St. Paul Catholic Church

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JULY 10, 2022

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PARISH OFFICE

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesdav-Thursdav	CLOSED
Friday	
	CALL THIS NUMBER DIRECTLY: 804-254-0313

EUCHARIST

Saturday: 4:30 pm • Sunday: 8:30 & 11:00 am

Wednesday & Friday 8:00 am

PENANCE

Every Saturday 3:00 pm or by appointment

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Currently virtual & in-home. Contact Marisa Cupps for more information.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our parish community. We encourage you to become an active member of the parish. Please obtain a registration form from the Parish Office or by printing it from the St. Paul's website. All parishioners, please notify the Parish Office of a change of address or phone or if lowing the parish phone, or if leaving the parish.

VISION STATEMENT The people of St. Paul's Parish are committed to being Christ's bright light and loving embrace to the community we are called to serve.

PLEASE NOTE The chairs in front of the confessional are designated seating for individuals wearing face masks. All others are kindly asked to refrain from sitting in that area. Thank you.



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 10, 2022

NOT ABLE TO ATTEND MASS IN PERSON??
WE WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US ONLINE!!

VIEW ONLINE:
GIVE ONLINE:

LIVESTREAM ALL OF OUR MASSES
DONATE ONLINE

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BMass Intentions

Saturday, July 9 4:30 pm

The people of St. Paul's

Henry E, Tucker, Jr.†

Jerry Wallmeyer †

Sunday, July10 8:30 am 11:00 am

Wednesday, July 13 8:00 am

Frank & Anne Wallmeyer † Marie Makulik † Henry &Theresa Bickerstaff † Theresa Cecilia Huong †

Friday, July 15 8:00 am

Herman & Rose Beckstoffer † Reginald & Chris Berry † Chuck Ajemian †

Mass Intentions are a longstanding tradition in our Church. Mass Intentions are read at each of our daily and weekend liturgies, and are listed in our weekly bulletin as a reminder of the prayer of the community. If you would like to remember a special person and have a Mass Intention, you can simply call, email, or stop by the church office. 804-329-0473 or churchoffice@saintpaulscc.com.

Please remember all those who are ill or in need of special prayers, so that they may

experience comfort and healing: Lany Alden, Doris Anthony, Mary Bevan, Pattie Bevan, Tory Brown, Burnelle Bucher, Patrick Burke, Nancy Coffield, Daniel Coulbourn, Haydee Dixon, J.P. Dowdell, Dennis Dunn, Latara Edison, Thomas Edwards, Zarafa Fakhouri, Barbara Gavigan, Joyce Goetzinger, Robinyette Goode, Jackie Hammond, Christina Marie Harrison, Kim Harvey, Roger Harvey, Theresa Harvey, Donald & Terri Higgins, Theresa Ingram, Maruja Jones, Susan Jordan, Shirley Kagan, Paul Keller, Beverly Lane, Don Lewis, Rose Marie Lewis, Mary "Midge" Liggan, , Charlie McCarthy, Greg McCoy, Rhonda McCoy, Edith McRae, Emmett Miller, George Miller, Joyce Murray, Mimi Murray, Lorraine Pacharde, Mike Porcello, Pamela Puchovich, Hettie Quarles, Anne Ring, Margaret Rockecharlie, Agatha Rosicki, Conner Smith, William Spaulding, Sally Sperberg, Ann Marie Starr, Teresa Stewart, Barbara Tomlinson, Connie Tucker, Molly Tufano, Michael &Comelia Waters, Lee Wexler, Chloe Williams, David Williams, Fr. George Zahn, Bill Zak

Father Begley, the staff, and parishioners of St. Paul's are privileged to pray for these persons. We are making an effort to keep the prayer list current to the needs of our parish and community. If you are on the prayer list, know someone who is, or requested someone to be added and time has come to remove the name, please call the office at 804-329-0473

"What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Faithfulness to one's vocation is essential to holiness. Is yours to be a priest? Call the Vocations office to speak with Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661or write vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



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SUMMER IS UPON US!

THE SMELL OF SUNSCREEN IS IN THE AIR AS THE KIDS FINISH SCHOOL AND VACATIONS ARE BEING PLANNED.

WE MISS YOU WHEN YOU'RE AWAY. BEFORE YOU LEAVE TO ENJOY YOUR WELL DESERVED GETA-WAY PLEASE CONSIDER AUTOMATING YOUR GIFTS TO OUR PARISH BY UTILIZING OUR ONLINE GIVING PLATFORM, **WESHARE.**

WHETHER YOU GIVE ONLINE OR BY THE ENVELOPE, YOU ARE A NECESSARY PART OF OUR FAMILY AND WE THANK GOD FOR YOU. YOUR SUPPORT IS SUCH A BLESSING TO OUR PARISH AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO BUILDING MEMORIES AND SHARING IN GOD'S WORK WITH YOU FOR YEARS TO COME.

IF YOU HAVE NOT HAD A CHANCE TO ENROLL IN ONLINE GIVING AND WOULD LIKE TO, PLEASE VISIT <u>HTTPS://www.saintpaulscc.org/</u> and click on **donate now** or **WeShare online giving** IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT THE PROGRAM OR WOULD LIKE HELP SETTING UP YOUR ACCOUNT, PLEASE CALL DONOR SUPPORT AT 877-316-0260 (THEY ARE VERY FRIENDLY!)

THANK YOU!

St. Paul's is grateful to all the parishioners who are able and continue to contribute online, including those who have recently converted their offertory to WeShare. We also appreciate everyone who is making the effort to mail in their offertory envelopes. We continue to count and post offertory once a week. The faithfulness and generosity of the St. Paul's family sustains our parish and ministries. THANK YOU!

Sunday Offertory: June 26, 2022 TWO WEEKS AGO

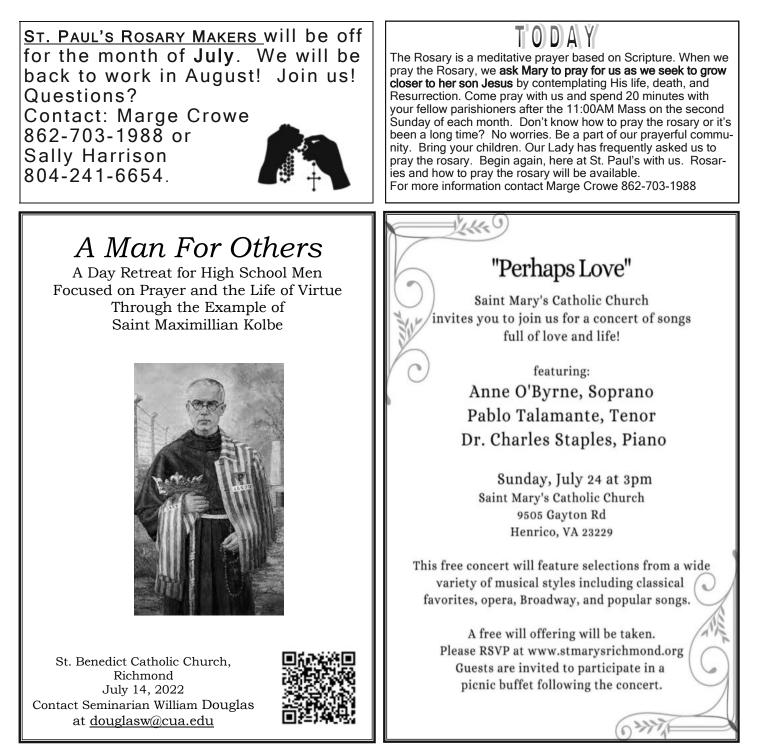
Actual: \$7,424	Budget: \$9,538	The parish is grateful for your contributions.	YTD Actual:	YTD Budget: \$496,000
Under: \$2,114	WeShare was upgraded May 17th. Your login credentials remain the same. Call 877-316-0260 for help.	This information includes WeShare online giving. Fiscal Year July 1, 2021—June 30, 2022	WeShare giving is now access- ible via the QR code above or by texting "SPCC" to 1-800-950-9952	Under: \$33,646 THIS ENDS THE 2021-2022 Fiscal Year WITH A \$33,646 DEFICIT.

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The altar flowers today are given to the glory and honor of God in loving memory of Henry E. Tucker, Jr. by his wife, Ivory, and the family.



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE FOOD PANTRY HAS CONTINUAL NEED OF: ielly** rice ** canned spaghetti sauce ** cold cereal mac & cheese ** peanut butter canned beans ** shelf stable milk ** pasta canned carrots soup canned tuna canned chicken canned fruit canned peas canned mixed vegetables applesauce ** critical need this week

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X Shelf stable milk may be difficult to find in retail stores. Feel free to order it on Amazon.com or WalMart.com and ship directly to St. Paul's 909 Rennie Ave. Richmond, VA 23227

The Food Pantry is a long standing ministry at St. Paul's. More and more clients are coming each week, as eviction moratoriums are lifted and gasoline prices climb. Please be as generous as you are able. Donations may be brought to Mass and placed in the bins in the cloak room between Commons and Church. Donations may also be dropped off weekdays during normal office hours: Tues.-Thurs. 9-3:30, Fri. 9-12:30.

Commonwealth Catholic Charities

There are several programs at CCC that are currently in need of fresh volunteers. Below are some of the key opportunities within our Refugee Resettlement program, but you can see all opportunities at <u>www.cccofva.org/volunteer</u>.

-Transportation Volunteer

One of CCC's main responsibilities is connecting refugees to community resources, which requires driving them to and from appointments, classes and interviews. Help refugees by transporting them to appointments and home afterwards.

-Tutor

Help refugee students navigate the American school system and rise to their potential by dedicating 1-2 hours per week! Work with the CCC School Liaison and local schools to provide personal one on one tutoring. Your efforts will help students bridge the learning and language gap and gain confidence and success.

-ESL Helper

Work with adult refugee clients 1-2 hours per week to improve their English skills. Flexible hours! Help newcomers improve their employability and self sufficiency in their new home.

For more information on resettlement volunteer opportunities, please contact Nathaniel Boorom at 804-545-6288 or <u>Nathaniel.Boorom@cccofva.org</u>

Catholic Charities, U.S.A. Affordable Connectivity Program

Catholic Charities USA is working to help build awareness about the <u>Affordable Connectivity Program</u>, a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) program. The new long-term benefit will help to lower the cost of broadband service for eligible households struggling to afford internet service. Please <u>access here great resources</u> to share with the ones we serve.

The Affordable Connectivity Program provides:

Up to \$30/month discount for broadband service;

Up to \$75/month discount for households on qualifying Tribal lands; and

A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet purchased through a participating provider if the household contributes more than \$10 but less than \$50 toward the purchase price.

The Affordable Connectivity Program is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.

Read more about the ACP in the recent White House Fact sheet by visiting: https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/05/09/fact-sheet-president-biden -and-vice-president-harris-reduce-high-speed-internet-costs-for-millions-of-americans/

Today's Reflection

First Reading

Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Moses reminds the people that God's commandments are not remote but are already in their hearts.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 69:14,17,30-31,36-37 Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Second Reading

Colossians 1:1 $\overline{5}$ -20 Jesus is the head of the body, the Church.

Gospel Reading

Luke 10:25-37 The parable of the Good Samaritan

As Jesus continues his journey to Jerusalem, he is confronted by a scholar of the law who wants to test him. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, Jesus is asked about the greatest commandment. Here, in Luke's Gospel, the lawyer asks what we must do to inherit eternal life. In the other two Gospels, Jesus answers the question by quoting <u>Deuteronomy</u> <u>6:5</u>, on loving God with all your heart, and <u>Leviticus 19:18</u>, on loving your neighbor. Here Jesus asks the expert to answer this question, "What is written in the law?" The man is caught and responds with Deuteronomy 6:5. This verse is one of the most important prayers in Judaism, and it was said twice a day in Jesus' time. Love of God and love of neighbor are what is required for eternal life. Jesus' response is simple, "Do this and you will live."

Having been shown up by Jesus, the lawyer tries another question: Who is my neighbor whom I must love like myself? In the society of Jesus' time, with its distinctions between Jews and Gentiles, men and women, clean and unclean, this was a trick question. Jesus responds with one of the most beautiful of all the parables, the Good Samaritan. It is found only in Luke's Gospel.

The road from Jerusalem to Jericho descends 3,300 feet in just 17 miles. Its narrow passes and rocky terrain made it an easy place for bandits to wait for travelers. The traveler in this parable is identified only as "a certain man." Luke uses this phrase in many of his parables so that the audience, Jew or Gentile, could identify with the man. After the attack, the man is left for dead, naked and bleeding on the side of the road. A priest comes along, but rather than helping, as one might expect, he moves to the other side of the road. Another religious person comes along, a Levite who assists in the Temple. His reaction is the same as the priest's. Both of them choose to not even find out if the man is alive. A third person comes along. The listeners would probably expect him to be an Israelite. This would make the parable a criticism of the religious leadership. Instead he is a Samaritan, an Israelite's most hated neighbor. Samaritans were descendents of Jews from the northern part of the country, who had intermarried with Gentiles and did not worship in Jerusalem. The Samaritan not only goes over to the injured man but cleans his wounds, puts him on his own animal, takes him to an inn to recover, and promises to pay all his expenses. The hated enemy is the compassionate neighbor in this parable.

Jesus has demolished all boundary expectations. It is not social definitions such as class, religion, gender, or ethnicity that determines who is our neighbor. A neighbor is a person who acts with compassion toward another. The point becomes not who deserves to be loved as I love myself, but that I become a person who treats everyone with compassion.

When Jesus asks the lawyer who was the neighbor in the story, the lawyer can't bring himself to say it was the Samaritan. All he says is that it was "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus' response was similar to that of the first discussion: "Go and do likewise." The lawyer, and we, know what is right. The key is to do it.



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

THE ST. PAUL'S PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON **MONDAYS**. **NORMAL OFFICE HOURS ARE: TUESDAY-THURSDAY 9:00 AM-4:00 PM and Friday 9:00 AM-1:00 PM**. *THE OFFICE MAY ALSO BE UNAVOIDABLY CLOSED AT UNSCHEDULED TIMES*. IF YOU CALL OR COME BY AND GET NO RESPONSE, PLEASE BE PATIENT AND TRY AGAIN ANOTHER DAY.

AS ALWAYS, <u>IF THERE IS AN EMERGENCY REQUIRING THE PRESENCE OF A PRIEST,</u> <u>CALL</u> 804-254-0313

What Are Acts of Spiritual Communion?

It has long been a Catholic understanding that when circumstances prevent one from receiving Holy Communion, it is possible to make an Act of Spiritual Communion, which is a source of grace. Spiritual Communion is an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament and lovingly embrace him at a time or in circumstances when one cannot receive Him in sacramental Communion. The most common reason for making an Act of Spiritual Communion is when a person cannot attend Mass. Acts of Spiritual Communion increase our desire to receive sacramental Communion and help us avoid the sins that would make us unable to receive Holy Communion worthily.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there And unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.



PODCAST RESOURCES

EVERYONE

All Things Catholic with Dr. Edward Sri

Ask Father Josh

Ave Spotlight

Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmidt

Godsplaining Podcast

The Jeff Cavins Show

Gotta Be Saints

The Being Human Podcast

The Jeff Cavins Show

The Liturgy Guys

The Vici Mundum Show

YOUNG ADULT

Abiding Together

Aquinas 101

Catholic Stuff You Should Know

Discerning Marriage

Pints with Aquinas

The Big Tree

The Catholic Feminist

The Catholic Guy show

The Catholic Hipster

The Vigil Project

Word on Fire Show

Source: Catholic Diocese of Richmond Office of Evangelization

MARRIAGE & FAMILY

Ask Christopher West Podcast

Ave Explores

Beloved and Blessed

Discerning Marriage

Hole in My Heart

Saint Dymphna's Playbook



https://evangelizerichmond.org/resources/podcast-suggestions



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