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### TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 6, 2024

Most Reverend Barry C. Knestout Bishop of Richmond

Very Reverend Anthony E. Marques, VF Rector

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#### 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)

## Golden Jubilee

## Sunday, October 13 | 11:00 am Mass | Cathedral, Plaza

Msgr. Mark Lane and his classmates will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their ordination to the priesthood next Sunday. All are invited to attend. A cookout on the plaza will follow Mass. The Cathedral parish congratulates Msgr. Lane and his classmates on the ocassion of their golden jubilee.

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#### **QR** Code for Parking

Parking validation for Saturday and Sunday Masses only.

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

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
St. Faustina Kowalska, Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos Stained Glass Windows Confessions
27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass (Stephen and Joie Moore)
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass (+Allen West) Cathedral Facebook Livestream Mass (+Eugene Kasper) Mass (pro populo)
Our Lady of the Rosary Day of fasting and prayer No Mass
<b>27<sup>th</sup> Week of Ordinary Time</b> No Mass
St. Denis and Companions, St. John Leonardi Lauds (bit.ly/cshlauds) No Mass Adoration (no confessions) Bible study
27 <sup>th</sup> Week of Ordinary Time No Mass St. John XXIII Mass (+Ronald Marak)

#### 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 (27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time):** "We see Jesus crowned with glory and honor" (Hebrews 2:9). Will you let the Holy Spirit lead you to be a reflection of His divine glory as a priest? Seek the opportunity to serve and lead others. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: <a href="wocations@richmonddiocese.org">wocations@richmonddiocese.org</a>.

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

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA): Inquirers: Nishaun Battle, Madelyn Clark, James Gropp, Grayson Hannegan, Sydney Jones, Sara Kelly, Anna Pletch, Josh Singh, Nolan Walker, Wray Walker, Russel Williams: Catechumen: Lawrence Creech IV; 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.

## Young Adult

October 5 Stained Glass Windows | 11:00 am – 12:30 pm | Cathedral
October 9 Adoration (no confessions) | 6:00 pm | Cathedral
Bible Study | 7:00–8:30 pm | Cathedral

# Financial Contributions Fiscal Year 2025

(July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025)

#### Offertory Collection

	September 28–29	Year-to-Date
Weekly amount budgeted	\$18,500	\$240,500
Weekly amount received	\$12,900 - <b>\$5,600</b>	\$190,690 <b>-\$49,810</b>

The Cathedral is grateful for parishioners' generosity each week. In addition to the Offertory collection, the following special gifts were received in the last month, totalling \$7,899:

- \$1,749 Blessing of the Organ programs (full color)
- \$4,000 Recording of October Vespers and Inaugural Concerts
- \$250 Recording of October Vespers and Inaugural Concerts
- \$1,000 Baptismal font restoration project
- \$300 Hosts
- \$300 Mobile gift shop cart
- \$300 Temporary storage unit

## **Priest Convocation**

#### October 7-11

The annual gatherings of the priests of the Diocese of Richmond will take place next week. Daily Mass canceled during that time; Eucharistic adoration, but not Confession, will take place on Wednesday, October 9. Mass will be celebrated on Friday, October 11. If there is an emergency that requires a priest during the convocation, parishioners are asked to call the emergency line (804-254-0699).

#### **November Candles**

Remembrance candles are available for purchase in the Cathedral Shop (\$10). These candles will be lit and placed on the St. Joseph altar throughout November, the month dedicated to praying for the faithful departed.

#### Missal Launch

The Cathedral Shop is now taking pre-orders for 2025 missals (the new liturgical year begins December 1). The missal is a good tool for preparing for Mass. The cost of the missal is \$10. To pre-order a missal, please contact Robin Thomas, business manager (business@richmondcathedral.org).

## **Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM)**

We are just about at the halfway point in our semester. Our small groups, Emmaus Project, and prayer groups, have been just a few of the many bright spots thus far. Another impactful ministerial offering has been our catechesis program, highlighting Pope St. John Paul II's, Theology of the Body.

CCM thanks Father Tony and the Cathedral parish for the gift of the new water bottle dispenser in our house. We sincerely appreciate our great relationship with you all, and thank you for your support!

—Chris Spilka Director of Catholic Campus Ministries

### WORSHIP

## "The Surging Joy which Moves Me": A Holy Hour in Commemoration of the **North American Martyrs**

#### October 15 | 6:00–7:00 pm

Each month, a holy hour takes place that includes Exposition of the Most Holy Eucharist, Scripture readings, sacred music, silent prayer, and benediction. The holy hour is a way to deepen one's love and appreciation for the Eucharist, which is Christ himself.

This month's holy hour will focus the North American Martyrs: Sts. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and their companions, whose feast day is October 19. These six French Jesuit priests and two religious brothers evangelized the Huron tribes; they were later killed by the Iroquois between 1642 and 1649 in present-day Canada and New York state. Fr. John de Brébeuf expressed, movingly, a desire for martyrdom in his diary: "My beloved Jesus, and because of the surging joy which moves me, here and now I offer my blood and body and life."

#### Notes from the Choir Loft

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) remains a luminary of classical music. He wrote 1,128 pieces, some as brief as three minutes, and others as long as three hours. Organists revere him, and classical music aficionados know at least one of his works. (One of these, the Toccata and Fugue in D minor, is popular during Halloween.) The Cathedral Choir performs his famed "Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring," which opens his 147th cantata (out of 295, out of which 195 survive).

## **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.

## Adopt-a-Stop

Be part of the "stop action" through the Adopt-a-Stop campaign. Over 4,000 pipes and less than 30 stops are still in need of a home. Visit AdoptAStop.org and lend a hand.

## THE EUCHARIST: OUR TREASURE

"When you have received Him, stir up your heart to do Him homage; speak to Him about your spiritual life, gazing upon Him in your soul where He is present for your happiness; welcome Him as warmly as possible, and behave outwardly in such a way that your actions may give proof to all of His Presence."

-St. Francis de Sales (1567-1622)

#### **SERVICE**

#### Knights of Columbus Coat Drive Wrap-up

This year, 118 coats were collected in September. Your generosity is much appreciated.

#### Commonwealth Catholic Charities Food Pantry **October Service Project**

The Cathedral will collect food items for the Commonwealth Catholic Charities Dibert Food Pantry the month of October. Opened daily and serving over 300 families each month, it is important to keep the shelves stocked.

Items should be placed in the marked bins in the back of church and in the parish hall foyer through the end of the month. The following are requested:

- Canned Chef Boyardee meals
- Canned soups
- Pasta
- Oatmeal

- Peanut butter
- Canned fruit or fruit cups
- Spaghetti sauce
- 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 macn-cheese, etc.)
- Open to accepting toilet paper and any hygiene products

## **Ongoing Service Projects**

#### October 18 | 12:30–3:30 pm | Feedmore

The Social Justice Committee coordinates a monthly service opportunity for Cathedral parishioners on the third Wednesday each month at Feedmore. No special skills are required; the work involves standing at tables to assemble meal items, with some light lifting and stooping required. Come and meet fellow parishioners while providing a valuable service. Please sign up by the Monday prior to service date at https://bit.ly/feedmoreservice. For questions, please contact Richard Robbins (crrobb28@gmail.com).

#### October 24 | 4:00-6:00 pm | Ronald McDonald House

The Social Justice Committee coordinates meal preparation for familes receiving care at area hospitals. We meet and prepare dinner for families staying at the house (2330 Monument Avenue). The kitchen is new with lots of counter space for 8 people to cook a hot meal and make a dessert. For questions and to sign up, please email Christine Burroughs (cmburroug@clarityconnect.com).

## **Cathedral Social Justice Speaker Series:** A Catholic Approach to End-of-Life Care

October 20 | 12:15-1:15 pm | Parish Hall

Medical decisions at the end of life can be highly complex and difficult to navigate. However, the perennial teachings of the Catholic Church can serve as a beacon to illuminate the way, while honoring the infinite dignity of each human life and the redemptive nature of suffering. Dr. Daniel Markley will explore these themes and review a Catholic approach to end-of-life care. Join us for a light lunch. RSVP here: https://bit.ly/47kp63Q

## CHILDREN & YOUTH

#### **Catechesis Second Collection**

Thank you, parishioners, for your generous support of last weekend's second collection for catechesis. Over \$1,600 was collected to support various programs: Children's Liturgy of the Word (9:00 am Mass); weekly religious education classes for children and young people; adult Bible studies; speaker series; preparation for First Penance, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation; and the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA).

There are currently 20–30 participants in Children's Liturgy of the Word; 54 students in elementary catechesis (PreK–5<sup>th</sup> grade), 15 students in middle-school catechesis (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade), 19 students in high-school catechesis, 29 participants in the Acts of the Apostles Bible study, 10 adolescent confirmands, 6 adult confirmands, and 24 participants in OCIA.

Consider a weekly online donation marked for catechesis. For more information, please contact Maria Thorsen, director of OCIA (<a href="mailto:mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org">mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org</a>); or Joy Weir, director of evangelization and catechesis (<a href="mailto:jweir@richmondcathedral.org">jweir@richmondcathedral.org</a>).

#### Save the Dates: Youth Events

#### HADESTOWN PLAY

#### October 18 | 7:30 pm | Collegiate School, Richmond

Middle and High school students are invited to see Hadestown. Hadestown is a version of the ancient Greek myth of Orpheus and Eurydice. Eurydice, a young girl looking for something to eat, goes to work in an infernal industrial version of the Greek underworld to escape poverty and the cold. Her singersongwriter love, Orpheus, comes to rescue her. The music blends American folk with New Orleans jazz. You may see a familiar face or two in the cast. Email Joy Weir (jweir@richmondcathedral.org) by September 29 to reserve a seat.

## 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. We will join many area high school youth groups for Mass at St. Michael's, followed by pizza, fellowship and the concert.

#### **Last Week in Catechesis**

The children in the True Vine (grades 1 to 3) learned about the Bible from a beautiful wooden cabinet showing each book and how the works of the Old and New Testamentvary in size. It is a hands-on way to learning about Scripture. The True Vine atrium (grades 1 to 3) meet atria from 10:05 to 10:55 am (between the Masses). Contact Joy Weir (jweir@richmondcathedral.org) to inquire about registering your child for catechesis.

#### ADULT

## Becoming a Catholic: A Journey of Faith

Are you or anyone you know interested in becoming a Catholic? The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a process for learning about the Catholic faith. Sessions focus on Catholic teachings, scripture reflections, faith sharing, prayer, and worship. This spiritual journey is for adults who have not been baptized, those who have been baptized in another denomination, and adults who were baptized Catholic but did not receive instruction in the faith. Adults who are open to discerning their personal experience of faith and learning more about the Catholic Church are welcome to OCIA.

If you are interested in discovering more about the Catholic faith, please contact Maria Thorsen (<a href="mailto:mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org">mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org</a>).

## **Catechumenate Meals:**

## **OCIA Supper**

Why do the catechumenate sessions begin with a meal? "They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to prayers" (Acts 2:42–47).

Beginning each Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) session with a meal reminds us that we are people of the Eucharist. As a parish community, we care for those who are discerning to become members of the Catholic Church. Please consider providing a meal for an OCIA session, which takes place Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

Please email Maria Thorsen (<u>mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org</u>) or sign up here: <u>https://bit.ly/meal2425</u>

### **Bible Study**

### Acts of the Apostles | October 9, 16, 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.

Registration: https://bit.ly/Actsregistration

Participants may purchase a workbook, but it is not required to participate. https://bit.ly/ActsWorkbook

#### Deacon Charles Williams Speaker Series November 13 | 6:00 pm | Cathedral

## Registration Opens Next Week

The evening will include a special holy hour, dinner, and a presentation by Fr. Robert Boxie. Fr. Boxie is currently the Catholic Chaplain at Howard University in Washington, D++C, and the Sr. Thea Bowman Catholic Student Center.