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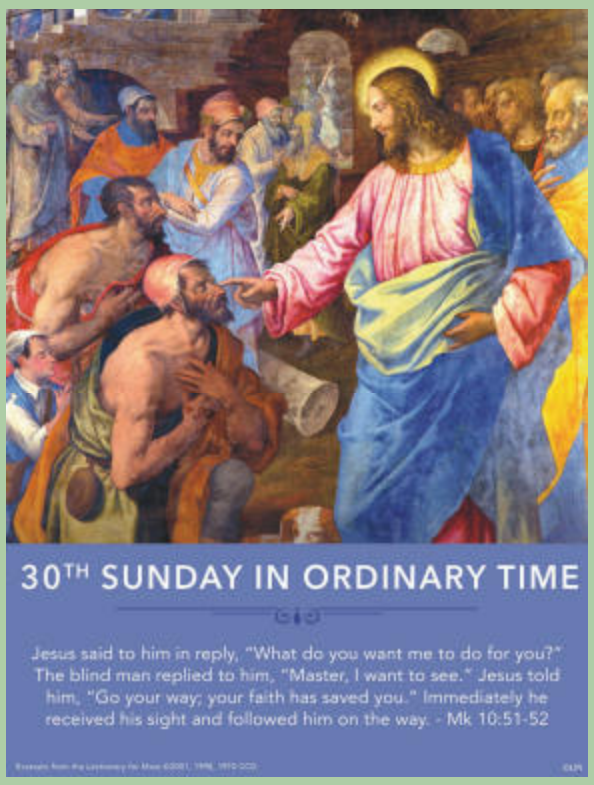

RECONCILIATION
Individual confessions are heard Saturdays at 4:00 pm, at seasonal Reconciliation Services, and by appointment.

MARRIAGE
Active registered members need to contact the parish office at least six months prior to the intended date for the pre-nuptial inquiry and to enroll for the preparation classes.

BAPTISM
Active registered parents or adult individuals need to call the office and speak with Claire McCrary, 757-423-8305, to enroll for the preparation classes.

MINISTRY TO SICK
Ministers may bring the Eucharist to sick and homebound parishioners. Please arrange for this visit by calling the office, 757-423-8305, Monday through Wednesday. Anointing of the Sick is encouraged by appointment.

R.C.I.A.
This program assists adults to prepare for the Sacraments of Initiation. Please contact Deacon Derek Turrietta, dturrietta@blessed-sacrament.com

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Parish Membership
Registration forms are available in the office or at online by visiting our website:
http://www.blessed-sacrament.com/

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Office Hours
Monday- Thursday : 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
The church is open at 8:00 am Monday through Friday

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass
No Mass Monday or Friday
Tuesday and Wednesday at Noon
Thursdays at 9:00 am
Nursery is Open w/ Mass Streamed live on weekends

Weekend
Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8: 30 am and 11:00 am
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday at 4:00 pm
NEW SUNDAY MASS TIMES:
8:30 am and 11:00 am

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 24, 2021

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21 [21a]/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3a]/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6 [6a]/Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Lk 6:12-16

Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18 [14a]/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Next Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 24, 2021

Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday

Thursday: Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

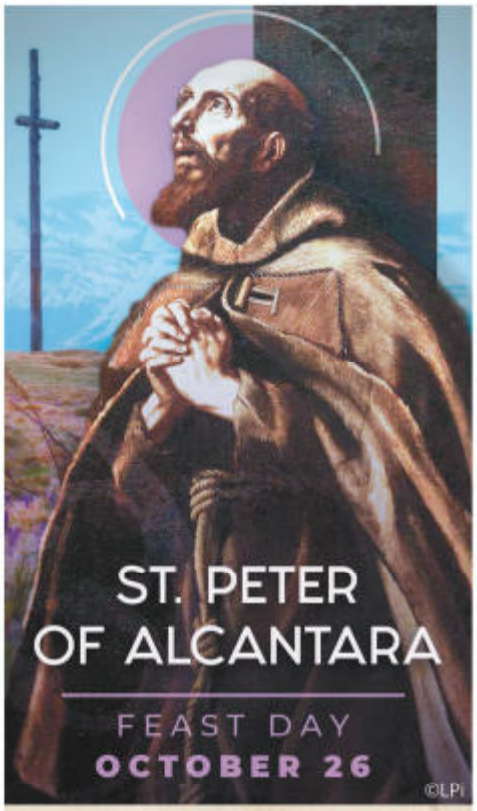
Saturday: BVM

Next Sunday: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday; All Hallow's Eve

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

"To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek Him the greatest adventure; to find Him the greatest human achievement." These words of St. Augustine are timeless. Every human being would certainly profit with wisdom if they realized Who calls them and to Whom they belong. There is only one way to satisfy the deepest longing of the human heart and that is in relationship with our Creator. When we seek God with true sincerity of heart and God passes us along our way, we will cry out, "Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me!" We will instinctively know that it is only our Divine Master who can restore our sight and heal us. The blind man fell in love with Jesus, embarked upon this life-saving adventure to reach him and achieved a goal many have only remotely thought possible. This is mercy in action. No matter how far we stray or how blind we become God patiently waits to console us, guide us, and heal us. All we need to do is desire Him with all our heart.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Peter of Alcantara was born in Alcantara, Spain in 1499. His father was the Governor of the province and his mother came from a noble family. He was privately tutored and attended the University of Salamanca. After he returned home from university, he was accepted as a Franciscan Friar of the Stricter Observance in 1515. He was ordained as a priest in 1524 and in 1525 he became Guardian of the friary of St. Mary of the Angels.

Throughout his life, St. Peter of Alcantara took up his spiritual cross and preached with great success to the poor, but also spend much of his time in solitude. From 1553 to early 1555, he spent this time alone in meditation and prayer. Soon following, St. Peter made a pilgrimage to Rome, barefoot the entire way. While in Rome he obtained permission from Pope Julius III to establish friaries.

St. Peter was known for frequently experiencing ecstasy, a state where he was entirely consumed with the warmth and light of the Holy Spirit. These euphoric moments were common during his prayer and meditation.

When he was near death, St. Peter took to his knees and prayed. When he was offered water, he refused it, saying, "Even my Lord Jesus Christ thirsted on the Cross." He died while in prayer on October 18, 1562. On April 18, 1622, he was declared blessed by Pope Gregory XV and later canonized by Pope Clement IX on April 28, 1669

Prayer List

Please remember our sick and shut-ins with your prayers, calls, cards, and presence:

OUR PARISHIONERS: Candi Bell, Barbara Brady, Elise Chard, Jim Dellaripa, Marietta Dobias, Betty Duron, Kenneth Emery, Cameron Evans, Ken & Rose Flusche, Riley Fornes, Sandra Brooks Green, Ruth Harrell, Samantha Jackson, Blanche Layton Jan-Blaise MacEachern, Joseph Moran, Josie Murtz, Claire Payne, Clare Reagan, Helen Smallwood, Anna Turrietta, Jim and Donna Sweeney.

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES OF PARISHIONERS: James Albred, Eileen Alger, Donna Alvarez, Ted Barton, Dana Bowers, Cameron Blankenship, Henry Benton, Warren Brooks, John DeViney, Ruth Evans, Geraldine Fornes, Jerald Gallagher, Connie Gilbert, J. Stephen Gross, John Hull , Susan Hull, Brittany Jensen, Matthew Klages, Stephen Katz, Margarita Leon, Joe & Joey and Arlene McNulty, Bert Schweigaard-Olsen, Tim Ruffin, Tracy Scarboro, Pat Smith, Dawn Snell, Mark Stearns, Nina Taylor, Vincent Tardalo, Tom Vasko, Pam Vautier, Leonard Walton, and Maria Ware.

Congratulations goes to Andrea Danson the winner of our Movie Basket Raffle! Thank you to all those who participated, volunteered and enjoyed the movie with us on Friday night.

Blessed Sacrament, in conjunction with ODU, is collecting Oral Hygiene items to support the Chesapeake Care Clinic. Regular dental preventative maintenance is essential to good health but many especially without insurance they do not receive the care they need. Chesapeake Care Clinic , a non-profit organization, provides care across Hampton Roads. Donations accepted until 29 October.

What is Needed:

Tooth Brushes
Dental Floss
Tooth Paste
Mouth Wash (travel size) **Thank you!**

Mass Intentions

Mass Intensions FOR THE WEEK:

Note: Some Mass Intentions may have had to be moved or changed after the Bulletin was published. We apologize for this inconvenience and appreciate your understanding.

Monday, 25 October: No Mass

Tuesday, 26 October: Mass offered for Eulogio Sinues (+)

Wednesday, 27 October : Mass offered for Cesario Sinues (+)

Thursday, 28 October : Mass offered for Parishioners (+)

Friday, 29 October: No Mass

Saturday, 30 October : Vigil Mass at 5:00 pm offered for Edmundo Maritnez (Living)

Sunday, 31 October at 8:30 am Mass offered for Zepeda & Martinez family members (+)

Sunday, 31 October at 11:00 am : Mass offered for Parishioners (+)

16/17 October Offertory

Envelope:	$7,326.00
Loose:	$1,477.52
We Share Egive:	$4,682.00

Total: $13,485.52

Budget: $9,712.00
Surplus: $3,773.52

Thank you for your gifts!

Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.
All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Dear Parishioners,

Last year's Angel Tree Drive was extremely successful and we will be continuing with a virtual drive again this year. The drive will supply gifts for the "For Kid's " organization for homeless children in the Tidewater area as well as the Tidewater Friends of Foster Care. You may also purchase gift cards for toys or groceries and these may be placed in the box beside the office.

The drive will run **November 1st though December 3** and links for both organizations are on the church website,

blessed-sacrament.com

Thank you for your continued generosity to this worthy cause.

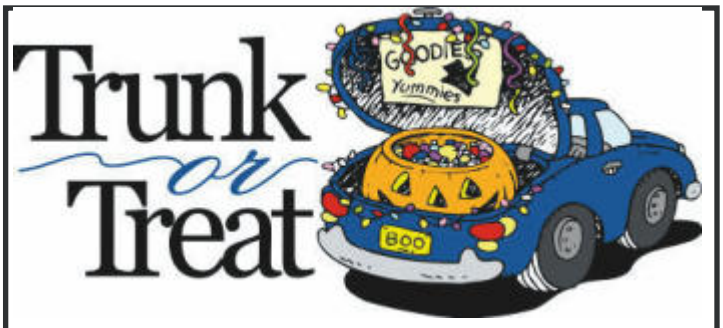
Pat Yeiser and Ann Hirtz

Would You Like to Make a Gift That...

- May reduce your Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)?
- May satisfy all/part of your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) for the year?
- Will help the work of our parish?

If you answered "YES" (and you are 72 or older), consider making a gift from your IRA. Giving through your IRA is EASY! To learn how you can make an impact through your IRA right now, contact your financial advisor or Maggie Keenan at the Catholic Community Foundation - 804-622-5221 or mkeenan@richmonddiocese.org.

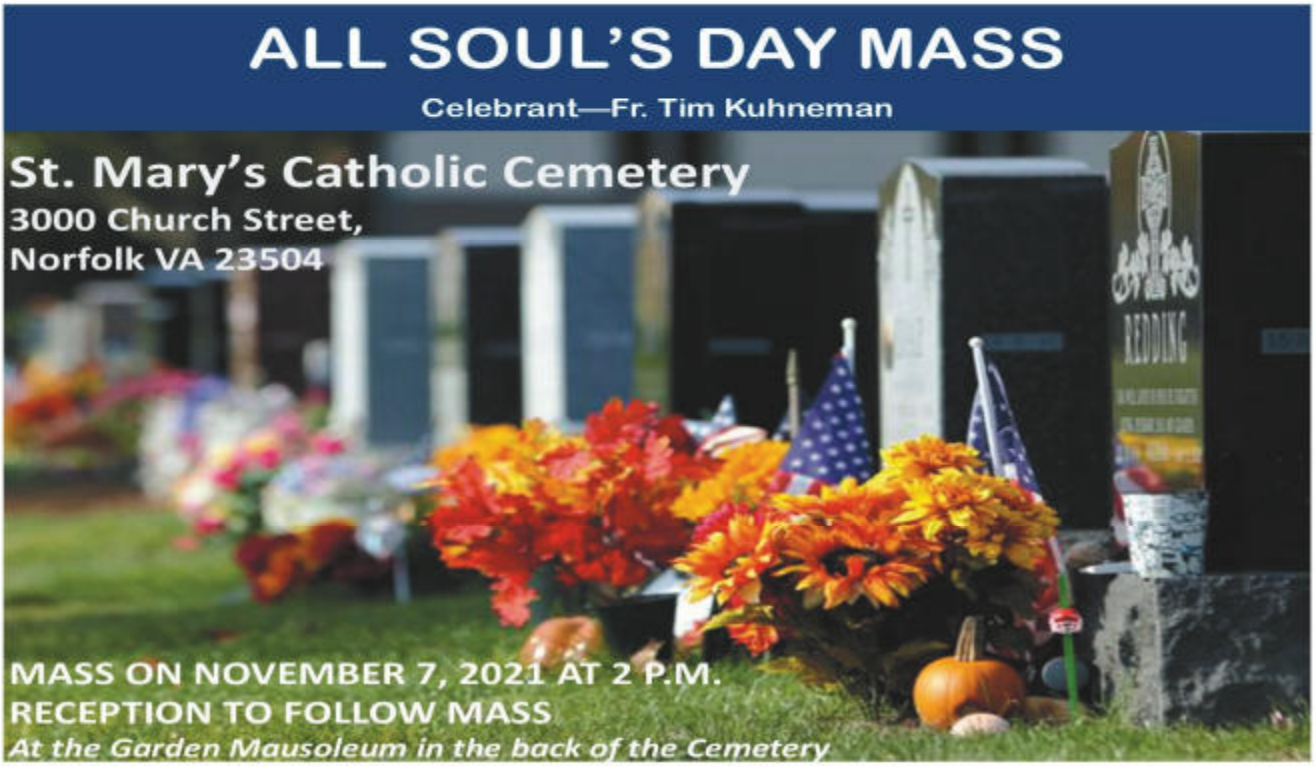
IMPORTANT: Please make your gift as soon as possible so you can ensure it is received by December 31st, 2021!



Decorated Trunks needed for our Trunk or Treat Event

Date: 31 October
Set-up Time: 12: 30 pm
Event Time: 1pm to 2 pm

Contact Claire McCrary to reserve your space
cmmcrary@blessed-sacrament.com
Or go directly to Signup Genius
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0949ADAE29AAF58-trunk1



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