

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 or 833-716-2612.



Join Us This Fall!

St. Benedict Catholic School is still accepting applications for grades 1 and 3-8 for the coming 25-26 school year. Registered parishioners from St. Joseph's receive a priority consideration and can benefit from a generous Catholic discount. Our student body is over 90% Catholic and our Faith guides all we do as a school. Our students can graduate with high school credits in Algebra I, Geo Science, World History and Latin I, and our classical approach to the curriculum prepares them well for high school and beyond. If you are considering a change in schooling, please contact Gretchen Ridgely, Admissions Director, and let's start the conversation now. Email admissions@saintbenedictschool.org today!

“Shout with joy to God, all the earth, Sing ye a psalm to his name; give glory to his praise.”

(PS 65:1-2)



May 25, 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

Rev. Peter Byrne, FSSP, Vicar

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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

Sunday Offertory for May 18, 2025

	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
Operations			
In Pew	\$5,508	—	—
Online	\$6,929	—	—
Ascension			
In Pew	\$27	—	—
Total	\$12,464	\$11,500	\$964
YTD	\$685,532	\$529,000	\$156,532
Capital Improvements			
In Pew	\$1,117	—	—
Online	\$1,336	—	—
Total	\$2,453	\$2,596	(\$143)
YTD	\$131,882	\$119,416	\$12,466

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Adoration

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Mary Poerstel
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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. May 25 Fifth Sunday after Easter (2nd Cl)	8:30 am Matthew L. Dahlem † 11:00 am Pro Populo 1:30 pm Kathy Clark	MD — CH
Mon. May 26 St. Philip Neri (3rd Cl)	9 am Isaac Seeley	MAS
Tues. May 27 St. Bede the Venerable (3rd Cl)	9 am Thomas A. Bayer †	NB
Wed. May 28 Vigil of the Ascension (2nd Cl)	6 pm Bob Ulrich <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	CU
Thurs. May 29 Ascension of Our Lord (1st Cl)	9 am Pro Populo 6 pm Faithful Departed of St. Joseph Parish	— SJP
Fri. May 30 Feria after Ascension (4th Cl)	7 am Delorise Saller † <i>Adoration 8 am to 12 noon</i> 6 pm Allan Maggiore Jr. †	PT JD
Sat. May 31 Queenship of Mary (2nd Cl)	9 am Peter Whitfield 10:30 am Confirmandi of St. Joseph’s	KL —
Sun. June 1 Sunday after Ascension (2nd Cl)	8:30 am Pro Populo 11:00 am Shana Mell 1:30 pm Zannoni Family	— TF KNZ
Mon. June 2 Feria after Ascension (4th Cl)	9 am Dr. Mark Roeser & Family	BCS
Tues. June 3 Feria after Ascension (4th Cl)	9 am Fr. William Buckley	LD
Wed. June 4 St. Francis Caracciolo (3rd Cl)	6 pm Karin Haley † <i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>	LH
Thurs. June 5 St. Boniface (3rd Cl)	9 am Johanna Powell	JP
Fri. June 6 St. Norbert (3rd Cl)	7 am Private Intention <i>Adoration 8 am to 12 noon</i> 6 pm Paulita Dudley †	NB PHD
Sat. June 7 Vigil of Pentecost (1st Cl)	9 am Rev. Fr. Peter Byrne	KLD

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Maria Martinez, 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.

Holy Ghost Novena

Fri. 30 May we begin praying the Novena to the Holy Ghost after all Masses in preparation for Pentecost. Prayer cards are available on the back table.

First Friday Adoration Change

Fri. 6 June Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is 8 am to 12 noon only.

Want to Help Out?

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

Upcoming Events

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

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

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.

Memorial Day

Since this weekend is Memorial Day, there is a POW/MIA table set up in Fr. Adran Hall. Please visit it and say a prayer for all those who died in the service of our nation. There is also a Veterans Book to list those of the parish (or **close** family members) who served. Please feel free to add names or edit those already listed. Then we may honor them on Veterans Day. Please do note if any died in service!

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