

CATHEDRAL *of the* SACRED HEART

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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 3, 2024

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Bishop of Richmond

Very Reverend Anthony E. Marques, VF
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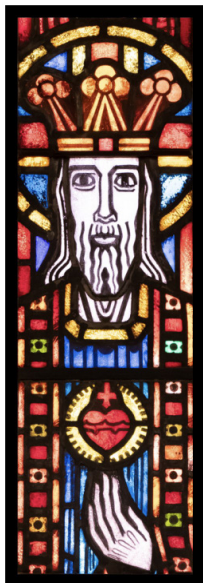
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Monday–Friday: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

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

Knights of Columbus Brunswick Stew Sale Saturday—Sunday, November 9–10 | Pick-up after all Masses

The Cathedral Knights of Columbus are taking orders for their Brunswick stew. The cost is \$8 for one quart or \$15 for two quarts. You can complete an order form by visiting <https://bit.ly/stew24>. If you need assistance, please contact Rick Wildes (804.366.3430, rickywild1@gmail.com).

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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.):

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, November 2	All Souls' Day
10:30 am	Mass
4:00 pm	Confessions
	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm	Mass (+Robinette Smith)
Sunday, November 3	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am	Mass (+Allen West)
	Cathedral Facebook Livestream
11:00 am	Mass (+Kevin Carroll)
12:15 pm	Social Justice Committee meeting
5:00 pm	Mass (<i>pro populo</i>)
Monday, November 4	St. Charles Borromeo
12:00 N	No Mass
Tuesday, November 5	31st Week of Ordinary Time
12:00 N	No Mass
6:00 pm	OCIA
Wednesday, November 6	31st Week of Ordinary Time
7:30 am	Lauds (bit.ly/cshlauds)
12:00 N	No Mass
6:00 pm	Adoration and confessions
Thursday, November 7	31st Week of Ordinary Time
12:00 N	No Mass
Friday, November 8	31st Week of Ordinary Time
12:00 N	No Mass

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Fiscal Year 2025

(July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025)

Offertory Collection

	October 26–27	Year-to-Date
Weekly amount budgeted	\$18,500	\$314,500
Weekly amount received	<u>\$13,562</u>	<u>\$244,038</u>
	-\$4,938	-\$70,462

The changing seasons teach us to embrace change, which can be applied to our giving. The parish seeks to collect an average of \$18,500 per week to meet its budgeted expenses. The Cathedral appreciates your support to ensure we meet this goal. Thank you for your generosity.

God Loves a Cheerful Giver

The Holy Spirit brought the early Church alive by giving individuals gifts that would sustain the Church. By sharing your gifts, you can keep the church alive for years to come. Don't miss the chance to make an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift this year! If you are 70 ½ or, please consider making an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution before December 31. You can make a gift up to \$105,000 directly from your IRA to our parish.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Pope's monthly intention (November): For anyone who has lost a child: We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

Vocations (31st Sunday in Ordinary Time): "You shall love your neighbor as yourself (Leviticus 19:18)." Are you being called to love the Lord with an undivided heart as a priest or religious brother or sister? 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): Inquirers: Madelyn Clark, James Gropp, Grayson Hannegan, Fabrizio Jimenez, Sara Kelly, Anna Pletch, Josh Singh, Nolan Walker, Wray Walker, Russel Williams; Full Communion: Ben Ackerly, Jason Austin, Nishaun Battle, Amanda Booth, Andrew Farrell, Daniel Goetz, Ashley Jefferson, Sydney Jones, Alexander Kehoe, Kellie O'Brien, Brielle O'Connor, Janille Olario, Faith Skibins, Hans Smetane, Avery Witherow; Confirmation and First Communion: Kathleen O'Neill, Kevin Salazar.

YOUNG ADULTS

November 5	Theology on Tap 6:00–8:00 pm Strangeways Brewing, Dabney Rd., Richmond
November 6	Adoration and confessions 6:00 pm Cathedral

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

Away from the Parish

November 4–8

I will be away next week. Daily Mass will not be celebrated during this time. A visiting priest will cover Eucharistic adoration and confessions on November 5. If there is an emergency requiring a priest while I'm away, please call the emergency line: (804) 254-0699.

—Fr. Tony

Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM)

November 9 | 1:00–4:00 pm | Monroe Park

Please join us for our inaugural Interministry Field Day. This Olympic-style event will bring together various Christian ministries at VCU for a day of exciting competitions, team-building activities, and spiritual connection. Interested students are encouraged to sign up via our Linktree or by contacting Chris Spilka (cspilka@richmonddiocese.org).

Missal Launch

The Cathedral 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).

WORSHIP

Prayer for the Souls in Purgatory

Praying for the dead is a spiritual work of mercy. It is praiseworthy to do so during the month of November, which is dedicated to the holy souls in Purgatory.

O God, giver of pardon and loving author of our salvation,
grant, we pray you, in your mercy,
that, through the intercession of Blessed Mary, ever-Virgin,
and all your Saints,
our family members and friends, who have passed from this world,
may attain a share in eternal happiness.
Through Christ our Lord.

V./ Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

R./ And let perpetual light shine upon them.

V./ May they rest in peace. R./ Amen.

V./ May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. R./ Amen.

Notes from the Choir Loft

The Cathedral Choir performs a great genre of music during November, the month dedicated to remembrance of the dead: the *Requiem*. This weekend, the sopranos and altos sing *Pie Jesu* from Gabriel Faure's (1845–1924) famed setting. Its soaring lines are accompanied by the gently lilting rhythmic motifs. The music depicts a soul's rest upon softly waving angelic wings as it journeys toward heaven.

Cathedral Foundation Organ Campaign

Tuning "Pipe" Dreams Into Reality

Thank you to everyone who attended the Organ Dedicatory Vespers and Inauguration Concerts. The titular organist of Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, Olivier Latry, performed at these events to a completely full house. These historic moments will soon be available on the Cathedral's YouTube page.

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.

THE EUCHARIST: OUR TREASURE

How delightful your spirit, O Lord!
To show your sweetness to your children,
you fill the hungry with good things;
offering them the sweetest bread from heaven,
and sending the rich and haughty away empty.

Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharistic Mystery outside Mass, no. 201
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SERVICE

Commonwealth Catholic Charities Food Pantry

The Cathedral collected 1,279 items for the CCC Dibert Food Pantry.
Thank you for your generosity.

Caritas Men's Emergency Shelter November Service Project

The Cathedral will collect the following items through November 17:

- Bath towels
- Compact umbrellas
- Razors
- Irish Spring body wash
- Hand lotion
- Old Spice High Endurance deodorant
- Men's undershirts (sizes L to 3XL, any color)
- Washcloths
- Shower shoes
- Ear plugs
- Irish Spring soap
- Chapstick or lip balm

Below is a direct link to the shelter's wish list. You can purchase straight from here, and Amazon will deliver it to the shelter.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2JHUI07MMLYL/ref=hz_ls_biz_ex

Ongoing Service Project

November 20 | 12:30–3:30 pm | FeedMore, Henrico

The Cathedral's Social Justice Committee is committed to helping FeedMore by assembling meals one afternoon each month, usually the third Wednesday, from 12:30 to 3:30 pm. In October, we will assist Feedmore on the fourth Wednesday (October 23) due to Feedmore's relocation to its brand new facility at 8020 Villa Park Dr., Henrico, VA 23228.

Park in front in designated volunteer spaces and enter through the main entrance. Required dress is long pants, a non-sleeveless shirt, closed toe shoes and a baseball cap or hairnet. Please sign up by the Monday prior to each service date (crobb28@gmail.com).

Altar Servers

The ministry of altar server is open to children and young people who have received their First Holy Communion and who regularly attend Sunday Mass. Parents of children and young people who would like to serve Mass are asked to contact Fr. Tony (tmarques@richmonddiocese.org).

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CHILDREN & YOUTH

ADULT

“Let Heaven and Nature Sing”: An Advent Gathering for the Whole Parish

November 24 | 12:30–2:00 pm | Parish Hall

Many beautiful songs and hymns have been written to tell the Christmas story. Join us for a family event where the lyrics of these well-loved songs will come alive through crafts, games, prayer, food, and fellowship. Come enjoy this fun, hands-on, and meaningful gathering that will prepare your family for the Advent season. All ages welcome. We will start with a potluck lunch. Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/adventsing24>

Fiat Days

Do you know a young woman who is interested in meeting religious sisters and learning about their lives? Fiat Days is a retreat created for those who desire to grow in personal holiness, female friendship, and discernment, with a special focus on the call to religious life. Fiat is open to all 9th–12th grade women. Registration costs \$150 per participant. Register at www.evangelizerichmond.org/events.

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.

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).

Last Week in Catechesis

Last week in catechesis middle-school students hosted the annual Treating for Saints on the Cathedral Plaza. It was an opportunity for the students to research a specific saint and then share the facts they learned with parishioners. Younger children decorated bags to collect saint facts and the treats they received. Thank you for all who attended this fun event.

Purgatory

November is dedicated to the holy souls in Purgatory. Purgatory is best understood as a process of purification, rather than a place: “All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name *Purgatory* to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, nos. 1030–1031).

According to Pope Benedict XVI, we can conceive of Purgatory as the very love of God that draws us to himself: “His gaze, the touch of his heart heals us through an undeniably painful transformation ‘as through fire’ [1 Corinthians 3:15]. But it is a blessed pain, in which the holy power of his love sears through us like a flame, enabling us to become totally ourselves and thus totally of God” (*Spe salvi*, no. 47).

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 (mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org).

Adult Confirmation

Classes are available for adults seeking Confirmation. This sacrament is a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit that strengthens a person to live out the Catholic faith (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, nos. 1285, 1302–1303).

To register, please contact Maria Thorsen (mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org).

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.