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and their unanimous answer is: To have a "minus one policy." For example, a place that has two priests runs a one priest schedule. A place that has three priests runs a two priest schedule. A place that has four priests runs a three priest schedule. And so on, so that whenever surprises/tragedies/extraordinary circumstances/sicknesses occur, the set schedule is unaffected.  
This means that, beginning later this month, the only weekly 7 a.m. Mass will be on Friday.

**This will be our weekly schedule:**  
Monday 9 a.m.  
Tuesday 9 a.m.  
Wednesday 6 p.m. (followed by Adoration)  
Thursday 9 a.m.  
Friday 7 a.m. & 6 p.m. (with Adoration on the usual schedule)  
Saturday 9 a.m.

It will be possible to switch back to a two priest schedule if a third priest is assigned permanently to St. Joseph's.  
Thank you for your understanding.  
Please know that you and your families are in my prayers, especially at the Altar of Our Lord.

Fr. Karl Marsolle FSSP

**PHCC Volunteers Needed**  
The Pregnancy Help Center of Chesterfield is in serious need of volunteers, both medical and non-medical. To help out, please call 804-777-9063.  
**Online Giving**  
Thank you for your continued and very edifying generosity; the Parish depends on it. Please visit our giving site: [stjosephrichmond.weshareonline.org](http://stjosephrichmond.weshareonline.org) to create an account. For help or questions, please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Sunday Offertory for Jan 28, 2024			
	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
<b>Operations</b>			
In Pew	\$5,757	—	—
Online	\$6,891	—	—
<b>Total</b>	\$12,648	\$10,962	\$1,686
<b>YTD</b>	\$430,774	\$328,860	\$101,914
<b>Capital Improvements</b>			
In Pew	\$630	—	—
Online	\$922	—	—
<b>Total</b>	\$1,552	\$2,404	(\$852)
<b>YTD</b>	\$78,739	\$72,120	\$6,619
Thank you for your continued generosity!			
<b>Special Collections January 2024</b>			
Collection	Total		
Altar Flowers	\$295		
FSSP Seminary Burse	\$2,003.50		
Poor Box	\$995.59		
Respect Life	\$478		
St. Bernadette Fund	\$2,627		

<b>Adoration</b> Bernadette Piccininni 291-8961	<b>Gift Shop</b> Rose Mary Cosby 272-3908	<b>Parish Pastoral Council</b> Joe Treadwell council@stjosephrichmond.org	<b>Ushers</b> Greg Hice 804-320-4932
<b>Altar Flowers</b> Ann Yost 540-846-9556	<b>Knights of Columbus</b> Michael Smart 804-614-5183 mhsmart2@verizon.net	<b>Religious Education</b> Katy Hichborn edu@stjosephrichmond.org	<b>Volunteer Coordinator</b> volunteer@stjosephrichmond.org Kristen Treadwell
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<b>Finance Council</b> Bob Stolle finance@stjosephrichmond.org	<b>Maintenance</b> John Hewitt 804-320-4932	<b>Safe Environment Committee</b> Mary Poerstel 804-432-5134	
For parish apostolates, social groups and activities, please see the bulletin board by the parish library.			

“My grace is sufficient  
for thee; for power is  
made perfect in infirmity.  
Gladly therefore will I  
glory in my infirmities,  
that the power of Christ  
may dwell in me.”  
(2 Cor 12:9)



February 4, 2024

# Saint Joseph Parish

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**Served by the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter**

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Schedule for Holy Mass	
Sunday	8:30 am (Low) 11 am (High) 1:30 pm (Low)
Monday	9 am
Tuesday	9 am
Wednesday	6 pm
Thursday	9 am
Friday	7 am & 6 pm
Saturday	9 am
<b>Holy Days of Obligation:</b> see calendar	
<b>Confession:</b> 30 minutes before all Masses, Saturdays - 10 am to 12 noon	
<b>Devotions:</b> - 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		
<b>Sun. February 4</b> Sexagesima Sunday (2nd Cl)	8:30 am Bosco Sanctafamilia 11 am Pro Populo 1:30 pm Maria Liberatore	NH — ML
<b>Mon. February 5</b> St. Agatha (3rd Cl)	9 am Susan Stern	JS
<b>Tues. February 6</b> St. Titus (3rd Cl)	9 am Isaac Seeley	AS
<b>Wed. February 7</b> St. Romuald (3rd Cl)	6 pm Maryjo Seeley <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	AS
<b>Thurs. February 8</b> St. John of Matha (3rd Cl)	9 am Bosco Sanctafamilia	PJO
<b>Fri. February 9</b> St. Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria (3rd Cl)	7 am Mary Alice & Ken Hoffman <i>Adoration 8 am to 12 pm</i> 6 pm Terry L. Stacy †	MAH KS
<b>Sat. February 10</b> St. Scholastica (3rd Cl)	9 am St. Joseph Parish Volunteers	—
<b>Sun. February 11</b> Quinquagesima Sunday (2nd Cl)	8:30 am Pro Populo 11 am FSSP & the TLM 1:30 pm Kenny Gibbons	— — TM
<b>Mon. February 12</b> 7 Founders of the Order of Servants of BVM (3rd Cl)	9 am Sisters of the Precious Blood	GH
<b>Tues. February 13</b> Feria (4th Cl)	9 am FSSP	LA
<b>Wed. February 14</b> Ash Wednesday (1st Cl)	7 am June Heim † 6 pm Holy Souls in Purgatory <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	CBP PW
<b>Thurs. February 15</b> Thursday After Ash Wednesday (3rd Cl)	9 am Catherine & Paul Paolini	PH
<b>Fri. February 16</b> Friday After Ash Wednesday (3rd Cl)	7 am Stephen Paul Burgess † <i>Adoration 8 am to 12 pm</i> 6 pm George Davenport	MS JAM
<b>Sat. February 17</b> Saturday After Ash Wednesday (3rd Cl)	9 am Gabriella Grumblatt	AS

**PRAYER INTENTIONS**  
John Seeds, Tony Zacchetti, J. P. Vittori,  
Carol Bailey, Suki & Beau Simpson, Samual  
Sponeybarger, Cliff Cosby, James & Judy  
Stephens, Freddie Cahoon, Andrew Piffat, Sr.,  
Cooper Hamerman, Anahid Velasquez,  
Theresa Ward, Patricia DiGirolamo, Tom  
Hancock, James Walsh, Nick Heinz, and all  
the chronically ill & homebound of our  
parish.  
*In your charity, please remember the souls  
of Noreen Borter & all the faithful  
departed. Requiescant in pace.*

**Epiphany Water**  
Epiphany Water is available at the front of the  
church.

**Candlemas Candles**  
All Candles under the Last Supper window  
must be claimed before 21 February or they  
become property of the parish.

**Volunteer Appreciation Mass**  
Sat. 10 Feb. the 9am Mass is for the intention  
of all St. Joseph Volunteers who were active  
in 2023. These volunteers are invited to en-  
joy coffee & pastries in Fr. Adrian Hall after  
the Mass.

**How to Use a 1962 Hand Missal**  
Sun., 18 Feb., 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.

**Calling Substitute Teachers!**  
Our Religious Education program is in des-  
perate need of substitute teachers. If you can  
help, email: [edu@stjosephrichmond.org](mailto:edu@stjosephrichmond.org)

**Upcoming Events**  
**Feb. 10**—Volunteer Appreciation Mass  
**Feb. 14**—Ash Wednesday  
**Feb. 18**—How to Use a Hand Missal

**Women’s Silent Retreat Registration  
Now Open to Non-Parishioners**  
The parish is hosting a silent retreat for women ages 18  
and up, Fri-Sun., June 21-23, 2024 at the Roslyn Re-  
treat Center on River Road. This traditional retreat will  
be led by Fr. Anthony Mastroeni. Full details and reg-  
istration forms are on the bulletin board in the hallway  
near the Parish Library.


**Questions About Online Giving?**  
We have received many questions regarding our online  
donation site. Please see the bulletin board by the par-  
ish library for a step-by-step guide to online giving and  
the answers to some frequently asked questions.

**St. Peter’s Homeless Ministries Donations**  
St. Peter’s is always accepting donated items for the  
homeless. Please see the bulletin board by the parish  
library for an up-to-date list of needed items. Dona-  
tions can be left in the bin located by Padre Pio in the  
main vestibule. Thank you for your generosity.

**Charitable Contribution Statements**  
End of the year statements for tax purposes have been  
sent to everyone who contributed \$500 or more in  
2023. If you need your statement and do not receive it,  
please contact the office. Additionally, take note of  
how your statement is addressed—if any information is  
incorrect, please let us know so we can correct it in our  
system.

**Help Mothers in Crisis**  
The Knights of Columbus are collecting items for the  
Richmond Pregnancy Center during the entire month  
of February. Please see the display located in Fr. Adri-  
an Hall for a full list of items needed and a Pack and  
Play to hold your donations.

# Pastor’s Corner



Dear Parishioners,

In my formation, I didn’t really get a manual on how to run a parish. A lot of it has been "learn as you go; learn from being burnt!" At this stage, I’ve concluded that I need to make more adjustments to our weekly Mass schedule.

The way St. Joseph Parish has been operating since the FSSP began serving here is a two priest schedule for two priests assigned here. This means running at full capacity, all the time. This schedule would work if *everything* went according to plan on a daily basis, but no day or week or month ever goes fully according to plan. After nearly five years here, I can certainly corroborate this. There are tragedies, hospital calls, funerals and many other necessities, surprises, requests and demands, from the sublime and legit to the sometimes ridiculous. There are also many behind-the-scenes obligations that consume a lot of each priest’s time every day. We have obligations to the parish. We have obligations to the diocese. As FSSP priests, we also have obligations and extra duties to the FSSP and constitutions we should strive to live by (common prayer, meals, convocations, annual retreats, monthly day of recollection, priests council, and other duties and functions). We also have obligations to our families: fathers, mothers and siblings. Usually, our four weeks of vacation per year are spent on the latter.

All obligations aside, a two priest schedule for two priests assigned here would only work if the priests never got sick. Unfortunately, I'd say we get sick all too often. Why? Because some weeks we are running on fumes trying to keep up with the schedule, our immune system is down, and we get exposed to germs and catch what's going around. When one priest is down, the other scrambles to cover his duties for him. Sickness lingers longer than it should because the necessary time to recover must be cut short as the obligations only pile up.

Some time ago, I realized that the schedule, as it was, would eventually run the priests into the ground, so I reduced the schedule for Mondays and Tuesdays to only a 9 a.m. Mass. This change helped, but realistically it was insufficient. What is the solution? I have consulted older and wiser priests in busy apostolates

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