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heard. They understand our needs and are extremely grateful for the prayers and sacrifices we offer on their behalf.

**-Can the souls in Purgatory pray and obtain blessings for those on earth?**

Yes, they certainly can, as they are united to the Church Militant in the Communion of Saints.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

*Fr. Karl Marsolle FSSP*

**K of C Christmas Cards for Sale**

See the display in the foyer outside the parish office. Proceeds will be used to support our FSSP Seminarians.

**FSSP Christmas Card Novena**

Send the gift of grace this Christmas: enroll your loved ones in the FSSP Novena of Masses offered Dec. 17th to 25th. Christmas cards available in packs of 12; supplies limited; first come, first serve. Enroll by Dec. 1st - details and enrollment forms available on the bulletin board near the Parish Library or at [fssp.com/ccm-p](http://fssp.com/ccm-p)

**Cardinal Newman Academy  
Christmas Craft Fair**

Sat. 2 Dec. at Church of the Epiphany. There will be several local Catholic artisans with both religious and non-religious items for sale. For info: [cnacraftfair@gmail.com](mailto:cnacraftfair@gmail.com)

**Savvy Seniors Movie**  
Sat. 25 Nov. at 10 am in Fr. Adrian Hall. "The Star of Bethlehem" will get us ready for the Christmas season; this film highlights the amazing plan of God in His design of the universe. Sign up on the bulletin Board in Fr. Adrian Hall or email: [fiat.voluntas.tua2022@gmail.com](mailto:fiat.voluntas.tua2022@gmail.com)

**Marriage Banns**  
Miss Mary Mick is marrying Mr. Travis Habiger. This is the first posting of the banns.

**Online Giving**  
Thank you for your continued and very edifying generosity; the Parish depends on it. Please visit our giving site: [stjosephrichmond.weshareonline.org](http://stjosephrichmond.weshareonline.org) to create an account. For help or questions, please don't hesitate to contact the office.

| Sunday Offertory for Nov. 12, 2023       |            |           |                   |
|--|------------|-----------|-------------------|
|  | Collection | Budget    | Surplus/(Deficit) |
| <b>Operations</b>                        |            |           |                   |
| In Pew                                   | \$6,356    | —         | —                 |
| Online                                   | \$7,665    | —         | —                 |
| <b>All Souls</b>                         |            |           |                   |
| In Pew                                   | \$225      | —         | —                 |
| Online                                   | \$50       | —         | —                 |
| Total                                    | \$14,296   | \$10,962  | \$3,334           |
| YTD                                      | \$261,614  | \$208,278 | \$53,336          |
| <b>Capital Improvements</b>              |            |           |                   |
| In Pew                                   | \$808      | —         | —                 |
| Online                                   | \$2,339    | —         | —                 |
| Total                                    | \$3,147    | \$2,404   | \$743             |
| YTD                                      | \$49,281   | \$45,676  | \$3,605           |
| Thank you for your continued generosity! |            |           |                   |

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| <b>Adoration</b><br>Bernadette Piccininni<br>291-8961   | <b>Gift Shop</b><br>Rose Mary Cosby<br>272-3908   | <b>Parish Pastoral Council</b><br>Joe Treadwell<br><a href="mailto:council@stjosephrichmond.org">council@stjosephrichmond.org</a> | <b>Ushers</b><br>Greg Hice<br>804-320-4932   |
| <b>Altar Flowers</b><br>Ann Yost<br>540-846-9556  | <b>Knights of Columbus</b><br>Michael Smart<br>804-614-5183<br><a href="mailto:mhsmart2@verizon.net">mhsmart2@verizon.net</a> | <b>Religious Education</b><br>Katy Hichborn<br><a href="mailto:edu@stjosephrichmond.org">edu@stjosephrichmond.org</a>             | <b>Volunteer Coordinator</b><br><a href="mailto:volunteer@stjosephrichmond.org">volunteer@stjosephrichmond.org</a> |
| <b>Event Coordinator</b><br>Lorraine Hewitt<br><a href="mailto:events@stjosephrichmond.org">events@stjosephrichmond.org</a> | <b>Library</b><br>Tim Olmsted<br><a href="mailto:library@stjosephrichmond.org">library@stjosephrichmond.org</a>               | <b>Sacristan</b><br>Monica Mell<br><a href="mailto:sacristan@stjosephrichmond.org">sacristan@stjosephrichmond.org</a>             | <b>Web Master</b><br><a href="mailto:website@stjosephrichmond.org">website@stjosephrichmond.org</a>                |
| <b>Finance Council</b><br>Bob Stolle<br><a href="mailto:finance@stjosephrichmond.org">finance@stjosephrichmond.org</a>      | <b>Maintenance</b><br>John Hewitt<br>804-320-4932   | <b>Safe Environment Committee</b><br>Mary Poerstel<br>804-432-5134  |  |
| For parish social groups and activities, please see the bulletin board by the parish library.                               |   |   |  |

*“Thou hast saved us  
from them that afflict us:  
and hast put them to  
shame that hate us.”*

(PS 43:8)



November 19, 2023

Saint Joseph Parish

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**Schedule for Holy Mass**  
Sunday 8:30 am (Low)  
11 am (High)  
1:30 pm (Low)  
Monday 9 am  
Tuesday 9 am  
Wednesday 7 am & 6 pm  
Thursday 7 am & 9 am  
Friday 7 am & 6 pm  
Saturday 9 am  
**Holy Days of Obligation:** see calendar  
**Confession:** 30 minutes before all Masses,  
Saturdays - 10 am to 12 noon  
**Devotions:**  
- 1st Sat. Rosary & Meditation after Mass  
- Miraculous Medal Novena after Wednesday evening Mass  
- Adoration:  
Wednesday for 1hr following 6pm Mass  
1st Friday 8 am-4:45 pm  
Other Fridays 8 am-11:45 am

| MASS SCHEDULE — INTENTIONS — REQUESTED BY                                     |   |                |
|---|---|----------------|
| <b>Sun. November 19</b><br>Resumed Sixth Sunday<br>After Epiphany<br>(2nd Cl) | 8:30 am Fr. Neal Nichols<br>11 am Pro Populo<br>1:30 pm John W. Dreon         | MAH<br>—<br>CF |
| <b>Mon. November 20</b><br>St. Felix of Valois<br>(3rd Cl)                    | 9 am Keith & Tanya Hewston  | TN             |
| <b>Tues. November 21</b><br>Presentation of the<br>B. V. M. (3rd Cl)          | 9 am Seven Sisters Apostolate   | PW             |
| <b>Wed. November 22</b><br>St. Cecilia (3rd Cl)                               | 7 am John Moon †<br>6 pm Patty Cain †<br><i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>        | SF<br>DSB      |
| <b>Thurs. November 23</b><br>St. Clement I (3rd Cl)                           | 9 am Angela Ulrich  | BCU            |
| <b>Fri. November 24</b><br>St. John of the Cross<br>(3rd Cl)                  | 7 am Eric Plenn<br><i>Adoration 8 am to 12 pm</i><br>6 pm Michael Solzbach    | RMC<br>SB      |
| <b>Sat. November 25</b><br>St. Catherine of<br>Alexandria (3rd Cl)            | 9 am To Honor the Agony in<br>the Garden                                      | BC             |
| <b>Sun. November 26</b><br>24th & Last Sunday<br>after Pentecost<br>(2nd Cl)  | 8:30 am Pro Populo<br>11 am Peter Ruhl<br>1:30 pm The Deveikis Family         | —<br>MS<br>JND |
| <b>Mon. November 27</b><br>Feria (4th Cl)                                     | 9 am Benjamin Path †  | JJ             |
| <b>Tues. November 28</b><br>Feria (4th Cl)                                    | 9 am Bill & Bernadette<br>Doran †   | RD             |
| <b>Wed. November 29</b><br>Ann. Dedication of the<br>Cathedral (1st Cl)       | 7 am Ann Perdue<br>6 pm Fr. Franco, FSSP<br><i>Adoration 7 pm to 8 pm</i>     | GAT<br>BC      |
| <b>Thurs. November 30</b><br>St. Andrew (2nd Cl)                              | 7 am Chris & Wendy Ferrara<br>9 am Katie Crawford                             | JSM<br>CH      |
| <b>Fri. December 1</b><br>Feria (4th Cl)                                      | 7 am Caroline Pfab<br><i>Adoration 8 am to 5 pm</i><br>6 pm Lysinger Siblings | TD<br>SGL      |
| <b>Sat. December 2</b><br>St. Bibiana (3rd Cl)                                | 9 am Lorise DeSimone  | SD             |

PRAYER INTENTIONS

John DeMajo, James Walsh, Katie Crawford, Gail Wright, Nick Heinz, Toby Thurston, Lorise DeSimone, Taylor Campbell & Family, Michelle Hinkley, Dr. Robert Quarles, Louise McMurray, Audrey Rose Harlan, Lottie Campbell, Andrew Bailey, Christine Womack, Emily Story, Tina Lewis, Don Story, Sr., Jim Kurucz, and all the chronically ill & homebound of our parish.

*In your charity, please remember the souls of all the faithful departed. Requiescant in pace.*

Parish Office Closed

Wed. 22 Nov.—Fri. 24 Nov.

Illness? Stay Home.

I would like to recall some basic principles regarding church attendance when ill. Keep in mind the Catechism of the Catholic Church does not say that you must be “seriously ill” to have just reason to miss Mass. It says that illness (without qualification) constitutes a “serious reason” that justifies missing Mass on a Sunday or holy day.

Hopefully these questions will help one make a prudent decision.

**-Am I contagious? (If so, please stay home!)**

-Can I travel safely without putting my life or others’ in danger due to the effects of my illness?

-Can I sit through Mass without running relays to the bathroom?

-Should I “tough it out” and attend even though I am sick and do not feel well but could contaminate someone for whom a flu might be lethal?

-Is my immune system compromised (from a condition, or sickness) and the slightest illness would be severe?

-Must I stay back to care for someone who is sick?

2024 FSSP Liturgical Calendars

These calendars are available for purchase through [fraternitypublications.com](http://fraternitypublications.com). For those not comfortable ordering online or wishing to save on shipping, please see the poster on the parish office window.

Upcoming Events

**Nov. 19**—St. Camillus Bake Sale

**Nov. 22-24**—Parish Office Closed

**Nov. 26**—No Religious Ed.

**Nov. 29**—Feeding the Hungry Downtown

**Dec 3**—Advent Wreath Making

**Dec. 4-6**—Parish Advent Mission

**Dec 17**—Book Sale for Religious Ed.

Feeding the Hungry Downtown

Wed. 29 Nov., St. Joseph Parish is providing a holiday meal for the homeless downtown. We are also collecting monetary donations toward gift bags for those we feed. Please see the posters on the bulletin board by the parish library to help out. For more info: [events@stjosephrichmond.org](mailto:events@stjosephrichmond.org)

Women's Silent Retreat—Save the date!

21-23 June 2024 The parish is hosting a women's silent retreat at the Roslyn Conference Center here in Richmond. It begins Friday evening with dinner and ends Sunday after Mass. There will be conferences and silence for prayer and reflection. Retreat master to be announced. Details and registration coming soon.

Live Advent Wreath Making

Sun. 3 Dec. in Fr. Adrian Hall after the 11 am Mass. Candles not provided; they are available in the gift shop. All other supplies provided. A meal will also be provided. St. Nicholas will be there. Questions contact Michelle DeSimone [oladynshoe@gmail.com](mailto:oladynshoe@gmail.com)

TODAY—Bake Sale

The St. Camillus Prayer Group is selling baked items after the 8:30 and 11:00 am Masses. See the tables in the vestibule and in Fr. Adrian Hall. Thank you for your generosity.

Used Book Sale

Sun. 17 Dec. we will have our next used book sale. If you have any books to donate (only books, please), they may be dropped off in the alcove near the 1st Grade classroom. Our sales are always by donation only, and all proceeds go to support our Rel. Ed. Program.

Pastor’s Corner



Dear Parishioners,

We are part of the Church Militant here below, in this valley of tears. We honor the Church Triumphant on the feast of All Saints (November 1st). We remember in our prayers and sacrifices the Church Suffering, i.e., all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

We recently covered Fr. Hardon's chapter on Purgatory in the RCIA class. Here are some excerpts that will help us remember our faithful departed, especially this month of November:

- What is Purgatory?

Purgatory is a state or condition in which the souls of the just, who die with the stains of sin, are cleansed before they are admitted to heaven. This cleansing is necessary, for "nothing unclean may come into it..." (Revelations 21:27)

In the above definition, "the just" are those who die in the state of grace. "Stains of sin" refer to the temporal punishment still due to venial or forgiven mortal sins.

-Are the souls in Purgatory saved?

Yes, the souls in Purgatory are certain they are saved. It is for this reason that their suffering is only temporary. They experience the pain of temporary loss of the vision of God.

The sufferings of Purgatory are more intense than any suffering on earth. The souls in Purgatory cannot make satisfaction for their sins as merit is possible only during one's lifetime on earth. They do however experience intense spiritual joy because they are absolutely sure of their salvation.

-How can the faithful on earth help the souls in Purgatory?

The faithful on earth can help by their suffrages, that is, through the Sacrifice of the Mass, prayers, almsgiving, and every kind of good work. We have a duty of justice and charity to help the souls in Purgatory.

-Can we invoke the souls in Purgatory?

Yes, we can invoke the souls in Purgatory and are encouraged to ask them with the confidence of being