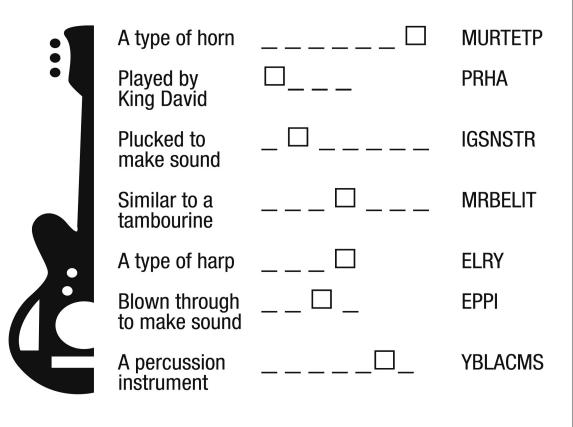


# MAKE MUSIC TO THE LORD

People of the Bible used many different instruments to worship God through music.

**Directions:** Using the clues, unscramble the names of instruments found in Psalm 150. Then write the circled letters in order in the spaces below to complete verse 6.



Le\_ everyt\_ing tha\_ has \_r\_ath raise the ORD. Psalm 150:6, NIV

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Psalm 150:6, NIV Answer: trumpet, harp, strings, timbrel, lyre, pipe, cymbals;

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#### PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

#### WHAT DO ANGELS HAVE TO DO WITH A DISHWASHER?



The Good Shepherd Ladies' Guild is raising money to purchase a new dishwasher for our church kitchen. If we can raise enough money, we will be able to eat our special parish meals on our good china.

This is where you, our fellow parishioners, come in. BEGIN-NING ON SATURDY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2023 we will begin raffling off two beautiful Angel Figurines at the Religious Goods Store. We will sell tickets for \$2.00 each and 3 for \$5.00. You will be able to decide which figurine you want to put your ticket on or put some on both. The more you buy, the more chances you have to win.

THE DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15TH AT OUR PARISH PICNIC.

All proceeds will go toward the purchase of the new dishwasher which will benefit all ministries here at Good Shepherd.



# Catholic \*\*

#### **August is National Make-a-Will Month**

Everyone should have an estate plan to act as a steward of God's blessings, protect what they love, and pass their faith and values on to the

next generation. Sunday, August 20th has been designated Make-a-Will Sunday. The Diocese of Richmond has partnered with FreeWill again this year to provide an opportunity for you to create or update a will in just 20 minutes for free and put all your intentions into action.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for Make-a-Will Sunday! Flyers are available at the entrance

to the church with more information.

## FREEWILL

### Interested in learning more about St. Benedict and his Holy Rule?



The Oblates of St. Benedict meet monthly from September to May at three deaneries in Virginia—Bristow, Bedford and Richmond. All are welcome (married or single) to come and learn how to live a Lay Christian Monastic life in our modern day, grounded in the Rule of St. Benedict since the sixth century. Benedictine Oblates (lay people) live in the world but enjoy a spiritual community life with a Benedictine Monastery near them. Locally, Richmond meetings are held at the Benedictine Abbey in Goochland. To learn more, please contact Annie McEntee, Obl.SB at annie.mcentee.oblsb@gmail.com



The parish office will be **CLOSED** on Monday, August 21, 2023.

#### **FAITH FORMATION**



## This is My Body

The Eucharist is the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Take time to learn more about the center of our Catholic faith by reading This is My Body, A

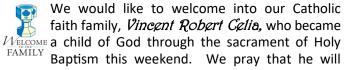
Call to Eucharistic Revival by Bishop Robert Barron. Copies are still available in the Commons are yours to take with or without a donation.

Book discussions will take place on Tuesday, September 12, 19 & 26 at 12:30 pm and 7 pm.



Congratulations to Gerard Francis Celia, Jr. on his celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday, August 20!

May God bless you and guide you as you continue to learn and grow in your journey of faith.



continue to grow in faith and love all the days of his life. Congratulations and God bless!

# Cursillo **Greater Hampton Roads**



Women's Cursillo—September 21-24, 2023 Men's Cursillo-October 12-15, 2023

Saint Clare of Assissi Retreat Center, Hampton GHRC website: philippians2foundation.org/cursillo/



## **Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat** for Healing after Abortion September 8-10, 2023

For information & registration, contact: Marty Montgomery-Jennings @ 804-704-0429 or Maggie Carlson @ 804-432-2589 Email: RV4hope@gmail.com

Website about retreats: rv4hope.org Inquires, registration and participation are strictly confidential.



**Food Pantry Needs for the** Week of August 20 CANNED MEAT OR FISH



# The Roman Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd

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Father Tony's Email: pastor@cgsparish.org

Office: (757) 365-0579 Fax: (757) 365-0994 Rectory: (757) 542-3879
Summer Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 10 AM to 4 PM,
Tuesday & Thursday 9 AM to 3:30 PM, Friday—CLOSED
Mass Times: Saturday—5PM & Sunday—9AM
Weekday Mass Times: Tuesday—Friday at Noon
Adoration is on the 1st & 3rd Friday of each month.

#### **Staff**

Pastor - Fr. Tony Yllana, pastor@cgsparish.org

Admin Assistant - Vicki Dobbins, admin@cgsparish.org

Religious Education - Lara Detrich, formation@cgsparish.org

Music Director - Katarina Hackney, music@cgsparish.org

Youth Ministry — Scott Watterson, youthministry@cgsparish.org

#### **Ministries**

Ministry to the Sick - Deacon Stanley Stefanowicz

Pastoral Council - Joe Campo

Finance Council - Dan Falbe

Money Counters - Margaret Hickman

**Building - Hart Smith and Tom Quick** 

**Grounds - Tom Quick** 

Liturgical Ministries Head - Mark Lieberman

Altar Servers - Lisa & Aine Lewandowski

Children's Liturgy - Kathleen Day

Eucharistic Min (Sat) - Joan Nagy

Eucharistic Min (Sun) - Mark Lieberman

Funeral Mass Coordinator—Joan Nagy

**Lectors** - Michelle Romanello

Sacristan - Hart Smith

**Ushers - Steve Reznick** 

Knights of Columbus - Shawn Huffaker, gk17335@vakofc.org

Ladies' Guild - Margaret Hickman

Men's Club - Bill Knapp, billknapp1985@yahoo.com

Parish Community Life - Debbi Gatti and Pearl Stokes

Justice & Peace - Mary Ellen Bebermeyer

Haiti Committee & E-Bulletin Board - Dave Maltby

**Divine Mercy Cenacle - Dara Murphy** 

Special Needs Ministry - Sue Ellebracht

\*If you are interested in any Ministries, please contact the parish office.

#### **Mission Statement**

We, as diverse members of the Body of Christ, come together to serve God, the Catholic Church, and our community. We celebrate God in the Eucharist and the word, as we help each other in the growth of our faith, share our gifts and welcome everyone.

#### **Vision Statement**

To know and love God and grow in the Kingdom Of God together.

<u>Inclement Weather</u> - Fr. Tony plans to be at church to celebrate Mass. However, you are not obligated to come if travel is unsafe for you.

<u>Parish Registration and Changes</u> – Registration forms are available on the Church website. You may notify the office if you wish to register with, or be removed from the parish records, or if you have a change of address, telephone number, or email.

<u>Baptisms</u> – A preparation class for parents is required. Contact Lara Detrich at the church office to register.

<u>Funerals</u> — Contact the office if you would like to schedule a Funeral Service. The date and time must be approved by the priest.

<u>Marriage</u> – Registered parishioners must contact the parish at least 6 months prior to the intended date.

<u>Reconciliation</u> – Before Saturday Vigil Mass or by appointment.

<u>Visitation of the Sick</u> – Please call the office to arrange for communion, anointing of the sick, or when someone is ill or hospitalized.



August 20, 2023

*Written by* THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

# Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 56:1, 6-7 | Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 | Mt 15:21-28

#### GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

The abundance of God's love for us is what stood out for me in our readings today. If we consider the concept of abundance outside the Scriptures, it can be tricky. When we have it, does it imply we have too much when others have too little? If we are speaking of material things, then perhaps. But God's infinite and merciful love for us resound in each of our readings today, and this is cause for joy. In Isaiah, the Lord announces that he will accept offerings from anyone who holds to his covenant, Jewish or not. Saint Paul stresses that God's mercy is for *all*, and Jesus, after some back-and-forth with the Canaanite woman, heals the woman's daughter because of her great faith. God never tires of desiring healing and wholeness for *all* his children, which is a great gift. Let this gift of grace from God be a catalyst for us to reach out in love to others so that we also can come to God's "holy mountain and [be made] joyful in [his] house of prayer."

#### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

How can we reach out in love to others as we called to do? Perhaps we can start with our parish. Is there a ministry we have read about in the bulletin that needs volunteers? Or a coordinator? Perhaps it is time to ask God how we can be his instrument in the world. We can start small. I will never forget when my friend volunteered to run our Vacation Bible School one summer. Of course, she turned to her friends to help her with this daunting task! What she desperately needed was someone to go from classroom to classroom and lead the children in song. Talk about out of my comfort zone! But she gave me the music books and song suggestions, and pretty soon, "This Little Light of Mine" was reverberating through the halls of the school. I learned then and there that kids don't notice the quality of your voice if you are joyful and enthusiastic. They love to sing! Take a chance and get out there. You won't regret it.

**PRAY** Lord, Jesus Christ, give me the wisdom to view my hands as extensions of yours. Give me eyes to see all people as you see them. Help me to use my voice to praise you and bring the truth of your goodness to everyone I encounter. Give me the strength to have unwavering faith. Amen.

#### LITURGY AND MINISTRY

## **Today's Readings:**

Celebration for the generosity of God resounds in our readings today. As followers of Jesus, we are filled with joy because God has included all people in his bountiful mercy. That joy leads us to reach out to all with compassion and mercy.

#### **Gospel Focus:**

Today and every day we celebrate the goodness of God.



"Encounter the Joy of the Gospel and Set the World Ablaze" **EVANGELIZED PEOPLE...** 

Seek, nurture, and enjoy the company of other Christians.

#### **FATHER'S CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK**

Adults: When has the faith of someone from another race or culture enriched your own faith?

Children: What could you do to help someone of another race or culture feel more welcome in your school or neighborhood?

#### PRAYER AND VOCATIONS

#### **Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions** for the Month of August



We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

#### **Pope Tweets:**

"In God's eyes we are precious children whom He calls each day to embrace us and encourage us, to make of us a unique and original masterpiece whose beauty we can only glimpse."



#### Please Remember in Prayer:

Barbara & Jim Bonney, Gene Chappell, Justin Evans, Ellen Gauthier, Leslie Lunger, Christopher Morris, Dara Murphy, Shirley Mutter, Betty Nagy, Elizabeth Perry, Alice

Reece, Jean Wechsler, Thomas Wunder and Brandon Zakaras



#### **Today's Reflection**

#### Is God's welcome only for the few?

Blessings of Loss: Our heavenly Father draws people towards Himself in strange, unpredictable ways. Just as in a family the misfortune of



one member can serve to unite the others in a new, protective loyalty; or as in business the failure of one concern can direct energy into a new, more productive line. So, the rejection of Our Savior by the Jews resulted in His more rapid acceptance throughout the Gentile world. It's an ill wind blows good to nobody! Even the lapses and sins of mankind can be turned to good account, says Paul in a profound but difficult section of his letter to the Romans: "God has imprisoned all men in disobedience only to show mercy on all." Our own past sins will not bar us from Christ, they only show us how much we need him ("To seek and save what was lost.")

Crumbs in the Kitchen: Why does Jesus want to limit himself to "the lost sheep of the house of Israel?" Was he not concerned for people of other nations, like that foreign woman with the loud voice, who pleaded for his help? She didn't give up; that's the first thing. Second, she found the perfect answer: "Even the pups get the crumbs that fall from the master's table!" Thirdly, her prayer was answered, and her faith warmly praised. But still, what do we make of the initial remark? A popular idiom in Israel, used by Jesus to convey that his primary mission was the conversion of his own Jewish people? Historically, that was his way; first to revive the Chosen People, so that these in turn would furnish a "house of prayer for all nations." However, even during his lifetime He was willing to receive those pagans who came to Him; and He predicted that in the future "many will come from East and West, and will sit down at table in the Kingdom of God." Notice too the world-wide mission of the disciples, after the Resurrection (Mt 28:18).

Expanding circles: That's how Christian faith should spread, like the rippling circles expanding on the surface when a stone drops into a still pond. First to the Jews, then to the Gentiles. Always handed on by direct contact, the sharing of trust, the witness of peaceful conviction, the bearing of one another's burdens. But, will our path of faith be smooth? Or, will there be setbacks and obstacles, objections from people more clever than ourselves, a contrary wind of current opinion hostile to religious belief? In such circumstances, the Canaanite woman offers inspiration, with her iron resolve coupled with good humor and ready wit.

(excerpts from associationofcatholicpriests.ie/homily-resource/20aug-2023-20th-Sunday-a/)

# **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** August 25, 2023 at 11:30 AM

Followed by 12:00 PM (Noon) Mass. Come and spend some time with Jesus!





# Considering a call to the priesthood

Are you called to lead the Lord's people to the eternal city that he has prepared for them as a priest? Call the Vocations Office, (804) 359-Steps 5661, or write: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

# August 20, 2023 **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



#### **Readings for the Week**

Monday, August 21—St. Pius X

Jgs 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday, August 22—The Queenship of Mary

Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday, August 23

Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday, August 24—St. Bartholomew

Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51

Friday, August 25

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday, August 26

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday, August 27—Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

#### **Daily Mass & Intention Schedule**

Mon.	August 21	No Mass	
Tues.	August 22	Noon	Available
Wed.	August 23	Noon	Available
Thurs.	August 24	8:00 am	Available
Fri.	August 25	Noon	Available
Sat	August 26	5:00 pm	+Daniela Baron
Sun.	August 27	9:00 am	Good Shepher

Parishioners are invited to remember their loved ones in a special way through prayers. If you would like to have a Mass celebrated in memory of a loved one or a special intention, please contact the parish office. Stipends may be turned in with the collection or mailed to the office. Checks should be made out to Church of the Good Shepherd. Please write "mass intention" on the memo line of your check. Thank you.



#### Church open for personal prayer:

Tuesday—Thursday 10AM to 2PM



We invite you to check out our **On-Line Giving Program.** 

Visit our parish website: www.cgsparish.org click on 'Give' then 'On-Line Giving'

**Upcoming Special Collections** September 3—Mortgage September 10—Catholic Virginian



\*Your donations are needed and appreciated.

The AED is located in the Commons by the fire extinguisher outside the office.



# **Parish Life This Week**

Monday, August 21

Office Closed 6:30 PM Boy Scouts

Tuesday, August 22

12:30 PM Eucharistic Miracles

Wednesday, August 23

(10:00 AM Salt & Light ?) 6:00 PM OCIA

7:00 PM PCL Mtg.

7:00 PM Youth Ministry

Thursday, August 24

6:00 PM Pastoral Council

7:00 PM Choir Practice

Friday, August 25

11:30 AM Adoration

Saturday, August 26

4:30 PM Rosary

Sunday, August 27 8:30 AM Rosary

Weekly Offering for:

August 12 & 13, 2023

Regular Offering needed weekly: \$ 6,250.00

(The following totals include E-Giving)

#### **OFFERTORY:**

Regular Offertory	\$ 4,339.16
Assumption Of Mary	\$ 52.00

#### **ADDITIONAL FUNDS COLLECTED:**

Mortgage 310.00 60.00 Haiti **Barron Dempsey** 106.00

**Mortgage Balance** \$ 23,895.11

#### **MASS ATTENDANCE**

91 Saturday August 14 55 193 Sunday August 15 68



Thank you for your continued support of the Church of the Good Shepherd!

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

If you are new to our parish, you can find the registration form on our website www.cqsparish.orq or contact the parish office.

