



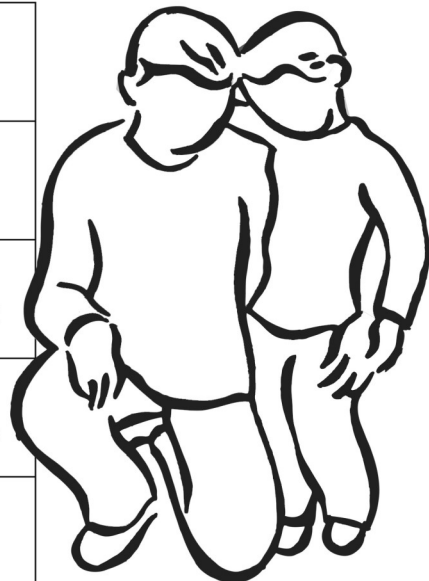
FATHERS OF FAITH

Fathers do amazing things for their families, but the greatest gift our dads can share with us is their faith in God.

Complete this puzzle to read Isaiah's advice to fathers.

Directions: Working left to right, first write down all the 1's in the word blanks.
Continue with the 2's and finally the 3's.

1 The	2 as	3 tell	1 living
2 I	3 their	1 the	2 am
3 children	1 living	2 doing	3 about
1 they	2 today	3 your	1 praise
2 parents	3 faithfulness	1 you	



_____, _____, _____, _____, _____,
_____, _____; _____, _____,
_____, _____, _____, _____.

Isaiah 38:19, NIV

Answers: The living, the living—they praise you, as I am doing today; parents tell their children about your faithfulness. Isaiah 38:19, NIV

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NEWS & EVENTS



EMMAUS JOURNEY For Grieving Parents

August 2, 2025

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 or another retreat.

"Blessed are they who mourn for they will be comforted."
(Matthew 5:4)



MARRIED COUPLES: Does gardening give you a sense of wonder and fulfillment? On your wedding day, you lovingly planted the seeds of a lifelong relationship. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience will give you the "gardening tools" you need to help your marriage grow and blossom to **live your best life in love**. Upcoming experiences are:

- June 20-22 in Raleigh, NC
- September 12-14 in Richmond, VA
- October 24-26 in Jessup, MD
- November 7-9 in Rehoboth Beach, DE

For more information, please call 757-690-1369 or to register, go to WWWME.org, click "Apply" and search for your desired location.



2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal: "Sharing His Love with Others"

As of 6/11/2025

Goal \$ 21,190.00
Total Raised \$ 22,445.00
% of Goal 106% from 46 donors

It's not too late to donate!

Please visit richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal to make your secure online donation or contact the parish office to receive a hard copy pledge card. Thank you for your continued support and generosity to the Appeal.

Saint Quote of the Week

"O Holy Spirit, descend plentifully into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling and scatter there Thy cheerful beams."

~St. Augustine

FAITH FORMATION



REGISTER TODAY!

True North— "Trusting Jesus in a Wild World"
Vacation Bible School

June 16-20, 2025

1:00 PM-4:00 PM

Join us for a week of growing in our faith, making friends, and continuing our mission that God has for us. Registration has begun and space is limited. If you have any questions, please contact Lara Detrich.

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.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

June 20, 2025 at 11:30 AM

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



Catholic FEST 2025

October 11, 2025

10:00 AM-9:00PM

Join Bishop Knestout and the entire diocese at a one-day festival in Richmond. The day will be full of music, food, fun, fellowship, faith, and celebrating the Mass as the Diocese of Richmond. If you would like more information, visit catholicfest.richmondiocese.org



Food Pantry Needs for the Week of June 15 BAKED BEANS OR KIDNEY BEANS

The shelves at Christian Outreach are getting bare and your weekly food contributions are a great help in filling these shelves but more contributions are needed. If you haven't brought in a nonperishable food item in the past, please consider doing so especially over the summer when contributions are usually lower. While a weekly food item is suggested, any nonperishable item is appreciated and follows our Lord's instruction to "Feed my sheep."

Many thanks to those who support the COP foodbank.



The Roman Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd

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Father Tony's Email: pastor@cgsparish.org

Office: (757) 365-0579 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

Eucharistic 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

Youth Ministry – Scott Watterson, youthministry@cgsparish.org

Lead Liturgical Musician—Caiden Zakaras, music@cgsparish.org

Ministries

Ministry to the Sick - Betsy Knapp

Pastoral Council - Joe Campo

Finance Council - Dan Falbe

Money Counters - Margaret Hickman

Building - Hart Smith and Tom Quick

Grounds

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 - Jean Coughlin

Special Needs Ministry - Sue Ellebracht

Walking with Moms in Need—Jean Coughlin

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 from 4:15PM to 4:45PM 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 15, 2025

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Prov 8:22-31 | Rom 5:1-5 | Jn 16:12-15

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

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

Between two people who love each other, speech often gives way to silence. But first, in order to nourish love, there must be a mutual exchange of words. Persons in love wish to share their most intimate secrets so that they might know and be known. In an act deserving of our endless wonder, God disclosed his most intimate secret to us: He is a communion of Persons — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit — who relate to each other in an eternal exchange of love. St. Thomas Aquinas insisted that the Trinity is not a reality we could have figured out on our own (in contrast to, for example, God's existence — which we can know simply by examining creation). God had to reveal his Trinitarian nature to us. While humanity was wandering further and further away from him over the millennia after the Fall, God was preparing us for the revelation of the Son and the Holy Spirit. This is what Jesus is announcing in today's Gospel: "Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that [the Holy Spirit] will take from what is mine and declare it to you." To his bewildered disciples, Jesus is expressing God's intention to communicate his identity to us — an unmerited gift which he offers simply because he loves us.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

This is our inheritance as Christians: God has revealed himself to us out of love. Once we've assented to this truth, we can no longer dismiss the mystery of the Holy Trinity as "above my theological paygrade." One who loves is not bothered that the beloved always remains a mystery; instead, he or she is content to remain in wonder and seeks to enter more deeply into the exchange of love. For us, this means responding to God's gift of himself with reverence, gratitude, and obedience to his will. We approach him in prayer with the respectful but confident attitude of a child who knows itself to be deeply loved; we listen to him, express our thanksgiving for his gift, and seek to know his will for us.

PRAY


Be attentive to the ways God is revealing himself and his love for you in your daily life. Discover that *everything* is an expression of his care: answered prayers, a kind word given or received, the beauty of nature — even crosses which induce us to turn to him for help! Take a few minutes each day to thank God for his gifts.

LITURGY AND MINISTRY

Today's Readings:
The Church invites us to explore humbly the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity and to grapple with the truths of this fundamental insight into the essence of God's being. The three Persons of the Holy Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—are one, but are distinct from each other. Thus, we can say they are in relationship with one another—an eternal communion of love. Confronted with this mystery, let us contemplate with wonder and awe the beauty of God.

Gospel Focus:


Contemplate with wonder and awe the Beauty of God.



“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: In what difficult situation has the Holy Spirit helped you see more clearly?
Children: What kind of decision can the Holy Spirit help you with?

PRAYER AND VOCATIONS



Pope Leo XIV’s Prayer Intentions for the Month of June

Evangelization: *That the world might grow in compassion.*

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from His heart, learn to have compassion on the world.


Pope Tweets:
“God wants to give His Kingdom, that is, full, eternal and happy life, to everyone. This is what Jesus does with us: He does not establish rankings; He gives all of Himself to those who open their hearts to Him.”

Please Remember in Prayer:
Barbara Bonney, Betty Kinney, Christopher Morris, Mary Pasko, Alice Reece, Peggy Shaw, Debbie Steiger, and Irene White

Prayer for Fathers


God Our Father, we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old. We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family, and faith in joy and sacrifice. We pray for our own fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow. We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice. We remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen.


(thecatholictelegraph.com/a-prayer-for-dad-on-fathers-day/14841. Prayer source Lordcalls.com)



All are invited to attend a **FAREWELL Reception** for **Fr. Tony Yllana** in **Celebration of his Retirement** after serving his flock for 41 years.

Join us on June 21 & 22, 2025 after Mass for cookies, donuts and drinks in the Commons. Come and give your regards to Fr. Tony for the many years he was a shepherd at Church of the Good Shepherd and wish him well as he begins a new chapter.






The Clergy Assignments have been posted!

We will be joined by
Fr. Andrews Mensah, “Fr. Andy”,
who will become the Administrator
on July 1, 2025.

We are looking forward to his arrival. May he be blessed with mercy and grace as he embarks on this journey at Church of the Good Shepherd.

Considering a call to the priesthood

“Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that He will take from what is mine and declare it to you.” The unity of the Holy Trinity invites us to participate in God’s life and love. How is God calling you to embody this unity through a vocation? Perhaps He is leading you toward the sacred union of holy matrimony. Talk to your priest or reach out the the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org



June 15, 2025
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity


Readings for the Week

Monday, June 16
2 Cor 6:1-10; Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday, June 17
2 Cor 8:1-9; Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday, June 18
2 Cor 9:6-11; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday, June 19
2 Cor 11:1-11; Mt 6:7-15
Friday, June 20
2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Mt 6:19-23
Saturday, June 21—St. Aloysius Gonzaga
2 Cor 12:1-10; Mt 6:24-34
Sunday, June 22—The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Gn 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17




Daily Mass & Intention Schedule			
Mon.	June 16	No Mass	
Tues.	June 17	No Mass	Jubilee Pilgrimage
Wed.	June 18	Noon	Available
Thurs.	June 19	Noon	Available
Fri.	June 20	Noon	Available
Sat	June 21	5:00 pm	+Tom & Thomas Wunder
Sun.	June 22	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
June 29—Peter’s Pence
July 6—Capital Reserve
July 27—Altar Flowers



Parish Life This Week

Tuesday, June 17
5:30 PM Boy Scouts

Wednesday, June 18
10:00 AM Divine Mercy
7:00 PM Youth Group
7:15 PM Book Club

Thursday, June 19
6:00 PM Finance Council
7:00 PM Choir Practice

Friday, June 20
11:30 AM Adoration

Saturday, June 21
4:30 PM Rosary
6:00 PM Fr. Tony Farewell


Sunday, June 22
8:30 AM Rosary
10:00 AM Fr. Tony Farewell
10:15 AM Deeper Dive



Vacation Bible School: Monday-Friday from 1-4:00 PM

Weekly Offering for: June 7-8, 2025	
Regular Offering needed weekly: \$ 6,737.00 (The following totals include E-Giving)	
OFFERTORY:	
Regular Offering	\$ 6,292.61
ADDITIONAL FUNDS COLLECTED:	
Capital Reserve/Mortgage	\$ 823.00
Haiti	\$ 125.00
Barron Dempsey	\$ 15.00
Religious Education	\$ 30.00
Other	\$ 672.63
DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS:	
Peter’s Pence	\$ 100.00
MASS ATTENDANCE	
Sat	102
Sun	168

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.

