

CATHEDRAL *of the* SACRED HEART

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 28, 2024

Most Reverend Barry C. Knestout
Bishop of Richmond

Very Reverend Anthony E. Marques
Rector

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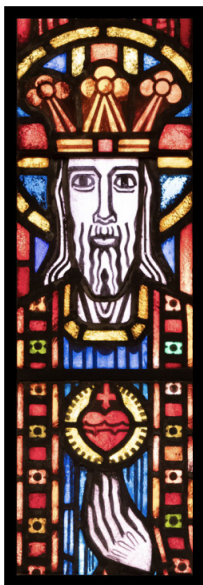
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Monday–Friday: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

To register as a parishioner, visit: bit.ly/jointhecathedral



Christ the King window in the Cathedral (1931)

MASSES

Tuesday–Friday: 12:00 N

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Wednesday: 6:00–7:00 pm

Saturday: 4:00–4:45 pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday: 6:00–7:00 pm

Easter Sacraments

The celebration of Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion during the Easter season emphasizes that each sacrament makes present the death and resurrection of Christ.

“The sacraments of Christian initiation—Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist—lay the foundations of every Christian life. ‘The sharing in the divine nature given to men through the grace of Christ bears a certain likeness to the origin, development, and nourishing of natural life. the faithful are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the sacrament of Confirmation, and receive in the Eucharist the food of eternal life’” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1212).

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QR Code for Parking

Parking validation for Saturday and Sunday Masses only.



Valid until June 30, 2024

When parking in the VCU Deck (801 W. Main St.):

1. Pull and keep a ticket to enter deck
2. Use this code from this bulletin or:
3. Take a photo of the code with your phone
4. When leaving the deck, insert your ticket first, then when asked for payment, scan the code and the gate will open.

COMMUNITY

CALENDAR

Saturday, April 27 4:00 pm	Fourth Week of Easter Confessions
5:00 pm	Fifth Sunday of Easter Mass (+Nancy Malone)
Sunday, April 28 9:00 am	Fifth Sunday of Easter Mass (+Ann Voigt) Cathedral Facebook Livestream
11:00 am	Mass (+Antonio Buffa)
5:00 pm	Mass (<i>pro populo</i>)
Monday, April 29 12:00 N	St. Catherine of Siena No Mass
Tuesday, April 30 12:00 N 6:00 pm	St. Pius V Mass (+Nancy Malone) Adult Confirmation session
Wednesday, May 1 7:30 am 12:00 N 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Joseph the Worker Lauds (bit.ly/cshlauds) Mass (+Lucil Ornawka) Adoration and confessions Bible study
Thursday, May 2 12:00 N 6:00 pm	St. Athanasius Mass (+Byron Romine) Adult Confirmation session
Friday, May 3 12:00 N	Sts. Philip and James Mass (Rev. Msgr. Mark Lane)

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Pope's monthly intention (April): For the role of women: We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

Sick: Frank Fletcher, Richard Herberle, Margaret Huber, Allison Leighton, Madeline Peace, Elizabeth Storm, Eugene Trani.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Inquirers: Lawrence Creech, James Gropp, Bradford Morrison; catechumen: Menelik Glover; full communion: Jill Kraiss, Reed Lutow, Justice Richardson, Faith Skibins, Avery Witherow; Confirmation and First Communion: Nina LaPres, Izamar Martinez, Louis Moelchert III, Brande Morrison, Angelica O'Neill.

YOUNG ADULTS

- April 28** YA Lunch | April 28 | 1:00–4:00 pm | Amigos (1808 Staples Mill Rd.)
Join young adults around Richmond for this monthly lunch meet-up.
- May 1** Adoration and confessions | 6:00 pm | Cathedral
Bible Study | 7:00–8:15 pm | Cathedral
Registration: <https://bit.ly/Covenant24>
- May 11** YA Service Project | May 11 | 9:00 am – 12:00 N | Cathedral

For more information, visit evangelizerichmond.org/young-adults.

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Fiscal Year 2023–2024

	April 20–21	Year-to-Date
Weekly amount budgeted	\$17,000	\$726,141
Weekly amount received	\$20,787	<u>\$813,111</u>
		\$86,970

For the first two weekends of the month (April 7, 14), collections were below the weekly goal of \$17,000. Last week (April 21), \$21,000 was collected, thanks to two gifts totaling \$11,000. The parish seeks to collect \$17,000 each week to pay for normal operating expenses (e.g., payroll, insurance, utilities, liturgical supplies).

Confirmation and First Holy Communion of Adults

April 28 | 9:00 am, 5:00 pm Masses

Congratulations to Benedict Bean Jr., Noah Harvey, and Brian Ornder, on receiving the sacrament of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

Confirmation is a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit that strengthens a person to give witness to his or her faith (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, nos. 1302–1304). The Eucharist is called “Holy Communion” when it is received because this sacrament strengthens a person’s union with Christ (nos. 1331, 1391–1392).

First Holy Communion of Children

May 5 | 11:00 am Mass

The children of the parish will soon celebrate their First Holy Communion. A full house is expected at this Mass.

Please pray for the children who will receive Christ the Lord in the Eucharist. To quote Pope Benedict XVI (r. 2005–2013), “I would like to emphasize the importance of First Holy Communion. For many of the faithful, this day continues to be memorable as the moment when...they first came to understand the importance of a personal encounter with Jesus. Parish pastoral programs should make the most of this highly significant moment.”

Job Opportunity

The parish nursery is open on Sundays from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm, September through May. Employees are paid hourly and work usually two shifts per month. There is an opening in the nursery. If you are eighteen years or older and are interested, please email Joy Weir (jweir@richmondcathedral.org).

WORSHIP

Notes from the Choir Loft

Sunday's Motet

"The Call," composed by English composer Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958), is one movement from the well-known work *Five Mystical Songs*. Taken from the poem *Easter*, written by Welsh poet George Herbert (1593–1633), "The Call" is now one of the most recognizable sacred hymns: "Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life." A poetic triptych, it opens with a reference to John 14:6 before describing Christ as light, feast, and strength. It concludes as a love letter to Christ, recognizing him as joy, love, and heart.

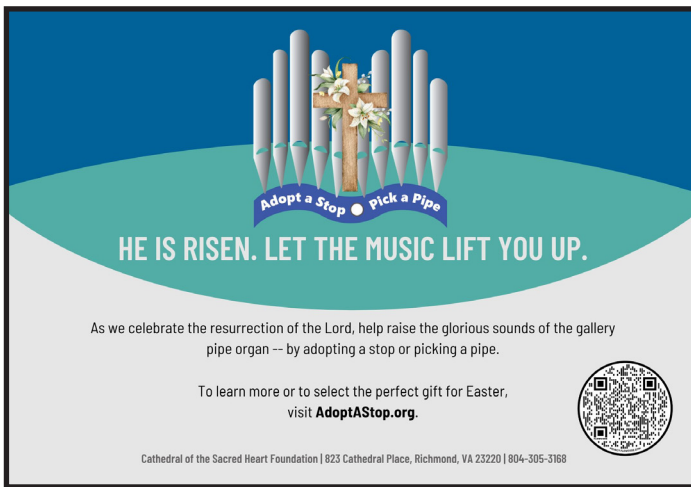
Cathedral Foundation Organ Campaign

Turning "Pipe" Dreams Into Reality

The electronics of the gallery pipe organ are now installed, allowing the gallery console to play the choir organ. Special façade pipes (made to order in the Netherlands) will be delivered before the end of the month and placed into the case as soon as possible.

Construction will be completed before Memorial Day (May 27). Then, each of the 4,000+ pipes will be individually adjusted for optimal sound. This process (voicing) will be completed by Labor Day (September 2).

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this once-in-a-lifetime project. The new organ will enliven the worship of God and add even greater majesty to the Cathedral.



THE EUCHARIST: OUR TREASURE

"Because it is the memorial of Christ's Passover, the Eucharist is also a sacrifice. The sacrificial character of the Eucharist is manifested in the very words of institution: 'This is my body which is given for you' and 'This cup which is poured out for you is the New Covenant in my blood.' In the Eucharist Christ gives us the very body which he gave up for us on the cross, the very blood which he 'poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.'"

— *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1365

SERVICE

Virginia Home Drive

April Service Project

This is the last weekend to drop off items for this service project. We have collected 204 items so far, including 78 toothbrushes, 21 cans of Febreze, and 18 packages containing a total of 1,425 individual flossers. Thank you for your generosity.

Mary's Choice RVA Baby Bottle Campaign

May Service Project

Mary's Choice provides a stable and supportive home for women in need who are facing an unplanned pregnancy. Residents of Mary's Choice participate in a program with onsite counseling, mentoring and education in the areas of nutrition, parenting, job training and financial literacy. The staff and volunteers of Mary's Choice walk alongside mothers in need to give them hope for their future and support to choose life for themselves and their children.

Our ministry has so far served 20 women, and 16 children have been given the gift of life. We eagerly await the arrival of 4 more babies in the coming months. We would be so grateful for your support for these moms and their children. To donate, please return your baby bottle to the Cathedral with your donation inside during the month of May or use the QR code. Checks should be made payable to Mary's Choice RVA. Thank you.



Young Adult Service Project

May 11 | 9:00 am – 12:00 N | Cathedral

Meet up with other young adults in the parish and help weed, mulch, and landscape the Cathedral grounds. Please register so the necessary preparations can be made: <https://bit.ly/YALandscape>

Sacristans

Sacristans are liturgical ministers whose service helps to ensure a worthy and reverent celebration of Mass (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 105b). Volunteers are needed to help set up for Mass and clean up afterwards. Duties include arranging the liturgical books, sacred vessels, and other items. There would be two time slots for sacristans: 45 minutes before Mass for preparation, and 20 minutes afterward to put things away. Parishioners could volunteer for either or both time slots, choosing which weekends they would be available. Scheduling would take place through the parish's online scheduler. Training for the ministry of sacristan is happily provided. If you would like to serve the Cathedral as a sacristan, please contact Fr. Tony (tmarques@richmonddiocese.org).

CATECHESIS

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Middle and High School Students

June 1 | 10:00 am – 1:30 pm | Cathedral

Save the date to attend the priestly ordination, and reception. There will be an opportunity to play spike ball with the seminarians and other teens around the diocese.

High School Work Camp

June 24–28 | All Saints School

Be a peer mentor to a student with limited or interrupted formal education. Teens from the Cathedral will join other teens in working one-on-one with students. Mentors do not teach, but encourage and support the students. Each day will start at 8:30 am and peer mentors are encouraged to stay for lunch. Please email Joy Weir (jweir@richmondcahedral.org) for registration link and full schedule.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sundays | 9:00 am Mass

Children's Liturgy of the Word is available for children ages three and older. Before the First Reading, catechists and children gather by the Mary chapel, and then listen to the scripture readings in an environment that allows for immediate reflection on the word of God. Children learn the postures, gestures, and responses of the Liturgy of the Word.

Catechetical Corner

The atrium (prepared environment) helps the relationship between God and a child to flourish. After a theme has been presented, the child is free to choose an activity that helps him or her contemplate further. The atrium is a place of meaningful work in which the child can have a conversation with God. There are beautiful atriums for the youngest children of our parish to enjoy. If you would like a tour of the atriums, please contact Joy Weir (jweir@richmondcathedral.org).

ADULT

Easter Duty

"All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Eucharist, are obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled in paschal time, but for a just cause it may be fulfilled at another time of year" (*Code of Canon Law*, canon 920).

This Easter Duty applies to all who have made their First Holy Communion, and who can receive the Eucharist. In the United States, the Easter Duty must be fulfilled between Palm Sunday (March 24) and Trinity Sunday (May 26). Similarly, "After having reached the age of discretion [approximately age seven], each member of the faithful is obliged to confess faithfully his or her grave sins at least once a year" (canon 989).

Receiving Holy Communion

The National Eucharistic Revival seeks to help American Catholics deepen their devotion to the Eucharist. Catholics are obligated to attend Mass on Sundays and on holy days of obligation but are not obligated to receive Holy Communion (*Code of Canon Law*, canon 1247).

The Church urges the faithful to receive Holy Communion as frequently as possible, if they are properly disposed (Instruction on Eucharistic Worship, *Eucharisticum mysterium*, no. 37). The proper disposition includes fasting from food and drink (except for water and medicine) for one hour prior to receiving the Eucharist (canon 919 §1). A person aware of having committed a grave (mortal) sin must first confess his or her sins in the sacrament of Penance before receiving Holy Communion (canon 916).

Bible Study

The Covenants

May 1 | 7:00–8:15 pm

There is no cost to the Bible study. Please register so that the readings, questions, and information about the potluck dinner can be emailed: <https://bit.ly/Covenant24>

Adult Confirmation Sessions

May 2, 8 | 6:00 pm | Parish office

Adult Confirmation is for Catholic adults who have already received Baptism and First Holy Communion. Confirmation is one of the sacraments of Christian Initiation. It is a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit that strengthens a person to give witness to the Catholic faith. The sessions focus on the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion, Penance, and Confirmation. For more information, please contact Maria Thorsen (mthorsen@richmondcathedral.org).