

Corner Cont.

If we are doing everything we can to lead a structured and balanced spiritual life and we are traversing the desert, then keep on going! God will bring a deeper faith from this trial. In faith, know He is walking by you, supporting you. Keep on striving for Him. Keep on getting back to your non-negotiables and fine-tuning them, feed your soul.

As a Benedictine novice Master once said regarding spiritual reading: "Life is too short for good books... only read the excellent ones!"

Please know that you and your families are in my prayers, especially at the Altar of Our Lord.

Fr. Karl Marsolle FSSP

Looking for Spiritual Reading?

Are you seeking some adult catechesis to peruse while the children are in religious ed.? The parish library is open between the 8:30 am and 11 am Masses.

Please Note

Panhandlers are not allowed on our premises. Do not encourage them by giving. There are many organizations to help those who are truly indigent.

Retired Religious Collection

See the handout on the back table for info.

Diocesan Annual Appeal

This year's Annual Appeal is entirely online. Scan the QR code or contact Faith Direct, for help: 866-507-8757 or info@faithdirect.net



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 Sept. 18, 2022			
	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
Operations			
In Pew	\$4,447	—	—
Online	\$5,591	—	—
Total	\$10,038	\$10,576	(\$538)
YTD	\$130,698	\$116,336	\$14,362
Capital Improvements			
In Pew	\$1,617	—	—
Online	\$1,432	—	—
Total	\$3,049	\$2,307	\$742
YTD	\$26,835	\$25,377	\$1,458

Thank you for your continued generosity!

COMMITTEES AND ACTIVITIES

Friday Adoration Bernadette Piccininni 291-8961	Parish Pastoral Council Andy Piffat 804-897-4322	Parish Library Tim Olmsted library@stjosephrichmond.org	Event 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	Safe Environment Committee Mary Poerstel 804-432-5134
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"Every one that exalteth himself, shall be humbled; and he that humbleth himself, shall be exalted."

(Luke 14:11)



September 25, 2022

Saint Joseph Parish

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

Rev. Karl Marsolle, FSSP, Pastor

Rev. David Franco, FSSP, Vicar

Rev. Peter Byrne, 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	for 1hr following 6pm Mass
1st Friday	8 am-4:45 pm
Other Fridays	8 am-11:45 am

Parish Office

Hours: Mon. - Fri., 9 am — 12:30 pm
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MASS SCHEDULE — INTENTIONS — REQUESTED		
Sun. September 25 16th Sunday After Pentecost (2nd Cl)	8:30 am Joyce Harley † 11 am Ruslan Arushanov 4:30 pm Pro Populo	CF HB —
Mon. September 26 Ss. Jean Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues & Companions (2nd Cl)	9 am Kenneth Floyd Cooke †	BLK
Tues. September 27 Ss. Cosmas & Damian (3rd Cl)	9 am Norm & Marlene Lazor	NL
Wed. September 28 St. Wenceslaus (3rd Cl)	7 am Michael Fecko, Sr. † 6 pm Peter Whitfield <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	MF KL
Thurs. September 29 The Dedication of St. Michael the Archangel (1st Cl)	9 am Michael Seely, Jr.	AS
Fri. September 30 St. Jerome (3rd Cl)	7 am Joe & Karen Mihalick <i>Adoration 8 am to 12 noon</i> 6 pm DeSimone Teenagers	TD MAH
Sat. October 1 Saturday of Our Lady (4th Cl)	9 am Private Intention	MM
Sun. October 2 External Solemnity of Our Lady of the Rosary (1st Cl)	8:30 am Beverly Howe 11 am Bp. Barry Knestout 4:30 pm Celebrant's Intention	PW JP —
Mon. October 3 St. Teresa of the Child Jesus (3rd Cl)	7 am Suki & Beau Simpson 9 am George Burnett †	SS FB
Tues. October 4 St Francis of Assisi (3rd Cl)	9 am Michael Doran	DF
Wed. October 5 Feria (4th Cl)	7 am Paul Campisi † 6 pm John R. DeMajo † <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	UC JD
Thurs. October 6 St. Bruno (3rd Cl)	9 am Tom Jackson	BC
Fri. October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary (2nd Cl)	7 am Julie Pastore <i>Adoration 8 am to 5 pm</i> 6 pm Edward Yapor Alba	MAH MY
Sat. October 8 St. Bridget of Sweden (3rd Cl)	9 am Charles Adams	MCA

PRAYER INTENTIONS

The Colbergs, Baby John, Dennis Marks, Rebecca Caton, Carole Vaden, Ellen Moschella, Nick Heinz, Rich Hohos, Catharine Palm, Saskia Schreyer, Hunter Moon, Jim Eliasek, Frank & Carolyn Baratta, Virginia Craig, Elizabeth Middleton, Betty Ikenberry, Melanie Crouch, Priscilla Treacy Calhoun, Margaret Burget, Ellen Nau, Charles Adams, Ethel Dahlem, Carrie Wilson, Ginny Franklin, Bill Madigan, Peter, Michael, Mary Ann & Tom Osborne, Kenny Montgomery, Ken Diman, Clarence & Betty Proffitt, The D'Aconti Family, Andrew Priddy, Charles Furlough, Angela Rhys-Sonnenschein, Ed Peters, Bob Martin, Patricia Willard, Elizabeth Storm, 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.

Schedule Changes

Please carefully note the Mass schedule changes highlighted in grey.

Office Closed

Mon. 26 Sept. through Fri. 30 Sept. the office staff will be working behind the scenes. Thank you for not interrupting.

External Solemnity of O.L. of the Rosary

Sun. 2 Oct. There is a Rosary Procession immediately following the 11 am High Mass.

TODAY—Treasure Swap

All items on the designated tables of Fr. Adrian Hall are free; no need to bring items to participate. Remaining items are collected and donated on Monday. Info: (804) 363-2480.

How to Use a 1962 Hand Missal

Sun., 9 Oct., 9:45 am in the Library. Class taught by Mrs. Barbara Ettner. A hand missal can be one of the greatest prayer tools if used properly! Missals available in the Gift Shop; it is best if you bring one with you. Seats are limited—register on the bulletin board across from the Parish Office.

Upcoming Events

Sept. 25—Parish Treasure Swap
Sept. 26-30—Parish Office Closed
Oct. 2—Rosary Procession after the High Mass
Oct. 9—How to Use a Missal class
 Holy Land Olive Wood sales

TODAY—The Troops of Saint George

This is a Catholic apostolate for priests, men, and young men looking for a life of adventure coupled with virtue. The Troop is a father/son(s) program for boys from 1st to 12th grade centered around the outdoors and sacraments as they journey toward heaven. Informational meetings are in the Library today, Sun. 25 Sept. after each of the morning Masses. For more info: 609-304-9112 or frank17882@gmail.com or visit the website <https://troopsofsaintgeorge.org/>

St. Joseph's Girls' Groups

Little Flowers, Hospitality, and Sodality clubs: starting 1 Oct and continuing through May, meetings are on 1st Sat. after the 9am Mass. Girls join the Rosary in the church, then meet as groups from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. For details, see the Youth Activities bulletin board in the religious ed hallway. Registration forms and fees can be turned into the office, or placed in the girls' groups mailbox. **Sodality is in need of a new leader for the 2022-2023 year. Please let us know if you are interested or know someone who might be!**

Mayflower Homeschoolers Upcoming Events

Clubs begin Sep. 21st; Stories of the Saints, Oct. 5th; Moms Night Out, Oct. 7th. We're also starting rehearsals for our Advent nativity play! All ages welcome; more info: dconnell90@gmail.com

New VIRTUS Program

The Diocese of Richmond Safe Environment Committee has incorporated a mandatory program for children grades K—12 to promote safety and empowerment for children with regard to sexual abuse. An overview of this program and lesson plans specific for each age group are available for parents to teach their children. If you choose not to teach your children, the diocese is asking you to sign an opt out form which is available in the vestibule. Please contact Mary Poerstel at marypoerstel@gmail.com or 804-432-5134 for more info.

Pastor's Corner



“The light of thy body is thy eye. If thy eye be single, thy whole body shall be lightsome. But if thy eye be evil thy whole body shall be darksome. If then the light that is in thee, be darkness: the darkness itself how great shall it be!” Matthew 6:22

Dear Faithful,

Let's look at the above verse in the light of spiritual reading. What do I feed my soul?

The most important principles of spiritual reading are:

- What I feed my soul
- The regularity with which I do it
- The timing of it

More often than not, I hear people lament the spiritual drought they are undergoing. Spiritual drought can very much be our own fault *if* we have disorder, idleness, laziness, nonchalance, lukewarmness and distractions fostered. One of the first questions I would ask someone traversing a spiritual desert is “What do you feed your soul on a daily basis?” If the answer is: “Nothing!”, then no wonder. What do you expect?! If the answer is: “The last 5 minutes of my distraction-filled day”, then again, no surprise.

Spiritual reading should really be part of our daily non-negotiables. It gives us something to chew on every day. It feeds our prayer lives. The Desert Fathers compared spiritual reading to the oil in an oil lamp, the flame being prayer.

The timing of it is also crucial. Do I give God the first fruits of my day/time? To fill one's mind early in the day with good spiritual things, before the laundry list of necessary obligations or futile distractions trap us, is the way to do it. We should do our utmost to form the same habit for prayer. This sets the tone for our day. Then in the midst of duties, obligations, and distractions, we can hopefully check-in with Our Lord and renew our good dispositions to Him in a glance.

In days that are a whirlwind of obligations, catastrophe, emergencies or chaos, the important principle is to at least give God something, even if it is not much. We should be creative in the ways we make time for God in spiritual reading. For the very busy person, listening to a spiritual audio book while commuting to work may be the best option.