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April 19, 2020

The CATHEDRAL of the SACRED HEART

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The Mother Church of the Diocese of Richmond
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Serving Virginia Commonwealth University

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Congratulations to our recently baptized children and their families!

*Greer Amelia Noland
Patrick Joseph Pugsley
Thompson Eric Ferreira
Fisher Hayes Heidler*

Happy Easter Season! [Click here for Fr. Tony's Easter message.](#)

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THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

- Saturday, April 18, 2020** -- Cathedral Open 4:00pm–6:00pm
 4:00 pm Confessions in Large Sacristy until 5:00pm
 5:15 pm **Mass (Livestream)** † *Bob Moder*
- Sunday, April 19, 2020** -- Cathedral Open 12:00pm–4:00pm
 10:00 am **Mass (Livestream on richmonddiocese.org)** *Cathedral Parishioners*
- Monday, April 20, 2020** -- Cathedral Open 10:00am–2:00pm
- Tuesday, April 21, 2020** -- Cathedral Open 10:00am–2:00pm
 12:05 pm **Daily Mass (Livestream)** † *Lori Nussbaum*
- Wednesday, April 22, 2020** -- Cathedral Open 2:00pm–6:00pm
 7:30 am Morning Prayer (email ltompkins@richmondcathedral.org to join)
 12:05 pm **Daily Mass (Livestream)** † *Elsie T. Voda*
 5:00 pm Confessions in Large Sacristy until 6:00pm
- Thursday, April 23, 2020** -- Cathedral Open 10:00am–2:00pm
 12:05 pm **Daily Mass (Livestream)**
- Friday, April 24, 2020** -- Cathedral Open 10:00am–2:00pm
 12:05 pm **Daily Mass (Livestream)**
- Saturday, April 25, 2020** -- Cathedral Open 4:00pm–6:00pm
 4:00 pm Confessions in Large Sacristy until 5:00pm
 5:15 pm **Mass (Livestream)** -- *The Ross Family*
- Sunday, April 26, 2020** -- Cathedral Open 12:00pm–4:00pm
 10:00 am **Mass (Livestream on richmonddiocese.org)** *Cathedral Parishioners*

Giving

Many people have asked how they can continue to financially support the Cathedral parish while public Masses are suspended. As you may know, the Cathedral operating budget is 100% dependent on Offertory contributions throughout the year. About 18% of our donations come through electronic giving. The balance of the giving comes through the regular Sunday collection (82%). **With the suspension of public Masses, we will lose about half of our income.**

It is also true that during this crisis, many people will suffer financial hardship through the temporary loss of employment, a reduction in investment-based retirement income, or the need to support other family members. Keeping in mind both of these realities, we ask that you consider the following, remembering that no one is expected to financially endanger themselves or their family:

Please continue to support the Cathedral parish through your donations:

- Mail in your usual donation amount by check to 823 Cathedral Place, Richmond, VA 23220
- Use Vanco, our online giving platform ([Click Here](#)). You can set up one-time or recurring donations using your bank account or credit card. If you previously have not set up your account in Vanco, you can do so easily. Remember, you have total control over your giving using Vanco.
- You can text the amount you wish to donate to (804) 315-0903.

At this time, the Cathedral parish has suspended all discretionary spending. We are focused on carefully stewarding the donations of our parishioners so that the essential work of the Church can continue. **We will be here throughout this time of crisis. We are here for you! You are in our prayers; please keep us in yours.**

PRAYERS AND PRAISE

Sick: Alberta Winston, Louise Fedorka, Katherine Harder, Aleen Causieestko, Armand Basmajian, Lee Wexler, Caitlin Reagan, Abigail Van Meter, Joan Woody, James Raber, Jake Einwechter, Michele Whitehurst, Doug Toler, Mary Maynard, Mark Drexler, Jr., Bobby Locke, Patrick Cooper, Reed Roberts, Cheryl Hennan, Ann Fincham, Georgia Thompson, Peggy Ross, Debra Brown, Barbara Munjas, Theresa Drexler Moody, Knox & Preston Kaliebe, Kevin Smith, Diana A., Joan DeBiasi, John Anderson, Joanie Price, Cindy Cole, John Norment, Frank Flechter, Michael Hollister, Connie Biby, Valerie Booth, Barbara Kersey, Mary Hormachea, Gabriel Peter Norment, Eddie Dunn, III, John Kuhn, Dylan Marshall, Jean Serini, Billie Sutherland Moore, Mark Patrick Cotham, Anne Hutchins, and Janine Thompson. Also, please continue to pray for those written in the Book of the Sick and those in our Armed Forces.

Seminarians: Rev. Mr. Anthony Ferguson, Rev. Mr. Julio Reyes, Philip Decker, Tom Lawrence, Dillon Bruce, Armando Herrera, Alex Jimenez, Joseph Kauflin, Patrick Walsh, William Buckley, Christopher Weyer, Seth Seaman, David Arellano, William Douglas, Matthew Kelly, Luke Fitzgerald, Graham Fassero, Chase Imoru, Carl Thompson, Charles Palmer, Andrew Clark, Gregory Guilfoyle, Samuel Hill, Robert Kincaid, John Paul Shanahan, Ricky Rivera, Charlie Tamayo.

Welcome to our new RCIA Community!

Kyle Rene, Romekka Hamilton, Erin Christoph, Colin Bales, James Poole, Stanley Berkowitz, Kyle Haynes, Brett Richardson, Valerie Sadid, Alannah Jones, James Tormey, Kia Heinrich, Graham Proctor, Milton Villa, Dillon Forte, Sarah Koch, Connor Niver.

The Pope's general prayer intention for April is:

Freedom from Addiction – We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

Weekly Offertory Collections

For Fiscal Year beginning 7/1/2019

The Cathedral is grateful for last week's collections.

Second Collection:

April 19: Haiti
 May 10: Preservation

Special Collection:

May 24: Home Missions

	2019-2020	
	Last Week	Year to Date
Regular Offertory		
Amount Budgeted	\$38,523	\$771,570
Amount Received	<u>\$24,650</u>	<u>\$684,364</u>
Difference	-\$13,873	-\$87,206

**We are down \$72,364 from last year,
 a 10% decrease in offertory collections.**

Preservation	\$1,560	\$49,161
Social Justice		
Poor and Needy	\$690	\$35,252
Haiti	\$48	\$15,453
CCM	\$5	\$13,182

CHILDREN'S, YOUTH AND ADULT FAITH FORMATION

CHILDREN & YOUTH FORMATION

Scholarships for Outstanding Service Awarded by The Knights of Columbus Bernard J. Quinn Council # 11710

The Knights of Columbus Scholarship is awarded to one boy and one girl high school senior whose family is a member of the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, who has been active in the parish and is also active in service to their school and community. The scholarship can be applied to any higher level learning institution.

The scholarship will be based on active participation and service to the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart parish, service to community and service to school.

Deadline for application is Thursday, April 30th at 11:59pm. Winners will be notified by Friday, May 15th. Contact Joy Weir at jweir@richmondcathedral.org for an online application form.

Youth Group **NEW!**

Our youth group has been meeting via ZOOM following the 10:00am Cathedral Mass on Sunday. If you have thought about joining the youth group but did not get the chance - now's the time! We have been enjoying getting some "face time" together on Sundays. You can join us for our next group discussion this Sunday at 11:15am and then this Sunday evening, April 19th for our Netflix Party Movie @ 7pm.. Please join us - it's not the same without YOU! Email Joy Weir at jweir@richmondcathedral.org for the ZOOM and NETFLIX PARTY meeting link invites.

Family Formation **NEW!**

Can you carve out sometime for "family formation time" with your child? Links for modified lessons, resources, prayer and Mass for families can be found on our mini-website <https://cathedralfaithformation.weebly.com/>

Register: Diocesan Middle School Camp: Fit for a King July 20-24, 2020

Request a form from jweir@richmondcathedral.org or complete this registration form for rising 6th, 7th & 8th Middle School students. Cost to participate is \$140 per person and that includes lunch M-F, transportation & ticket to the waterpark.

Rising Juniors, Seniors and College freshman, request a form from jweir@richmondcathedral.org or complete this registration form to be a camp counselor. Cost is \$25 per counselor.

For Weddings: Call Janice Guzman, Parish Office at 804-212-3891

For Funerals: Call Janice Guzman, Parish Office at 804-212-3891

For Mass Intentions: Call Chris Ferrara, Parish Office at 804-359-5651.

Infant Baptisms: Contact Joy Weir at jweir@richmondcathedral.org or 804-212-3893.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



Frequently Asked Questions

RCIA is a process of conversion and spiritual formation for individuals who are interested in living the Christian life in the Catholic tradition. It is a time of prayer, study, reflection, faith sharing, ongoing discernment and participation in parish life.

1. How do I begin the RCIA process?

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, we welcome your questions about what it means to live in the Catholic tradition.

2. What if I feel unsure of the RCIA process?

Feeling unsure is natural. After all, joining a particular faith community is a significant step.

3. When do I begin?

The first step is to make an appointment with the RCIA coordinator to discuss your questions and talk about the RCIA process.

To learn more about RCIA please contact Maria Thorsen
or come to one of the scheduled Inquiry Sessions:
mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org



We welcome new members to our parish! You can fill out a registration form found at the back of the church, email tbaham@richmondcathedral.org, or fill out an online registration form on our website: www.richmond-cathedral.org

Diocesan Annual Appeal

Welcome to the 2020 Annual Diocesan Appeal – Building Our Family of Faith. The 2020 Appeal will provide critical funding to three key areas of our Diocesan Church: Advancing Social Ministries, Cultivating Catholic Leadership and Empowering Parish Communities.

In addition, our parish receives back a portion of the funds collected. **This year, we are pleased to tell you the Cathedral will be receiving a significantly increased parish sharing formula of 50% for anything collected up to our target of \$50,000 and 90% for anything collected over the target.** This level of parish sharing is unprecedented and has been granted to us by Bishop Knestout to fund two key areas:

Cathedral Organ Project (70% of funds returned)

Cathedral Operating Budget (30% of funds returned)

Over the coming days, you will be hearing more in depth about the Cathedral's progress in these areas and how you can help us achieve our goals.

High School Seniors NEW!

If you are a high school senior, we want to connect with you! We would like to start a special group just for Seniors in High School. We can start with connecting on ZOOM or Google Hangouts. We would love to hear about how things are going for you right now and what we can do to make your Senior year special under these new circumstances. Contact Joy Weir at jweir@richmondcathedral.org

And Seniors: Don't forget to apply for the Knights of Columbus Service Scholarship!

Paschal Candle

The paschal candle is the preeminent symbol of Jesus' Resurrection during the Easter season. (The term "paschal" means "passover," in the sense that Jesus' "passed over" from Death to new life; through him, Christians too "pass over" from an old life of a sin to a new life of grace.)

The paschal candle is prepared and lit at the Easter Vigil, in darkness, and so it becomes the source of light for the Church. The Easter Vigil includes the Exsultet, which proclaims the Resurrection in a poetic way by praising the paschal candle: "Therefore, O Lord, / we pray you that this candle, / hallowed to the honor of your name, / may persevere undimmed, / to overcome the darkness of this night."

The paschal candle remains in the sanctuary of the church throughout the 50 days of Easter, and is lit at Mass and other liturgical rites (Roman Missal, Easter Vigil, no. 70). It is then moved to the baptistery, where it used to light baptismal candles (Pentecost Sunday, Mass during the Day). For funerals, the paschal candle may be placed near the coffin to symbolize the Church's belief in the resurrection of the body (Order of Christian Funerals, no. 35, etc.).

April 19

Acts 2 : 42-47

1 Peter 1 : 3-9

John 20 : 19-31



April 26

Acts 2 : 14, 22-33

1 Peter 1 : 17-21

Luke 24 : 13-35

To view a weekly reflection on the readings, please visit loyolapress.com and enter "Sunday Connection" in the search bar located at the top right of the page.

Easter Season

Easter is not just one day (Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord) but rather a liturgical season of 50 days. According to the General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar, "The fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better as one 'great Sunday.' These above all others are the days for the singing of the Alleluia" (no. 22).

Amazon Smiles

While many of us are shopping online, don't forget that Amazon will reward the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart for all your Amazon purchases! Below are the easy directions to sign up and information on how to be sure your purchases give money to the cathedral.

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4. Select your charity - Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Richmond VA

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