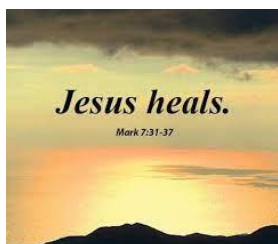


# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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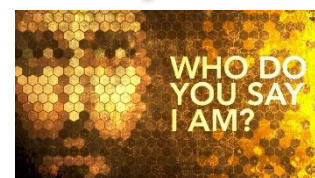


## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 12 2021

Isaiah 50:4c-9a  
Psalm 116:1-6, 8-9  
James 2:14-18  
Mark 8:27—35



#### CELEBRATIONS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST / MASS:

Occasionally due to funerals or other unforeseen and extraordinary events, even sometimes at the very last minute, the Mass schedule may have to be modified. Please contact the parish office to make certain. Weekday & weekend livestreamed Masses are recorded and available after on the parish website. Holy Days: 9:00 AM (L) & 7:00 PM Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM (L) Sunday: 8:30 AM & 11:30 AM Weekdays: Tuesday—Friday: 9:00 AM (L)

Parish Staff

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**Finance Council Chair:** Joe Noto ([jfnoto@hotmail.com](mailto:jfnoto@hotmail.com))

... IN THE NAME OF  
Jesus the LORD. AMEN.

#### The Prayer Tree:

Call (540) 949-7611 or (540) 221-4162  
for special prayer requests

#### Eucharistic Adoration:

One hour after Friday 9:00 AM Mass

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:30—4:30 PM; or as always by appointment.  
Call Fr. Rolo for an appointment at a different time.

**Pastoral Care:** Please contact the Parish Office if you are aware of parishioners who are in the hospital or are sick, frail, or grieving at home, or in an area rehab, convalescent, or retirement facility.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS: M-F / 9:00 AM—3:00 PM**  
**FOR SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES ONLY AFTER OFFICE HOURS CALL: (540) 324-3146**



**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS** to assist with live-streaming Weekday (Tuesday-Friday) and Saturday evening Masses. If you have an interest and a willingness to learn, we will teach you. Contact the Pastor.

#### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

**We strive to Proclaim the Gospel & to Love One Another  
... RIGHT HERE ... RIGHT NOW.**

**PARISH INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY:** In the event of inclement weather during the week, we follow the Waynesboro School System closings. If city schools are closed due to the weather, the Parish Office will also be closed. Check parish website & Flocknote updates.



**"BE STRONG, DO NOT FEAR!"** With every true vocation comes the strength and courage of the One who calls. If the Holy Spirit is prompting you to follow Christ as a priest, contact Fr. Brian Capuano (804)-359-5661 or [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

SEPT 4 SATURDAY	SEPT 5 SUNDAY	SEPT 6 MONDAY	SEPT 7 TUESDAY	SEPT 8 WEDNESDAY	SEPT 9 THURSDAY	SEPT 10 FRIDAY	SEPT 11 SATURDAY
5:00 PM People of the Parish	8:30 AM † Kevin Buntin 11:30 AM † Joseph Wang		NO MASS	9:00 AM † Peggy Perkins	9:00 AM † Gertrude Hughes 	9:00 AM † Larry Hofmann 	5:00 PM † Gary Kessler
3:30—4:30 PM, CH Confessions	10:00—11:00 AM, GALLERY Breaking Open the Word	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY	6:00—9:00 PM, GALLERY & NARTHEX Scouts	 BIRTH OF MARY	7:00—8:00 PM, GALLERY & NARTHEX Cub Scouts	9:45—10:45 AM Adoration 2:45—4:00 PM Rosary of Reparation	 3:30—4:30 PM, CH Confessions

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** John Butler, Dante Chevalier, Margaret Cowan, Linda Dean, Gerald Eggleston, Tom Evans, Raven Garcia, Calvin Handsome, Colleen Hondel, Ray Johnson, Bernie McGough, Donald Narducci, Gustavo Ortiz, Marie Overstreet, Kathleen Snead, Tiffany Sobczak, Lara Ward, Graciela Zavala;

**DECEASED:** Ruth Anne Duckworth, Sr. Mary Anne Fedor, Margaret Goodwin, Victoria Lubeley, Robert Villiot;

**IN THE SERVICE OF OUR COUNTRY:** Sr. Airman Michael Brown USAF, Sgt. John Burns, LCDR Christopher Farkas USN, Sgt. David Grennan US Army, Col. Brent Harms USAF, Maj. David Hildebrand US Army, Sgt. Christopher Kennedy, Jimmy Negrete, LCDR Megan Piotrowski USN, LCDR David Piotrowski USNR, Maj. Benjamin Sprouse, and all who go unnamed.



*pray*



**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 6 — SEPTEMBER 11, 2021** (view online at [www.usccb.org/bible/readings](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings))


MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 • Colossians 1:24—2:3 • Psalm 62:6-7, 9 • Luke 6:6-11  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 • Colossians 2:6—15 • Psalm 145:1-2, 8-11 • Luke 6:12—19  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 • Micah 5:1-4a or Romans 8:28-30 • Psalm 13:6 • Matthew 1:1—16, 18-23  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 • Colossians 3:12-17 • Psalm 105:1-6 • Luke 6:27—38  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 • 1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14 • Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11 • Luke 6:39-42  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 • 1 Timothy 1:15-17 • Psalm 113:1—7 • Luke 6:43-49



**FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA),** St. John's Christian Initiation for Adults is year-round and tailored to each individual's needs. Please contact Fr. Rolo if you wish to explore full and active participation in the Catholic Church. We look forward to assisting you on your faith journey! Don't wait. We will get you started on your journey whenever you (and the Holy Spirit) are ready.



**SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION AND OUR BUSY LIVES ARE NOW EVEN BUSIER!**  
Have you considered Online Giving? It's so easy and safe. Simply visit [www.stjohnnevan.com](http://www.stjohnnevan.com) and click on the Online Giving icon at either the top or the bottom of the home page. You can choose to sign up to use it often or click Quick Give for a one-time offering. Thank you for your generosity.



**BREAKING OPEN THE WORD (BOW)** meets every Sunday, between 10:00—11:00 AM in the Gallery next to the Narthex. Join fellow parishioners to meet and discover the Lord's presence in the Word and deeper meaning in the Sunday readings. Our lively discussions help us discern how scriptures impact our faith and our daily living. All are welcome to join in any Sunday!



**JOIN US ON FLOCKNOTE!** Text **SJECC** to **84576**. Just take a few minutes to sign up, and you're on your way to receive email or text messages from the groups and ministries that YOU choose. Your personal information remains confidential.

**CURSILLISTAS,** please join our next Grand Ultreya Zoom gathering on Sunday, September 12 at 3:00 PM. Check your email for Zoom details or contact Valley Cursillo at [valleycursillo@gmail.com](mailto:valleycursillo@gmail.com).



**CURSILLO WEEKEND!** Who is the Holy Spirit calling? Cursillo is a worldwide Christian movement dedicated to helping others encounter the Spirit of God. Our goal is to provide a beautiful and powerful retreat experience that allows the babe chicks (people on the retreat) to get closer to God and build a community centered in Christ. On the last day, everyone on the retreat is entered into a lifelong experience of faith-filled friendship. The Men's weekend is September 23-26 and the Women's weekend is October 21-24, to be held at Saint Clare of Assisi Retreat Center, 620 Buckroe Ave, Hampton VA. You must be 18 or older to attend. The cost is \$100. For more information email [ghrcursillo@gmail.com](mailto:ghrcursillo@gmail.com).

**THE HAITI MINISTRY.** Great damage and much suffering has been felt in the southern part of Haiti after the recent earthquake and tropical storm Grace. The good news is that we see many examples of Haitians helping their fellow Haitians. One example is a group of young doctors who bought medical supplies with their own funds and traveled from Port-au-Prince through a dangerous gang-controlled urban area to rural areas to provide medical aid. Another example is a news organization on La Gonave Island fundraising from their community to share what little they have with their neighbors on the mainland. Haitian-led organizations, such as The Lambi Fund, Fonkose (the people's bank founded by a Catholic priest), and Na Rive, emphasize the need for the leadership of the affected communities and local residents to be directly involved in rebuilding efforts. The Haitian people give witness through their faith, resilience, courage, hard work, and great ingenuity in getting the job done.



## CHILDREN & YOUTH



**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION/CHRISTIAN FORMATION REGISTRATION.** Please complete Christian Formation Registration form online. To find it, go to [stjohnnevan.com](http://stjohnnevan.com), scroll down the page until you see a blue banner titled "New Parishioner Registration is now online. Click here." On the next screen, scroll down to the words "Christian Formation" in bold capital letters. Click it. It will take you to the form that you need to complete.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN.** Our new narthex affords us the space to once again celebrate the Liturgy of the Word with our young people who have not yet received First Eucharist. When we help children honor God, we help families and the community. Liturgy of the Word with Children takes place within the context of Mass. After the priest prays the Collect, children are invited for a blessing and are then led to the narthex for a Liturgy of the Word designed for their comprehension. After their period of prayer, the children return to the assembly in time for the Presentation of the Gifts. Adults who love children and the Mass are perfect candidates to serve as prayer leaders. Parents of young children can also take part by offering assistance for the prayer leaders. Contact Michele Kresge ([mkresge@stjohnnevan.com](mailto:mkresge@stjohnnevan.com)) for more information. Training is available.



**MASS TRANSIT.** Normally one would keep these cards in your car's glove compartment. Not only because of COVID 19, but also in keeping with the care of our common home, we've gone digital! Access these by logging in at [stjohnnevan.com](http://stjohnnevan.com), click on *We Are St. John* drop down menu, click *We are formed in Faith*, then click on *Mass Transit* to get started. The purpose is to help families ready their hearts and minds for active participation in the Eucharist. Not only is it a way for your family to engage with the weekly readings, completed cards will be collected for a monthly drawing for fun prizes. (Some of the prizes support local parishioner owned restaurants!)



**EPIC WAS EPIC!** On Saturday, August 7, one brave middle-schooler from St. John's joined 133 others from around Virginia to partake in the Diocese of Richmond's middle school event called EPIC. At Blessed Sacrament Huguenot School in Powhatan, the youth enjoyed socially-distanced fellowship, participated in a Rise Against Hunger food packing, met new people, listened to talks from high school participants of Discipleship Week and our keynote speaker Ali Hoffman. The day's focus was on courage and connection. We played games, wrote notes of encouragement to refugees relocating to the area through Commonwealth Catholic Charities, raced through obstacle courses, dodged an inflatable wrecking ball, and played a version of Whack-a-Mole by running to find and tap colored lights on cones. Our quote was from St. Joan of Arc, "I am not afraid....I was born to do this."



**VA CATHOLIC DAY AT BUSCH GARDENS AT BUSCH GARDENS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2.** This is an opportunity for Catholics of the Richmond Diocese to gather in community for fun and fellowship. In addition to rides and entertainment, celebration of Sunday Vigil Mass will take place at Abbey Stone Theatre. The \$63 fee includes park admission, dinner as a Diocese (All You Can Eat dinner buffet\*), and Sunday Vigil Mass. Single-day admission tickets are available for \$46 per person. All You Can Eat Dinner Buffet is \$17. The event is open to all youth and families. You can register either as a group, a family, or an individual. [Tickets ordered after Sunday, September 19 will be charged a \\$5 late fee.](#) (\*chicken tenders, pulled pork BBQ sandwiches, mixed green salad, macaroni & cheese, dessert, iced tea & soft drinks. Vegetarian and gluten free options are available for those who request in advance.) The Sunday Vigil Mass does not require ticketing or a cost. Contact Michele Kresge for more information.



**WORLD YOUTH DAY, AUGUST 2023 IN LISBON, PORTUGAL.** "Mary arose and went in haste." (Luke 1:39). Join millions of other young Catholics from around the world for this once-in-a-lifetime experience! Registration information for joining our diocesan pilgrimage as a teen, college student, or young adult is coming as soon as the 2023 dates are officially announced. We expect it to be somewhere between the end of July and the middle of August 2023, and for the pilgrimage to cost between \$3,000-\$4,000 per person. If you are interested, [please fill out this short Google Form](#) or contact [evangelization@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:evangelization@richmonddiocese.org) so they can keep you in the loop as we anxiously await for the dates to be announced!





**THE VIRGINIA MARCH FOR LIFE** is the biggest gathering of pro-life Virginians in our Commonwealth. When we march, we will only be a few weeks away from choosing new leadership for Virginia. To register visit <https://marchforlife.org/virginia-march-for-life/> or contact St. John's Respect Life Committee at [respectlife.waynesboro@gmail.com](mailto:respectlife.waynesboro@gmail.com) to join us in prayer from your home or church during the march. "There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way in which it treats its children."—*Nelson Mandela*

**VOTING WITH A CATHOLIC HEART.** "During this extraordinary time how can we Catholic citizens exercise the rights and responsibilities of our citizenship in a way that reflects what is most sacred to us: our Catholic faith?" - *Stephen P. White, from Voting with a Catholic Heart article in the Catholic Update July 2020 issue.* This year in Virginia, Election Day is Tuesday, November 2. Voters will elect a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Attorney General, and will determine all 100 state House of Delegates seats. The registration deadline for the general election is Tuesday, October 12 and mail-in voting opens September 18. Before voting, please prayerfully form your conscience with resources provided by Virginia Catholic Conference: <https://vacatholic.org/issues/>. We hope you will follow our upcoming bulletin messages about key topics facing Catholics (stem cell research, education, freedom of religion/speech, euthanasia, and the transhumanism movement).

**SAVE THE DATES.** The *40 Days For Life Campaign* begins September 22—October 31. To sign up for vigil hours visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/charlottesville>. Can't do the vigil but want to participate? Email [respectlife.waynesboro@gmail.com](mailto:respectlife.waynesboro@gmail.com) to commit to saying a 40 Days For Life rosary.



**YOU'RE INVITED** to ComfortCare Women's Health fall fundraising *Called for a Purpose* Banquet Tuesday, October 12 at 6:30 PM at the Cornerstone Church of Augusta in Fishersville. ComfortCare exists to promote the value of LIFE so that abortion is no longer desired. Register by October 1, or for more information, contact [respectlife.waynesboro@gmail.com](mailto:respectlife.waynesboro@gmail.com).

**ROSARY OF REPARATION.** Please join us each Friday from 3:00—4:00 PM in the chapel to pray 20 decades of the rosary in reparation of the sins of the world. Penitential psalms begin at 2:45 PM. Praying in reparation for the sins of others is a profound act of charity, especially when most people don't know to do it for themselves. This rosary schedule is subject to parish priorities such as liturgies. Contact Mona Peglow with any questions at [respectlife.waynesboro@gmail.com](mailto:respectlife.waynesboro@gmail.com).



**HI, I'M MOTHER TERESA!** I've been selected by the St. John's Respect Life Committee to be Saint of the month. People started calling me Mother Teresa after I founded the Missionaries of Charity. The sisters in my order take care of the poorest of the poor all over the world. After spending my life taking care of those who had no one to take care of them, and teaching the world about the great love of God, I died and went to Heaven to be with Jesus just a few years ago. Ask your mom or dad if you can enter a coloring contest for a chance to win a Prayer Cube. To enter visit: <https://mycatholickids.com/wp-content/uploads/Saint-Mother-Teresa-coloring-sheet-2.pdf>, ages 2 - 10, send image of the completed drawing by September 10 to [respectlife.waynesboro@gmail.com](mailto:respectlife.waynesboro@gmail.com)). Good luck!

**JUSTICE CHALLENGE:** We celebrate Labor Day this week. Our Catholic Church upholds the dignity of work and the rights of workers. One of those rights is to a just wage, one which provides adequate income to support oneself and one's family. This week's challenge is to advocate for a just wage for all people, no matter what their occupation. As a household, find out what the minimum wage is in your state. Discuss what you would have to give up if your family had to live on the minimum wage. Then decide on one step you can take, such as emailing your state legislators, to support a more livable minimum wage in your state.

**MASSES FOR HOPE & HEALING.** His Excellency Bishop Knestout will celebrate Masses for Hope and Healing for victim survivors of abuse and their families. We encourage you to attend one of these Masses, so that we can come together as a community and pray for healing of individuals who have survived abuse, for those who support them and for continued vigilance for the protection of all our children and youth. The first of these Masses will take place on Friday, September 17 at Our Lady of Nazareth Church in Roanoke at 7:00 PM. Another Mass close by will take place on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at St. Thomas Aquinas University Parish in Charlottesville at 7:00 PM. Light refreshments will be served after. Counselors will be available before and after Mass. For more information, contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (877) 887-9603.



**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER.** Do you hunger for a deeper love in your marriage? Let Jesus fill your hunger by participating in the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience weekend on September 24-26 in Warrenton VA or November 5-7 in Atlantic Beach NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information, visit <http://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact Mark & Cathy Stangler, Virginia Encounter, Worldwide Marriage Encounter at (703) 378-4150, or local couple Kevin & Angie McFarling at (540) 569-6041.



**EXPECTANT MOTHERS.** Please pray with us for expectant mothers (connotes eagerness and anticipation). Call Carolyn Lacy (540) 949-7611, or Peggy McGough (540) 337-3536 to share their names with those who pray.

