

January 28, 2024

*"The Eucharist - Our Life, Our Hope!"*



**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



**4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" - Mk 1:23-25

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**EVANGELIZE**

**SANCTIFY**

**SERVE**

# WELCOME



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Fridays-1 week in advance-In writing to

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



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.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2024

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28  
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20  
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43  
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6  
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13  
Friday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32  
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34  
Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2024

Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Celebrate Catholic Schools Week  
Monday:  
Tuesday:  
Wednesday: St. John Bosco, Priest  
Thursday:  
Friday: The Presentation of the Lord, World Day for Consecrated Life  
Saturday: St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop  
Next Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## JANUARY 2024

### HONOR YOUR LOVED ONE WITH A SPECIAL MEMORIAL

#### BREAD & WINE



#### ALTAR FLOWERS



#### SANCTUARY CANDLE



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

**ALERT:** As weather conditions turn adverse, tune in to the local ABC, CBS, NBC stations for CLOSING announcements.



# ENCOUNTER



## 4TH SUNDAY IN OT

January 28th, 2024

“I will raise up for them a prophet like you.” If you think that you may be set apart by the Lord to serve Him as a priest or as a consecrated sister or brother, talk to your priest or reach out to the

Office of Vocations at:

804-359-5661

Or email

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



## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 28, 2024

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**I** love movies about exorcisms. Apparently, so do many others. The 2023 movie “Nefarious” features a possibly possessed inmate on death row. Critics were not impressed, but audiences scored it at 97% on the website Rotten Tomatoes. Most people have an appreciation for the demonic realm, even if cultural elites are generally embarrassed about it. As is standard in exorcism movies, the afflicted person (in this case, a man named Edward Brady) thinks and acts like multiple persons. He is someone besides himself. We know what that is like. We feel fake sometimes, not ourselves.

The same dynamic is on dramatic display this week in the Gospel. Jesus the Exorcist approaches a possessed man who utters, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?” Notice the plural, us. The basic effect of the demonic is division. The man’s identity is fractured, divided, and thus many. Jesus powerfully expels the spirit by saying, “Quiet! Come out of him!” Jesus’ word has the power to restore the man’s singularity — him — and indeed it does.

All this helps us to dismiss childish images of demons sporting red goat tails. Equally, it overcomes the cultured aloofness that dreams demons are mere metaphors for evil. We see instead that fallen angels are conscious and intelligent beings who orient their agency toward division. They bring about schism where there should be unity, e.g., in persons, families, communities, politics, and so on. Thankfully, Jesus commands demons to flee from all these places to restore wholeness and peace. What if we made room for his word where we need it?

— Father John Muir

# PARISH YOUTH



**Religious Education**  
**Classes meet every Sunday at**  
**9:30a and conclude after the**  
**11:00a Mass.**

Dear Parents,

We are always looking for volunteers to help in both CCD and Youth Group nights, to help as assistants in the classroom and during Youth Group nights. Please contact Chris Nealy if you are interested in this wonderful service opportunity:

**[Religoused@saintpeterandpaul.org](mailto:Religoused@saintpeterandpaul.org)**

## **SHARING THE GOSPEL**

Grass stains. Tomato sauce. Brightly colored fruit drinks. When these nasty stains stick to your clothes, it is tough to get them out. Regular soap won't work. You need something stronger. Jesus is really strong, too. In today's Gospel, a nasty evil spirit screamed when it saw Jesus. Jesus was so powerful, he cleaned that evil spirit right out.

## **PRAYER**

*God, you are much stronger than evil.  
Nothing is too hard for you to clean.  
Amen.*

## **MISSION FOR THE WEEK**

Make a new label for your family's stain pretreatment bottle. Trace around the bottle, write Mark 1:21-28 in big letters, and decorate your label with a picture of Jesus. Tape your new label to the bottle so you and your parents remember how strong Jesus is.

## **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

## **YOUTH FROM STS PETER AND PAUL AND ST JOSEPH**

Each group meets from 6-7:30pm on their respective day each month for fellowship, activities and service. Volunteer support is needed for both groups.

**Grades K - 5:**

Third Friday

**Middle/High School**

Third Wednesday

Please contact Chris Nealy with questions at [religoused@saintspeterpaul.org](mailto:religoused@saintspeterpaul.org).



## **PUZZLE**

Unscramble words from today's gospel

quiet  
teaching  
amazed

spirit  
Jesus  
Holy One

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# INTENTIONS

## MASS INTENTIONS: JANUARY 27 - FEBRUARY 4, 2024

\* Represents Saint Joseph's Parish

Saturday	1/27	5pm	Veronica Shelton	D	Bob & Muriel Toepfert
Sunday	1/28	9am*	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	1/28	11am	Al Schwarzenboeck	D	Maureen Schwarzenbeck
Wednesday	1/31	9am			
Thursday	2/1	9am	Cindy Pol	D	Kathy Pol
Friday	2/2	9am	Betty Read	D	Don & Eileen Tyler
1st Saturday	2/3	10am			
Saturday	2/3	5pm	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	2/4	9am*	Chief Jim J. Mullins	I	Julie & Will Kulick
Sunday	2/4	11am	Joseph Duffy, Jr.	D	Royal & Janis Duffy

### 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, Katie Marron, Kevin and Kathleen O'Malley, James Fulford, Rhett Hartwell, Andrew Thompson, Luke Marron, Sasha and Lonnie Kuhlow, William Furst, Matt Hendl, 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.



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Michael Amato, Maria Boice, Patricia Brammer, Sharon Cassidy, Nicole Colley, The Compton Family, Jean Dalsky, Me'Shelle Durant, Bill Ellis, Caroline Faulkner, Bob Fint, Patricia Golgosky, 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 Lodato, Art Menard, Joan Merk, Haynes McKinley Morris, Jr., Irene Nadig, Rose Patterson, Donald Raab, Margaret Reilly, Carol Scampoli, Mary Ellen Scango, Carol Starowicz, Marylou Stock, Anna Sturhann, Claire van Nierop, Cornelia Waters, Mike Waters

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

## January Wedding Anniversaries



**If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in January and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on February 3rd or 4th, please notify the office by Friday, January 26th, 2024.**

## BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL AT WORK:

On behalf of Bishop Knestout and the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, Sts. Peter and Paul has been awarded a \$3000 grant from the Fuel and Hunger Fund, made possible through the generous support of the Bishop's Annual Appeal by the people of the diocese. These funds are used exclusively for direct assistance in protecting the dignity of all human life.

# EVERDAY STEWARDSHIP

<b>Pew Count</b> Sat. - 103   Sun. - 206	<b>JAN 13/14</b>
First Offering	\$ 3,564
First Offering: <b>Faith Direct</b>	\$ 2,202
Total	<b>\$ 5,766</b>
<b>December MTD Debt Reduction</b>	<b>\$ 3,662</b>

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

**Our next DEBT REDUCTION Collection is**

**FEBRUARY 3 & 4**

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

Our monthly Bake Sale is *February 3rd/4th* after each Mass. Donations accepted before Mass. Thank you!

The new year is filled with hope and promise as we seek to grow our vital ministries, explore new ways to share the good news of Christ's love, and reflect His care and mercy to those in need throughout the community. To continue to make a difference in 2024, we are reaching out to our parishioners.

We prayerfully request that you consider signing up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet. You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift by visiting [faith.direct/VA249](http://faith.direct/VA249) or calling at 866.507.8757. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family. God bless you!



## Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church

4309 Thomas Jefferson Parkway,  
Palmyra VA

### Eat in or Take out



**February**

**16 & 23**

**March**

**1, 8, 15 & 22**

*Cash, checks, and Credit Cards accepted*

**\$13 per person:**

**DRIVE-THRU**  
**4:30 - 6:30P**

**\$15 per person:**

**DINE-IN**  
**(includes drink and choice of dessert)**  
**5:30 - 7:00p**



### PARISH LENTEN LUNCH

Our holiest of seasons begins

Wednesday February 14th.

This means, starting February 16th

Stations of the Cross, Fridays at 12noon,  
followed by a light lunch.

I need your very valuable help.

Please sign up to supply either the soup or sandwiches,  
we appreciate all who do.

*Please help!*

### CALLING ALL SOUP and SANDWICH MAKERS

THE SIGN UP SHEET IS POSTED ON  
THE KITCHEN DOOR (in the Commons)

### Lent Lunch

For more information contact:

*Pat Amato*

434.589.7811

*Volunteer Coordinator*



# UPCOMING EVENTS



## ADULT FORMATION CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

includes RCIA, offering instruction to unbaptized and non-Catholic persons with interest in being members of the Catholic faith.

Classes meet every Sunday @ 9:30am.



## ROOM SCHEDULE

<b>Sat</b>	<b>27-Jan</b>	Confessions	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
<b>Sun</b>	<b>28-Jan</b>	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
<b>Catholic Schools Week</b>		Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		CCD/RCIA Faith Formation	9:30a	Parish Hall
		Mass	11:00a	Church
<b>Mon</b>	<b>29-Jan</b>	Rejoice! Bible Study	1:00p	E
		K of C Officers	7:00p	E
<b>Tues</b>	<b>30-Jan</b>	Yoga	11:00a	F
<b>Wed</b>	<b>31-Jan</b>	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Sr. Coffee Social	10:00a	C
		Scouts	6:00p	F
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>1-Feb</b>	Mass	9:00a	Church
		K of C Roundtable	6:00p	St. Joseph's
		Cursillo	6:00p	123
<b>Fri</b>	<b>2-Feb</b>	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Adoration	9:30a	Church
		Benediction	3:00p	Church
<b>Sat</b>	<b>3-Feb</b>	1st Saturday Mass & Rosary/ Blessing of the Throats	10:00a	Church
		Confessions	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
		Bake Sale	6:00p	C
<b>Sun</b>	<b>4-Feb</b>	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		CCD/RCIA Faith Formation	9:30a	Parish Hall
		Mass	11:00a	Church
		Bake Sale	12:00p	C
<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)		

## BIBLE STUDY

### Mondays

1:00 - 2:00pm  
St. Elizabeth room  
Parish Hall

STS. PETER & PAUL

*Religious Store*

NOW OPEN

religiousstore@saintspeterpaul.org

#### Great Gift Ideas:

- Rosaries
- Prayer Cards
- Jewelry
- Greeting Cards
- Crucifixes
- Books
- Home Goods
- and More

#### Hours:

Saturday  
3:00-4:30  
6:00-6:45  
Sunday  
9:30-10:30  
12:00-1:00  
or  
By Appointment

## SIGN UP TO SPEND AN HOUR WITH JESUS

*in the Adoration Chapel*

*M - Th, 6am - 8pm*

Pope Francis reiterates the importance of spending time in Adoration, "for only through silent Adoration will the Word of God live in our words; only in His presence will we be purified, transformed, and renewed by the fire of his Spirit. Brothers and sisters, let us adore the Lord Jesus!"

Contact: Denise Minor - [dminor92@gmail.com](mailto:dminor92@gmail.com)







**M**arried Couples! Is winter starting to get you down and you find yourself getting a little edgy with your spouse? Perhaps you deserve to get away to renew your relationship. Sign up today for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Weekend and get rid of the blahs.

For information 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 Cath Stangler at 703.378.4150 or [mstang1987@aol.com](mailto:mstang1987@aol.com) with any questions. Here are a few upcoming experiences:

- March 1-3, 2024 - College Park, MD
- April 12-14, 2024 - Herndon, VA

### **PARISH NURSE NEWS**

#### **SENIOR COFFEE SOCIAL**

**Wednesday, January 31st, 2024**

**10:00AM in the Commons**

We will talk about finding and/or developing our 4th Quarter "talents". See chapter 29, pg. 156, in The Fourth Quarter of Your Life book.

Come join us for coffee and conversation, even if you're new. 757.813.1992 or [caheffley@aol.com](mailto:caheffley@aol.com).

## **STS. PETER AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH IS SEEKING A MUSIC DIRECTOR**



The part-time Director of Music (DM) is responsible for planning and facilitating music at parish liturgical celebrations. This includes, but is not limited to weekend liturgies, funerals, weddings, Feast Days and prayer services. The DM works closely with the Parish Staff, especially the Pastor, in coordinating music for these celebrations, and provides training for musicians (i.e. Cantors and Pianists) in and outside of the parish.

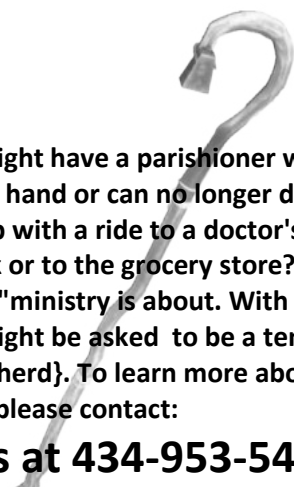
Interested candidates should submit their diocesan application (<https://richmonddiocese.org/office/office-of-human-resources/>), cover letter and resume to the Pastor.

**[pastor@saintspeterpaul.org](mailto:pastor@saintspeterpaul.org)**



Occasionally we might have a parishioner who needs a temporary helping hand or can no longer drive. Can you make time to help with a ride to a doctor's appointment, church, bank or to the grocery store? This is what the "Good Shepherd" ministry is about. With your name in my call file, you might be asked to be a temporary good Samaritan (Shepherd). To learn more about Good Shepherds ministry, please contact:

**Patricia Travers at 434-953-5432**



at Sts. Peter & Paul  
**Saturday, February 10th, 2024**

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Food/Refreshments/

Music/Dancing

**Child: \$ 5**

**Adult: \$ 10**

**Family: \$ 25**



**2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal –**  
**Sharing His Love with Others**



With a goal of **\$4,169,230**, the 2024 Appeal will provide critical funding to many diverse and impactful ministries that affect the lives of thousands of people in our Diocese.

In early February, many of you will receive a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2024 Appeal. It is our sincere hope that you will answer our Bishop's request and make a generous commitment to this effort.



Catholic Health Initiatives for Uganda

Do you have old sneakers you no longer wear?

**Catholic Health Initiatives 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!*

# Catholic Q & A

## COMMUNION & MORTAL SIN

### Question:

I have a friend who receives communion, but who I know for a fact is in a state of mortal sin. Should I tell our priest? Is it my responsibility to say something?

### Answer:

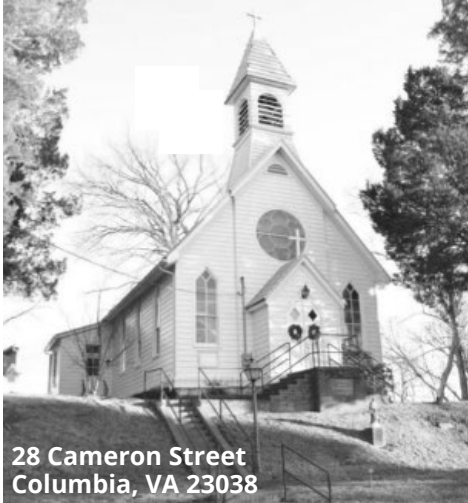
While we may always want to do what is best for our friends and family members, we have a responsibility to respect their privacy and their conscience. In its reflections on the Eighth Commandment (“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor”), the Catechism of the Catholic Church states, “Respect for the reputation of persons forbids every attitude and word likely to cause them unjust injury. [One] becomes guilty: -of rash judgment who, even tacitly, assumes as true, without sufficient foundation, the moral fault of a neighbor; -of detraction who, without objectively valid reason, discloses another’s faults and failings to persons who do not know them; of calumny who, by remarks contrary to the truth, harms the reputation of others and gives occasion for false judgments concerning them” (no. 2477).

We will never truly know what is in a person’s mind, heart, and soul; only God knows those things. We should, of course, take our concerns to God and entrust the person about whom we are concerned to God’s grace and mercy. If we have concerns about the spiritual wellbeing of someone with whom we are close, we should go to the person themselves and talk about our fears and concerns. Unless it is a case of abuse or endangerment (which we have a moral and even legal responsibility to report to the appropriate authorities), we ultimately do not have the freedom to share another’s persons faults or sins, however good we think our intentions might be.



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

## INTROSPECTIVE



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Debbie Blackburn | 804.815.3732

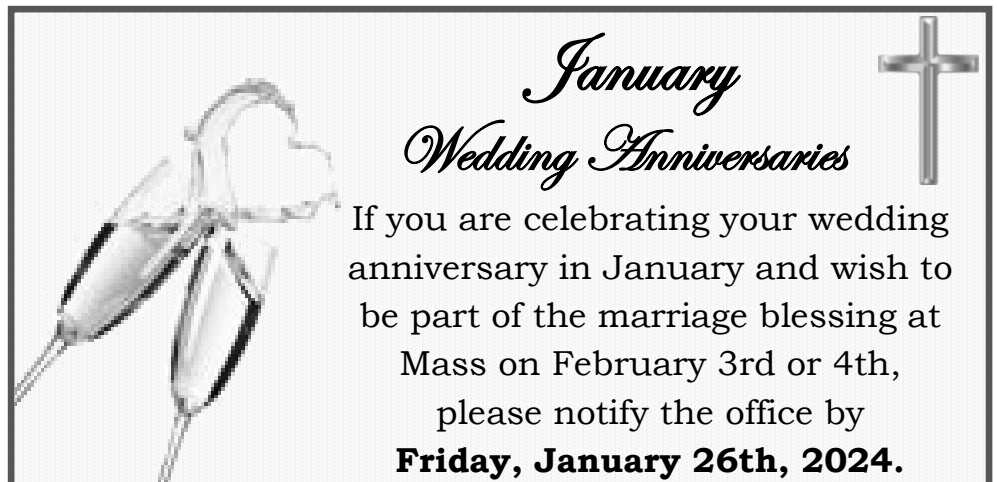
### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

**W**hen I reflect on the many years of my life, there are many people who were influential on my development as a person, a student, and a Christian. Through their graciousness and generosity, I was able to work through challenges and difficulties, becoming stronger in the end. They pushed me to become better than I was at the time and helped me to see what I could eventually become. Without them giving of themselves to me I am unsure where I would be today.

Because others were good stewards of the gifts and talents God gave them, I now strive to use wisely what I have been given as well. Yes, I spend much of my time on the road speaking in churches about stewardship and I write books and articles about this way of life, but my real desire is to impact the most those around me. I want my children to see how I am growing in this life and be an example to them. I want me and my wife to grow in generosity together. My hope is that my friends see a light in me and inquire about how and why it is there. Above all, I want to live with a graciousness and hospitality that others find welcoming.

I believe that through our kindness and grace-filled existence God can touch others, heal others, and embrace others. We are the hands and feet of Christ. May we, today and every day we hear his voice, harden not our hearts.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



*January*  
*Wedding Anniversaries*

If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in January and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on February 3rd or 4th, please notify the office by **Friday, January 26th, 2024.**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

- MaryEllen Agolia \* Bradford Barrows \*
- Maria Correa \* Nona Dooley \*
- Alice Galvez-Sobral \* Mauricio Granados \*
- Will Kulick \* Andy Mallory \*
- India Martin \* Angelica Motta \*
- Odila Motta \* Oscar Motta \*
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- Christine Stewart \* John Stewart \*
- Jordan Watkins \* Diane Wolfe \*

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.



**BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL AT WORK:**

On behalf of Bishop Knestout and the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, St. Joseph/Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel has been awarded a \$750 grant from the Fuel and Hunger Fund, made possible through the generous support of the Bishop’s Annual Appeal by the people of the diocese. These funds are used exclusively for direct assistance in protecting the dignity of all human life.

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