

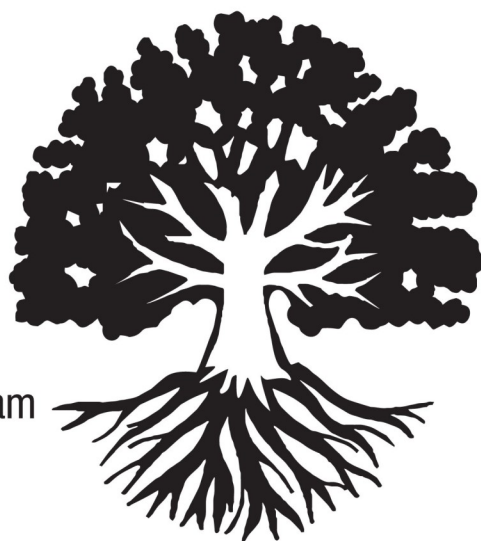


JESUS' FAMILY TREE

Matthew records a timeline of Jesus' family dating back to Abraham.
Do you know who is in Jesus' family tree?

Directions: Use Matthew 1:1-17 to order the genealogy. Then put the letters in order in the boxes to answer the question below.

- T. Uzziah the father of Jotham
- O. Jacob the father of Judah
- N. Jacob the father of Joseph
- E. Elihud the father of Eleazar
- U. Boaz the father of Obed
- F. Abraham the father of Isaac
- R. Solomon the father of Rehoboam
- E. Josiah the father of Jeconiah



How many generations were there from Abraham to David, from David to the Exile, and from the Exile to Jesus, the Messiah?

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Answer: FOURTEEN

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NEWS & EVENTS



**Good Shepherd
Annual Fall Picnic**
Sunday, October 13, 2024
At 12:00 PM (Noon)

Please sign-up in the Commons if you plan to attend. We hope to see you there!

Souper Saturday
Saturday, October 12, 2024
11:00 AM—2:00 PM



Trinity Methodist Church
201 Cedar Street, Smithfield
Cost: \$8 per lunch (Large portion of homemade soup, 2 ham biscuits, dessert and a drink)
For more information or to donate/volunteer, contact:
Cathy Regan (757) 297-8117 / (757) 356-9267 or
email: cathyregan56@gmail.com
Sponsored by IOW Christian Outreach Program

We would like to wish everyone with a birthday or a wedding anniversary in the month of **OCTOBER** a day filled with goodness and God's love and mercy.

May your journey continue to be blessed each and every day. May you look back with joy on the years of your life and with hope for those to come. May God bless you today and always.

Happy Birthday!
Happy Anniversary!



+Mass of Remembrance+

Honoring babies and children lost through miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, illness, or injury

Thursday, October 10, 2024 at 6:30 PM

St. Stephen, Martyr Catholic Church
1544 Battlefield Blvd S
Chesapeake, VA 23322

This Mass allows those in attendance to grieve with and support our families who have lost a child. Visit ssmatholic.org for more information.



**Food Pantry Needs for the
Week of October 6
SOUP**

FAITH FORMATION



Christmas Play Practice is Here!

Practice for the play will begin October 6 after Religious Education from 11:15AM-12:15PM. Open to all interested—many parts available including non-speaking roles. For the younger ones, 18 months up, please join us immediately after Mass on Sundays for about five minutes to learn a Christmas song to sing at the play. The play will be December 20 at 6:30PM. Contact Kathy Day or Lara Detrich for more information.

Are you looking for something to do while your child is in Religious Education class?

**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.**



The Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic



Have you ever searched for a way to intensify your life in the church? You are invited to an information session about the local Lay Dominican fraternity. Learn what you have in common with these Lay Dominicans: St. Catherine of Siena, Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, St. Martin de Porres, and St. Rose of Lima. Lay Dominicans are called to holiness by living the four pillars of Dominican Life: Prayer, Study, Community, and Apostolate (service). Through these pillars you will serve God, serve your Church, and grow in your faith. Our annual informational session will be **Thursday, October 10, 2024 at 6:30 PM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School**, 52 Harpersville Rd, Newport News, VA. We will be meeting in the school library. For more information, please contact us at 517MMC@gmail.com.

Respect Life Month Novena



October is Respect Life Month. Join Catholics nationwide praying a special novena for the protection of human life from conception to natural death, Tuesday, October 22—Wednesday, October 30. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at respectlife.org/celebrate!



Arrangements for visits to the sick and homebound are to be made only by family members of the person needing the visit or by that person themselves. Please make your request to Deacon Stan (276) 220-5545 or through the parish office.



The Roman Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd

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Office: (757) 365-0579 Fax: (757) 365-0994 Rectory: (757) 542-3879

Office Hours: Monday—Friday 10:00AM-3:00PM

Mass Times: Saturday—5:00PM & Sunday—9:00AM

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

Admin Assistant - Vicki Dobbins, admin@cgsparish.org

Religious Education - Lara Detrich, formation@cgsparish.org

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Music Coordinator

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

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

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.

October 6, 2024

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 2:18-24 | Heb 2:9-11 | Mk 10:2-16

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

Everything in God's creation is intended to reflect his goodness and proclaim his glory. It's not hard to understand this idea when we behold the majesty of the sea. It can be more difficult, however, to remember this is also present in each of us and in our relationships – including that relationship God designed for man and woman: marriage. Our ability to turn away from God means that we sometimes reject, rather than reflect, him. This is one reason why Jesus responds to the Pharisees' question by revoking Moses' allowance for divorce, a concession God had made to the Israelites in the Old Testament. Jesus' statement might be unsettling because, in our time, divorce has affected nearly *everyone* in one way or another. But his words indicate the strength of the covenant the Lord has made with us: his love is permanent and unbreakable. We learn that the unbreakable bond between spouses reflects, in an imperfect way, God's perfectly faithful love for us.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

We find this truth about love in the wisdom of the Church. Love is not a "feeling." It is an action – a virtue – in which we consistently *will the good of another*. After all, this is who and what God is: a continuous outpouring of love. Our triune God is a relational community of love, and Jesus offers us the preeminent example of this: As the Son and out of love for the Father, he *chose* to remain on the cross, regardless of how he *felt*. Such was his love for us that he willed our redemption and sent us the Spirit to help us remain with him. Marriage, designed by God to mirror this triune communal, covenantal love, likewise requires a *decision to love* that is firm and constant, despite how we might *feel*. If we wish to be capable of the fidelity required for marriage, family life, or simply for our relationship with God, we must make the deliberate choice to love – *and we must do it over and over*. With time and with God's grace, the habit of choosing another's good becomes easier, and we experience the joy of a stable and authentic love.

PRACTICE We can reflect God's faithful love by becoming faithful ourselves. Choose one or two ways to exercise fidelity in little things this week. Examples might be getting up at the same time every morning without hitting the "snooze" button; spending five extra minutes in prayer each day; or offering a prayer of thanksgiving to God every time you are tempted to check your phone unnecessarily.



LITURGY AND MINISTRY

Today's Readings:

From the very beginning, the Lord made us to not be alone: we were created for relationship with him and with one another. There is something truly worthy of awe—*awesome*—in knowing that God, the Creator of the Universe and all things, desires for us to love and be loved, as he loves. We are not just his Creation, we are his children. His only son is our brother. The kingdom belongs to us, if we embrace it with the childlike wonder it deserves.

Gospel Focus:

God desires for us to love and be loved, as he loves.



"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: What keeps me from embracing the Kingdom of God?

Children: How do I feel when I hear the stories of God's love?

PRAYER AND VOCATIONS

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for the Month of October



Evangelization: For A Shared Mission

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

Pope Tweets:

"When we make space for the Lord, we are able to open ourselves to all of Creation and to every creature. We then understand that life is a gift from the Father, who loves us deeply and desires that we belong to Him and to one another."

Please Remember in Prayer:

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

Spiritual Challenge

During October, our challenge is to deepen our love for Our Lady through the Rosary or some other Marian devotion. What matters most with Mary is not the quantity of prayers but the quality. Even a decade of the Rosary offered with devotion is better than multiplying prayers just to pray. Challenge yourself this month to slow down and prayerfully focus your heart on Christ, with Mary.

(Prayers in the Pew Monthly, October 2024. www.SitStandKneel.com)



*No weekday Masses October 7-11, 2024

There will be a Prayer Service with Communion Tuesday, October 28-11, 2024 at 12:00 PM (Noon)

"There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary."

~Sister Lucia dos Santos, seer of Fatima



We would like to welcome into our parish family Evelyn Nizhoni Yool Gai Garren, Syllas Biligana Yaschiin Garren, and Wyatt Biligana Yaschiin Garren who became children of God through the sacrament of Holy Baptism this Sunday. We pray that they will continue to grow in faith and love through our Lord Jesus Christ all the days of their life. Congratulations!



Our Parish 'Book of the Dead' is located in the Commons. If you have a loved one whose name is **not** in the book, you are invited to write it on the page of the year they died. Everyone will be remembered throughout the month of November.

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Let's pray as a community for our deceased loved ones on **All Souls' Day**, which is **Saturday, November 2, 2024. Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 AM.**

Considering a call to the priesthood

"We see Jesus crowned with glory and honor." Will you let the Holy Spirit lead you to be a reflection of His divine glory as a priest? Seek the opportunity to serve and lead others. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, or write: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



"May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives." (Psalm 128)

**October 6, 2024
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings for the Week

Monday, October 7—Our Lady of the Rosary

Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday, October 8

Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday, October 9

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday, October 10

Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13

Friday, October 11

Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday, October 12

Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday, October 13—Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30



Daily Mass & Intention Schedule

Mon.	October 7	No Mass	
Tues.	October 8	Noon	Prayer Serv. with Comm.
Wed.	October 9	Noon	Prayer Serv. with Comm.
Thurs.	October 10	Noon	Prayer Serv. with Comm.
Fri.	October 11	Noon	Prayer Serv. with Comm.
Sat.	October 12	5:00 pm	Available
Sun.	October 13	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
October 13—Hurricane Helene Relief
October 20—World Mission Collection
October 27—Altar Flowers



Parish Life This Week

Monday, October 7

6:30 PM Cub Scouts

Tuesday, October 8

12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion

6:00 PM OCIA

6:30 PM Boy Scouts

7:00 PM Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, October 9

12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion

7:00 PM Youth Group

Thursday, October 10

12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion

7:00 PM Choir Practice

Friday, October 11

12:00 PM Prayer Service with Communion

Saturday, October 12

4:30 PM Rosary

Sunday, October 13

8:30 AM Rosary

10:15 AM Religious Education

10:15 AM AFF—Deeper Dive

11:15 AM Christmas Play Practice

12:00 PM Parish Picnic

6:00 PM Scouting BSA, Religious Medals



Weekly Offering for:

September 28 & 29, 2024

Regular Offering needed weekly: \$ 6,737.00

(The following totals include E-Giving)

OFFERTORY:

Regular Offering \$ 10,627.16

ADDITIONAL FUNDS COLLECTED:

Capital Reserve	\$ 10,045.00
Haiti	\$ 2,535.00
Barron Dempsey	\$ 140.00
Catholic Virginian	\$ 25.00
Altar Flowers	\$ 100.00
Ladies' Guild	\$ 140.00
Religious Education	\$ 75.00
Roof Repair	\$ 1,310.00
Other	\$ 40.00

DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS:

\$ 325.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday	115
Sunday	208



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