

April 16, 2023

*"We are the Eucharistic Church serving the Family of Christ"*



**STS. PETER & PAUL PARISH**

4309 Thomas Jefferson Parkway  
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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:**

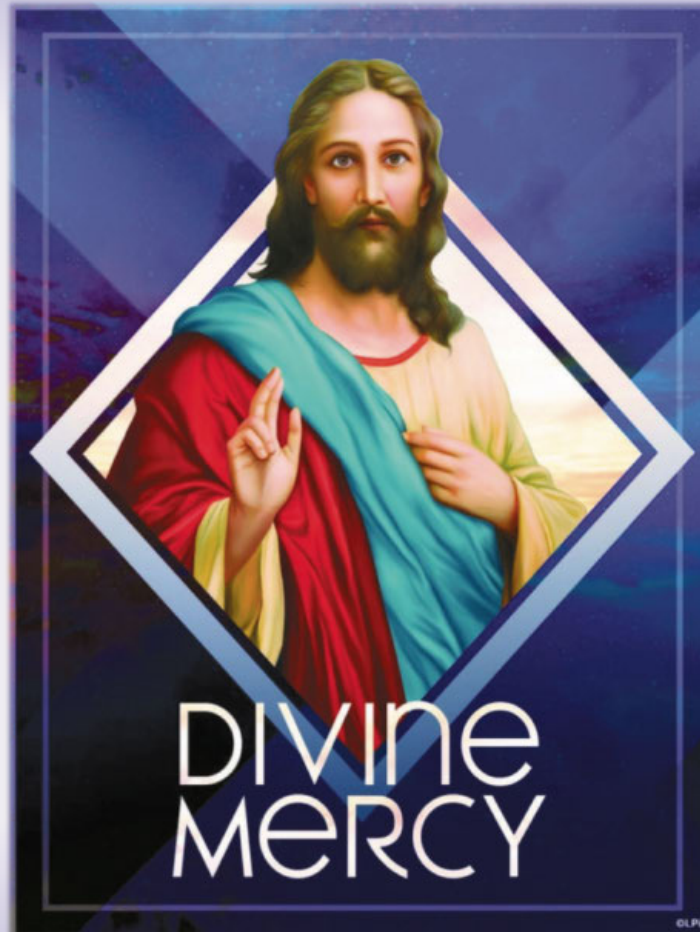
Call Parish Office

or Rectory: 434.589.5200

**HOMEBOUND:**

Call Parish Office

to schedule Communion



**EVANGELIZE**

**SANCTIFY**

**SERVE**

# WELCOME



## ADMINISTRATION

### PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIR

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### CCD/YOUTH GROUP

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## SUPPORTED GROUPS

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### RECEPTIONIST

Marianne Stewart-Carbocci

### FAITH FORMATION

Sr. Madrine Mukaluziga

### CUSTODIAN

Deloris Douglas

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](mailto:karen.davidson@saintspeterpaul.org)

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 16, 2023

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Pt 1:3-9/  
Jn 20:19-31  
Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8  
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15  
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21  
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36  
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4,13-14/Jn 6:1-15  
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21  
Next Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/  
1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 16, 2023

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)  
Monday:  
Tuesday:  
Wednesday:  
Thursday:  
Friday: St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
Saturday: Earth Day  
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter

## APRIL 2023

### HONOR YOUR LOVED ONE WITH A SPECIAL MEMORIAL

#### BREAD & WINE

Donor

Bob & Angela Maher

#### MEMORIAL

Bill & Patti Markle



#### ALTAR FLOWERS

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Bob & Angela Maher

#### MEMORIAL

Bill & Patti Markle



#### SANCTUARY CANDLE

Donor

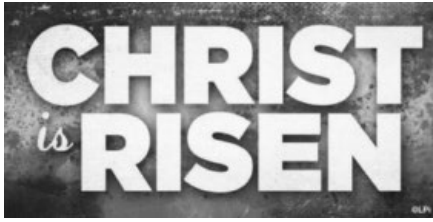
Bob & Angela Maher

#### MEMORIAL

Bill & Patti Markle



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



# ENCOUNTER

**SECOND SUNDAY OF  
EASTER  
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**  
April 16, 2023

**“Whose sins you  
forgive are forgiven  
them, and whose sins  
you retain are  
retained.” Do you  
have an interest to  
share the Lord’s  
saving mission as a  
priest, deacon or in  
the consecrated life?**

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

**Or write**

[vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org)



## **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

A young, engaged couple sat on the couch in front of me as we chatted about their upcoming marriage. The young lady was struggling to trust her future husband. She told me her father had been unfaithful to her mother. She said of her fiancé, “I want him to prove to me that he won’t cheat on me.” The young man looked at me helplessly, raised his eyebrows and shrugged his shoulders. What evidence could he possibly give to validate such a proof? Nothing. All he could do was invite her to trust him.

We all are wounded by experiences of imperfect love. We also are tempted to demand from God proof of His fidelity and goodness. We are like St. Thomas the Apostle who, on that second Sunday of Easter, demands proof of the Lord’s resurrection. “Unless I see the mark of the nail ... I will not believe.” Our science, technology and mathematics can indeed prove a great deal. But there are some things that require trusting another person. We prove promises of love only by trusting.

St. Thomas indeed saw the wounds of Jesus and believed. But there is an even greater blessing for us who simply trust Him — and all the truths the Church proclaims — because of the trustworthiness of the Risen One who speaks. This week let’s trust Jesus without seeing him.

— Father John Muir

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# PARISH YOUTH

Food & Drink  
**Music**

**50/50 Raffle**

## INTERNATIONAL FOOD NIGHT & BONFIRE!

**SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH; 6:00 - 8:30PM**

**STS. PETER & PAUL PARISH HALL**

Let's celebrate the diversity of the cultures around the world!

Bring a dish from your home country or a country you love, to share with others, or just make a donation at the door! Please scan the QR code within and let us know what dish you will be bringing so we can ensure a diverse selection of dishes for everyone to enjoy.

If you prefer to sign up in person, there is a sheet on the kitchen door in the Commons. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!



## children's Dessert Contest

Silent Auction  
Basket Raffle  
Quilt Raffle



Youth Group for ages 12 and up has resumed. The next start-up activity is scheduled from 2-4pm on:

- ◆ Saturday, April 29



A special youth Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. All in this age group are encouraged to join. Contact Sr. Madrine at 434.589.5201.



**CCD CLASSES**  
**SUNDAYS AT 9:30AM**

Sr. Madrine: 434-589-5201

New **ALTAR SERVER TRAINING** session will be on **April 22**. If your child has received their First Holy Communion and is interested in assisting with Mass in an important way, please contact Nicole Amato at [joeandncoleamato@gmail.com](mailto:joeandncoleamato@gmail.com)

### WHY CHOOSE CATHOLIC EDUCATION?

A Catholic education is unlike any other learning experience. Why? Catholic Schools educate to develop the **whole child** in a community rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the traditions of the Catholic Church. The educational process is an opportunity to cultivate the entire person by engaging the human need for physical, mental, social, and spiritual nourishment. It is the mission of Catholic Schools to do just that.

Charlottesville Catholic School continues to accept applications for the 2023-2024 school year. While some older grades have waitlists, we currently have openings in Junior Kindergarten through 2nd grade. We encourage you to call our Admissions Coordinator, Christine Fowlkes, for more information, or stop by any Wednesday between now and the end of the school year (**with the exception of April 12**) between 9:00AM and 1:00PM for See Why Wednesdays Tours. We look forward to hearing from you!

Ms. Mandy Kowalski  
Administrative Assistant  
Charlottesville Catholic School  
434-964-0400 ext. 327  
1205 Pen Park Rd.  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

*"Be strong and steadfast! Do not fear nor be dismayed, for the LORD, your God, is with you wherever you go." --Joshua 1:9*

### 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**  
[charleswpalmeriv@gmail.com](mailto:charleswpalmeriv@gmail.com)  
**571.212.4445**

# INTENTIONS

## MASS INTENTIONS: APRIL 15 - 23, 2023

\* Represents Saint Joseph's Parish

Day	Date	Mass	For	Status	Requested By
Saturday	4/15	5pm	Anna & Giovanni Capuano	D	Jerry & Linda Zink
Sunday	4/16	9am*	Petryk Bukowski	D	Will & Julie Kulick
Sunday	4/16	11am	Misa Pro Populo		
Wednesday	4/19	9am	Catherine McIntyre	D	Linda & Hal Smith
Thursday	4/20	9am	Eileen Horan	D	Don & Eileen Tyler
Thursday	4/20	5pm*			
Friday	4/21	9am	Henryk Sowinski	I	Grazyna & Slawek Witkowski
Saturday	4/22	5pm	Alicja Witkowska	I	Grazyna & Slawek Witkowski
Sunday	4/23	9am*	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	4/23	11am	Joseph Gunnels	D	Fred & Betsy Gunnels

### 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.**



**REMEMBER** *in your prayers*

### 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.

April

## Wedding Anniversaries

If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in April and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on either May 6th or 7th, please contact the office no later than Wednesday, April 26th.

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.*

**Thank you for your support!**

# EVERDAY STEWARDSHIP

<b>Pew Count</b> Sat. - 81   Sun. - 105(7), 289(11)	<b>April 8 - 9</b>
First Offering	<b>\$ 5,102</b>
First Offering: <b>Faith Direct</b>	<b>\$ 1,813</b>
Total	<b>\$ 6,915</b>
<b>April MTD Debt Reduction</b>	<b>\$ 2,865</b>
<b>April Bake Sale (4/1 &amp; 4/2) Thank you!</b>	<b>\$ 444</b>

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

**Our next DEBT REDUCTION Collection is**

**MAY 6<sup>TH</sup> & 7<sup>TH</sup>**

*Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.*

THE NEXT BAKE SALE IS MAY 6<sup>TH</sup> & 7<sup>TH</sup>. BAKED GOODS ARE ACCEPTED BEFORE MASS.



Christ is risen! As His disciples, we are called to go forth and spread good news of Christ's Resurrection. The fruitful ministries at our parish are examples of how many of you have answered, and continue to answer, that call. To ensure such work can continue requires not only gifts of time, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting our parish with electronic donations through Faith Direct.

You can sign up online at [faith.direct/FD2](http://faith.direct/FD2) 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 programs, 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.

## THE DOORS WE LOCK

As a child, and even for a while as a teenager, I experienced an enormous amount of anxiety whenever I went to confession. For so many years I feared it. For so many years I waited in the confession line trembling, feeling sick to my stomach.

In the upper room after Christ's Passion and death, the anxiety of the disciples was so strong that they locked themselves away. But still Christ found a way into their midst. He would not be prevented from bringing mercy and hope to a place shrouded in despair. No door barred in a moment of fear could keep him out.

This is the genius of the sacrament of Reconciliation — and of all sacraments, really. Here we are, restricted in so many ways by an existence that is woefully physical. We feel fear, and our body reacts, just as we feel anger and our body reacts.

How can God deliver mercy to us in this flesh-bound state? Through that very flesh which can feel so confining. Through confession, which requires a physical action, and the physical participation not just of the penitent but of the priest.

I don't know how or why my anxiety around the sacrament has lessened over the years. Sometimes, I still feel it come roaring back unexpectedly, and maybe one day it will come back to stay. It doesn't surprise me: after all, I am in the flesh, and I will, as Peter says today, "suffer through various trials." But in all of them Christ will find me. He will not be kept away.

Let the house of Aaron say, "His mercy endures forever." — Psalm 118:3

# 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

<b>Sat</b>	<b>15-Apr</b>	Confession	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
<b>Sun</b>	<b>16-Apr</b>	Confession	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	Church
		<b>CCD - Last Class</b>	9:30a	Parish Hall
		Mass	11:00a	Church
<b>Mon</b>	<b>17-Apr</b>	Rejoice Bible Study	1:00p	123
<b>Tues</b>	<b>18-Apr</b>	Yoga	11:00a	F
<b>Wed</b>	<b>19-Apr</b>	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Troop 138/1138	7:00p	F
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>20-Apr</b>	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Mass	5:30p	St. Joseph's
		Cursillo	6:00p	123
<b>Fri</b>	<b>21-Apr</b>	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Adoration	9:30a	Church
		Benediction	3:00p	Church
<b>Sat</b>	<b>22-Apr</b>	Confession	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
<b>Sun</b>	<b>23-Apr</b>	Confession	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	Church
		Adult Formation	9:30a	Parish Hall
		<b>Camp Wakeham Walk</b>	10:00a	SJ
		Mass	11:00a	Church
<b>F</b> - St. Francis (Hall) <b>R</b> - St. Raphael (Church) <b>Room Ledger:</b> <b>E</b> - St. Elizabeth (Hall) <b>M</b> - St. Michael (Church) <b>C</b> - Commons (Church)				



## BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study meets each Monday from 1:00pm to 2:00pm (May 22, last meeting) 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](mailto:dminor92@gmail.com)



**Get ready for. . .**  
**A NIGHT AT THE OPERA**  
**FRIDAY, MAY 12<sup>TH</sup>**  
**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!**

**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](mailto:caheffley@aol.com)

Also, let us know your preferred time of the day, or day of the week for such a program.

Thank you.



**THE KNIGHTS' KORNER**

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all those who volunteered to make this year’s Fish Frys a success. We especially want to thank all those who provided us with those wonderful desserts.

**Doug Mullinex at 434-981-6950**

**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](mailto: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!**



**ALL BLESSINGS FLOW**

**Used Medical Equipment**



All refurbished medical items are given at no charge, but monetary donations to help with operating expenses are gratefully accepted.

Please visit: [www.allblessingsflow.org](http://www.allblessingsflow.org) or Call 434-422-8888

Email: [allblessingsflow@yahoo.com](mailto:allblessingsflow@yahoo.com)





His mercy endures forever.

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### MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT



**WE WANT YOU!**  
Will return soon!



**EARTH DAY**  
22 APRIL

### EARTH DAY 2023 - INVEST IN OUR PLANET!

Our next Grounds Clean Up Day coincides with Earth Day. Although we can't clean up the entire planet, we can beautify our own surroundings. Please join us on **Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 9am until noon** as we celebrate Earth Day with "**GROUND'S CLEAN UP**" to beautify our own church community as we demonstrate support for environmental protection.

### 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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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.*



Newly formed Catholic hybrid education program in Orange, VA is seeking to fill multiple tutor positions for the 2022-2023 academic year. The Holy Infant of Prague Paideia is looking for dedicated Catholics who have a love for teaching and sharing the good, the true, and the beautiful. The academic year is 32 weeks, with 2 days of on site instruction per week. Student ages are 8-12. Hours can vary from 3-14 hours per week. We are also seeking craftsman/artists to share talents.

Please contact [HolyInfantCollective@gmail.com](mailto:HolyInfantCollective@gmail.com) or Anne Bukowski 540-409-8527.

**Part-time Receptionist** needed in Sts. Peter and Paul parish office for 24 hours per week.

Duties include but are not limited to:

- Prepare church bulletin and various programs
- Schedule Mass intentions
- Maintain parishioners' records
- Prepare and make deposits of funds

#### Qualifications:

- 3 - 5 years of related experience
- Maintain confidentiality
- Committed to church's mission and message
- Courteous and tactful in dealing with the public and parishioners
- Able to work with technology
- Able to communicate effectively both in writing and verbally

Please send resume and diocesan application to Karen Davidson at [karen.davidson@saintspeterpaul.org](mailto:karen.davidson@saintspeterpaul.org)

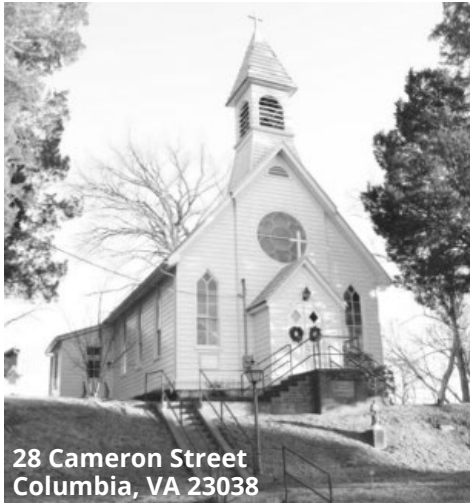
**Yoga instruction is available at Sts. Peter & Paul, Tuesdays from 11-12pm in St. Francis; bring a mat. Contact Renata Miller @ 757.536.8408.**

## Did You Know?

- ◆ Jesus appointed St. Peter as the first pope of the church.
- ◆ The quilt that was raffled brought \$165 and the winner was Patrice Malloy.
- ◆ The wine basket proceeds were \$205 and the winner was Avis Gomez.

**Congratulations to Patrice and Avis!**

# ST. JOSEPH'S Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel



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## ADMINISTRATION

### PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIR

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### FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR

Fred Gunnels | 434.960.6092

## LITURGY & WORSHIP

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### ALTAR SERVERS

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## FORMATION & EDUCATION

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Celeste Shapiola | 434.981.1405

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### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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### LADIES AUXILIARY

## INTROSPECTIVE

The readings for Divine Mercy Sunday help us reflect on the boundless mercy of God. The first reading tells how the early Christian community lived in peace, sharing with each other. The psalm reminds us that God's love is eternal. The second reading speaks of having faith in the resurrection and, in the gospel Jesus shows mercy to Thomas, even in his doubts.

- **The Resurrection of Jesus Christ** – This is a central theme in the readings for Divine Mercy Sunday, as it is through Christ's resurrection that we receive mercy and forgiveness for our sins. The readings testify to the fact that Jesus conquered death and sin, and that through his resurrection, we are able to experience new life and hope.
- **Divine Mercy and Forgiveness** – This theme is particularly evident in the Gospel reading of John 20:19-31, where Jesus appears to his disciples and offers them peace and forgiveness. He commissions them to carry out his mission of forgiveness and mercy, and grants them the power of the Holy Spirit to do so.
- **Faith and Trust in Jesus** – Throughout the readings, there is an emphasis on the importance of faith and trust in Jesus. This is particularly evident in the story of Thomas, who initially doubted the testimony of the other disciples, but ultimately came to believe through his encounter with the risen Christ.
- **Witnessing to the Resurrection** – The disciples were called to bear witness to the resurrection of Jesus, and this remains the mission of the Church today. Through our words and actions, we are called to testify to the reality of the resurrection and to share the good news of God's mercy and forgiveness.
- **The Gift of the Holy Spirit** – The readings emphasize the importance of the Holy Spirit in empowering the disciples to carry out their mission. It is through the Holy Spirit that they are able to forgive sins and to be witnesses to the resurrection.
- **The Mission of the Church** – The readings also highlight the mission of the Church, which is to proclaim the good news of God's mercy and forgiveness to the world. This mission is grounded in the reality of the resurrection and is empowered by the Holy Spirit.
- **God's love and compassion for humanity** – The readings reveal the depth of God's love and compassion for humanity, as demonstrated through his mercy and forgiveness. Through his death and resurrection, Jesus offers us the gift of new life and the hope of eternal salvation.
- **The power of faith to overcome doubt and fear** – Finally, the readings for this Divine Mercy Sunday show us that faith has the power to overcome doubt and fear. Like Thomas, we may struggle with doubt and uncertainty, but through faith and trust in Jesus, we can experience the peace and joy that comes from knowing the risen Christ.



## 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.



**SICK & HOMEBOUND MINISTRY**

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- Oscar Motta \* Thelma Motta \*
- Denise Pillar \* Jordan Watkins \*
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**World Youth Day**

**Upcoming Events**

◆ **April 29th - Int'l Night Dinner**  
**6:00 pm - 8:30 pm**



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- Food and Drink
- Music
- Basket & Quilt Raffle
- Silent Auction
- Kids' Dessert Contest
- 50/50 Raffle

◆ **June 3rd - Car Wash**

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**LIVE THE LITURGY -  
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Doubting Thomas is a mood, and we've all had it. We hang our every hope on this sign, that proof. We challenge God: "Make me believe." To each of us he extends his wounded hand, to each of us he shows his pierced side. He will always meet us in our unbelief.

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

**SHARE THE GOSPEL**

The disciples must have been very surprised when they saw Jesus alive again. They got to see him, listen to him and touch him. We don't get to see him like the disciples did after Easter. But Jesus calls us blessed when we believe in him. One day we'll see him again in heaven.

**PRAYER**

Jesus, I can hardly wait to see you in heaven.

*April Anniversary  
Celebrations*



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

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