

# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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A Roman Catholic Community since 1932

7 November 2021

## Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

14 November 2021

Daniel 12:1-3

Psalm 16:5, 8-11

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Mark 13:24—32



### 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

Weekdays: Tuesday—Friday: 9:00 AM (L)

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM (L)

Sunday: 8:30 AM & 11:30 AM

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**Parish Pastoral Council Chair:** council structure under review

**Finance Council Chair:** currently in transition

... 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**



**CALLING VOLUNTEERS** to plan, create, & edit videos of our New Church Tour for use with visitors and parish ministries. Contact the Pastor if interested. We will train and guide you through the process.



### 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, WHSV TV-3, and NBC 29 for updates.



**"OUT OF HER POVERTY SHE HAS PUT IN EVERYTHING SHE HAD."**

Will you respond with generosity should the Lord choose you for priesthood?  
Contact Fr. Brian Capuano (804)-359-5661 or [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

NOV 6 SATURDAY	NOV 7 SUNDAY	NOV 8 MONDAY	NOV 9 TUESDAY	NOV 10 WEDNESDAY	NOV 11 THURSDAY	NOV 12 FRIDAY	NOV 13 SATURDAY
5:00 PM † Gary Kessler <b>HAITI</b> † Marian Calder	8:30 AM People of the Parish 11:30 AM † Modris Kucs <b>HAITI</b> † Jennifer Centeno	NO MASS <b>HAITI</b> † Tom Woodson	NO MASS <b>HAITI</b> † Raven Garcia  Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	NO MASS <b>HAITI</b> † Richard Bronski	NO MASS <b>HAITI</b> † Robert Weisgerber 	NO MASS  saint <b>JOSAPHAT</b>	5:00 PM † Gary Kessler
3:30—4:30 PM, CH Confessions	10:00—11:00 AM, CHAPEL Breaking Open the Word 		7:00 PM Knights of Columbus Zoom meeting 7:15—9:00 PM, GALLERY & NARTHEX Scouts		7:00—8:00 PM, GALLERY & NARTHEX Cub Scouts 	2:45—4:00 PM Rosary of Reparation 	 St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, 3:30—4:30 PM, CH Confessions

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Eleanor Coyne, Terry Crone, Kiger Davis, Linda Dean, Barbara Ferency, Tommy Hoy, II, Angel Knous, Donald Narducci, Marie Overstreet, Fred Siebermann, Mona White; **DECEASED:** Bill Faistenhammer; **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, Sr. Airman Kory Hartline 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 NOVEMBER 8 — NOVEMBER 13, 2021** (view online at [www.usccb.org/bible/readings](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings))

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8 • Wisdom 1:1—7 • Psalm 139:1—10 • Luke 17:1-6

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9 • **FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA IN ROME**

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 • Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 • 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17 • John 2:13-22

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10 • Wisdom 6:1—11 • Psalm 82:3-4, 6-7 • Luke 17:11—19

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11 • Wisdom 7:22b—8:1 • Psalm 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175 • Luke 17:20-25

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12 • Wisdom 13:1—9 • Psalm 19:2-5 • Luke 17:26—37

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13 • Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9 • Psalm 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 • Luke 18:1—8



**FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH (RCIA),** St. John's Christian Initiation for Adults is year-long 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.

**BREAKING OPEN THE WORD (BOW)** will begin meeting in person in the Chapel, Sundays 10:00—11:00 AM.

Everyone is welcome to join our great discussions on the Sunday readings. Join us any Sunday!




**SIGN UP FOR FLOCKNOTE!** Text SJECC to 84576. Don't have a smart phone? You can participate by going to [www.flocknote.com/SJECCWboro](http://www.flocknote.com/SJECCWboro). Let's keep connected! Or visit the parish website.

**WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR DONATIONS!** Have you considered Online Giving? It's so easy and safe. Simply visit [www.stjohnewan.com](http://www.stjohnewan.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.



**WORLD DAY OF THE POOR.** Next Sunday the Haiti Ministry team will be recognizing the Fifth Annual World Day of the Poor. There will be displays in the Narthex and an opportunity for you to interact. They will have door prizes for those who wish to register as well as an opportunity to interact locally by bringing a non-perishable food item. Boxes will be in the Narthex to collect these items, please no glass containers. Join us as we recognize those who give us an opportunity to give globally and share our resources worldwide. Please continue to pray for those affected by forces beyond their control. Mesi Anpil.

**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. 



**JUSTICE CHALLENGE:** November 13 is World Kindness Day. We know our society has become less caring and more indifferent over the years. Your challenge this week is to perform a random act of kindness sometime between now and Saturday. Don't plan it ahead of time. Just keep alert for the right opportunity to show kindness. If you are open to it, the Holy Spirit will let you know when the time is right to show extra kindness to someone who really needs it. (By the way, this doesn't mean you shouldn't be kind all of the time—because you should!!!)

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**YOUTH CHRISTIAN FORMATION UPDATE!** Materials for those who registered for elementary Christian Formation should arrive soon! If you have not already signed up for FLOCKNOTE please do so! Middle School and High School Youth will begin gathering in the Narthex on Monday, November 15 from 7:00—8:30 PM. Masks are required. We look forward to seeing you then!



**DYC** is for youth in 8-12th grade. It is a highly energetic, engaging, and fantastic opportunity for high school teenagers to gather as a larger Church community and celebrate the incredible richness of our Catholic Christian faith. The conference takes place in Richmond, February 11—13. This year's theme is "Breathe", based on Ezekiel 37 and John 3:8. Our keynote speakers are Paul J. Kim and Lisa Cotter. As we navigate our way through this pandemic, there is a registration cap for all parishes to reduce numbers. We are only permitted 13 participants this year. If you are interested in attending, complete your registration form EARLY!! The cost is \$145. (\$95 if you register by November 28.) When God breathes life into our dry bones, when he fills us with the Holy Spirit, we are empowered to live in a spirit of freedom. That breath from God enables us to discern what God is calling us to do. It enables us to breathe freely as we know that God is the one who guides us, provides for us, loves us. The Lord gives us life; it is time to freely receive it and breathe. Scholarships are available. If you are interested or have any questions contact Michele Kresge at the Parish Office.



**THE OFFICIAL LOGO OF THE SYNODAL PATH**

A large, majestic tree, full of wisdom and light, reaches for the sky. A sign of deep vitality and hope which expresses the cross of Christ. It carries the Eucharist, which shines like the sun. The horizontal branches, opened like hands or wings, suggest, at the same time, the Holy Spirit.

The people of God are not static: they are on the move, in direct reference to the etymology of the word synod, which means "walking together". The people are united by the same common dynamic that this Tree of Life breathes into them, from which they begin their walk.

These 15 silhouettes sum up our entire humanity in its diversity of life situations of generations and origins. This aspect is reinforced by the multiplicity of bright colors which are themselves signs of joy. There is no hierarchy between these people who are all on the same footing: young, old, men, women, teenagers, children, lay people, religious, parents, couples, singles; the bishop and the nun are not in front of them, but among them. Quite naturally, children and then adolescents open their walk, in reference to these words of Jesus in the Gospel: "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned and revealed them to little children". (Mt 11:25)

The horizontal baseline: "For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission" runs from left to right in the direction of this march, underlining and strengthening it, to end with the title "Synod 2021 - 2023", the high point that synthesizes the whole.



**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER.** Do we put our trust in God and allow him to be Lord in every area of our life as the widow did? Sign up today to attend one of the next WWME weekend, January 28-30 in North Myrtle Beach SC. 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.



**MARCH FOR LIFE**, will be January 20-21, 2022. The Office for Evangelization sponsors an annual Diocesan-wide delegation to the annual March for Life in Washington, DC. The March for Life marks the anniversary of the Supreme Court's landmark decision in Roe versus Wade, which makes abortion legal in the United States. The delegation is for 8th-12th grade youth. This two-day pilgrimage where participants attend the "Live is VERY Good" evening of prayer, stay overnight in Northern Virginia, and participate in the morning "Life is VERY Good" youth rally and Mass before traveling by bus to the March for Life in downtown Washington, DC. The cost is \$60 for Youth Participants and \$75 for adult chaperones. All buses are scheduled to arrive in Woodbridge, VA by 7:00 pm at the EagleBank Arena (formerly the Patriot Center) on the campus of George Mason University. Once the Diocesan bus routes are established based on those attending, we will learn our departure time. Contact Michele Kresge for additional information and to obtain a registration form. Registration closes Monday, December 13! Scholarships are available.

**PLANNING FOR THE END OF LIFE.** The Diocese of Richmond, through the Office for Evangelization, invites you to join them for a half day seminar on planning for the end of life. It's an opportunity to hear about what you can do to help get your affairs in order and to plan for the future. The seminar is in person on November 16 at the Pastoral Center in Richmond. There's a virtual option for those unable to attend in person. [Registration](#) will be open until November 9.



Commonwealth Catholic Charities

**GETTING INVOLVED WITH AFGHAN RESETTLEMENT EFFORTS.** As CCC continues to respond to the ongoing needs of families arriving from Afghanistan, the support of the Catholic community across the diocese will be so important. You can help give a fresh start to a refugee family in your community by providing critical supplies to meet needs. In an effort to showcase exactly what those needs are, they have created several Amazon Wish Lists. The wish lists are updated regularly and when an item is purchased, it is sent directly to their Refugee Resettlement team in Richmond. You can visit the Wish List site at [www.cccofva.org/wish-list](http://www.cccofva.org/wish-list) and find the Richmond link to see what is needed. Please consider giving in this way to support efforts in welcoming our brother & sisters from Afghanistan. If you have any questions, please contact John Elwell, CCC's Director of Parish Engagement, at [John.Elwell@cccofva.org](mailto:John.Elwell@cccofva.org).

**GIVING TUESDAY & #IGIVECATHOLIC.** CCC is celebrating #iGiveCatholic on Giving Tuesday this November 30. CCC provides life-changing human services to vulnerable individuals and families throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. Anyone inspired to give on this global day of generosity and kindness to help support CCC can visit <https://richmond.igivecatholic.org/organizations/commonwealth-catholic-charities>. Giving starts on November 15.

**SIGN UP FOR FINANCIAL FITNESS BOOTCAMP.** This November is the start of CCC's 12-month financial fitness bootcamp course, with spots left for anyone interested in improving their finances! The class will meet virtually once a month for 12 months. Participants will also receive a monthly personalized one-on-one coaching session. "We are going to cover a lot of information," said Director of Income & Asset Building Services, Denise Crews. "But it's going to be fun too. I am a firm believer in making learning fun. In addition to engaging guest speakers, we will also have interactive projects, games, and prizes. I know that this program will have a real and lasting impact on a family's future." To enroll or to learn more email [denise.crews@cccofva.org](mailto:denise.crews@cccofva.org).

## BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

November 7, 2021 • 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time • Mark 12:38-44

### Living Life with a Generous Heart

*Jesus mentions widows twice in this reading. The first time is when he strongly criticizes the scribes for walking around in fine robes while they "devour widows' houses" (v.40). The second reference is when he points out a generous widow who puts her whole livelihood into the collection.*

The widow in this Gospel was certainly a woman of faith and an example to all of us. However, I don't think Jesus is telling us that we are all expected to give away everything we have and just trust in him. This is what he told the rich man, of course, and what he seems to be praising in this story is the widow.

But the call to poverty is a specific call and not one that all of us are meant to live. What I do think Jesus expects of us is to live our lives with a generous heart and with the same faith the widow had as she gave her last two coins away. There is a clear message here that we are not to live like the scribes, enjoying the high life, driving expensive cars, wearing fine clothes at the expense of other people. Jesus is also quite clear about sharing what we have with those who are in need. We are not to give just from the extra money we have, the surplus, but also from our bounty. It may not be necessary to give everything away, but we should give away enough to at least feel the pinch.

Jesus also calls us to live our lives poor in spirit, not getting too comfortable with what we have or what we earn. Financial security is no longer a given reality even for folks who work hard, have a dozen degrees and have served a company loyally for years. The widow gave up her livelihood willingly, but in today's economic world some of us are forced into that situation involuntarily. Like the widow, we need to know that no matter what happens we will be OK. We need her faith in God who always provides.

#### FAMILY RESPONSE

Ask everyone to go through their toys or clothes and choose at least two things they can give to people in need. When they have finished, gather again and talk about what you are giving away. Make sure your're giving from your bounty and not just your surplus.

#### PERSONAL RESPONSE

Have you ever had to live without some of the daily essentials of life? How did you cope? How do you think you would cope? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?