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## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD ~ MAY 12, 2024

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### PARISH OFFICE

Monday.....CLOSED

Tuesday–Thursday.....9:00 - 4:00

Friday .....9:00 - 1:00

Emergency Only      *CALL THIS NUMBER DIRECTLY: 804-254-0313*

### EUCCHARIST

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

Wednesday & Friday 8:00 am

### PENANCE

Every Saturday 3:00 pm or by appointment

### ROSARY

Second Sunday of the month following 11:00 a.m. Mass

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Contact: [christianformation@saintpaulscc.com](mailto:christianformation@saintpaulscc.com)

### 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 Commons 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 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.



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# Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 11 The People of St. Paul's

Sunday, May 12  
8:30 am Emma Gaddy †  
11:00 am Mary Zahradka †

Wednesday, May 15  
8:00 am Frank & Anne Wallmeyer †  
Marie Makulik †  
Henry & Theresa Bickerstaff †  
Theresa Cecilia Huong †

Friday, May 17  
8:00 am Herman & Rose Beckstoffer †  
Reginald & Chris Berry †  
Chuck Ajemian †

***Please remember all those who are ill or in need of special prayers, so that they may experience comfort and healing:***

*Pattie Bevan, Patrick Burke, Audrey Claravall, Nancy Coffield, Haydee Dixon, J.P. Dowdell, Maceo Gamble, Barbara Gavigan, Joyce Goetzinger, Robinyette Goode, Bill Gregory, Bess Haile, Theresa Harvey, Robert & Mary Ann Heretick, Theresa Ingram, Paul Keller, Linda McCracken Koebel, Beverly Lane, Mary "Midge" Liggan, Beth Lewis, Robert Losteter, Imani Luck, Dyvonne Mars, Edith McRae, Bob & Kay Morrow, Joyce Murray, Mimi Murray, Anne Ring, Margaret Rockecharlie, Benn Ruez, Myriam Sigler, Lola Somervold, Barbara Tomlinson, Michael & Cornelia Waters, Chloe Williams, Christie Wiltshire, Michael Yohe, Jr.*

*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.*

**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](mailto:churchoffice@saintpaulscc.com).



"As You sent Me into the world, I have sent them." If you think the Lord may be inviting you to carry on His mission as a priest or religious brother or sister, talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

## DIOCESAN HOME MISSIONS



Catholic Diocese of Richmond

*There will be a Second Collection at all Masses this weekend, May 12, 2024 to support the mission work in our own Diocese.*

*Please be as generous as you are able to support the work of the Gospel right here in Virginia.*

DONATE ONLINE



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: April 28, 2024, 2024 TWO WEEKS AGO

<b>Actual: \$7,045</b>	<b>Budget: \$9,585</b> <small>This reflects the budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024; a weekly increase of \$811 over last year.</small>	<i>The parish is grateful for your contributions.</i>	<b>YTD Actual: \$422,928</b>	<b>YTD Budget: \$4421,740</b>
<b>Under: \$2,540</b>	<b>Poor &amp; Needy: \$105</b> <small>This fund, as well as your donations of groceries and paper grocery bags, is the main support of our FOOD PANTRY. Thank You!</small>	<i>This information includes WeShare online giving.</i> <small>Fiscal Year July 1, 2023—June 30, 2024</small>	DONATE ONLINE <small>WeShare giving is accessible via the QR code above or by texting "SPCC" to 1-800-950-9952</small>	<b>Over: \$1,188</b>

**PRAYER FOR MOTHERS**

Good and Gentle God,  
we pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women of theory who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. Give them the strength to live and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly. Give them the faithful support of husband, family and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children. Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most.



*Happy Mother's Day  
with love and blessings from  
Fr. Jim, Deacon John,  
Jan, JT, Marie, and Mary.*

**MAY CROWNING**



**Rosary Makers and Ladies Sodality** would like to invite all parishioners to honor our Blessed Mother on Mother's Day, **May 12 th**, for **MAY CROWNING** We will meet in the Commons at **10:30AM** and process out to the Mary statue for crowning. Bring flowers to place at the base of the statue. What a wonderful way to show our love for Mary our heavenly mother. Hope to see you there!

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

Do you crochet or knit, and would like to join our ministry? The Prayer Shawl Ministry will next meet on **Tuesday, May 14**, at **1 p.m.** in the Commons. We create shawls/lap robes to bring comfort and prayers to those in need. We also include making Baptism blankets. For more information on presenting a shawl, or to join us, you may contact: Janet Reiner (804)399-8625 or Retta Gray (804)901-5265.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

The Social Justice Committee will meet on Sunday, May 19th at 9:30 am in the parlor. Anyone interested in exploring a meaningful ministry is welcome. For more information, please call Kathy McCoy at 804-264-7819, or email her at [kathy\\_mccoy@comcast.net](mailto:kathy_mccoy@comcast.net).

***THE FOOD PANTRY IS IN DIRE NEED OF PAPER GROCERY BAGS WITH HANDLES. WE CAN ALSO ACCEPT YOUR UNWANTED REUSABLE GROCERY BAGS PROVIDED THE HANDLES ARE INTACT. ~ Thank you!***

**ON-GOING OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP THOSE IN NEED**

**ST. PAUL'S FOOD PANTRY**

- Canned spaghetti sauce
- cold cereal
- canned beans, carrots, vegetables
- jelly
- peanut butter
- pasta
- soup canned chicken, tuna
- applesauce, canned fruit
- rice
- mac & cheese
- shelf stable milk



*The food pantry is a long standing ministry at St. Paul's. Your donations sustain this ministry. Donations may be brought to Mass and placed in the bins in the cloak room between Commons and Church or brought to the parish office weekdays during normal office hours. Feel free to order online for shipment or delivery directly to St. Paul's 909 Rennie Ave. RVA 23227*

**ST. PETER'S SHOWER MINISTRY**  
**for men & women –travel and sample size:**

- soap
- shampoo & conditioner
- toothbrushes & toothpaste
- deodorant
- lip balm/chapstick
- lotion
- moist towelettes
- disposable razors & shaving cream
- hand warmers
- feminine hygiene products



*Assembly 3677 of the Knights of Columbus, consisting of Cathedral, Holy Rosary, St. Ann. and St. Paul is collecting travel -size toiletries for St. Peter's ministry to the homeless. St. Peter's serves meals, and provides showers, to the homeless population in downtown Richmond adjacent to the State Capital. There is a bin in the cloak room between Commons and Church or may be brought to the parish office weekdays during normal office hours.*



*The Ladies Sodality monthly meeting will be next Sunday, May 19th at 12:30, in the Commons.*

**WOMEN'S DAY OF RETREAT**

It is with great pleasure that Court Redeemer's Angels invites you to our women's retreat, *Abide in Jesus*.

It will be a day of fellowship and growth in the Lord. It will focus on grief in all forms. Our retreat will be presented by Lisa Ranellone, Deacon Dave Reaves and Debbie Reaves of Saint Clare of Assisi Retreat Center in Hampton, Virginia. The retreat will be held at Church of the Redeemer, 8275 Meadowbridge Road, Mechanicsville, Virginia 23116, on **Saturday, June 8th** from 9:30 until 4:00. Doors will open at 8:30 for registration and a light breakfast. Lunch will be provided. The cost of the retreat is \$20.

Please contact Chris Lippman at 804-389-9172 or Kay Crawford at 804-517-5983 to register or with any questions.

**Please register by June 1st.**

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**RETIRES CLUB**



**Flying Squirrels Baseball Game**

We have been given the use of the suite for the game on **TUES. May 14, at 6:30 pm**. Sixteen free tickets and four free parking passes come with the suite. If more than 16 people want to go, we may have to purchase some general admission seats but everyone can use the suite. Once we get a headcount and list of attendees, we can coordinate carpooling from the church. Sign up in the Commons or email [jtucker@saintpaulscc.com](mailto:jtucker@saintpaulscc.com) **ASAP**.



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**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MAY 13TH THRU MAY 17TH.**  
**E-MAIL AND PHONE MESSAGES WILL BE TENDED TO WHEN THE OFFICE REOPENS FOR NORMAL OFFICE HOURS BEGINNING TUESDAY, MAY 21ST**  
**AS ALWAYS, IF THERE IS AN EMERGENCY**  
**REQUIRING THE PRESENCE OF A PRIEST, CALL 804-254-0313.**

# THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of May 12, 2024



## Deuteronomy | Old Testament: Book Overviews | The Bible Project

Watch our overview video on the book of Deuteronomy, which breaks down the literary design of the book and its flow of thought. In Deuteronomy, Moses gives final words of wisdom and warning before the Israelites enter the promised land, challenging them to be faithful to God.



## The Book Swap | Episode 1 | Benjamin Cello

It's time to read a book! Benjamin Cello, Annie Appleseed, and Miss Gretchen, the Music Teacher, go to the Bookendless Book Tower for a book swap party, hosted by Professor Wordsworth and the Bookworms. Along the way they explore classics of literature and the one Holy Book that stands above all others, the Book that can change your life forever.



## Finding Fatima

Produced by the award-winning filmmakers of the highly acclaimed feature film *The 13th Day*, this powerful and in-depth documentary combines archival footage, dramatic reenactments, original interviews with Fatima experts, and stunning visuals to tell the whole story of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima.

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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, IF THERE IS AN EMERGENCY REQUIRING THE PRESENCE OF A PRIEST,  
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**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

MARRIAGE & FAMILY

Ask Christopher West Podcast

Ave Explores

Beloved and Blessed

Discerning Marriage

Hole in My Heart

Saint Dymphna's Playbook



Source: Catholic Diocese of Richmond Office of Evangelization

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


For a reflection on today's readings, visit <https://www.usccb.org/>, click on READINGS, then VIEW VIDEOS



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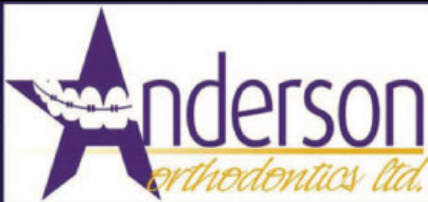
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