

St. Paul Catholic Church

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*ALL ARE WELCOME to
pray the Rosary TODAY
after the 11:00 Mass*



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SECOND SUNDAY ~ DECEMBER 8, 2024

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PARISH OFFICE

Monday.....CLOSED
Tuesday–Thursday.....9:00 - 4:00
Friday9:00 -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

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.



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

VIEW ONLINE:

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LIVESTREAM ALL OF OUR MASSES & THE ROSARY

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 7 John A. Bucher †

Sunday, December 8

8:30 am Henry E. Tucker, Jr. †
11:00 am The People of St. Paul's

Wednesday, December 11

8:00 am Frank & Anne Wallmeyer †
Marie Makulik †
Henry & Theresa Bickerstaff †
Theresa Cecilia Huang †

Friday, December 13

8:00 am Herman & Rose Beckstoffer †
Herman Beckstoffer, Jr. †
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, Michael Duesing, Maceo Gamble, Barbara Gavigan, Joyce Goetzinger, Robynette Goode, Ted Grivetti, Bess Haile, Theresa Harvey, Robert & Mary Ann Heretick, Theresa Ingram, Jackie Kaneicki, Paul Keller, Linda McCracken Koebel, Beverly Lane, Mary "Midge" Liggan, Beth Lewis, Robert Losteter, Imani Luck, Vonyetta Marable, Dyvonne Mars, Edith McRae, Bob & Kay Morrow, Joyce Murray, Mimi Murray, Anne Ring, Margaret Rockecharlie, Myriam Sigler, Hugh Sneed, Barbara Tomlinson, Michael & Cornelia Waters, Lee Wexler, 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 or email the church office.

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.



"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." (Luke 3:4)
John the Baptist's call to prepare for Christ can also be a call to prepare your heart for a vocation. Is Christ calling you to serve Him as a priest or religious brother or sister? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocations Office at 804-359-5661 or via email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org



RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS ~ 2ND COLLECTION ~ DECEMBER 8th




Our aging religious need your help. Like those pictured, more than 24,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have dedicated their lives to serving others through prayer and ministry. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings to care for them. Your support of the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide care, medicine, and other necessities. Please give back to those who have given a lifetime. There will be a second collection at all Masses the weekend of December 8th. This giving opportunity is also available on WeShare. *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: November 24, 2024 TWO WEEKS AGO

Actual: \$8,844	Budget: \$10,403 <small>This reflects the budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025; a weekly increase of \$818 over last year.</small>	<i>The parish is grateful for your contributions.</i>	YTD Actual: \$181,455	YTD Budget: \$218,463
Under: \$1,559	Poor & Needy: \$ <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, 2024—June 30, 2025</small>	 DONATE ONLINE <small>WeShare giving is accessible via the QR code above or by texting "SPCC" to 1-800-950-9952</small>	Under: \$37,008



The flowers on the Blessed Mother altar today are given to the glory and honor of God in loving memory of Henry E. Tucker, Jr. by his wife, Ivory, to commemorate his birthday, December 11th.

BIG THANK YOU TO ST. PAUL'S PARISHIONERS FROM THE SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

We are grateful for your generous support of the Underwear and Pull-ups Collection Drive for the Salvation Army's Emergency Shelter. The outpouring of donations is impressive, including about 150 pairs of new men's underwear and 120 pull-ups. We are indebted to Marie DeBrodt Williams who created the beautiful collection drive posters. We greatly appreciate Bob Sties who delivered the donations to the Salvation Army's shelter. You brought comfort to the most vulnerable in our community. A Big Thank You to All!



TOMORROW

Under the title of the Immaculate Conception, the Blessed Mother is the Patroness of the Americas, and therefore the feast day transfers to Monday, December 9th and is a Holy Day of Obligation.

MASS WILL BE AT 12 NOON AND 7:00 PM
 At 12:00 we will welcome All Saints Catholic School.
 ALL the PEWS on the St. Joseph side of the main aisle are reserved for parishioners.

COMMONWEALTH CATHOLIC CHARITIES BABY CLOSET

St. Paul's conducts a quarterly drive to assist the Baby Closet at Commonwealth Catholic Charities. The Baby Closet is open free of charge to all in need; located at CCC 1601 Rolling Hills Drive, RVA 23229.

THE BABY CLOSET NO LONGER ACCEPTS CLOTHES, BLANKETS, OR OTHER BABY ITEMS. THE COLLECTIONS ARE ACCEPTING ONLY DIAPERS & WIPES, PERMANENTLY.

Thank you!

A PLAY PEN IS SET UP IN THE COMMONS TO ACCEPT DONATIONS OF DIAPERS AND WIPES FOR THE MONTH OF **DECEMBER.**

diapers sizes 4-6 are especially needed

Lessons & Carols

All are welcome to return this afternoon! Feel free to bring a friend. This service is open to everyone!

Come join us for a celebration of Advent!

Sunday, December 8th
2pm-3 pm

Reception following in the Commons

St. Paul's Choir, Musicians, and Lectors

LADIES SODALITY

Annual Katydid Candy and Poinsettia Sale

December 14th & 15th
before and after each Mass

Katydid Candy
8 oz. tin
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ADULT FORMATION ADVENT RETREAT

Saturday, December 14, 2024

9:00-10:30 am
Please join us.
Deacon Chris Malone
Cathedral of the Sacred Heart,
will lead our Advent Retreat
Breakfast will be served.

You can sign up in the Commons or RSVP to jtucker@saintpaulscc.com, which helps us in ordering the breakfast meal. Free will donations to defray the cost of breakfast are gladly accepted.

All are welcome! Invite a new parishioner or friend to join us.

Online givers choose the fund "MEALS @ PARISH EVENTS"

HOLIDAY MARKET

The annual St. Paul's Holiday Market Sale will take place the weekend of *December 7 & 8* after each Mass that weekend. Vendors will have a variety of handmade sculptures, paintings, pottery, crafts, jewelry, and many more items for sale. These handmade goods are perfect for your holiday gift shopping and you are supporting our talented parishioners!



BE SOMEONE'S CHRISTMAS ANGEL!

Thank you for taking tags from the Angel Tree to help needy people have a happier Christmas. (It is not too late to take a tag!) If you have purchased a specific gift, please wrap the gift and attach the Angel Tag securely. If you are providing a gift card, please place the card in an envelope with the Angel Tag taped to the envelope. Leave your gift by the Angel Tree by next Sunday, December 15. You may also bring your gift to the parish office. **Thank you for your kindness!**



RETIREES CLUB

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS
POTLUCK LUNCHEON
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19TH
11:30-1:30
IN THE COMMONS
BRING A DISH TO SHARE**

**GAMES, PRIZES, CAROLING!
AND IF YOU'RE GOOD...SANTA!**

**SIGN UP IN THE COMMONS
OR EMAIL
jtucker@saintpaulscc.com**



PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOOD PANTRY & SHOWER MINISTRY WHILE SHOPPING DURING THE HOLIDAYS.

LITURGY, SONG, AND PRAYER

- December 8th: *Second Sunday of Advent* Sat: Reconciliation @ 3:00, Mass @ 4:30; Sun: Mass @ 8:30 & 11:00
 • Rosary immediately following 11:00 Mass in the Sanctuary.
 • Lessons & Carols @ 2:00 p.m. Reception to follow in the Commons
- December 9th: Monday *Immaculate Conception, A Holy Day of Obligation* Mass @ 12 NOON & 7:00 p.m.
At 12 NOON we welcome All Saints Catholic School. ALL pews on the St. Joseph side of the main aisle are reserved for parishioners.
- December 14th: Saturday *Advent Retreat* in the Commons 9:00-10:30 w/ Deacon Chris Malone breakfast served; sign up in the Commons
- December 15th: *Third Sunday of Advent* Sat: Reconciliation @ 3:00, Mass @ 4:30; Sun: Mass @ 8:30 & 11:00
- December 17th: Tuesday *Advent Reconciliation Services* 12:00 NOON and 7:00 p.m. Several priests available to hear confessions
- December 22nd: *Fourth Sunday of Advent* Sat: Reconciliation @ 3:00, Mass @ 4:30; Sun: Mass @ 8:30 & 11:00
- December 24th: *The Nativity of the Lord ~ Christmas Eve* • 4:00 p.m. choir concert • 4:30 p.m. Children's Mass
 • 7:00 p.m. Evening Mass
- December 25th: *The Nativity of the Lord ~ Christmas Day* Morning Mass @ 10:00 a.m
- December 29th: *Feast of the Holy Family* Sat: Reconciliation @ 3:00, Mass @ 4:30; Sun: Mass @ 8:30 & 11:00
- January 1st: Wednesday *Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, A Holy Day of Obligation* Mass @ 10:00 a.m.



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