



HAPPY NEW YOU!

Changing the calendar each January is a reminder that God makes all things new.

Directions: Use the clues and the calendar code to complete 2 Corinthians 5:17, ESV.

JANUARY 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	God	night	word	in	love	Jesus
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
glory	therefore	speak	give	light	Christ	a
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
saw	beginning	anyone	waters	help	is	many
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
he	again	through	earth	made	while	back
28	29	30	31			
new	if	and	creation			



- The second Monday _ _ _ _ _
- The last Monday _ _
- The 16th _ _ _ _ _
- One day before the 20th _ _
- The day before the first Friday _ _
- The last weekday of the second week _ _ _ _ _
- The day after the 20th _ _
- The day after 18th _ _
- The first day of the second weekend _
- The last Sunday _ _ _
- The last day of the month _ _ _ _ _

Answers: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.

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NEWS & EVENTS

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

The Men's Club invites you to our Annual Pancake Dinner
Tuesday, February 13, 2024
5:00-7:00 PM

Ticket Prices:

- Family—\$20.00
- Adult—\$6.00
- Child ages 3 to 11—\$3.00
- Under 3—Free



Tickets can be purchased after Mass or at the door. Join us for food and fellowship as we venture toward the season of Lent.

Angel Quilters Invite



Come and join the ladies at Trinity United Methodist Church who sew, crochet, quilt, knit and applique on the third Friday each month. Angel Quilters sponsors this bee for all who like to get together to work on and fiber art. They meet in the Family Activities Center of Trinity from 10:00AM till 2:00PM at 201 Cedar Street in Smithfield. There is a \$10.00 fee to support Angel Quilters. You can bring your lunch or join others who go out to lunch at one of Smithfield's downtown restaurants. Angel Quilters provides cutting boards, irons and ironing boards, tables and plenty of outlets. It's a great opportunity to share what you are working on and see what others are doing. And there is always a FREE table of material!

Note: Angel Quilters supplies a quilt to each of the Good Shepherd Angel Tree recipients at Christmas.



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

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Food Pantry Needs for the
Week of January 28
CEREAL OR OATMEAL



FAITH FORMATION

Eucharist Bible Study



Join us for a new two session *Eucharist Bible Study* on **Tuesday, February 6 & 13 or March 12 & 19 at 7:00PM** with Michael Matthews. Learn what and where Scripture teaches us about the Eucharist.

January is *RESPECT LIFE* Month

Good Shepherd is collecting baby items for local crisis pregnancy centers during the month of January.



Accepted Donations include:

- Disposable diapers (newborn to size 4)
- baby wipes
- sleepers/onesies (newborn to 12 mo.)
- No Tears Baby Shampoo
- receiving blankets
- bibs/burp cloths
- baby towels & wash cloths

Due to health concerns all donations must be new items with original packaging/tags. Items can be placed in the bin in the commons area. For questions, contact Mary Ellen Bebermeyer at (757) 897-3219.

Thank you

to our generous parishes and parishioners for all your Christmas support with second collection donations, prayers & more. Your support helps us serve over **7,900 families** across the Hampton Roads area all year long.



FOR MORE INFORMATION:
FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA
CALL 757-456-2366
VISIT WWW.CCEVA.ORG



Join us for Donuts after Mass in the Commons next Sunday, February 4



The Roman Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd

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Office Hours: Monday—Friday 10AM-3PM

Mass Times: Saturday—5PM & Sunday—9AM

Weekday Mass Times: Tuesday—Friday at Noon

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

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Finance Council - Dan Falbe

Money Counters - Margaret Hickman

Building - Hart Smith and Tom Quick

Grounds - Tom Quick

Liturgical Ministries Head - Mark Lieberman

Altar Servers - Jerry & Martin Hackney

Children's Liturgy – Kathleen Day

Eucharistic Min (Sat) - Joan Nagy

Eucharistic Min (Sun) - Mark Lieberman

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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 or at the entrance to the church. 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 prior to the baptism. 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.

January 28, 2024

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 18:15-20 | 1 Cor 7:32-35 | Mk 1:21-28

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

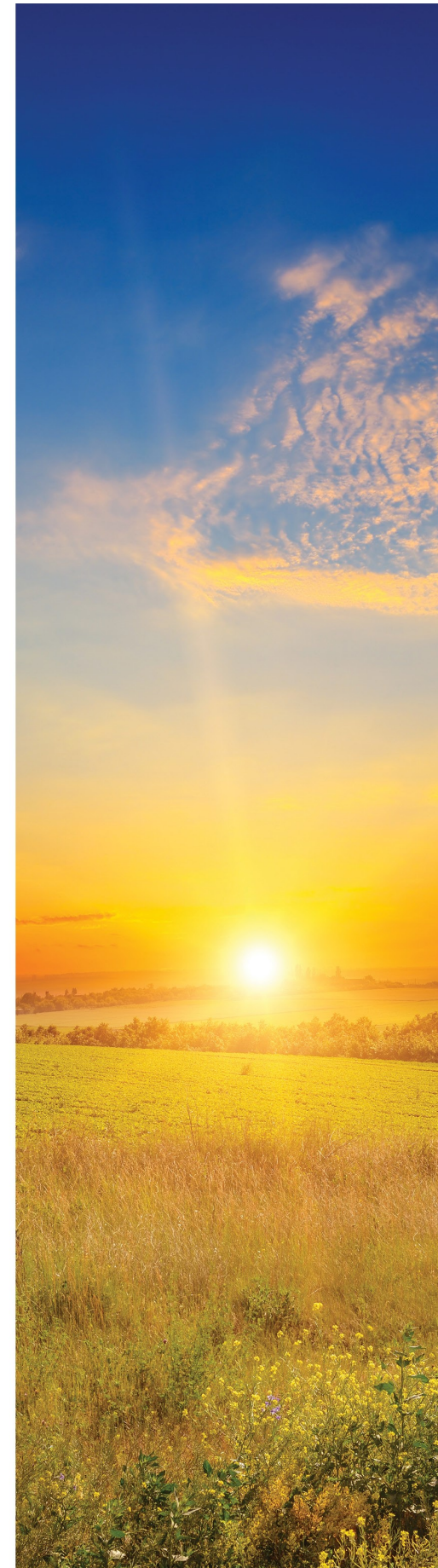
Oh, to not be anxious! What would that be like - to not have to worry about how we'll pay the bills or whether our kids are safe or if our health will fail? While anxiety is a very human emotion, we can take comfort in knowing that our God is more powerful than anything that may worry us. It is also important to note that in today's reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Corinthians, what he means by "anxious" is not a modern psychological concept with only a negative connotation. The connotation is more "to be concerned with," or "caring about" something, and can refer to things that are very good - including spouses and families! But when we care for many things, including our relationship with God, it is only natural for us to be anxious at times. But Jesus Christ gives us the assurance that the troubles of this world are temporary, and the peace of God eternal. Paul is encouraging the Corinthians, and us, to understand the importance of an undivided devotion to God, to care for him above all things - no matter if we are married or single - so that our whole life is devoted to holiness.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I am always thankful when something good that has been anticipated, or predicted, comes to pass: The sunshine and mild weather holds true for that outdoor event I hosted; or the generous gift that a longtime friend mailed arrives unscathed. There is some anxiety in the waiting for, but relief in the fulfillment of, these beneficent promises. And while these are somewhat superficial examples, they do point us in the same direction of hope and gratitude that the divine gifts of God elicit in us. In today's first reading, Moses promises the people that the Lord will raise up for them, from among their own kin, a prophet who will speak God's own words and to whom the people will listen. And the Lord did provide numerous prophets, and kings, and judges, and eventually his only begotten Son, to call his people back to himself, and to save them from the wages of sin and death. The hope and anticipation God's chosen people had was fulfilled in Jesus' life, death and resurrection. We share in that gift of hope and of gratitude for our salvation.

PRAY Today's psalm (Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9) is a beautiful prayer of thanksgiving and encouragement. It helps us steer our minds from those things which may make us anxious. Spend time in the morning or evening each day of the coming week, praying and reflecting on the words.



LITURGY AND MINISTRY

Today's Readings:

When Jesus speaks or teaches, his words have power – for example in today's Gospel by driving out demons. In our lives, Jesus can free us from anxiety and bring us into union with the Father in the kingdom to come. Unlike all the preceding prophets, Jesus does not simply convey God's word and commands, he *is* God's word in the flesh. His power derives from the Father, for he and the Father are one.

Gospel Focus:

Jesus taught as one having authority—having power of his own.



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

EVANGELIZED PEOPLE...

Are willing to publicly profess their faith in Christ and their love for Him.

FATHER'S CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

Adults: What can you tell others about Jesus with the most assurance?

Children: What is the most important thing you would like others to know about Jesus?

PRAYER AND VOCATIONS

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for the Month of January



Evangelization: For the gift of diversity in the Church
We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

Pope Tweets:

"Those who respond to the Word of God heal from the snares of the past, because the living Word heals our wounded memory by grafting onto it the remembrance of God and His works for us. Scripture reminds us who we truly are: saved and beloved children of God."

Please Remember in Prayer:

Gordon Blackman, Barbara Bonney, Gene Chappell, Justin Evans, Ellen Gauthier, Leslie Lunger, Christopher Morris, Dara Murphy, Betty Nagy, Mary Pasko, Elizabeth Perry, Alice Reece, Debbie Steiger, Marcella Stratman, Irene White, Thomas Wunder and Brandon Zakaras

World Day for Consecrated Life—February 2, 2024

Prayer for Consecrated Persons



God Our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as sisters, brothers, religious priests, consecrated virgins, and hermits, as well as members of Secular Institutes. Renew their knowledge and love of you, and send your Holy Spirit to help them respond generously and courageously to your will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
usccb.org/committees/clery-consecrated-life-vocations/world-day-consecrated-life



HEALING MASS
Saturday, February 10, 2024
11:00 AM

Luncheon to follow Mass

Fr. Tony will administer the Anointing of the Sick during Mass. Please attend and pray for our caregivers.



Lent begins February 14!

Last year's palms are currently being collected to make ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please bring your palms in by Friday, February 2nd.

Ash Wednesday Extended Adoration

Start your Lent off by spending sacred one-on-one time with our Savior. Adoration begins after the Noon Mass on Ash Wednesday and ends by 6PM. Sign-ups are available in the Commons. Consider signing-up for one of the less popular times as two people are required to always be in attendance.



*Weekday Mass returns on Friday, February 2 at Noon.



There will be a Prayer Service with Communion Tuesday-Thursday at 12:00 PM (Noon) this week.

Considering a call to the priesthood

"I will raise up for them a prophet like you." If you think that you may be set apart by the Lord to serve Him as a priest or as a consecrated sister or brother, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, or write: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



January 28, 2024
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings for the Week



- Monday, January 29**
2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20
- Tuesday, January 30**
2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3; Mk 5:21-43
- Wednesday, January 31**—St. John Bosco
2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6
- Thursday, February 1**
1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13
- Friday, February 2**—The Presentation of the Lord
Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
- Saturday, February 3**
1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34
- Sunday, February 4—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

Daily Mass & Intention Schedule

Mon.	January 29	No Mass	
Tues.	January 30	Noon	Prayer Service with Comm.
Wed.	January 31	Noon	Prayer Service with Comm.
Thurs.	February 1	Noon	Prayer Service with Comm.
Fri.	February 2	Noon	Available
Sat	February 3	5:00 pm	+Vincent & Magda Boylan
Sun.	February 4	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:
Tuesday—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
February 4—Mortgage
February 11—Barron Dempsey Fund



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



Parish Life This Week



- Monday, January 29**
6:30 PM Cub Scouts
- Tuesday, January 30**
12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion
6:30 PM Boy Scouts
- Wednesday, January 31**
12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion
12:30 PM Salt & Light
5:30 PM Shadow Stations Practice
6:30 PM OCIA
7:00 PM Youth Group
- Thursday, February 1**
12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion
6:30 PM Boy Scout Committee Mtg.
7:00 PM Choir Practice
- Friday, February 2**
11:30 AM Adoration
- Saturday, February 3**
4:30 PM Rosary
- Sunday, February 4**
8:30 AM Rosary
10:00 AM Donuts
10:15 AM Religious Education

Weekly Offering for: January 20 & 21, 2024

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

OFFERTORY:

Regular Offertory \$ 4,854.76

ADDITIONAL FUNDS COLLECTED:

Mortgage	\$ 95.00
Haiti	\$ 85.00
Barron Dempsey	\$ 35.00
Ladies' Guild	\$ 10.00
Altar Flowers	\$ 5.00
Catholic Virginian	\$ 5.00
Roof Repair	\$ 200.00
Other	\$ 292.80

DIOCESAN COLLECTION:

Respect Life \$ 875.49

Mortgage Balance \$ 16,060.19

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday 85
Sunday 236



Thank you for your continued support of the Church of the Good Shepherd!
Your generosity is greatly appreciated!