

April 2, 2023

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OUR VISION

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

OUR MISSION

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



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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

Saturday 5pm: SPP

Sunday 9am: St. Joseph's

11am: SPP

WEEKDAYS

Wednesday-Friday 9am: SPP

Thursdays 5pm: St. Joseph's

HOLY DAYS

Vigil 7pm: SPP

Holy Day 9am: St. Joseph's

Noon: SPP

CONFESSION

Saturday 4pm: SPP

Sunday 8:30 am: St. Joseph's

(or by appointment)

HOSPITAL VISITS:

Call Parish Office

or Rectory: 434.589.5200

HOMEBOUND:

Call Parish Office

to schedule Communion



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Say to daughter Zion,
"Behold, your king comes to you,
meek and riding on an ass."

- Mt 21:5

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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 April 2, 2023

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/ Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/ Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 16-16bc, 17- 18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Luke 23:46)/ Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday: Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/ Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

Observances for the Week of April 2, 2023

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins

Thursday: Holy Thursday

Friday: Good Friday

Saturday: Holy Saturday

Next Sunday: Easter Sunday

APRIL 2023

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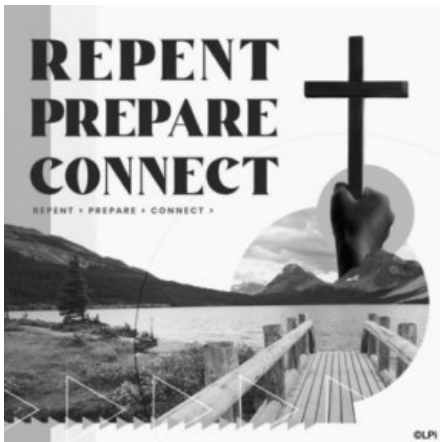
Bob & Angela Maher

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



PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

April 2, 2023

"Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord!" Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister?

Call the Vocations Office to speak with Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661

Or write

vocations@richmonddiocese.org



ENCOUNTER

GOSPEL MEDITATION -

HOLY WEEK

The Season of Lent ends this Thursday and Holy Week begins. Of particular interest during the period between Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday are the three days where the Church remembers the death and resurrection of Jesus during the Easter Triduum. These three days are the most important time of the Church year. The Easter Triduum is a continuous three-day celebration beginning on Holy Thursday with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, through Good Friday with the celebration of the passion of the Lord and on Holy Saturday, reaching its high point in the Easter vigil.

Significant events during the Triduum are:

Holy Thursday - Remembering that Jesus washed their feet at the Last Supper, the priest washes the feet of members of the congregation. The evening Mass of the Lord's Supper during which the singing of the Gloria, the church bells are rung and then remain silent until the Easter Vigil. There is a procession of the Eucharist after the Mass to an altar of repose set up for the occasion. Adoration time will be provided. The main altar is stripped bare.

Good Friday - We remember the death of Jesus. The celebration of the Lord's passion and death takes place. There are three parts to the liturgy of the day: **the Liturgy of the Word**; **the Veneration of the Cross**; and **Holy Communion** with Hosts consecrated on Holy Thursday.

Easter Vigil - The celebration of the Easter Vigil should take place at night, beginning after nightfall or ending before the dawn of Sunday. The Easter Vigil has four parts: **The Service of Light**; **the Liturgy of the Word**; **the Liturgy of Baptism**; and **the Liturgy of the Eucharist**.

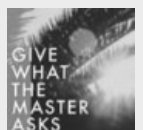
During **the Service of Light**, all the lights in the church are turned off and a fire is prepared outside the church. Then the fire is blessed, and the Paschal Candle is lighted from the new fire. The Paschal Candle is carried into the dark church. From the flame of the Paschal Candle, members of the congregation light the small candles that they are holding. The flame is passed from person to person until everyone is holding a lighted candle. This section concludes with the singing of the Easter Proclamation, the Exsultet.

During **the Liturgy of the Word**, the story of God's great love for us is proclaimed in readings from the Old and New Testaments. Three Old Testament readings are proclaimed.

During **the Liturgy of Baptism**, The priest and ministers then go to the baptismal font. All present stand with lighted candles and renew their baptismal promises as a sign that they share the new life of Jesus through his resurrection.

The Easter Vigil concludes with the **celebration of the Eucharist**. This is a joyous sharing in the sacrificial meal of Jesus Christ, Lord and Risen Savior. Bells are rung continually during the Gloria.

Come join us this week for one, two or all three of the celebrations and get the most out of your Lenten preparation for Easter and the Resurrection of the Lord.



PARISH YOUTH



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RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION

CCD CLASSES
SUNDAYS AT 9:30AM

Please contact Sr. Madrine with questions at
434-589-5201

A Youth Group for ages 12 and up will resume with start-up activities scheduled from 2-4pm on:



- ◆ Saturday, April 15
- ◆ Saturday, April 29

A special youth Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, April 30th. All in this age group are encouraged to join.

SHARE THE GOSPEL

When a famous person comes to town, everyone comes out to greet him. In today's Gospel everyone came to sing praises to Jesus. They even threw their capes on the ground as a welcome carpet for him. However, the next day these same people hollered, "Crucify him." Jesus does not want you to be his friend one day and turn your back on him the next day. He wants you to be his friend forever.

PRAYER

Lord, please help me be a good friend to others.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Our relationship with Christ should leave us mesmerized -- "shaken" like biblical Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. It should leave our jaws hanging. If it does not, we should ask ourselves: what needs to change?

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Our Diocesan World Youth Day 2023 Pilgrimage, offers an exciting experience for Catholic youths everywhere you turn - in the healing waters at Lourdes, on the fields of Fatima where the sun danced, and at the multi-lingual prayer sessions led by Pope Francis.

NEXT ON THE AGENDA:

- ◆ **APRIL 29TH** - INTERNATIONAL NIGHT DINNER
- ◆ **JUNE 3RD** - CAR WASH

For more info, contact: Linda Mangiaracina at:

lmangiaracina@k12albemarle.org

JOIN SCOUTING!

Do you have a son or daughter between the ages of 11 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:

Boy Scouts Troop 138 (boys):

Chuck Palmer

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571.212.4445

INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS: APRIL 1- 9, 2023

* Represents Saint Joseph's Parish

Day	Date	Mass	For	Status	Requested By
Saturday	4/1	5pm	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	4/2	9am*	Louise Stewart	D	John & Christine Stewart
Sunday	4/2	11am	Thomas Paunovich	D	Eric Salopek
Tuesday	4/4	12noon			
Wednesday	4/5	9am	Otto Makoutz	D	The Mackin Agency/Goosehead Insurance
Holy Thursday	4/6	7pm	No Intentions		
Good Friday	4/7	7pm	No Intentions		
Holy Saturday	4/8	8pm	No Intentions		
Easter Sunday	4/9	7am	Misa Pro Populo		
Easter Sunday	4/9	9am*	Elmer & Laverne Keyser	D	Carol Hannum
Easter Sunday	4/9	11am			

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who serve our country particularly . . .



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

Pray God keeps them in His care.



March

Wedding Anniversaries



Congratulations to the following couples who celebrated wedding anniversaries in March:

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| Mike & Vicky Stankevicz | 33 Years |
| Don & Alicia Wheeler | 40 Years |
| Jim & Nona Dooley | 46 Years |
| Tim & Eileen Monahan | 55 Years |
| Ed & Sonja Erickson | 57 Years |



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Michael Amato, Maria Boice, Melissa Bowling, Sharon Cassidy, Nicole Colley, The Compton Family, Jean Dalsky, Connie D'Amico, Emily Desgrosiellier, Me'Shelle Durant, Bill Ellis, Patricia Golgosky, Patrick Granville, Bob Griffin, Mary Anne Grimes, Phyllis Guthrie, Joan Hansen, Jack Hartwell, John Hobby, Regina Humanitzki, Tony Ingilleri, Sue Ingilleri, Margaret Johnson, Ron Johnson, Janessa Jones, Carolyn Kerrigan, Tom Kinter, Marie Knighting, Jackie Kraemer, Judi Kuhlrow, Marcia Lagomarsino, Annie & Joe Lodato, Art Menard, Brigid Markle, Joan Merk, Rose Meyer, Irene Nadig, Rosario Nixon, Rose Patterson, Donald Raab, Carol Scampoli, Mary Ellen Scango, Barbara Sipress, Carol & Ted Starowicz, Marylou Stock, Anna Sturhann, Claire van Nierop, Cornelia Waters, and Mike Waters.

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



Catholic Health Initiatives for Uganda

Do you have old sneakers you no longer wear?

Catholic Health Initiative for Uganda can use them!

There is a box at the front door where they may be placed. **Just sneakers, please!**



Catholic Health Initiatives for Uganda is a 501(c) (3) non-profit entity. All donations are tax deductible.

EVERDAY STEWARDSHIP


Pew Count Sat. - 120 Sun. - 201	March 25 - 26
First Offering	\$2647
First Offering: Faith Direct	\$ 1,813
Total	\$4,460
March MTD Debt Reduction	\$4,289

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

Our next DEBT REDUCTION Collection is THIS WEEKEND

Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.

THE NEXT BAKE SALE IS THIS WEEKEND. BAKED GOODS ARE ACCEPTED BEFORE MASS.




As we approach Easter, we focus our daily activities on growing closer to Christ through an increase in prayer, fasting and almsgiving. May this extend into our lives beyond this liturgical season. Signing up with Faith Direct is a great way to focus on almsgiving throughout the year. It is a secure and convenient way to make a conscious decision about your financial support of our many wonderful ministries. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/VA249, or text "Enroll" to (Text-to-Give Number) or call Faith Direct customer service at 866-507-8757. You'll provide us with consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with program, services and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family. God Bless You!

- Visit faith.direct/VA249 or Call Faith Direct Customer Service at 866-507-8757



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					1) VIGIL OF PALM SUNDAY 5pm - Mass SPP	2) PALM SUNDAY 9am - SJ 11am - SPP
			6) HOLY THURSDAY 9am - Liturgy of the Hours SPP 7pm - Holy Thursday Liturgy SPP	7) GOOD FRIDAY 9am - Liturgy of the Hours SPP 12pm - Stations, Cemetery 3pm - Stations SPP 7pm - Good Friday Liturgy	8) HOLY SATURDAY 9am - Liturgy of the Hours SPP 10am - Blessing of Easter Foods 8pm - Easter Vigil	9) EASTER SUNDAY 7am - Mass SPP 9am - Mass SJ 11am - Mass SPP

UPCOMING EVENTS



ADULT FORMATION CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

AFCE replaces RCIA to offer instruction to unbaptized and non-Catholic persons with interest in being members of the Catholic faith. If you, a spouse or friend wishes to learn more about Catholicism, you may contact the office at 434-589-5201 for more info.

Group meets every Sunday at 9:30am in St. Elizabeth in



the Parish Hall.

ROOM SCHEDULE

Sat	1-Apr	Confession	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass - Palm Sunday	5:00p	Church
		Bake Sale After Mass	6:00p	Church
Sun	2-Apr	Confession	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass - Palm Sunday	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		CCD/Adult Formation	9:30a	Hall/Church
		Mass - Palm Sunday	11:00a	Church
		Bake Sale After Mass	12:00p	C
Mon	3-Apr	Rejoice Bible Study	1:00p	123
		K of C Officers	7:00p	E
Tues	4-Apr	Yoga	11:00a	F
		Mass	12:00p	Church
		Troop Committee	6:30p	122
		Parish Council	7:00p	E
Wed	5-Apr	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Troop 138/1138	7:00p	F
Thurs	6-Apr	Liturgy of the Hours	9:00a	Church
		Cursillo	6:00p	123
		Holy Thursday Liturgy	7:00p	Church
Fri	7-Apr	Good Friday - Office is Closed		
		Liturgy of the Hours	9:00am	Church
		Stations of the Cross	12:00p	Cemetery
		Stations of the Cross	3:00p	Church
		Good Friday Liturgy	7:00p	Church
Sat	8-Apr	Liturgy of the Hours	9:00a	Church
		Blessing of Easter Foods	5:00p	Church
		Easter Vigil Liturgy	7:00p	Church
Sun	9-Apr	Confession	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass - Easter Sunday at Dawn	7:00p	Church
		Mass -Easter Sunday	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		Mass - Easter Sunday	11:00a	Church
Room Ledger:		F - St. Francis (Parish Ctr)	R - St. Raphael Church)	
		E - St. Elizabeth (Parish Ctr)	M - St. Michael Church)	
			C - Commons (Church)	



BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study meets each Monday from 1:00pm to 2:00pm
Please join us in Room E in the Parish Hall.



SIGN UP TO SPEND AN HOUR WITH JES in the Adoration Chapel M - Th, 6am - 8pm

The Adoration Chapel Schedule is posted in the vestibule on the wall for all to see. You can choose your own slot.

Contact: Denise Minor
dminor92@gmail.com



Get ready for. . .

**A NIGHT AT THE
OPERA**

**FRIDAY, MAY 12TH
at 6:30 p.m.**

Get ready for another “night at the opera” with the production of Puccini’s “**Tosca**,” a political thriller, set in Rome in June 1800 during the Napoleonic wars and a time of great political unrest.

Written over 120 years ago, Tosca still thrills with the perfect pulse of a taut crime drama that portrays humanity at its best and very worst.

The heroine is a renowned prima donna, her hero is a charismatic artist, and the villain is the corrupt head of the secret police. Sublime one moment and gut wrenching the next, Puccini’s music overflows with emotion and iconic tunes.

Secrets. Lies. A lethal ultimatum.

Come join us!

**FIRST EVER MEMORY ALBUM
OF STS. PETER & PAUL CHURCH**

Many exciting things are happening as we prepare for our 40th Anniversary, and there is so much history to honor!

In continued preparation for our 2026 Celebration, we invite you to share your special thoughts and memories about Sts. Peter & Paul Church. What is your first recollection? When did you arrive? Who was our Pastor at that time? What significant experiences here hold a special place in your heart?

Our goal is to create an archive of your presence in our parish family for today and for future generations. If you have something to share with us, contact Eileen or Tim Monahan at emttouch@gmail.com.

Thank you for your participation in this fun, and memorable journey!



Is getting closer to God on your bucket list for 2023? We can help! A **Women’s**

Cursillo Weekend will be held

Thursday, May 18 (7pm) through Sunday, May 21 (5pm), at Massanetta Springs Conference Center in

Harrisonburg, VA, and the theme is “Blessed,

Broken, and Shared”. Cursillo is a 3-day encounter to take a “**Deeper Dive**” into your Spiritual Journey with

other Catholic women and be filled with the Joy

Christ offers each one of us. Applications and more

info about Cursillo will be available at the table in the

Commons next week. Contact Ellie Henrietta

434.589.2552 for more information.

The application deadline is April 26th!



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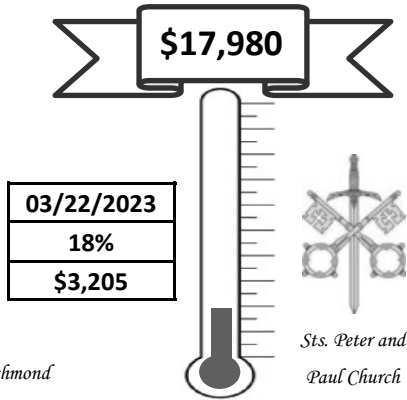
The Knights of Columbus wish you and your family a Blessed Easter Season. Please consider joining the Knights as we work to improve our Parish and our community. Ask any Knight for info on joining or call

Doug Mullinex at 434-981-6950.

Annual Diocesan Appeal Update



Diocese of Richmond



Sts. Peter and
Paul Church

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT



WE WANT YOU!

Now that the Lenten Season is upon us, it's a great time to join our Music Ministry's Saturday or Sunday choir. This is the crescendo to the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses. What a wonderful time to start singing and learning the hymns leading up to this most beautiful event in our Liturgy. Reading music is not essential, but it does help. We have rehearsals every few weeks on Tuesdays at 5pm for about an hour and half, and we would like more participation in our Saturday and Sunday choir each week.

The reward is a tremendous feeling that only you can describe as we sing our praises to God as one voice at each Mass. As Jesus has said, "Come follow me and live, and I will be your guide." If you play an instrument and would like to perform with our choir, please let me know.

If interested in joining our choir group, please contact me at 434-996-4325, or see me before or after Mass, or call our parish office at 434-589-5201.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Sid D'AMICO Music Director



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Virginia Department of Veterans' Services

Are you a U.S. Veteran in need of help? Visit the Fluvanna Community Center, 5725 James Madison Hwy by appointment only. Appointments are only available on the first Wednesday of each month from 9am to 11:30am. Call Pamela Zirkle & Jeannette Flint at 434-529-6431 to schedule your appointment.

www.dvs.Virginia.gov

Does your marriage need a boost? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience will help you enjoy life with a new closeness to each other and God. You don't need it -- you DESERVE a Marriage Encounter Experience! For more info or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for "Virginia" or your desired location. Feel free to contact Mark and Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150 or mstang1987@aol.com with questions.

Upcoming Dates:

September 22-24, 2023 in Herndon, VA

Nov 17-19, 2023 in VIRGINIA BEACH, VA

Early sign up is recommended.

PARISH NURSE NEWS

In May our parish focus as a "Eucharistic Church Serving the Family of Christ," will be the needs and concerns of people age 65 and older.

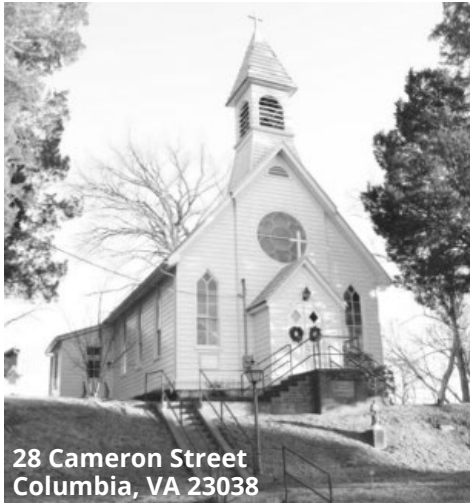
We hope to offer one or more programs to discuss topics of particular interest to you, our retirement-age parishioners. What would you most like to hear about?

Please email your suggestions for either topics or speakers to: caheffley@aol.com.

Thank you,
Catherine Heffley, RN
Parish Nurse

Yoga instruction is available at Sts. Peter & Paul, Tuesdays from 11-12pm in St. Francis; bring a mat. Contact Renata Miller @ 757.536.8408.

ST. JOSEPH'S Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel



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LADIES AUXILIARY

INTROSPECTIVE

Making Way for God

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

As Christ reclined at the Passover meal and his impending betrayal, I have to imagine at least one of the disciples thought to himself, incredulously and perhaps even indignantly: And you're not going to do anything about it?

So often we expect God to behave like the frantic parent of a teenager, banging down the closed door of a bedroom filled with loud music. We expect him to be overbearing, snooping in our diary and waiting to ground us the minute we break curfew, desperate to keep us within the family fold, ready and willing to use judgment and force to do so.

It's true that God greatly desires us to stay in friendship with him. But to accomplish it, he does not come to us as a meddler or an overlord. He comes in the same way he does on Palm Sunday. He waits for us to make way.

He may not be overbearing, but he is still devoted, and unfailingly patient. As the Palm Sundays of our lives — the moments of our devotion and piety — give way to the Holy Thursdays, when we inevitably deny him, God does not abandon us. The sacrifice on the cross is still there, waiting for us to accept it.

Say to daughter Zion, "Behold, your king comes to you, meek and riding on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden." — Matthew 21:5

OUR 140 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



Upcoming Events*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
April 23, 2023	10:30 am - 11:30 am	Visit Camp Wakeham
May 21, 2023	9:00 am - 10:00 am	Children's Mass
June 11, 2023	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Corpus Christi Mass
July 9, 2023	TBD	Parish Homecoming

* Each event is themed with a focus on our history, faith or community.



April Anniversary Celebration

If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in April and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on May 7th, please contact the office by Wednesday, April 26th.



If you have pictures or ministry information to be added to St. Joseph's website, please email Melissa at: kenneymg@gmail.com

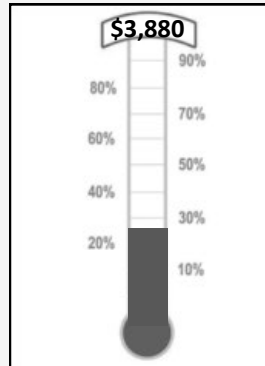
If you would like to honor a loved one by having a Mass said for them, contact the office at Sts. Peter and Paul at 434.589.5201 to arrange an available date at least 6 months out.

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Annual Diocesan Appeal Update



As some of our teens are preparing for a World Youth Day Pilgrimage in Lisbon, Portugal this summer, it may be appropriate to discuss what and why this is such an important, life-changing event.

A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey to visit a holy site, such as the shrine of a saint, a place where the Blessed Virgin Mary has appeared, or an historic church or chapel. What makes a pilgrimage different from a vacation and a pilgrim distinct from a tourist is the spirit in which the journey is made. Pilgrimages are really a symbol of our spiritual journey in life, reminding us that this world is not our true home and that we spend our lives journeying to our homeland, which is the Kingdom of God.

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- Mauricio Granados Andy Mallory *
- Angelica Motta * Odila Motta *
- Oscar Motta * Thelma Motta *
- Denise Pillar * Jordan Watkins *
- Diane Wolfe *



World Youth Day Upcoming Events

- ◆ April 29th - Int'l Night Dinner
- ◆ June 3rd - Car Wash

For more info, contact:

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Linda Mangiaracina,
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Pilgrimages — which can be as involved as a trip to Rome or the Holy Land or as simple as visiting the Blessed Sacrament in a local parish church — are also a chance for us to step out of the rhythms and limits of our daily lives to seek out connection with God in a special way, by visiting a holy place. At times, such as on a special feast, an anniversary of the dedication of the church or jubilee, or special graces (called "indulgences") can also be offered to pilgrims, helping to enrich our experience of the celebration.

In the end, pilgrimages are ancient acts of devotion and something that each of us can put into practice, helping us to discover how God is present in the world around us, in places both near and far.



* Palms recall for us the event of Jesus's entrance into Jerusalem.

- ◆ Lent officially ends at sundown on Holy Thursday before the beginning of the Mass of the Last Supper.
- Simon of Cyrene helped Jesus carry the cross.

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