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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 20, 2024

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Bishop of Richmond

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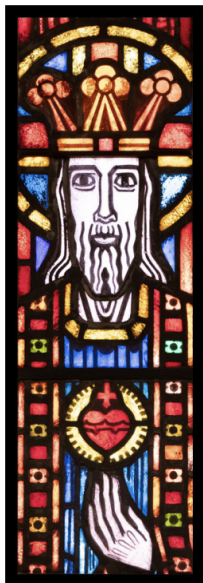
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To register as a parishioner: bit.ly/jointhecathedral



Christ the King window in the Cathedral (1931)

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

Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem Investiture October 25–26 | Cathedral

This year, the Cathedral will host the investiture ceremonies of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. This papal organization traces its origins to the first crusade in 1099. Today, the Equestrian Order supports Christians living in the Holy Land by largely funding the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem, the local diocese that includes Israel, the Palestinian territories, and Jordan. The Equestrian Order's charitable works include orphanages and schools in that region.

Parishioners are invited to attend Equestrian Order investiture ceremonies:

- Friday, October 25 (5:30 pm): Vespers and Eucharistic procession
- Saturday, October 26 (2:00 pm): Rite of Investiture and Mass

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Parking validation for Saturday and Sunday Masses only.



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

1. Pull and keep a ticket to enter deck
2. Use this code from this bulletin or:
3. Take a photo of the code with your phone
4. 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, October 19	Sts. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues and Companions
4:00 pm	Confessions
5:00 pm	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass (+Antonio Buffa)
Sunday, October 20	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am	Mass (+Carl Wolf Sr.) Cathedral Facebook Livestream
11:00 am	Mass (+James Miller)
5:00 pm	Mass (<i>pro populo</i>)
Monday, October 21	29th Weekday of Ordinary Time
12:00 N	No Mass
6:00 pm	Knights of Columbus meeting
Tuesday, October 22	St. John Paul II
12:00 N	Mass (Michael and Kara Horn)
6:00 pm	O CIA
Wednesday, October 23	St. John of Capistrano
7:30 am	Lauds (bit.ly/cshlauds)
12:00 N	Mass (+Joshua Rubenstein)
6:00 pm	Adoration and confessions
7:00 pm	Bible study
Thursday, October 24	St. Anthony Mary Claret
12:00 N	No Mass
Friday, October 25	29th Weekday of Ordinary Time
	Church closed
12:00 N	No Mass
5:30 pm	Equestrian Order Vespers and Eucharistic procession

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Pope's monthly intention (October): For a shared mission: We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

Vocations (29th Sunday in Ordinary Time): "What do you wish for me to do for you (Mark 10:51)?" 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 at (804) 359-5661 or via email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

Sick: Richard Heberle, Margaret Huber, Madeline Peace, Elizabeth Storm.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA): Neophytes: Lawrence Creech IV; Inquirers: Nishaun Battle, Madelyn Clark, James Gropp, Grayson Hannegan, Fabrizio Jimenez, Sydney Jones, Sara Kelly, Anna Pletch, Josh Singh, Nolan Walker, Wray Walker, Russel Williams; Full Communion: Jason Austin, Amanda Booth, Andrew Farrell, Daniel Goetz, Ashley Jefferson, Alexander Kehoe, Kellie O'Brien, Janille Olario, Faith Skibins, Hans Smetane, Avery Witherow; Confirmation and First Communion: Kathleen O'Neill, Kevin Salazar.

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Fiscal Year 2025

(July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025)

Offertory Collection

	October 12–13	Year-to-Date
Weekly amount budgeted	\$18,500	\$277,500
Weekly amount received	<u>\$10,864</u>	<u>\$215,319</u>
	-\$7,654	-\$62,181

At the end of the first quarter of this fiscal year, the parish is more than \$60,000 below the anticipated offertory income at this point in the year. Each week, the collection is budgeted to generate \$18,500 to cover normal operating expenses. The Cathedral is grateful for parishioners' ongoing support.

Hurricane Helene Second Collection

October 19–20

A collection to assist the victims of Hurricane Helene will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. The proceeds will assist the Diocese of Charlotte, North Carolina; Knoxville, Tennessee; and communities of the Diocese of Richmond in southwest Virginia.

Mary's Choice RVA 4th Annual Gala

October 24 | 7:00–9:00 pm | Tuckahoe Women's Club

It is not too late to be a part of this beautiful event to support our Catholic maternity home that serves all women. Our ministry is committed to providing a safe haven for women in need and their children and offers mentoring, parenting and life-skills classes, counseling, support towards job or educational goals, and childcare. We would welcome your support to walk alongside women in need who have chosen life for themselves and their children. To attend, email gala@maryschoicerva.org. Please join us!

Sacraments of Christian Initiation

Congratulations to Lawrence Creech IV, who received the sacraments of Christian Initiation.

"The sacraments of Christian initiation—Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist—lay the foundations of every Christian life. ... 'The faithful are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the sacrament of Confirmation, and receive in the Eucharist the food of eternal life. By means of these sacraments of Christian initiation, they thus receive in increasing measure the treasures of the divine life and advance toward the perfection of charity'" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1212).

YOUNG ADULT

- October 23** Adoration and confessions | 6:00 pm | Cathedral
Bible Study | 7:00–8:30 pm | Cathedral
- November 5** Theology on Tap | 6:00–8:00 pm | Strangeways Brewing,
Dabney Rd., Richmond

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

WORSHIP

Notes from the Choir Loft

“How Lovely Are the Messengers” is a text based on Romans 10:15, set by Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847). Mendelssohn was born into a Jewish family in Hamburg, Germany. He converted to Christianity and succeeded Johann Sebastian Bach as *kapellmeister* (music director) at St. Thomas Church in Leipzig. The conservatory of music in Leipzig is named after Mendelssohn (who was its rector), and from this school, *musikwissenschaft* (musicology) was created. The first conservatories of the United States used the “Mendelssohn system” in teaching music.

Cathedral Foundation Organ Campaign

Turning “Pipe” Dreams Into Reality

Both dedicatory concerts are completely sold out. We are grateful for the support and enthusiasm of so many people. Vespers on October 29 at 7:00 pm is another opportunity to celebrate the installation of this magnificent instrument.

The new instrument fascinates newcomers and mesmerizes parishioners. The volume is determined by how many and the types of stops are engaged by the organist. The entrance and recessional hymns are typically accompanied strongly, while the Communion psalm is often more muted, providing a serene soundscape.

Adopt-a-Stop

Music has long been part of our celebration of faith and connection to our community. The resounding tones that can only be created with a gallery pipe organ have once again raised our spirits at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. You can be part of this historic event by Adopting a Stop or Picking a Pipe.

Over 4,000 pipes and less than 30 stops are still in need of a home. Visit [AdoptAStop.org](#) and lend a hand.

Lauds

Wednesdays | 7:30 am

The Church’s official Morning Prayer is called Lauds (from the Latin *laudare*: “to praise”). Lauds is one of the five “hours” of prayer that make up the Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office or breviary. “The purpose of the Liturgy of the Hours is to sanctify the day and the whole range of human activity” (*General Instruction of the Liturgy of the Hours or Divine Office*, no. 11). The purpose of Lauds is to consecrate the first hours of the day, including work and responsibilities that lie ahead. Its connection to the first hours of light also recalls Christ’s resurrection, “the true light enlightening all people” (no. 38; see Jn 1:9).

THE EUCHARIST: OUR TREASURE

“The first announcement of the Eucharist divided the disciples, just as the announcement of the Passion scandalized them: ‘This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?’ The Eucharist and the Cross are stumbling blocks. It is the same mystery, and it never ceases to be an occasion of division. ‘Will you also go away?’: the Lord’s question echoes through the ages, as a loving invitation to discover that only he has ‘the words of eternal life’ and that to receive in faith the gift of his Eucharist is to receive the Lord himself.”

—*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1336

SERVICE

Commonwealth Catholic Charities Food Pantry

October Service Project

The Cathedral is collecting food items for the Commonwealth Catholic Charities Dibert Food Pantry this month. To date, we have collected over 150 food items.

Items should be placed in the marked bins in the vestibule of church or the parish hall foyer. The following are requested:

- Canned Chef Boyardee meals
- Canned soups
- Pasta
- Oatmeal
- Snacks (granola bars, fruit snacks, crackers, popcorn, chips, etc.)
- Any type of quick fix meals for homeless individuals (canned goods with pop tops, tuna packs, cup o noodles, individual mac-n-cheese, etc.)
- Peanut butter
- Canned fruit or fruit cups
- Spaghetti sauce

Rosary Ministry

Monday–Friday | 3:00 pm | St. Mary’s Hospital, Richmond

The month of October is dedicated to the rosary, and the Rosary Ministry at St. Mary’s Hospital needs volunteers. Rosary Ministry volunteers pray the rosary on weekdays throughout the year, with a particular need on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The rosary is prayed in the chapel, usually by two volunteers, while being televised through closed circuit TV, directly to the patients’ rooms, so they can pray along.

Parking at the hospital is free and convenient. For more information, please contact Mike O’Toole: (804) 908-3721, otoolemj@verizon.net.

The Virginia Home Service Project

October 27 | Following 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses

Stop by the Social Justice Committee ministry table on the Cathedral Plaza and sign a Thanksgiving card for a resident of the Virginia Home.

The Virginia Home is a private nonprofit organization that provides compassionate and professional residential care to 130 adults with irreversible physical disabilities, ensuring that their lifelong comfort and security will never be compromised, regardless of the ability to pay. The Cathedral has enjoyed a long-time connection with the Virginia Home.

Lectors

Parishioners are welcome to serve as lectors at Sunday Mass. Lectors must be baptized Catholics, have received their First Holy Communion, attend Mass each Sunday and holy days of obligation, and, if married, be married in the Catholic Church.

The ministry of lector is also open to young people who are at least in the 6th grade, and who are enrolled in a Catholic school or religious education program.

The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* states that lectors should be “people who are truly suited to carrying out this function and carefully prepared, so that by their hearing the readings from the sacred texts the faithful may conceive in their hearts a sweet and living affection for Sacred Scripture” (no. 101). Those interested in serving as lectors are asked to contact Fr. Tony (tmarquess@richmonddiocese).

CATECHESIS

CHILDREN & YOUTH

ADULT

Treating for Saints

October 27 | 10:00–10:45 am | Cathedral Plaza

All are invited to attend this parish wide event hosted by the middle school youth. Visit each table to learn more about a saint from one of our middle school students and pick up a special treat. In the event of bad weather, the event will be in the parish hall. If you would like to donate a bag of candy for this special event, please drop it off at the parish hall the weekend of October 20.

Something Greater Mass and Concert

October 27 | 5:00 pm | St. Michael's, Glen Allen

Sarah Kroger and Dom Quaglia will have a two-night mission concert. Cathedral young people will join many area high school youth groups for Mass at 5:00 pm, followed by pizza, fellowship, and the concert. The cost is \$7.00 per person, grades 9–12. Contact Joy Weir (jweir@richmondcathedral.org) to sign up.

Diocesan Youth Conference

February 7–9, 2025 | Early Bird Registration: Save \$50

The Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC) is an annual weekend event that gathers high school youth from Diocese of Richmond parishes in one central location. DYC is a highly energetic and engaging opportunity for our high school teenagers to gather as a larger Church community and celebrate the richness of our Catholic faith. Two students to a room: \$310 (\$260 if registered before November 30). Grades 9 to 12. Contact Joy Weir (jweir@richmondcathedral.org) for more information and registration form.

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. Preparation for First Penance takes place in January and preparation for First Holy Communion takes place in April. Register with this link: <https://bit.ly/RE2425U>

Last Week in Catechesis

As caring adults, we have the great responsibility of ensuring the safety of children and youth. The prevention of child sexual abuse requires more than adult awareness, education, and training about the nature and scope of the problem. We must also give children and youth the tools they need to keep themselves safe. This is accomplished by educating them regarding boundaries, safe and unsafe behaviors, and healthy relationships.

Based on research, the Empowering God's Children® is a comprehensive program that helps teachers, catechists, youth ministers, and parents to educate and protect children. An age-appropriate lesson will be taught at every level from Kindergarten to high school students. For more information, please contact Joy Weir (jweir@richmondcathedral.org).

Precepts of the Church

The precepts or obligations of the Catholic Church are “meant to guarantee to the faithful the very necessary minimum in the spirit of prayer and moral effort, in the growth in love of God and neighbor” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 2041). The precepts are these: (1) attend Mass each Sunday and holy day of obligation; (2) confess one's sins at least once a year; (3) receive Holy Communion at least once a year, during the Easter season; (4) observe days of fasting and abstinence; and (5) assist with the material needs of the Church, according to one's ability; and (6) to observe the marriage laws of the Church (nos. 2042–2043).

Pro Populo Mass

The Mass is a sacrifice because it renews the sacrifice of Christ's death and resurrection (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1366). The grace of this sacrifice can be applied to a person or group of people, living or deceased. According to Church law, at least one Sunday Mass (celebrated on Sunday or anticipated on Saturday evening) must be offered “for the people” (in Latin: *pro populo*) (*Code of Canon Law*, canons 388, 534).

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 (mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org).

Bible Study

Acts of the Apostles | October 23 | 7:00–8:30 pm

Acts is the story of how a few Christians, empowered by the Holy Spirit, were chosen to bring the Good News of Christ to the ends of the earth. They faced secular forces, internal strife, and hostile crowds, and despite all of this, they brought the kingdom of God to a broken world and the love of God to the hearts of men and women.

Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom traces how the Gospel witness spreads outward in waves from Jerusalem, and reveals how the seeds of Church structure and authority took root.

Deacon Charles Williams Speaker Series

November 13 | 6:00 pm | Cathedral

Register by November 10: <https://bit.ly/DCWSSBoxie>

This event continues the legacy of Deacon Williams by providing education about racism and Black Catholic history in the Diocese of Richmond. The speaker is Fr. Robert Boxie, Catholic Chaplain at Howard University in Washington, DC and the Sr. Thea Bowman Catholic Student Center. His talk will be “Real Presence, Real Communion: The Eucharist as the Source of Our Unity.” Ticket prices are \$10 per person, \$15 per couple, \$20 per family and \$5 for students. The evening will begin with a holy hour and confessions from 6:00–7:00 pm, followed by dinner. The presentation with Q&A will take place from 7:30–8:30 pm. Parking is available on Cathedral Place and at the VCU Main Street Parking Deck.