



# NEVER FEAR!

The Psalms are full of inspiring prayers to God, who always looks after you.

Directions: Use the clues to fill in each missing letter. Then use those letters to complete Psalm 13:5, NIV.

- What plants grow in ..... DIR    <sub>1</sub>
- The opposite of play ..... WO    <sub>2</sub> K
- One-of-a-kind .....    <sub>3</sub> NIQUE
- A hug and a ..... KI    <sub>4</sub> S
- Sour ..... TA R    <sub>5</sub>
- To speak very loudly ..... YE    <sub>6</sub> L
- Immediately ..... N    <sub>7</sub> W
- Bees live in a ..... HI    <sub>8</sub> E
- A dandelion is this ..... W    <sub>9</sub> E D

I    <sub>1</sub>    <sub>2</sub>    <sub>3</sub>    <sub>4</sub>    <sub>5</sub> in your unfailing    <sub>6</sub>    <sub>7</sub>    <sub>8</sub>    <sub>9</sub> ;  
my heart rejoices in your salvation. Psalm 13:5, NIV

Answers: dirt, work, unique, kiss, tart, yell, now, hive, weed.  
I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. Psalm 13:5, NIV

## NEWS & EVENTS



### Upcoming Celebration

We are celebrating our 40th Anniversary the third weekend in July!

Both weekend Masses will begin with a short Eucharistic Procession and food and fellowship will be shared after Mass on Sunday, July 21. A head count and cold food items are needed so please sign up in the Commons if you plan to attend Sunday's reception. As a reminder, plan to arrive early at each Mass due to the Eucharistic Procession and parking.



### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

July 5, 2024 at 11:30 AM

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



### 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal Update

"Sharing His Love with Others" As of 6/20/2024

Goal	\$ 17,750.00
Total Received	\$ 21,660.00
% of Goal	122% from 53 donors

Have you made your donation to the 2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal? It is not too late!

**YOUR gift matters.** Visit the diocesan website at <https://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal> to make a secure online donation or contact the parish office to receive a hard copy pledge card. Thank you for partnering with us on this important ministry of our Catholic Church.

### IMPORTANT UPDATES!

Please take note—There will be weekday mass on Thursday, July 4th at 10:00am.

\*Beginning July 1, 2024 the office will have new

#### Summer Office Hours:

Monday	10:00am—4:30pm
Tuesday	10:00am—4:00pm
Wednesday	10:00am—4:30pm
Thursday	10:00am—4:00pm
Friday	CLOSED



These hours will be effective through September 2nd.



### Registration Updates Needed !

Help us keep our records updated! If you have had an address, email change, phone number, birth, death, or grown children who have moved out on their own, please contact the parish office with these changes. Don't forget us when life events occur. Thank you in advance.

## FAITH FORMATION

Join us for a DEEPER DIVE into the Scriptures after the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday.



Come and expand your knowledge and appreciation of the Bible and our Catholic Faith.

### Considering a call to the priesthood

"She fell down before Jesus and told him the whole truth." Let us lay down our lives before Jesus and share the whole truth with him. He may be calling you to follow Him as a priest, sister, or brother. Listen. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, or write: [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).



## FAITH FUNDAMENTALS

### The Four Last Things

The Church always tells us what we need to hear, not always what we want to hear. This is especially true of the doctrine of the Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell.



The Church wants us to think about what comes after this earthly life now before we actually come face to face with these realities at the end of our earthly lives.

**Death** is a certainty for all mortal beings. It is not just a physical reality but also a spiritual passage. It is that moment when our souls separate from our bodies and our spiritual destiny is fixed for all eternity.

Next comes **Judgment**. There is the immediate judgment of our souls, which the Church calls the "particular judgment". This is followed by the "general judgment" at the end of time where Christ will come "to judge the living and the dead" as we profess in the Creed.

At the moment of death, each of us will make one of two choices that will determine our eternal fate: either **Heaven** or **Hell**. Humans are endowed with free will, and our eternal destiny is fixed by our own choice. Where will you choose to spend eternity?

([www. SitStandKneel.com](http://www.SitStandKneel.com))

### Welcome New Parishioners to Church of the Good Shepherd!



If you are new to our parish, you can find the registration form on our website [www.cgsparish.org](http://www.cgsparish.org) or by contacting the parish office.

### Food Pantry Needs for the Week of June 30 BAKED BEANS OR KIDNEY BEANS







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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

**Pastor** - Fr. Tony Yllana, [pastor@cgsparish.org](mailto:pastor@cgsparish.org)

**Admin Assistant** - Vicki Dobbins, [admin@cgsparish.org](mailto:admin@cgsparish.org)

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**Music Coordinator**—Carolyn LaPaglia

**Youth Ministry** – Scott Watterson, [youthministry@cgsparish.org](mailto: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**—Doyle Agnew

**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** - Joe Campo, [jk17335@vakofc.org](mailto:jk17335@vakofc.org)

**Ladies' Guild** - Margaret Hickman

**Men's Club** - Bill Knapp, [billknapp1985@yahoo.com](mailto: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

## 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 30, 2024

Written by  
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DISCIPLE

## Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24 | 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15 | Mk 5:21-43

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

“If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured.” The assuredness with which the woman in today’s Gospel, afflicted with hemorrhages, speaks, is something I aspire to. She is at her wit’s end, with nothing to lose and everything to gain, and she simply determines what she will do, bolstered by her faith in Jesus Christ. Notice how she doesn’t approach Jesus directly, engage in conversation, or even *ask* anything of him. And Jesus, for his part, doesn’t actively seek her out or call her to him. But the woman *knows*. “She had heard about Jesus,” and she just *knows* that by simply touching his clothing, not even touching his human flesh, that the power he has within him will cure her. Her actions reflect the virtues of fortitude and hope, but it is her faith that has allowed her to see and understand the divine nature of Jesus – to see the God of healing standing before her. And she is not afraid. She trusts in his promises and compassion, and gives herself over to him with full vulnerability, achieving healing and being granted peace in response. If only we could do the same every time we are at *our* wit’s end ... or maybe even long before we get there.

### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

If we are to follow Jesus we’re instructed to imitate him – giving people hope in situations that can seem hopeless. The promises of Christ are real, and through him God’s original order for Creation is restored. Death is defeated. The sick are healed. The kingdom of God, inaugurated by Christ and in which we participate here in this life, will be brought to fullness and fruition in the next. Being people of faith doesn’t mean we won’t suffer or die, but it *does* mean that suffering and death don’t have the last word with us. When we know and understand this, it affects our whole approach and way of relating to one another. When we know the words of Jesus *are* the truth, we take them into our hearts, live them in our actions, and share them by our witness.

#### ACCOMPANIMENT Who around you could use this hope?

Think of someone to whom you might bring the healing power of Christ, through listening and presence. Pray for someone who needs the peace of Christ in his or her life.



## LITURGY AND MINISTRY

### Today's Readings:

When a woman who had spent all her money on doctors to no avail and a father whose daughter grew worse by the day turn to Jesus for help, Jesus doesn't question why they did not come to him first. Rather, he encourages the faith that led them to him and gives them what they need. We, too, can have faith that will lead us to seek Jesus' help, for he is ready to encourage us as well, and to give us what we most need.

### Gospel Focus:

Jesus give us what we truly need.



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

**EVANGELIZED PEOPLE...**

Are engaged in works of charity and justice.

### FATHER'S CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

**Adults:** Have I sacrificed something for another person and felt enriched?

**Children:** Whom can I help with acts of kindness?

## 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:

"Receiving the Word of God in our hearts can fill our day with light and enliven our prayer."

### Please Remember in Prayer:

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



*"I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me." (Psalm 30)*

### Just the hem of his garment



My presbytery was just across the street from a doctor's surgery. He had an excellent reputation and people queued up all day long to consult him. One morning there was an urgent knock on my door. When I opened it, the caller said: "Come quickly, Father. A man has just dropped dead on the pavement outside." Grabbing the sacred oils, I rushed out. Sure enough, a man was lying prostrate on the footpath. I anointed him conditionally, as there may be an interval between real and apparent death. A small group gathered around the body, just a few yards from the door of the surgery. It seemed like a cruel irony. Had he gone these few extra yards, his life might have been saved by the doctor. As I straightened up, I mentioned this to the bystanders. "You have it all wrong, Father," a woman replied. "He was just on his way out from the surgery." Whatever the doctor's advice was, the man took it with him to the grave. Doctors, as they say, bury their mistakes.

In today's Gospel, the woman with the twelve-year-old hemorrhage had undergone long and painful treatment under various doctors, without getting better. Of course, up to quite recently, medicine was fairly primitive. For most of human history people prayed for real miracles to cure their infirmities. In the Middle Ages, death stalked everywhere, not least in plague-ridden cities. Local wars were fairly constant and hygiene unknown. Town and country swarmed with the deformed, the maimed, the crippled and the blind. Death ran riot throughout Europe during the horrific period of the bubonic plague, aptly called the Black Death. Nothing stood between the individual and death except God. The center of every church was its shrine containing relics of the saints. People flocked to these shrines in search of cures. Many travelled great distances to Rome, the Holy Land, Compostella, believing, like the woman with the hemorrhage, that even toughing an important relic might restore them to health. Compostella claimed to have such a relic, no less than the remains of St. James, who had watched Christ raise the daughter of Jairus to life. One could hardly come closer to the healing power of Christ than that.

But the world has changed much since then. In our own time cures have been found for almost every ailment. We have all become fervent believers in the "miracles of modern medicine." Clinics have replaced churches for the stricken. The few relics that have survived seem like embarrassing reminders of our naïve past.

But, was it all that naïve to hope for a miracle? Jesus attributed his two miracles to the faith of the seekers. "Your faith has restored you to health," he told the woman who was cured of her hemorrhage. All that separates us from her is the depth of our faith. Even modern medicine, in spite of all its successes, has rediscovered the importance of the patient's faith in his cure. Who knows? That man who died outside the surgery door might not have stepped so abruptly into eternity, had his faith in his doctor not faltered. That, like the doctor's prescription, is a secret he took with him.

Christ can, now as then, cure our sicknesses. All he needs is our faith. Of that, Lourdes is proof, if proof were needed. God does trail his coat in our shabby little world. With a little faith we could find it; with a little courage we could touch it. "Do not be afraid," he says to us, as he said to Jairus, "only have faith."

([associationofcatholicpriests.ie/homily-resource/30-june-2024-13th-sunday/](http://associationofcatholicpriests.ie/homily-resource/30-june-2024-13th-sunday/))

## June 30, 2024 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Readings for the Week

#### Monday, July 1

Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Mt 8:18-22

#### Tuesday, July 2

Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Mt 8:23-27

#### Wednesday, July 3—St. Thomas

Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29

#### Thursday, July 4

Am 7:10-17; Mt 9:1-8

#### Friday, July 5

Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Mt 9:9-13

#### Saturday, July 6

Am 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17

#### Sunday, July 7—Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6



### Daily Mass & Intention Schedule

Mon.	July 1	No Mass	
Tues.	July 2	Noon	Available
Wed.	July 3	Noon	Available
Thurs.	July 4	10:00 am	Available
Fri.	July 5	Noon	Available
Sat	July 6	5:00 pm	+Joe Horvath
Sun.	July 7	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—Wednesday 10AM to 2PM



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

Visit our parish website: [www.cgsparish.org](http://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

#### Tuesday, July 2

6:30 PM Boy Scouts

#### Wednesday, July 3

6:30 PM OCIA

7:00 PM Youth Group

7:15 PM WOM Book Club

#### Friday, July 5

11:30 AM Adoration

#### Saturday, July 6

4:30 PM Rosary

#### Sunday, July 7

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 22 & 23, 2024

Regular Offering needed weekly: \$ 6,250.00

(The following totals include E-Giving)

### OFFERTORY:

Regular Offering \$ 5,384.16

### ADDITIONAL FUNDS COLLECTED:

Capital Reserve	\$ 45.00
Haiti	\$ 85.00
Barron Dempsey	\$ 20.00
Catholic Virginian	\$ 50.00
Roof Repair Fund	\$ 10.00
Other	\$ 3.75

### DIOCESAN COLLECTION:

Peter's Pence \$ 30.00

### MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday 91

Sunday 182



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.

