

# The Catholic Church Of The Visitation

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

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## Church Hours

Sunday Mass 9AM  
Wednesday Daily Mass 9AM  
Thursday Daily Mass 9AM

Parish Office Hours 9AM-2PM  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

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## MASS/MUSIC

Entrance Song: Joyful, Joyful We Adore You #549

Lord Have Mercy

## Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52

Responsorial Psalm: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-14b-17

Gospel Acclamation: I am the food shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Gospel: John 10:27-30

Homily: Father Gerry

Nicene Creed: page 9

Prayers of the Faithful: Response: Lord hear our prayer

## Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: The King of Love My Shepherd #466

Holy: #917

Memorial Acclamation: When we eat this Bread and drink this  
Cup, we proclaim your death O Lord, until you come again.

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God: #919

Communion: Eat This Bread

Meditation: On This Day, Beautiful Mother #700

Recessional: God Has Chosen Me #387



## UPCOMING EVENTS

May 8th: Mother's Day-4th Sunday of Easter

May 12th: Parish Council 7PM

May 15th: First Holy Communion-5th Sunday of Easter

May 22nd: 6th Sunday of Easter

May 29th: Ascension or 7th Sunday of Easter

May 31st: Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary

June 5th: Pentecost Sunday

June 12th: The Most Holy Trinity



## MAY BIRTHDAYS

1st-Pat DeGroot, 2nd-Cyindy Taylor, 3rd-Scott Kauffman,  
6th-Camdyn Putney & Matt Sherwood, 8th-Donna Lange,  
9th-Denise Miller, 10th-Terry Skovera, 13th-Marilyn Cox &  
Mike Harvey, 17th-Lee Hollingsworth,  
18th-Don Delagrang, 21st-Richard Cox, 22nd-Spike Nunn,  
24th-Jennifer Miller, 27th-Lynne Richardson, 29th-Charlie Hock.

If you would like to add your name to the Birthday/Anniversary list please contact the office.



## ROSARY

Please join us as we pray the rosary every Sunday before  
Mass. We begin at 8:30 am in the new sanctuary and we  
welcome all to join in this beautiful devotional prayer.

**No experience necessary!**

**We have books and rosary beads available for use.**

If you have any questions please see Cindy Jessee.

May 8, 2022

Community Leader:  
John McCormack

Altar Server:  
Joe Sychterz

Lectors:  
John Weidner/Pat DeGroot

Extraordinary Minister for Holy  
Communion

Barbara Smith/Mary Sychterz

Music:  
Michele Meanley

Collection Counters:  
King/Kirsch/Angell

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION from May 1, 2022

Collection:	\$ 2,251
Second Collection: Debt Reduction	\$ 584
Total Offertory Collection Year to Date	\$ 100,164
Total Budget Projection:	\$ 95,289

There is no second collection today.

We did not sign any principle checks this week.

## Mothers' Day 2022

Today we thank our mothers, pray for them, and honor them by celebrating Mother's Day, offering our mothers the love and gratitude they deserve. And we ask God's blessings upon them.

This is a day to admit gratefully the fact that none of us is able to return, in the same measure, all the love that our mothers have given us. Their influence on their children is so great that it affects the children throughout their lives. Our mothers not only gave us birth but nursed us, nurtured us, trained us in their religious beliefs and practices, taught us good manners and ideal behavior, disciplined us as best as they could, and made us good citizens of our country, our Church, and our society. Hence, it is highly proper for us to express our love and gratitude to them always but especially today on Mother's Day. We offer this Eucharistic celebration on Mother's Day for all the mothers in our congregation, whether they are alive here or have gone for their eternal reward. The word "Mom" is synonymous with sacrificial love in its purest form, who can ever take the place of a mother who gave us birth, trained us, sacrificed her time and health for us!

Therefore, let us lavish our love on our mothers and express our gratitude for them in the form of fervent prayers offered for them before God.

Father Gerry



## A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

Gracious God, we pray for the people of Ukraine suffering from war.  
May they be held in your loving care and protection and given the  
strength to endure their suffering and hardship.

Transform the hearts and minds of those who perpetuate the  
violence and oppression.

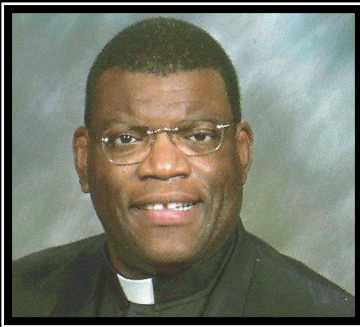
Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward peace; may they not  
be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference.

We ask all this through the intercession of Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
and in the name of your Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.







### FATHER JOHN BODDIE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In memory of our pastor and friend, Fr. John Boddie, from whom flowed love and kindness to all who knew him. May his soul rest in peace. Money from these ads are used as scholarships given to the youth of our church. Please make your checks payable to THE FR. JOHN BODDIE SCHOLARSHIP FUND. Checks and ads can be deposited in the church office. The charge per space is \$100. Thank you for your continued support.  
*The Scholarship Committee*

Website for scholarship application: [tcfriehmond.org](http://tcfriehmond.org) Application deadline: Early March 2022

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and the youth of the church.  
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Still alive in my heart.  
  
Mollie McMurtrie

WE SALUTE  
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Forever,  
**JoAnn**

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of our youth.  
  
The O'Keefe Family

### CHURCH ACTIVITIES, ORGANIZATIONS, AND SACRAMENTAL EVENTS

Below is a condensed list of such items. For more details, consult our Ministry Catalogue or call the office.

BAPTISM/MARRIAGE: Please contact the parish office to arrange an appointment for celebrating the sacrament of Baptism/Marriage

CATECHUMENS: RCIA invites people of all ages interested in becoming Catholics through Baptism/Eucharist and Confirmation.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING: Celebrated 2x a year-Spring & Fall or by appointment. Please call the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Held during Lent and Advent as well as by appointment. Please call the parish office.

SICK CALLS: Please call the Office at any time. We will also bring Holy Communion to anyone who is unable to attend Mass.

HOLY DAYS: Please call the office for times or check our website.

PRISON MINISTRY: Please call the office if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Knights of Columbus meet the third Wednesday of each month beginning with the Rosary at 5:45PM and the meeting starting 6:00PM, followed by a social with wives and guests at 7:00PM. All are welcome. The KOC are willing to provide transportation to any church activities. Call Grand Knight Bill Brandl.

RECYCLABLE CANS: Church of the Visitation recycles cans, with profits going to Church ministries. Bring your aluminum cans to the bin outside, by the playground.

ROSARY MINISTRY: Sunday morning before Mass, 8:30am New Sanctuary. No experience necessary. Books & Rosary available.



Thank  
you



Hands Across Middlesex cordially invites you to help celebrate the 30th anniversary of service to Middlesex County. Sunday, May 15th, 2022 @ 2:30PM. The event will be at Christchurch Parish Hall located at 56 Christchurch Lane. If you can make the celebration please RSVP to 804-758-2044 or email [handsxmdx@gmail.com](mailto:handsxmdx@gmail.com). All are welcome!



### FINAL ANNUAL COV GOLF TOURNAMENT

#### MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!

The Church of The Visitation parish community is very grateful for your support since 2008. Until this year, proceeds have been shared 50/50 between our building fund and various local charitable causes. Now that we have completed our long-awaited new worship space, all proceeds from today's event will go to community needs. Accordingly, with our vision realized, we will be retiring the Fr. John Boddie Memorial Golf Classic with this tournament.

*Thanks to All for the Wonderful Memories!*

*Lynne & Gary Richardson*

Part of the tournament is a raffle, filled with many goodies: Gift cards from Bubba's Shrimp Shack, Ace Hardware, and Something Different, also gift baskets of wine and garden products, a one Yr. Subscription of the Southside Sentinel, and a \$50 Gift Card from Specials Wine Seller just to name a few.



### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION

Next Sunday, May 15th

*Anabel Clair and Benton Miller*

will be making their *First Holy Communion*. After Mass we will have a Social Sunday in their honor. Please bring a snack to share.

### VOCATION AS CATECHIST WAS "LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT"

Our parishioner Emily Filippi is retiring after 50 years in diocesan, parish ministry.

She has strong love for religious education which first led her to a calling as a teacher at St. Joseph in Petersburg.

She then became the director of the Diocesan Office of Christian Formation. She will formally retire June 30, 2022.

To our parishioner Emily, best wishes and thank you for the work you have done and will continue to do. Many blessings to you and Dave.

For the full article about Emily and her work in the Diocese please visit the Catholic Virginian website:

<http://www.catholicvirginian.org> ← hyperlink



### A PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

All-loving God, we give you thanks and praise for mothers young and old.

We pray for young mothers, who give life and count toes and tend to our every need; May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy.

We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us; May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways.

We remember mothers who are separated from their children because of war, poverty, or conflict; May they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away.

We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion.

We remember mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.

Amen

Most Rev. Barry C. Knestout:

Offer a prayer of thanksgiving for your mother—the person who fed you at the table in your home and who helped prepare you for coming to the table of Our Lord.

As Pope Francis said that day in 2015, "Dearest mothers, thank you, thank you for what you are in your family and for what you give to the Church and the world."



### LEGACY GIFTS

Retirement funds present new opportunities for giving to your church. You may want to name your church as the final beneficiary of your individual retirement account (IRA) or other retirement funds, in the event that you and other named beneficiaries die before receiving all of the funds.

Memorial gifts to your church meet two important needs at once. (A) They allow you to express your feelings at the loss of a loved one. (B) Your gift to your church helps support its mission and ministry. Appropriate notices are sent to the bereaved family indicating the fact that your memorial gift was made. (The amount of your gift is not disclosed in this notice.)





The Fourth Sunday of Easter May 8, 2022

The fourth Sunday of Easter, known as Good Shepherd Sunday, is also the “World Day of Prayer for Vocations.” Each year on this Sunday, we reflect on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd who devotedly and kindly takes care of his flock. A shepherd leads, feeds, nurtures, comforts, corrects, and protects his flock. Responsibilities that belong to all Church leaders, parents, civil leaders, and all who are in charge of others. So, we pray today that we may become good shepherds to one another in whatever role God has called us to in the society.

Today’s first reading describes how Paul and Barnabas opted to listen to the voice of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, and follow him, and how, like their Master, they were rebuffed and rejected when they tried to share the good news of salvation. The second reading, taken from the book of Revelation, depicts Jesus as both the glorified Lamb and the Shepherd. John’s vision encourages his readers with the assurance that every person who has ever followed Christ and led others to him will share everlasting life with him. The Gospel text offers us both comfort and a great challenge. The comforting message is that no one can snatch the sheep out of his Father’s hands. The challenge is that we have to be good sheep.

We are invited today to become good shepherds and good sheep, good leaders, and good followers. Everyone who is entrusted with the care of others is a shepherd. Hence pastors, parents, teachers, doctors, nurses, government officials, etc. are all shepherds. We become good shepherds by loving those entrusted to us, praying for them, spending our time and talents for their welfare, and guarding them from physical and spiritual dangers.

This Sunday is also called Vocations Sunday. And we are called upon today to pray in a special way for Vocations in the Church. The Church needs leaders who can take care of the needs of her members, especially Spiritual needs. So let us ask God to inspire by His Spirit, especially, the Young, to considered serving the Church in Priesthood, Religious life, Diaconate and in any other Ministry within the Church.

Besides the vocation to be a priest, a religious person (Nun or Brother) or a Permanent deacon, there are many other ways (vocations) in which one can serve the Church. The Lord has a life-vocation for each one of us. Each person can do something for the Lord and for the community that only he or she can do. Each one of us has a unique contribution to make to the work of the Lord in the world, to the life of the church, and that contribution is just as important as anyone else’s contribution. We each have a unique vocation and each vocation is equally significant.



Very Reverend Gerry Kaggwa

Let us also pray for those already serving the Church to be Good shepherds of God’s people through their actions but above all by their way of life.

Please Remember in your Prayers



Charlie Koening, Frank Koehler and all mom’s gone before us.

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If you need to add to the prayer list please call the office, email, or leave a note in the box outside the office. Remember to put family or friend by their name.



Fourth Sunday of Easter Protected by Christ

Reading I: Acts 13:14, 43–52 (Paul’s and Barnabas’ address to the Gentiles)

Reading II: Revelation 7:9, 14–17 (rejoicing of the elect of every nation)

Gospel: John 10:27–30 (words at the feast of the dedication of the temple) Key Passage Jesus said, “My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand.” (John 10:27–28)

Adult: Whom do you try to protect as Christ protects you?

Child: Who helps you feel safe and protected? Whom can you take care of and help feel safe?



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Father Bob Nash

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*Bruno Tassone*



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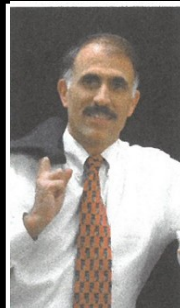
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