



THE CATHEDRAL'S ST. JOSEPH STATUE

May 16, 2021

# The CATHEDRAL of the SACRED HEART

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## SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

### Congratulations!

#### First Holy Communicants

Addyson Cabrera	Keara Brown
Adelynn Seitz	Lilly Brown
Aidan Gans	Mary Lapington
Aiden Edwards	Sofia Salay
Arnel Guzman	Stephanie Peltier
Benjamin Hartley	Tate Burris
Eliza Smothers	Teagan Monahan
Francis Ferreira	Zaid Haddad
Jonathan Lucier Jr.	

#### VCU Graduates from Catholic Campus Ministry

Rebecca Blackford	Elizabeth Pottanat
Theresa Pham	Mary Pottanat
Sara Swallow	Enrique Rangel-Rodriguez
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#### SCHEDULE

<b>Masses</b>	<b>Sacrament of Penance</b>
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 12:05 p.m.	Wednesday: 5:30–6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.	
Saturday: 5:15 p.m.	
Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5:15 p.m.	

# THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

**Saturday, May 15, 2021 – Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**

**Second Collection: Diocesan Home Missions**

- 9:30 a.m. Baptism
- 11:00 a.m. Baptism
- 2:00 p.m. Wedding
- 5:15 p.m. **Mass (Livestream)** +Noel Roco

**Sunday, May 16, 2021 – Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**

**Second Collection: Diocesan Home Missions**

- 9:00 a.m. **First Holy Communion Mass (Diocesan Livestream)**  
+Anne Corey & Margaret Haddad
- 11:00 a.m. **VCU Baccalaureate Mass** +Charles Rittling
- 1:00 p.m. Baptism
- 5:15 p.m. **Mass Cathedral Parishioners**

**Monday, May 17, 2021 – Cathedral Closed**

**Tuesday, May 18, 2021 – Cathedral open (11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.)**

- 10:00 a.m. Tuesdays Together on Cathedral Plaza
- 12:05 p.m. **Daily Mass (Livestream)**
- 4:30 p.m. Altar Server training in the Church
- 6:00 p.m. *Open Wide Our Hearts* presentation with Deacon Charles ([Zoom](#))

**Wednesday, May 19, 2021 – Cathedral open (5:30 – 7:30 p.m.)**

- 7:30 a.m. Lauds (Morning Prayer) ([Zoom](#))
- 12:05 p.m. **Daily Mass (Livestream)**
- 5:30 p.m. Confessions in Large Sacristy

**Thursday, May 20, 2021 – Cathedral open (11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.)**

- 12:05 p.m. **Daily Mass (Livestream)**
- 2:00 p.m. First Holy Communion Service
- 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour on St. Joseph the Worker ([Livestream](#))

**Friday, May 21, 2021 – Cathedral open (11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.)**

- 12:05 p.m. **Daily Mass (Livestream)**

**Saturday, May 22, 2021 – Pentecost Sunday**

- 10:30 a.m. Transitional Diaconate Ordination ([Diocesan Livestream](#))
- 5:15 p.m. **Mass w/ First Holy Communion (Livestream)** +Abigail Van Meter

**Sunday, May 23, 2021 – Pentecost Sunday**

- 9:00 a.m. **Mass (Diocesan Livestream)** +Marion Voigt
- 11:00 a.m. **Mass with Adult Confirmations** +Vera McGlory
- 2:00 p.m. **Youth Confirmation Liturgy**
- 5:15 p.m. **Mass Cathedral Parishioners**

## Pregnancy Resource Center Fundraiser

**Mother's Day Weekend (May 8–9) — Father's Day Weekend (June 19–20)**

Thank you to all who were able to pick up a baby bottle last weekend to help raise funds for the Pregnancy Center of Richmond. We had 100 bottles and almost all the bottles were gone! Please bring back the bottle filled with cash/coin/checks on Father's Day Weekend (June 19/20).

If you did not pick up a bottle, you can still help fill up our "virtual bottle" via the website: <http://www.fundeasy.com/m/5200054/>

All funds raised will go to the Pregnancy Centers of Richmond operating fund so they can continue to provide practical and confidential services, completely free of charge!

### Examples of what your gifts can provide:

- \$25 – Six-week supply of prenatal vitamins for 8 mothers
- \$100- Two-month supply of professional pregnancy tests
- \$250- An ultrasound plus a nurse evaluation



## Deacon Charles Williams Presents *Open Wide Our Hearts*

Read [Open Wide Our Hearts](#) and join Deacon Charles Williams on **Tuesday, May 18 at 6:00 p.m.** for a presentation and discussion via [Zoom](#).

# PRAYERS AND PRAISE

**Sick:** Finn Wallace, Dennis Halloran, Jean Faulkner, Joe Faulkner, Bill Fox, Joan and Robert Watson, Natalee Franzyshe, Alberta Winston, Louise Fedorka, Katherine Harder, Aleen Causieestko, Lee Wexler, Caitlin Reagan, 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, Theresa Drexler Moody, Knox and Preston Kaliebe, Kevin Smith, Diana A., Joan DeBiasi, Joanie Price, Cindy Cole, John Norment, Frank Flechter, Michael Hollister, Connie Biby, Valerie Booth, Barbara Kersey, Gabriel Peter Norment, Eddie Dunn III, Dylan Marshall, Jean Serini, Billie Sutherland Moore, Mark Patrick Cotham, Anne Hutchins, and Janine Thompson.

**Seminarians:** Rev. Mr. Thomas Lawrence, Dillon Bruce, Armando Herrera, Alexandre Jimenez, Joseph Kauflin, William Buckley, Christopher Weyer, David Arellano, William Douglas, Seth Seaman, Matthew Kelly, Andrew Clark, Samuel Hill, Chase Imoru, Charles Palmer, Carl Thompson, Graham Fassero, Ian Grosskopf, David Urlwin, Gregory Guilfoyle, John Paul Shanahan, Charlie Tamayo, and Peter Olbrych.

**Congratulations to the members of RCIA who were received into the Church at Easter:** Jefferson Abaricia, Carey Ann Campbell, Katherine Gideon, Emily-Cheryl Grimes, Timothy Irby, Katherine Murphy, Graham Scholl, and Jonathan Walker.

**Pope Francis's general prayer intention for May is:**

**The World of Finance:** Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

## May: St. Joseph the Worker

This month's theme is on St. Joseph the Worker, whose feast day is on May 1. [Click here](#) to see the many ways you may join us to get involved and gather, in-person and online, with fellow parishioners.

## What Does the Ascension Mean? NEW!

"Christ's ascension marks the definitive entrance of Jesus' humanity into God's heavenly domain, whence he will come again (Acts 1:11) ...Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, precedes us into the Father's glorious kingdom so that we, the members of his Body, may live in the hope of one day being with him for ever" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, nos. 665–666).

### Weekly Offertory Collection

For Fiscal Year beginning 7/1/2020

The Cathedral is grateful for last week's collections and year-end gifts.

### May 16 Second Collection: Diocesan Home Missions

	2020–2021	
	Last Week	Year to Date
<b>Regular Offertory</b>		
Amount Budgeted	\$ 11,756	\$ 778,511
Amount Received	<u>\$ 15,042</u>	<u>\$ 857,055***</u>
Difference	\$ 3,286	\$ 78,544

**We are \$112,188 above last year,  
a 15% increase in Offertory collections.**

<b>Cathedral Preservation</b>	\$ 1,908	\$ 30,736
<b>Social Justice</b>		
Poor and Needy	\$ 508	\$ 42,844
Haiti	\$ 61	\$ 25,548
<b>CCM</b>	\$ 15	\$ 2,979

\*\*\*Due to a generous donation of \$70,000. This amount will be used to help cover the cost of past due invoices owed.

## CHILDREN & YOUTH CATECHESIS

### Did you know?

Currently, the diocesan-wide safety guidelines have suspended nurseries and Children's Liturgy of the Word. HOWEVER, please do not let that stop you from attending Mass! We welcome all families and love to see young children at Mass.

*Taking a child he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.*

(MK 9: 36-37)

### Diocesan Work Camp

#### Registration Deadline Extended to May 21

June 21 – June 25 | Rising 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade

Cost is \$50 per student. [Click here to register.](#)

### Pentecost Party NEW!

Join us for the Pentecost Party on **Sunday, May 23 @ 1:00 p.m.** over Zoom for PREK-5th and families with help from the Middle School Youth Group ...if you did not receive your invite - email Karen Mortensen keoc@comcast.net

### Altar Servers

#### Training on Tuesday, May 18 at 4:30 p.m.

With COVID restrictions being eased, and in keeping with diocesan norms, the Cathedral is reinstating the use of altar servers at weekend Masses, beginning on the feast of the Sacred Heart (June 12-13).

This ministry is open to children and young people who have received their First Holy Communion and who are regularly attending Sunday Mass. All altar servers—veterans and newcomers—are required to attend one of two training sessions, as new procedures will be implemented. At least one parent is also asked to attend the session.

The one-hour training session will take place on **Tuesday, May 18 at 4:30 p.m.** It is not necessary to RSVP for a training session, which will take place in the church.

COVID safety protocols, including social distancing and the wearing of face coverings, will apply to altar servers. Please contact Fr. Tony for more information (tmarques@richmonddiocese.org).

### Coming Up

- **PREK-5th and families bring your own picnic at Maymont :** Sunday, June 6 at 12:30 p.m.
- **Vacation Bible School:** July 12-16, details to follow.

## ADULT CATECHESIS

### "My Father Was A Carpenter": NEW!

#### A Holy Hour Dedicated to St. Joseph the Worker Thursday, May 20 | 6:00 p.m. | In-person and Livestream

A holy hour on St. Joseph the Worker will take place on Thursday, May 20 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. This event will include Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction, biblical readings, sacred music, and a homily. The holy hour will take place in the church and will also be live-streamed:

<https://www.facebook.com/cathedralofthesacredheart/live>.

### Gift procession NEW!

As part of the easing of the pandemic restrictions, the procession of the gifts of bread and wine at Mass will resume on the feast of Corpus Christi (the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ), June 5-6.

This rite has a profound meaning: The bread and wine brought forward, which will become the body and blood of Christ, represent the sacrifice of the whole community joined to the sacrifice of Christ's death and resurrection, which is renewed in the Mass (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 73).

For several weeks, the ushers will bring forward the gifts of bread and wine as a way for the parish to honor their service. The ushers keep everyone safe at Mass by ensuring social distancing and assist in cleaning the church afterward. It would not be possible to celebrate Mass publicly during the pandemic without their help.

### Consecration bells NEW!

Beginning on the feast of Corpus Christi (the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ), June 5-6, bells will be rung at the consecration during Mass.

This practice has remained an option in the liturgical norms: "A little before the Consecration, if appropriate, a minister rings a small bell as a signal to the faithful. The minister also rings the small bell at each elevation by the Priest, according to local custom" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 150).

The purpose of ringing bells is to call attention to the pivotal moment in the Mass when the sacrifice of Christ's death and resurrection is renewed, changing the bread and wine into Christ's body and blood (transubstantiation) (no. 79 D).

Here at the Cathedral, one set of bells will be rung just before the consecration, at the *epiclesis* (invocation of the Holy Spirit); the parish's original three-tiered gong will be rung at the elevation of the host and chalice.

The altar servers are excited to ring the bells as part of their resumed ministry!

**For Weddings:** Contact Janice Guzman [afw@richmondcathedral.org](mailto:afw@richmondcathedral.org)

**For Funerals:** Contact Janice Guzman [afw@richmondcathedral.org](mailto:afw@richmondcathedral.org)

**For Mass Intentions:** Call Chris Ferrara, Parish Office at (804) 359-5651

**Infant Baptisms:** Contact Joy Weir at [jweir@richmondcathedral.org](mailto:jweir@richmondcathedral.org) or (804) 212-3893

**For Adults inquiring about Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist:** Contact Maria Thorsen at [mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org](mailto:mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org)

We welcome new members to the Cathedral.

An online registration form found at

<https://richmondcathedral.org> or

email [tbaham@richmondcathedral.org](mailto:tbaham@richmondcathedral.org).

## RCIA Inquiry Sessions

### We invite you to "Come and See"

Join us for the RCIA Inquiry Sessions, which are a time for adults to learn more about God's love and how it is expressed within the Catholic faith. These gatherings are informal discussions centered around topics of the Catholic faith.

- **June 28 at 6:30 p.m.**
- **July 20 at 6:30 p.m.**
- **August 24 at 6:30 p.m.**

*All sessions will take place in the Parish Hall.*

For more information please contact Maria Thorsen:

[mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org](mailto:mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org)

## PARISH COMMUNITY LIFE

### Thank you! NEW!

Many thanks to the generous parishioners who contributed to last month's food and toiletries drive for Sacred Heart Catholic Church. The drive was very successful and was a great help to Sacred Heart's food pantry ministry.

### Congratulations! NEW!

We'd like to congratulate all of the CCM students graduating from Virginia Commonwealth University this weekend! Thank you for making CCM part of your journey at VCU. Over the last several years, you have been equipped for this moment. Now it's your time to take the joy of the Gospel out into the larger world! May God always light the path before you and guide your footsteps. Best of luck as you begin this next chapter of your journey and know that we will be praying for you!

## Ushers

The Church explains that ushers are true liturgical ministers because their role in welcoming and seating people, and taking up the collection, facilitates the celebration of Mass (cf. *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 105).

During the pandemic, the ushers have been indispensable in the resumption of public Masses because they help to ensure social distancing and clean the church. This ministry is open to adults. Those in a vulnerable category may serve as ushers if they have been vaccinated against COVID-19. Ushers are expected to attend Mass each Sunday even if they are not serving in that capacity.

Those interested in serving as ushers are asked to contact Fr. Tony ([tmarques@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:tmarques@richmonddiocese.org)).

## Lectors

Parishioners are welcome to serve as lectors at Sunday Mass. Lectors must be baptized Catholics, have received their First Holy Communion, attend Mass each Sunday and holy days of obligation, and, if married, be married in the Catholic Church.

The ministry of lector is also open to young people who are at least in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and who are enrolled in a Catholic school or religious education program.

The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* states that lectors should be "people who are truly suited to carrying out this function and carefully prepared, so that by their hearing the readings from the sacred texts the faithful may conceive in their hearts a sweet and living affection for Sacred Scripture" (no. 101).

Those interested in serving as lectors are asked to contact Fr. Tony ([tmarques@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:tmarques@richmonddiocese.org)).

## Maintenance Technician Needed

The Cathedral is looking for a full time (40 hours/week) maintenance worker. Some duties required are cleaning and sanitizing the church and office area, assist Director of Facilities and staff members as needed, and perform scheduled preventative maintenance and general repairs when needed.

Physical requirements include the ability to lift 50 lbs., the ability to work flexible hours, to walk extensively throughout the workday and to climb ladders and navigate heights such as the roof areas. This position requires a successful clearance by Social Services, criminal background check and certificate of VIRTUS training, all of which are provided through the parish. Salary is based on diocesan scale and demonstrated experience in the maintenance field.

Interested candidates should send a cover letter and resume to [tbaham@richmondcathedral.org](mailto:tbaham@richmondcathedral.org).

## Volunteers Needed to Help Plant Annuals NEW!

Volunteers are needed to help plant annual flowers on the Cathedral grounds Monday, May 17– Friday, May 21 from 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Contact our facilities team if you are interested at (804)980-5842. Any and all time you can give is greatly appreciated.

## Donate to the Cathedral


Thank you for keeping your financial stewardship active during this challenging time, as we continue to serve our parish family. Please continue to support the Cathedral parish through your donations:

- Online: [Click here](#)
- Text: (804) 315-0903
- Mail: 823 Cathedral Pl. Richmond, VA 23220

## YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

*"Often in life, things happen whose meaning we do not understand. Our first reaction is frequently one of disappointment and rebellion. Joseph set aside his own ideas in order to accept the course of events and, mysterious as they seemed, to embrace them, take responsibility for them and make them part of his own history. Unless we are reconciled with our own history, we will be unable to take a single step forward, for we will always remain hostage to our expectations and the disappointments that follow" (Pope Francis, [Patris Corde](#), 2020).*

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