

Parish Office

Hours: Mon. - Fri., 9 am — 12:30 pm
828 Buford Rd., N. Chesterfield, VA 23235
www.stjosephrichmond.org
Voice: (804) 320-4932
Text: (804) 307-8390
Fax: (804) 451-1009

Sacramental emergencies: 396-5665

Beverly Howe, Administrative Assistant
office@stjosephrichmond.org

David Pedersen, Choirmaster
music@stjosephrichmond.org

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	for 1hr following 6pm Mass
1st Friday	8 am-4:45 pm
Other Fridays	8 am-11:45 am

MASS SCHEDULE	INTENTIONS	REQUESTED BY
Sun. November 28 1st Sunday of Advent (1st Cl.)	8:30 am Celebrant's Intention 11 am Christine Roman † 4:30 pm William C. Diman †	— JM LF
Mon. November 29 Ded: Cathedral of the Sacred Heart (1st Cl.)	7 am Carla Land 9 am Susan Palm	SF GCP
Tues. November 30 St. Andrew (2nd Cl.)	9 am Mike Liberatore	AVC
Wed. December 1 Feria of Advent (3rd Cl.)	6 pm Emma Doran <i>Adoration: 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	DF
Thurs. December 2 St. Bibiana (3rd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Yaisel Perez Blanco	HB
Fri. December 3 St. Francis Xavier (3rd Cl.)	7 am Mary Margaret Dolph <i>Adoration: 8 am to 4:45 pm</i> 6 pm The McCuen Family	JP JVS
Sat. December 4 St. Peter Chrysologus (3rd Cl.)	9 am Bernadette Piccininni	
Sun. December 5 2nd Sunday of Advent (1st Cl.)	8:30 am Pro Populo 11 am Jaime Vega † 4:30 pm Myria P. Tolentino	— RLH MT
Mon. December 6 St. Nicholas (3rd Cl.)	7 am Jimmy Pillow 9 am Maria Campisi	KS MC
Tues. December 7 St. Ambrose (3rd Cl.)	9 am Zilli Family	KZ
Wed. December 8 Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M. (1st Cl.)	7 am Pro Populo 9 am Carmen Gencaya † 6 pm Private Intention <i>No Adoration Today</i>	— RG PW
Thurs. December 9 Feria of Advent (3rd Cl.)	7 am Daniel Knight 9 am Betty Prince †	OF AP
Fri. December 10 Feria of Advent (3rd Cl.)	7 am Victoria Tito <i>Adoration: 8 am to 11:45 am</i> 6 pm Brayden Lord	GAT LF
Sat. December 11 St. Damasus I (3rd Cl.)	6:45 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am James & Grace Hice †	— GH

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Anne Simon, Nancy Becouvarakis, Karen Vander Putten, Noreen Borter, Bobby Stallworth, Bill & Lydia Colberg, Verena Goins, Rebecca Caton, The Charles Dise Family, Wilkerson Family, Bonnie Addison, Peg Burget, Stephen Yago, Walter Quinn, Jimmy Pillow, Kathleen Smith, Ethel Dahlem, Matthew Owen Balducci, Cardinal Burke, Fr. Mahowald, Daniel Turner, Delores, Brick Q., Baby Boy Duhaime, Michelle Muzyka, Frank & Carolyn Baratta, Carrie Wilson, Ginny Franklin, Mary Rose Poerstel, 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.*

Mass Schedule Changes

One priest is away. Note the Mass schedule changes highlighted in grey. Confessions only before Mass on Sunday 28 Nov. As usual, confessions are heard 10 am to 12 noon on Saturday. Please plan accordingly.

No Religious Education TODAY

Sun. 28 November

Rorate Mass—Sat. 11 Dec. at 6:45 am

A Rorate Mass is a special votive Mass for Our Lady during Advent which takes its name from the first word of the Introit *Rorate Caeli*. The beautiful early morning Mass is offered in the darkness with only candles to provide light. Come honor our Blessed Mother as we prepare for the Birth of the Savior!

The 9 am Mass and confessions from 10 to noon will take place as usual.

Upcoming Events

- Nov. 28**—No Religious Ed.
Advent Wreath Making
- Dec. 3**—First Friday Adoration: 8 am to 4:45 pm
- Dec. 4**—Abortion Clinic Rosary
- Dec. 5**—Knights of Columbus Breakfast
- Dec. 7**—No 7 am Mass
- Dec. 8**—**Holy Day of Obligation**
Masses: 7 am & 9 am Low; 6 pm High
No Adoration
- Dec. 11**—Rorate Mass at 6:45 am

TODAY—Advent Wreath Making

Sun. 28 Nov. in Fr. Adrian Hall after the 11 am Mass. If you have spare greenery, please bring. All other supplies (except candles) provided. Meal included. Contact oladynshoe@gmail.com

Exodus 90

17 Jan—17 Apr. An opportunity for men to grow in sanctity through prayer, fasting, and discipline. Weekly meetings following the 11am Sunday Mass. Contact gpoyfavv@gmail.com for more information.

Playing With Fire

Please note that children need parental supervision on parish property. This is especially important near the votive candle stands.

Rosary at the Abortion Clinic

Every first & third Saturday at 9 am at 201 N Hamilton St, Richmond, VA 23221.

Apostolate of Mary, Mother of Priests

Every 3rd Saturday of the month this apostolate attends the 9 am Mass and then stays in the church to pray for vocations, priests, and seminarians. For info call Louise Caouette-Diman (804) 935-3399

Corporal Works of Mercy

- To help produce sleeping mats for the homeless, please see the display in Fr. Adrian Hall. Info: dulcevallarroel@yahoo.com
- 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.

Pastor's Corner



Dear Parishioners,

Lex orandi, lex credendi. Essentially, the way you pray is the way you believe. I preached on this a few Sundays ago. It might be helpful to reiterate a few key points here as a useful reference you can save for later. After all, how we approach the Mass affects the strength of our Faith in the truths proposed therein.

When we enter a church, we always bless ourselves with Holy Water which is both a reminder of our Baptism and a powerful sacramental to dispel any demonic influences. When done together with contrition, it also remits venial sins. We genuflect on our right knee to Our Lord hidden in the Tabernacle. Remember that this honor is something given *directly* to God. Make every genuflection out of a conscious reverence for God and not just mere habit. When the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in Eucharistic Adoration, we genuflect on both knees and bow out of an even deeper awe and adoration of Christ present before us.

Another part of the *lex credendi* for the pews is a reverential silence in the Church, especially when the Blessed Sacrament is present. This applies not just during Mass, but anytime outside of Mass as well. We keep reverential silence out of respect to Christ present here. All conversations in Church should be directed towards GOD, not our neighbor. If it is necessary, a *brief* question and a *brief* answer *quietly* whispered are fine, but please go outside if it needs to be more than that. Those who hold casual conversations in Church (even those whispered) are guilty of irreverence and cannot be excused from sin once they have been told.

Remember, in order to fulfill your Sunday obligation, you need not only be physically present in the pews, but also pay careful attention to what is happening at the Altar. This means you should not leave the Church unless there is a good reason, e.g. nature calls and it cannot wait. If you are constantly going back and forth during Mass, it would show a lack of interest in what is taking place. Worst case scenario: you miss too much to fulfill your obligation. If our Faith teaches us the Mass is the Sacrifice of the Cross represented in an unbloody manner and the highest form of worship possible, we must show this by our reverent attention to what is taking place.

One thing rather lost in modern society is the con-