

August 20, 2023

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**STS. PETER & PAUL PARISH**

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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

**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:**

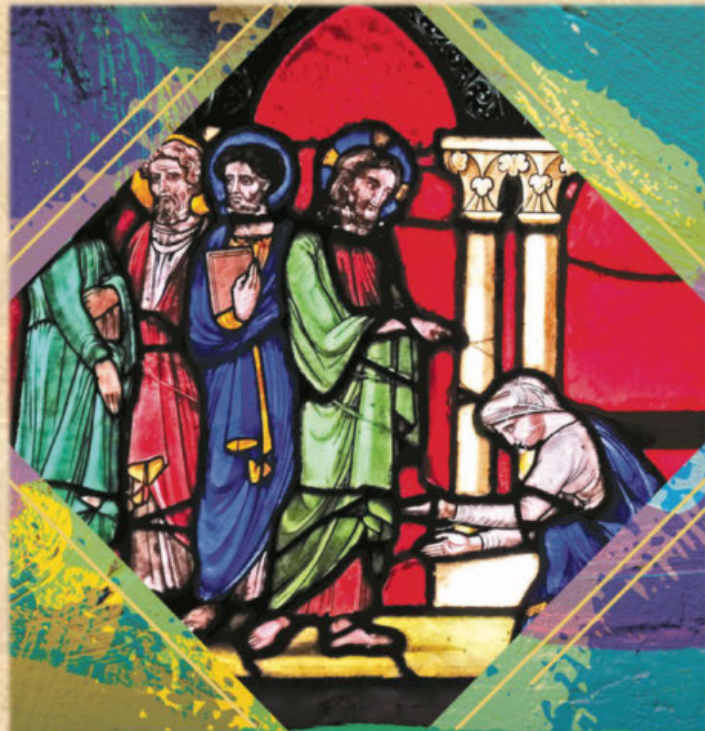
Call Parish Office

or Rectory: 434.589.5200

**HOMEBOUND:**

Call Parish Office

to schedule Communion



**20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

The woman came and did Jesus homage, saying,  
"Lord, help me." - Mt 15:25

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**EVANGELIZE**

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

## Readings for the week of August 20, 2023

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/  
Mt 15:21-28

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/  
Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-  
10/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/  
Mt 16:13-20

## Observances for the week of August 20, 2023

Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Pius X, Pope

Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

Thursday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Friday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## CLEANING ANGELS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for cleaning inside the church. We work in teams, on average a team cleans once a month.

Duties include: -Vacuuming

-Dusting pews/sills

-Replenishing envelopes

-Straightening hymnals

-Swiffer floors/Altar



### Contact:

Lorna Jervis  
434-207-4410



O Mary Immaculate Queen, glorious Queen of the Universe, most powerful Virgin, merciful Mother of a merciful God and refuge of sinners, we consecrate ourselves to thy Royal and Immaculate Heart.

May all hearts and all homes willingly proclaim thee as their Immaculate Queen.



# ENCOUNTER

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

**August 20, 2023**  
**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The suffering of a child symbolizes uniquely terrible evil as well as despair about the future. This week's Gospel gives a "limit" case in which Jesus encounters this evil in the form of a mother with a suffering daughter. What he does is stunning and massively helpful for us if we bravely ponder the details.

The Canaanite woman comes to Jesus and begs his mercy. "My daughter is tormented by a demon," she declares to him. Shockingly, he responds first with silence, then with a dismissive comment, and only then finally accedes to her third request. Is this simply a lesson in perseverance in our petitions to God, who is like a genie in a bottle? Does that justify the humiliation and pain this woman suffers? Is the Lord cruel?

I don't think so. Notice how the encounter ends. She compares herself to a dog at the table of a master. Jesus responds by praising her great faith and fulfills her deep desire. Somehow this non-Israelite woman intuits that this harrowing situation is not dumb suffering. She senses that the door of God's family is, in Jesus, being opened to her and her loved ones. She trusts she is at the Lord's table, and her desires will be fulfilled and that all her sufferings — and her daughter's, too — will lead a great banquet. In our sufferings this week, the Lord wants us to treat him less like a genie in a bottle and more like the Master who has taken us — lost little dogs that we are — into his home forever. Trust that and keep praying in the face of evil.

— Father John Muir

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**In honor of the Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, pray an act of Consecration to Our Lady on August 22nd.**

**20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**AUGUST 20th, 2023**

"Woman you have great faith" It takes faith to hear God's call in our lives. And His call takes us on unexpected paths of deeper trust and love. Is God calling you to life as sister, brother, deacon or priest?

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

Or write

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

### ANNOUNCING!

#### The CURSILLO WEEKEND & MORE

Is getting closer to God on your bucket list for 2023? We can help! A **Men's Cursillo Weekend** will be held **Thursday, October 26 (7:00pm) through Sunday, October 29 (5:00pm), 2023, at Camp Overlook near Harrisonburg, Virginia.**

Cursillo is a 3-day encounter to enrich your Spirituality and raise awareness of Christ in every moment of your life. *Pope Francis is a Cursillista and recognizes how "Cursillos help people encounter Jesus, helping them understand that living in the Grace of God is beautiful."* Come walk this journey alongside other Catholic men of all ages and be filled with the JOY Christ offers each one of us.

Applications and more about Cursillo are available at [www.valleycursillo.com](http://www.valleycursillo.com). We have men in our Parish who can be your sponsor. Contact Ellie Henrietta for more information 434-981-3551 or Mitzi Crane at 434-589-2552.

**Application deadline is October 12, 2023.**

# PARISH YOUTH



CCD Religious Education registration ongoing in the office and after Sunday Mass throughout the month of August.

Classes begin on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please contact Sr. Madrine.

### **Tuition and Fees:**

First Child	\$45
Additional Child(ren)*	\$25 each



## **Sts. Peter & Paul Youth Group**

Sts. Peter & Paul's Youth Group will be leading in the Mass of September 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am. All youth are encouraged to actively participate. Rehearsals will take place during CCD.

### ***Come Join Us!***

### **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



Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



**If you know someone who is sick, be brave and pray about it. Jesus can do anything.**

### **Share the Gospel**

Jesus met a woman who had amazing faith. She was brave. She was loud. She did not care what anybody else thought. Jesus was the Savior, and she knew he could heal her daughter. Jesus can help you with any problem you have too. Be brave. Keep asking Jesus for help. God is strong. He can do anything.

### **Prayer**

*Jesus, help me to be brave. I know you can do anything.*

# INTENTIONS

## MASS INTENTIONS: AUGUST 19 - AUGUST 27, 2023

\* Represents Saint Joseph's Parish

Saturday	8/19	5pm	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	8/20	9am*	Louise Stewart	D	John & Christine Stewart
Sunday	8/20	11am	Artie Gouldrault	D	K of C 11475
Tuesday - Mass for Peace	8/22	7pm	Bernad Kyambadde	D	Sr. Madrine
Wednesday	8/23	9am	Gertrude Gillan	D	Carol & Michael Veshela
Thursday	8/24	9am	Joseph Irving Hackney	D	Rose Ann & Irving Soloway
Friday	8/25	9am	Carlos Suarez	D	Novacek & Suarez family
Saturday	8/26	5pm	Joseph Marletta	D	Frank Pilk
Sunday	8/27	9am*	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	8/27	11am	Artie Gouldrault	D	Bob & Angela Maher

### 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 Kuhlow, 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.



### 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, Bob Fint, Patricia Golgosky, Patrick Granville, Bob Griffin, Mary Anne Grimes, Phyllis Guthrie, Jack Hartwell, John Hobby, Regina Humanitzki, Tony Ingilleri, Sue Ingilleri, Margaret Johnson, Ron Johnson, Carolyn Kerrigan, Tom Kinter, Marie Knighting, Jackie Kraemer, Judi Kuhlow, Marcia Lagomarsino, Annie & Joe Lodato, Brigid Markle, Art Menard, Joan Merk, Haynes McKinley Morris, Jr., Irene Nadig, Rosario Nixon, Rose Patterson, Donald Raab, Carol Scampoli, Mary Ellen Scango, Carol 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.




*August*  
*Wedding Anniversaries*

If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in August and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on either

September 2nd or September 3rd,

please notify the office by

Monday, August 28th.



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. - 137   Sun. - 115	<b>August 12/13</b>
First Offering	<b>\$ 2,607</b>
First Offering: <b>Faith Direct</b>	<b>\$ 1,949</b>
Total	<b>\$ 4,556</b>
<b>August MTD Debt Reduction</b>	<b>\$2,525</b>

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

**Our next DEBT REDUCTION Collection is SEPTEMBER 2ND & 3RD.**

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

THE NEXT BAKE SALE IS SEPTEMBER 2ND & 3RD. DONATIONS OF BAKED GOODS ARE ACCEPTED BEFORE MASS.



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id you miss a weekly offering while on summer vacation? eGiving through Faith Direct is the easiest and most convenient way for our parish to receive your weekly offering and other Church support. eGiving through Faith Direct will also save you time while helping Sts. Peter and Paul Church reduce our expenses.

Getting started with eGiving is easy. Here are the ways to sign up:

- Visit [faith.direct/VA249](http://faith.direct/VA249)
- Call Faith Direct Customer Service at 866.507.8757

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

**CATHOLIC HEALTH INITIATIVES FOR UGANDA**



**TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED THE TALENT SHOW AND DINNER LAST WEEKEND.**

**THANK YOU TO THE NIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOR ORGANISING IT.**

**HELP WANTED**

*The Abbate Agency, Knights of Columbus is seeking a self-motivated, entry level administrative assistant with excellent customer skills for our Richmond office. The right applicant should have some office experience and be computer savvy with the Microsoft Office Suite of products. Position is open immediately so if you want to work in a friendly, family-oriented business please send your one to two-page resume and cover letter to Gretta Stage at [AbbateAgencyMail5@kofc.org](mailto:AbbateAgencyMail5@kofc.org).*



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## ROOM SCHEDULE

<b>Sat</b>	<b>19-Aug</b>	Confessions	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
		<b>CHIU Talent Show/Dinner</b>	6:30p	F
<b>Sun</b>	<b>20-Aug</b>	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	11:00a	Church
<b>Mon</b>	<b>21-Aug</b>			
<b>Tues</b>	<b>22-Aug</b>	Yoga	10:30a	F
		<b>Mass For Peace</b>	7:00p	Church
<b>Wed</b>	<b>23-Aug</b>	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Troop 138/1138	7:00p	F
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>24-Aug</b>	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Cursillo	6:00p	123
<b>Fri</b>	<b>25-Aug</b>	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Adoration	9:30a	Church
		Benediction	3:00p	Church
<b>Sat</b>	<b>26-Aug</b>	Confessions	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
<b>Sun</b>	<b>27-Aug</b>	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	11:00a	Church
<b>Room Ledger:</b>		<b>F</b> - St. Francis (Hall)	<b>R</b> - St. Raphael (Church)	
		<b>E</b> - St. Elizabeth (Hall)	<b>M</b> - St. Michael (Church)	
		<b>C</b> - Commons (Church)		



### ADULT FORMATION CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

AFCE includes 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.

Registration begins in August. Classes begin September 10th at 9:30am.



## BIBLE STUDY

Weekly Bible Study will resume on Monday, September 11th from 1:00pm to 2:00pm in Room 123. Enjoy the summer break and look forward to a new Bible adventure!

### SIGN UP TO SPEND AN HOUR WITH JESUS 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)



## Buildings and Grounds

**The Parish of Sts. Peter and Paul will be celebrating its 40th anniversary in a couple of years. With great faith, vision and commitment, many parishioners have supported and expanded this vision. I hope that we can continue to enjoy this wonderful Parish for many years to come, but that will require continued maintenance of all the buildings, grounds and Rectory. Please consider sharing your time, talent and donations to our church to further continue this vision for the next generation.**

**Charles Nicholson.  
cn451956@gmail.com  
434-365-9712**



## THE KNIGHTS' KORNER

The Knights of Columbus meet monthly. If you'd like more info or the opportunity to join, please contact: **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!



## ALL BLESSINGS FLOW - Used Medical Equipment

All refurbished medical items are given at no charge; monetary donations to help with operating expenses are gratefully accepted. Phone: 434-422-8888 or email: [allblessingsflow@yahoo.com](mailto:allblessingsflow@yahoo.com) or visit [www.allblessingsflow.org](http://www.allblessingsflow.org).



## RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

### The Prayers God Always Answers

When I was a child, my mother bought a book called "The Prayers God Will Always Answer." I remember my anticipation as I cracked the spine and turned to the first page.

I had been spending a lot of time asking God — begging God, actually — over and over again for some specific things that were not materializing. Frankly, it was beginning to feel a lot like that time I asked Santa Claus for a new house, only to wake up on Christmas morning to find ordinary, non-house-shaped presents under the tree — and a growing sense of suspicion that my faith had been ill-placed.

To the great disappointment of my pre-teen heart, my mother's book was not a directory of magical phrases God is compelled to obey. It was a list that included things like "Forgive me" and "Help me." I tossed it aside, disappointed.

I marvel at the wisdom and the confidence of the Canaanite woman who persists in begging Jesus to heal her daughter. She is ignored, and still she will not be deterred. The disciples try to dismiss her — still, she presses on. Christ himself challenges her, and her faith makes her ready with a reply.

Somehow, I am sure that even if Christ had said, "No, it cannot be done for you as you wish," she would have still dropped to her knees and worshiped him, because she knew what I did not: God is not a vending machine, and he's not the genie from "Aladdin." Prayer is not a negotiation, but a relationship.

The story of the Canaanite woman is not a story about how to get God to give you what you want. It is a story about the prayers God always answers.

"Then Jesus said to her in reply, 'O woman, great is your faith!'" — Matthew 15:28  
—Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman





# Christmas in August!

Can you believe it's that time of year again?! The Prison Ministry is again humbly asking for donations for the Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women Christmas gift ministry, a ministry that's been operating almost every year since the Correctional Center opened in 1998.

**Approved Hygiene Items** (Only full size, NOT travel size items)

\*\*If possible, please place items in a gallon sized zip lock bag

- One individually wrapped toothbrush
- One tube of toothpaste *not to exceed 6 oz.*
- One deodorant stick (no spray or roll-on) *not to exceed 2.4 oz*
- One bottle of lotion *15 oz.*
- One bottle of shampoo *15 oz.*

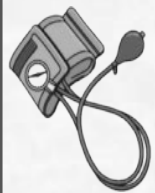
**Approved Greeting Cards and Stationery Items**

- Greeting cards for all occasions, including Christmas and Hanukkah
- Stationery items (envelopes, writing paper)
- Postage stamps (please donate the *Forever* type)
- One wooden pencil (unsharpened)

**We are NOT accepting travel-size hygiene items or calendar/planners.** *We appreciate everyone's generosity, but these items cannot be used for the Prison and we must dispose of them. Please donate these to various shelters in the area as they often distribute travel toiletries.*

There will be a decorated box to drop off donations inside Sts. Peter and Paul's main door and inside the Parish Hall at St Joseph's.

We sincerely thank you for your generosity and prayers. God Bless from the Prison Ministry Team.  
Please contact Julie Kulick at 540.308.5154 or [jataverna@hotmail.com](mailto:jataverna@hotmail.com) with any questions.



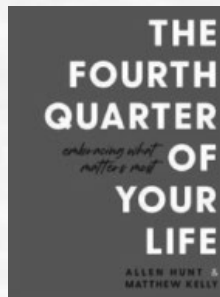
## PARISH NURSE NEWS:

You are invited to join us the last Wednesday of each month in the Commons at 10:00am for coffee and discussion. This month on **August 30th**, we'll discuss chapter 7, "What Matters Most" to you from this point on in life, and chapter 13, "Your Fourth Quarter Dreams", from Matthew Kelly's:

The Fourth Quarter of Your Life.

Contact Catherine Heffley if you need more information:

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



# Did You Know?

- ◆ One of the simplest ways to leave a gift to our church is to use the beneficiary designation on savings and retirement accounts, as well as life insurance policies. These can be done with no cost, and typically only require us to sign a new beneficiary designation form.
- ◆ Through the Catholic Community Foundation's partnership with FreeWill, you can make or update your will in just 20 minutes for free and put all your intentions into action! FreeWill will grant you lifetime access to make updates and changes to your plan at no cost.



## Make-A-Will Sunday

August is National Make-A-Will Month and a perfect opportunity for our community to steward everything God has blessed us with. Today, we invite you to set aside time to think through your estate plan and how you can best steward what God has entrusted to you.

To help you with this process, FreeWill offers an online estate planning tool you can use to create your will for free online and safeguard all that you love.

Visit [FreeWill.com/](http://FreeWill.com/)

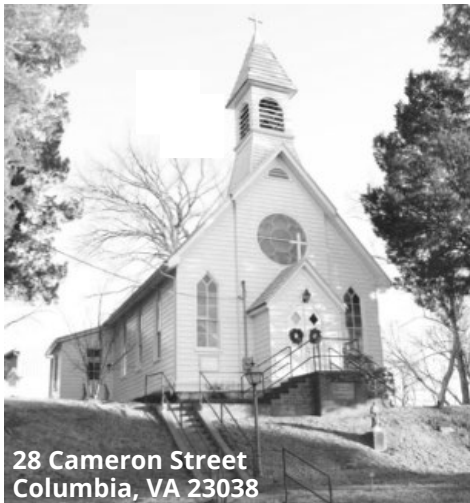
[RichmondCatholicFoundation](http://RichmondCatholicFoundation) to get started on your will.



The Crafters are back at it; busy making treasures to sell during the Craft Fair in November. All are invited to join in on Thursdays from 9:30a - 2:30p in St. Michael's room in the church.

Bring a lunch, crafts, ideas, skills, or even supplies that would be useful. Contact Diana Mariutto: [diana68fred@gmail.com](mailto:diana68fred@gmail.com) or 434.589.5136.

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Denny Barberio | 434.981.0678

### LADIES AUXILIARY

## INTROSPECTIVE —Recognize God in your Ordinary moments

### The Challenge of Stewardship

Every day we are called by Christ to respond in some way. The more practice we have at giving of ourselves freely and living in His presence, the easier it is to discern that call. Once we hear the call, the choice is ours: will we respond with yes or no? We could say that we are not required to say yes because God has given us free will. However, our response speaks much to where we are in our maturity of faith. When we were children, the word “no” used to be one of our favorites. If we continue to say that as we get older, well, that says something about where we are in our walk with the Lord. If we truly are disciples of Jesus Christ and are serious about growing in our faith, we will say “yes.” We are not required to say yes, but we say yes because that is who we have become.

This is the challenge of a stewardship way of life. Have we matured enough to say yes when God calls, regardless of how much our answer may cost us? What matters more to us: what it will cost us or our relationship with Jesus? Some days we will easily be able to say yes. The grace and love he gives us will be plenty to see us through whatever situation in which we find ourselves. However, we are imperfect beings and there will be days when we are more into ourselves than him. It is on those days that we find ourselves at a true crossroads of a challenge. The choice is always ours. Hopefully, our faith will be strong enough. His call is never for his own sake. He calls us because the world he created and the Church he instituted need us. They wait just as he does for our response.

– Tracy Earl Welliver

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## 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

In September we will partner with the historical society and celebrate Columbia Day. What was it like back in the day?

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