

July 7, 2024

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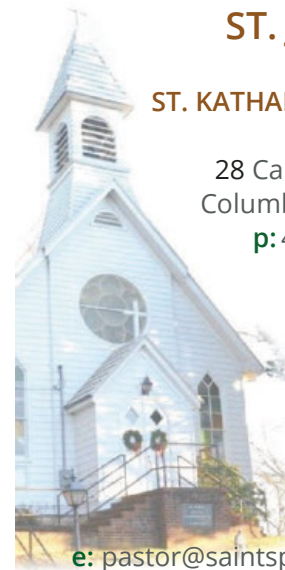
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OUR VISION

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

YOUTH MASS

Last Sunday of the Month

CONFESSION

Saturday 4pm: SPP

Sunday 8:30am: St. Joseph's

(or by appointment)

HOSPITAL VISITS:

Call Parish Office

or Rectory: 434.589.5200

HOMEBOUND:

Call Parish Office

to schedule Communion



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" - Mk 6:2

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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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 7, 2024

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 (2cd)/2 Cor 12:7-10/
Mk 6:1-6a
Monday: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/
Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10/
Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17/
Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/
Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 7, 2024

Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:
Tuesday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Companions & Martyrs
Wednesday:
Thursday: St. Benedict, Abbot
Friday:
Saturday: St. Henry
Next Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 2024

HONOR YOUR LOVED ONE WITH A SPECIAL MEMORIAL

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Donor:

In Memory of:

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Donor: Pilk Family

In Memory of:

Jean Pilk

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Donor:

In Memory of:



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




ENCOUNTER

40th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

As you may be aware, Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church was established in 1986, and over a period of now close to 40 years, this Catholic Community has served God's people, and we are grateful to God.

Working with the Pastoral Council, I have established the 40th Anniversary Committee. This Committee will plan a series of activities both spiritual and social, leading to this celebration. You will be informed of what is going on via the bulletin, the email blast, the slide show in the Commons before Mass, the website, Facebook, and word of mouth. This will be climaxed with Holy Mass celebrated by our bishop, Barry Knestout on Sunday, June 28th, 2026.

It gives me great pleasure to announce the members of the 40th Anniversary Planning Committee:




14^h Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 7, 2024

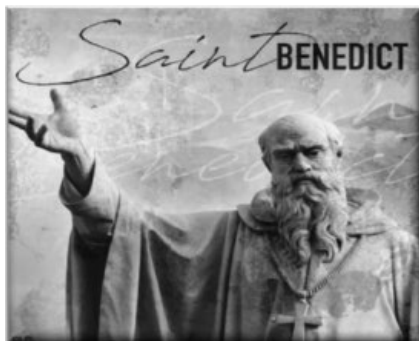
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Consider a calling to the
priesthood or consecrated life.
God's grace is all you need.
Talk to your priest or reach
out to the

Office of Vocations at
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Or via email:
vocations@richmonddiocese.org

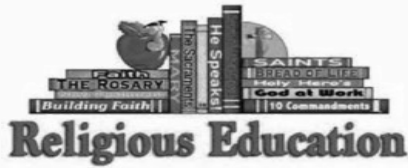



Carolyn Holcomb	Rich Warren
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Kirk Gomes	Duffy Dillinger
Melissa Seal	Cynthia Aycok
Leslie Trapp	Charlie Nicholson
Mark Miller	Deacon Bob

Fr. David, Pastor

PARISH YOUTH



CALLING ALL CATECHISTS!

Save the date:

Saturday, July 27, 2024

9am - 12 noon at St. Joseph

CATECHIST GATHERING

Interested and wanting to know more, new catechist, or been at it a while? We will come together to pray, share ideas, and grow together in faith. Helping our youngest parishioners to grow in their faith.

“Let the children come to me, and to not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” (Mt 19:13)

REGISTRATION begins on Saturday, August 3rd in the Commons.

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Have you ever felt left out? Jesus did. In today's Gospel, Jesus visited his relatives and old friends. These were people he grew up with, the people who knew him the best.

All of a sudden Jesus was acting like he used to. They heard that Jesus was healing people, raising people from the dead, and telling evil spirits to leave. Jesus was even teaching God's kingdom, like he really knew what he was talking about! Well, Jesus' old friends and neighbors did not like it one bit. How sad for them. God's own Son wanted to help them, but they didn't want it.

PRAYER

Dear God, help me to listen to you and to accept the help that you want to give me. Amen.

JOIN SCOUTING!

Do you have a son or daughter between the ages of 11 and 17? Now is the perfect time to sign him or her up for Scouts. The Scouting program helps youth develop academic skills, self-confidence, ethics, leadership skills and citizenship skills that influence their adult lives.

For more information contact:

Boy Scouts Troop 138 (boys):

Chuck Palmer

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The sacrament of Baptism will occur on the 2nd Sunday of the month at the 11:00am Mass. Please contact religioused@saintspeterpaul.org for registration and prep information. The next dates are: **July 14th and August 11th**

PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel reading:

Jesus	power	prophet
taught	miracle	heal
wisdom	town	faith

Jesus	<u>J</u> <u>e</u> <u>s</u> <u>u</u> <u>s</u>
power	— — — — —
phetrop	— — — — —
fathi	— — — — —
town	— — — — —
wisomd	— — — — —
taghtu	— — — — —
mirclea	— — — — —
hale	— — — — —

MISSION

Read today's Gospel with your family. Talk about ways that people sometimes turn Jesus away. Pray together, asking God to keep you close to Jesus.

INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS: JULY 6 - JULY 14, 2024

*REPRESENTS ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Saturday	7/6	5pm	Dominick Capuano	D	Gerard & Linda Zink
Sunday	7/7	9am*	Jean McReynolds	D	Patricia
Sunday	7/7	11am	Misa Pro Populo		
Wednesday	7/10	9am	Jack Hartwell	D	Dan & Laura Atkinson
Thursday	7/11	9am	Joseph Rao	D	Barbara Senig
Friday	7/12	9am	Jean Marron	D	John Condon
Saturday	7/13	5pm	June Wimer	D	Charlie & Betty Maurer
Sunday	7/14	9am*	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	7/14	11am	George Travers	D	Patricia Travers

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*

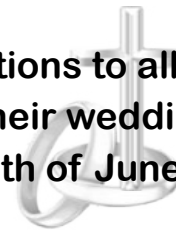
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Peter & Philomena Alonso, Michael Amato, Jean & Mary Louise Bernard, Sharon Cassidy, Nicole Colley, The Compton Family, Jean Dalsky, Connie D'Amico, Catherine Doherty, Carol Donohue, Samuel Dunton, Me'Shelle Durant, Bill Ellis, Caroline Faulkner, Frank Feliciano, Bob Fint, Patricia Golgosky, Mary Anne Grimes, Phyllis Guthrie, John Hobby, Donna Horan, Regina Humanitzki, Tony Inghilleri, Sue Inghilleri, Margaret Johnson, Ron Johnson, Carolyn Kerrigan, Tom Kinter, Marie Knighting, Jackie Kraemer, Judi Kuhlow, Marcia Lagomarsino, Annie Lodato, Zachary W. Mayo II, Art & Judy Menard, Joan Merk, Haynes McKinley Morris, Jr., Irene Nadig, Rose Patterson, Donald Raab, Margaret Reilly, Carol Scampoli, Kathy Seroskie, Carol Starowicz, Marylou Stock, Anna Sturhann, Rob Toepfert, Jr. Cornelia Waters, Mike Waters

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

June Wedding Anniversaries

Congratulations to all couples who celebrated their wedding anniversary in the month of June, especially:



- Frank & Susan F.* **31 years**
- Mark & Helen C.* **32 years**
- John & Cathy K.* **39 years**
- Jerry & Linda Z.* **40 years**
- Patrick & Donna M.* **52 years**
- Bob & Sue S.* **57 years**

Parishioner updates:

If you have recently moved, changed your phone number or email, please keep the office informed so you don't miss out on important information.

Call: 434.589.5201

Email: office@saintspeterpaul.org

**Come in: 4309 Thomas Jefferson Parkway
(Parish Hall)**

EVERDAY STEWARDSHIP

Pew Count Sat. - 126 Sun. - 143	June 22/23
First Offering	\$ 4,282
First Offering: Faith Direct	\$ 2,623
Total	\$ 6,905
JUNE - MTD Debt Reduction	\$ 5,047

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

Our next DEBT REDUCTION Collection is

THIS WEEKEND

Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.

Our next monthly Bake Sale is this weekend after each Mass. Donations accepted before Mass. Thank you!

Online donations through Faith Direct help sustain our parish ministries and keep our offertory consistent during the busy summer vacation months. If you make the switch today, you'll be giving steady, consistent support to the parish ministries you care about most in the months ahead - even if you're out of town during summer weekends.

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/VA249, or call their Customer Service team at 866.507.8757.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.
God bless you.



MARRIED COUPLES. Give your marriage a well deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! We love to have priests on our experiences as well, so invite your favorite priest and give their vocation some new vitality!

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 with any questions. Here are a few upcoming experiences:

- September 27-29, 2024 - Herndon, VA (15 slots left!)
- October 11-13, 2024 - College Park, MD
- November 15-17, 2024 - Virginia Beach, VA

**Make A Friend
Be A Friend
Bring A Friend To Christ**

**MEN'S FALL TEAM FORMATION
BEGINS**

The Men's Cursillo Rector, Dennis Moler, introduced his Team for the October 31-Nov. 3, 2024, weekend at Camp Overlook. They will soon begin formation and we ask you to keep them all in prayer. We are accepting applications for the Men's Weekend NOW – applications can be downloaded from the Valley Cursillo website at www.valleycursillo.com

and the deadline is October 8th, 2024. It is ALWAYS a good time to make an invitation to Men and Women who you feel would be open to strengthening their relationship with Christ and furthering their spiritual journey. Don't wait for a weekend to be announced – make your invitation and let the weekend come around! We are attaching "the Role of the Sponsor" to remind Cursillistas of who would make a good candidate and the sponsor's responsibilities.

Turn in your old sneakers to do good things in Uganda!



Catholic Health Initiatives for Uganda

UPCOMING EVENTS



ADULT FORMATION CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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

Classes will resume in September. Have a blessed summer.



BIBLE STUDY

Mondays

1:00 - 2:00pm
Resuming on September 16

ROOM SCHEDULE

Sat	6-Jul	1st Saturday Mass & Rosary	10:00a	Church
		Confessions	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
		Bake Sale After Mass	6:00p	Church
Sun	7-Jul	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	11:00a	Church
		Bake Sale After Mass	12:00p	Church
Mon	8-Jul			
Tues	9-Jul	Yoga	11:00a	F
Wed	10-Jul	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Scouts	6:30p	F
Thurs	11-Jul	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Cursillo		123
Fri	12-Jul	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Adoration	9:30a	Church
		Benediction	3:00p	Church
Sat	13-Jul	Confession	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
Sun	14-Jul	Confession	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		Mass w/Blessing of Pilgrims	11:00a	Church
		Volunteer Luncheon	1:00p	E/F
Room Ledger:		F - St. Francis (Hall)	R - St. Raphael (Church)	
		E - St. Elizabeth (Hall)	M - St. Michael (Church)	
		C - Commons (Church)		

Senior Coffee Social

Wednesday, July 31 at 10:00 am
in the Commons

Our guest speaker will be a participant/s from the National Eucharistic Congress, July 17-21. Hear about their experience of this historic national event happening in Indianapolis, Indiana this summer. Copies of the book Beautiful Eucharist, by Matthew Kelly will be available to those interested.

SPEND AN HOUR WITH JESUS

The Chapel is temporarily closed while the water leak is investigated. Adoration can be done in the church. You are especially invited to all day adoration in the church on Fridays from 9:30a - 3:00p. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Contact: Denise Minor - dminor92@gmail.com



2nd Annual
 Sts. Peter & Paul
**VOLUNTEER
 APPRECIATION**
Lunch!
COME CELEBRATE!
Sunday, July 14th, 2024
1:00PM
St. Francis Hall
 Join us to honor some amazing volunteers who
 have retired from their ministry after years of
 dedicated service.
 Tickets are \$25.00. On sale after Mass.

K OF C "100 CLUB" \$25 WEEKLY WINNERS - JUNE

- 06/05 - Andy Rutkowski #34
- 06/12 - Don Tyler #36
- 06/19 - Maggie & Jake Hart #56
- 06/26 - Muriel Toepfert #18



Congratulations to All!

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

QUESTION: Who was the very first Pope to visit the Holy Land?

ANSWER: It was Pope Paul VI in 1964.

STS. PETER & PAUL
Religious Store

HOURS:
 Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30pm
 6:00 - 6:45pm
 Sunday: 12:00 - 1:00pm

Great Gift Ideas:

- Rosaries
- Prayer Cards
- Jewelry
- Greeting Cards
- Crucifixes
- Books
- Home Goods
- Special Orders
- and more

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PARISH TRIP TO FRANCE
April 24 - May 4, 2025
\$5,449
 The travel agent will be here on Sunday, September 15th at 12:30pm to talk about the trip and answer any questions.
 Stop by the Parish Council bulletin board in the Commons to find out what is/not covered.

HELP WANTED:

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is seeking a full-time Accounting Manager & Auditor for the Office of Finance. For the full ad and how to apply, please copy and paste the link below <https://bit.ly/4cjFyD9>. For any questions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist / Recruiter at jobs@richmonddiocese.org


The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is seeking a Benefits Manager. For the full ad and how to apply, please copy and paste the link below <https://bit.ly/4evInm0>. For any questions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist / Recruiter jobs@richmonddiocese.org

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is seeking an Associate Director for the Office of Christian Formation who will be responsible for Children and Family Ministry. For the full ad and how to apply, copy and paste the link below <https://bit.ly/4avd8VC>. For any questions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist / Recruiter jobs@richmonddiocese.org


 Catholic Health Initiatives for Uganda

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

This 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 learn more about our tournament, use the following link or scan the QR code www.charitygolftoday.com/catholichealth



Catholic Q & A

Question:

In Year B, we hear primarily from the Gospel of Mark. Since each Evangelist has a unique perspective, what are the key issues that Mark addresses in his Gospel?

Answer:

Gospels are a particular faith community's reflection on Jesus. Each Gospel's author reflected that community's faith in Jesus. Jesus' message is made relevant to the community's situation and context. Mark was the first Gospel to be written. When Matthew and Luke wrote theirs, they imitated and adapted Mark for their communities.

Mark's Gospel seems to be addressed to a faith community undergoing turmoil, rejection, and persecution—forces that threaten to overwhelm them. This provides the context around which Mark fashions the story of Jesus. He presents Jesus as the One sent by God to confront the forces of evil. That is the good news of Jesus.

Jesus' struggle with the demonic forces leads to confrontation, rejection, outright opposition, and a conspiracy to do away with him. Realizing this, Jesus is not deterred. Rather Jesus calls for total faith in God who helps us to overcome the forces of evil. Suffering and even death seem to be the consequences of this struggle. Yet, that is not the end. The one who suffers for the sake of others, the suffering servant, will be the one through whom redemption and salvation will come to all. For Mark, this is what discipleship demands and what true faith in God can and will accomplish. See if you can detect these themes as you read Mark's Gospel.

A Prophet and His Native Place

"A prophet is not without honor except in his native place." It could be the slogan of high school reunions everywhere.

I speak from experience — I didn't go to my high school reunion, but I do live in the same area in which I grew up. Ghosts from the past lurk in every grocery aisle and gas station. Former classmates fill my prescriptions at the pharmacy. I am always sure to see an old teacher or two at the Fourth of July parade.

If my teenage self knew that this was her future, she would be horrified. She wanted to grow up and move away, not because she didn't like living in this town, but because she wanted to reinvent herself. And you can't reinvent yourself in your native place. In your hometown, you'll always be exactly what you are — no more, no less.

The same was true for Jesus, who was probably the only person actually worthy of admiration at his high school reunion. When he returned to his native place, he was what he had always been — God and man, Messiah, miracle-worker. This is not something he became, it was always within him.

But the people of Nazareth cannot accept it. Why?

Well, probably for the same reason that I wanted to reinvent myself when I was 16. We don't often see anything worth venerating in the "right now" of our lives. We think happiness is a promotion or a pay bump away. We think we'll finally be holy when we find the time to take that silent retreat. We think we will be beautiful when we lose ten pounds.

The Nazarenes lived with God right under their noses, and they didn't realize it. So, when he came in all his greatness, the dissonance was too much to bear, and they rejected him. They didn't want that God — the one they had dismissed or overlooked or ignored. They wanted a different one. A shinier one. One that didn't look like the "right now" of their lives.

But that's where God is, folks. He's in the right now, and nowhere else. He's waiting there for you, with all the happiness, holiness, and beauty your life needs.

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." — Mark 6:4

ST. JOSEPH'S Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel

INTROSPECTIVE

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

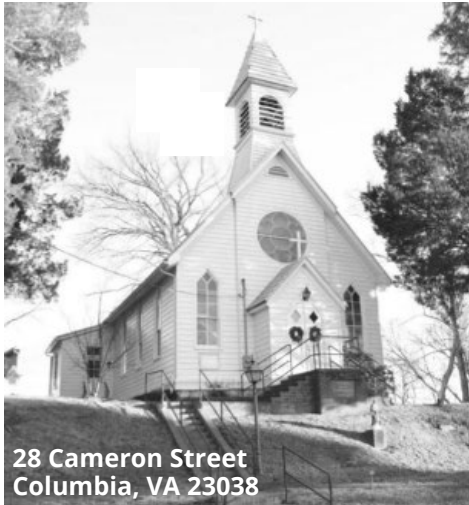
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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Recently I watched a bunch of YouTube videos on how to optimize willpower in the face of weakness. The message was: do not accept your weakness. Crush it. Dominate it. In one video, however, at the end of a rant by a willpower coach, the muscular stoic admitted, "You'll never actually get what you want, no matter how hard you try." Amazingly, he admitted that willpower alone is not sufficient for us weak-willed humans.

What does God want us to do with our weaknesses, if crushing them with willpower won't work? For example, what should I do with my tendency to arrogance and self-isolation? Or my procrastination? Or my intellectual and physical limitations? Or my selfishness?

The counter-intuitive answer is clear in this week's words from St Paul, "I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses in order that the power of Christ may dwell in me (2 Cor. 12:9)." Boast of our weaknesses? Paul isn't promoting weak-mindedness or laziness. Rather, he perceives that Jesus loves us not despite our weaknesses but because of them. Boasting of our weakness means claiming human will is not all we have. It means turning to God whenever we feel weak, which—let's face it—is almost all the time. When we do, we learn to love our weaknesses, because it's there that we meet the strength of Christ. This week, I challenge us to find ways to boast not in willpower but in weakness.

— Father John Muir



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CCD Registration
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Catechist Gathering

July 27, 2024

9:00-12:00

at Saint Joseph

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(Mt 19:13)



Christmas In July

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 St Peter and Paul's main doors 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 with any questions.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Mary Ellen Agolia * Bradford Barrows *
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 Nona Dooley * Alice Galvez-Sobral *
 Mauricio Granados * Andy Mallory *
 India Martin * Angelica Motta *
 Odila Motta * Oscar Motta *
 Thelma Motta * Denise Pillar *
 Warren Rose * 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

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.



June Wedding Anniversaries

Congratulations to all couples who celebrated their wedding anniversary in the month of June, especially:

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| <i>Shaun & Melissa K.</i> | 23 years |
| <i>John & Danielle M.</i> | 28 years |
| <i>Macario C. & Raquel S.</i> | 29 years |
| <i>Michael & Barbara C.</i> | 50 years |
| <i>Frank & Elizabeth B</i> | 58 years |

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