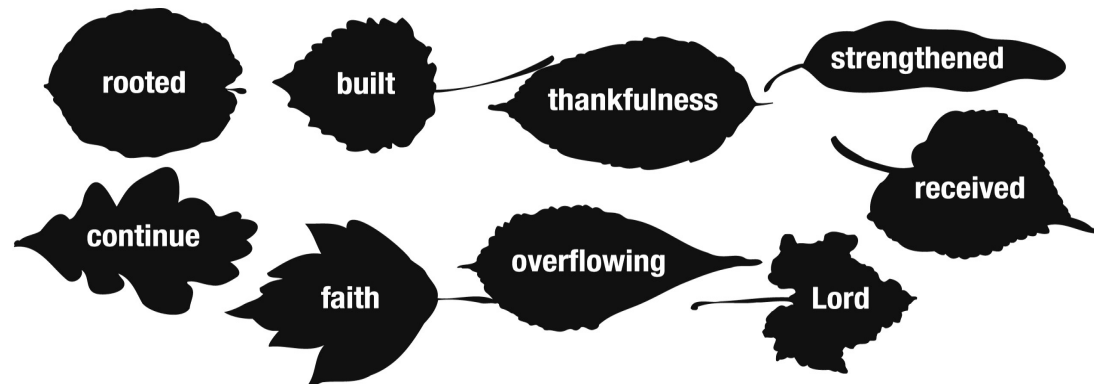




# Piles of praise

Every autumn, the ground is overflowing with leaves.  
What does Paul encourage us to overflow with?

*Directions: Use the key to match the leaves and complete the Bible passage.*



So then, just as you \_\_\_\_\_ Christ Jesus as \_\_\_\_\_ ,

\_\_\_\_\_ to live your lives in him, \_\_\_\_\_ and

\_\_\_\_\_ up in him, \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ as you

were taught, and \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ .

COLOSSIANS 2:6-7, NIV

Answer: received, Lord, continue, built, strengthened, faith, overflowing, thankfulness

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## NEWS & EVENTS



**Fish and Chips Dinner**  
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus  
Council 17335

Church of the Good Shepherd  
**Friday, October 25, 2024**  
**5-7 PM, Take-Out Only**

Meal consists of fried fish, French fries, & hush puppies  
**Cost is \$10.00 per meal**



### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Just as we celebrate Thanksgiving by gathering together with family, why not celebrate your Marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? It's a positive, simple, common sense, private experience between husband and wife that revitalizes your marriage. Make your reservation now, only 9 spaces left! For more information or to register, go to [WWME.org](http://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 [mstang1987@aol.com](mailto:mstang1987@aol.com) with any questions.

Here is an upcoming experience:

- November 15-17, 2024 in Virginia Beach, VA



### 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!](http://respectlife.org/celebrate!)



### Why World Mission Sunday Matters

World Mission Sunday, observed on October 20th this year, is not just another Sunday; it is a powerful reminder of our call to be missionaries.

The collection taken up on this day is unique as it is mandated by the Code of Canon Law and is essential for the survival and growth of the Church in mission territories.

These funds support the pastoral and evangelizing work of the church, including building churches, providing healthcare and education, and training future priests and religious. In places where resources are scarce, your generosity makes a profound difference. As we reflect on the theme "Go and invite everyone to the banquet," let us remember that our participation and support help invite countless souls to the feast of God's love.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

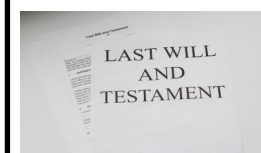
## FAITH FORMATION



### Christmas Play Practice is Here!

Practice for the play will be 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.

## Catholic Diocese of Richmond



This month reminds us of the importance of having a Will in place! 500,000+ people have used FreeWill to write their legal Will or Revocable Trust, to protect

their loved ones, and establish a lasting legacy with the causes they care about. The Catholic Community Foundation partnered with FreeWill to help you get started on your Will or Revocable Trust with this free resource from FreeWill: <https://www.freewill.com/richmondcatholicfoundation>

In the bulletin this week, you will find an information sheet regarding **advanced funeral planning**. It is never too early to plan for the future.



**Food Pantry Needs for the Week of October 13**  
**CEREAL/OATMEAL**



The National Community of Catechetical Leaders, NCCL, is inviting you to participate in our parish family survey for families of children age birth to twenty. This will help us better understand your family and your life as a parent. The survey results are very important as they will be used to create a parish plan for supporting your families and for engaging the whole family in faith formation.

This survey will only take 8-10 minutes to complete. We appreciate your time and contribution! All survey answers are anonymous. If you have any questions, please email Lara Detrich at [formation@cgsparish.org](mailto:formation@cgsparish.org). Thank you.

Survey URL

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RichmondParentSurvey>

Survey QR Code





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Weekday Mass Times: Tuesday—Friday at Noon

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

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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, [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.



October 13, 2024

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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

All this talk about wisdom in today's readings ... why should we care? Born of a familiarity with the heart of God, wisdom is a virtue that grants us discernment to know right from wrong and to follow God's plan. It is so important to the life of the disciple that it is a gift given to us by the Holy Spirit. In our first reading from – notice – the *Book of Wisdom*, the author, likely expressing the sentiments of King Solomon, praises and esteems wisdom above everything else. Prized over money, health, or beauty, wisdom brings together “all good things.” If wisdom is so valuable, we must follow Solomon's lead and seek it. Where do we find wisdom? In the second reading from Hebrews, we learn that we can seek wisdom in the word of God. God's word penetrates “between soul and spirit” and is “able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart.” Therefore, immersing ourselves in God's word allows us to discern between right and wrong and choose the path most pleasing to God.

### GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

We become familiar with God's word by reading Scripture and by turning to him in prayer. Prayer, Scripture, and the sacraments are living encounters with Jesus through which we get to know the wisdom of his heart. Still, we are faced with many distractions along the way. What distracts us? Like the rich man in our Gospel, are we distracted by wealth? Or does our desire for health or beauty keep us from the wisdom of God? Although countless temptations in our world can draw us away from pursuing God's wisdom, if we remain close to God, we invite him to help us in our weakness. As Jesus assures his disciples in the Gospel, we can be confident in God's help: “For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God.” If we seek him and place our trust in him, our lives will begin to reflect his wisdom and communicate it to the world.

**ACT** Like Solomon, we, too, can pray for wisdom. Read Scripture prayerfully, asking God to help you understand his Word and grant you the gift of wisdom. When you come across Scripture verses that are especially meaningful to you, write them out and put them in prominent places in your home. This will help you keep God's word ever before you.


**LITURGY AND MINISTRY**

**Today's Readings:**

Jesus is the Word of God, living and effective, able to discern the thoughts and reflections of our hearts. Jesus is the wisdom of God, more precious than power, riches, or beauty. To follow Christ is to place him at the center of our lives, to seek him before all the good things of this world, including ties to family, friends, and colleagues.

**Gospel Focus:**

Seek Christ above all else.



*"Encounter the Joy of the Gospel and Set the World Ablaze"*  
**EVANGELIZED PEOPLE...**  
 Have lives that have changed due to their relationship with Christ.

**FATHER'S CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK**

**Adults:** How can worldly comforts be barriers to my relationship with God?

**Children:** Am I willing to share my favorite toy or game with someone?

**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:**

"In prayer, we ask God for what we need and begin to feel other issues arise. These are His questions that lead to good and draw us to a deeper love. God enters into dialogue with us and helps us mature in what truly matters: giving life."

**Please Remember in Prayer:**  
 Gordon Blackman, Barbara Bonney, Gene Chappell, Justin Evans, Carol Kelly, Christopher Morris, Betty Nagy, Mary Pasko, Alice Recce, Debbie Steiger, Irene White, and Thomas Wunder

**Month of the Holy Rosary**

—Catechism Connection—



**2677** *Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death:* By asking Mary to pray for us, we acknowledge ourselves to be poor sinners and we address ourselves to the "Mother of Mercy," the All-Holy One. We give ourselves over to her now, in the Today of our lives. And our trust broadens further, already at the present moment, to surrender "the hour of our death" wholly to her care. May she be there as she was at her son's death on the cross. May she welcome us as our mother at the hour of our passing to lead us to her son, Jesus, in paradise.

October is dedicated to the Rosary, the Church's most popular and powerful devotional prayer. We must always remember that the Rosary is a calm, repetitive prayer that seeks to focus our hearts on the mysteries of Christ's Life, Death and Resurrection. "Whenever we say 'Mary', she says 'Jesus'". (St. Louis Marie de Montfort)

"Go to the Madonna. Love her! Always say the Rosary. Say it well. Say it as often as you can! Be souls of prayer. Never tire of praying, it is what is essential. Prayer shakes the Heart of God, it obtains necessary graces!"  
 ~St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

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

**FEAST OF ALL SOULS**  
 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.

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.**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**  
**October 18, 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**

"What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Pray for those men who serve us as deacons. By answering the call to the diaconate, a man seeks to follow Jesus' path by serving and enriching the lives of others. If you are called to serve as a deacon, speak with your pastor or contact the Office of the Diaconate.



**October 13, 2024**  
**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Readings for the Week**

- Monday, October 14**  
Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1; Lk 11:29-32
- Tuesday, October 15**—St. Teresa of Jesus  
Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41
- Wednesday, October 16**  
Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46
- Thursday, October 17**—St. Ignatius of Antioch  
Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54
- Friday, October 18**—St. Luke  
2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9
- Saturday, October 19**—Sts. John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues  
Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12
- Sunday, October 20—Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45



**Daily Mass & Intention Schedule**

Mon.	October 14	No Mass	
Tues.	October 15	Noon	Ladies of St. Monica Guild
Wed.	October 16	Noon	Available
Thurs.	October 17	Noon	Available
Fri.	October 18	Noon	Available
Sat.	October 19	5:00 pm	+Ann Weinheimer
Sun.	October 20	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](http://www.cgsparish.org)  
 click on 'Give' then 'On-Line Giving'

**Upcoming Special Collections**  
**October 20—World Mission Collection**  
**October 27—Altar Flowers**  
**November 3—Capital Reserve**



**Parish Life This Week**

- Monday, October 14**  
6:30 PM Cub Scouts
- Tuesday, October 15**  
6:00 PM OCIA  
6:30 PM Boy Scouts
- Wednesday, October 16**  
10:00 AM Divine Mercy  
7:00 PM Ladies' Guild & Men's Club  
7:00 PM Youth Group  
7:15 PM Book Club
- Thursday, October 17**  
6:00 PM Liturgical Ministries  
7:00 PM Choir Practice  
7:00 PM Scout Training
- Friday, October 18**  
11:30 AM Adoration
- Saturday, October 19**  
4:30 PM Rosary  
6:00 PM Box of Joy  
6:00 PM Wine Tasting Tickets
- Sunday, October 20**  
8:30 AM Rosary  
10:15 AM Religious Education  
10:15 AM AFF—Deeper Dive  
10:15 AM Meal of Thanks Sign-up  
10:15 AM Wine Tasting Tickets  
10:15 AM Box of Joy  
11:15 AM Christmas Play Practice  
6:00 PM Scouting BSA, Religious Medals



**Weekly Offering for:**  
**October 5 & 6, 2024**

Regular Offering needed weekly: \$ 6,737.00  
 (The following totals include E-Giving)

**OFFERTORY:**

Regular Offering	\$ 9,186.68
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**ADDITIONAL FUNDS COLLECTED:**

Capital Reserve	\$ 2,168.26
Haiti	\$ 188.00
Barron Dempsey	\$ 40.00
Catholic Virginian	\$ 10.00
Altar Flowers	\$ 25.00
Other	\$ 137.00

**DIOCESAN COLLECTION:**

Hurricane Helene Relief	\$ 125.00
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**MASS ATTENDANCE**

Saturday	84
Sunday	166



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