





St. Joseph's Catholic Church

78 St. Josephs Lane Woodlawn VA 24381-1101 Joy Ranch Rd, Route 701 & US 58/221 Sunday English Mass 11:30 AM

Spanish Mass: 1:30 PM

Daily Mass: Wednesday & Friday 9:00 a.m. Spanish Daily: Tues. & Thurs. 6:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Mass 10:45-11:15 A.M.

Rosary: 30 minutes before Sunday Masses

Risen Lord Catholic Church

59 Mountain View Park (Route 625 & US 58) Stuart, VA 24133 (276) 694-4341

Sunday Mass: English at 8:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sunday 7:45—8:15am

All Saints Catholic Church

598 Needmore Lane, NE Floyd, VA 24091 (540)763-6000

Mass: English

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15 - 4:45pm

Father Herman Katongole, Pastor

Pastor's E-mail: sjpastor@embargmail.com

Nancy Koske - Admin. Assistant/Bookkeeper

Office Hours: Tue, Wed., Thurs.

9:00 AM - 12:00 AM 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

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Why Catholics pray for the dead and believe in purgatory: From time immemorial, people of all religions have believed in the immortality of the soul, and have prayed for the dead. The Jews, for example, believed that there was a place of temporary bondage from which the souls of the dead would receive their final release. Since Jesus in no way contradicted this ancient belief, the efficacy of prayers for those who have died was incorporated by the infant Church in its teachings and practice. Evidence suggests that the belief dates back to the first century of the Church. "Remember us who have gone before you, in your prayers," is a petition often found inscribed on the walls of the Roman catacombs (Lumen Gentium 50).

Pope St. Gregory said, "Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them." According to the New Catholic Catechism: "All who die in God's grace and friendship but imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven."

Purgatory essentially seen in our belief in two realities: First, that there will be a purification of believers prior to entering heaven and Second that the prayers and masses of the faithful are sure to benefit those in the state of purification.

We know that we are not perfect enough for heaven and not wicked enough for hell. So, there must be a middle state of purification. The observance of All Souls Day is based on the theological basis that some of those who have departed from this world, have not been perfectly cleansed from venial sin. Hence the Catholic Church teaches that not everyone who dies in God's grace is immediately ready for the Beatific Vision, that is, the direct experience of God and His perfect nature in Heaven. So, they must be purified of "lesser faults" and the temporal punishment due to sin in a place or state of purification.

The Catholic teaching on Purgatory essentially requires belief in two realities: 1. that there will be a purification of believers prior to entering Heaven and 2. that the prayers and Masses of the faithful in some way benefit those in the state of purification. The synods of Florence and Trent encouraged the offering of prayers for the dead, citing Scriptural evidence to prove that there is a place or state of purification for those who die with venial sins on their souls. According to Revelation 21:27, "Nothing unclean shall enter Heaven", also in Is 35:8 and Wis 7:25. Holy Scripture teaches that even "the just sin seven times a day" (Prov 24:16).

Since it would be contrary to the mercy of God to punish such souls in Hell, they are seen as entering a place or state of purification, Purgatory, which combines God's justice with His mercy. This teaching is also contained in the doctrine of the Communion of Saints. The Catholic Church understands the Communion of Saints as a relationship of love joining the faithful, living and departed. The Saints, both in Heaven and in Purgatory, pray for us, and we pray both to the Saints in Heaven for their intercession, and for those in Purgatory, that they may swiftly enter the Beatific Vision. Thus, death is no barrier to prayerful communion with the dead. We lovingly remember them and thank God for their eternal reward.

St. Joseph's Financial October 1-31, 2019

Income: \$5,035.00 11:30 Mass

\$1,184.17 2:30 Mass

Expenses: \$5,240.69 Net Gain/Loss: \$978.48

St. Joseph Pastoral Council:

 Mickey Dubs
 276-236-5688

 Richard Koske
 276-235-0142

 Ken Miller
 276-779-4068

 Mary Ann Riccitiello
 276-728-0130

 Gregorio Sierra
 276-233-8954

St. Joseph Finance Council:

 Barbara Dwyer
 276-728-2045

 Brenda Marrah
 276-728-9929

 Olga Carranza Torres
 276-238-4635

 Linda Wilson
 276-601-2331

Risen Lord's Financial October 1-31, 2019 Income: \$ 1,871.00 Expenses: \$3,245.39

Net Gain/ Loss: (\$1,374.39)

Risen Lord Pastoral Council:

 John Abadie
 276-930-2298

 Marcus Brinks
 276-694-3883

 Julia Hennessy
 276-694-5471

 Brunilda Seda
 276-694-9939

Risen Lord Finance Council:

 John Coffey
 276-694-0429

 Greg Feron
 276-694-4009

 Stephanie Floros
 276-694-5256

 Jim Keesee
 276-591-7013

 Cindy Law
 276-694-7274

All Saints' Financial
October 1-31, 2019
Income: \$4,615.00
Expenses: \$2,457.97
Net Gain/Loss: \$2,187.83

All Saints Pastoral Council:

 Deanna Boswell
 540-285-0039

 Peter Johnson
 540-651-4749

 JJ Mammi
 540-763-2253

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 540-789-4789

 Dana Postiglione
 929-201-6449

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 540-789-8095

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Parishioners of All Saints, Risen Lord and St. Joseph's

A new way to update your church contact information (address, phone numbers, e-mail addresses or additions to the family) has arrived. You can also use this link to register as a new parishioner . https://richmond.parishsoftfamilysuite.com/

If your address, email or phone number has changed or if you are not receiving your Catholic Virginian, please call the church office at (276)236-7814 on Tuesday ,Wednesday, or Thursday between 9-3 PM or register at the link above to make the changes { the website will let the office know when changes are made}.

Kermes After Mass November 24th "Church Fundraiser"

Starts 2:30 p.m.

Come and help the church;

buy and enjoy great Mexican Food!!



Help us to support the Bishops' Initiative on marriage! Couples who attend Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends not only rediscover the joy, intimacy & romance in their relationships, but also become more active in their parish. Together, we are making marriages, families and our Church stronger & healthier. Would you like Worldwide Marriage Encounter couples to conduct a short marriage enrichment in your parish? Please contact us and we will work with you on the coordination.

LOVED THE WEDDING. INVITE ME TO THE MARRIAGE. LOVE, GOD

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can help you do that! Marriage Encounter is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones — and focus just on each other. Attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on Mar 20-22, 2020 in FAIRFAX, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/ or contact us at 757-690-1369.

ALL SAINTS' BULLETIN BOARD

All Saint's Catholic Church book club will meet on November 11, 2019 at 2:30pm in the Church gathering area. We will discuss "The Lamb's Supper" by Scott Hahn. Scott Hahn is a Bible scholar and a joyful convert to Catholicism.

2nd Collection on Third Sunday for Debt Reduction to pay for resurfacing our parking lot.

During the month of November the Book of the Dead will be available for you to add your deceased loved one's names. We plan to have the book located on a lectern in the sanctuary each Saturday throughout the month. November is dedicated to prayer for the dead.

Father Herman encourages all of us to gather in the sanctuary each Saturday at 4:30pm to pray the Rosary together.

On third Saturday's we host a pot luck supper; all parishioners and visitors are welcome to join us.

As a reminder, we have parishioners praying in the sanctuary before and after our Saturday 5pm Holy Mass and urge everyone to enjoy our common area for conversation and fellowship

Mass In Latin

The Latin Mass Community of Southwest Virginia will be organizing two monthly Latin Masses in the area: one Sunday high Mass at All Saints in Floyd and one Friday low Mass at St. Francis of Assisi in Rocky Mount. The next high Mass will be on the First Sunday of Advent, December 1 at 3pm. For further information or to be added to the community's email list, please contact latinmass@swva.net.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone. Please be safe as you travel to spend time with your families from the staff.

"But you have mercy on all, because you can do all things." Are you called to be a vehicle of God's mercy as a priest? The Vocations Office, (804) 359-5661, to speak with Fr. Michael Boehling or Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

"Vengan a mí todos los que están fatigdos y agobiados por la carga, y yo los aliviaré, dice el Señor". ¿Estás llamado a seguir los pasos de los santos y como sacerdote y traerle consuelo a los agobiados? Llama al Padre Boehling o al Padre Brian Capuano al (804) 359-5661 o escríbele a: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

Increased Offertory Training Workshop for Finance and Pastoral Councils for all our parishes on Sunday, November 10th, at the St. Joseph Parish Hall. The session starting at 12:30pm is in English and the 2nd session in Spanish starts at 2:30 pm. Council members, please try to attend.

Bishop Barry C. Knestout's Statement on the Little Sisters of the Poor Departing from St. Joseph's Home - 10/30/19

"For more than a century, the Little Sisters of the Poor have been faithful servants and true examples of Christ's loving care and unwavering, tender devotion for the poor, sick, elderly and dying within our diocese," said the Most Rev. Barry C. Knestout, bishop of Richmond. "I am deeply saddened to see them leave our region as their departure will leave a profound void within our community that is irreplaceable. Yet, I am immensely grateful for the decades of humble service, selfless work, great love and devotion they have provided to the most vulnerable in our community. On a personal note, I have a very fond affection for the Little Sisters, as I witnessed firsthand their compassion and accompaniment of the dying when they lovingly cared for Cardinal James Hickey until his death in 2004 at the Jeanne Jugan Residence in Washington, D.C. While not a diocesan entity, I understand the impact such a difficult decision will have as this transition process moves forward and the current challenges the Little Sisters face as they work to continue to fulfill their mission around the world. I know our Catholic community holds the Little Sisters in high regard and I ask the faithful to keep them in your prayers in the weeks and months to come. Be assured of my continued prayers for them as well. Through the intercession of Saint Jeanne Jugan, and our Blessed Mother, Mary, may the Little Sisters continue to be guided in their work as they seek to make Jesus Christ present in the world."

MATTHEW 25 PILL BOTTLE MINISTRY

In developing countries, medicines—when actually obtainable—are often dispensed into hands, pockets, leaves or any other available container. Matthew 25 Ministries accepts donations of empty pill bottles to help improve health care quality in developing nations. Donations of clean, unlabeled pill bottles help the poorest of the poor in many ways: Medicine can be distributed in sterile containers. Pill bottles that are not appropriate for shipping are recycled for cash that goes towards Matthew 25:Ministries' programs.

This plastic recycling program keeps thousands of bottles out of landfills each year.

Matthew 25: Ministries accepts the following types of empty pill bottles:

Prescription pill bottles, all sizes
Pill bottles with and without child resistant caps
Over-the-counter pill bottles.

Bring your bottles to Sue Ann Ehmann any Sunday. If I'm not there just leave them in the kitchen at Risen Lord.

Start Your Christmas Shopping Early!

Did you know that when you shop on Amazon Smile, Amazon will donate a portion of the sale to Commonwealth Catholic Charities? Just start your shopping trip at Smile.Amazon.com and choose CCC as your charity—it's that easy to give!

Catholic Liturgical Year.

As we get nearer to the end of the our Liturgical year let us remind ourselves of the few details of a liturgical year.

The liturgical year is the arrangement of the Church's celebrations of the various events in the life of Christ and the mysteries of our faith throughout the year. In other words, it is "the celebration throughout the year of the mysteries of the Lord's birth, life, death, and Resurrection in such a way that the entire year becomes a 'year of the Lord's grace.' Thus the cycle of the liturgical year and the great feasts constitutes the basic rhythm of the Christian's life of prayer, with its focal point at Easter" (CCC #1168).

This cycle is the temporal structure within which the Church celebrates the holy mysteries of Christ: "From the Incarnation and the Nativity to the Ascension, to Pentecost and to the wait in joyful hope for the Lord's coming" Each liturgical season is distinguished by its own mood, theological emphasis, mode of prayer, vestments for clergy, and readings for the Mass, each of which help the faithful to enter more deeply into the life of Christ. Since the liturgical Year is represented in a calendar, it is also called the Catholic liturgical calendar. This is the cycle of seasons in the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church. The Church year begins each year with Advent, the season of awaiting Christ's coming, and ends with the final Saturday of Ordinary time. Within the standard calendar year, the Church year starts in early December (or sometimes the end of November), and goes through the following November.

The Church year consists of <u>six liturgical seasons</u>: Advent, Christmas, Ordinary Time after Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Ordinary Time after Pentecost. Seasons begin or end based on a movable feast and so some seasons vary in length from year to year, and vary as to the calendar dates. A brief overview of the Catholic liturgical seasons, their durations, their purpose and focus, and the liturgical year colors will be discussed in the near future.

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SJ= St. Joseph AS= All Saints RL= Risen Lord	H F C F	PH= Parish Hall FC= Finance Council PC= Pastoral Council			1 All Saints SJ 9am RL Noon AS 5pm	2 Hispanic Ministry Office 9:00-4:00 AS Mass 5:00 p.m.
					Spanish SJ 6pm (Holy Day of Obligation)	
3 31st Sunday in Ordinary Times Wis 11:22-12;:2 Ps 145:1-14 2 Thes 1:11-2:2 LK 19:1-10	4 No Mass	5 Business office open Spanish	6 Business office open 9:00 am Mass	7 Business office open Spanish Mass 6:00 p.m.	8 9:00 am Mass Adoration SJ Choir prac- tice	Hispanic Ministry Office 9:00-4:00 AS Mass 5:00 p.m. 2nd Collection: Archdiocese for Military Services
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10 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Times 2 Mc 7:1-14 Ps 17:1-15 2 Thes 2:16-3:5 LK 20:27-38 Masses: RL 8:30 am SJ 11:30 a.m. Spanish 1:30 p.m. 2nd Collection: Archdiocese for	11 No Mass Veterans Day	H2 Business office open . NO Spanish Mass	13 No Mass Business office open SJ Parkinson's Support SJ PH 1 p.m.	14 Business office open NO Spanish Mass	9:00 am Mass Adoration SJ Choir practice	16 Hispanic Ministry Office 9:00 -4:00 AS Mass 5:00 p.m.
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Military Services Training workshop for Councils for Increased Offertory . SJ PH 12:30 (English) & 2:30 (Spanish)						AS Covered Dish Dinner after Mass
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for the Needy Hispanic Ministry Office 1:00-4:00						

St. Joseph parishioners reminder: Please call the parish office if a parishioner want to schedule an event at the church or parish hall.

Recordatorio de los feligreses de San José: por favor llame a la oficina parroquial si desea programar un evento en el salón de la iglesia o parroquia.

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