

CATHEDRAL *of the* SACRED HEART

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 19, 2025

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Bishop of Richmond

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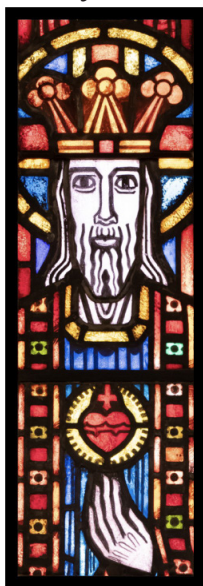
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Monday–Friday: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

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

“God Chose to be Known by Us”: A Holy Hour in Commemoration of the Epiphany Tuesday, January 21 | 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 on the three epiphanies (manifestations) of Christ: the visit of the Magi, the Baptism of the Lord, and the changing of water into wine at the wedding feast of Cana.

According to St. Peter Chrysologus (406–450 AD), “The great events we celebrate today disclose and reveal in different ways the fact that God himself took a human body. ...In choosing to be born for us, God chose to be known by us.”

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QR Code for Parking

Parking validation for Saturday and Sunday Masses only.



Valid until June 2025

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.

COMMUNITY

CALENDAR

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| Saturday, January 18 4:00 pm | 1st Week in Ordinary Time Confessions |
| 5:00 pm | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass (+Rev. Msgr. James O'Farrell) |
| Sunday, January 19 9:00 am | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass (+Sharon Dameron) Cathedral Facebook Livestream |
| 11:00 am | Mass (+Clarence Bullock) |
| 5:00 pm | Mass (<i>pro populo</i>) |
| Monday, January 20 | St. Fabian, St. Sebastian MLK Jr. holiday, Church and office closed |
| 12:00 N | No Mass |
| 7:00 pm | Knights of Columbus meeting |
| Tuesday, January 21 12:00 N | St. Agnes Mass |
| 6:00 pm | Monthly holy hour OCIA |
| Wednesday, January 22 12:00 N | Day of Penance No Mass |
| 6:00 pm | Confessions and adoration |
| Thursday, January 23 12:00 N | St. Vincent, St. Marianne Cope Mass (+Antonino Buffa) |
| Friday, January 24 12:00 N | St. Francis de Sales Mass (+Nicholas Sharp) |

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Pope's monthly intention (January): For the right to an education: Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

Vocations: "Do whatever He tells you" (John 2:5). At the Wedding at Cana, Jesus performs His first miracle, blessing the union of a married couple. Marriage is a sacred covenant, and like the servants at the wedding, we are called to listen to Christ's guidance in our marriages. Take time to pray together and invite Christ into your marriage, trusting in His power to strengthen your bond. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office 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, Fabrizio Jimenez, Sara Omer, Sara Papa, Josh Singh, Stacie Stockton, Steven Taylor, Russel Williams; Catechumens: Sydney Jones, Anna Pletch, Wray Walker; Full Communion: Benjamin Ackerly, Jason Austin, Erica Banks, Nishaun Battle, Amanda Booth, Daniel Goetz, Grayson Hannegan, Ashley Jefferson, Eleana Legree, Corina Nuckols, Kellie O'Brien, Breille O'Connor, Faith Skibins, Avery Witherow; Confirmation and First Communion: Andrew Farrell, Janille Olario, Hans Smetana.

YOUNG ADULTS

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| January 21 | Monthly holy hour 6:00 pm Cathedral |
| January 22 | Confessions and adoration 6:00 pm Cathedral Bible Study 7:00-8:30 pm Cathedral |
| January 25 | Service Project 10:00 am - 12N St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store 2611 Buford Road, RVA https://bit.ly/thriftYA |

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

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Fiscal Year 2025

(July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025)

Offertory Collection

| | January 11-12 | Year-to-Date |
|------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Weekly amount budgeted | \$18,500 | \$518,000 |
| Weekly amount received | <u>\$9,787</u> | <u>\$491,143</u> |
| | -\$8,713 | -\$26,857 |

The Cathedral is grateful for the generosity of its parishioners. During the last quarter of the year, the following unrestricted and restricted contributions were received.

Unrestricted gifts

Bequest: \$227,264, offertory: \$18,500, online: \$9,000

Restricted gifts

Cathedral Preservation: \$10,000 in memory of Mary Helen Rooney DeGorgorza Hormachea and Carroll Hormachea; Knights of Columbus: \$3,500 with a special thanks to Jack Judge and Maria Curran for their help in coordinating the yard sale; campus ministry: \$1,000; baptismal font: \$1,500; music: \$1,500

Thank you for your continued support.

Day of Penance

January 22

The Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children marks the anniversary of the legalization of abortion in the United States (1973). On this day, Catholics are required to undertake some form of penance in reparation for sins against human dignity, particularly abortion. Penance can include fasting, abstaining from eating meat, performing works of charity, and/or spending extra time in prayer.

Farewell

The past five-and-a-half years working at the Cathedral have been a blessing with many learning experiences. However, by the end of the month I will be stepping down as the assistant for worship to accept a new job downtown. I'm grateful for all of the opportunities that this position has allowed me to be a part of, and I want to thank everyone for allowing me to be a part of the Cathedral community. Although bittersweet, I am looking forward to this new chapter in my life. This isn't goodbye, as I will still be around as a parishioner and choir member!

—With the Holy Spirit, Janice Guzman

Free Parking

In Monopoly, a player who lands on Free Parking can stop there for free. (The custom of placing a pool of money in the middle of the board and awarding it to the player who lands on Free Parking should be announced ahead of time, so that there are no accusations of cheating.)

At the Cathedral, there is free parking on weekends on both sides of the street around the church (Cathedral Pl., N. Cathedral Pl., S. Cathedral Pl. / Floyd Ave.). Exceptions include the curve in front of the VCU library and several marked spots.

WORSHIP

Ordinary Time

The term Ordinary Time translates the Latin *tempus per annum*: literally, “time through the year.” Ordinary Time is the season of the liturgical year that is not tied to a particular feast or preparation for a feast (Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter).

“Apart from those seasons having their own distinctive character, thirty-three or thirty-four weeks remain in the yearly cycle that do not celebrate a specific aspect of the mystery of Christ. Rather, especially on the Sundays, they are devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects. This period is known as Ordinary Time” (*General Norms for the Liturgical Year and Calendar*, no. 43).

Flowers

Parishioners may purchase flowers to adorn the altar and tabernacle in honor or in memory of a loved one. The presence of flowers in the sanctuary serves to make the celebration of Mass beautiful and reverent. For more information, please contact Robin Thomas, business manager (rthomas@richmondcathedral.org).

Notes from the Choir Loft

The Cathedral Choir and *Schola cantorum* are on a well-deserved break and will return for duty on Sunday, February 2 for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas). In addition to their regular Sunday duties and the annual Lessons and Carols, the Cathedral choirs were part of historic moments this past season, including the investiture celebrations of the Knights and Dames of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, dedicatory Vespers for the Cathedral’s new gallery organ, and the opening Mass for the Conference of Roman Catholic Cathedral Musicians. Way to go, Cathedral Choirs! Enjoy a few weeks off!

Cathedral Foundation Organ Campaign

Turning “Pipe” Dreams Into Reality

The Cathedral’s new, gallery pipe organ was the centerpiece of the weeklong Conference of Roman Catholic Cathedral Musicians that began on January 6. This was the first time that the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart hosted this convocation. Participants experienced “life at the Cathedral” with Mass, Lauds (Morning Prayer), an opening presentation by Fr. Tony, two concerts, and a holy hour. Cathedral musicians from St. Patrick’s (New York City), Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart (Houston), Holy Name (Chicago), St. Mary’s (San Francisco), St. Thomas More (Arlington), and the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington were a few of the sixty or so attendees who delighted in the sounds of our new instrument, then put it through the paces under their own hands.

THE EUCHARIST: OUR TREASURE

“There is no surer pledge or dearer sign of this great hope in the new heavens and new earth ‘in which righteousness dwells,’ than the Eucharist. Every time this mystery is celebrated, ‘the work of our redemption is carried on’ and we ‘break the one bread that provides the medicine of immortality, the antidote for death, and the food that makes us live forever in Jesus Christ.’”

—*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1405

SERVICE

January Service Project

East End Pregnancy Center

The East End Pregnancy Center (EEPC) provides pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, material goods, parenting classes and other resources at no charge to women who are facing an unplanned pregnancy.

Currently, their greatest need is for the financial resources to continue to provide the center with licensed medical staff and equipment to bring these services to women to help them make fully informed decisions about their baby and their future. Please consider making a monetary donation or any of the items below:

- Size 5 and 6 diapers
- Diaper wipes
- NIV, *Beautiful Word Coloring Bible* (Hardcover)
Hundreds of Verses to Color
- Blessings, New Mom: A Women’s Devotional: A Year of Prayers and Affirmations for You and Your Baby*

Items should be put in the bins in back of church or in the parish hall by January 26.

To find out more about the EEPC or to donate, please visit richmondisorlife.com. Thank you for your support.

Ongoing Service Project

January 23 | 4:00–6:00 pm | Ronald McDonald House

The Social Justice Committee coordinates meal preparation for families receiving care at area hospitals. We meet and prepare dinner for families staying at the Ronald McDonald House (2330 Monument Ave.). For questions and to sign up, please email Christine Burroughs (cmburroug@clarityconnect.com).

Sacristans

Sacristans are liturgical ministers whose service helps to ensure a worthy and reverent celebration of Mass (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 105b). Volunteers are needed to help set up for Mass and clean up afterwards. Duties include arranging the liturgical books, sacred vessels, and other items. There would be two time slots for sacristans: 45 minutes before Mass for preparation, and 20 minutes afterward to put things away. Parishioners could volunteer for either or both time slots, choosing which weekends they would be available. Scheduling would take place through the parish’s online scheduler. Training for the ministry of sacristan is happily provided. If you would like to serve the Cathedral as a sacristan, please contact Fr. Tony (tmarques@richmonddiocese.org).

CATECHESIS

CHILDREN & YOUTH

ADULT

Baptism Information Class

January 19 | 8:30–8:50 am | Parish hall

Parents seeking baptism for their child(ren) ages 0–6 are invited to a short information session in the Parish Hall. The presentation will review the steps involved in having a child baptized and a tour of the church.

Baptism is the first sacrament and the foundation of being a Christian. According to the literal meaning of the term, baptism 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.

For more information, please contact Joy Weir (jweir@richmondcathedral.org).

First Penance Preparation

January 19, 26 | 12:15–2:15 pm | Parish Hall

The sacrament of Penance precedes First Holy Communion. It normally takes place when a child is seven years old and in 2nd grade. To receive the sacrament of Penance, a child must already be baptized in the Catholic Church and enrolled in catechesis (home, parish, or Catholic school). Students prepare together with their parents, and each session begins with a potluck lunch. Registration: <https://bit.ly/RE2425U>.

Save the Date

Vacation Bible School | June 16–20 | Cathedral

The Cathedral Vacation Bible School is a wonderful week filled with Bible stories, games, snacks, music, crafts, skits, prayer, and daily Mass. Campers are ages 4 to rising 5th grade students. The cost is \$25 per camper. Rising 6th grade and up can volunteer at the camp. Priority registration for Cathedral parishioners will open soon.

This Week in Catechesis

Catechesis for PREK-HS students resumes this week. The classes will all visit the church within the coming weeks to venerate the Jubilee Cross and pray the Jubilee prayer.

Jubilee 2025

Pilgrims of Hope

“Hope is born of love and based on the love springing from the pierced heart of Jesus upon the cross: ‘For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life’ (Romans 5:10). Christian hope does not deceive or disappoint because it is grounded in the certainty that nothing and no one may ever separate us from God’s love” (*Spes non confundit*, no. 3 §1).

The special Jubilee Year Cross will remain in the sanctuary throughout the year so that the faithful can venerate it. Parishioners are encouraged to pray the Jubilee prayer that has been placed near the Cross.

Ongoing Acts of the Apostles Bible Study

Wednesdays, January 22, 29 | 7:00–8:30 pm | Parish Hall

Acts is the story of how a few Christians, empowered by the Holy Spirit, were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News 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.

Each meeting includes a video presentation, discussion, prayer, and fellowship. Registration: <https://bit.ly/Actsregistration>

Deacon Charles Williams Speaker Series for Racial Healing

February 5 | 6:00–8:30 pm | Cathedral

Registration: <https://bit.ly/DCWSSFeb25>

This event honors the memory of Deacon Charles Williams by educating individuals and groups on racial injustice and promoting racial healing and reconciliation. The evening will include a holy hour with confessions available, dinner and a presentation by Tanya LeSane, Director of Religious Education at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Richmond.

Immigrants, Migrants, and Refugees: Walking with our Brothers and Sisters in the Peripheries

February 16 | 12:15–1:15 pm | Parish Hall

Due to the current sociopolitical climate in the United States and around the world, immigrants, migrants, and refugees are being reduced to statistics associated with negative stereotypes and sweeping generalizations. As Catholics, informed by divine teaching on matters that include social justice issues, how can we accompany and support our brothers and sisters in the peripheries through the lens of the faith as we continue to move forward into the Year of Jubilee 2025?

Join us for a light lunch ‘n learn from Daniel Villar, Director for the Office of Ethnic Ministries, Diocese of Richmond. RSVP: <https://bit.ly/SJCimmigrants>