

September 8, 2019

Twenty-Third Sunday

in Ordinary Time

MASS Saturday 5:00 PM

(John Speck req. by Holly Nguyen)

SUNDAY 8:30 AM

(+Vincent Nguyen req. by Holly Nguyen)

AND

SUNDAY 11:00 AM

MASS READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday, September 9, 2019: COLOSSIANS 1: 24 – 2: 3/ PSALM 62: 6-7. 9/ LUKE 6: 6-11 Tuesday, September 10, 2019: COLOSSIANS 2: 6-15/ PSALM 145: 1b-2. 8-9. 10-11/ LUKE 6: 12-19 Wednesday, September 11, 2019: COLOSSIANS 3: 1-11/ PSALM 145: 2-3. 10-11. 12-13ab/ LUKE 6: 20-26 Thursday, September 12, 2019: COLOSSIANS 3: 12-17/ PSALM150: 1b-2. 3-4. 5-6/ LUKE 6: 27-38 Friday, September 13, 2019: 1 TIMOTHY 1: 1-2. 12-14/ PSALM 16: 1b-2a and 5. 7-8. 11/ LUKE 6: 39-42 Saturday, September 14, 2019: NUMBERS 21: 4b-9/ PSALM 78: 1bc-2. 34-35. 36-37. 38/ JOHN 3: 13-17 Sunday, September 15, 2019: EXODUS 32: 7-11. 13-14/ PSALM 51: 3-4. 12-13. 17. 19/ LUKE 15: 1-32

	WEEKLY SCHEDULE	
(office hours 9 AM—1 PM Tuesday—Thursday)		
Monday, September 9, 2019	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM CCM Home Schoolers; 5:30 PM T-SMOTA Meeting	
Tuesday, September 10, 2019	9:00 AM - 10 AM Adoration; 10:00 AM Mass ; 11:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry; 6:00-7:30 PM Food Pantry	
Wednesday, September 11, 2019	8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Adoration; 9:30 AM Mass ; 7:00 PM Scout Pack 1421	
Thursday, September 12, 2019	8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Adoration; 9:30 AM Mass ; 6:00 PM –7:30 PM Food Pantry	
Friday, September 13, 2019	Church closed for cleaning in AM	
Saturday, September 14, 2019	4:10 PM Confessions; 5:00 PM Mass	
Sunday, September 15, 2019	8:30 AM Mass (+Petrona Huchin req. by Gloria Bolecek); 9:45 AM Religious Education; 11:00 AM Mass	

Upcoming Parish News/Events

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR 2019 ENTRUSTED TO THE POPE'S WORLDWIDE PRAYER NETWORK (APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER)



SEPTEMBER

The Protection of the Oceans

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

Photos from the space station show planet earth as a beautiful blue marble with two-thirds of it covered by water. But here on earth, it is not so beautiful. We hear stories and see pictures of destruction. Ocean plastics kill millions of marine animals each year. Whales die with stomachs filled with plastic refuse. Coral reefs that sustain fisheries and tourism are disappearing. Every year 300 million tons of metals, sludge, and solvents are dumped into the world's waters. One-third of fish species are threatened with extinction.

The Bishops of the Philippines once asked: "Who has turned the wonder world of the seas into underwater cemeteries bereft of color and life?" We who are causing this destruction can and must reverse our direction and come to the aid of our planet. Following the lead of Pope Francis, we must protect and preserve our oceans.

How? First we must acknowledge the reality, the destruction that continues. We must grow in appreciation of the place that the oceans play in our lives. Life came from and continues to come from water, from the oceans. Pope Francis has called for an "ecological conversion." Not only must birds and animals be protected but now the oceans themselves.

Pope Francis explained that Christians have a responsibility to care for the world's seas and oceans, and to keep them from being littered "by endless fields of floating plastic." Calling this an emergency that must be fought with active commitment, he pleaded: "It is my prayerful hope that Christian communities may contribute more and more concretely to help everyone to enjoy this indispensable resource, in respectful care for the gifts received from the Creator, and in particular rivers, seas and oceans."

Fr. Peter Schineller, SJ Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (USA & Canada)

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Every one of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:33

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to

VOCATIONS

share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly

are His Disciples.

"Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." Are you being called to discipleship as a priest? The Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.







Pray for the Sick of our Parish

Bob Arnold, Fran Arnold, Mike Arnold, Estelle Bareford, Donald Barker, Kevin Bera, David Biddulph, Maria Bridge, Lee Brooks, Daniel Clarke, Cindy Cook, Harvey Eckert, Jacqueline Eckert, Levie Edmond, David Geary Jr., Verde Halley, Antionette Hilyard, Jean Johnson, Michael Johnson, Jennifer Leaming-Lyons, Cindy Lentz, Dawn Long, Esther Luiggi, Matekenya Family, Patrick Moore, Donald Paradis, Marianna Porter, Barbara Purks, Duane Riden, Wayne Scott, William Simulcik, Hadley Spacht, Scott Trice, Richard Wassels, Jonathan Webb, Joan Williams

If you would like to add/remove someone to the Sick of our Parish list, please call Chris Nowark at 804-448-9064 or email her at office@saintmarycc.org. All prayer requests will remain in place for 6 months and then be removed. Thank you.

Religious Education Classes Started August 25th

Sundays, 9:30 AM—10:44 AM. \$45 per child with a maximum of \$125. Please follow the link below to register for MyChurch and Religious Ed. log in:

https://connectnow.parishsoft.com/richmond/ If you have registered before and can't remember your password, please follow the instructions on the website to reset your password. Contact Gina Stargel for more information

Email gcip81@yahoo.com or Call 850-449-3746



Did you know that our Religious Ed program starts at age 3!

If your child is turning 3 by September 30th then they are eligible for our 3-year-old Pre-K Class!! Look for our sign-up sheets in the Narthex.



Second Collection this week is for our Religious Education. Thank you for your generosity!

OFFERTORY GIFTS			
2019	July	YTD	
Sat/Sun/Holy Days	\$13,278		
On Line Giving	\$5,885		
Total Actual Receipts	\$19,163	\$19,163	
Budgeted Receipts	\$19,658	\$19,658	
Over/Under	(\$495)		
Building Fund Collections			
Actual Receipts	\$3,868		



PARISH PICNIC AND CHURCH MINISTRIES FAIR will be held on October 20th after the 11 AM Mass. Sign up's are in the Narthex.

TRUNK OR TREAT will start at 1:30 PM in the church parking lot





FOOD PANTRY IS IN **NEED OF PLASTIC BAGS—PLEASE PUT** THEM IN THE BIN IN THE NARTHEX



If you are a Catholic woman age 21 or older and practicing your faith, Woman's Club please join us for The Catholic Woman's Club Membership Tea on

Monday, September 23rd at 2:00 PM at The Columbian Center, 2324 Pump Rd. The Catholic Woman's Club promotes Catholic ideals through intellectual, cultural and spiritual development and philanthropic endeavors. For reservations, please contact Joan Walton at 804-266-3612 no later than September 16th. We hope to see you on September 23rd! www.cwcrva.org

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

That we may come to recognize that everything we have is a gift from God and we are called to generously share all of our gifts.

BLANKETS NEEDED

The area Homeless Shelters are in need of blankets for the Winter. Please put them in the bin in the Narthex.





SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR POLISH/SLOVAKIAN DINNER

Sept 21st

4:00 PM—7:00 PM



COST PER PERSON Advance Tickets—\$10 Tickets at the Door—\$12 Children under 10-\$6

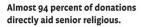
Tickets on sale in the Narthex

Community/Diocesan Events



Perhaps there was a Sister Clare in your life.
Perhaps a special woman or man religious shared with you love, faith, and a belief in all you could become. Maybe you knew more than one. Today those sisters, brothers, and religious order priests may be elderly, and their religious communities may struggle to meet retirement needs. Your gift to the

struggle to meet retirement needs. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious supports necessities—such as medications and nursing care—and helps ensure the next generation of Sister Clares can continue in ministry. Please give generously.



retiredreligious.org

Fr Muddu.....804.448.9064.

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National Religious Retirement Office
3211 Fourth Street NE
Washington DC 20017-1194
Make check payable to Retirement Fund for Religious.

Or give at your local parish.



Catholic Diocese of Richmond 1820 Bicentennial 2020



2020 Diocesan Bicentennial Celebration To kick-off the 2020 Diocesan Bicentennial Celebration, there will be a Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC led by Bishop Knestout:

Join Bishop Knestout as he kicks off the 200th anniversary celebration of the founding of the Diocese of Richmond with a spiritual pilgrimage to the Basilica in Washington, DC on Saturday, October 12, 2019. The day begins at the Basilica at 10:00 am and concludes following the Sunday Vigil Mass at 5:15 pm. Registration is required. For more information including registration, transportation options, and meals, visit 2020.richmonddiocese.org OR contact 2020@richmonddiocese.org OR 804-622-5200.

Bishop Knestout encourages anyone aware of sexual abuse of minors on the part of clergy or staff of our diocese to notify civil authorities, call the Attorney General's Clergy Abuse Hotline at 1-833-454-9064, and reach out to the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Jennifer Sloan at 1-877-887-9603.

PARISH OFFICE

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Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony (a minimum of 6 months preparation is

typical), and Anointing of the Sick, or to receive a home visit or home blessing,

Food Pantry, *Cathy Poole*......804-448-8353 Knights of Columbus, Ron Wisniewski......804-448-4348 Weekly Bulletin......804-448-9064office@saintmarycc.org Children's Liturgy of the Word, *Annette Jewell*.....804-305-7566 Religious Education Coordinator, Deacon Dave......804-448-9064djgeary4531@comcast.net Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Sarah LaMontagne...412-848-0639 Arts & Environment, *Katie Boltz*......804-448-9339 Music Ministry, Valerie Sparks......804-572-1768 RCIA, Deacon Frank Leaming......804-761-5714 Prayer Shawl Ministry, *Penny Geary*.....honeybepenny@comcast.net Liturgical Ministries, Deacon Frank Leaming......804-761-5714 Collection Counters, *Joan Cormier*.....804-466-0458whitedovejec@gmail.com Cemetery Inquiries, *Gloria Bolecek*.....804-633-4320