

### Bishop's 2025 Annual Appeal

As in prior years, the appeal is primarily online, but there is a limited supply of envelopes on the back table of the church. All funds received above our parish target will go toward our parish organ fund. <https://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal/> or scan the QR code below. Questions can be directed to GiveCentral: [support@givecentral.org](mailto:support@givecentral.org) or 833-716-2612.



### Sunday Offertory for May 11, 2025

	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
<b>Operations</b>			
In Pew	\$5,033	—	—
Online	\$10,091	—	—
<b>Easter</b>			
In Pew	\$25	—	—
<b>Ascension</b>			
In Pew	\$25	—	—
Total	\$15,174	\$11,500	\$3,674
YTD	\$673,068	\$517,500	\$155,568
<b>Capital Improvements</b>			
In Pew	\$683	—	—
Online	\$3,201	—	—
Total	\$3,884	\$2,596	\$1,288
YTD	\$129,428	\$116,820	\$12,608

*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.

*“Let every man be swift to hear, but slow to speak, and slow to anger. For the anger of man worketh not the justice of God.”*

*(Jas 1: 19-20)*



*May 18, 2025*

# Saint Joseph Parish

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

**Rev. Karl Marsolle, FSSP, Pastor**

**Rev. Rhone Lillard, FSSP, Vicar**

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### Parish Office

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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		
<b>Sun. May 18</b> Fourth Sunday after Easter (2nd Cl)	8:30 am Fr. Adrian Harmening OSB † 11:00 am Pro Populo 1:30 pm The Faison Family	AR — KF
<b>Mon. May 19</b> St. Peter Celestine (3rd Cl)	9 am Rev. Fr. Karl Marsolle	KLD
<b>Tues. May 20</b> St. Bernadine of Siena (3rd Cl)	9 am Danny Devine	DP
<b>Wed. May 21</b> Feria in Paschaltide (4th Cl)	6 pm Zelie, Zach & Jacob Seeley <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	MAS
<b>Thurs. May 22</b> Feria in Paschaltide (4th Cl)	9 am Xavier Sanctafamilia	JVS
<b>Fri. May 23</b> Feria in Paschaltide (4th Cl)	7 am Fr. Rhone Lillard <i>Adoration 8 am to 12 noon</i> 6 pm FSSP	KLD LM
<b>Sat. May 24</b> Saturday of Our Lady (4th Cl)	9 am Pien Bosch	BLK
<b>Sun. May 25</b> Fifth Sunday after Easter (2nd Cl)	8:30 am Pro Populo 11:00 am Matthew L. Dahlem † 1:30 pm Kathy Clark	— MD CH
<b>Mon. May 26</b> St. Philip Neri (3rd Cl)	9 am Isaac Seeley	MAS
<b>Tues. May 27</b> St. Bede the Venerable (3rd Cl)	9 am Thomas A. Bayer †	NB
<b>Wed. May 28</b> Vigil of the Ascension (2nd Cl)	6 pm Bob Ulrich <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	CU
<b>Thurs. May 29</b> Ascension of Our Lord (1st Cl)	9 am Pro Populo 6 pm Faithful Departed of St. Joseph Parish	— SJP
<b>Fri. May 30</b> Feria after Ascension (4th Cl)	7 am Delorise Saller † <i>Adoration 8 am to 12 noon</i> 6 pm Allan Maggiore Jr. †	PT JD
<b>Sat. May 31</b> Queenship of Mary (2nd Cl)	9 am Peter Whitfield 10:30 am Confirmandi of St. Joseph's	KL —

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Therese Sanctafamilia, Nick Heinz, Donna Mergen, Cindy Marker, Gayle Weston, Cathy Dickson, Scott York, Peter & Joan Marie Osborne, Fern Kovac, Gary Swift, Son Lee Young, Jenny Wertz, Brenda Walters, Bin A. Son, Esther Windom, Uni & Robert Kemp, Sam Sponeybarger, Elsie Kemp, and all the chronically ill & homebound of our parish.

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

26 May-30 May—Parish Office Closed

Ascension Thursday Schedule

Thur. 29 May—Although not a holy day of obligation, we have two Masses: 9 am Low Mass and 6 pm High Mass

Confirmations

Sat. 31 May, in addition to our usual 9 am Low Mass there is a 10:30 am High Mass for Confirmations.

Upcoming Events

**May 18**—May Crowning  
**May 26-30**—Parish Office Closed  
**May 29**—Ascension Thursday  
9 am Low Mass, 6 pm High Mass  
**May 31**—9 am Low Mass  
10:30 am Confirmations & High Mass

Want to Help Out?

Please see the bulletin board by the Parish Library for volunteer opportunities!

K of C Grill Raffle

Each Sunday in May, the Knights are selling raffle tickets in Fr. Adrian Hall. Tickets are \$20 each. All proceeds go toward the Knights Kitchen upgrade. Drawing will take place on Memorial Day. Cash, check or credit cards accepted.

Rosary at the Abortion Clinic

Please join us in praying the rosary for an end to abortion! We will gather on the sidewalk of the abortion clinic located at 118 N. Arthur Ashe Blvd. at 10:30 am every 4th Saturday of the month

Pregnancy Help Center of Chesterfield  
Baby Bottle Campaign 2025

Sun. 11 May, Mothers’ Day, PHCC is launching its annual Baby Bottle campaign. Please be sure to pick up your baby bottle and fill it with change, bills or checks (made out to PHCC). The bottles can be returned to the church on or before June 15th, Fathers’ Day. Your support is much appreciated.

Pastor’s Corner



Dear Faithful,

I found a beautiful passage from Fr. Jacques Philippe regarding prayer. He recalls a very important and foundational principle on the motive for prayer:

The first thing that should motivate us and encourage us to enter into a life of prayer is that God Himself invites us: “Pray without ceasing” (Luke 21:36). Man seeks God, but God seeks man far more. God calls us to pray to Him, because, since the beginning--and way more than we can imagine it--He ardently desires to enter into communion with us.

The most solid foundation for a life of prayer isn’t our own efforts, our own personal initiatives, or our desires (they have their place, but can sometimes be insufficient). The most solid foundation for a life of prayer is God’s calling.

We don’t pray because we desire God, or because we expect particular advantages from our prayer life, but, first and foremost, we pray because God asks us to. And, in so asking, God knows what He’s doing. His project infinitely surpasses what we can see, desire, or imagine. There is, in prayer, a mystery that absolutely surpasses us. The engine of prayer life is faith, in the sense of confident obedience to what God suggests to us. We are unable to imagine the immense positive repercussions of this humble and trusting response to God’s call, like Abraham, who undertook a journey without knowing where he was going but who became the father of many.

If we pray because of the advantages that we count on obtaining from prayer, we run the risk of being discouraged someday. These advantages are neither immediate nor measurable. If we pray with a humble attitude of submission to God’s Word, we will always have the grace of perseverance.

*An excerpt from Nine Days to Rediscover the Joy of Prayer*

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

*Fr. Karl Marsolle FSSP*