

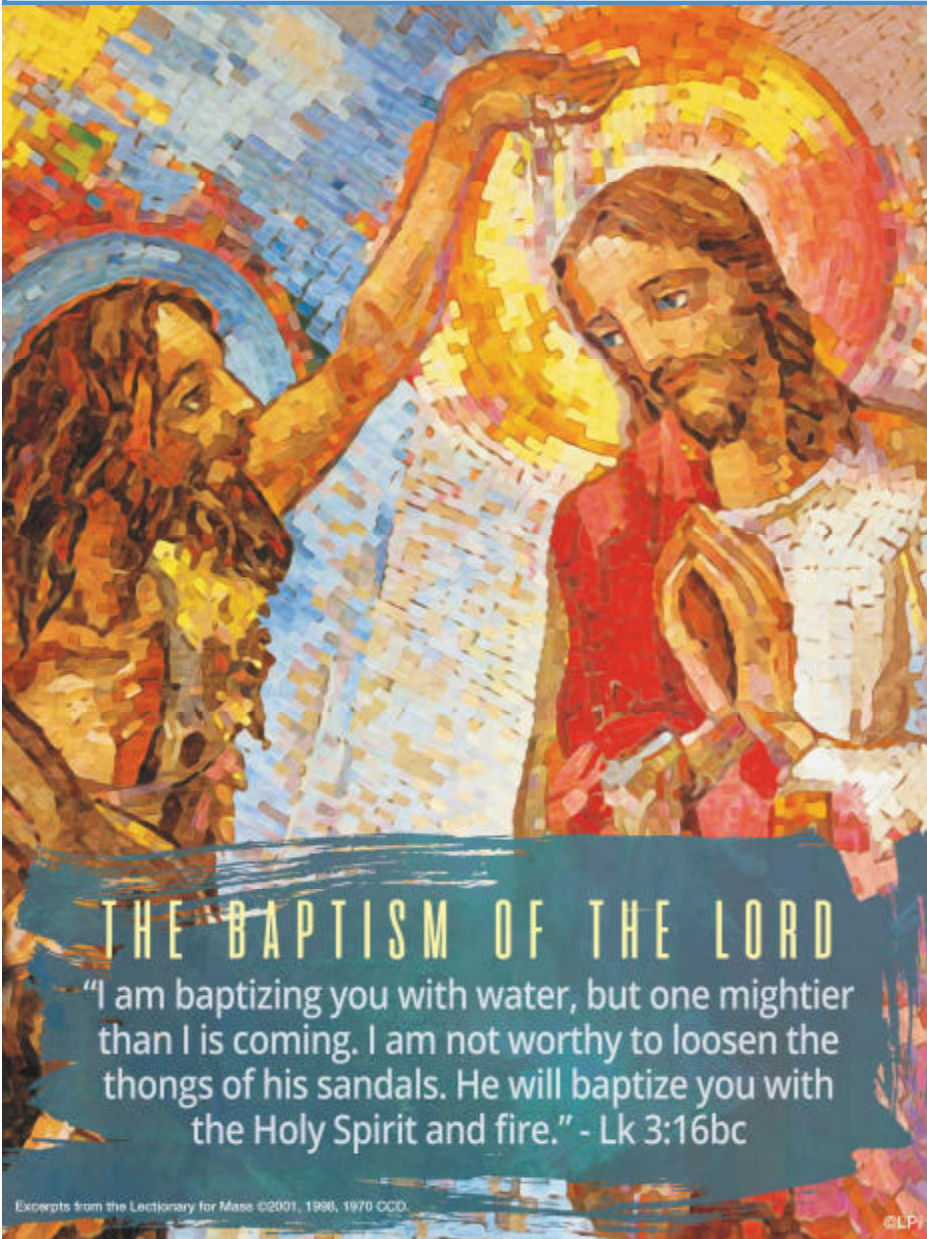


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This Week @ OLL...

As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, we turn to remember our own baptisms. Pope Francis challenges us to know and celebrate the date of our baptism, and those of our children and godchildren.


Do you know yours?

Through baptism, we celebrate new life in Christ. Look inside for a reflection on godparents, and for ways to live out the Christian vocation given at your baptism to serve those in need through the many missions of our Human Concerns ministry. May God bless your faith journey!

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A note from the pastor



Una nota del párroco

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we celebrate the beautiful Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, it gives me a chance to address a wonderful group of folks in our parish: godparents! (Yesterday I participated in the baptism of my new godson, Isaac, so this theme certainly applies to me!) At baptism and confirmation, especially, godparents assume an important role in providing guidance and inspiration in living the faith. However, this doesn't always happen. Recently I read an article about a number of dioceses in Italy that are suspending the role of godparents. The public expectation about the role of godparents had become so confused that several regions chose to eliminate, for a while, any possibility for anybody to serve as a godparent. Hopefully we won't get to this point. As a witness to the sacraments, the godparent is not an honorary title given to a nice relative who nevertheless doesn't practice her faith, or a non-Christian neighbor with enough means to raise the child properly if the parents become incapacitated. The Church recognizes that godparents are to inspire a vibrant life of faith, and their own active participation in the sacramental life of the Church is just one part of this. For those of us who are godparents, we seek the grace to deepen our faith and express it more fervently. For those who are not, I invite you to speak with me about getting former marriages annulled, about receiving the sacrament of confirmation, or about witnessing to the truth and beauty of our faith. Perhaps, soon, a family will ask you to be a godparent. What a blessing to be able to (honestly) accept that invitation! God bless you!



Hermanos y hermanas in Cristo,

Mientras celebramos la hermosa Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor, me da la oportunidad de dirigirme a un maravilloso grupo de personas en nuestra parroquia: ¡los padrinos y las madrinas! (Ayer participé en el bautismo de mi nuevo ahijado, Isaac, ¡así que este tema ciertamente se aplica a mí!) En el bautismo y la confirmación, especialmente, los padrinos y las madrinas asumen un papel importante al brindar orientación e inspiración para vivir la fe. Sin embargo, esto no siempre sucede. Recientemente leí un artículo sobre varias diócesis en Italia que están suspendiendo el papel de padrinos. La expectativa pública sobre el papel de los padrinos se había vuelto tan confusa que varias regiones optaron por eliminar, por un tiempo, cualquier posibilidad de que alguien sirviera como padrino. Ojalá no lleguemos a este punto. Como testigo de los sacramentos, el padrino no es un título honorífico otorgado a un pariente agradable que, sin embargo, no practica su fe, o un vecino no cristiano con los medios suficientes para criar adecuadamente al niño si los padres quedan incapacitados. La Iglesia reconoce que los padrinos deben inspirar una vida de fe vibrante, y su propia participación activa en la vida sacramental de la Iglesia es solo una parte de esto. Para quienes somos padrinos, buscamos la gracia para profundizar nuestra fe y expresarla con más fervor. Para aquellos que no lo son, los invito a hablar conmigo sobre la anulación de matrimonios anteriores, sobre recibir el sacramento de la confirmación o sobre dar testimonio de la verdad y la belleza de nuestra fe. Quizás, pronto, una familia te pida que seas padrino. ¡Qué bendición poder aceptar (honestamente) esa invitación! ¡Dios te bendiga!



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For 45 years, an annual Benefit Dinner was held to raise funds to support the care of elderly residents of the Little Sisters of the Poor. Since the Little Sister's departure from Richmond, Saint Francis Home is the only remaining faith-based assisted living community in the area that is dedicated to exclusively serving older adults of limited means. As a result, past members of this annual event encouraged Saint Francis Home to continue this longstanding tradition. Saint Francis Home will be hosting a benefit dinner on January 27, 2022 to raise funds that provide support for Richmond's low-income elderly. For details: contact Christy Heinen at cheinen@SaintFrancishome.org or 804-237-5602.

Event page: <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/SFHBenefitDinner>





16 de enero, de 11am-12:30pm a próxima clase de Bautismo: los bautizos serán el sábado, 29 de enero, a las 11am. Favor pasar por la oficina a recoger los formularios pertinentes.



Mary's Choice RVA will promote the dignity of God-given life from the moment of conception by providing women in crisis pregnancies a nurturing safe home with support services, educational opportunities, and access to health services to empower them in their journey toward independence and self-respect. The Human Concerns ministry is supporting this effort. Please call Joan at 262-7315, ext. 6 for more information.



Thank you for your consistent support of Laura's closet! We are now accepting clean, gently used clothing. We welcome clients again beginning Tuesday, January 11 from 9am to 10:30am. Masks are encouraged. Please spread the word to those in need.

¡Gracias por su constante apoyo al Laura's Closet! Ahora aceptamos ropa limpia y poco usada. Laura's closet volverá a abrir para los clientes el martes 11 de enero de 9am a 10:30am. Se anima a las máscaras.

The National March for Life will take place on January 21, 2022. Save the Date! In addition to youth who will be making this pilgrimage, there will be opportunities for adults to participate as well. Details to come.

For more information, visit: www.marchforlife.org



While you're shopping...

One great way to support our parish without adding to your bill is to shop through Amazon Smile! The steps are easy, and once you set up your account, a portion of your shopping is donated to our parish. Here's how to get started:

1. Go to: <https://smile.amazon.com>
2. Go to "Choose charity."
3. Search for "Our Lady of Lourdes Church," then scroll through the results and be sure to choose the Henrico, VA option.

Thank you so much for your continued support!

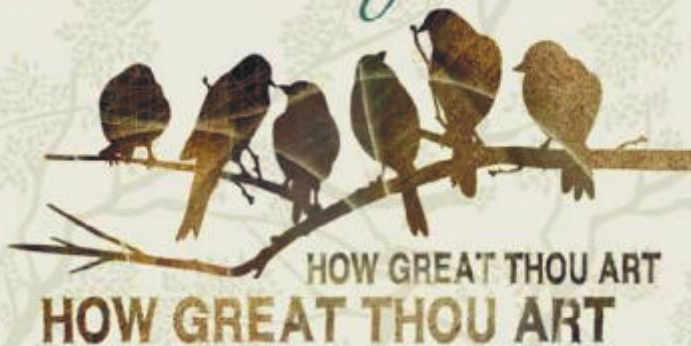


Music Ministry – FUNERALS:

Our Lady of Lourdes needs Resurrection Choir Members to sing for comfort and support of the bereaved family. We rehearse 45 minutes before the funeral. Preludes start 15 minutes before the actual Mass begins.

Please email: vkennedy@ollrichva.org if you are interested in singing at a given funeral. Thank you!

then **SINGS** my soul
my **SAVIOR** *God* to thee



HUMAN CONCERNS

The words Thank you are just not enough!! The Human Concerns' Ministry depends on you, the parishioners to support our ministries. This includes the food pantry, Laura's Closet, Thanksgiving food drive and Jesse Tree. We appreciate all the donations made to help us bring joy and stability to many.

We provided a wonderful meal for Thanksgiving to 73 families and our school provided for 19 families. Everyone who received a Thanksgiving basket was overwhelmed and most grateful for your generosity. We had many volunteers helping us because we can't do this alone. Our youth were very helpful to us for sure. Many adults helped us sort, pack and deliver.

The Jesse Tree program provided 325 gifts and the school donated many wonderful fun toys and personal care items for the stockings. The parents who received all of these great gifts were very touched by your kindness.

Our school families celebrated Socktoberfest by donating 5,000 pairs of socks to be given to the needy. Our Laura's Closet team sorted and arranged for agencies to pick up or they delivered them the Daily Planet, On Faith Ministry, St. Peter's church and many other wonderful groups who help the homeless.

I hope as you read this information it will bring joy and warmth to you hearts. Remember every little donation or volunteering you do makes a BIG difference to someone's life. We are always looking for more volunteers to help with the food pantry and Laura's Closet. Think about this as you walk into the New Year!

A teal-colored wooden surface with a heart shape painted in a darker teal color. The words "Love One Another" are written in a black, cursive font across the heart. The wood has some yellowish-brown spots and a vertical grain.



Mass Intentions

1/8/22: 5pm-Ralph Puccinelli (RIP)

1/9/22: 8:15am-Joan Nunn (RIP)

1/9/22: 10am-OLL Parishioners

We keep these names and their loved ones in our prayers this week.

Sacrament Information

Baptism: For information, call the Christian Formation Office.

Reconciliation: Tues. & Thurs. 6-7pm, Sat. 3-4pm

Marriage: Couples must participate in a preparation program. Contact a clergy member at least 6 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: If you or a family member needs the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call the Office.

[After Hours ONLY in an EMERGENCY

Call (804) 254-0586]

Holy Orders, Religious Life, and Lay Ministry: Men and women considering Ministry in the Church are encouraged to call the Parish Pastor or Deacon.

Prayer Requests

for our loved ones in the Military: Sgt. William C. Barker, Corporal Robert Beers, USAF Capt. Andrew J. Blazon, Capt. Benjamin Bonenfant, Lance Corporal David A. Carter, Sgt. B. J. Compton, SPC. Alan Crosby, Lt. Althea Flores, Msg. Pfc. Antonio A. Flores, Capt. Carlos Flores, Sgt. John M. Flores, Sgt. Lauro Flores, Lt. Roberto Fonseca, 2nd Lt. John Furr, Lt. Jonathan Garrett, Capt. Christopher-James Hart, Sgt. Paul Inoa, Sgt. MaryClaire Kocik Meisner, Capt. Morgan McDaniel, 1st Sgt. James Phipps, Lance Corporal Michael J. Riddick II, Corporal Jacob A. Capehart, SFC. Thomas T. Morton, SSgt. Howard C. Robertson, Tech Sgt. William Scruggs, III, USAF, US Coast Guard Chief Angel Semerling, BM1 Lewis Semerling US Coast Guard, PO Troy Sweeney, 2nd Lt. Claire Veillette, USAF Airman Nicholas Weggen, Sr A. Marcus Wilson, Maj. Karl Wojtkun

for all the sick and homebound: Malina Ambert, Janet Calhoun, Chuck Coley, Suzanne Dickie, Jon Eugenio, Marilyn Floro, Margaret Mary Geier, Jeanne Geiger, Charles Glauda, Carmen Harrelson, Chris Hartless, Betty Hott, Patrick Hughes, Kyle Hungerford, Helen Koehler, Irene Lichwiarz, Paul Nitti, Petra Nordveck, David Wayne Plumket, Jane Reiter, Sylvia Roberson, Kaeden Ross, Dianne Rossell, Jen Russo, Elma Sackett, Mel & Grace Siple

Please write to updates@ollrichva.org if you wish to keep a loved one's name on this list. Thank you for your assistance!

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English Liturgies:

Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 8:15am, 10am

Tuesday-Thursday: 8:30am

Wednesday: School Mass (Masks required when school is in session)

1st Saturday Devotions:

9am Rosary, 9:30am Reconciliation, 10am Mass

Reconciliation:

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 6-7pm

Saturday: 3-4pm

Adoration: Wednesdays, 6pm

Horario Misa en español:

Domingo: 1pm, 6pm

Martes: 7pm

Jueves: 7pm

Reconciliación:

Martes y Jueves: 6-7pm

Sabados: 3-4pm

Adoración Jueves despues de misa

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