

St. Joseph's Catholic Church



Risen Lord Catholic Church



All Saints Catholic Church



NOVEMBER 2023

St. Joseph's Catholic Church

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: Mass 10am,
followed by Holy Hour and Benediction.

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During November, as in all of Ordinary Time (Time After Pentecost), the Liturgy signifies and expresses the regenerated life from the coming of the Holy Spirit, which is to be spent on the model of Christ's Life and under the direction of His Spirit. As we come to the end of the Church year we are asked to consider the end times, our own as well as the world's. The culmination of the liturgical year is the Feast

of Christ the King. "This feast asserts the supreme authority of Christ over human beings and their institutions.... Beyond it we see Advent dawning with its perspective of the Lord's coming in glory."— *The Liturgy and Time*, A.G. Mortimort

This month the main feasts are:

- **Solemnity of All Saints** (November 1),
- **All Souls** (November 2),
- **St. Martin de Porres** (November 3), **St. Charles Borromeo**, (November 4),
- **Lateran Basilica** (November 9),
- **St. Leo the Great** (November 10),
- **St. Martin of Tours**, (November 11),
- **St. Josaphat** (November 12),
- **St. Frances Xavier Cabrini** (November 13),
- **Sts. Margaret of Scotland and Gertrude** (November 16),
- **St. Elizabeth of Hungary** (November 17),
- **Presentation of Mary** (November 21),
- **Sts. Clement I and St. Columban** (November 23),
- **St. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions** (November 24),
- **St. Catherine of Alexandria** (November 25),
- **the Solemnity of Christ the King (November 24)** and
- **St. Andrew** (November 30).
- The feasts of **St. Albert the Great** (November 15) and **St. Cecilia** (November 22) are superseded by the Sunday Liturgy

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ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (Father Herman's November Message)

November 2nd is “All Souls Day”, a month of memory and hope in the resurrection of the dead. This hope is founded in the passion, death and resurrection of Christ.

The Catholic Church has three modes of existence. It is divided into: The Pilgrim Church which is the church of the Christian faithful on earth, The Triumphant Church which is the church of all the saints in heaven, and The Suffering Church which is the church of the souls in purgatory whom we must pray for in a special way, the whole of November.

On November 1st, we celebrate the great feast of All saints—a feast which evokes the memories of the countless baptized women and men who faithfully witnessed to Christ and are now enjoying the beatific vision in heaven.

These saints in heaven offer an example to us of how to be the light of the world and the salt of the earth.

Those saints also challenge us to live our lives both with our sights set on the good things that await us in heaven, and with determination to make a positive difference in the lives of the poor and the less fortunate.

Different cultures have different beliefs regarding man’s destiny after death.

For us Catholics, when one dies, one either goes to heaven or to hell depending on their former state of life. Since heaven is for the perfect spotless souls, there is a place of purification called purgatory where all human souls are purified and made fit for heaven.

When the soul of a deceased person is in purgatory, it is helpless—it cannot pray for itself. It is only the prayers of the living that can liberate that soul.

This explains why Catholics not only dedicate the whole month of November to pray for their deceased but also offer masses for them all throughout the year.

The biblical roots for this gesture can be traced in 2 Maccabees 12: 39-46—where Judas a great general of the Jewish army collected money and sent it to Jerusalem to pray for the souls of his fallen fighters because under the tunic of each of the dead they found amulets sacred to the idols of Jamnia, which the law forbids the Jews to wear. The army general sent the collection to Jerusalem to provide for an expiatory sacrifice for all the dead soldiers that were found with pagan objects.

In Job 1: 13-22, Job prays for his children who had been struck by lightning. The Council of Trent also pronounced that the souls in purgatory need the prayers and works of charity of all Christian believers.

Let us therefore pray for our deceased brothers and sisters the whole of this month of November. A plenary indulgence is attached to the

act of visiting the cemetery to pray for the deceased during the octave of November 1-8 , and a partial indulgence on other days. On November 2nd, one plenary indulgence can be gained by: visiting a church, receiving sacraments and praying for the pope’s intentions.

People of all religions have believed in the immortality of the soul and have prayed for the dead:

St. Augustine remarked that he used to pray for his deceased mother, remembering her request: “When I die, bury me anywhere you like, but remember to pray for me at the altar”

The Church’s official teaching on Purgatory is plain and simple. There is a place called Purgatory, where souls undergoing purification can be helped by the prayers of the faithful. Some modern theologians suggest that the fire of Purgatory is an intense, transforming encounter with Jesus Christ and his fire of love.

They also speak of Purgatory as an “instant” purification immediately after death, varying in intensity from soul to soul, depending on the state of each individual.

Let us not forget to pray for our dear departed loved ones, have Masses offered for them, visit their graves, and make daily sacrifices for them.

For easy remembrance and respect for the dead, the Church requires that the dead be buried in permanent places where family members and other people can always come to pray for them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in eternal peace. Amen.

TODOS LOS FIELES DIFUNDIDOS (Mensaje de noviembre del padre Herman)

El 2 de noviembre es el “Día de los Difuntos”, un mes de memoria y esperanza en la resurrección de los muertos. Esta esperanza se funda en la pasión, muerte y resurrección de Cristo.

La Iglesia católica tiene tres modos de existencia. Se divide en: La Iglesia Peregrina que es la iglesia de los fieles cristianos en la tierra, La Iglesia Triunfante que es la iglesia de todos los santos en el cielo, y La Iglesia Sufriente que es la iglesia de las almas del purgatorio por quienes debemos orar de manera especial., todo noviembre.

El 1 de noviembre celebramos la gran fiesta de Todos los Santos, una fiesta que evoca los recuerdos de las innumerables mujeres y hombres bautizados que testificaron fielmente de Cristo y ahora disfrutan de la visión beatífica en el cielo.

Estos santos del cielo nos ofrecen un ejemplo de cómo ser la luz

del mundo y la sal de la tierra.

Esos santos también nos desafían a vivir nuestras vidas con la mirada puesta en las cosas buenas que nos esperan en el cielo y con la determinación de marcar una diferencia positiva en las vidas de los pobres y los menos afortunados.

Diferentes culturas tienen diferentes creencias sobre el destino del hombre después de la muerte.

Para nosotros los católicos, cuando uno muere, va al cielo o al infierno dependiendo de su estado de vida anterior. Dado que el cielo es para las almas perfectas y sin mancha, existe un lugar de purificación llamado purgatorio, donde todas las almas humanas son purificadas y aptas para el cielo.

Cuando el alma de una persona fallecida está en el purgatorio, está indefensa: no puede orar por sí misma. Sólo las oraciones de los vivos pueden liberar esa alma.

Esto explica por qué los católicos no sólo dedican todo el mes de noviembre a rezar por sus difuntos sino que también ofrecen misas por ellos durante todo el año.

Las raíces bíblicas de este gesto se pueden rastrear en 2 Macabeos 12: 39-46, donde Judas, un gran general del ejército judío, recogió dinero y lo envió a Jerusalén para orar por las almas de sus combatientes caídos, porque bajo la túnica de cada uno de A los muertos se les encontraron amuletos consagrados a los ídolos de Jamnia, que la ley prohíbe llevar a los judíos. El general del ejército envió la colecta a Jerusalén para ofrecer un sacrificio expiatorio por todos los soldados muertos que fueran encontrados con objetos paganos

En Job 1: 13-22, Job ora por sus hijos que habían sido alcanzados por un rayo. El Concilio de Trento también pronunció que las almas del purgatorio necesitan las oraciones y obras de caridad de todos los creyentes cristianos.

Por tanto, oremos por nuestros hermanos y hermanas fallecidos durante todo este mes de noviembre. Al acto de visitar el cementerio para rezar por los difuntos durante la octava del 1 al 8 de noviembre se adjunta indulgencia plenaria, y el resto de días una indulgencia parcial.

El 2 de noviembre se puede obtener una indulgencia plenaria visitando una iglesia, recibiendo los sacramentos y orando por las intenciones del Papa.

Personas de todas las religiones han creído en la inmortalidad del alma y han rezado por los muertos:

San Agustín comentó que solía orar por su difunta madre, recordando su petición: "Cuando muera, entiérrame donde quieras, pero recuerda orar por mí en el altar".

La enseñanza oficial de la Iglesia sobre el Purgatorio es clara y simple. Hay un lugar llamado Purgatorio, donde las almas en proceso de purificación pueden ser ayudadas por las oraciones de los fieles. Algunos teólogos modernos sugieren que el fuego del Purgatorio es un encuentro intenso y transformador con Jesucristo y su fuego de amor.

También hablan del Purgatorio como una purificación "instantánea" inmediatamente después de la muerte, variando en intensidad de un alma a otra, dependiendo del estado de cada individuo.

No olvidemos orar por nuestros queridos seres queridos fallecidos, ofrecer misas por ellos, visitar sus tumbas y hacer sacrificios diarios por ellos.

Para un fácil recuerdo y respeto por los muertos, la Iglesia exige que los muertos sean enterrados en lugares permanentes donde los familiares y otras personas siempre puedan venir a orar por ellos.

Que las almas de todos los fieles difuntos, por la misericordia de Dios, descansen en paz eterna. Amén.

PLENTY FOOD BANK NEEDS OUR HELP



Parishioners visiting the Plenty Food Bank in Floyd reported the following donation needs:

- Individual soft fruit in juice
- Applesauce with no/low sugar
- Items with a decent shelf life that are low sugar/carb/sodium
- Soft, chewable items
- As always:
- Canned tuna and chicken

All Saints will host Mass on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00AM followed by a Holy Hour and Benediction



ALL SAINTS COVERED DISH

Fellowship Meal

Parishioners of All Saints will have covered dish fellowship meal on the third Saturday of each month following the 5:00 Mass. The meal will be held Lutheran Church Hall across the street from All Saints.

ALL SAINTS REQUESTS YOUR PRAYERS

Cards and visits are encouraged for Catholic residents Barry Wells and Gladys Genova. No appointments or COVID screening necessary

Skyline Nursing and Rehabilitation Center

237 Franklin Pike Rd. S.E.

Floyd, VA 24091



Seminarian William Yearout has just begun his Pastoral Year assignment at Holy Trinity parish in Norfolk. Please remember him in your prayers for his continual growth in holiness as he discerns and prepares for the priesthood. Cards to Seminarian William are always well-received. Please send to the following address:

Seminarian William Yearout
154 West Government Ave
Norfolk, VA 23503



November 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Oct 29	30	31	Nov 1	2	3	4
5:30am RL Sunday Mass 11:30am SJ Sunday Mass 2:30pm Misa en Espanol	8:30am RL Sunday Mass 11:30am SJ Sunday Mass 2:30pm Misa en Espanol	5:30pm AS Parish Council 9:00am SJ weekday Mass 1:00pm SJ Parkinsons Support Group	9:00am SJ weekday Mass 6:00pm SJ Misa en Espanol seguida con Adoracion del Santisimo Sacramento	9:00am SJ weekday Mass 6:00pm SJ Misa en Espanol seguida con Adoracion del Santisimo Sacramento	9:00am SJ weekday Mass 6:00pm SJ Misa en Espanol seguida con Adoracion del Santisimo Sacramento	Veteran's Day (United States) 5:00pm AS Vigil Mass
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10:00am AS Mass/ Holy Hour and Benediction						
5:00pm AS Vigil Mass						

1 November 2023 – Wednesday	All Saints Solemnity, Holy Day of Obligation	7 November 2023 – Tuesday	Alleluia: Philippians 2: 15d, 16a Gospel: Luke 17: 1-6	4-6, 7-8, 9-10 Alleluia: Philippians 2: 15d, 16a Gospel: Luke 17: 1-6	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5 Second Reading: First Thessalonians 5:1-6	Alleluia: John 15: 4a, 5b Gospel: Matthew 25: 14-30	Alleluia: John 10: 27 Gospel: Luke 19: 45-48
First Reading: Revelation 7: 2-4, 9-14	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 24: 1b-2, 3 13: 1b-cde, 2, 3	14 November 2023 – Tuesday	Ordinary Weekday	25 November 2023 – Saturday	First Reading: First Maccabees 6:1-13 Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 9: 2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19	Alleluia: Second Timothy 1: 10 Gospel: Luke 20: 27-40	
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 24: 1b-2, 3 -4ab, 5-6	Alleluia: Matthew 11: 28 Gospel: Luke 14: 15-24	8 November 2023 – Wednesday	First Reading: Wisdom 2: 23 – 3: 9	First Reading: First Maccabees 1: 10-15, 20 November 2023 – Monday	Alleluia: Second Timothy 1: 10 Gospel: Luke 20: 27-40		
Second Reading: First John 3: 1-3	Alleluia: Matthew 11: 28 Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12a	First Reading: Romans 13: 8-10	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 34: 2-3, 16 -7, 18-19	First Reading: First Maccabees 1: 10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 119: 53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 Alleluia: John 8: 12 Gospel: Luke 18: 35-43	26 November 2023 – Sunday	
Alleluia: Matthew 11: 28 Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12a	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 112: 1b-2, 4 5, 9	Gospel: Luke 17: 7-10	Alleluia: John 14: 23 Gospel: Luke 17: 7-10	Christ the King Solemnity (Thirty-Fourth and Last Sunday in Ordinary Time)	First Reading: Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17 Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 23: 1-2a, 2b-3, 5, 6	Alleluia: John 11: 9, 15; 20-26, 28	
2 November 2023 – Thursday	The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)	9 November 2023 – Thursday	First Reading: Wisdom 6: 1-9	21 November 2023 – Tuesday	Second Reading: First Corinthians 3: 9-11, 16-17	Alleluia: First Corinthian Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19	Second Reading: First Corinthians 3: 9-11, 16-17
First Reading: Wisdom 3: 1-9	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6	First Reading: Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 82: 3-4, 6-7	First Reading: Second Maccabees 6: 8-31	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 3: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7	Alleluia: First Corinthian Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19	Alleluia: First Corinthian Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19
Second Reading: Romans 5: 5-11	Alleluia: Matthew 25: 34 Gospel: John 6: 37-40	Second Reading: First Corinthians 3: 9-11, 16-17	Alleluia: First Thessalonians 5: 18 Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19	First Reading: Second Maccabees 6: 8-31	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10
3 November 2023 – Friday	First Reading: Romans 9: 15	10 November 2023 – Friday	First Reading: Wisdom 7: 22b – 8: 1	22 November 2023 – Wednesday	Second Reading: First Maccabees 7: 1, 20-31	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 147: 12-13,	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 147: 12-13, 14-15, 19-20	First Reading: Romans 15: 14-21	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 119: 89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175	First Reading: Second Maccabees 7: 1, 54, 55, 56	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 17: 1bcd, 5	Alleluia: Matthew 24: 42a, 44 Gospel: Luke 21: 1-4	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10
Alleluia: John 10: 27 Gospel: Luke 14: 1-6	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 98: 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4	First Reading: Romans 15: 14-21	Alleluia: John 15: 5 Gospel: Luke 17: 20-25	First Reading: Second Maccabees 7: 1, 54, 55, 56	First Reading: Second Maccabees 7: 1, 54, 55, 56	Alleluia: Matthew 24: 42a, 44 Gospel: Luke 21: 1-4	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10
4 November 2023 – Saturday	First Reading: Romans 11: 1-2a, 11-12, 25	Alleluia: First John 2: 5 Gospel: Luke 16: 1-8	17 November 2023 – Friday	First Reading: Second Maccabees 7: 1, 54, 55, 56	First Reading: Second Maccabees 7: 1, 54, 55, 56	Alleluia: Matthew 24: 42a, 44 Gospel: Luke 21: 1-4	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10
First Reading: Romans 9: 4: 12-13a, 14-15, 17-18	Alleluia: Matthew 11: 29ab Gospel: Luke 14: 1, 7-11	First Reading: Romans 16: 3-9, 16, 22-27	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 19: 2-3, 4-5, 10-11	First Reading: Second Maccabees 7: 1, 54, 55, 56	First Reading: Second Maccabees 7: 1, 54, 55, 56	Alleluia: Matthew 24: 42a, 44 Gospel: Luke 21: 1-4	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10
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5 November 2023 – Sunday	Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	12 November 2023 – Sunday	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	23 November 2023 – Thursday	First Reading: Sirach 50: 22-24	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Matthew 25: 1-12	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10
First Reading: Malachi 1: 14b – 2: 2b, 8-10	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 131: 1, 2, 3	First Reading: Wisdom 6: 12-16	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 63: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8	First Reading: Sirach 50: 22-24	First Reading: Sirach 50: 22-24	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Matthew 25: 1-12	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10
Second Reading: First Thessalonians 2: 7b-9, 13	Alleluia: Matthew 23: 9b, 10b Gospel: Matthew 23: 1-12	Second Reading: First Thessalonians 4: 13-18	Alleluia: Matthew 24: 42a, 44 Gospel: Matthew 25: 1-13	First Reading: First Thessalonians 4: 13-18	First Reading: First Thessalonians 4: 13-18	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Matthew 25: 1-12	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10
6 November 2023 – Monday	Ordinary Weekday	13 November 2023 – Monday	Alleluia: Matthew 24: 42a, 44 Gospel: Matthew 25: 1-13	First Reading: First Thessalonians 4: 13-18	First Reading: First Thessalonians 4: 13-18	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Matthew 25: 1-12	Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10
First Reading: Romans 1: 29-36	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 69: 30-31, 33-34, 36	First Reading: Wisdom 1: 1-7	Alleluia: Psalms 139: 1b-3,	First Reading: First Thessalonians 4: 13-18	First Reading: First Thessalonians 4: 13-18	Alleluia: Matthew 4: 19 Gospel: Matthew 4: 18-22	Alleluia: Matthew 4: 19 Gospel: Matthew 4: 18-22
Alleluia: John 8: 31b-32 Gospel: Luke 14: 12-14	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 31: 10-13, 20, 30-31	Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 139: 1b-3,		First Reading: First Chronicles 29: 10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd			



THANKSGIVING

The national holiday (USA) of Thanksgiving also falls on the last Thursday of November. There is a special liturgy which may be used on this day.

The tradition of eating goose as part of the Martin's Day celebration was kept in Holland even after the Reformation. It was there that the Pilgrims who sailed to the New World in 1620 became familiar with this ancient harvest festival. When, after one year in America, they decided to celebrate a three days' thanksgiving in the autumn of 1621, they went in search of geese for their feast. We know that they also had deer (a present from the Indians), lobsters, oysters, and fish. But Edward Winslow, in his account of the feast, only mentions that "Governor Bradford sent four men on fowling that so we might after a more special manner rejoice together, after we had gathered the fruit of our labors." They actually did find some wild geese, and a number of wild turkeys and ducks as well.

The Pilgrim Fathers, therefore, in serving wild turkeys with the geese, inaugurated one of the most cherished American traditions: the turkey dinner on Thanksgiving Day. They also drank, according to the ancient European tradition, the first wine of their wild-grape harvest. Pumpkin pie and cranberries were not part of the first Thanksgiving dinner in America, but were introduced many years afterward.

The second Thanksgiving Day in the New World was held by the Pilgrims two years later, on July 30, 1623. It was formally proclaimed by the governor as a day of prayer to thank God for their deliverance from drought and starvation, and for the safe arrival from Holland of the ship Anne.

In 1665 Connecticut proclaimed a solemn day of thanksgiving to be kept annually on the last Wednesday in October. Other New England colonies held occasional and local Thanksgivings at various times. In 1789 the federal Congress authorized and requested President George Washington to proclaim a day of thanksgiving for the whole nation. Washington did this in a message setting aside November 26, 1789 as National Thanksgiving Day.

After 1789 the celebration reverted to local and regional observance for almost a hundred years. There grew, however, a strong desire among the majority of the people for a national Thanksgiving Day that would unite all Americans in a festival of gratitude and public acknowledgment for all the blessings God had conferred upon the nation. It was not until October 3, 1863, that this was accomplished, when President Abraham Lincoln issued, in the midst of the Civil War, a Thanksgiving Proclamation. In it the last

Thursday of November was set apart for that purpose and made a national holiday.

Since then, every president has followed Lincoln's example, and annually proclaims as a "Day of Thanksgiving" the fourth Thursday in November. Only President Franklin D. Roosevelt changed the date, in 1939, from the fourth to the third Thursday of November (to extend the time of Christmas sales). This caused so much consternation and protest that in 1941 the traditional date was restored."

SAINT JOSEPH FINANCIALS LAST MONTH AND YTD SEPTEMBER 2023		ALL SAINTS FINANCIALS LAST MONTH AND YTD AUGUST 2023		RISEN LORD FINANCIALS LAST MONTH AND YTD AUGUST 2023	
INCOME	\$20,016.31	INCOME	\$7,950.93	INCOME	\$7,450.45
EXPENSES	\$10,430.93	EXPENSES	\$6,057.96	EXPENSES	\$3,929.52
NET +(-)	\$9,585.38	NET +(-)	\$1,892.97	NET +(-)	\$3,520.93
YEAR TO DATE		YEAR TO DATE		YEAR TO DATE	
INCOME	\$50,128.41	INCOME	\$34,422.41	INCOME	\$15,190.55
EXPENSES	\$42,489.63	EXPENSES	\$19,998.44	EXPENSES	\$13,169.61
NET +(-)	\$7,638.78	NET +(-)	\$14,423.97	NET +(-)	\$2,020.94
Source: ParishSOFT® Accounting Statement of Activity FYTD through SEPTEMBER 30, 2023.		Source: ParishSOFT® Accounting Statement of Activity FYTD through AUGUST 31, 2023.		Source: ParishSOFT® Accounting Statement of Activity FYTD through AUGUST 31, 2023.	



Risen Lord Fellowship Breakfast

Breakfast will be served after Mass on November 19. All are welcome to attend this fun fellowship



ST JOSEPH THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON

NOVEMBER 19 Bilingual Mass at Noon followed by Thanksgiving themed fellowship. Sign up sheet in the Narthex but as always we seek drinks and desserts even if you don't cook

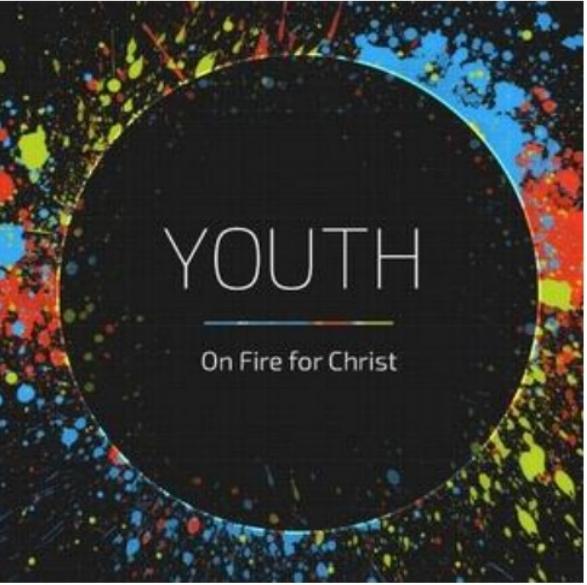
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Matthew 25: Ministries accepts the following types of empty pill bottles: Prescription pill bottles, all sizes Pill bottles with and without child resistant caps Over-the-counter pill bottles. **Bring your bottles to any Parish and they will be delivered to Risen Lord.**

CALLING YOUTH OF ALL AGES!



We want to cordially invite all families and youth to our fantastic youth group hosted by All Saints Catholic Church in Floyd on the first Monday of every month! Our events start at 630 and end at 830. We understand this can be a haul for some, but every child and parent alike who make the drive look forward to it every month. We focus on Catechesis through fun! We have Catholic Jeopardy, Evangelization, Apologetics and many more in lessons. Which of course are all integrated into fun activities to keep our oldest kid (20) to our youngest (5) engaged and learning!

Please reach out to Amy Provencher DRE of All Saints for more information
Email Amy @ a.s.provencher26@gmail.com or call/text Amy @ 540-385-1664

Thanksgiving Prayer

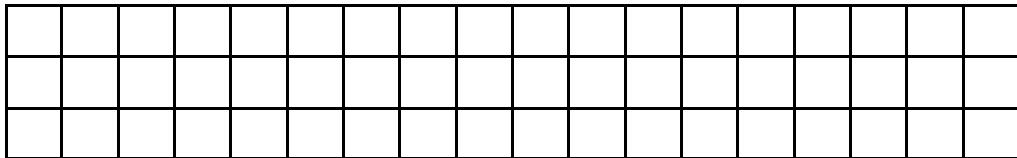
**For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food,
For love and friends,
For everything thy goodness sends.**

— Ralph Waldo Emerson

If you are a Parishioner of St. Joseph's Woodlawn or knew someone who was, consider honoring them with a memorial brick installed in the St. Joseph Memorial Garden. Families, Individuals, anyone who made a Sacrament (First Eucharist, Confirmation, Marriage) are encouraged to honor them with a memorial brick. Permanently honor deceased family members (even if they were not parishioners here) with a memorial brick. Proceeds from the sale of Memorial Bricks will be used to beautify the church exterior (statuary, plantings informational signs etc.)

MEMORIAL BRICK ORDER FORM

54 total characters (including spaces and punctuation). 18 characters per line. Place this form and a check (or cash) totaling \$50 made payable St. Joseph Catholic Church into an envelope. Mark the outside of the envelope with "Memorial Brick". You can place the envelope into the collection basket or bring it by the office. You can also mail it to **St. Joseph Catholic Church 78 St Joseph's Lane Woodlawn VA 24381**



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Beginner Level (Basics)
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Intermediate Level
Mondays 6:45 - 7:45 pm
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