

October 20, 2024

"The Eucharist - Our Life, Our Hope!"



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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

1st Saturday 10am: SPP

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

1st Saturday 9:00am: SPP

Saturday 4pm: SPP

Sunday 8:30am: St. Joseph's

HOSPITAL VISITS:

Call Parish Office

or Rectory: 434.589.5200

HOMEBOUND:

Call Parish Office

to schedule Communion



29th SUNDAY in ordinary time

"For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:45

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EVANGELIZE

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,
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 OCTOBER 20, 2024

Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22, (22)/Heb 4:
14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5/Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22/Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Ps 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19/Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 13:1-9
Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/
Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 20, 2024

Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Mission Sunday
Monday:
Tuesday: St. John Paul II, Pope
Wednesday: St. John of Capistrano, Priest
Thursday: St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
Friday:
Saturday:
Next Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

OCTOBER 2024

HONOR YOUR LOVED ONE WITH A SPECIAL MEMORIAL

BREAD & WINE

Donor: Tony & Debra
Faul

In Memory of: Ivy &
Hilda Mae Faul



ALTAR FLOWERS

Donor: Tony & Debra
Faul

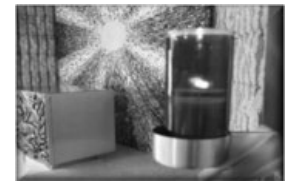
In Memory of:
Isabella Britton



SANCTUARY CANDLE

Donor: Tony & Debra
Faul

In Memory of:
William B. Britton



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



29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 20, 2024

“What do you wish for me to do for you?” Listen closely to your heart. Is God calling you to consider a vocation to the priesthood or religious life?

Let the grace of prayer encourage you. Talk to your priest or reach out to the

Office of Vocations
804.359.5661

Or via email:

vocations@richmonddiocese.org



ENCOUNTER

QUARTERLY REVIEW

I am pleased to announce that Sts. Peter and Paul has operated within its year-to-date budget for the quarter ending September 30, 2024.

Offertory giving was up 3% and debt collection was up by 10%. Year-to-date spending was over budgeted spending by about \$9,000. Spending on operations, liturgy, our ministries, charities, plant, and cemetery were very close to budgeted amounts. However, spending on facilities exceeded budget amounts. This was due solely to the leading foundation repairs. The foundation repair consumed the entire annual budget for maintenance and repairs. As you know we had special collections to help cover the costs of the repairs and you were very generous in your response.

We have asked the Bishop for permission to conduct a capital campaign to establish a fund to cover major repairs such as the roof, HVAC, the foundation, or any type of major expenditure. As yet we are awaiting his approval.

Thank you all for your generous support of Sts. Peter and Paul !

Income	Budget	Actual		Spending	Budget	Actual	
Offertory	85,800.00	88,699.00	3%	Operations	44,055.24	44,446.93	-1%
Designated	9,770.00	45,187.55	363%	Liturgy	7,099.83	4,627.00	35%
Misc	1,875.00	7,573.21	304%	Ministries	21,414.54	8,919.36	58%
Fundraising	1,650.00	3,373.59	104%	Charities	2,649.99	2,056.88	22%
Debt Collection	11,250.00	12,387.92	10%	Facilities	25,625.01	56,652.63	-121%
				Plant	9,973.32	2,771.26	72%
				Cemetery	600.00	724.37	-21%
Total	110,345.00	157,221.27		Total	111,417.93	120,198.43	

42%

8%

PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Oh God,

With abiding gratitude, we thank You for the men and women who offer of themselves in service to our church and our community. Bless them, their families, and their ministries with abundance! Amen.

PARISHIONER UPDATES:

If you move, or anything changes, let us know.

We don't want you to miss anything!

Call: 434.589.5201 | Email: office@saintspeterpaul.org
Come in: 4309 Thomas Jefferson Parkway (Parish Hall)

PARISH YOUTH



**Classes meet every
Sunday at 9:30AM.
Meet in St. Francis Hall**

PRAYER

Dear God, when I want to get my own way, help me to stop. Show me ways I can help other people instead.

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Did you ever catch yourself being bossy? This is a mistakes grown-ups make too. It is no fun to work or play with bossy people.

They don't honor God when they order people around. In today's Gospel, Jesus told his friends to be kind, not bossy. God wants us to serve other people.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

6:30-8:00PM AT STS. PETER AND PAUL

If you would like to decorate your trunk (as a scene from the Bible or faith-based) and hand out treats, please sign up on the sheet in the commons or if you would like to donate treats, please, place them in the collection box in the commons beginning Oct.5. We are also in need of volunteers to prepare and serve refreshments on the evening of Oct. 25*.

We will pray the Rosary around a bonfire.

Children are asked to dress up in family-friendly costumes. Nothing violent or horror based, and no weapons.

Contact Celeste at religioused@saintspeterpaul.org with questions, more information, or to volunteer.

*Our final planning meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 22, at 6:30pm at Sts. Peter and Paul.

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

The sacrament of Baptism will normally 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:

November 10th and December 8th.

PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

JESUS	LEADERS	SERVANT
DISCIPLES	POWER	FIRST
PEOPLE	GREAT	RESCUE

H	E	D	A	S	F	I	R	S	T
G	H	I	O	L	D	S	E	K	N
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E	Y	C	A	N	R	M	U	O	E
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T	S	P	E	O	P	L	E	H	V
O	U	L	R	K	O	N	S	D	A
J	V	E	M	T	W	H	U	I	N
I	K	S	N	O	E	F	S	O	T
L	E	A	D	E	R	S	H	E	B

MISSION

Invite a friend over to visit, and think of ways to serve her. Hang up her jacket, offer her something to eat, and ask her what she would like to do. Share your best toys with her, and let her have the first turn.

INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS: OCTOBER 19 - 27, 2024

*REPRESENTS ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Saturday	10/19	5pm	Anne Ayuso	D	Tim & Eileen Monahan
Sunday	10/20	9am*	James & Ethel Rogan	D	Patricia
Sunday	10/20	11am	Misa Pro Populo		
Wednesday	10/23	9am	Mary Lou Maier	D	Marsha Bisgrove
Thursday	10/24	9am	Judy Snyder & Dave Moulton	D	Kathy Pol
Friday	10/25	9am	Bob & Dorothy Coleman	D	Marsha Bisgrove
Saturday	10/26	5pm	Dominick Capuano	D	Gerard & Linda Zink
Sunday	10/27	9am*	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	10/27	11am	Samantha Buonomo	D	Michael & Nancy King

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, Russ Marron, Adam Warren, Christopher McCarthy, Zach Marron, Joseph Ayuso, Joe and Sophia Murphy, Josiah Noble, Jose Langoria, Alex Ostrowski, and Matthew Reinitz.

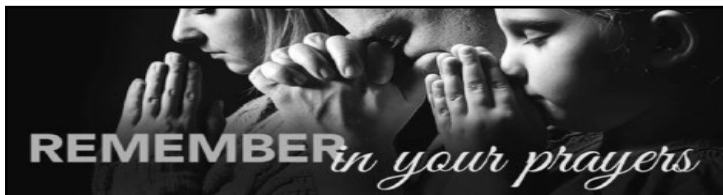
Pray God keeps them in His care.



Why not make a change this fall in the way you support our parish?

This season, rich in the symbolism of harvest and sowing, offers a beautiful reminder: your acts of generosity reverberate, touching countless lives. Sign up with eGiving through Faith Direct, which is the most convenient and secure way for you to make your weekly offering. Making either one-time or automatic contributions through Faith Direct will also save valuable time for both you and our parish staff. .

Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/VA249 or call their Customer Service team at 866-507-8757.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Peter & Philomena Alonso, Michael Amato, Jean & Mary Louise Bernard, Sharon Cassidy, Nicole Colley, The Compton Family, Jim Cullinan, Jean Dalsky, Connie D'Amico, Carol Donohue, Samuel Dunton, Me'Shelle Durant, Bill Ellis, Frank Feliciano, Bob Fint, David & Pat Garner, Patricia Golgosky, Mary Anne Grimes, Phyllis Guthrie, John Hobby, Regina Humanitzki, Sue Inghilleri, Margaret Johnson, Ron Johnson, Carolyn Kerrigan, 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, and Walter Welham

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

October

Wedding Anniversaries

If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in October and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on November 2nd or 3rd, please notify the office by Friday, October 25th.

EVERDAY STEWARDSHIP

Pew Count Sat. - 123 Sun. - 179	October 5 & 6
First Offering	\$ 4,241
First Offering: Faith Direct	\$ 1,950
Total	\$ 6,191
Debt Reduction - October - MTD	\$ 1,566
Bake Sale - Thank you!	\$ 457

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

Our next DEBT REDUCTION Collection is

NOVEMBER 2ND AND 3RD

Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.

Our next monthly Bake Sale is **November 2nd and 3rd** after each Mass. Donations accepted before Mass.



Flowers are expensive; throw in delivery on top of that! The cost adds up fast. In order to control the cost but still have beauty in the church, we are seeking volunteers to arrange fresh flowers to sit atop the tabernacle every week. We are seeking enough people so that no one has to do it every week. To find out more details of what is involved, please contact the office with questions at 434.589.5201.



FLUVANNA MEALS ON WHEELS EMERGENCY FOOD BAG (E-BAG) COLLECTION

We are collecting food for our Emergency Bags. Emergency bags provide 4 days of meals for clients in case of closure for inclement weather.

NONPERISHABLE ENTIRELY PREPARED FOOD in single-serving size
If possible, low sodium/low sugar Expiration dates after July 2025.

PROTEIN - Choose 4

- Soups or Stews
- Baked Bean - Beanee Weenes
- Meat - tuna, chicken, salmon in cans or pouches
- Peanut Butter - 16 oz or smaller
- Jars or Cans of Nuts



FRUIT - 1 pack of single serving cups

- Fruit cups in fruit juice (not syrup)
- Dried fruits (banana, cherries, apricots, raisins, etc.)



VEGETABLE - 1 pack of single serving cups

- Green beans, Peas, Carrots, Corn or Mixed Vegetables



CRACKERS/BARS - Choose 1 or 2

- Box of Saltine or Ritz crackers
- Box of Graham crackers, granola bars, cereal bars



FRUIT JUICE & Milk - 1 package of single serving sizes

- 100% Fruit Juice boxes
- Shelf Stable Milk cartons - (Not canned milk)



NO CANDY OR COOKIES PLEASE

Drop off M-F 9 AM - 12PM Fluvanna Meals on Wheels, 105 Crofton Plaza, Suite 8, 434-589-1685
Items needed by November 20th

If you'd like to help, stop by the office to pick up bags with the specific list of food items needed, or items can be donated in grocery bags.

Monday-Friday, 9am-12pm. 105 Crofton Plaza, Suite 8, Palmyra, VA 22963

**Please leave a note of your name and # of bags dropped off*

Just as we celebrate Thanksgiving by gathering together with family, why not celebrate your Marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? It's a positive, simple, common sense, private experience between husband and wife that revitalizes your marriage.

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. The next encounter experience:

- November 15-17, 2024 - Virginia Beach, VA

Advance donation time is November 18 - December 2
Giving Tuesday is December 3rd

CALL FOR GOOD SHEPHERDS:

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
434-953-5432

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.

Sundays
9:30am



BIBLE STUDY

Mondays
1:00 - 2:00pm
Room 123

ROOM SCHEDULE

Sat	19-Oct	Spaghetti Dinner - Scout Fundraiser	6:00p	E/F
		Confessions	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
Sun	20-Oct	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		CCD/RCIA/Adult Formation	9:30a	E
		CCD	10:30a	E
		Mass	11:00a	Church
Mon	21-Oct	Bible Study	1:00p	123
Wed	23-Oct	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Senior Triad	10:00a	E/F
		Scouts	6:30p	F
		Worship Committee	7:00p	123
Thurs	24-Oct	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Yoga	11:00a	F
		Cursillo	6:00p	123
Fri	25-Oct	Mass	9:00a	Church
		Adoration	9:30a	Church
		Benediction	3:00p	Church
		Youth Group Trunk or Treat/ Bonfire & Rosary	6:30p	Parking Lot
Sat	26-Oct	KoC State 4th Degree	8:30a	F
		Confessions	4:00p	Church
		Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
Sun	27-Oct	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
		Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
		CCD/RCIA/Adult Formation	9:30a	Church
		CCD	10:30a	St. Joseph's
		Youth Mass	11:00a	Church

SENIOR COFFEE SOCIAL

Wednesday, October 30
10:00 am, Commons

We will talk about our personal favorite chapter in the book, **Beautiful Eucharist**.
Catherine at cheffley@aol.com

SPEND AN HOUR WITH JESUS

Our Chapel is OPEN! Thank you for your contributions and support of this project!

Hours: M - Th, 6am - 8pm

Block schedule for those who want a regular weekly adoration time is posted on the wall in the hall across from the Religious Store.

Any Questions?

Contact: Denise Minor - dminor92@gmail.com





CHESTERTON ACADEMY
OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Chesterton Academy of St. John the Evangelist is a new, affordable high school option for teens in our area. It is located across the street from Holy Comforter Church in Charlottesville. Since August it has been educating young people in the classical tradition, and is “joyfully” rooted in our Catholic faith.

If you would like to know more about the progress of the school or would like to support it, please contact Catherine Heffley, 757.813.1992. Ask about the gala-benefit on Saturday, November 2nd at the Omni Charlottesville Hotel.

Prospective students are invited to shadow at the school for the day. More info at ChestertonSJE.org.

PARISH TRIP TO FRANCE

APRIL 24 - MAY 4, 2024 \$5,449

For further information, please contact:

Alba Kim:

Phone: (804) 298-4035

Email: tours@albastours.com

Website: albastours.com

*Reservations are available now. Spaces are limited.

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is seeking an **Administrative Assistant** to support the Office for Evangelization. For the full ad and how to apply, please visit <https://bit.ly/3XliBTZ>. For any questions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist / Recruiter at jobs@richmonddiocese.org

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is seeking a **Full Time Information Technology Specialist** to work in the Christiansburg area. For the full ad and how to apply, please visit <https://bit.ly/4dJh1rV>. For any questions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist / Recruiter at jobs@richmonddiocese.org

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is seeking a **Coordinator of Campus Ministry** to serve the Catholic Campus Ministry at Roanoke College in Salem, VA. For the full ad and how to apply, please visit <https://bit.ly/3zMgVAK>. For any questions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist / Recruiter at jobs@richmonddiocese.org

STS. PETER & PAUL *Religious Store*

religiousstore@saintspeterpaul.org

HOURS:

SATURDAY

3:30 - 4:30pm

6:00 - 6:45pm

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|--------------------|----------------|
| Greeting Cards | Jewelry |
| Baby items | Figurines |
| Rosaries | Graphic Ts |
| Gifts for the home | Special orders |
| Books | And more |



For the Month of the Rosary, receive a FREE Rosary with any purchase of \$20 or more

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

QUESTION: What’s the name for the cup that holds the Precious Blood of Christ during Mass?

ANSWER: Chalice.

EYE GLASSES FOR UGANDA

Do you have old eye glasses that aren’t helpful any more? Are they just piling up? Wondering what you can do with them? There is a collection box in the entrance of the church to deposit any unused, or even brand new eye glasses, which will help people in Uganda.



Catholic Q & A

QUESTION:

Is Halloween a pagan holiday or a Catholic one?

ANSWER:

The short answer: nowadays, a little bit of both. But it wasn't always that way. Halloween and All Saints' Day are closely connected. In the 800s, the Catholic Church began celebrating All Saints' Day. It was originally called All Hallows' Day or Hallowmas. The celebration began early on All Hallows' Eve. But if Halloween is really about the saints in all their victorious glory, where do we get haunted houses, costumes, and pranks?

All Saints' Day became associated with the other deceased rather quickly. November 2nd is All Souls Day, where we pray for the souls in purgatory. Throughout the European world, especially with the Celtic and Germanic peoples, the dead were honored in the autumn months. The Celtic pagan celebration of Samhain had its own folk rituals and occurred around the same time as these Catholic feast days.

Within the last few hundred years, this included dressing in disguise and going door to door, asking for food in exchange for a rhyme or poem. Some people masqueraded as "dark" spirits and pulled pranks on others. Today's celebration of Halloween tends to take on these later practices, rather than the original meaning of celebrating the saints. But remember ... this feast was Catholic first!



Join us for an hour of peaceful and prayerful presence each Wednesday, starting on September 25th through October 30th, 2024. Saints Peter & Paul Knights of Columbus Council #11475 invites any and all to join us on Wednesdays from 10 to 11 AM. We maintain a vigil and pray in front of Planned Parenthood (2964 Hydraulic Road) in C'ville during that same hour. 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. If you cannot physically join us, please pray to end abortion, wherever you happen to be.



THE FEAST OF ST. JOHN PAUL II

On October 21st, we celebrate the pope who inspired the world! Born Karol Wojtyla in Krakow, Pope John Paul II became the first-ever Polish pope. He came of age in the early 20th century and lived through both the Nazi and communist occupations of Poland. His resistance activities were cultural, operating an underground theater company and entering a secret seminary. Karol was ordained a priest in 1946 and later a bishop. He was elected pope in 1978. As pope, the interests that captured his heart as a young man continued -- his pastoral concern for young people, his philosophical emphasis on the human person, and his devotion to Mary and to the mercy of God.

St. John Paul II, pray for us!



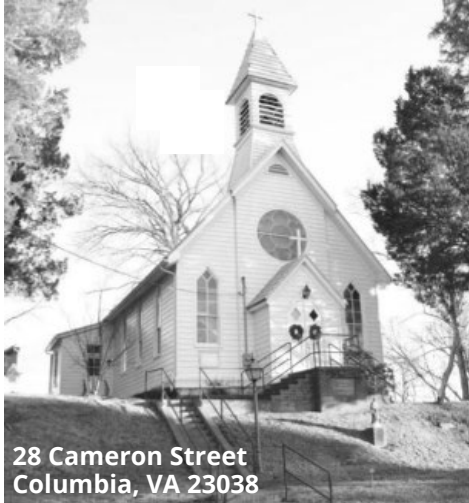
Senior Helpline 434-817-5244

Ask questions or make an appointment with an "Aging Services Coordinator" who can assess needs and assist in plugging into available resources and even offer Caregiver support. A "PATH Coordinator" can often assist with transportation needs.

A JABA representative will be at the Fluvanna Library on Wednesday mornings from 8-12.

ST. JOSEPH'S Shrine of St. Katharine Drexel

INTROSPECTIVE



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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

October 20, 2024
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

From a young age, I loved winning at sports. I confess that winning was a bit of an addiction. It was probably coming from a deep desire for attention and affirmation from others. Nevertheless, it was a driving motivation for me. Baseball, soccer, track, table tennis, and whatever else I could find was a chance to win. Competition was my obsession.

Another John, and his brother James, demonstrate a kind of wildly competitive obsession when they dare to say to Jesus: "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory" (Mark 10:37). Their audacity arouses an indignant reaction from the other apostles, who are clearly raw that these two are out to win the highest spots.

How does Jesus respond to us in our desires for greatness? The same way he does to James and John. He does not criticize them for their desire for glory. But he does highlight their ignorance ("you do not know what you are asking."). Then he invites them to be champions of true greatness: by drinking not the cup of worldly victory, but his cup of self-giving suffering love, to be the "slave of all." The true winners are slaves of love. This week, dare to tell Jesus what your ambitions truly are. Hear him call you to an even greater victory.

— *Father John Muir*



Blessing of Missionaries

So often we think of missionaries as those people from Protestant churches that go to other countries to spread the good news. However, do you realize that the United States is actually considered a "mission country" because we need more priests and sisters in the United States than we produce? Yes, we are now a mission country.

Let us ask God's blessing on those men and women from other countries who are in our midst as priests, brothers, and sisters. And when we pray, let us also ask God to change our hearts so that we will again produce a society that brings forth more vocations.

Let us pray...

God of every nation,
you commissioned us at Pentecost
to go and make disciples of all
nations.

When we take up your
commission,
we become missionaries of your
Gospel.

Bless all missionaries in our
communities
with your love that surpasses all
understanding.

Change our hearts so that we
Become the missionaries you
expect us to be.

We ask this through Jesus,
the first missionary of your
Gospel.

Amen.





PRAYER REQUESTS



Mary Ellen Agolia * Bradford Barrows *
 David Carbocci * Maria Correa *
 Nona Dooley * Bob Fermoye *
 Alice Galvez-Sobral * Mauricio Granados *
 Andy Mallory * India Martin *
 Angelica Motta * Odila Motta *
 Oscar Motta * Thelma Motta *
 Denise Pillar * John Stewart *
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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.



(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

MADE TO SERVE

I thought it often in my first year as a mother, when I was every day discovering what this new life of parenthood looked and felt like: doing anything with kids is a hundred times harder than doing it without kids. But it's a thousand times better. From eating dinner to going to Mass to taking a walk around the block — every single outing, even the simplest ones, had an extra level of logistical complexity. I had to bring diapers and food and extra clothes, I had to be ready to distract, to comfort, to settle, to de-escalate. Before, I just showed up, did the thing and went home. Now, I had to be ready to coordinate.

I had to be ready to serve.

But even while everything had become so much more complicated, so much harder, there was suddenly a joyfulness to these experiences that had not been there before. Yes, I was a mom now, a servant if there ever was one, constantly tending to someone else's needs, and it was difficult. Sometimes terribly so. But it was beautiful (not in a physical way — I was usually covered in baby spit-up — but my soul had that glow, you know?).

It was the first time in my life that I really understood what it was to serve, and the power of that vocation to which we are all called.

This isn't just true of parenthood. It's true of every relationship. When we find someone we can meaningfully, wholeheartedly serve — our spouse, our best friend, our employees, our students, our patients, whoever it is — the effort becomes nothing compared to the joy and the fulfillment we find in the work.

We were made for greatness, and Christ tells us that to be great is to serve. So don't be afraid of greatness. Don't be afraid to serve.

- The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a parish-wide
 - clean-up day on Saturday, October 26th at 9:00 am.
- Gutter guards will also be installed on the gutters on the Parish Hall. Please join us.

October
Wedding Anniversaries

If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in October and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on November 3rd, please notify the office by **Friday, October 25th.**

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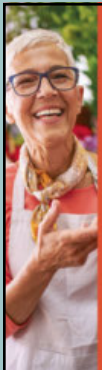
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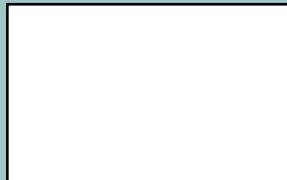
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