

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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A Roman Catholic Community since 1932

14 November 2021

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

21 November 2021

Daniel 7:13-14

Psalm 93:1-2, 5

Revelation 1:5-8

John 18:33b-37

JESUS CHRIST, OUR KING



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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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.



"HEAVEN AND EARTH WILL PASS AWAY, BUT MY WORDS WILL NOT PASS AWAY."

How is Christ calling you to share His eternal words of salvation? Consider a vocation to the priesthood.

Contact Fr. Brian Capuano (804)-359-5661 or vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

NOV 13 SATURDAY	NOV 14 SUNDAY	NOV 15 MONDAY	NOV 16 TUESDAY	NOV 17 WEDNESDAY	NOV 18 THURSDAY	NOV 19 FRIDAY	NOV 20 SATURDAY
5:00 PM † Gary Kessler  3:30—4:30 PM, CH Confessions	8:30 AM People of the Parish 11:30 AM † Richard Crotty 10:00—11:00 AM Virtual Breaking Open the Word Advent Resources in Gallery	 7:00 PM, NARTHEX Middle & High School Open House	9:00 AM † Gary Kessler 7:15—9:00 PM, GALLERY & NARTHEX Scouts	NO MASS PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TODAY FOR MEETING 7:00—8:15 PM, CHAPEL Respect Life  St. Elizabeth of Hungary	11:00 AM † William Faistenhammer 9:00—10:30 AM, CHAPEL Faistenhammer quiet visitation 7:00—8:00 PM, GALLERY & NARTHEX Cub Scouts	9:00 AM † Marian Calder 9:45—10:45 AM Adoration 2:45—4:00 PM, CHAPEL Rosary of Reparation 	5:00 PM † William Herlihy Advent Resources in Gallery 3:30—4:30 PM, CH Confessions Bethlehem Christians selling goods in Narthex

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 Siebenmann, Kathleen Snead, Fr. Eric Vogt, Mona White;

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.



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NOVEMBER 15 — NOVEMBER 20, 2021 (view online at www.usccb.org/bible/readings)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15 • 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 • Psalm 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 • Luke 18:35-43

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16 • 2 Maccabees 6:18—31 • Psalm 3:2-7 • Luke 19:1—10

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17 • 2 Maccabees 7:1, 20—31 • Psalm 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 • Luke 19:11—28

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18 • 1 Maccabees 2:15—29 • Psalm 50:1-2, 5-6, 14-15 • Luke 19:41-44

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19 • 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52—59 • 1 Chronicles 29:10-12 • Luke 19:45-48

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20 • 1 Maccabees 6:1—13 • Psalm 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19 • Luke 20:27—40



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.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD (BOW) will return to meeting virtually on [ZOOM](https://zoom.us) on Sundays at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome to join our great discussions on the Sunday readings. Join us any Sunday!



SIGN UP FOR FLOCKNOTE! Text SJ ECC to 84576. Don't have a smart phone? You can participate by going to www.flocknote.com/SJECCWboro. Let's keep connected! Or visit the parish website.

WITH HOLIDAYS JUST AROUND THE CORNER, OUR ALREADY BUSY LIVES ARE PICKING UP EVEN MORE!

Have you considered Online Giving? It's so easy and safe. Simply visit 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.



WORLD DAY OF THE POOR. Today we celebrate Pope Francis' Fifth World Day of the Poor. Join us in the Narthex for displays, videos, and door prizes. We anticipate acknowledging the poor in our own community through food donations. These are being contributed to a local church for distribution in our nearby community. We acknowledge that many of you give generous financial gifts to organizations that address community needs. This is just a small way that we can demonstrate tangibly our commitment to those around us. Thank you for your ever-generous spirit. May God bless you. Bondye beni ou.

BETHLEHEM CHRISTIANS will be visiting us on the weekend of November 20—21. There will be various hand carved olive wood religious items made by the Christian vendors in Bethlehem for sale after all the weekend Masses in the Narthex. Please come and support them.



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, Hearts of the Valley graciously thank all who participated in our Blood Drive on October 31. The Red Cross had 23 donors and received 17 pints of life saving blood from you. We hope to have another blood drive in March. We look forward to seeing you and others who would like to donate this most precious gift.

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 have their open house in the Narthex on Monday, November 15 at 7:00 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.

JUSTICE CHALLENGE: On November 17th we celebrate the feast day of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. She was canonized a saint for her devotion to the poor and her choice to give up a life of luxury to work with the sick and those most in need. Your challenge this week is to examine your own lifestyle. What is one thing you could do to live a more simple life? What could you give up in order to help someone who has less than you? Choose an item in your closet or home to donate to Good Will or give up one movie you were going to see, or another activity you were going to do, and give the money that it would have cost to Catholic Relief Services, Catholic Charities, or another worthy helping agency. Consider assisting Afghan refugees or our friends in Haiti.



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SYNOD 2021—2023. "We have two ears and one mouth that we may listen twice as much as we speak." —Epictetus "Golden apples in silver settings are words spoken at the proper time. A golden earring or a necklace of fine gold—one who gives wise reproof to a listening ear." Proverbs 25:11-12



10 Steps to Effective Listening

1. Face the speaker and maintain eye contact.
2. Be attentive, but relaxed.
3. Keep an open mind.
4. Listen to the words and try to picture what the speaker is saying.
5. Don't interrupt and don't impose your "solutions."
6. Wait for the speaker to pause to ask clarifying questions.
7. Ask questions only to ensure understanding.
8. Try to feel what the speaker is feeling.
9. Give the speaker regular feedback.
10. Pay attention to what *isn't* said-to nonverbal cues.

Are you an effective listener? Give it a try! For a few days, conclude every conversation, where information was exchanged, with a summary statement.

Schilling, Dianne. "10 Steps to Effective Listening." *Forbes, Forbes Magazine*, 12 Oct. 2020, <https://www.forbes.com/sites/womensmedia/2012/11/09/10-steps-to-effective-listening/?sh=435887213891>



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER. Let us live and love in our marriage as we await the coming of Jesus. Take time for your marriage by attending 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 "Life 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.

FATHER ROLO, STAFF, AND MEMBERS OF ST. JOHN, Our sincere thanks and appreciation for the cards, visits, phone calls, and food during Richard's illness and passing. We are so blessed to be a part of this wonderful parish community. Sincerely, *Monica Bronski & family*



A TIME TO GIVE THANKS

It is tempting during this time of year as the weather begins to cool and the sweaters come out to look straight to the exciting seasons of Advent and Christmas that are just around the corner; however, November should not be overlooked as the great opportunity to pray for those dearly departed who have gone before us, to celebrate the sovereignty of Christ as King of the Universe, and to praise God for all we are grateful for and for the many blessings we have been given!



*Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.
Know that the Lord is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him, bless his name.
For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.*



- Psalm 100 -

BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

November 14, 2021 • 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time • Mark 13:24-32

God Only Knows

In this Gospel we find another scary reading about the end times. Jesus tells his disciples that the moon will not give light and the stars will fall from the heavens. He tells his followers that while there may be signs, only God knows when the last days will be.

We don't have to focus on the end times to experience the feeling of fear and anxiety today. Just living in the everyday of this uncertain world can cause the same concern. So how do we learn to live with this uncertainty? Consider what it is like when a woman is preparing to give birth to a child.

I remember my ninth month of pregnancy, the Christmas before Phillip was born. He was due at the beginning of January. He was our fourth child. Roger Andy was six, Kristin was two, and James was a year. Strangely enough, getting ready for both Christmas and a new baby seemed to help me focus on getting things done.

It was probably the only year I was really ready for Christmas. I was so afraid I would go into labor early that my presents were bought and wrapped, cards were signed and addressed and cookies were baked by mid-December. My house was in order every day because I knew that as soon as I went into the hospital my mom would be coming down from Chicago to help with the kids.

That year I really enjoyed the Christmas season because everything was done and I was ready. I remember sitting with my feet up sipping hot cocoa listening to carols and watching the children play. That was the one and only year I kept a daily journal for a few months. It was such a good feeling being ready—a feeling I had rarely experienced before and hardly ever experienced afterward.

I think that is the peace and joy Jesus wants us to experience as we live every day in these scary, uncertain times. We focus on what we need to be done and get it done. We get ourselves and our lives ready for whatever, whenever, and enjoy the present moment knowing that uncertainty is part of life.

FAMILY RESPONSE

Have everyone answer the following question: If you had only ten minutes to grab the things you wanted to take on a very long trip, what would you make sure to take?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

Other than your family members, what things are most valuable to you in your home? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?