

June 29, 2025

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." (Matthew 28:19)



STS. PETER & PAUL PARISH

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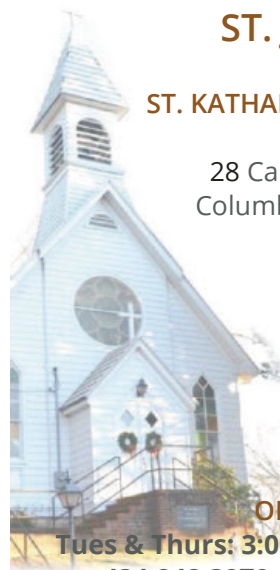
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OUR VISION

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.



ST. JOSEPH'S

SHRINE OF
ST. KATHARINE DREXEL
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OFFICE HOURS

Tues & Thurs: 3:00pm-5:00pm
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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKENDS

1st Saturday 10am: SPP

Saturday 5pm: SPP

Sunday 9am: St. Joseph's
11am: SPP

WEEKDAYS

Tuesday - Noon

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



STS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.
Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in
heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be
loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:19

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass (2001, 1989, 1970 CCD, GLPI)

EVANGELIZE

SANCTIFY

SERVE

WELCOME



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Wednesdays-1 week in advance of
bulletin date-in writing to
office@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.

PARISHIONER

UPDATES FOR BOTH CHURCHES:

If you move, change your email
or phone number,
no longer need envelopes, etc.,
let us know. We don't want you
to miss anything!

CALL:

434.589.5201

EMAIL:

office@saintspeterpaul.org

COME IN M- F, 9:00 - 3:00 PM:

**4309 Thomas Jefferson
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This bulletin also is distributed in an
"Email Blast" on Friday afternoon.
If you would like to receive the bulletin
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ENCOUNTER



I am grateful to God, who has worked through y'all!

Dear Friends and Parishioners of Sts. Peter and Paul, and St. Joseph:

Thank you very much for having allowed me to serve you as your pastor for the last six years. It has been one of the greatest honors of my life!

The first weekend of July 2019, I came here in fear and trembling as I didn't know for sure what I was getting into. I remember many of you coming to me assuring me that you were going to work with me and that you were going to support me. I have lived to tell now that, and I have not been disappointed. You promised, and you have delivered, and I am grateful to God for a blessing you have all been for the fruitfulness of my ministry among you. Thank you very much!

Even though I still have a long way to go, I am leaving as a better priest and Christian than when I first came. All my experiences with each one of you have molded me into a better man than I was before I got here.

I would like also to take this opportunity to thank you for all the gifts you have given me over the years. You've always spoiled me with well thought out gifts, which have always made me feel appreciated, and encouraged me to stay focused on the responsibilities for which I was sent among you.

I would like in a special way to thank you for all the gifts that you have given me towards my departure. I'm so grateful for the special gift you gave me in support of my nephew as he is being ordained a priest in August. I'm pretty sure he is going to be surprised and indeed so thrilled. Thank you very much for your thoughtfulness! I'm leaving this place feeling loved. Thank you!

Our journey home is still on. As I leave, I continue to encourage you to stay the course of the journey. Please stay focused! God wants each one of you to become a saint, and it is his greatest desire for you. Please do not give up! Many times, it is going to be quite challenging as you continue on this journey home, but please keep your eyes focused on the prize ahead.

St. Paul to the Corinthians writes thus:

"Do you not know that the runners in the stadium all run in the race, but only one wins the prize? Run so as to win. Every athlete exercises discipline in every way. They do it to win a perishable crown, but we, an imperishable one" (1 Cor. 9:24-25).

If I don't get to see you again, let's meet in heaven on the seat that has been prepared for you by the Lord.

Blessings to y'all! Your brother on the journey,

Fr. David

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 29, 2025

Sunday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/
Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7,
8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Monday: Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34

Thursday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/
Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/
Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 29, 2025

Sunday: Sts. Peter And Paul, Apostles

Monday: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

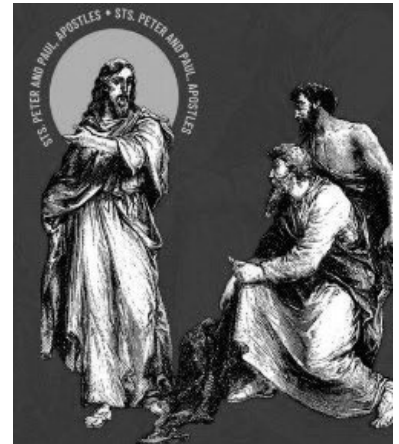
Tuesday: St. Junípero Serra, Priest

Thursday: St. Thomas, Apostle

Friday: Independence Day

Saturday: St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest;
St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Next Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



SPEND AN HOUR WITH JESUS

Hours: M - Th, 6am - 8pm

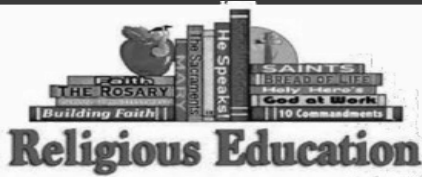
A Block schedule for those who want a regular weekly a doration time is posted on the wall in the hall across from the Religious Store.

Contact: Denise Minor -
dminor92@gmail.com



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FAITH FORMATION



Religious Education

CCD every Sunday at 9:30AM, Sts Peter & St. Francis Paul. Meet in August.

ADULT FORMATION CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Includes OCIA, offering instruction to unbaptized and non-Catholic persons with an interest in being

CCD and RCIA are on Summer Break. Registration will resume in August. Enjoy the Summer!

EPIC - ONE DAY EVENT FOR 6-8 GRADERS

What is EPIC?

EPIC is a one-day diocesan event for middle school youth (rising grades 6-8). This event is intended to be a high-energy day that is focused on two things: (1) building community & friendships with other Catholic middle school youth, and (2) encouraging zeal for our Catholic faith. Throughout the day, youth will experience everything from inflatables to a service project, relay races to Mass. Keynote sessions will highlight the lives of young saints and emphasize the universal call to holiness – every age, including middle school youth, is called to sainthood! They will also interact with high school teens who attended Discipleship Week in the days prior to EPIC. At the end of the day, middle school youth will walk away feeling excited about their community and their faith. Join us, it is going to be EPIC!

Who should attend EPIC?

EPIC is open to all youth who will be enrolled in grades 6-8 during the 2025-2026 academic year. The registration fee for youth participants and adult chaperones is \$55/person.

All applications need to be turned into Celeste Shapiola by July 8.

Where and when is EPIC?

EPIC will be held on Saturday, August 9, 2025 at Saint Joseph's Villa in Richmond, Virginia from 11:00am-7:00pm. The address is 8000 Brook Road, Richmond, VA 23227.

Please contact Celeste, religioused@saintapeterpaul.org, 434-589-5201 for more information or an application.

Inquiries about the **Sacrament of Baptism**, or any of the Sacraments, should be directed to Celeste at religioused@saintspeterpaul.org for registration and prep information.

SHARING THE GOSPEL

KEYS ARE IMPORTANT. THEY OPEN LOCKED DOORS. THEY TURN CARS ON AND OFF. THEY PROTECT YOUR THINGS, SO NO ONE TAKES WHAT BELONGS TO YOU. IMAGINE PETER'S SURPRISE WHEN JESUS GAVE HIM THE KEYS TO HEAVEN! PETER UNDERSTOOD THAT JESUS GAVE HIM THE KEYS TO HEAVEN! PETER UNDERSTOOD THAT JESUS WAS THE SAVIOR. BY SHARING WHAT HE KNEW, PETER COULD OPEN HEAVEN TO MANY PEOPLE.

PRAYER

Jesus, help me tell my friends that you are the Savior.

PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

BLESSED
SIMON
PETER

ROCK
BUILD
CHURCH

KEYS
KINGDOM
HEAVEN

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

MISSION

God has given your parents the key to your house. Always let your parents open the door to your home. Let them welcome your friends.

INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS: JUNE 28 - JULY 6

*REPRESENTS ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Saturday-Sts. Peter/Paul	6/28	5pm	Bob and Joan Fint		Michael & Nancy King
Sunday-Sts. Peter/Paul	6/29	9am*	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday-Sts. Peter/Paul	6/29	11am	James Cullinan	D	Bob and Muriel Toepfert
Tuesday	7/1	12Noon	Roberta MacDonald - birthday	I	Frank Pilk
Wednesday	7/2	9am			
Thursday	7/3	9am			
Friday	7/4	9am			
1st Saturday	7/5	10am	Deceased Murphy Family	D	Maureen Burger
Saturday	7/5	5pm	Dominick Capuano	D	Gerard & Linda Zink
Sunday	7/6	9am*	Helen Baker	D	
Sunday	7/6	11am	Misa Pro Populo		

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 & 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, Henry Land and Matthew Reinitz.

Pray God keeps them in His care.



REMEMBER A LOVED ONE WITH A SPECIAL GIFT

The remembrance can be for an anniversary, a birthday, in thanksgiving, or to remember deceased loved ones.

Stop by the Parish Office to arrange to have the Bread and Wine, Flowers, and/or Candles donated for someone you love.

All donations are for one week (Sunday through Saturday).

Altar Flowers \$25, Bread & Wine \$25, Candles \$30

You now can request Masses for your loves ones, living or deceased for 2026 (as well as the remainder of 2025).

Stop by the Parish Office to request Mass Intentions
Suggested donation - \$10 per Mass



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Philomena Alonso, Jean & Mary Louise Bernard, Sharon Cassidy, Nicole Colley, The Compton Family, Douglas, Caron, Jean Dalsky, Connie D'Amico, Jim Dooley, Samuel Dunton, Me'Shelle Durant, Bill Ellis, Frank Feliciano, the Fellins, Patty Frawley, Pat Garner, Mary Anne Grimes, Phyllis Guthrie, John Hobby, Regina Humanitzki, Sue Inghilleri, Margaret Johnson, Ron Johnson, Carolyn Kerrigan, Marie Knighting, Jim Kraemer, George Kuhlow, Judi Kuhlow, Marcia Lagomarsino, Annie Lodato, Bob Maher, Jean Main, Zachary W. Mayo II, Joan Merk, Haynes McKinley Morris, Jr., Irene Nadig, Rose Patterson, Gladys Pfeiffer, Margaret Reilly, Douglas Robinson, Carol Scampoli, Kathy Seroskie, Carol Starowicz, Marylou Stock, Anna Sturhann, Rob Toepfert, Jr. Peggy Thomas, Cornelia Waters, Mike Waters, the Williams and Walter Welham

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

Please join the **Flower Guild**. Two open spots.
Contact the office with questions at 434-589-5201

BREAD & WINE

Donor:

In Memory of:

FLOWERS

Donor:

Jim Luxhoj

In Memory of:

Mary Callaghan

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Donor:

In Memory of:



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in July and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on August 2nd and 3rd, please notify the office by Friday, July 19, 2025.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Sts Peter & Paul Pew Count Sat. - 103 Sun. - 205	06/14 & 06/15
Offertory	\$ 4,186
E-Giving	\$ 2,277
Total	\$ 6,463
Debt Reduction	\$ 762
Cash Reserve	\$ 10
Peter's Pence	\$ 110
St. Joseph	06/15
Offertory	\$ 1,196
Peter's Pence	\$ 184

Sts. Peter and Paul Debt Reduction collection occurs at the beginning of each month.

Our next DEBT REDUCTION Collection is

JULY 5TH AND 6TH.

Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.



Thank you to all who have switched over from FaithDirect to Give Central and also to the "newbies" who have decided to take the plunge to give on-line through Give Central. If you have not signed up, you can visit www.givecentral.org or call the Office and we will help you.

We truly appreciate your commitment to Sts. Peter and Paul.

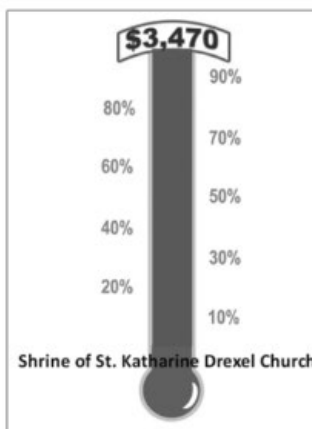
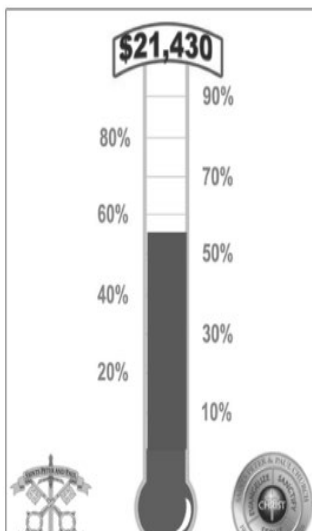
St. Elizabeth of Portugal | July 5

St. Elizabeth was born to Peter III of Aragon and his queen Constantia in 1271. Like most royal girls of the time, she was betrothed at an early age, and was married to King Diniz (or Dinis, English: Denis) at the age of 12. Although her husband's infidelities and life of sin caused much scandal, Elizabeth was a good and pious queen. She attended Mass daily and dedicated her life to helping the poor. She established orphanages and shelters for the homeless. She also founded a convent of Poor Clares at Coimbra, Portugal.

Often called Peacemaker, Elizabeth was from her birth a reconciler of conflict. Her birth brought her father and his estranged father James to peace. Later when her own son and husband came to war out of jealousy, she rode between armies and reconciled the two men.

After King Diniz died in 1325, she went to live as a lay member at the convent of Poor Clares that she had founded. But her fight for peace was not over, she undertook a long ride to keep the army of her son Afonso IV, from fighting that of Alfonso XI of Castile. Although she was successful, she died shortly after from a fever.

Saint Elizabeth was canonized on May 25th, 1625, by Pope Urban VIII. In the United States her memorial has been transferred to July 5th since July 4th is Independence Day, a national holiday.



Sts. Peter and Paul next monthly Bake Sale is **July 5th and 6th** after each Mass.

Donations accepted before Mass.

UPCOMING EVENTS



ROOM SCHEDULE	Sat	28-Jun	Confessions	4:00p	Church
			Vigil Mass	5:00p	Church
	Sun	29-Jun	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
			Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
			Youth Mass	11:00a	Church
			Parish Day	12:30p	E/F & Outside
	Mon	30-Jun	KoC Officers	7:00p	E/F
	Tues	1-Jul	Welcome Father John Nyanzi		
			Mass	12:00p	Church
			Scout Troop Committee	6:30p	122
			Al-Anon	7:00p	M
	Wed	2-Jul	Mass	9:00a	Church
			Scouts	6:30p	E/F
	Thurs	3-Jul	Mass	9:00a	Church
			KoC Round Table & Women	6:00p	St. Joseph's
			Cursillo	6:30p	123
	Fri	4-Jul	Office Closed		
			Mass	9:00a	Church
			No Exposition or Benediction		
	Sat	5-Jul	Confessions	9:00a	Church
			1st Saturday Mass & Rosary	10:00a	Church
			Confessions	4:00p	Church
			Mass	5:00p	Church
			Bake Sale After Mass	6:00p	Commons
	Sun	6-Jul	Confessions	8:30a	St. Joseph's
			Mass	9:00a	St. Joseph's
			Mass	11:00a	Church
			Bake Sale After Mass	12:00p	Commons
	Room Ledger:		F - St. Francis (Hall) E - St. Elizabeth (Hall) R - St. Raphael (Church) M - St. Michael (Church) C - Commons (Church)		

FOURTH OF JULY

Catholic Q & A

Question:

January 25 is the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul and the end of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. What does one have to do with the other?

Answer:

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity consists of eight days beginning January 18 (at that time the feast of the Chair of Peter), and ending on January 25, the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, founded in the early twentieth century in Graymoor, NY, sought to promote unity among Anglicans and Roman Catholics. Paul James Wattson, a former Episcopalian priest, founded the community, which was formally accepted into the Catholic communion.

The idea for Christian unity soon began to catch on, and by the 1930s, more and more Christians welcomed such a focus. Suggestions for prayer and education are distributed each year, emphasizing a jointly chosen theme. The 1964 Vatican II document on ecumenism, *Unitatis Redintegratio*, gave a great boost to the octave, so that today many Christians worldwide promote and participate in the octave time of prayer.

The emphasis on both Peter and Paul aptly fits into the rationale of the octave. Peter is seen as the source of unity within the Christian tradition. Paul is highlighted due to his vision of bringing all to Christ. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an ideal opportunity to pray for and promote respect, understanding, and, hopefully, eventual unity among Christians. To learn more, visit geii.org.

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is seeking a highly qualified **Family Services Advisor** to serve at **Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery** in Palmyra, VA.

This position is part of the Offices of Cemeteries and is responsible for guiding families through pre-need and at-need cemetery planning using a compassionate “Family First” approach. A practicing Catholic is strongly preferred.

The role includes responsibilities in both community outreach and cemetery operations, including assisting at committal services, presenting memorial design options, and maintaining regular follow-up with families. Attention to detail, knowledge of Microsoft Office, and familiarity with the structure and teachings of the Catholic Church are key requirements.

The position currently is part-time and reports to the Director of Cemeteries.

For questions or to apply, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist/Recruiter at jobs@richmonddiocese.org.

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond, Office of Catholic Schools, is seeking applications for the following positions:

Marketing & Social Media Coordinator. For the full ad and how to apply, please copy and paste <https://bit.ly/44cpGQj>

Administrative Assistant for the Office of Real Estate, in Richmond, Virginia. For the full ad and how to apply, please copy and paste <https://bit.ly/3ZfpSws>

Audit Manager for the Office of Finance, in Richmond, Virginia. For the full ad and how to apply, please copy and paste <https://bit.ly/4dfR0kq>

Administrative Assistant for the Office for Evangelization, in Richmond, Virginia. For the full ad and how to apply, please copy and paste <https://bit.ly/3GHLNpg>

For any questions, please contact Kelly Shumate, HR Generalist / Recruiter at jobs@richmonddiocese.org

Prayer of Pastoral Care

O God,
Bless the souls You have entrusted to our care.
As You hear every one of their prayers, help us to hear them, too. Answer their prayer intentions and personal needs through us and our ministry, as we all seek to do Your will. Amen

Sts. Peter and Paul

40th Anniversary News



40th Anniversary raffle tickets are selling out quickly. Remaining tickets can be purchased after each Mass, online through GiveCentral, or the Church Office.

Sts. Peter and Paul 40th Anniversary Monogrammed shirts can be ordered through our religious gift store.

Submit your favorite recipes now for the Sts. Peter and Paul 40th Anniversary Cookbook. Directions and online submittal forms can be found online in the weekly Blast announcement, and the parish website. Paper forms are located in the parish office.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: What is the instrument used to sprinkle holy water on the congregation during Mass called?

Answer: The Aspergillum.

Your Help is Needed: Volunteer Drivers for Good Shepherd Ministry

Extend a hand and make a difference
The Good Shepherd Ministry is seeking kind-hearted individuals to step forward and help in a meaningful way. We need volunteers who can occasionally assist with driving fellow Parishioners, who are unable to drive, to their medical appointments. This small act of service can have a profound impact on someone's life. If you want to learn more and think you can help, please call the office (434-589-5201).

STS. PETER & PAUL *Religious Store*

religiousstore@saintspeterpaul.org

HOURS:

SATURDAY

3:30 - 4:30pm

6:00 - 6:45pm

SUNDAY

12:00 - 1:00pm

Large selection of Religious Cards
for all Occasions



POTLUCK LUNCHEONS

Sts. Peter & Paul will be hosting potluck lunches following the Youth Masses on the last Sunday of the month-- bring a lunch dish to share. There is a sign-up sheet on the kitchen door in the Commons.

All parishioners are invited to attend,
especially families, so we can get to know
our fellow parishioners.



Parish Day - June 29

Charlottesville Catholic School

Now enrolling for the 2025–2026 school year!

Charlottesville Catholic School nurtures students' God-given gifts while fostering acceptance, respect, and compassion. We prepare students in Junior Kindergarten through 8th Grade to become confident leaders, advocates, and stewards who make a difference in the world.

To learn more or apply:

admissions@cvillecatholic.org or
visit www.cvillecatholic.org/admissions.

I want to thank everybody who participated in the yard sale this year. From all those who donated those wonderful treasures, to the guys who picked up the items, to the wonderful women who sorted and got the hall looking amazing and to all who sold our treasures. It was an awesome yard sale. We made over \$13,000. Thank you again for your dedication to our church. Cynthia Nicholson

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

June 29, 2025

Sts. Peter And Paul, Apostles

Matthew 16:13-19

What do you call brothers who are born on the same day? Twins, of course. That is what we celebrate today in the inestimable saints, Peter and Paul. Wait: twins? Yes. The early Church believed that Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome on the same day. Since the day of martyrdom is celebrated as a saints' birth into eternal life, the result is striking: Peter and Paul are twins in God's family, the Church.

Who should care about this? Well, anyone who longs to live in a world marked by love and peace. Remember, the Romans believed that twins, Romulus and Remus, founded their city through an act of fratricide, the former murdering the latter. Sadly, the structures of this fallen world emerge through violence between those who should love each other. But in the Church, a new city has been founded upon this new set of twins, embodying the non-violent power of Jesus' cross and resurrection.

That's why traditional icons represent Peter and Paul in a fraternal and warm embrace. Contrasted with the violence of Rome's founders, it challenges us with a bold claim: do we believe that structures of merciful love are more powerful and lasting than those based on power, violence, and domination? Am I willing to see others in my life as my "twin," with whom I am called to give my life for Christ, or as my rival? Am I committed to living what is embodied in Romulus and Remus, or in Peter and Paul?

— Father John Muir

**13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 29, 2025**

"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it."

(Matthew 16:18)

Sometimes God speaks to us very clearly, other times it is a little more difficult to understand what God is asking of us. Maybe you feel like Peter, God is calling you to something greater than yourself, but we don't fully understand what He is asking of us. Now would be a great time to talk to your priest to better learn how to hear God's voice and discern His purpose for your life.

Talk to your priest or reach out to:

Office of Vocations
804.359.5661

Or via email:
vocations@richmonddiocese.org

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**2ND & Last
Wednesday
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10:00 am, Commons**

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):

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BIBLE STUDY (ON SUMMER BREAK)

**STS PETER AND PAUL
MONDAYS 1:00-2:00
WEDNESDAYS 4:00-5:00**

**ST. JOSEPH
TUESDAYS 6:30-7:30**



MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO – ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA

29 de junio de 2025

Solemnidad de San Pedro y San Pablo

Celebramos hoy, al mismo tiempo, la fiesta de san Pedro y san Pablo. Ellos colaboraron para la construcción del Reino de Dios. Dieron testimonio del Evangelio con su propia vida. Todos sabemos que, en las horas de la pasión, San Pedro negó a Cristo. Por su parte, san Pablo, antes de ser llamado a ser apóstol, fue perseguidor de los cristianos. Pedro se arrepintió y llegó a ser el primer Papa, murió mártir. Pablo, convertido al cristianismo, fue fiel seguidor y propagador del Evangelio y también fue mártir. ¿En qué imitas a estos grandes seguidores de Jesucristo?

“Jesús asigna a Simón este nuevo nombre: ‘Pedro’, que en la lengua de Jesús suena Kefa, una palabra que significa roca. En la Biblia, este término, roca, se refiere a Dios. Jesús lo asigna a Simón no por sus cualidades o sus méritos humanos, sino por su fe genuina y firme, que les ha dado de lo alto. La gloriosa herencia de Pedro y Pablo es una llamada a vivir las virtudes cristianas, de modo particular la fe y la caridad. La fe en Jesús: como Mesías e Hijo de Dios, que Pedro profesó primero y que Pablo anunció a la gente; y la caridad, que la iglesia está llamada a servir con horizonte universal” (Papa Francisco). La historia de estos apóstoles no fue fácil; tuvieron muchas dificultades. Sin embargo, son los cimientos de nuestra Iglesia. Cada uno de ellos fue único y se dejó tocar por Jesús. Pidamos hoy ser rocas firmes en nuestra fe, y caminemos con esperanza a pesar de las dificultades, teniendo la seguridad de que Jesús va con nosotros.

ÉPICO

EVENTO DE UN DÍA PARA ESTUDIANTES DE 6-8 GRADOS

¿Qué es EPIC?

EPIC es un evento diocesano de un día para jóvenes de secundaria (grados 6-8). Este evento pretende ser un día de alta energía que se centra en dos cosas: (1) construir comunidad y amistades con otros jóvenes católicos de secundaria, y (2) fomentar el celo por nuestra fe católica. A lo largo del día, los jóvenes experimentarán de todo, desde inflables hasta un proyecto de servicio, carreras de relevos hasta Misa. Las sesiones magistrales destacarán la vida de los jóvenes santos y enfatizarán el llamado universal a la santidad: ¡cada edad, incluida la juventud de la escuela media, está llamada a la santidad! También interactuarán con adolescentes de secundaria que asistieron a la Semana del Discipulado en los días previos a EPIC. Al final del día, los jóvenes de secundaria se irán entusiasmados con su comunidad y su fe. Únete a nosotros, ¡va a ser ÉPICO!

¿Quién debería asistir a EPIC?

EPIC está abierto a todos los jóvenes que estarán matriculados en los grados 6-8 durante el año académico 2025-2026. La cuota de inscripción para jóvenes participantes y acompañantes adultos es de 55 \$/persona.

Todas las solicitudes deben convertirse en Celeste Shapiola antes del 8 de julio.

¿Dónde y cuándo es EPIC?

EPIC se llevará a cabo el sábado 9 de agosto de 2025 en Saint Joseph's Villa en Richmond, Virginia, de 11:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. La dirección es 8000 Brook Road, Richmond, VA 23227.

Póngase en contacto con Celeste,

religious@saintapeterpaul.org, 434-589-5201 para obtener más información o una solicitud.



¡Devociones, explicadas! **Peregrinación**

Mini Explicación — Una peregrinación es un viaje a un sitio que tiene un significado espiritual realizado por una persona que desea acercarse al cielo mientras está en la tierra.

Peregrinación, ¡Explicada!

Cuando llegó el momento de la Transfiguración de Cristo, Jesús llevó a sus discípulos a “un monte alto a solas” indicando que el misterio sagrado de este momento fue algo que debían experimentar de la mejor forma apartándose de la rutina de la vida diaria. Este es el principio detrás de cualquier peregrinación: realizar un viaje a un sitio con un significado espiritual, realizado por una persona que está en busca de acercarse al cielo mientras está en la tierra.

Las peregrinaciones cristianas comenzaron realmente en el siglo IV, cuando se construyeron las iglesias de Tierra Santa en lugares asociados con la vida de Cristo. A lo largo de los siglos, los peregrinos se han agrupado para llegar a los sitios de las apariciones Marianas, a lugares donde han ocurrido milagros y a lugares conectados con las vidas de los santos. Algunos de los destinos más representativos de peregrinación incluyen Fátima, Lourdes y Santiago de Compostela, en España.

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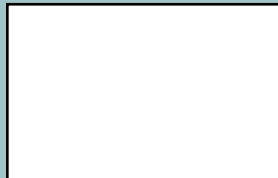
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