

Cluster Parishes of Portsmouth & Chesapeake

March 23, 2025

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3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

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- Lk 13:2-3

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Pastor: Very Reverend Anthony Wm. Morris, V.F.

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

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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 staff 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 Katherine Kardok at 757-484-7335 or adultformation@clusterparishes.com. Spanish Baptism Class is the **3rd Tuesday of each month at Holy Angels at 6pm.** Contact Maggie Rocha 757-403-2627

Marriage

Couples interested in 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 tcarpenter@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 Sonia Sorto 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 please contact Roberto Pagtalunan at 757-484-7335 or youthminister@clusterparishes.com.



OCIA.

Are you thinking of becoming Catholic? Were you baptized Catholic but never received First Communion or Confirmation? If you or anyone you know is interested in joining our OCIA process to receive the sacraments of initiation, please contact Katherine Kardok at adultformation@clusterparishes.com. Formation classes begin in September.

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 Matthew Kiehl, Vicar for Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or vocations@richmonddiocese.org for more information.

*Mass Intentions***Saturday 3/22****St Paul** 4:00pm Ally Gasper†**Resurrection** 5:30pm Ruth Tyner†**Sunday, 3/23****St. Paul** 9:00am Mary Viola†**St Mary** 9:00am Aristides Martinez & Silvia Hernandez†**Holy Angels** 11:00am Lydia Villanueva†**Resurrection** 11:30am Filemon & Inocencia Kuizon†**Holy Angels** 1:00pm Intentions of Cluster Parishioners**Monday, 3/24****Holy Angels** 9:00am Karin Owens**Tuesday, 3/25****Resurrection** 11:30am Jim Breckenridge†**Wednesday, 3/26****Resurrection** 6:00pm Karina Stndved**Thursday, 3/27****Holy Angels** 9:00am Cullen Owens**Friday, 3/28****St Paul** 7:30am Nancy Hennis**Saturday 3/29****St Paul** 4:00pm Jerry Warren, Jr.†**Resurrection** 5:30pm Ruth Tyner†

† Indicates Deceased

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

Patricia Anderson, George Best, Frances Bilko, Jacob Blake, Teresa Boyer, Geneva Buckman, Gwen Bruce, James Buckman, Jr. Peggie Buckman, Joseph Butler, Mike Campbell, Richard Carrar, Matt Clifford, Cindy Coffey, Dusty Cowhig, Betty Cowlings, John Cummings, Barbara Daniels, Michelle DeMatteo, Jo Dollar, Ham Dwyer, Ian Etheridge, Fay Francisco, Patsy Hahn, Elizabeth Henderson, Sidney Herring Sr, Rick Herrod, Darrell Hovis, Billy Jackowski, Karen Jastrebsky-Shirah, David Jernigan, Kathleen Kirsch, Hayward Knight, Jr, David Loomis, Carol Lovins, Teddy Lyons, Ray Miltier, Amand Mines, Jo-Claire Moody, Connie Morris, Lori Morris, David & Priscilla Morse, Sally Murphy, Madison Nagle, Beverly Norris, Irene Osborne, Robert Pedigo, James Penney, Judy Poole, Wilson Ramos, Barbara K. Roberts, Sonja Rowe, Alisa Sample, Mary Ellen Sergeant, Atlas Shallenberg, Paul Sheehan, Lawrence Silverdahl, John Skrobiszewski, Rick Smith, Sharon Soldan, Albert & Melissa Throesch, Sandra Thureau, Mary Tobin-Sharpe, Martha Thomson, Wanda Tran, George Underwood, Steve Volosek, James Wertman, **The Family of Lydia Villanueva†, The Family of Ed Vincek†, The Family of Jutta Oldman†**

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 March 23, 2025

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 (8a)/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9
Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/ Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/ Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/ Lk 18:9-14

*Upcoming Events**See "Mass Intentions" for Mass Schedule***Sunday, March 23**

8:15am Reconciliation at St Mary
 10:00am Children's Formation at St Paul (FWC)
 10:15am Children's Formation at Resurrection (Hall)
 11:45am Children's Formation at Holy Angels
 12:30pm Reconciliation at Holy Angels

Monday, March 24

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, March 25

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

Wednesday March 26

7:00pm Adult Formation at Resurrection (Hall)

Thursday, March 27

9:30am Sewing Group at Holy Angels
 10:00am Women's Bible Study at Resurrection (Hall)
 6:30pm OCIA at Resurrection (Office)

Friday, March 28

5:00pm Stations of the Cross at Holy Angels
 5:00pm KofC 418 Fish Fry at Resurrection (Hall)
 5:30pm Fish Fry at Holy Angels
 6:00pm Stations of the Cross at St Paul

Saturday, March 29

7:30am Men of St Joseph at Resurrection (Office)
 9:00am First Communion Retreat at Resurrection (Hall)
 3:00pm Reconciliation at St Paul
 4:30pm Reconciliation at Resurrection

Calendar of Events

Quote of the Week

“And he said to all: If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.”

~Luke 9:23

OASIS

OASIS FOOD BASKET

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

Social Outreach

Cluster Assistance Ministry

The Cluster Assistance Ministry provides funds for utilities and rental assistance for local individuals and families in need. We have had a high demand for assistance. Please help support this ministry! Please make checks payable to “Holy Angels” and put in the memo section “Fuel and Hunger Fund”. Contact assistance@clusterparishes.com for more information, thank you for continued support!

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Adult Formation

Wednesday Night Adult Formation

Join us from March 12– April 9 (6 weeks) for the next Adult Formation series. We will be taking a biblical walk through Christ’s Passion. The study will be held at Resurrection from 7:00-8:00 pm on Wednesday evenings. No homework! Email Katherine at adultformation@clusterparishes.com to register.

Women’s Bible Study

Come join the Women’s Bible Study starting on March 20th to prepare for Easter. We will listen to Brant Pitre’s teaching—The Jewish Roots of Jesus’ Death and Resurrection. Then embrace a five week series on discipleship by Edward Sri— Into his Likeness. Classes are on Thursdays from 10-11:30am at Resurrection. Please Contact Katherine Kardok at adultformation@clusterparishes.com or call the office at 757-484-7335 to register.

Cluster News

Cluster Senior Luncheons

Please join us for a delicious meal prepared by volunteers for our Cluster seniors. The luncheons will be held the 2nd Tuesday of each month (**except June, July and August**) and will immediately follow the 11:30 daily Mass at Church of the Resurrection. **Please RSVP to Pat Morgan (757) 484-1687 or Maureen Harman (757) 619-9914** if you think you may be attending. This will help us with our planning and preparations. What a great way to meet others in the cluster and catch up with longtime friends. Don’t miss out on the fun!

Volunteer Requirements

Volunteers are very important here at the Cluster Parishes. Without the help of our parishioners, we could not offer the many opportunities for faith formation, fellowship, or service that we are now blessed to be able to offer. Our grounds and facilities also benefit from the help of volunteers who are generous with their time. To continue to provide for our parish in a safe way, there are safety requirements that any volunteer who comes into contact with children or vulnerable adults must meet. The Safe Environment program used by the Catholic Church in the United States is called VIRTUS. To register for any VIRTUS class, visit www.virtusonline.org. For questions about VIRTUS and our Safe Environment practices, please contact Katherine at 757-484-7335 or email her at adultformation@clusterparishes.com



Cluster News (continued)

THE CLUSTER PARISHES OF PORTSMOUTH & CHESAPEAKE
LENTEN MISSION - APRIL 5 - 8, 2025:

Giving up dessert and entering the desert -
how to make the most of Lent!

Join us as Deacon Greg Kandra shares insights into the three Lenten spiritual practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving and how they can deepen our relationship with God during our Lenten journey.

Deacon Kandra will speak at the Masses on April 5 & 6
He will lead the Mission at Church of the Resurrection on April 7 & 8 from 6:30 - 7:30 PM
There will be a reception in Caraluzza Hall after the Mission on April 8

Deacon Greg is an author, speaker, blogger and award-winning journalist. He spent almost three decades in broadcast journalism, most of that time at CBS News, where he was honored with every major award in broadcasting. A popular speaker and retreat leader, Deacon Greg was invited by the Vatican to speak at the International Jubilee for Deacons in 2016. He was ordained a deacon for the Diocese of Brooklyn in 2007. He and his wife live in Apopka, Florida.

St. Paul News

Thank you!

We received a beautiful thank you letter from the Parishioners of St. Peter the Apostle Church in Onley Virginia for the wonderful Christmas presents for the migrant children in their parish. Phil & Cathie Whalen and the volunteers from St Paul for their generosity with the giving tree to make sure these children had a blessed Christmas!

Knights of Columbus

Fish Fry Fridays!

Knights of Columbus Council 418 serving the Cluster Parishes are having our Annual Lenten Fish Fry every Friday during Lent (7 Mar - 11 Apr) from 5 to 7:00 pm at the Church of the Resurrection and during Weeks 2 - 5 at the Church of the Holy Angels from 5:30pm to 7pm. Fish Fry at Resurrection Social Hall offers ALL YOU CAN EAT for \$12 (\$6 for children under 13). Menu includes baked or fried whiting fillets, with fries, coleslaw and cornbread. Desserts available for \$1 from our Women's Auxiliary. For those that do not eat fish we also offer grilled Cheese sandwiches with Fries.

Since our Fish Fry's are fundraising events, we want to let everyone know that we have designated each week (6 total) to a different organization, where proceeds from our Fish Fry's will be donated. Last year, we donated \$8,000 in proceeds to these organizations. We hope to donate more this year, but that will depend on you and your support.

Week 4 (28 March) - Parish Youth Groups (St Paul, St Mary, Resurrection, Holy Angels and St Therese)
Week 5 (4 April) - Vocations in Support of Seminarians
Week 6 (11 April) - Hope 4 Life Pregnancy Center / HER Shelter

Holy Angels charitable organizations:

Week 4 (28 Mar) - Portsmouth Regional Catholic School
Week 5 (4 Apr) - Holy Angels Sewing Club
Come out for a great meal and fellowship.

Holy Week Schedule

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Monday -4/14

Daily Mass —9:00am at Holy Angels

Tuesday --4/15

Daily Mass —11:30am at Resurrection

Wednesday— 4/16

NO MASS

Holy Thursday— 4/17

Holy Thursday Mass —7:00pm at St Paul

Good Friday— 4/18

Stations of the Cross —3:00pm at St Mary

Good Friday Service— 7:00pm at Holy Angels

Good Friday Service— 7:00pm at Resurrection

Holy Saturday— 4/19

Blessing of the Easter Food—10:00am at St Paul

Easter Vigil— 7:30pm at St Paul

Easter Sunday —4/20

Easter Mass —9:00am at St Paul

Easter Mass— 9:00am at St Mary

Easter Mass— 11:00am at Holy Angels

Easter Mass —11:30am at Resurrection

Misa en Español—1:00pm at Holy Angels

PLEASE NOTE MASS TIMES FOR EACH CHURCH

NO RECONCILIATION EASTER WEEKEND

Stations of the Cross Schedule

Stations of the Cross

As we start our Lenten Journey to the glorious Resurrection of our Lord. Please join us for Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent. Below is the schedule:

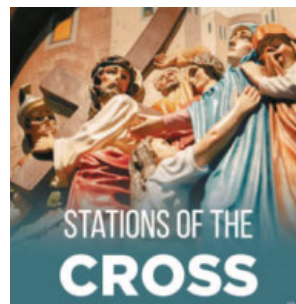
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*Holy Angels at 5pm

*St Paul's at 6pm

Good Friday April 18th

*St Mary's at 3pm



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