

March 10, 2024

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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:

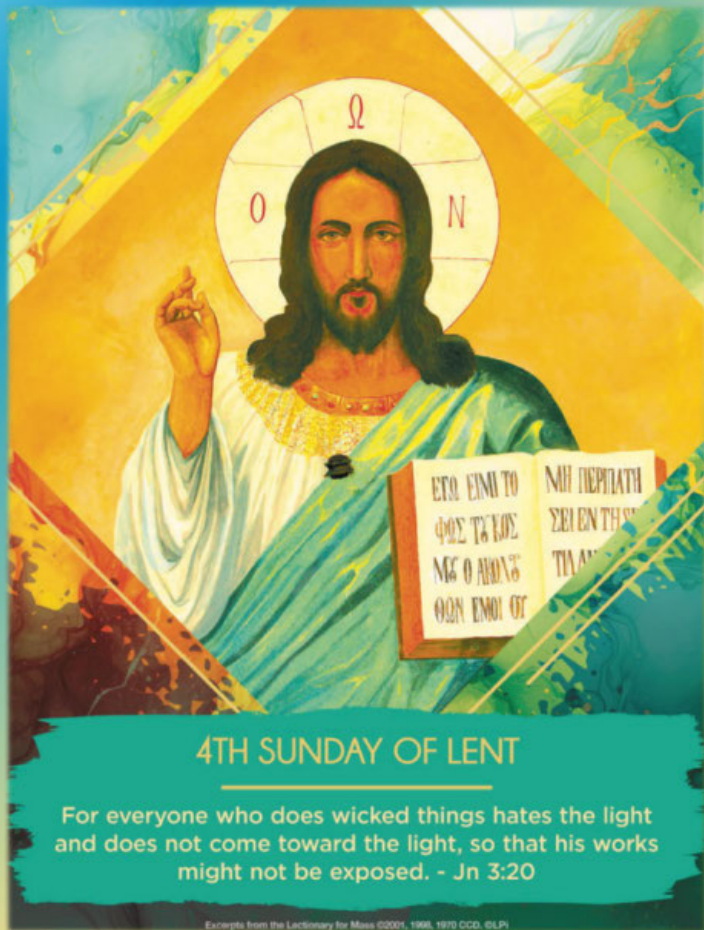
Call Parish Office

or Rectory: 434.589.5200

HOMEBOUND:

Call Parish Office

to schedule Communion



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. - Jn 3:20

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SANCTIFY

SERVE

WELCOME



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BULLETIN & ANNOUNCEMENTS DEADLINE

Fridays-1 week in advance-In writing to

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 MARCH 10, 2024

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2: 4-10/Jn 3:14-21

Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/(1)Eph 5: 8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 10, 2024

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent

MARCH 2024

HONOR YOUR LOVED ONE WITH A SPECIAL MEMORIAL

BREAD & WINE

MEMORIAL:
DOMINICK & ELIZABETH
CRISPO
DONOR:
ANTHONY & PATRICIA
AMATO



SANCTUARY CANDLE

MEMORIAL:
AGOSTINO &
FRANCES AMATO
DONOR:
ANTHONY &
PATRICIA AMATO



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 OF LENT

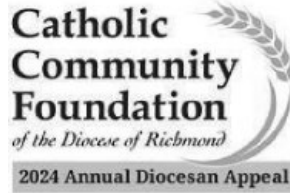
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“Whoever lives the truth comes to the light.” Your vocation is your sanctification in this life to lead you to sainthood in the next. Are you called to belong to Christ alone as a priest or through consecrated life? Talk to your priest or reach out to the

Office of Vocations at
804.359.5661

Or via email:

vocations@richmonddiocese.org



2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal: *Sharing His Love with Others* A Message from Fr. David

During the weekends of February 17th/18th and 24th/25th, I spoke about the Annual Diocesan Appeal. In this time of Lent, I hope you have taken time to consider how you can support this year’s effort which provides essential ministries throughout our Diocese aimed at empowering the next generation of Catholics, helping those in need, and strengthening our parishes and Catholic communities.

It is my hope that every household in our parish contributes to this year’s effort. Please visit richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal to make a secure online donation or visit our parish office for a hard copy pledge card.

Every gift, no matter the amount, makes a difference. Thank you very much for your prayerful consideration of support. God bless.



LENT PENANCE SERVICE INFORMATION LOCATED ON PAGE 8.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Our national pastime isn’t baseball. It’s what the Bible calls “condemning the world.” We generally enjoy pronouncing curses upon those whom we see as trouble, wrong, or evil. Don’t believe me? Listen to almost any podcast, cable news network, or social media platform to hear it. It will be some version of: “We all agree that if they are eradicated, things will be great.” Condemning is almost always clothed in virtue. It basks in its good intentions. That’s why it is so attractive. Condemning seems like our best path to saving what is good.

What a shock, then, to hear Jesus announce: “For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him” (Jn 3:17). He comes to save the world, as we all want, but he will accomplish it without an act of condemnation. How hard it is to accept this! Condemning feels godlike. I judge who and what must be lost to protect the good. But in the light of Jesus’ endless mercy and love, this is the least godlike thing we can do.

Lenten challenge: This week, I invite you to give up the delicious experience of condemning whomever in the world you most would like to see gone. Perhaps write down their names. Secondly, I invite you to consider fasting from any media that feeds the tasty but deadly tendency to condemn.

— Father John Muir

PARISH YOUTH



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

VOLUNTEER TEACHERS AND TEACHER'S AIDES NEEDED:
 Volunteers are needed as teachers, assistants and substitutes for 2024-2025 school year. We also need assistants and subs for the remainder of this year. If you are interested in helping guide the children in faith we would love to have you come help. Please send Christina Nealy an email at

Religious@saintpeterandpaul.org

I look forward to working with you!

SHARING THE GOSPEL

When the Hebrews sinned in the desert, snakes came to bite them. Moses lifted up a metal snake in the desert. If God's people looked at the metal snake, their painful snake bites would be healed. Instead of dying from their snake bites, they would live. Our sins are a lot like those snake bites. Sins turn us away from God, hurt us, and hurt other people. When Jesus was lifted up on the cross, he washed away our sins. Jesus gave us healing and forgiveness. We don't need to die from our sins. We can believe in Jesus, follow God with our whole hearts, and live forever.

PRAYER

God, thank you for sending Jesus to wash away my sins. Amen.

CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL is accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year!

Applications for JK (students must turn 4 by September 30, 2024) through 8th grade can be submitted through our website:

www.cvillecatholic.org/admissions.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule a tour, please reach out to admissions@cvillecatholic.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.

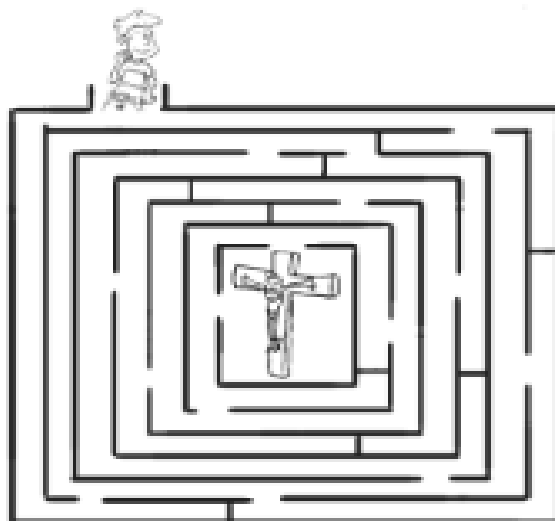
For more information contact:

Boy Scouts Troop 138 (boys):
Chuck Palmer

charleswpalmeriv@gmail.com 571.212.4445

Important dates to put on you calendar:

Date	Event	Time/Place
March 14th	MS/HS Youth Group	6-7:30p, Rm 119
March 15th	K - 5 Youth Group	6-7:30p, Rm 119
March 16th (**Mandatory**)	Confirmation Retreat for SPP/SJ candidates**	10a-6p, Hall
April 11th	Confirmation	7p at St. Thomas, candidates arrive by 6p
April 27th	1st Reconciliation for SPP & SJ	10a at SPP, church
May 4th	1st Holy Communion	10a at SPP , church
May 11th	1st Holy Communion	10a at SJ , church



INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS: MARCH 9 - 17, 2024

* Represents Saint Joseph's Parish

Saturday	3/9	5pm	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	3/10	9am*	Orin Norwood	D	Jo & Fred Hardy
Sunday	3/10	11am	Jacqueline Jane Strickland	D	Bob & Angela Maher
Tuesday	3/12	12noon	George L. Clowes	D	Gerard & Linda Zink
Wednesday	3/13	9am	Bob Aycock	D	Cynthia Aycock
Thursday	3/14	9am	Mary Jo Myers	D	Catherine Heffley
Friday	3/15	9am	Barbara Novak	D	Ann Marie Rindos
Saturday	3/16	5pm	Doug Kelly	D	Michael & Nancy King
Sunday	3/17	11am*	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	3/17	11am	Donna DiBerti	D	Jim & Maggie Cullinan

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.



REMEMBER in your prayers

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Peter & Philomena Alonso, Michael Amato, Maria Boice, Patricia Brammer, Sharon Cassidy, Nicole Colley, The Compton Family, Jean Dalsky, Catherine Doherty, Me'Shelle Durant, Bill Ellis, Caroline Faulkner, Bob Fint, Patricia Gologosky, Mary Anne Grimes, Phyllis Guthrie, Jack Hartwell, John Hobby, Regina Humanitzki, Tony Inghilleri, Sue Inghilleri, 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, Rob Toepfert, Jr., Claire van Nierop, Cornelia Waters, Mike Waters
Please call the office at **434.589.5201** for homebound or hospital visits.

March

Wedding Anniversaries

If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in March and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on April 6th or 7th, please notify the office at 434.589.5201 by Friday, March 29, 2024.

Harm happened in isolation. Healing can happen together.

As a community, we strive to support survivors of child sexual abuse on their journey toward healing and wholeness.

For those who have suffered abuse by clergy residing in the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, we invite you to join virtually, March 6th at 7:00pm. Spouses and affected community members are also welcome. These gatherings, led by an independent facilitator, will offer a safe environment for participants to connect, share, support, and heal.

These meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month.

If you would like more information, or the virtual meeting link, please call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 877.887.9603 or email dana@atreeplanted.org.

EVERDAY STEWARDSHIP

Pew Count Sat. - 100 Sun. - 203	FEB 24/25
First Offering	\$ 3,036
First Offering: Faith Direct	\$ 2,203
Total	\$ 5,239
February MTD Debt Reduction	\$ 3,255

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

Our next DEBT REDUCTION Collection is

APRIL 6TH & 7TH

Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.

Our next monthly Bake Sale is April 6th & 7th after each Mass. Donations accepted before Mass. Thank you!

The Lenten season fills our parish with hope and promise - opportunities abound 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, Sts. Peter and Paul is reaching out to parishioners.

With eGiving, you can help sustain and build ministries like this year that reflect the promise of God's love. The need is great in our community, and your generous online gifts help people all around us.

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.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/VA249 or calling Customer Service at 866-507-8757. Thanks for your continued support. God bless you.



Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church

4309 Thomas Jefferson Parkway,
Palmyra VA

Eat in or Take out



February

16 & 23

March

X, X, 15 & 22

[DESSERT DONATIONS ACCEPTED]

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



Lenten Lunches

**Fridays during Lent
after the Stations at noon**

Feb. 16	
Feb. 23	
Mar. 1	
Mar. 8	
Mar. 15	
Mar. 22	



Time: 12:30pm

Location: Commons

Please sign up to bring soup or sandwiches to share.

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

Sat	9-Mar	NAACP Banquet	3:00p	E/F
		Confessions	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
Sun	 10-Mar	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		CCD/RCIA Faith Formation	9:30a	Parish Hall
		Mass	11:00a	Church
Mon	11-Mar	Rejoice! Bible Study	1:00p	E
Tues	12-Mar	Yoga	11:00a	119
		Mass/Confession	12:00p	Church
		Lenten Penance Service	7:00p	Church
Wed	13-Mar	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Scouts	6:30p	F
Thurs	14-Mar	Mass	9:00a	Church
		MS/HS Youth Group	6:00p	119
		Cursillo	6:00p	123
Fri	15-Mar	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Adoration	9:30a	Church
		Stations/Lenten Lunch	Noon	Church/C
		Benediction	3:00p	Church
		Fish Fry Drive Thru/ Dine In	4:30/ 5:30p	Parking Lot/F
		Soup Dinner/Stations	5:30p	St. Joseph's
		K-5 Youth Group	6:00p	119
Sat	16-Mar	Confirmation Retreat (required)	10:00a	Parish Hall
		Confessions	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
Sun	17-Mar	Mass	11:00a	St. Joseph's
		CCD/RCIA Faith Formation	9:30a	Parish Hall
		Mass	11:00a	Church
Room Ledger:		F - St. Francis (Hall)	R - St. Raphael (Church)	
		E - St. Elizabeth (Hall)	M - St. Michael (Church)	
		C - Commons (Church)		

BIBLE STUDY

Mondays

1:00 - 2:00pm
St. Elizabeth Room,
Parish Hall

STS. PETER & PAUL

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Hours:

Saturday 3:30-4:45
Sunday 12:00-1:00
or by Appointment

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Follow  "Friends of Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church - Palmyra, VA" on Facebook for Store Updates

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





Married Couples! Why not give yourselves a weekend away from it all. Time away from the pressures of work and everyday responsibilities. A chance to talk and listen to that special someone who loves you. If that sounds good to you, sign up now for a

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

For more information 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.

Here are a few upcoming experiences:

- April 12-14, 2024 - Herndon, VA
- May 3 - 5, 2024 - Hickory, NC
- September 27 - 29, 2024 - Herndon, VA

PARISH NURSE NEWS

SENIOR COFFEE SOCIAL

Wednesday, March 27th, 2024

10:00AM in the Commons

We'll continue talking about the "Fourth Quarter of Our Lives" as we explore Chapter 24: Your Content Diet (p. 131). Inventory the types of things you usually watch, listen to or read. This content has an impact on our minds and mood. Please join us for discussion and fellowship.

757.813.1992 or caheffley@aol.com.

ST. 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

Lenten Spare Change Cans

LENTEN COIN CANS are available to collect loose change. Proceeds will go to help those in need this year. Please pick up your family can today, at the front entrance of the church! Turn cans in starting March 16th. Thank you so much for your continued support!



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



Penance Service

Tuesday, March 12th

7:00 pm, at Sts Peter & Paul

Additional Priests will be available for Confessions on this evening

Catholic Q & A

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PRIEST & BROTHERS

Question:

What's the difference between priests and brothers, friars, etc.?

Answer:

The distinctions titles and categories used for priests and the male members of religious communities can be confusing, especially since the categories can sometimes be intertwined as a man can be both a priest and a monk, or a brother and a friar. So, to help to piece the puzzle together, it's important to begin by noting some basic distinctions:

The distinction between priests (who are ordained for sacramental ministry) and brothers (who are non-ordained members of religious communities and who are committed to lives of prayer and service).

Priests: A priest is a man who has been ordained for sacramental ministry and these fall into two categories: A) Diocesan (or Secular) Priests can either be attached to a diocese and who serve under a bishop. Their ministry is usually oriented toward pastoral service. B) Religious Priests are members of religious communities (like the Franciscans, Jesuits, Salvatorians, or Carmelites) and their lives are guided by the special mission and charism of their community. While both kinds of priest practice sacramental ministry, their spirituality and how they live out their priesthood can be very different.

Brothers: Brothers are non-ordained members of religious communities (such as those mentioned above) who live lives committed to prayer and service. Religious priests and brothers serve together in their communities and their ministries include much more than the care of parishes.

Monks, Friars, and Canons: These are broad categories that include religious priests and brothers, and each of these is connected to specific ways of life and spiritualities.

PARISH TRIP IN 2025

SAVE THE DATE:

April 24 - May 4, 2025

Looking for details on this?

Information can be found on the Parish Council bulletin board in the Commons.



Join us for an hour of peaceful and prayerful presence each Wednesday during Lent, February 14 - March 20. Saints Peter and Paul Knights of Columbus Council #11475 invites any and all to join us on Wednesdays. We maintain a vigil and pray in front of Planned Parenthood in Charlottesville from 10 - 11am. For carpool information or directions, call Larry Boice, 434.510.7677. There is ample parking across the street from the site, for those who choose to meet us there.



Catholic Health Initiatives for Uganda



Annual Golf Classic on Monday, September 9th, 2024
At the beautiful Spring Creek Golf Club
109 Clubhouse Way, Zion Crossroad, Va. 22942

What is CHI? We are a group of people of like minds and healthcare interests living in the United States working to raise awareness and improve infrastructure and conditions through Catholic healthcare facilities in rural Uganda. We create improved water systems for increased sanitation, implement solar power to save on energy costs and, with a volunteer staff of Doctors and Nurses, provide up-to-date medical equipment to three clinics and provide a week-long clinic to the people around the clinic. To send the teams, medicine and equipment costs \$15,000 to \$20,000. As a 501(C)(3) tax exempt charitable organization we rely on our donors and supporters to help offset these costs.

This golf tournament is our biggest fundraiser of the year and allows us to continue to provide needed health care for the poorest of the poor in Uganda.

To participate, sponsor, donate or to learn more about our tournament, use the following link or scan our QR code. www.charitygolftoday.com/catholichealth

FEBRUARY

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WINNERS

2/7 - Patricia Holcomb
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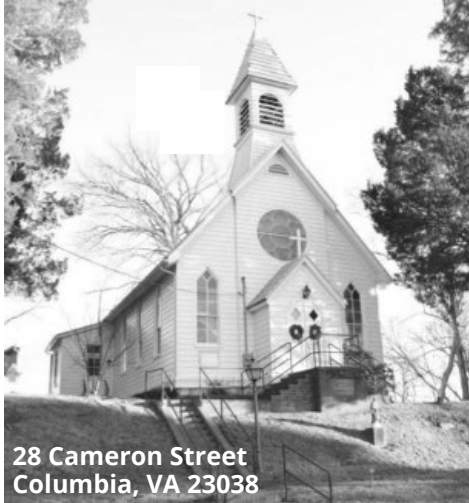
2/14 - Maggie Cullinan
#17

2/21 - Unsold
#79

2/28 - Matt Holcomb
#28

Congrats to all!

INTROSPECTIVE



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Denny Barberio | 434.981.0678

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Everyday Stewardship

**For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish
but might have eternal life. John 3:16**

When I first saw each of my three children, I loved them with a love that I did not realize existed in me. These were flesh of my flesh, bone of my bone, and were the result of the love between their mother and me. This made them mine.

My love for them continues to be so strong as they grow older and I cannot fathom ever losing them. Then I look around and see friends of mine who have lost a child. It makes me want to hold them tighter and not let go.

But as I have continued to grow in this stewardship way of life, I realize that these three wonderful human beings are not really mine. They belong to God. They are entrusted to me in this world, but they belong truly to the One who loves them even more than I do. Yet, it is not easy to offer them back to God, especially due to tragedy. If that day ever were to come, how could I handle it?

Not only did God offer his Son to the world, the offering was done with full knowledge that the Son would die a brutal death. God loves us so deeply he placed Himself in the very position that any parent dreads the most. So this Lent I will look at my children and I reflect on the depth of love a parent has for a child and the even more profound love God has for us.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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March

Wedding Anniversaries

If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in March and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on April 7th, please notify the office at 434.589.5201 by Friday, March 29, 2024



Can we see the goodness around us?

Today we have the story of a man born blind. In Jesus' time, blindness was viewed as a punishment for sin. Lent is all about looking inward and rooting out sinful desires and actions. So this story of a blind man and Jesus restoring his sight is a story about the forgiveness of sin.

How often do we hold on to sinful ways or thoughts? Do we need Jesus to give us something in our lives to see again? Or do we need to concentrate on something we do well so that our "sight" may be improved?

This week, let us look through eyes of faith and attempt to see goodness around us. Also, let us help each other to remove sin so that we might see God more clearly.

PRAYER REQUESTS



- MaryEllen Agolia * Bradford Barrows *
- Maria Correa * Nona Dooley *
- Alice Galvez-Sobral * Mauricio Granados *
- Andy Mallory *
- India Martin * Angelica Motta *
- Odila Motta * Oscar Motta *
- Thelma Motta * Denise Pillar *
- 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



During Lent: Potluck Soup Dinner on Fridays at 5:30pm in the Hall followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm in the Church. Contact Julie Kulick with any questions at 540.308.5154.

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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As we prepare to close out our year-long celebration of St. Joseph/Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel's 140 years, our final event is Mass, lead by Bishop Barry Knestout on Sunday, March 17, 2024 at 11:00am.

A potluck meal is in the works. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the Parish Hall.

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