



January 24, 2021



STS. PETER & PAUL PARISH

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VISION STATEMENT

To expand and strengthen the Christian Community in which the Gospel of Jesus Christ is demonstrated and fulfilled.

MISSION STATEMENT

In the spirit of our patron saints and missionaries, we commit ourselves to a pilgrimage of faith through Evangelization, Sanctification and Social Service ministries.



ST. JOSEPH'S

SHRINE OF

ST. KATHARINE DREXEL

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends

Saturday 5pm: SPP

Sunday 9am: St. Joseph's

11am: SPP

Weekdays

Wednesday/Friday 9am: SPP

Thursday 9am: St. Joseph's

Holy Days

Vigil 7pm: SPP

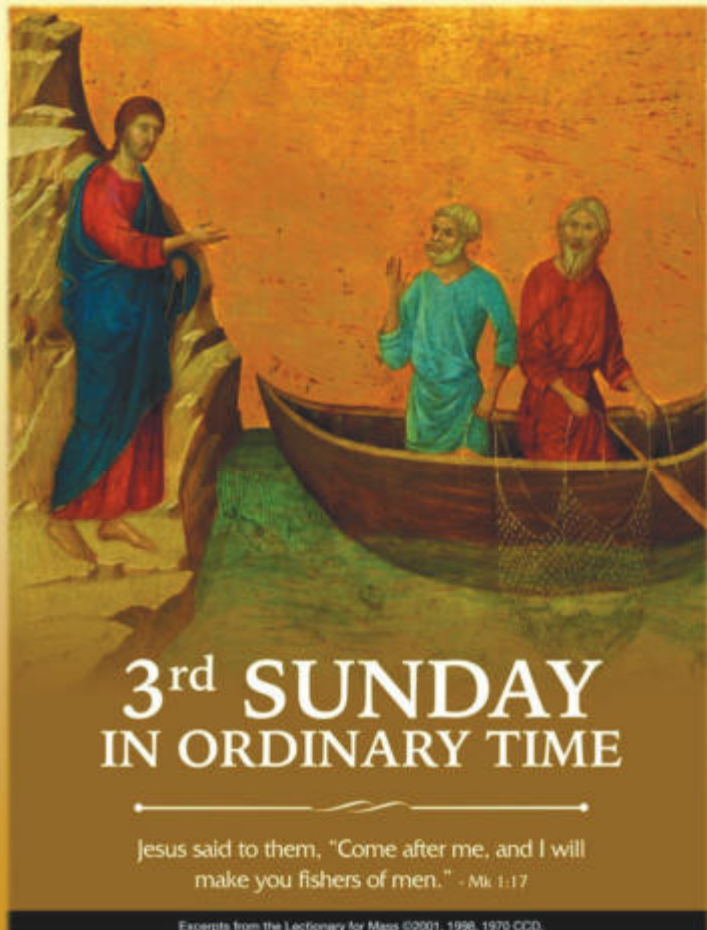
Holy Day 9am: St. Joseph's

Noon: SPP

Confession

Saturday 4pm: SPP

Sunday 8:30am: St. Joseph's
(or by appointment)



Evangelize



Sanctify



Serve

WELCOME



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Patricia Harrison

Whether you are a visitor or new to our parish, interested in becoming Catholic, seeking to return to the practice of your faith, or an active member of our parish, we are pleased that you have come.

Bulletin & Announcements Deadline

Fridays-1 week in advance-In writing to
karen.davidson@saintspeterpaul.org

Readings for the week of January 24, 2021

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/
Mk 1:14-20
Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/
Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/
Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/
Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/
Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/
Mk 1:21-28

Observances for the week of January 24, 2021

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
Tuesday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
Wednesday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin
Thursday: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Friday:
Saturday: BVM
Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week

JANUARY 2021

HONOR YOUR LOVED ONE WITH A SPECIAL MEMORIAL

BREAD & WINE

Donor

Bob & Angela Maher

Memorial

Danielle Johnson

ALTAR FLOWERS

Donor

Memorial

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Donor

Memorial



Or have a Mass said for a loved one. Contact the office for availability.

ENCOUNTER



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 24, 2021

"Follow Me and I will make
you fishers of men."

Are you considering a
vocation as to the
priesthood?

Contact:

Fr. Brian Capuano
(804)359-5661

Or write:

bcapuano@richmonddiocese.org

The Vocations Office

vocations@richmonddiocese.org



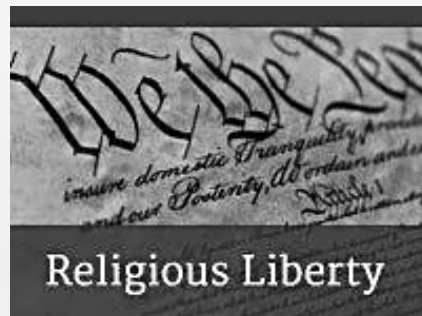
God has endowed us with freedoms/liberty (Gal. 5:13), and among other freedoms, is the freedom to worship and to serve him. While we are here, he has given us that free will to freely choose him, and to worship him. States and governments have a duty to ensure those freedoms, like Religious freedom, and protect them from any abuse.

In some parts of the world, these freedoms we cherish are being violated daily. During our very time, even in this land of the free, we get a feeling that there may be a strategic campaign to infringe on our Religious Freedom by those who are supposed to protect and guarantee such freedoms.

We, therefore, humbly turn to God and pray this weekend as a Parish community that Religious Freedom may continue to be enshrined among other freedoms, and that those in power use it in a manner that acknowledges that Religious freedom is a given right from God.

Fr. David

PS: Here below is a short message from Bob Maher, outlining what Thomas Jefferson envisioned during his time:



Thomas Jefferson believed that the new nation required complete religious freedom and separation of church and state. At the time Virginia had an official church-The Church of England- and dissenters of that church were discriminated against and were seriously persecuted. The controversy resulted in Thomas Jefferson writing the Religious Freedom Statute on January 16th 1768 and signed in Fredericksburg, VA where a monument now stands. Jefferson felt it was so important to guarantee freedom to worship as you pleased that it became the basis of the first amendment of the Bill of Rights and Constitution. It is one of the three things Jefffferson wanted on his tombstone.

Bob Maher
SPP Parishioner

PARISH YOUTH

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Although we prefer traditional classroom instruction we will use an online program for virtual instruction due to Covid. We found an excellent program from My Catholic Faith Delivered. You can see a short video overview of it at:

<https://youtu.be/AMOR-JIYB4>

The cost is \$45 for the first child and \$20 for each additional child.

Registration forms are available at the office or on our website. Please provide a copy of the child(ren)'s baptismal certificate.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) -

This program provides instruction to non-baptized and non-Catholics who are interested in becoming full members of the Catholic Church. If you, a spouse or a friend is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please contact the office at 434-589-5201 and someone will get in touch with you.

SCOUTS BSA- GIRL TROOP 1138 -

Scouts BSA is the traditional Scouting experience for youth in the fifth grade through high school. Troop 1138 is a very active girl troop with trained, dedicated leaders and parent support. A variety of trips are planned and designed by the youth leadership to include camping, zip lining, biking, and hiking.

Service, community engagement and leadership development become increasingly important parts of the program as youth lead their own activities and work their way toward earning Scouting's highest rank, Eagle Scout. Those who have earned the Eagle Scout rank count it among their most treasured achievements.

Our goal is to participate in scouting at all levels-local, regional, and national.

Please contact us if you would like more information, or would like to join this fantastic program!

Contact for Scouts BSA Girl Troop 1138:

Natalie Godfrey
nmgodfrey@gmail.com, 434-270-1996



JOIN SCOUTING!

Do you have a son or daughter between the ages of 6 and 17? Now is the perfect time to sign him or her up for Scouts. The Scouting program helps youth develop academic skills, self-confidence, ethics, leadership skills, and citizenship skills that influence their adult lives.

For more information contact:

Cub Scouts (ages 6-10):

Carrie Diaz Dawson

crdiaz034@gmail.com

703-297-2206

Boy Scouts Troop 138 (boys):

Chuck Palmer

charleswpalmeriv@gmail.com

(571)212-4445

Scouts BSA Troop 1138 (girls):

Gator Shifflett

gator1983@live.com

(434) 531-7311

STS. PETER AND PAUL

LOGO CONTEST EXTENDED!

Excitement is mounting as I contemplate the fact that Sts. Peter and Paul Church will be celebrating its 40th anniversary in just a few short years - 2026! By that time it is my goal to celebrate how far we've come and have continued to grow in the Spirit of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The basis of our focus is three pronged, Evangelize, Sanctify and Serve, through our teachings of the Gospel, sacraments and disciplines of self control. And, building upon this momentous occasion, your Parish leadership is sculpting a plan and goals for our future, but we want very much for all of our parishioners to join in and become an integral part of this process.

To lift off, we are promoting a *Logo Contest* in which everyone - youngsters and oldsters alike - are invited to participate by designing a logo for our 40-year anniversary using the key words within the chosen puzzle pieces here.

If you're up to the challenge, hone those creative juices and email your entry to: office@saintspeterpaul.org by **January 31, 2021**.

Thank you, All, for inspiring us to be the best we can be!



The Church's
mission



Our target
year



Of
existence



The center of
all we are



Spreading the
Word



Activate the
power of God
within

INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS: JANUARY 23 - 31, 2021

* Represents Saint Joseph's Parish

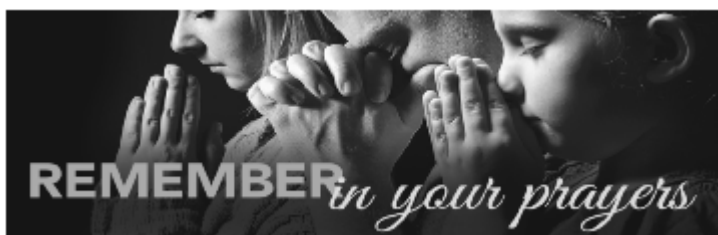
Day	Date	Mass	For	Status	Requested By
Saturday	1/23	5pm	Manny Pena	D	Bob & Muriel Toepfert
Sunday	1/24	9am*	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	1/24	11am	Robert Creed	D	Mark Ventrone
Wednesday	1/27	9am	Bill Hutton	D	Hal and Linda Smith
Thursday	1/28	9am*	Jim Harvey	D	Don & Eileen Tyler
Friday	1/29	9am	Jerry & Doreen Brophy	D	Bill & Veronica Lyttle
Saturday	1/30	5pm	Elizabeth Brill	D	Barbara Senig
Sunday	1/31	9am*	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	1/31	11am	Delores Trent	D	Pat & Rosemary Granville

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who serve our country, particularly . . .

Kevin and Kathleen O'Malley, Gerard Holodak, James Fulford, Sasha and Lonnie Kuhlow, Rhett Hartwell, William Furst, Matt Hendl, Damien LaForenza, Mark Mason, Christopher McCarthy, Amanda Illig, Katie Marron, Luke Marron, Russ Marron, Zach Marron, Josiah Noble, Jose Langoria, Joseph Ayuso, Scott Harrison Jr., Alex Ostrowski, Andrew Thompson, Matthew Reinitz, Michael Bohtelo, Raymond Markle, Taylor Graese and Adam Warren.

Pray God keeps them in His care.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Michael Amato, Michael Barrett, Melissa Bowling, Jean Bookman, Debra Borowicz, Bob Burger, Dorothy Condon, Luke Compton, Natasha Compton, Jim Cullinan, Jean Dowlski, Ann Duncan, Bruce Duncan, Ellen Dunn, Efrain Feliciano, Bernadette Feliciano, Frank Feliciano, Faith Feliciano-Zehe, Leoncio Feliciano, Mario Feliciano, Bill Flanagan, Patricia Gaskill-Feliciano, Phyllis Guthrie, Joanne Harris, Jack Hartwell, Mary Hayes, Bill Hickey, Susan Jervis, Janet Johnson, Carolyn Kerrigan, Jackie Kraemer, Jessica Lam, Jenny Leigh, Judith Kuhlow Lena, The Lyttle Family, Patti Markle, Michael, Thelma Mueller, Irene Nadig, Betty and Bob Nieves, Deb O'Niel, Denise Pillar, Roger Paul, Kim Polesney, Kevin Raab, Mary Rose, Cindy Rudine, Lisa Sanes-Amaro, Kathy Sarman, Carol Scampoli, Carol Ann Schreier, Sean, Carmel Tighe, Barbara Totaro, Chase Turano, Claire van Nierop, Diane Wolfe, Maggie Yando and Benjamin Yep.

Please call the office at **434.589.5201** for homebound or hospital visits.

With grateful appreciation for All who donated their time and labor in putting up, taking down and storing our Christmas decorations. This job is easier said than done, and your stewardship is a true blessing! Thank you for serving our community with the love of God so deep in your hearts!

January Anniversary Celebrations



If you are celebrating your
Marriage Anniversary
in January and would like to be part of the
Marriage Blessing Mass on
Saturday, February 6th,
please contact the office before
Friday, January 29th.

EVERDAY STEWARDSHIP

JANUARY - FEBRUARY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 5:00PM

SUNDAY 11:00AM

Date	Lector	EM	Date	Lector	EM
23-Jan			24-Jan		
	Pat Amato			Stephen Momper	Deacon Bob
30-Jan			31-Jan		
	Joanne Miglas	Deacon Bob		Janet Forster	Deacon Bob
6-Feb			7-Feb		
	June Wimer	Deacon Bob		John Condon	Deacon Bob
13-Feb			14-Feb		
	Pat Amato	Deacon Bob		Diaina George	Deacon Bob

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Pew Count Sat. - 35 Sun. - 79	Jan 16-17, 2021
First Offering	\$ 4,311
First Offering: Faith Direct	\$ 1,518
Total	\$ 5,829
January MTD Debt Reduction \$ 6,459	

The Debt Reduction collection occurs at the beginning of each month.

Our next DEBT REDUCTION Collection:

FEBRUARY 6TH & 7TH

God bless you for your continued support .



Begin the new year with eGiving to help sustain and build ministries throughout 2021 that reflect the promise of God's love. We prayerfully invite you to use eGiving to set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Sign up today using your computer, smartphone, or tablet by visiting faith.direct/VA249 or by calling toll-free 866.507.8757. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this appeal and for your continued support of our parish family. **God bless.**

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Give Until It Hurts

One of the characteristics of Everyday Stewardship is to be committed — to persevere daily in a way of life acknowledging that everything belongs to God. I know, I know. Easier said than done. Just ask Zebedee. It's quite an image we get from the Gospel, after all. "So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him."

There was Zebedee, about his business, mending nets with his two sons, who were undoubtedly his best workers — they had to have been more dedicated than the hired men, who worked for wages rather than for family. And in an instant off they go, following this strange man. I don't know about you, but if my kids left me on a hot summer day to finish the lawn by myself, I wouldn't be too happy.

But Zebedee must have been someone quite special. Perhaps he realized that his sons didn't belong to him — not really. They belonged to God, and from the beginning of time, it had been appointed that they would be among the first disciples of Christ. He passed, he called, they followed, and Zebedee obliged. He simply went back to mending his nets, I imagine.

Zebedee already understood what St. Teresa of Calcutta would say millennia later: "Give until it hurts." "You're wasting my time." "I've done so much for her; she owes me this."

How often do we think things, and even people and relationships, belong to us? The truth is none of them do. We must be ready, as Zebedee was, to surrender them to God when He comes walking past.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Rejoice! Bible Study

MONDAYS, 1PM-2PM

**St. Elizabeth's Room
in the Parish Center**

Topic of Discussion:

The Gospel of John

**FACE COVERINGS
REQUIRED**

**For more information
or to register,
please call
June Wimer at
(434) 589-2863**

ROOM SCHEDULE

Sat	23-Jan	Confession	4:00p	R
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
Sun	24-Jan	Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	11:00a	Church
		RCIA	6:30p	Zoom.us
Monday	25-Jan	Rejoice! Bible Study	1:00p	E
		Saved by the Book	7:00p	E
Tues	25-Jan	Al-Anon Meeting - On-line	7:30p	Zoom.us
Wed	26-Jan	Mass	9:00a	Church
Thurs	27-Jan	Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
Fri	28-Jan	Mass	9:00a	Church
Sat	29-Jan	Confession	4:00p	R
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<div>Room</div> <div>F - St. Francis (Parish Center) R - St. Raphael (Church)</div> <div>E - St. Elizabeth (Parish Ctr) G - St. Gabriel (Church)</div> <div>C - Commons (Church) M - St. Michael (Church)</div> <div>Ledger:</div>				



Sundays
via ZOOM
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Give the Gift of Hope to a Young Person in your Community

Do you have room in your heart, space in your home, and a desire to make a difference in the life of a young person in your community? HopeTree Family Services is in search of people like you to welcome a young person into your home through foster care. Foster care is a temporary arrangement during a time that a child or teen cannot live with his or her birth family. HopeTree provides foster parents with the training, support, and resources they need in order to care for the young people placed in their homes. If you want to learn more about this opportunity, please RSVP for ONE of HopeTree's **Online Information Sessions**:



January 28th, 6:30pm-7:30pm
February 11th, 6:30pm-7:30pm
February 18th, 12:00pm-1:00pm
February 25th, 6:30pm-7:30pm

For more information or to RSVP contact Abigail Lee at
AbigailS@HopeTreeFS.org, visit our website www.HopeTreeFosterCare.org,
or call 888-854-0001



SAVED BY THE BOOK

BIBLE STUDY

Mondays, 7pm, Room E

SUBJECT: GALATIANS

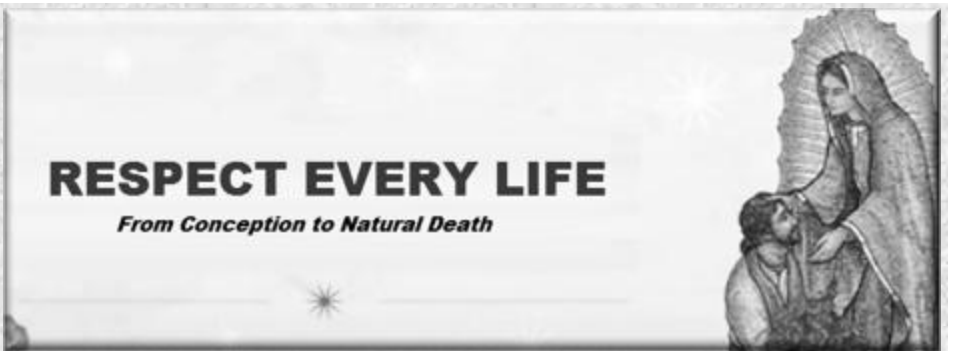
ONLINE SELF-STUDY ALSO
AVAILABLE ON ASCENSION PRESS

Prayerfully consider joining us.

All are welcome.

Contact: Celeste Shapiola
(434-981-1405)
cshapiola@yahoo.com

In lieu of the trip to D.C. for the March for Life, Saints Peter & Paul will have a **RESPECT LIFE PRAYER AND ADORATION WEEK**. We will have a multi-day Novena, a Mass for life, adoration, and a scriptural rosary. Please join us in prayer and reflection for life; from conception to natural death.



SCHEDULE

21-28 January 2021:

Daily Noon Novena on our Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/sppstjonline>

29 January 2021: Saints Peter & Paul Church

9AM – Mass For Life

After Mass – 3PM – Adoration

12PM – Scriptural Rosary

3PM - Benediction



Have you ever thought about the following?

- ♦ ***I want to see my grandchildren grow up.***
- ♦ ***I want to continue living independently.***
- ♦ ***I don't want to be a burden on my family.***

Feb. 10, 2021

Sts. Peter and Paul Church

Preventive screenings can help and we have partnered with Life Line Screening to provide these valuable screenings.

The mission of Life Line Screening is to provide advanced, yet affordable and convenient health screenings that supplement your traditional healthcare.

They can help make you aware of a previously silent, unrecognized problem that can now get treated at an early stage, or confirm that you are on the right path and should continue your healthy habits.

Don't let heart disease and stroke get in your way of the life you love. Call toll free **1.888.653.6441**, or text the word **"circle"** to **797979** to schedule your health screening.

A package of 5 vital screenings is offered for only \$149. If you call today to register, you will receive a \$10 discount!



USHERS: URGENTLY NEEDED

Sts. P&P is seeking volunteer members to serve the parish as Ushers during Mass. Duties may include operating audio/visual equipment, lighting, offertory collection as well as ushering parishioners to seats and to receive the Eucharist.

If willing, please contact: Ed Griffin at awarden11475@gmail.com or call 434-996-6008.



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DATE	TIME	LOCATION	CALL DATES for appointments
TUESDAY 1/26	3:00–7:00 p.m.	Emmanuel Christian Center 111 New Life Dr., Ruckersville 22968	1/22 or 1/25
THURSDAY 1/28	3:00–7:00 p.m.	Louisa Presbyterian Church 212 Church Ave., Louisa 23093	1/26 or 1/27
FRIDAY 1/29	3:00–7:00 p.m.	Charlottesville High School 1400 Melborne Road, Charlottesville 22901	1/27 or 1/28

CALL 8:00 am – 4:30 pm • 434-972-6261

VIRTUAL SEMINAR OFFERING

Jim Thunder, a former parishioner and past Grand Knight of St John the Beloved, in McLean, Virginia recently relocated to Charlottesville and plans to lead a virtual seminar for Grades 6-8 and another for grades 9-12. There is no fee for his time or for materials. The frequency, days and times will be discussed by interested participants. In 2018 -2020, he led seminars at St. John's on Augustine, Aquinas, Hopkins, Newman, Aristotle, John Paul II, and more. This new series of seminars on Great Speeches will include St. Paul, Shakespeare, Lincoln, Patrick Henry, Frederick Douglass, Martin Luther King, Bishop Sheen, St. Teresa of Kolkata, Pope St. John Paul II, Ronald Reagan, Churchill, and more. Mr. Thunder double-majored in government and theology at Notre Dame, obtained his master's from UVA with the thesis *Aquinas on Marriage* and his law degree from Georgetown. For more information, and to indicate interest, please contact him at:

thundergroup@alumni.nd.edu

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Many thanks to All who gave their time and energy to replace the shutters on the Parish Hall and Thank You to the Knights and parishioners who so generously contributed toward the purchase of Father David's new vestments. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated!

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,
And give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Repent, and believe in the gospel." Some type of honest and sincere repentance is necessary for any type of authentic growth and maturity. We have to come to the realization, unless we are happy wallowing in immaturity and superficiality, that the way we have been doing things is not the best or the healthiest. There isn't a human being alive who hasn't acted foolishly or erratically at the cost of almost losing a treasured relationship.

"Why did I act that way?" is a question we often ponder after some reflection and enlightenment. Faith works the same way. Stumbling through life and bumping up against meaninglessness, a person can begin to see that something significant is missing. They see that there is merit to a relationship with God and an embrace of faith. Before these can take root, sincere sorrow for past wrong doing, missed opportunities, errors in judgment, and short sightedness is necessary. Repentance is necessary. Then having realized that we were walking in darkness, we can rejoice that by God's grace we now see the light.

January Anniversary Celebrations



If you are celebrating your Marriage Anniversary
in January and would like to be part of the Marriage Blessing Mass on
Saturday, February 6th,
please contact the office before
Friday, January 29th.



St. Katharine Drexel

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jay Bergman * Maria Correa *
 Alice Galvez-Sobral *
 Mauricio Granados * India Martin *
 Bill Miller * Suzanne Moore*
 Angelica Motta * Odila Motta *
 Oscar Motta * Thelma Motta *
 Maria Neumann * Denise Pillar *
 Bill Servais * Jordan Watkins *
 Diane Wolfe *

If you or anyone you know is homebound or needs to be added to our parish sick list, please fill out the short form on our parish's "Pray for Our Sick" page. If you'd like to join our parish email list to keep up with our parish and the needs of our parishioners, please sign up on our parish website:

<http://www.saintjosephcolumbia.org/>



QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK -

First Reading:

Although initially reluctant to be one of God's prophets, Jonah was ultimately successful in getting the Ninevites to repent of their sins. When do you find yourself resisting God's will?

Second Reading:

In trying to awaken a sense of spiritual urgency, Paul taught the Corinthians that Christ's return was imminent and that, "time is running out." How can a sense of urgency aid one's spiritual life?

Gospel:

In Mark's account of the call of the first disciples, Simon (Peter), Andrew, James, and John immediately answer Jesus' call to follow him. How would you describe your response to Jesus' call in your life?

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Offertory Collections

January 17th \$
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VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED

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PRAYER

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