

SAINTS TO REMEMBER

October 30 St. Alphonsus Rodriguez
 31 St. Wolfgang
 November 1 All Saints Day
 2 Commemoration of All Faithful Departed
 3 St. Martin de Porres
 4 St. Charles Borromeo
 5 St. Bertille

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 29
5:00 PM Ryan Gerling
 Sunday, October 30
8:30 AM Members of the Parish
11:00 AM †Frank McCarthy (Angie and Jim Morrisard)
 Wednesday, November 2
NOON Birthday of Shawek Witkowski (Grazyna Witkowski)
 Saturday, November 29
5:00 PM Matthew Albach (Jill Paitsel)
 Sunday, November 30
8:30 AM Members of the Parish
11:00 AM †Jack Showalter (Family)

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14

Jewish martyrs give witness to their faith, even unto death.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15

The just person will live in God's presence.

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 2:16—3:5

Paul encourages the Thessalonians and asks for their prayers.

Gospel Reading

Luke 20:27-38

Jesus answers a question from some Sadducees about the resurrection of the dead. (short form Luke 20:27, 34-38)

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA (*Displayed in Commons*)

Jesus in You by Dr. Mark Miravalle

This little work will take a brief look at two basic questions that deeply affect the lives and actions of every single person on the face of the earth: *Is God inside every human being?* And, *Does the Trinity dwell within some human beings?*

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SATURDAY (10/29)

8 AM: MASS

9 AM: Cursillo Men and Women

3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)

5 PM: Vigil MASS

SUNDAY (10/30) THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Altar flowers donated by the Parish Office)

7-7:45 AM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)

8:30 AM: MASS

9:40-10:50 AM: RCIA (*CRE Office*)

9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation (*Lower Level*)

9:45-10:45 AM: Adult Formation (*Chapel*)

11:00 AM: MASS

MONDAY (10/31)

10:30 AM: Divine Will Prayer Group (*Chapel*)

NOON: MASS

TUESDAY (11/1) All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: MASS

7 PM: MASS

WEDNESDAY (11/2) All Souls Day

7 AM: MASS

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: MASS

NOON: AA Meeting (*Lower Level*)

6:15 PM: Medjugorje Rosary Prayer Group (*Chapel*)

7 PM: MASS

THURSDAY (11/3)

8 AM: MASS

NOON: Soup Kitchen

FRIDAY (11/4)

7 AM: MASS (*Please note this time change*)

10 AM-NOON: Food Pantry

NOON: AA Meeting (*Lower Level*)

SATURDAY (11/5)

8 AM: MASS

9 AM: Cursillo Men and Women

3:30-4:30 PM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)

5 PM: Vigil MASS

SUNDAY (11/6) THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Donations gladly accepted)

7-7:45 AM: Reconciliation (*Chapel*)

8:30 AM: MASS

9:40-10:50 AM: RCIA (*CRE Office*)

9:45-10:45 AM: Christian Formation (*Lower Level*)

9:45-10:45 AM: Adult Formation (*Chapel*)

11:00 AM: MASS

GIFTS FROM GOD

Offertory October 22-23, 2016 (Plate)	\$3,404
Offertory (Online)	1,300
World Missions	\$967
Weekly Offertory Budget	\$7,173
Offertory Received	<u>4,704</u>
Deficit	(\$2,469)

Thank you for your generous contributions last weekend in support of World Missions.

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION FROM IRA

If you are at least 70-1/2 years of age, you can take advantage of a simple way to benefit the Church and receive tax benefits in return. You can donate up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to a qualified charity such as Holy Comforter without paying income taxes on the distribution. Please contact your Individual Retirement Account custodian for details.

DONATIONS OF STOCK ARE GLADLY ACCEPTED

Your firm can send the shares through the Depository Trust Company (DTC) to Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. Here are the details:

Schwab's DTC number: 0164

Account Name: HOLY COMFORTER CATHOLIC CHURCH

Account Number: 2162-7521

ONLINE GIVING

Many parishioners are enjoying the benefits they receive from donating to Holy Comforter online. All of our current envelope collections are available, and it is safe, secure and confidential. You can find the Online Giving link on our website, or go to:

<https://www.myowngiving.com/Default.aspx?cid=1665>

PARISH NEWS

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please call the parish office at 295-7185, to arrange to receive Holy Communion or a visit by Fr. Joseph Mary.

THE ILL & HOME BOUND:

Parishioners: Mary Fusco, Eileen Foster, Jack Valloric, Tam Nguyen, Rachel Witt, Jack Andrews, Joe Murray, Helen Edwards, Betty Jane Prufer, Fran Cannon Slayton, Ron Lavis, Sue Newman, Michael Ludgate, Frank Pologruto, Al Bracuti, Norman Bednarczyk, Nicholas Sisman, Mary Ann Williams, Rose Bowker, Hermann Ortmann, Katherine Russo, Charley and Kitty Moore.

Friends and Relatives: Michael James McNeil, JoAnn Fox Klein, George Lilly, The Campbell Family, Fred Crane, Bill Eddy, Susan Steeby, Lisa Marshall, John Lank, Susan Straub Martin, George William Polhill, II, Claudia Hartland, Betsy Boyce, Michael Norton, Leslie Gilliam, Jane Sargent, Josephine Nampijja, Grace Dawn Wicke, Melyssa Dove, Nicole Carpenter, Beth Mauk, Evan Dotas, Dave Halley, Cullen McQuhae, Bill & Marie Jones, Christine Bentéjac, David Rumpf, Mrs. Jessica Viglietta, Pam D. Goines, Charlie Previtali, Nicole Shaw, Jean Clayton, Rich Hawkins, Kimberly Hasenfus Hulick, Kristin Fagan, June Atherton, Natalie Potter, Harper Grace, J. Sloan, Paul Hillard, Dale Evans, Marie Johnston, Suzanne Lank, Diane Schmidt, Earl Scheetz, Shirley O'Rourke, Xavier Van Bastelaer, Mary Griffin, Makala Thomas, Sibylle Llewellyn, Duncan Nixon, John Patrick Dennison, Christine Russo Carpenter, Elaine Roberti, Benedict Pax, Jerry Colgate, Timothy Lee Smith, Ned Foss & Jennifer Rinehart, Janet Dunham, Susie Jackson, Fr. Michael Hann, Fr. Joseph Torretto, Mike Charlie, Joel Rivera, Pam Heron, Elizabeth Scott, Kwasi Johnson, Marianne Rossner, Angie Lee, Residents of Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women, Residents of Albemarle County Regional Jail, Residents of Blue Ridge Juvenile Detention, In memory of James Brazell.

Members of the Military: Tom Logan, William Murray, Trey Linebrink, Jeff Woodside, David Alvey, Brian Fagan, Jamie Torbet, Mike Eiermann, Charles G. Ellison, Eric Emmott, and Matthew Mickiewicz.

PARISHIONER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

11/5 Angie and Jim Morrisard (1966)

11/18 Annie and Tom Tromey (1967)

11/20 Susan and Jim Neale

11/26 Margaret and Walter McMahon

11/27 Jane Dittmar and Frank Squillace

NEWLY REGISTERED PARISHIONERS

The Lucia Aguilar Family

Gregory C. Beller

Shawn and Robert Ficarra

The Rocio and Andrew Lamb Family

Gracen and Matthew Semanik

MEDJUGORJE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

October is the month of the Rosary. We have a wonderful, inviting rosary prayer group every Wednesday at 6:15 in the Chapel. All are welcomed. Please come and join us in prayer, even if you can only come for one evening.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

HAITI

Haitian Arts and Crafts will be offered at the Alternate Giving Fair scheduled for November 13th at St. Thomas. Support artisans from Saltadere and other areas of Haiti. Cards and coffee can be purchased. Proceeds support St. Michel School. There will be information on sponsoring the classrooms, the students and the teachers.

Bi-Parish Haiti Committee: Next meeting will be in November. **All are welcome.**

Contact: e-mail Anne Knasel at anne@stagebridge.net or Ginny Zeller at ginnyannzeller@gmail.com. Website: www.saltadere.org.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING (CST) THROUGH THE LIVES OF THE SAINTS

The Office of Social Ministries invites you to attend our CST presentation through the lives of the saints focusing on Brandon Vogt's bestseller *"Saints and Social Justice: A Guide to Changing the World."* There will be a session at **Church of the Incarnation, Friday, November 11th, 7-8 PM.** Please see the flyer in the Commons for more information. To register, please visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/catholicsocialteaching.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

FIRST SACRAMENTS REGISTRATION: All children at least age 7 and in second grade are eligible to participate in preparation classes for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist beginning in December. Registration forms, available in the Commons and on the Website, should be completed as soon as possible.

HIGH SCHOOL FORMATION

The next meeting of our High School Youth Ministry will take place on Sunday, October 23 from 4:00-5:30 pm. The topic will be Catholic Social Justice, and several guest speakers will talk about their specific ministries. All high school students are welcome and encouraged to join our growing Youth Ministry!

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION: All students at least 15 years old and in the 10th grade are eligible for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Eight preparation classes are held independently of and in addition to the Youth Ministry program. If your child is eligible to be confirmed this spring, please complete the Sacramental Registration form located on the table in the Commons or on the website.

ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible DVD series will continue this Sunday, October 30th from 9:45-10:45 in the Chapel. You are still most welcome to register and join us!

NEW ADULT FORMATION SPEAKER COMING SOON!

Save the date for **Sunday, November 13 at 9:45** (between the Masses) to hear a presentation by Gloria D'Alessandro, a parishioner from Church of the Incarnation, called **"AN ACTION TOWARD FORGIVENESS"** We hear much about the *need* to forgive. We may recognize that we are *called* by Jesus to forgive. But how do we *do* that? As we close out this Jubilee Year of Mercy, come, hear a step-by-step approach that *promises* to bring you from anger and resentment to forgiveness and peace. You will receive a wonderful FREE gift to take home from Gloria to you!

CHARLOTTESVILLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Charlottesville Catholic School invites you to attend their Open House & Archangel for a Day on November 7th & 8th. The school will hosting tours each day from 8:30am-2:00pm for families; children in pre-k to 8th grade are also invited to join us in the classrooms to experience the day as a CCS Archangel! Additional details are available on our website at www.cvillcatholic.org, or contact our Admissions Coordinator, Katrina Kuhn, at 434-964-0400.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

2016 RED MASS

The Most Reverend Francis X. DiLorenzo, Bishop of Richmond, and The Saint Thomas More Society invite everyone in the Richmond Diocese to join in worship and fellowship at the **33rd Annual Red Mass and Dinner on Thursday, November 10.**

Reverend Monsignor R. Francis Muench, J.C.L., Judicial Vicar for the Diocese of Richmond will celebrate the Red Mass. Mass is at 6:00 p.m. at Mary, Mother of the Church Abbey, 12829 River Road, Goochland. The dinner will follow in the Benedictine College Prep Dining Hall.

The keynote address will be given by Reverend Paul D. Scalia, Episcopal Vicar for Clergy, Diocese of Arlington. Father Scalia is the son of former Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. Tickets for the dinner are \$65.00 each. The Saint Thomas More Society is an educational, fraternal, and service organization of Catholic lawyers. Further information can be obtained from James Schliessmann, Society President, jeschliessmann@hotmail.com or 804-873-1035.

FROM THE PASTOR:
IS THE PRAYER OF THE ROSARY OUTDATED? (Part 5)



Why pray the Rosary today? The simple answer is certainly, to grow in holiness and in one's prayer life. Though the Rosary is not the only way to achieve this but in its simplicity the Rosary is a very powerful and effective prayer. I always wonder why the learned saints and Popes take the time to pray the rosary. They must have found a secret in it, as an authentic school of Christian life.

Many of the popes have championed the Rosary as a powerful, multi-layered devotion. The theologian Romano Guardini described praying the rosary as **"participation in the life of Mary, whose focus was Christ."** Pope Leo XIII also viewed the rosary as a vital means to participate in the life of Mary and to find the way to Christ. Pope emeritus Benedict XVI said, **"The rosary is a means given by the Virgin for contemplating Jesus and, meditating on his life, for loving and following him always more faithfully."**

In praying the Rosary we meditated on the mysteries of our salvation and meditation on these mysteries of salvation is to lead to conversion of heart and change of actions. Contemplation on the mysteries is essentially an act of gratitude through which the heart is **"filled with love...hope enlarged, and the desire increases for those things which Christ has prepared for such as have united themselves to Him in imitation of His example and in participation in His sufferings."** The popes tell us that the essence is **"to recall the mysteries of salvation in succession, while the subject of meditation is mingled and interlaced with the Angelic Salutation and prayer to God the Father."**

The popes also teach that the Rosary is intended to influence society as a whole. The holy and powerful life of Jesus Christ is to be a real remedy and cure for the errors afflicting society. The rosary is an accessible reminder of the constant prayer of the Church, the ceaseless prayer of God's people throughout the ages. **"The Psalter of Mary, as the rosary is sometimes called, is a remembrance of the Church's deepest nature as a community of continual prayer."** (Pope Leo XIII, 1896). **"The Rosary is a magnificent and universal prayer for the needs of the Church, the nations and the entire world"** (Pope John XXIII). **"I would therefore ask those who devote themselves to the pastoral care of families to recommend heartily the recitation of the Rosary."**(Pope St. John Paul II). **"Mary joins us, she fights at our side. She supports Christians in the fight against the forces of evil. Especially through prayer, through the rosary. Hear me out, the rosary... Do you pray the Rosary each day? I don't know, are you sure? There we go!"** (Pope Francis).

31st. SUNDAY SNAPSHOT.

JOHN: DO YOU WANT TO HAVE YOUR LIFE CHANGED FOR THE BETTER?

MARY: VERY MUCH SO.

JOHN: THEN GIVE UP THE SELF-DELUSION THAT YOU CAN DO IT BY YOUR OWN STRENGTH.

MARY: I HAVE GROWN UP KNOWING THAT BY MYSELF, I CAN DO WHAT I WANT WITH MY LIFE.

JOHN: NO WAY, ONLY GOD CAN EASILY DO IT JUST AS HE CHANGED THE LIFE OF ZACCHAEUS.

MARY: SO I CAN JUST SIT BACK AND WAIT ON GOD?

JOHN: NO! JUST HUMBLY ACCEPT GOD'S INVITATION AND COOPERATE WITH EVERY OPPORTUNITY OF HIS GRACE EACH AND EVERY DAY OF YOUR LIFE.