

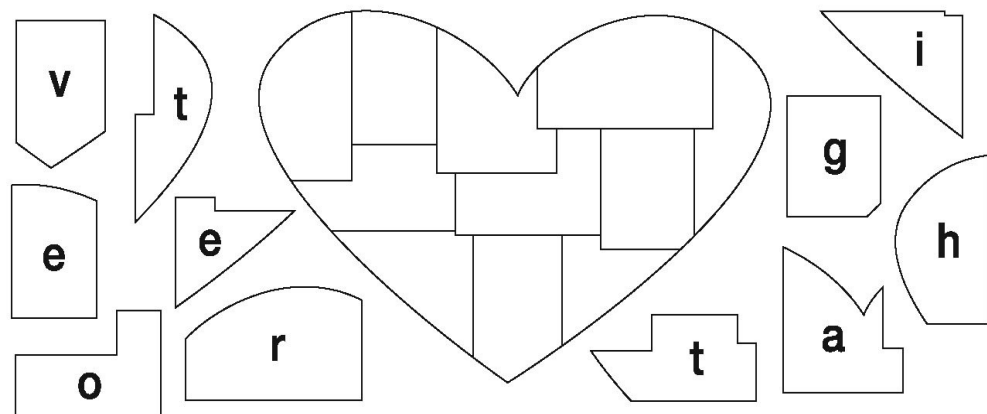
PUZZLE

HOW to give

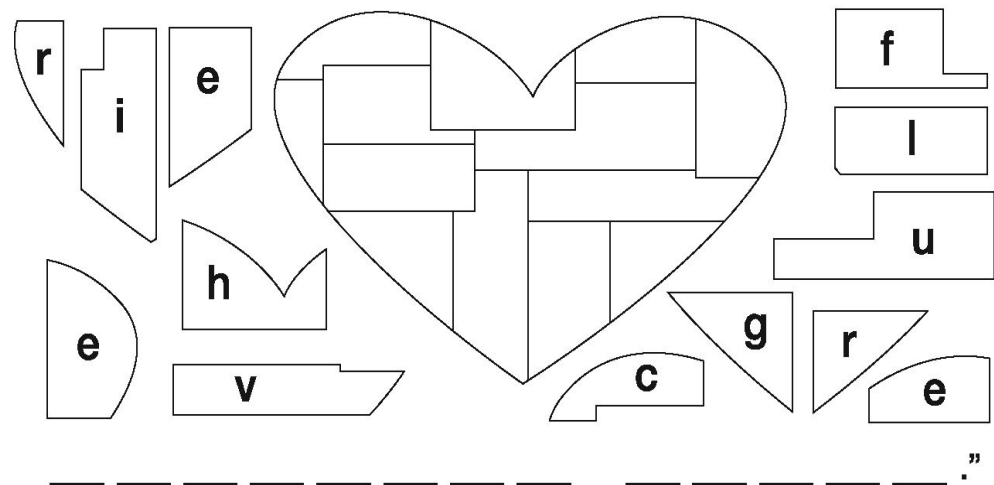
We can give in a variety of ways, including our money, possessions and time. But God says there's only one attitude to have when we give.

Finish the puzzles by matching the pieces and writing out the letters in order to complete 2 Corinthians 9:7, NIV.

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your ...



... not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a ...



Answers: heart to give, cheerful giver

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PARISH NEWS & EVENTS



Box of Joy Ministry Project

Once again, the Knights of Columbus Council 17335 has partnered with Cross Catholic Outreach to bring its *Box of Joy* Ministry Project to our Roman Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd Parish. Parishioners are invited to take home a box and fill it with items for boys and girls ranging from ages 2 to 15. **A \$9.00 donation per box is required** to cover international shipping costs to the child.

Boxes can be returned to the parish before November 5th and left in the designated area. Packing a Box of Joy is always a wonderful work of mercy for families. For more information, please contact Joe Campo at 757-357-2287 or the parish office at 757-365-0579. Thank you for your generosity!



The Annual Wine Tasting
hosted by the Men's Club
will be held on
Friday, November 10, 2023
from 7-9:00 PM in the Commons.

Tickets are \$15.00 per person. You must be 21 years old to attend. All proceeds go to the parish.

World Mission Sunday

Embrace the Pope's *Hearts on Fire* **FEET ON THE MOVE** Mission with "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move" this World Mission Sunday!

Today, Pope Francis echoes the universal call of our Baptism—to be Christ's witnesses to the world. As we gather with global Catholics on this World Mission Sunday, our prayers and contributions to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith bolster the Pope's missions, enabling:

- Over 844,000 catechists to share the faith
- 258,540 Religious Sisters to tend to families and children
- 38,140 seminarians to journey towards the priesthood
- Education for 26 million children
- Medical assistance in 12,000 clinics

By supporting this cause, we truly live out the call to be the spark that transforms lives. May your prayers and gifts create ripples of love and transformation. Thank you for your missionary zeal!

Visit www.onefamilyinmission.org to find out more.



Food Pantry Needs for the
Week of October 22
CEREAL/OATMEAL

FAITH FORMATION

Jesus and the Eucharist Study

This study was specifically designed for this Year of Parish Revival. This is a great opportunity to dive more deeply into the richness of our Eucharistic faith. It is a seven-part Eucharist Study that will take place once a month on **Saturdays from 9-11:00 AM**. **The first session is on October 28th**. Please register so we have enough materials for everyone. Hospitality will be provided, and we hope to see you there!



Attention all youth grades 8-12!
Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC)
February 9-11, 2024

The Diocesan Youth Conference is an annual event that gathers 8th-12th grade youth from Diocese of Richmond parishes in one central location. From sacraments to free time, DYC is an opportunity for teens to experience the joy that comes from living the Catholic faith and to take courage in all things because the Lord is with them!

Registration is now open! Contact Scott Watterson for more information and how you can register.



Are you interested in a Catholic education
for your teens?

Peninsula Catholic High School Open House
November 1, 2023 from 5-7:00 PM

Call (757)596-7247 or visit
www.peninsulacatholic.org to register.



A Great BIG Thanks!

We would like to "THANK" the many ministries that helped to make our Parish Picnic a success—Ladies' Guild, Men's Club, Knights of Columbus and the Youth Group for all your help setting up, preparing food, clean-up, and games for all the willing participants. We would also like to thank the Reuter Family for the special guest that entertained the children.

A good time was had by all!

We are looking forward to next year.

"Give the Lord glory and honor." (Psalm 96)



The Roman Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd

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Mass Times: Saturday—5PM & Sunday—9AM

Weekday Mass Times: Tuesday—Friday at Noon

Adoration is on the 1st & 3rd Friday of each month.

Staff

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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

Justice & Peace - Mary Ellen Bebermeyer

Haiti Committee & E-Bulletin Board - Dave Maltby

Divine Mercy Cenacle - Dara Murphy

Special Needs Ministry - Sue Ellebracht

Works of Mary - Johanna Arocho

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.

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

Parish Registration and Changes – 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.

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

Funerals – Contact the office if you would like to schedule a Funeral Service. The date and time must be approved by the priest.

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

Reconciliation – Before Saturday Vigil Mass or by appointment.

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

**“I HAVE
CALLED
YOU BY
YOUR
NAME.”**

(IS 45:4)

October 22, 2023

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 45:1, 4-6 | 1 Thes 1:1-5b | Mt 22:15-21

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

It strikes me that our readings today are about “belonging.” It may seem like a simple concept, but in practice its meaning and ramifications run deep. Picture a young child coming home after a day at school or child care: He or she may even audibly let out a sigh of relief at the familiar surroundings, the presence of Mom and/or Dad, and all that they hold dear. Is it so different for us? We are God’s, we belong to him. In the first reading God tells Cyrus, “I have called you by your name.” And Jesus says to repay “to God what belongs to God.” How do we do that? We, who have been called by name by virtue of our baptism, do this by putting God first in our lives. By loving God with all our heart, soul, and mind. And by giving him not the leftovers, but the first fruits of our talents, our treasure, and our time. Spend some time in prayer with God today and listen to the words he writes upon your heart.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

We have been chosen by God to spread his Good News in the world. We are his witnesses. Sound intimidating? I took comfort in the words from Saint Paul in the second reading: “For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.” Is it always a “piece of cake” to be Christ’s disciples in the world helping to build his kingdom here on earth? No, certainly not. But the knowledge that we are beloved and valuable in the sight of God, coupled with the power and strength of the Holy Spirit, fortifies us for the task. Are we up to the task? Yes. We belong to God now and forever. Let us strive to act like a child of God in all things, and deepen our reliance on the Holy Spirit when things get tough.

WITNESS Today’s Gospel acclamation, from Philipians, says: “Shine like lights in the world as you hold on to the word of life.” There is so much darkness in the world. Make an effort to be the “light” in someone’s life this week, whether it be a spouse, a child, a parent, or a co-worker.

LITURGY AND MINISTRY

Today's Readings:

Christ came to restore our relationship with God and one another: *There is no God besides [him]*. Christians cannot be content to lead prayerful lives in private. We have a right and a responsibility to build communities of peace and justice in our homes and nations.

Gospel Focus:

Let us build communities of peace and justice.



"Encounter the Joy of the Gospel and Set the World Ablaze"

EVANGELIZED PEOPLE...

Follow Jesus' example of care for the weakest among us.

FATHER'S CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

Adults: How much responsibility do you feel the government should take for meeting the needs of the less fortunate in our society? How willing are you to contribute?

Children: Who needs help in your neighborhood or community? What could you and your family do to help?

PRAYER AND VOCATIONS

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for the Month of October



Evangelization: For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

Pope Tweets:

"The Holy Spirit is our teacher: the interior maestro who conducts each one of us and our walking together. He creates variety and unity; He is harmony itself. We entrust ourselves to his gentle and powerful guidance."

Please Remember in Prayer:



Barbara Bonney, Gene Chappell, Justin Evans, Ellen Gauthier, Leslie Lunger, Christopher Morris, Dara Murphy, Betty Nagy, Elizabeth Perry, Alice Reece, Jean Wechsler, Irene White, Thomas Wunder and Brandon Zakaras

Let us continue to pray for an end to conflict in Haiti, Ukraine, the Middle East and all the world.

Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace. Amen.
(excerpt from usccb.org/prayers/pope-francis-prayer-peace)



We would like to welcome into our parish family **Jennifer June Bukowsky** who became a child of God through the sacrament of Holy Baptism this Sunday. We pray that she will continue to grow in faith and love through our Lord Jesus Christ all the days of her life.



Let us pray for the eternal repose of the soul of fellow parishioner **Padraic "Pat" Soule** who passed away this week. May the Lord grant eternal rest unto him and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul rest in peace.

*We will have no weekday Mass October 23-27, 2023
There will be **Prayer Service with Communion at 12:00 PM (Noon) on Tuesday—Friday during this time.**



Solemnity of All Saints
Wednesday, November 1, 2023
Mass Times: Noon & 7:00 PM
(Holyday of Obligation)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place between the Masses on this day. Come and spend a Holy Hour with God and enjoy being in His presence!



Considering a call to the priesthood

Are you being called to teach the word of God as a priest? Call the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, or write: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



October 22, 2023 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings for the Week

Monday, October 23
Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday, October 24
Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday, October 25
Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday, October 26
Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53
Friday, October 27
Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday, October 28—Sts. Simon and Jude
Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16
Sunday, October 29—Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40



Daily Mass & Intention Schedule

Mon.	October 23	No Mass	
Tues.	October 24	Noon	Prayer Serv. with Comm.
Wed.	October 25	Noon	Prayer Serv. with Comm.
Thurs.	October 26	Noon	Prayer Serv. with Comm.
Fri.	October 27	Noon	Prayer Serv. With Comm.
Sat.	October 28	5:00 pm	+Margaret Smith
Sun.	October 29	9:00 am	Good Shepherd Comm.

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:
Monday—Friday 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

November 1—All Saints Day
November 5—Mortgage
November 12—Barron Dempsey Fund



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



Parish Life This Week

Monday, October 23
6:30 PM Cub Scouts
Tuesday, October 24
12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion
12:30 PM AFF
6:30 PM Boy Scouts
7:00 PM AFF
Wednesday, October 25
12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion
12:30 PM Salt & Light
6:30 PM OCIA
7:00 PM Youth Ministry
7:00 PM PCL Mtg.
Thursday, October 26
12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion
7:00 PM Choir Practice
Friday, October 27
12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion
Saturday, October 28
9:00 AM Eucharist Study
4:30 PM Rosary
6:00 PM Meals of Thanks Sign-ups
6:00 PM Wine Tasting Tickets
Sunday, October 29
8:30 AM Rosary
10:00 AM Meal of Thanks Sign-ups
10:00 AM Wine Tasting Tickets
10:15 AM Religious Education
11:15 AM Play Practice

Weekly Offering for:

October 14 & 15, 2023

Regular Offering needed weekly: \$ 6,250.00
(The following totals include E-Giving)

OFFERTORY:

Regular Offertory \$ 5,058.16

ADDITIONAL FUNDS COLLECTED:

Mortgage \$ 140.00
Haiti \$ 113.00
Barron Dempsey \$ 186.00
Altar Flowers \$ 432.00
Ladies Guild \$ 116.00
Other \$ 10.00

DIOCESAN COLLECTION:

World Missions \$ 2.00

Mortgage Balance \$ 21,304.69

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday 100
Sunday 180



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