



The Roman Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd

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Weekday Mass Times: Tuesday—Friday at Noon

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

Staff

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Finance Council - Dan Falbe

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Grounds - Tom Quick

Liturgical Ministries Head - Mark Lieberman

Altar Servers—Doyle Agnew

Children's Liturgy – Kathleen Day

Eucharistic Min (Sat) - Joan Nagy

Eucharistic Min (Sun) - Mark Lieberman

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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.

June 23, 2024

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jb 38:1, 8-11 | 2 Cor 5:14-17 | Mk 4:35-41

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

St. Boniface, an English Benedictine monk who died in the 8th century, wrote in a letter: “In her voyage across the ocean of this world, the Church is like a great ship being pounded by the waves of life’s different stresses. Our duty is not to abandon ship but to keep her on her course.” Oceans and seas, lakes and rivers, baptism. The role of water in daily life and its use as a metaphor are woven throughout our Scriptures. In today’s readings, we hear two references to the sea. First, we have God talking to Job out of a storm, reminding the prophet that he – the Lord – is the one who created the seas and keeps them firmly in their place. The Gospel passage provides us with a stark reminder of that truth. As the disciples and Jesus cross the sea, a storm crops up and threatens to sink their boat. But one command from Jesus and the water is still. St. Boniface had it right. We really all are on that ship with Jesus on its voyage across the ocean of this world, and trusting in him to keep us on course and safe from harm ensures we reach the destinations he intends for us.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

How to do our part to keep this great ship that is the Church on course? Trust in Christ, trust that he is present within us and guiding us each day. No one is immune from stormy seas, and like the disciples, we can turn to Jesus in times of peril. He asked the disciples: “Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?” Like the disciples, we must experience the change of heart that is necessary to place complete trust in Jesus to replace our fear and anxiety. God has things under control. Of course, that is what can be so scary sometimes. I know God will take care of everything, but what if I don’t like how he does it? What if I want him to answer my prayers one way and he answers them a different way? This is where Jesus might ask me: “Do you not yet have faith?” And I would have to reply, “I’m working on it.”

PRAY We are assured throughout Scripture that God loves us, cares for us, and sustains us. But how do we move from knowing that in our heads to feeling it in our hearts? Prayer. If we center our life on Jesus and his commands, trusting in him will become second nature. Take some time this week and pray with today’s Psalm (107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31), which praises God for his love for us and gives voice to trusting in his providence.



LITURGY AND MINISTRY

Today's Readings:

The readings today reflect God's profound love for us, even in the face of turbulent times. When our faith is challenged or we are distraught, we must trust that God is with us always and have complete faith that his love is more powerful than the storms of our lives.

Gospel Focus:

God's love for us is more powerful than any challenge we face.



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

EVANGELIZED PEOPLE...

Are intentional about developing their relationship with the triune God.

FATHER'S CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

Adults: When has the Lord calmed the stormy times of my life?

Children: What feat can Jesus help me overcome?

PRAYER AND VOCATIONS

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for the Month of June



Evangelization: For Migrants Fleeing Their Homes

We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

Pope Tweets:

"It is easier to laugh together than alone. Joy opens us to sharing and is the best antidote to selfishness and individualism."

Please Remember in Prayer:



Gordon Blackman, Barbara Bonney, Gene Chappell, Justin Evans, Ellen Gauthier, Leslie Lunger, Christopher Morris, Betty Nagy, Mary Pasko, Alice Reece, Debbie Steiger, Irene White, and Thomas Wunder

"Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting." (Psalm 107)

Saint of the Day—Saint Peter the Apostle

Feast Day: June 29

Saint Peter, named Simon at birth, was a fisherman from the village of Bethsaida in Galilee. His brother Andrew was also a fisherman. One day as the brothers were mending their fishing nets, Jesus called out to them. Jesus said, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men" (Matthew 4:19). Both brothers left their nets to become disciples of Jesus. Peter was present during the major events of Jesus' ministry.

After Jesus rose from the dead, Peter was one of the first to see him alive. Peter's given name was Simon, but Jesus gave him the name "Peter". The name means "rock". Jesus entrusted Peter with a very special task. He appointed him the leader of the Church. Jesus said, "You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church" (Matthew 16:18).

Peter received the Holy Spirit with the other disciples at Pentecost. The gifts of the Holy Spirit enabled him to carry out the mission of Jesus to witness to the Gospel. He encouraged the early Christians to spread the Gospel message to people of all nations. Peter listened to Jesus and learned that Jesus' message was God loves us and wants us to love him and others. Saint Peter tried to share this message even when it was difficult to do.

(www.Sadlier.com/Religion)



Upcoming Celebrations



In conjunction with the conclusion of the National Eucharistic Congress, our parish will celebrate its 40th Anniversary with Eucharistic Processions and food!

A Eucharistic Procession is like a holy parade that brings Jesus, truly present in the Holy Eucharist, into the world that he loves. Be aware that all arriving later than 4:50pm on July 20th or 8:50am on July 21st for Mass will need to park in the gravel lot.



We would like to welcome into our Catholic faith family, *Aegis James Kevin Edwards*, who became a child of God through the sacrament of Holy Baptism this weekend. We pray that he will continue to grow in faith and love all the days of his life. Congratulations and God bless!

"Every act of love is a work of peace, no matter how small."

~Mother Teresa

Considering a call to the priesthood

"He indeed died for all, so that those who live might no longer love for themselves but for Him who for their sake died and was raised." Is Christ calling you to die to self and live for Him as a priest or religious brother or sister? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, or write: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



**June 23, 2024
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings for the Week

Monday, June 24—The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Tuesday, June 25
2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday, June 26
2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday, June 27
2 Kgs 24:8-17; Mt 7:21-29

Friday, June 28—St. Irenaeus
2 Kgs 25:1-12; Mt 8:1-4

Saturday, June 29—Sts. Peter and Paul
Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Sunday, June 30—Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43



Daily Mass & Intention Schedule

Mon.	June 24	No Mass	
Tues.	June 25	9:00 am	Available
Wed.	June 26	Noon	Available
Thurs.	June 27	Noon	Available
Fri.	June 28	Noon	Available
Sat.	June 29	5:00 pm	Available
Sun.	June 30	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

July 7—Capital Reserve
July 28—Altar Flowers
August 4—Capital Reserve



Parish Life This Week

Monday, June 24

6:30 PM Cub Scouts

Tuesday, June 25

6:30 PM Boy Scouts

Wednesday, June 26

10:00 AM Divine Mercy

6:30 PM OCIA

7:00 PM PCL Mtg.

7:00 PM Youth Group

Thursday, June 27

6:30 PM Boy Scout Committee Mtg.

7:00 PM Choir Practice

Saturday, June 29

4:30 PM Rosary

Sunday, June 30

8:30 AM Rosary

6:00 PM Scouting BSA, Religious Medals



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The parish office will be **CLOSED**
July 3-5, 2024 for the holiday.



Weekly Offering for:

June 15 & 16, 2024

Regular Offering needed weekly: \$ 6,250.00

(The following totals include E-Giving)

OFFERTORY:

Regular Offering \$ 3,723.56

ADDITIONAL FUNDS COLLECTED:

Capital Reserve \$ 240.00

Haiti \$ 35.00

Barron Dempsey \$ 85.00

Catholic Virginian \$ 312.49

Youth Ministry—Fundraisers \$ 637.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday 94

Sunday 174

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

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



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

