

Corner Cont.

studied Latin; we had training to be on point. The dialogue Masses I experienced in France and in the Caribbean were horrendous, with differing timing, pace, and volume. I thought the priest had superhuman concentration just to make it through the Gloria.

Regarding our parish: from what I have seen in over five years, I don't think it can be done well here. For instance, listen to the communal response in the recitation of the rosary before Sunday Mass: we have a clear and succinct voice leading the rosary and the communal response is cacophonous. This person is super loud and fast, that one is super loud and slow, this one starts and finishes two seconds after everyone, that one just does his own thing, etc... and that's in English! We'd need a little more situational awareness for the dialogue Mass to be done well at our parish, hence I am discouraging congregational responses.

We are blessed to have a parish filled with good-willed people who genuinely seek to do the right thing and I am very grateful for that. 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 Feb 16, 2025

	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
Operations			
In Pew	\$8,830	—	—
Online	\$5,417	—	—
Total	\$14,247	\$11,500	\$2,747
YTD	\$495,043	\$379,500	\$115,543
Capital Improvements			
In Pew	\$599	—	—
Online	\$1,010	—	—
Total	\$1,609	\$2,596	(\$987)
YTD	\$92,279	\$85,668	\$6,611

Thank you for your continued generosity!

“That on the good ground, are they who in a good and perfect heart, hearing the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit in patience.”

(Lk. 8:15)



February 23, 2025

Saint Joseph Parish

**Roman Catholic Diocese of Richmond
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

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

Parish Office

Hours: Mon. - Fri., 9 am — 12:30 pm
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For parish apostolates, social groups and activities, please see the bulletin board by the parish library.

MASS SCHEDULE — INTENTIONS — REQUESTED BY		
Sun. February 23 Sexagesima Sunday (2nd Cl)	8:30 am Margaret Nichols † 11:00 am Anna Beecher 1:30 pm Andrew Gilbert †	CBP MVN AMP
Mon. February 24 St. Matthias (2nd Cl)	9 am Antonio Valentino Simoncelli †	CCS
Tues. February 25 Feria (4th Cl)	9 am John C. Calhoun †	AC
Wed. February 26 Feria (4th Cl)	6 pm Maggie Nichols † <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	JCG
Thurs. February 27 St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows (3rd Cl)	9 am Julia Martinez	SMC
Fri. February 28 Feria (4th Cl)	7 am Elena Maria Palm † <i>Adoration 8 am to 12 noon</i> 6 pm Anna McGinn †	CP SS
Sat. March 1 Saturday of Our Lady (4th Cl)	9 am Christopher Pruner & Family	KC
Sun. March 2 Quinquagesima Sunday (2nd Cl)	8:30 am Mary Treadwell 11:00 am Pro Populo 1:30 pm David Brown	TF — CB
Mon. March 3 Feria (4th Cl)	9 am Michelle Muzyka	ARP
Tues. March 4 St. Casimir (3rd Cl)	9 am Fr. Robert Novokowsky	LH
Wed. March 5 Ash Wednesday (1st Cl)	7 am James Howard Burget † 10 am Celebrant's Intention 6 pm Don & Joe Heslip <i>No Adoration today</i>	JB — TD
Thurs. March 6 Thursday after Ash Wednesday (3rd Cl)	9 am Megan Dudley	PHD
Fri. March 7 St. Thomas Aquinas (2nd Cl)	7 am Valentino Simoncelli † <i>Adoration 8 am to 5 pm</i> 6 pm Roniel Gencaya	SPE RG
Sat. March 8 Saturday after Ash Wednesday (3rd Cl)	9 am Chris & Andrea Brennan	WLS

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Brenda Walters, Bin A. Son, Esther Windom, Uni & Robert Kemp, Sam Sponeybarger, Elsie Kemp, L. S., Suki & Beau Simpson, Lily Meyer, Dennis Hatt, Tanya Nacey, Tricia Bradley-Hughes, Adam Figlo, Fr. Daniel Cogut, Philip Gee, Domenic DiGirolamo, Valarie Jennison, Mary Poerstel, , and all the chronically ill & homebound of our parish.

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

Ash Wednesday Masses

Wed. 5 March we will have Low Masses at 7 am & 6 pm, and a High Mass at 10 am. Ashes are distributed at the beginning of Mass.

Stations of the Cross

Beginning on 7 March, public recitation of the Stations of the Cross will take place every Friday of Lent immediately following the 6 pm Mass.

Please be aware:

During Consecration at Mass, there should NOT be anyone walking around in the church. Exceptions would be a parent taking a noisy child out, or bathroom emergencies. Otherwise, when that bell rings, anyone not in a pew should stop and kneel in adoration for the duration of the Consecration.

Marriage Resources

The handouts from our recent Strengthen Your Marriage Resource Fair are now available on the bulletin board by the parish library.

Upcoming Events**March 5—Ash Wednesday**

7 am Low Mass
10 am High Mass
6 pm Low Mass

K of C Baby Shower

During February, the Knights are sponsoring a "Baby Shower" collection for the Pregnancy Help Center of Chesterfield. The list of needed items is posted next to the Pack and Play where donations can be deposited in Fr. Adrian Hall. For cash donations, please put cash in an envelope labeled "Baby Shower" and deposit it in the office mail slot. Checks are to be made out to PHCC.

Opening Prayer Vigil—40 Days for Life

Mark your calendar for Sat. 1 March at 2 pm for the opening prayer vigil: a one-hour gathering on the sidewalk in front of the Planned Parenthood at 201 N Hamilton Street in Richmond. For more info or to subscribe to campaign emails, please contact: RVA40DFL@gmail.com

Legion of Mary Rosary Making

Sat. 8 March at 10 am in Fr. Adrian Hall, the Legion of Mary will be teaching others how to make Rosaries. The Legion hands out hundreds of Rosaries to bring both Catholics and non-Catholics closer to Jesus Christ through His Blessed Mother. Help in making more Rosaries is greatly needed!

Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners,

We have new posters near the church entrances regarding Holy Communion: the requirements to receive and the manner in which to receive. I am glad so many of you noticed them!

I included a note at the bottom that making responses during Low Mass is "discouraged."

Of course, I know that in certain places, whether or not the congregation participates in making the responses at Mass is a hot-button issue and, for some people, a great hill to die on. They see the "dialogue Mass" (where the congregation makes responses) as the beginning of the end, the "horror" of active participation and all the liturgical abuses made in its name. Some prefer Low Mass silent and contemplative, as it was before the dialogue Mass was introduced in the 1920's. Others look forward to the dialogue Mass as it helps them engage, follow and pray better. And the pros and cons go on and on...

Interestingly, here at St Joseph's, we do neither! What we do here is a sort of hybrid of responses and silence. I don't say this to throw stones, but simply to inform, as most people wouldn't know and learned by watching those in the pews around them, who may have learned incorrectly themselves.

Currently, in most of our apostolates in the USA, the dialogue Mass is not the practice. In fact, anytime we have visiting priests at St. Joseph's, they always express their surprise after they say "Kyrie Eleison" and hear the roar of the participating congregation. Again, be mindful that what has been done here is rather...unique. If you go to our other places and yell "Kyrie Eleison" after the priest says it, be prepared to become the center of attention, and not in a good way. (Forewarned is forearmed!)

Here is my take on the dialogue Mass: I do not think cacophony promotes contemplation - unison and order do. I am not against doing something if it can be done well. However, the only well-done dialogue Mass I ever experienced was the one we had in seminary once a week, back in the day. We all

Church Laws of Days of Abstinence and Fast

Current Practice

Laws of Days of Abstinence

- ♦ Begins on one's 14th birthday.
- ♦ Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.
- ♦ Obliges abstinence from flesh meat.

Laws of Days of Penance

- ♦ Applies to all the Faithful.
- ♦ Lent and Fridays outside of Lent.

Laws of Days of Fast

- ♦ Applies to everyone aged 18 to 59, inclusive.
- ♦ One full meal permitted and two other meals may be taken which, when combined, are less than a full meal.
- ♦ Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

The obligation to do penance is lifted on Fridays which are also celebrated as a solemnity. The following is a list of the Solemnities in the New Rite which can fall on a Friday:

- ♦ January 1: Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God
- ♦ January 6: Solemnity of the Epiphany
- ♦ March 19: Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of Mary
- ♦ March 25: Solemnity of the Annunciation
- ♦ June 24: Solemnity of St. John the Baptist
- ♦ June 29: Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul
- ♦ August 15: Solemnity of the Assumption
- ♦ November 1: Solemnity of All Saints
- ♦ December 8: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
- ♦ December 25: Solemnity of Christmas
- ♦ Principal patron of a place (city, state, nation)
- ♦ Dedication of a particular church and the anniversary
- ♦ The Title, founder, or principal patron of a religious order or congregation

The Law of the Eucharistic Fast

Under the New Code of Canon Law, the Fast for Holy Communion is one hour before the reception of the Holy Eucharist. Those who are able to maintain the previous discipline of the three-hour fast are still encouraged to do so.

The Discipline of 1962

Laws of Days of Abstinence

- ♦ Applies on one's 7th birthday.
- ♦ Complete Abstinence: all Fridays of the year, Ash Wednesday, Holy Saturday, and the Vigil of Christmas.
- ♦ Partial Abstinence (meat and soup or gravy made from meat permitted once a day at the principal meal): all the days of Lent, the Ember Days of Wednesday and Saturday, and the Vigils of Pentecost and the Assumption.
- ♦ Abstinence from meat is dispensed on Holy Days of Obligation.

Laws of Fast

- ♦ Applies for those aged 21 to 59, inclusive.
- ♦ Days of Lent from Ash Wednesday inclusive, Ember Days, and Vigils of Christmas, Pentecost, and the Assumption.
- ♦ One full meal permitted and two other meals may be taken which, when combined, are less than a full meal.

The Law of the Eucharistic Fast

The complete fast from all food and drink (except water or medicine) for three hours before the reception of Holy Communion. Those who are able to maintain the midnight fast, which was the previous discipline, are still encouraged to do so.