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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 4, 2024

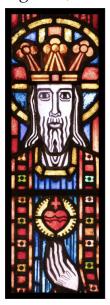
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To register as a parishioner: bit.ly/jointhecathedral



MASSES

Tuesday-Friday: 12:00 N Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Wednesday: 6:00–7:00 pm Saturday: 4:00–4:45 pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday: 6:00-7:00 pm

Christ the King window in the Cathedral (1931)

Book Study

Wednesdays, August 7, 14, 21 | 7:00-8:30 pm

Parishioners are invited to participate in weekly discussions of the *Great Divorce* (1945) by C.S. Lewis. This novel presents the Christian view of heaven and hell.

Discussion questions will be emailed in advance of the meeting. There will be a young adult and Zoom tracks. Bring a potluck dish to share if you would like. Registration: bit.ly/REGISTER4STUDY

The book can be purchased independently or an electronic copy can be accessed here: https://bit.ly/AUGUSTSTUDY

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QR Code for Parking

Parking validation for Saturday and Sunday Masses only.

When parking in the VCU Deck (801 W. Main St.):



- Pull and keep a ticket to enter deck
 Use this code from this bulletin or:
 - 3. Take a photo of the code with your phone
 - When leaving the deck, insert your ticket first, then when asked for payment, scan

the code and the gate will open.

Valid until June 2025

COMMUNITY

	Calendar
Saturday, August 3 4:00 pm	17 th Week of Ordinary Time Confessions
5:00 pm	18 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass (+Marsha Myers)
Sunday, August 4 9:00 am 11:00 am 12:15 pm 5:00 pm	18 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass (+Allen West) <u>Cathedral Facebook Livestream</u> Mass (+David McCarthy) Social Justice Committee meeting Mass (pro populo)
Monday, August 5	Dedication of St. Mary Major Church closed No Mass
Tuesday, August 6 12:00 N	Transfiguration of the Lord Mass (+Collective month's mind)
Wednesday, August 7 7:30 am 12:00 N 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Sixtus II and Companions Lauds (bit.ly/cshlauds) Mass (+Antonio Buffa) Confessions and adoration Book Study
Thursday, August 8 12:00 N	St. Dominic Mass (+John Kasey)
Friday, August 9 12:00 N 12:45 pm	St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross Mass (+Most Rev. J. Louis Flaherty) Church closed

Intercessory Prayers

Pope's monthly intention (August): For political leaders: We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

Vocations (18th Sunday in Ordinary Time): "The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven" (John 6:33). Reflect upon the sacred nature of the divine bread and contemplate if He is calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: wocations@richmonddiocese.org.

Sick: Richard Heberle, Margaret Huber, Madeline Peace.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA): Inquirers: Ahmed Abbas, Lisa Adams, Nishaun Battle, Amanda Booth, Hong Chi, Lawrence Creech, Andrew Farrell, Terry Freeman, James Gropp, Ashley Jefferson, Anna Pletch, Wray Walker; full communion: Jason Adams, Jason Austin, Jill Krais, Reed Lutow, Karen Rubins, Faith Skibins, Maria Soringalvarro, Avery Witherow; Confirmation and First Communion: Nina LaPres, Izamar Martinez, Kathleen O'Neill.

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Offertory Collection

 July 27–28
 Year-to-Date

 Weekly amount budgeted
 \$18,500
 \$74,000

 Weekly amount received
 \$14,434
 \$53,271

 -\$4,066
 -\$20,279

Additional gifts received for Mission Cooperative Program (St. Joseph, Woodlawn; All Saints, Floyd; Risen Lord, Stuart): updated total, \$6,623.68

The Cathedral's \$2.2 million budget for fiscal year 2025 includes \$67,000 for charity (3 percent of the total). Of these funds, \$21,000 is given to area organizations that care for the poor in the form of social justice grants. Last year, the following grants were made:

Cathedral Catechesis (service projects): \$1,000 Circle Center Adult Day Services: \$2,000 Commonwealth Catholic Charities: \$1,250

Greater Richmond SCAN (child abuse prevention): \$1,000

Home Again (homeless assistance): \$1,000

Mary's Choice RVA (pregnancy resource center): \$2,500 Richmond Hill, Inc. (healing for Richmond): \$1,400 RISC (community organizing for local change): \$2,000 Saint Francis-Manchester (elderly residence): \$5,250 SOAR365 (assistance for persons with disabilities): \$1,500 The Virginia Home (home for disabled adults): \$2,500

Knights of Columbus Yard Sale

September 14 | 8:00 am - 3:00 pm | Cathedral

The Knights of Columbus are accepting donations for the annual yard sale. If your item(s) is no larger than a small bin, you are welcome to drop these off and leave them on the table in the parish hall. Larger items can be dropped off on Fridays, 9:00~am-12:00~N. Please contact Jack Judge prior to dropping off furniture (631/455-7348). Thank you.

Young Adults

August 7 Confessions and adoration | 6:00 pm Book Study | 7:00–8:30 pm | Cathedral or Zoom August 20 Monthly holy hour | 6:00 pm | Cathedral October 18–20 Young Adult retreat | Kill Devil Hills, NC Registration: https://bit.ly/4bBOEu2

For more information, visit evangelizerichmond.org/young-adults.

WORSHIP

What is Eucharistic Adoration?

Eucharistic adoration refers to worship of the Blessed Sacrament, usually when it is exposed on the altar. This worship of the Eucharist flows from Mass and leads back to it. "Exposition of the holy eucharist... is intended to acknowledge Christ's marvelous presence in the sacrament. Exposition invites us to the spiritual union with him that culminates in sacramental communion" (Holy Communion and the Worship of the Eucharist outside Mass, no. 82).

Lauds (Morning Prayer)

Wednesdays | 7:30 am | Zoom: bit.ly/cshlauds

Pray the church's beautiful Morning Prayer with fellow parishioners. This prayer lasts twenty minutes and is a great way to start the day.

Cathedral Foundation Organ Campaign

Turning "Pipe" Dreams Into Reality

The pipe organ is the only musical instrument that can support the singing of the assembly because of its ability to sustain tones for an extended amount of time. As long as wind is supplied, just one note can sound for as long as a key is depressed.

Pope Benedict XVI observed that the varied qualities of sounds (from soft to loud, or gentle to brash) reflect "the fullness of human sentiments, from joy to sadness, from praise to lamentation." The late pontiff reflects further that "the manifold possibilities of the organ in some way remind us of the immensity and the magnificence of God" (*Greeting of the Holy Father during the Blessing of the New Organ*; Regensburg, Germany, Alte Kapelle, September 13, 2006).

Organ Dedication

October 29–30 | 7:00 pm

Parishioners are invited to two events that will launch the Cathedral's new gallery pipe organ. Both events will feature Olivier Latry, titular organist of the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris.

DEDICATORY VESPERS

October 29 | 7:00 pm | Cathedral

There are no tickets or registration for this event. It is free and open to the public.

INAUGURAL CONCERT

October 30 | 7:00 pm | Cathedral

This event is sold out. Sign up for the waitlist:

https://richmondcathedral-music.ticketleap.com/olivier-latry/.

THE EUCHARIST: OUR TREASURE

"The Eucharist is the supreme proof of the love of Jesus. After this, there is nothing more but Heaven itself."

-St. Peter Julian Eymard (1811-1868)

SERVICE

The LightHouseRVA Wrap-up

Thank you for your generosity. Thirty-nine gift cards with a total value of \$800 were collected.

LightHouse RVA supports women in recovery. https://www.thelighthouserva.org

Our Twin Sister in Haiti

St. Paul's, Carissade

Haiti has become known for natural disasters, a presidential assassination, civil unrest, and kidnapping. Despite these challenges and perennial economic distress, the Cathedral's efforts in Carissade have continued uninterrupted. This work includes pastoral care, a medical clinic, livelihoods projects, and the parish school. Members of the Haiti committee are in touch with Fr. Pierre Dieunot several times each week, and he is pleased to report this past academic year, the school had 435 elementary students. The school recently closed for the summer, with roof repairs as the most pressing need there.

The Cathedral takes up two collections each year to support this Haiti ministry. Other donations can be made online: https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZABM/home. For more information, please contact Dale Fickett (dfickett@richmond.edu).

All Saints Catholic School

August Service Project

School supplies will be collected for All Saints Catholic School through the month of August. The most needed items are:

• Dry erase markers

• Playdough

• Lined paper

• Sentence strips

Pens

• Crayons

Markers

Tape

• Staplers

Staples

• Pencils (preferably pre-sharpened)

• Large mechanical pencil sharpeners

Bins will be set up in the back of church and in the parish hall through Sunday, August 25 for your donations. Thank you.

Social Justice Speaker Series: A Call to Faithful Citizenship

August 11 | 12:15-1:15 pm | Parish Hall

Jeff Caruso, Executive Director of the Virginia Catholic Conference, an organization established in 2004 to advance the public-policy interests of Virginia's bishops and the Richmond Diocese by advocating for public policy reflecting natural law, advancing human dignity, and serving the common good, will soon speak at the Cathedral.

Join us to learn about VCC's mission, the principles of Catholic Social Teaching, and the call to engage in faithful citizenship. A light lunch will be provided. Registration: https://bit.ly/3WfF22j

Ushers

The liturgical ministry of ushers facilitates the reverent and orderly celebration of Mass (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 105). Scheduling is done conveniently online and training is provided. Parishioners who would like to serve as ushers are asked to contact Father Tony (<u>tmarques@richmonddiocese.org</u>).

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Infant Baptism

The first sacrament is the foundation of being a Christian. Baptism, according to the literal meaning of the term, is an "immersion" into the death and resurrection of Christ that shapes all of life: it forgives sins, it makes one son or daughter of God, and it joins one to the Church.

Children are baptized within the first weeks of life, if possible. A class is provided to help parents understand the grace and responsibilities of this sacrament. Baptisms are celebrated year-round at the Cathedral and can be conveniently scheduled. For more information, contact Joy Weir (jweir@richmondcathedral.org).

First Penance and First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion normally takes place when a child is seven years old and in second grade. It is preceded by the sacrament of Penance.

To receive First Penance and First Holy Communion, a child must already be baptized in the Catholic Church and enrolled in catechesis (home, parish, or Catholic school). Several preparation sessions are also required.

First Penance will begin in August 2024. If you have questions on preparing your child for his or her sacraments, please contact Joy Weir (jweir@richmondcathedral.org).

Youth Confirmation

Confirmation for young people is normally received at age fifteen and in 10th grade. This sacrament is a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit that strengthens a person to live out the Catholic faith. To be confirmed, a young person must already be baptized in the Catholic Church and enrolled in catechesis (home, parish, or Catholic school). Preparation sessions (September–May) are also required. Registration: https://bit.ly/RE2425

Catechetical Corner

Registration for catechesis (religious education) this fall is open. Classes are available for children ages 4 years old through rising high school seniors. Classes begin September 15, and all classes meet from 10:05 to 10:55 am (between the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses). Registration: https://bit.ly/RE2425.

Adult

Becoming a Catholic: OCIA

The official name of the catechumenate is being changed from the *Rite* of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) to the *Order* of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA). The catechumenate is the process for entering the Catholic Church.

This change in terminology reflects a more accurate translation of the Latin name for the catechumenate (*Ordo initiationis christianae adultorum*). "Order" designates a collection of rites marking the various stages and circumstances of the catechumenate.

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults includes four groups of people: unbaptized adults, unbaptized children above the age of seven, those baptized in another Christian denomination, and Catholics who did not receive instruction in the faith and seek the sacraments of Confirmation and/or First Holy Communion.

Adult Confirmation

Adult confirmation is for Catholic adults who have already received Baptism and First Holy Communion. Reception of the sacrament of Confirmation completes the sacraments of initiation. The sessions focus on the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion, Reconciliation, and Confirmation.

Please contact Maria Thorsen to register (<u>mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org</u>).

Friday Penance

Every Friday is a day of penance, even outside Lent (*Code of Canon Law*, canons 1250–1251; *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1438). Catholics are encouraged to undertake some work of penance on Fridays. The preferred penance is to abstain from eating meat, although another penance may be substituted, such as fasting, charitable works, or prayer.

"Friday should be in each week something of what Lent is in the entire year. For this reason we urge all to prepare for that weekly Easter that comes with each Sunday by freely making of every Friday a day of self-denial and mortification in prayerful remembrance of the passion of Jesus Christ" (National Conference of Catholic Bishops, Pastoral Statement on Penance and Abstinence [1966], no. 23).

Receiving Holy Communion

The National Eucharistic Revival seeks to help American Catholics deepen their devotion to the Eucharist. Catholics are obligated to attend Mass on Sundays and on holy days of obligation but are not obligated to receive Holy Communion (*Code of Canon Law*, canon 1247).

The Church urges the faithful to receive Holy Communion as frequently as possible, if they are properly disposed (Instruction on Eucharistic Worship, *Eucharisticum mysterium*, no. 37). The proper disposition includes fasting from food and drink (except for water and medicine) for one hour prior to receiving the Eucharist (canon 919 §1). A person aware of having committed a grave (mortal) sin must first confess his or her sins in the sacrament of Penance before receiving Holy Communion (canon 916).