

Answer: Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path; wisdom

NEWS & EVENTS

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

In 2021, Pope Francis said, "The procession with the Blessed Sacrament reminds"

us that we are called to go out and bring Jesus to others. To go out with enthusiasm, bringing Christ to those we meet in our daily lives." Next weekend we will begin both Masses with a short Eucharistic Procession. Remember that the paved parking lot will be closed 10 minutes before Mass begins. Be sure to bring someone or something to hold onto so you can participate!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Married Couples. Give your marriage a well deserved vacation. Plan to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience and come back with a marriage that is refreshed and full of energy! We love to have priests on our experiences as well, so invite your favorite priest and give their vocation some new vitality!

- September 27-29, 2024 in Herndon, VA
- October 11-13, 2024 in College Park, MD
- November 15-17, 2024 in Virginia Beach, VA

To register, go to **WWME.org**, click "Apply" and search for "Virginia" or your desired location. Feel free to contact Mark and Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150 or <u>mstang1987@aol.com</u> with any questions.



Food Pantry Needs for the Week of July 14 CEREAL OR OATMEAL

this important ministry of our Catholic Church.



FAITH FORMATION



VBS was a splash! Thank you to everyone who DOVE in and helped create the week. Special thanks to our youth group and VBS leaders who made the decorations and trans-

formed our parish into underwater fun! Our goal was to support the COP and donate to Haiti. We did both! We gathered three boxes of non-perishables for the COP and special donations to our sister parish in Haiti. Thank you!!

> 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.



EMMAUS JOURNEY For Grieving Parents August 10, 2024 Our Lady of Mount Carmel Newport News



This retreat is a faith-based, day-long retreat given by a team of grieving parents, spiritual directors, and clergy. It offers a safe place where grieving parents can seek peace, comfort, and hope.

Visit the website *evangelizerichmond.org* to learn more and to register for this retreat.

Congratulations on the 40th Anniversary of the Good Shepherd faith community. May we continue to be blessed with faith, hope, and love for our community of believers as we go forth to shepherd to others.



<u>Staff</u>

Pastor - Fr. Tony Yllana, pastor@cgsparish.org
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Religious Education - Lara Detrich, formation@cgsparish.org
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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—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, 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

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*Summer Office Hours: Monday & Wednesday 10AM-4:30PM; Tuesday & Thursday 10AM-4PM; 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.

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.

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.

 $\underline{\textbf{Baptisms}}$ – 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.

<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.

July 14, 2024

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 7:12-15 | Eph 1:13-14 or 1:3-10 | Mk 6:7-13

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

Have you ever considered the task before you and thought, No way am I equipped for this? There are certainly times when it seems God is calling us to more than we are prepared for. The prophet Amos never expected to be God's mouthpiece. He was a simple shepherd and a "dresser of sycamores." Yet, Amos listened when God chose him "from following the flock" and instructed him to speak to Israel, even if he may have thought the whole idea quite silly. "Do you really mean me?" we might imagine him saying. We see this theme of God calling those we might least expect to important missions on countless occasions throughout Scripture: Moses had a speech impediment; Rahab was a prostitute; David was a young boy; Ruth was a foreigner; Matthew was a despised tax collector; Paul persecuted the early Christians; and the list goes on. On every occasion, however, trusting in God and listening to his voice was enough for each of these individuals to fulfill the role they were called to, even if they considered themselves the most unlikely candidate for the cause.

GO EVANGELIZE PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In this week's Gospel reading from Mark, Jesus calls for the Twelve and sends them out on mission with specific instructions. The key here is that he gives them *his authority*. They are able to accomplish seemingly impossible things – "preaching repentance, driving out demons, curing the sick" – not through their own power, but through the authority they had in Christ and by being obedient to the precepts he gave them. This is a lesson for all of us – to heed the commands of Christ and rely on his authority, not on our own power. We can live the impossible only through him. Pay close attention to the words from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians when in doubt: "In him *we were also chosen*, destined in accord with the purpose of the One who accomplishes all things according to the intention of his will, so that we might exist for the praise of his glory, we who first hoped in Christ."

PRAY Today's Scripture makes it clear that it is through Christ in us that we can accomplish all things for his glory. We do not act on our own, but we give permission for God to act in us. I offer you a challenge this week in your prayer life: Instead of asking God to remove what appear to be impossible obstacles for you to face, try praying for the graces sufficient to fulfill your role in them.

Today's Readings:

We heard in the second reading that God has lavished the riches of his grace upon us. He calls us, and he accompanies us in that call. God will ask much of us, but let us not be afraid, for God's call is an invitation to live fully, richly, and generously.

Gospel Focus:

God sends us on mission and provides us with the riches of his grace.



"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 part of the Good News of Jesus Christ can I share this week?

Children: Which of Jesus's stories can I tell this week?

PRAYER AND VOCATIONS

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for the Month of July



Evangelization: For the Pastoral Care of the Sick

We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

Pope Tweets:

"Sacred Scripture heals our paralyzed faith by recounting the wonderful things God has done for us and making us savor anew the Christian life for what it truly is: a love affair with the Lord."

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

TANTUM ERGO

In the year 1264 AD, Pope Urban IV established the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (often referred to simply as Corpus Christi) as the preeminent Eucharistic feast of the Church. In fact, it was the first papallyimposed feast to be entered into the liturgical calendar.

In doing so, Urban didn't settle for a second rate theologian to help him. He commissioned the Church's greatest living theologian, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1275) to compose the prayers and hymns for the feast. St. Thomas was living near the pope in Orvieto, Italy at that time, and they were both aware of the Eucharistic miracle that had taken place in a nearby city, Bolsena, just the year before (1263).

The Tantum Ergo is actually an excerpt from a longer hymn entitled "Pange Lingua Gloriosi," of which the Tantum Ergo comprises the last two verses. The hymn extols and explains in poetic language the miracle of transubstantiation that takes place at each celebration of the Eucharistic sacrifice.

The "Pange Lingua" is normally sung on Holy Thursday and Corpus Christi during the Eucharistic processions. The Tantum Ergo is most familiar to the faithful from its use as the hymn that is sung during Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at the end of Eucharistic Adoration.

TANTUM ERGO

Down in adoration falling, Lo! The Sacred Host we hail. Lo! O'er ancient forms departing *Newer rites of grace prevail;* Faith for all defects supplying, Where the feeble senses fail.

To the Everlasting Father, And the Son Who reigns on high With the Holy Ghost proceeding Forth from Each eternally, Be salvation, honor, blessing, Might, and endless majesty. Amen.

(Prayers In The Pew Monthly, July 2024. www.SitStandKneel.com)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament July 19, 2024 at 11:30 AM

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

Considering a call to the priesthood

10 "He began to send them out two by two." Just as Jesus was sending out His disciples in pairs, perhaps you too are being called to discipleship **Steps** for this shared mission 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.



July 14. 2024 **Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings for the Week

Monday, July 15—St. Bonaventure Is 1:10-17; Mt 10:34-11:1 Tuesday, July 16 Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24 Wednesday, July 17

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Mt 11:25-27

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday, July 18

Friday, July 19



Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8 Saturday, July 20 Mi 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday, July 21—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

Daily Mass & Intention Schedule

Mon.	July 15	No Mass	
Tues.	July 16	Noon	Available
Wed.	July 17	Noon	Available
Thurs.	July 18	Noon	Available
Fri.	July 19	Noon	Available
Sat	July 20	5:00 pm	Available
Sun.	July 21	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—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 July 28—Altar Flowers August 4—*Capital Reserve* August 15—Assumption of Mary August 18—Barron Dempsey Fund September 1—Capital Reserve



	Parish Life This Week				
	Tuesday, July 16				
	6:30 PM Boy Scouts				
	Wednesday, July 17				
	6:30 PM OCIA				
	7:00 PM Youth Group				
	Thursday, July 18				
	6:00 PM Finance Council				
	7:00 PM Choir Practice				
	Friday, July 19				
	Office Closed				
	11:30 AM Adoration				
	Saturday, July 20				
	4:30 PM 40th Anniversary Eucharistic Procession				
	Sunday, July 21				
	8:30 AM 40th Anniversary Eucharistic Procession				
	10:15 AM Church Anniversary Potluck				
	10:15 AM AFF—Deeper Dive				
	6:00 PM Scouting BSA, Religious Medals				
	Weekly Offering for:				
	July 6 & 7, 2024				
	Regular Offering needed weekly: \$ 6,737.00				
	(The following totals include E-Giving)				
	OFFERTORY:				
	Regular Offering \$ 6,026.16				
	ADDITIONAL FUNDS COLLECTED:				
	Capital Reserve \$ 2,004.45				
	Haiti \$ 135.00 Barron Dempsey \$ 40.00				
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	MASS ATTENDANCE				
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If you are new to our parish, you can find the registration form on our website www.cqsparish.org or contact the parish office.

