

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

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A Roman Catholic Community since 1932

21 November 2021

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

JESUS CHRIST, OUR KING



First Sunday of Advent

28 November 2021

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalm 25:4-5, 8-10, 14

1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36



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)

Weekdays: Tuesday—Friday: 9:00 AM (L)

Sunday: 8:30 AM & 11:30 AM

Parish Staff

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Parish Pastoral Council Chair: council structure under review

Finance Council Chair: currently in transition

2021 CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS SCHEDULE:

24 December / Christmas Eve Mass @ 5:00 PM & 12:00 AM Midnight Mass

25 December / Christmas Day Mass @ 10:00 AM

THERE IS NO SATURDAY 25 DECEMBER VIGIL MASS @ 5:00 PM

26 December / Feast of the Holy Family Mass @ 8:30 & 11:30 AM

1 January / Mary Mother of God Mass @ 10:00 AM

1 January / Epiphany Vigil Mass @ 5:00 PM / 2 January @ 8:30 & 11:30 AM

... 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**

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.




"MY KINGDOM IS NOT FROM THIS WORLD."

Are you being called to proclaim the glorious reign of Christ the King as a priest?
Contact Fr. Brian Capuano (804)-359-5661 or vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

NOV 20 SATURDAY	NOV 21 SUNDAY	NOV 22 MONDAY	NOV 23 TUESDAY	NOV 24 WEDNESDAY	NOV 25 THURSDAY	NOV 26 FRIDAY	NOV 27 SATURDAY
5:00 PM † William Herlihy HAITI Perkins family members living & deceased	8:30 AM † Virginia & Ray Trykowski 11:30 AM People of the Parish After Weekend Masses: Advent Resources in Gallery & Bethlehem Christians in Narthex	 ST. CECILIA	9:00 AM Angel Knous	9:00 AM † Roberta Pizzini 	NO MASS HAITI † Chas Pauly PARISH OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING	NO MASS	5:00 PM People of the Parish 
3:30—4:30 PM, CH Confessions	10:00—11:00 AM Virtual Breaking Open the Word 			St. Andrew Dung-Lac			3:30— 4:30 PM, CH Confessions

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Eleanor Coyne, Terry Crone, Kiger Davis, Linda Dean, Barbara Ferency, Pat Noonan, Tommy Hoy, II, Angel Knous, Donald Narducci, Marie Overstreet, Fred Siebenmann, Fr. Eric Vogt, Mona White; *pray*

DECEASED: Susan Barb, Marie-Louise Metzger, Kathleen Snead;

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 22 — NOVEMBER 27, 2021 (view online at www.usccb.org/bible/readings)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22 • Daniel 1:1-6, 8—20 • Daniel 3:52-56 • Luke 21:1-4

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23 • Daniel 2:31—45 • Daniel 3:57-61 • Luke 21:5-11

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24 • Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 • Daniel 3:62-67 • Luke 21:12—19

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25 • Sirach 50:22-24 • Psalm 145:2-11 • 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 • Luke 17:11—19

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26 • Daniel 7:2—14 • Daniel 3:75-81 • Luke 21:29-33

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27 • Daniel 7:15—27 • Daniel 3:82-87 • Luke 21:34-36



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 SJECC 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.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.



10 COMMANDMENTS FOR EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION.*

1. Thou shalt not speak from another room.
2. Thou shalt not speak with your back toward the person with a hearing loss (or their back toward you).
3. Thou shalt not start speaking and walk away.
4. Thou shalt not start speaking and turn away from the person who is hard of hearing.
5. Thou shalt not speak in competition with something else. (Turn off water, turn down radio or television, etc.)
6. Thou shalt first acquire the attention of the person with whom you wish to converse.
7. Thou shalt try to speak face to face at all times.
8. Thou shalt try to remove obstructions while speaking. (Move hand/mask from your face, cigarette from mouth, etc.)
9. Thou shalt try to speak distinctly.
10. Thou shalt try to be patient.



*especially for those with difficulty hearing



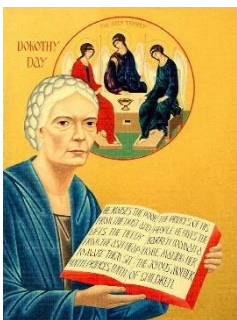
DYC is for youth in Grade 8-12. It is a highly energetic, engaging, and fantastic opportunity for high school teenagers to gather as a larger Church community and celebrate the incredible richness of our Catholic Christian faith. The conference takes place in Richmond, February 11—13. This year's theme 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 MARCH FOR LIFE will take place January 20-21, 2022. The Office for Evangelization sponsors an annual Diocesan-wide delegation to the annual March for Life in Washington DC. This march marks the anniversary of the Supreme Court's landmark decision Roe v. Wade, which legalizes abortion in the United States. The delegation is for 8th-12th grade youth. This two-day pilgrimage has participants attending the "Life is VERY Good" evening of prayer, staying overnight in Northern Virginia, and participating 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.

HAITI MINISTRY. Thank you for your participation in Pope Francis' 5th Annual World Day of the Poor. You are such a generous group. We were able to send non-perishables to a local church for distribution as we became more aware of the needs of those around us along with our global neighbors. Haiti continues to struggle with internal strife. Gangs have controlled the mainland, making travel and transportation of goods difficult. Our friends at St. Louis King of France Parish are especially affected when fuel becomes scarce. Communication is affected as cell towers are inoperable. We pray for our friends as they navigate the stresses at this time. We pray that they continue to have access to food and water.



JUSTICE CHALLENGE: This month is the anniversary of Dorothy Day's death. Dorothy Day, co-founder of the Catholic Worker movement in the US, was known for her deep care and compassion for the poor. She called those who had nothing left to give her "meeting place with God." But she did more than acts of charity—she became an advocate for those who are denied basic human rights. Your challenge this week is to search your heart and ask yourself, "Do I work for justice as well as care for those in need?" Then choose one act of justice—emailing your legislators about a vote coming up in Congress on aid to the poor, calling the White House to let the President know your opinion on a justice issue, researching the just (or unjust) practices of a company from which you purchase goods and then choosing how much you can or cannot support that company—and follow in Dorothy Day's footsteps. Do something for those who have nothing to give you in return.

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JOB POSITION OPENING. The Catholic Diocese of Richmond seeks an Assistant Digital Editor for its Office of Communications. The Assistant Digital Editor is part of the multimedia communications team, to include the diocesan newspaper, The Catholic Virginian, and will be responsible for supporting the editor, maintaining editorial content of the diocese's publications across digital and print media, and assisting in the growth of the newspaper's daily digital presence. The Assistant Digital Editor is involved in advancing the engagement of the Catholic audience and readership across the diocese. A bachelor's degree in English/Journalism/Mass Communications or related field required, and three or more years related experience in the print or communications industry, with diocesan and/or general Catholic press experience preferred. Strong understanding of digital journalism, best practices, and the ability to keep abreast of emerging trends. The successful candidate will be a strong communicator — interpersonally and in writing — and a collaborator. Orientation to detail, ability to manage time, plan, organize, and manage projects are a must, as is commitment to maintain confidentiality. Proficiency using Microsoft Office and AP Stylebook is required, and proficiency in Adobe software (InDesign, Photoshop, Acrobat Professional) and Catholic News Service Stylebook is desired. A practicing Catholic with a working knowledge of Church structure and Catholic Church teaching is required. The position requires some evening and weekend hours, with possible travel throughout the diocese. Qualified candidates should forward a cover letter, résumé with links to samples of your work, and completed diocesan application to Kelly Shumate, 7800 Carousel Lane, Richmond VA 23294. Email jobs@richmonddiocese.org. Fax (804) 622-5163.





WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER. "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." Listen to Jesus on the next WWME weekend, January 28-30 in North Myrtle Beach SC and June 24-26 in Beauford, 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.

BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

November 21, 2021 • Our Lord Jesus Christ, King • John 18:33-37

Proclaiming the Kingdom

On this feast of Christ the King we read John's account of Jesus before Pilate. The Roman leader is the only one who can condemn Jesus to death; the priests and scribes do not have that power. So they bring Jesus to Pilate and accuse him of treason.

On this last Sunday of the church year we celebrate Christ the King. It is an appropriate way to commemorate all that Jesus is and all that he did. It is a celebration of the kingdom of God proclaimed and lived by Jesus, our brother and savior. The best way to celebrate this great feast is by following Jesus' example and living our lives proclaiming the kingdom.

Often when we talk about God's kingdom we focus on heaven, our afterlife. We have learned from childhood that if we are good, obey the commandments and live in God's light, when we die we will go to heaven. In heaven we will spend eternity with God and all his saints and angels. All of this is true of course, but it is a very limited view of the kingdom of God.

God's kingdom is much more than a place where we spend forever. God's kingdom is also present today, here and anywhere, anytime God's will can be found. Jesus lived the kingdom because he lived in absolute truth and love. He reconciled and healed; he preached the good news and love as only God can love. Like Jesus, Christians are expected to be kingdom builders too.

As parents, we are called to do our best to build the kingdom of God in our own homes. We are asked to reconcile and heal, speak only the truth and love as God loves. It seems an impossible task, and it would be if it weren't for our faith in Jesus. The secret is to ask God to fill us with his love and his strength so that every cell and fiber of our being will respond and react as Jesus would. If we live with this intention, God's kingdom is sure to come.

FAMILY RESPONSE

Discuss how your family can make your home more like the kingdom of God.

PERSONAL RESPONSE

What concrete steps can you take to be a kingdom builder at home and in the larger world? What do you want to remember from last week? What are you looking forward to next week? What are your concerns?

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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.*

