

Cluster Parishes of Portsmouth & Chesapeake
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The Epiphany
OF THE LORD

*“Since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people
Israel.” - Mt 2:6b*

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Pastor: Reverend Anthony Wm. Morris

The Mission of the Cluster Parishes: *“Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations.” (Matthew 28:19)*

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24-Hour Priest / Emergency Phone: 757-448-5251 (when someone is in imminent danger of dying or has died)

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Please see one of your parish representatives if you have an item that you would like presented before the council.

Parish Registration

If you are interested in joining one of our parishes, please complete a parish registration form. The forms are located in the vestibules or commons of each parish and are also available on-line in English or Spanish at www.clusterparishes.com. Please return forms to the office manager of your desired parish in person, by mail, or by e-mail (see bulletin cover for addresses.) Please be sure to indicate on the form for which parish you are registering.

Sacramental Records

Please contact the office manager for the parish from which you require a sacramental record. Please provide as much information as possible for the record search: date, sacrament, presider, etc.

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick

If you know of a Catholic in need of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Cluster Parishes office at (757) 484-7335 to request a visit by priest. In case of near-death, please call the priest emergency number (757) 448-5251.

Infant Baptism

Infant Baptism preparation classes normally meet **the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m.** in the Church of the Resurrection office. For more information, contact Theresa Carpenter at 757-484-7335 or adultformation@clusterparishes.com.

Marriage

Couples interested the celebrating the Sacrament of Matrimony should normally contact the cluster parishes' offices at least six months prior to the intended date. This allows for a proper period of preparation, both spiritually and administratively. For more information, contact Theresa Carpenter at 757-484-7335 or adultformation@clusterparishes.com.

First Reconciliation and First Communion

Children normally begin preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion when they enter second grade. Students in both public and Catholic schools should attend this yearlong preparation in the parish religious sacramental formation program. For more information, contact Kristi Harriman at 757-484-7335 or christianformation@clusterparishes.com.

Confirmation

Youth normally begin their Confirmation Preparation in tenth grade. The Confirmation Preparation Program is separate from Christian Formation. Non-Confirmed Catholic youth in tenth grade or higher should register for Confirmation Preparation. Students preparing for Confirmation should also be enrolled and participate in the Cluster Youth Formation program. For more information, contact Madre Collins at 757-484-7335 or youthminister@clusterparishes.com.

Becoming Catholic

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, (RCIA), is the process through which adults join the Catholic Church.

The Cluster Parishes use RCIA to bring into the Catholic Church non-baptized adults as well as adults who are baptized in non-Catholic Christian traditions. Additionally, adults who were baptized Catholic but who did not complete the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist may attend RCIA as a means to complete those sacraments. We also welcome any fully-initiated Catholic who may have been away from the Church for whatever reason. RCIA is a wonderful means to re-discover one's Catholic roots. For information about RCIA, contact Theresa Carpenter at 757-484-7335 or adultformation@clusterparishes.com.

Vocations to the Priesthood or Religious Life

"Follow Me and I will make you fishers of men." Is the Lord maybe calling you to the priesthood or religious life? Contact Father Brian Capuano, Vicar for Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or vocations@richmonddiocese.org for more information.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 1/1/2022

St Paul 9:00am Priest Intentions
St Paul 4:00pm Nellie Kolodziej†
Resurrection 5:30pm Eric Daniel Akers†

Sunday, 1/2

St. Paul 9:00am Anne Marie Siebels†
St. Mary 9:00am Nicholas Scotece
 Armstrong †

Holy Angels 11:00am Richard O’Neill†
Resurrection 11:30am Porifiro & Angeles Cajusay†
Holy Angels 1:00pm John Carroll†

Monday, 1/3

Holy Angels 9:00am Intentions of
 Cluster Parishioners

Tuesday, 1/4

Resurrection 11:30am Intentions of
 Cluster Parishioners

Wednesday, 1/5

Resurrection 6:00pm Doug Frazier†

Thursday, 1/6

Holy Angels 9:00am Christopher Morris

Friday, 1/7

St Paul 7:30am Intentions of
 Cluster Parishioners

Saturday 1/8

St Paul 4:00pm Emerson Hutchings†
Resurrection 5:30pm George Hartsell, Sr.†

† Indicates Deceased

Cluster Prayer List

Please pray for our ill and deceased Cluster parishioners, family, and friends

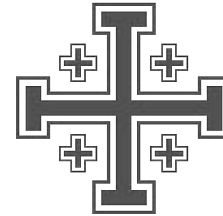
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To Request a Change to the Prayer List

Call the parish office or email bulletin@clusterparishes.com. Names of living persons will be removed after 30 days. If you would like your name to stay on the list please call or email with your request. Names of deceased or families of deceased will be listed for two weeks.

Readings for the Week of January 2, 2022

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf.11]/ Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
 Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/ Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
 Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/ Lk 4:14-22a
 Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Lk 5:12-16
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/ Jn 3:22-30



Upcoming Events

See “Mass Intentions” for Mass Schedule

Sunday, January 2

8:15am Reconciliation at St Mary
 12:30pm Reconciliation at Holy Angels

Monday, January 3

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, January 4

10:00am Sewing Circle at Resurrection (Hall)
 11:00am Praying of the Rosary at Resurrection

Wednesday January 5

7:00pm Adult Formation at Resurrection (Hall)

Thursday, January 6

10:00am Journey Ministry at Resurrection (Hall)
6:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Resurrection
 6:30pm RCIA at Resurrection (Office)

Friday, January 7

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

Saturday, January 8

7:30AM Men of St Joseph at Resurrection (Office)
 3:00pm Reconciliation at St Paul
 4:30pm Reconciliation at Resurrection

Quote of the Week

“O Father, in your Truth (that is to say, in your Son, humbled, needy and homeless) you have humbled me. He was humbled in the womb of the Virgin, needy in the manger of the sheep, and homeless on the wood of the Cross. Nothing so humbles the proud sinner as the humility of Jesus Christ’s humanity.”

~St Anthony of Padua

OASIS

OASIS FOOD BASKET

Just a reminder that the OASIS food cart at Resurrection is in need of non-perishable food donations. Please help with the need! If you have any questions please contact (757) 397-6060. You can drop off your donations during the Cluster Office Hours.

The Oasis thrift store is still closed and they are not taking any clothing, household items, etc. donations until further notice. Thank you for your continued support.

Knights of Columbus

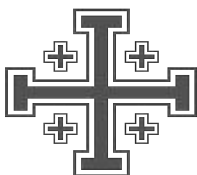
Joining the Knights

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend the values in a busy and changing world. Our local Council #418 held a membership drive the weekend of 11/19 and 11/20 and we may have missed you. Whether you become a member at-large or a member of our council you will find that the Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way. If you would like to join or learn more, please contact Michael McClellan at 757-535-6843 or our Grand Knight Dan Puzin at 757-472-5955.

Adult Formation

Women’s Bible Study New Series

The Ladies Bible Study group will be resuming on Thursday **January 20th at 10:00 AM** in Resurrection Hall. We will be doing an 8 week study called “Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues” by Bishop Robert Barron. Each week we will watch a short video followed by discussion questions. Join us for a time of growing deeper in our Catholic faith through faith sharing and fellowship! **Please contact Celeste Prezioso at cmprezioso@yahoo.com for more information**



Children’s Formation

Children’s Formation

Enjoy your Christmas Holiday! See you after the New Year!! Have a Blessed Christmas and safe New Years!

Youth Formation

Youth Group

Please join us for Food, Faith and Fellowship Sundays **5:30-7:30 at Resurrection.**

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! See you next year!

Diocesan Youth Conference Feb 11-13

It will be held in Richmond and is for all high school students. This year there is a cap on the amount of participants so don’t wait to sign up.

Contact Madre Collins if you’re interested.

Job Opening

Cluster Parishes of Portsmouth & Chesapeake is looking for an energetic person to assume the dual position of Coordinator of Religious Education as well as youth ministries for a well-established and active program for elementary school, middle school and high school students. Applicant must be a practicing Catholic in good standing and possess a love and knowledge of the Catholic Faith, as well as a strong commitment to the faith development of children and young people. Professional work ethic and excellent communication skills, both written and verbal, are essential. Bachelor’s Degree preferable in related field. Children and/or youth ministry programming experience desired. This is a full time position that requires variable hours.

Primary responsibilities:

- Organize sacrament preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation.
- Facilitate catechists in the instruction of the Catholic Faith for children and youth programs.
- Organize & manage the Vacation Bible School yearly
- Maintain the integrity & files for the Safe Environment Program
- Coordination with diocese, pastor and other staff members regularly
- Work variable hours including weekends, nights and holidays to meet the needs of the children & youth Programs

If you are interested and have further questions, please contact Father Tony Morris at pastor@clusterparishes.com or call 757-484-7335



From the Desk of the Pastor

ANNULMENTS

In our faith we recognize a marriage as valid until it is annulled by the church itself. This is different from a civil divorce. This is a process that declares the marriage was never sacramental and it was only a civil marriage. This allows the person to get remarried in the church and have their new marriage blessed.

Divorce is never an easy thing. It happens across our society. Marriage is a blessing and a gift and a sacrament. If you have been remarried without the benefit of having your first marriage annulled, contact the office. The priests can sit down and help you move forward with getting your annulment.

Eucharistic Adoration



Eucharistic Adoration at Resurrection

Please join us for adoration on Thursday January 6th 2022 at 6pm at Resurrection.

Cluster Office Hours

Cluster Office Closed

The Cluster offices will be closed on Monday January 10th 2022 due to internet upgrades. We will reopen Tuesday January 11th at 9am.

Also the Cluster offices will be closed on Monday January 17th in observance of Martin Luther King day. We will reopen Tuesday January 18th at 9am!



St. Paul News

St. Paul's Giving Tree Thank You

We extend a great big thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Giving Tree Outreach Project. Through the enthusiastic support of our wonderful priests and parish staff and the generosity of our parishioners, we were able to provide a total of 271 gifts for our children and elderly this year. Because of YOU each child awoke Christmas morning to find a surprise under the tree! More joy was shared as the remainder of the gifts were distributed among the residents of 7 local nursing/ assisted living facilities. Families facing their first Christmas without loved ones who passed away this year received a poinsettia as a remembrance that they remain in our thoughts and prayers

We sincerely thank ALL the wonderful volunteers (individuals and families alike) who gathered after Mass to sort and tag all gifts that were returned to St. Joseph's altar. A special thanks goes out to the 2 people who offered to shop for replacements of the 10 gifts that were not returned, ensuring that no "Christmas Wish" would go unfulfilled. Last but certainly not least, we are so grateful for those who patiently waited throughout this entire process to deliver the gifts to their respective facilities. What a truly amazing group of people!

There really are no words to adequately express our gratitude to everyone who brought about a successful completion of yet another year of our parish tradition. The Giving Tree, an expression of our Catholic faith and love in action, could not come together in such a successful and wonderful way without the contributions of every one of you!! We count ourselves as so very blessed to be part of this ministry and having the opportunity to work with so many terrific people.

Thank you one and all!!

Wishing everyone a very merry and blessed Christmas and New Year!

Phil and Cathie Whalen

March for Life

March for Life Bus from the Cluster

The Cluster has a 36 seat bus going to DC for the March for Life on the 21st of January. This is an excellent opportunity to stand up for the innocent unborn as well as dignity for all life. The cost is \$75 for the trip -up and back from DC. Current Schedule is leave at 6:30, arrive in DC at 11:00 and leave DC at approximately 3:30. Will make a quick stop for breakfast and a quick stop on the way back for dinner. Please let Theresa Carpenter know if you are going. adultformation@clusterparishes.com or call the office at 757-488-7335

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