

sire to receive and to bear lighted in the honour of Thy Name: that, by offering them to Thee our Lord God, being worthily inflamed with the holy fire of Thy most sweet charity, we may deserve to be presented in the holy temple of Thy glory. Through the same our Lord. R. Amen.

Prayer 3: Lord Jesus Christ, the true Light who enlightenest every man that cometh into this world: pour forth Thy blessing ✠ upon these candles, and sanctify them with the light of Thy grace, and mercifully grant, that as these lights enkindled with visible fire dispel the darkness of night, so our hearts illumined by invisible fire, that is, by the splendour of the Holy Spirit, may be free from the blindness of all vice, that the eye of our mind being cleansed, we may be able to discern what is pleasing to Thee and profitable to our salvation; so that after the perilous darkness of this life we may deserve to attain to never-failing light: through Thee, O Christ Jesus, Saviour of the world, who in the perfect Trinity, livest and reignest. R. Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, who by Thy servant Moses didst command the purest oil to be prepared for lamps to burn continuously before Thee: vouchsafe to pour forth the grace of Thy blessing ✠ upon these candles: that they may so afford us light outwardly that by Thy gift, the gift of Thy Spirit may never be wanting inwardly to our minds. Through our Lord. R. Amen.

Prayer 4: Lord Jesus Christ, who appearing on this day among men in the substance of our

flesh, wast presented by Thy parents in the temple: whom the venerable and aged Simeon, illumined by the light of Thy Spirit, recognized, received into his arms, and blessed: mercifully grant that, enlightened and taught by the grace of the same Holy Ghost, we may truly acknowledge Thee and faithfully love Thee; Who with God the Father. R. Amen.

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

Fr. Karl Marsolle FSSP

Sunday Offertory for Jan 12, 2025

	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
Operations			
In Pew	\$6,302	—	—
Online	\$7,114	—	—
Circumcision			
Online	\$50	—	—
Total	\$13,466	\$11,500	\$1,966
YTD	\$418,308	\$322,000	\$96,308
Capital Improvements			
In Pew	\$773	—	—
Online	\$1,419	—	—
Total	\$2,192	\$2,596	(\$404)
YTD	\$78,173	\$72,688	\$5,485

Thank you for your continued generosity!

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For parish apostolates, social groups and activities, please see the bulletin board by the parish library.

“Whatsoever he shall say to you, do ye.”

(Jn 2:5)



Saint Joseph Parish

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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

Holy Days of Obligation: see calendar

Confession: 30 minutes 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. January 19 Second Sunday after Epiphany (2nd Cl)	8:30 am Pro Populo 11:00 am Jack & Ellen Dickson † 1:30 pm FSSP & the TLM	— TD —
Mon. January 20 Ss. Fabian & Sebastian (3rd Cl)	9 am Lorraine Schwietz †	CP
Tues. January 21 St. Agnes (3rd Cl)	9 am John D. Constantine †	MAH
Wed. January 22 Votive Mass for Peace (2nd Cl)	6 pm Martin L. Burgess † <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	MS
Thurs. January 23 St. Raymond of Penafort (3rd Cl)	9 am Kathleen Doran Blum	RD
Fri. January 24 St. Timothy (3rd Cl)	7 am Carlton Garnett <i>Adoration 8 am to 12 noon</i> 6 pm Thaddeus Sanctafamilia	JBG JVS
Sat. January 25 Conversation of St. Paul (3rd Cl)	9 am Phillip Carlin †	BH
Sun. January 26 Third Sunday after Epiphany (2nd Cl)	8:30 am Anthony Tricarico † 11:00 am Pro Populo 1:30 pm Christopher DeSimone	GAT — JVS
Mon. January 27 St. John Chrysostom (3rd Cl)	9 am Fred Vollmer †	NH
Tues. January 28 St. Peter Nolasco (3rd Cl)	9 am Monika Lindner †	ARP
Wed. January 29 St. Francis de Sales (3rd Cl)	6 pm Uni Kemp <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	PW
Thurs. January 30 St. Martina (3rd Cl)	9 am Christopher Dudley	PHD
Fri. January 31 St. John Bosco (3rd Cl)	7 am Christopher Siebert <i>Adoration 8 am to 12 noon</i> 6 pm Kathleen White †	PHD MM
Sat. February 1 St. Ignatius (3rd Cl)	9 am Rosemary & Melanie Sipac Rucal	CB

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Dennis Hatt, Tanya Nacey, Tricia Bradley-Hughes, Adam Figlo, Fr. Daniel Cogut, Philip Gee, Domenic DiGirolamo, Valarie Jennison, Mary Poerstel, Paulita Dudley, Jean Connors, Nick Heinz, Molly Mack, Ron Campbell, Mary Claire Adams, Michael Beaven, and all the chronically ill & homebound of our parish.

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

Mon. 20 Jan.— Parish Office Closed

Epiphany Chalk

Chalk is available in the vestibule while supplies last. First come, first serve, but please be considerate.

Candlemas Candles

Candles to be blessed can be left in front of the Last Supper window in the church. All candles must be in place before Noon on Sat. 1 Feb. Please clearly mark them with your name and phone number. Any candles left on the blessings table near the office will not receive the Candlemas blessing.

Feeding the Hungry Downtown

Wed. 29 Jan, St. Joseph Parish is providing meals for the homeless downtown. Please see the posters on the bulletin board by the parish library to help out. For more info, please email: events@stjosephrichmond.org or outreachstpeter@richmondcluster.org

Upcoming Events

Jan. 20—Parish Office Closed

Jan. 26—Marriage Resource Fair

Jan. 29—Feeding the Hungry

Feb. 2—Candlemas Masses:

8:30 am Low

10:30 am High with candle blessing

1:30 pm Low

Strengthen Your Marriage: Resource Fair

Sun. 26 Jan. in Fr. Adrian Hall after the morning Masses, all married couples are invited to visit with the "Marriage Fair 2025." There will be information on a variety of resources available to help enrich your marriage with online and in-person options, and volunteers will be on hand to answer questions and offer suggestions regarding the different programs. Looking forward to seeing you there!

1700th Anniversary of the Council of Nicaea

The Institute of Catholic Culture is rolling out a brand new course on the Nicene Creed. For more info see the flier on the bulletin board across from the parish office.

Marriage Encounter Weekend

When all the hustle and bustle of the holidays are over...don't you and your spouse deserve a beautiful, romantic weekend away together? If you agree then you'll want to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more information or to register, go to WWME.org and click "Apply" and search for your desired location. Feel free to call Donald and Helen Dudley at (757)-690-1369 or email them at donald.helen.dudley@wwme.org with any questions. Here are a few upcoming experiences: January 31 - February 2, Myrtle Beach, SC
March 7 - 9 Rehoboth Beach, DE
March 14 - 16 Jessup, MD and Ocean City, NJ
March 21 - 23 Emerald Isle, NC

Pastor's Corner



Dear Parishioners,

The feast of Candlemas, which derives its origin from the local observance of Jerusalem, marks the end of the Feasts included in the Christmas cycle of the Liturgy. It is perhaps the most ancient festival of Our Lady. It commemorates not only the obedience of the Blessed Virgin to the Mosaic Law in going to Jerusalem forty days after the birth of her Child and making the accustomed offerings, but also the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple, and the meeting of the Infant Jesus with the old man Simeon.

Here are the prayers for the blessing of candles on this feast.

Prayer 1: Holy Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God, who hast created all things out of nothing, and by Thy command hast caused this liquid to become perfect wax by the labour of bees: and who, on this day didst fulfil the petition of the righteous man, Simeon: we humbly entreat Thee, that by the invocation of Thy most holy Name and through the intercession of Blessed Mary ever Virgin whose feast is today devoutly observed, and by the prayers of all Thy Saints, Thou wouldst vouchsafe to bless ✠ and sanctify these candles for the service of men and for the health of their bodies and souls, whether on land or on sea: and that Thou wouldst hear from Thy holy heaven, and from the throne of Thy Majesty the voices of this Thy people, who desire to carry them in their hands with honour, and to sing Your praises; and that You would look with favour on all who call upon You, whom You have redeemed with the precious Blood of Your Son, who being God, lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Ghost, world without end. R. Amen.

Prayer 2: Almighty and everlasting God, who on this day didst present Thine only-begotten Son in Thy holy temple to be received in the arms of holy Simeon: we humbly entreat Thy clemency, that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to bless ✠ and sanctify and to kindle with the light of Thy heavenly benediction these candles, which we, Thy servants, de-

Confession Times at St. Joseph Parish

Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday – 8:30 am to 8:53 am

Wednesday* – 5:30 pm to 5:53 pm

* Confessions are not heard during
Wednesday Adoration.

Friday – 6:30 am to 6:53 am
5:30 pm to 5:53 pm

Saturday – 8:30 am to 8:53 am
10 am to 12 noon

Sunday** – 8 am to distribution of Holy Communion
10:30 am to distribution of Holy Communion
1 pm to distribution of Holy Communion

** Please note –If a priest is available, he will hear confessions during Sunday Mass until the distribution of Holy Communion, not after.

Some Practical Points from Fr. Marsolle for Confession at St. Joseph Parish and In General

I am glad so many of you avail yourselves of the Sacrament of Confession and treasure your state of grace. Let's keep it going!

Some points need attention. Here are a few reminders:

Sundays:

- Going to confession on a Sunday is a gamble *unless* one is in line *by the time* confessions start (8 am, 10:30 am, 1:00 pm). One should not expect to make it to confession on a Sunday if they stroll in as Mass begins.
- Most parishes do not hear confessions on Sunday. One comes to Church to attend Mass and fulfill his Sunday obligation primarily, not to go to confession. We offer confession during Sunday Mass because we have many parishioners who come from far away and cannot make it during the weekdays or Saturdays.
- Going to confession on a Sunday should be more out of necessity than convenience!

The “Bottleneck Effect”:

- Too often it happens that when confession times are offered during the week, no one shows up for the first 15 minutes and then 7 minutes before Mass is to begin, a line of 10 people forms. There has even been the expectation that the priest should come back after he is done with Mass (as if he has no other duties and obligations to run off to!).
- Some Saturdays, there will be few who come during the 2 hours of confession from 10-Noon, and yet at 11:55am, the bus load arrives.

In General:

- When going to confession, have your ducks in a row. If you confess grave sins, please indicate “species” (what) and “number” (how many times). Give circumstances if they change the species of the sin.
- Accuse yourself, don't excuse yourself.
- Do not enumerate your virtues and good deeds. Stick to your sins.
- Do not enumerate others' sins. Stick to your own.
- If the line is long, be considerate and do not waste time.

Parents:

- Do not “make” your children go to confession **every time** they are in church (every 3 days, every 5 days, every week). Virtue is what we are after, certainly. But confession is a Sacrament that should not be taken for granted, taken lightly, or approached without the requisite resolve... or on the other hand, approached scrupulously. “What am I fostering in this child?” A monthly confession is sufficient. Of course, *if* there is a grave sin, then “when next available” should be the practice.