

## St. Joseph's Catholic Church



## Risen Lord Catholic Church



## All Saints Catholic Church



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78 St. Josephs Lane  
Woodlawn VA 24381-1101  
Sunday English Mass 11:30am  
Spanish Mass: 2:30 PM  
Daily Mass: Wednesday & Friday 9:00am  
Spanish Weekday Mass : Thurs. 6:00 pm  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Before Mass 11:00-11:15 am

### Risen Lord Catholic Church

59 Mountain View Park  
Stuart, VA 24133  
Sunday Mass: 8:30 AM  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sun. 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: Sat. 4:15-4:45pm  
First Saturday of the month: Traditional Latin Mass  
10am, followed by Holy Hour and Benediction.



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## Devotion to Mary

The Blessed Virgin Mary is the Mother of the Church and therefore the example, as well as the guide and inspiration, of everyone who, in and through the Church, seeks to be the servant of God and man and the obedient agent of the promptings of the Holy Spirit.



The Holy Spirit, as Pope Leo XIII reminded us, is the soul of the Church: All the activity and service of the members of the Church, beginning with the supreme participation of the Blessed Mother in the work of the Church, is vivified by the Holy Spirit as the body, in all its activities, is vivified by its soul. The Holy Spirit is the Paraclete, Advocate, and Comforter which Christ Himself sent to be our consolation in the sorrowful mysteries of life, our source of moderation in the joyful mysteries of life, our added principle of exaltation in the glorious mysteries of life.

So He was for the Blessed Mother; so also He is for the least of us; so also He is for the rest of the Church, even for those who are its unconscious but conscientious members.

Wherever there is faith there is the example of Mary, because she lived by faith as the Scriptures remind us....

If, then, piety is the virtue which binds us to the sources of all life, to God, to our parents, to the Church, to Christ, certainly Christian piety binds us, in grateful love, to Mary — or our acceptance of Christ and of the mystery of our kinship with Him is imperfect, partial, and unfulfilled.

— Cardinal John Wright

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#### THE MONTH OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The month of May is traditionally known as the Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Catholics the world over are invited and advised to pray the Rosary daily. Now this is not easy due to the busy schedule and other unknown hindrances. Therefore we need to put in more effort and make time for this rosary season. We need to use every available opportunity and time slot to be with Mary in her prayer. Praying the Rosary is not, nor should not be, limited in either duration or fervor to one set period, or place. The Rosary should be a part of every Catholic's prayer life and spiritual development. Rosary is more efficacious when said in a group. Mandatory recitation of the Rosary in the family is wonderful. This family prayer requires a bit of sacrifice in order to fit in each other's time schedule. You can cut down on some activities and switch off the TV.

We had started the practice of praying the Rosary every Sunday half hour before the beginning of the Sunday Mass. When the pandemic hit us, many liturgical activities came to a standstill including the recitation before the Sunday Mass.

Praying the Rosary, in addition to giving respect and gratitude to the Blessed Virgin, it helped to put us in the mood of prayer.

We can resume this practice of praying the Rosary before Sunday Mass starting with this Month of May. Most of the time we join to pray the Rosary as a family in our homes, the Sunday Rosary prayer will help us to pray the Rosary together as a parish family.

We had also started the generous act of donating a Rosary to the anonymous parish friend, who needs that beautiful Rosary you have at home or that Rosary you also admired on your pilgrimage. All Rosaries that were donated last year, found a home. I am asking you again to consider donating more rosaries so that no one may go without. This is a very crucial time to keep a rosary around us so much so that whenever you come across a community of faith praying, you simply join in. Encourage and remind all your friends using all means possible to pray the Rosary.

How to pray the Rosary, The ideal is to have the whole family recite at least five decades of the Rosary daily. We need to say the Rosary slowly enough to make its recitation devout and reverent. We are to reflect on the mystery and then concentrate on the meaning of the prayers as we say them to avoid distractions. Besides saying the Rosary with others in the family, let us make a habit of reciting the Rosary during our journey to the workplace and during our exercises. If we do so, we shall experience for ourselves the truth of these words: "Meditating on the mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, may we imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise."

Every single prayer in The Rosary is fully rooted in the Bible and all the mysteries in each decade help us to meditate deeply about the life of Jesus Christ and Mary.

I wish you a fruitful Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

EL MES DE LA BENDITA VIRGEN MARIA

El mes de mayo se conoce tradicionalmente como el Mes de la Santísima Virgen María. Se invita y aconseja a los católicos de todo el mundo que recen el Rosario todos los días. Ahora bien, esto no es fácil debido a la apretada agenda y otros obstáculos desconocidos. Por lo tanto, debemos esforzarnos más y hacer tiempo para esta temporada del rosario. Necesitamos aprovechar todas las oportunidades y espacios de tiempo disponibles para estar con María en su oración. Rezar el Rosario no está ni debe estar limitado ni en duración ni en fervor a un período o lugar determinado. El Rosario debe ser parte de la vida de oración y el desarrollo espiritual de todos los católicos. El rosario es más eficaz cuando se dice en grupo. El rezo obligatorio del Rosario en familia es maravilloso. Esta oración familiar requiere un poco de sacrificio para adaptarse al horario de cada uno. Puede reducir algunas actividades y apagar la televisión.

Habíamos comenzado la práctica de rezar el Rosario todos los domingos media hora antes del comienzo de la misa dominical. Cuando nos golpeó la pandemia, muchas actividades litúrgicas se paralizaron, incluida la recitación antes de la misa dominical.

Rezar el Rosario, además de dar respeto y gratitud a la Santísima Virgen, ayudó a ponernos en el ánimo de la oración.

Podemos reanudar esta práctica de rezar el Rosario antes de la misa dominical a partir de este mes de mayo. La mayoría de las veces que nos reunimos para rezar el Rosario en familia en nuestros hogares, la oración del Rosario del domingo nos ayudará a rezar el Rosario juntos como familia parroquial.

También habíamos iniciado el generoso acto de donar un Rosario al amigo anónimo de la parroquia, que necesita ese hermoso Rosario que tienes en casa o ese Rosario que también admiraste en tu peregrinaje. Todos los rosarios que fueron donados el año pasado encontraron hogar. Les pido nuevamente que consideren donar más rosarios para que nadie se quede sin ellos. Este es un momento muy crucial para mantener un rosario a nuestro alrededor tanto que siempre que te encuentres con una comunidad de fe rezando, simplemente te unes a ella. Anime y recuérdelos a todos sus amigos que utilicen todos los medios posibles para rezar el Rosario.

Cómo rezar el Rosario. Lo ideal es que toda la familia recite al menos cinco décadas del Rosario diariamente. Necesitamos rezar el Rosario con la suficiente lentitud para que su recitación sea devota y reverente. Debemos reflexionar sobre el misterio y luego concentrarnos en el significado de las oraciones mientras las decimos para evitar distracciones. Además de rezar el Rosario con otros miembros de la familia, hagamos un hábito de rezar el Rosario durante nuestro viaje al lugar de trabajo y durante nuestros ejercicios. Si lo hacemos, experimentaremos por nosotros mismos la verdad de estas palabras: "Meditando en los misterios del Santísimo Rosario de la Santísima Virgen María, imitemos lo que contienen y obtengamos lo que prometen".

Cada oración del Rosario está completamente arraigada en la Biblia y todos los misterios de cada década nos ayudan a meditar profundamente sobre la vida de Jesucristo y María.

Les deseo un Mes fructífero de la Santísima Virgen María.



### **A Prayer to Combat the Coronavirus Pandemic**

Most Merciful and Triune God,  
We come to You in our weakness.  
We come to You in our fear.  
We come to You with trust.  
For You alone are our hope.

We place before You the disease present in our world.  
We turn to You in our time of need.  
Bring wisdom to doctors.  
Give understanding to scientists.  
Endow caregivers with compassion and generosity.  
Bring healing to those who are ill.  
Protect those who are most at risk.  
Give comfort to those who have lost a loved one.  
Welcome those who have died into Your Eternal Home.  
Stabilize our communities.  
Unite us in our compassion.  
Remove all fear from our hearts.  
Fill us with confidence in Your care.  
(mention your particular concerns and prayers now)  
Jesus, I trust in You.  
Jesus, I trust in You.  
Jesus, I trust in You.  
Amen.

#### **Short Litany to Our Blessed Mother**

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us.  
Our Lady, Comforter of the Afflicted, pray for us.  
Our Lady, Help of Christians, pray for us.  
Our Lady, Health of the Sick, pray for us.  
Our Lady, Seat of Wisdom, pray for us.  
Our Lady, Queen of Heaven and Earth, pray for us.  
Amen.

### **REVISED COVID 19 PROTOCOL**

In recent weeks, Southwest Virginia has experienced a surge of new Coronavirus cases. The Governor of Virginia and the Bishop of our Diocese have issued revised guidelines for the faithful to safely attend Mass in person.

**As a Catholic community we have an obligation to safeguard parishioners who attend Mass. Because of this, a mask, face covering or face shield will be a REQUIREMENT to all who attend Mass in person without exception.**

Our Parish has always had this requirement, however the Diocese has recently added a face shield to meet the acceptable face covering requirement. This will accommodate parishioners unable to wear a mask or face covering.

**For those unwilling or unable to comply with this requirement, we encourage you to attend Mass virtually via Facebook. Our Livestream can be found on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/stjosephswoodlawn.net/>**

HELP US reduce the spread of this virus and protect your fellow parishioners.

### **2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal**

The Diocese has set fundraising goals for all parishes based on the annual offertories.

	<b>GOAL</b>	<b>RAISED AS OF APRIL 23, 2021</b>
<b>ALL SAINTS</b>	<b>\$2690</b>	<b>\$2268 (84%)</b>
<b>RISEN LORD</b>	<b>\$1810</b>	<b>\$2165 (120%)</b>
<b>ST. JOSEPH</b>	<b>\$4320</b>	<b>\$4745 (110%)</b>

Do note that with our designation as Mission Parishes one half of the funds we raise in our Parishes come back to us directly.

We are also beneficiaries of key programs funded by the Annual appeal including Fuel and Hunger and Home Mission Grant awards.

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GAVE SO GENEROUSLY TO THIS YEAR'S APPEAL**



# May 2021

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June 2021

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Apr 25</b> 8:30am RL Sunday Mass 11:30am SJ Sunday Mass 2:30pm Misa en Español	26	27	28	29	30	<b>May 1</b> 5:00pm AS Sunday Vigil Mass
2 8:30am RL Sunday Mass 11:30am SJ Sunday Mass 2:30pm Misa en Español	3	4 AS Parish Council	5 9:00am SJ weekday Mass 6:00pm RL FINANCE COUNCIL (Risen Lord)	6 6:00pm SJ Misa en Español seguida con Adoracion del Santisimo	7 9:00am SJ weekday Mass	8 5:00pm AS Sunday Vigil Mass
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16 8:30am RL Sunday Mass 11:30am SJ Sunday Mass 2:30pm Misa en Español	17	18 5:30pm SJ FINANCE COUNCIL	19 9:00am SJ weekday Mass	20 6:00pm SJ Misa en Español seguida con Adoracion del Santisimo	21 9:00am SJ weekday Mass	22 10:30am SJ First Holy Communion SP 5:00pm AS Sunday Vigil Mass
23 8:30am RL Sunday Mass 11:30am SJ Mass First Holy Communion 2:30pm Misa en Español	24	25 AS Finance Council	26 9:00am SJ weekday Mass 5:30pm RL Parish Council	27	28	29 11:00am Quinceañera 5:00pm AS Sunday Vigil Mass
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1 May 2021 – Saturday	8 May 2021 – Saturday	15 May 2021 – Saturday	22 May 2021 – Saturday	27 May 2021 – Thursday
<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 13</a> : 44-52	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 16</a> : 1-10	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 18</a> : 23-28	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 28</a> : 16-20, 30-31	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Sirach 42</a> : 15-25
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 98</a> : 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 100</a> : 1b-2, 3, 5	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 47</a> : 2-3, 8-9, 10	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 11</a> : 4, 5 and 7	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 33</a> : 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 14</a> : 7-14, Proper Gospel for Joseph: <a href="#">Matthew 13</a> : 54-58	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 15</a> : 18-21	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 16</a> : 23b-28	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 21</a> : 20-25	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">Mark 10</a> : 46-52
2 May 2021 – Sunday	9 May 2021 – Sunday	16 May 2021 – Sunday	23 May 2021 – Sunday	28 May 2021 – Friday
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	ASCENSION OF THE LORD Solemnity (Seventh Sunday of Easter)	PENTECOST Solemnity / Vigil	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Sirach 44</a> : 1, 9-13
<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 9</a> : 26-31	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 10</a> : 25-26, 34-35, 44-48	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 1</a> : 1-11	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Genesis 11</a> : 1-9 or <a href="#">Exodus 19</a> : 3-8a, 16-20b or <a href="#">Ezekiel 37</a> : 1-4 or <a href="#">Joel 3</a> : 1-5	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 149</a> : 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 22</a> : 26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 98</a> : 1, 2-3, 3-4 (2b)	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 1</a> : 1-11	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 104</a> : 1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">Mark 11</a> : 11-26
<b>Second Reading:</b> <a href="#">First John 3</a> : 18-24	<b>Second Reading:</b> <a href="#">First John 4</a> : 7-10	<b>Second Reading:</b> <a href="#">Ephesians 4</a> : 1-13	<b>Second Reading:</b> <a href="#">Romans 8</a> : 22-27	
<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 15</a> : 1-8	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 15</a> : 9-17	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">Mark 16</a> : 15-20	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 7</a> : 37-39	29 May 2021 – Saturday
3 May 2021 – Monday	10 May 2021 – Monday	17 May 2021 – Monday	23 May 2021 – Sunday	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Sirach 51</a> : 12cd-20
<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">First Corinthians 15</a> : 1-8	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 16</a> : 11-15	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 19</a> : 1-8	PENTECOST Solemnity / Day	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 19</a> : 8, 9, 10, 11
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 19</a> : 2-3, 4-5	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 149</a> : 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 68</a> : 2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 2</a> : 1-11	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">Mark 11</a> : 27-33
<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 14</a> : 6-14	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 15</a> : 26 — 16: 4a	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 16</a> : 29-33	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 104</a> : 1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34	30 May 2021 – Sunday
4 May 2021 – Tuesday	11 May 2021 – Tuesday	18 May 2021 – Tuesday	<b>Second Reading:</b> <a href="#">First Corinthians 12</a> : 3b-7, 12-13 or <a href="#">Galatians 5</a> : 16-25	THE HOLY TRINITY Solemnity
<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 14</a> : 19-28	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 16</a> : 22-34	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 20</a> : 17-27	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 20</a> : 19-23 or <a href="#">John 15</a> : 26-27; 16: 12-15	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Deuteronomy 4</a> : 32-34, 39-40
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 145</a> : 10-11, 12-13ab, 21	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 138</a> : 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 68</a> : 10-11, 20-21		<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 33</a> : 4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 (12b)
<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 14</a> : 27-31a	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 16</a> : 5-11	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 17</a> : 1-11a		<b>Second Reading:</b> <a href="#">Romans 8</a> : 14-17
5 May 2021 – Wednesday	12 May 2021 – Wednesday	19 May 2021 – Wednesday	24 May 2021 – Monday	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">Matthew 28</a> : 16-20
<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 15</a> : 1-6	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 17</a> : 15, 22 — 18: 1	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 20</a> : 28-38	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Sirach 17</a> : 20-24	31 May 2021 – Monday
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 122</a> : 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 148</a> : 1-2, 11-12, 13, 14	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 68</a> : 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 32</a> : 1-2, 5, 6, 7	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Zephaniah 3</a> : 14-18a or <a href="#">Romans 12</a> : 9-16
<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 15</a> : 1-8	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 16</a> : 12-15	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 17</a> : 11b-19	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">Mark 10</a> : 17-27	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Isaiah 12</a> : 2-3, 4bcd, 5-6
6 May 2021 – Thursday	13 May 2021 – Thursday	20 May 2021 – Thursday	25 May 2021 – Tuesday	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">Luke 1</a> : 39-56
<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 15</a> : 7-21	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 18</a> : 1-8	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 22</a> : 30; 23: 6-11	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Sirach 35</a> : 1-12	
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 96</a> : 1-2a, 2b-3, 10	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 98</a> : 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 16</a> : 1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 50</a> : 5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23	
<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 15</a> : 9-11	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 16</a> : 16-20	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 17</a> : 20-26	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">Mark 10</a> : 28-31	
7 May 2021 – Friday	14 May 2021 – Friday	21 May 2021 – Friday	26 May 2021 – Wednesday	
<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 15</a> : 22-31	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 1</a> : 15-17, 20-26	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Acts 25</a> : 13b-21	<b>First Reading:</b> <a href="#">Sirach 36</a> : 1, 4-5a, 10-17	
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 57</a> : 8-9, 10 and 12	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 113</a> : 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 103</a> : 1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab	<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b> <a href="#">Psalms 79</a> : 8, 9, 11 and 13	
<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 15</a> : 12-17	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 15</a> : 9-17	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">John 21</a> : 15-19	<b>Gospel:</b> <a href="#">Mark 10</a> : 32-45	

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### **A PRO-LIFE COMMITTEE IS FORMING**

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### **ALL SAINTS PARISH SUPPORTS LOCAL FOOD BANK**

For April ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH parishioners contribute 125lbs of canned goods and an anonymous ALL SAINTS parishioner purchased a case of fresh cauliflower for the "Fresh Dinner Kits" prepared by Plenty. During the first week in May, Plenty is offering kits that include fresh vegetables to interested families.

### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience**

Put Spring into your marriage! The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience is a chance to look deeply into your relationship with each other and with God. In just one short weekend you can learn a technique for communication that will keep your marriage on the right track to be healthy. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on Jul 16-18, 2021 in Beaufort, SC and Aug 27-29, 2021 in HICKORY, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us at or .

### **The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is seeking a Director of Facilities Management**

The Director of Facilities Management oversees all facilities maintenance and operations for the Central Administrative Office (Pastoral Center) for the Catholic Diocese of Richmond. General oversight includes office administration, maintenance, capital projects, planning and project management, purchasing, and the health, safety and security of employees in the workplace. Maintenance includes, but is not limited to, building structures, permanent interiors and exteriors, ground maintenance and all building systems (mechanical, electrical, fire/life safety, plumbing and waste management, etc.). The Director ensures the building operations comply with all local zoning laws and regulations. The Director oversees maintenance technicians, a receptionist, a diocesan retreat center, and the maintenance needs of other diocesan properties. The Director is responsible for preparing and monitoring related budgets and longer-range facilities plans.

Qualifications: Requirements include a bachelor's degree in business administration, or related field, and related work experience at the supervisory level. Designation as a Facilities Management Professional (FMP) or CFM (Certified Facility Manager) is desirable. Working knowledge of contract negotiations, maintenance and capital project management, workplace safety and security, and purchasing procedures is required. Abilities include strong interpersonal skills, project management skills, customer service orientation, computer proficiency in Microsoft Office software, strong time management and analytical skills, leadership skills, and detail orientation to projects and tasks.

Must possess ability to lift and move objects up to 75 lbs. with heavier weight necessary at times and to walk long distances daily around a 56,000 square foot facility. Ability to drive vans or other diocesan vehicles is required.

This is a full-time position with some evening and weekend work required, along with overnight travel.

Interested candidates should please send a cover letter, resume, and completed [Diocese of Richmond Employment Application](https://richmonddiocese.org/jobs@richmonddiocese.org) to [jobs@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:jobs@richmonddiocese.org)

### **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.**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF OUR CLUSTER THAT WERE SEALED WITH THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND CONFIRMED AT SAINT MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH IN BLACKSBURG VA ON APRIL 13, 2021 BY THE VERY REVEEREND FATHER KEVIN SEGERBLOM**

**FELICIDADES A LOS JÓVENES DE NUESTRO CLÚSTER QUE FUERON SELLADOS CON EL DON DEL ESPÍRITU SANTO Y CONFIRMADOS EN LA IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE SANTA MARÍA EN BLACKSBURG VA EL 13 DE ABRIL DE 2021 POR EL MUY REVENDEDOR PADRE KEVIN SEGERBLOM**



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**May is a great time to begin new ways of honoring Mary in our homes. Here are a few ideas.**

There is an ancient tradition in the Church of creating Marian Gardens.

Many of us have statues of Mary in our yards, but did you know that there are many beautiful plants that are symbolic to the life of Mary? For example, ferns are symbolic of Mary's hair and pansies (with their three petals) are a reminder of the Trinity and sometimes referred to as "Our Lady's Delight." There are many online sources for such gardens,



and it is a fun way to include the entire family.

Have a May crowning. Many parishes of course have a May crowning, but if you have a statue of Mary in your home or yard, have a May crowning. It doesn't take much talent to create a small crown (I know this from experience!) with small flowers purchased from a craft store. If you have children, include them! Crown Mary, perhaps sing a Marian hymn or pray the Hail Mary of Regina Caeli together.

Pray the Rosary. Many a good intention has been made to pray the Rosary daily, only to be forgotten in our

busy lives. Praying the Rosary is a most powerful prayer (*Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will conquer the world*, said Blessed Pope Pius IX), and Mary herself (at Fatima) promised peace if we would only pray the Rosary daily with great devotion. If you aren't sure how to pray the Rosary, it is easy to learn. Again, involve your children if you have any. And if an entire Rosary is too much for some children (I know it was for a couple of mine!), pray a decade with them before bedtime, and then finish the Rosary on your own. If you have kids, make sure they have child-friendly Rosaries.

St. John Paul II credited Mary with saving his life when he was shot in St. Peter's Square. He had a great devotion to Our Lady of Fatima, and wrote a beautiful prayer to her. Perhaps your May devotion to Mary could be praying this daily. (SEE RIGHT)

*Mother of all individuals and peoples, you know all their sufferings and hopes. In*

*your motherly heart you feel all the struggles between good and evil, between light and darkness, that convulse the world: accept the plea which we make in the Holy Spirit directly to your heart, and embrace with the love of the Mother and Handmaid of the Lord those*



*who most await this embrace, and also those whose act of entrustment you too await in a particular way. Take under your motherly protection the whole human family, which with affectionate love we entrust to you, O Mother. May there dawn for everyone the time of peace and freedom, the time of truth, of justice and of hope*

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