

The Catholic Church Of The Visitation

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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 24, 2022 Year C

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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

Pastor, Gerald Kaggwa
119 Club Drive
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MASS/MUSIC

Entrance Song: Come, Christians Join To Sing #554

Lord Have Mercy

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, on this day I called for help,
you answered me.

Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel Acclamation: You have received a Spirit of adoption,
through which we cry, Abba, Father.

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Homily: Father Gerry

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Prayers of the Faithful: Response: Lord hear our prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: Isaiah 49 #615

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: Abba! Father #540

Meditation: Seek Ye First #442

Recessional: The Spirit Sends Us Forth #391



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

1st-Ed Harriman & Carol Walsh; 3rd-Germaine Hayes;
5th-Pat Paul; 6th-Grace Anderson & James Davenport;
8th-Pat Marchant & Ralph Linden; 10th-Al Langer;
11th-Mary Sue Dougherty; 12th-Steve Kirsch & Donna Thompson;
15th-Aldo DeCollibus & Ashley Holthouse; 19th-Bob Puleo & David
Marcil; 20th-Lee Reamy; 21st-Roseanne Moncure; 22nd-Paula Wilson;
23rd-Robert Wilson; 24th-Richard Dougherty; 29th-Bill Puttmann.

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



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

2nd-Spike & Becky Nunn; 3rd-Charlie & Margaret Hock;
7th-Charlie & Anne Costello; 8th-Tom & Cindy Jessee &
Don & Maria Tyrrell; 10th-Skip & Lois Kramb; 18th-Sal & Lorie
Messina; 18th-Mike & Gretchen Borzelleca; 19th-John & Carol
McCormack; 22nd-Lee & Pat Reamy; 25th-Bill & Michelle Puttmann.

ROSARY

Please join us as we pray the rosary every Sunday before Mass.
We begin at 8:30 am in the new worship area & 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.



Community Leader:
Gary Richardson

Altar Server:
Joe Sychterz

Lectors:
John Weidner/Becky Nunn

Extraordinary Minister for
Holy Communion

Mary Sychterz/Cindy Jessee

Music Cantor:
John McCormack

Collection Counters:
Harris/Davenport

OFFERTORY COLLECTION from July 17, 2022

Collection: \$ 3,032
Second Collection:
Total Offertory Collection Year to Date \$ 8,679
Total Budget Projection: \$ 7,686

Our second collection today is for Parish Beautification.

We signed the following principal checks this week:
\$195 Parish Life Expenses; \$120 Stamps.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Parents Day)
July 31st: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 7th: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 14th: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 21st: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 28th: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



LEGACY GIFTS

Trusts allow you to make a gift to your church in the future.
You may set up the trust now and keep the income for
yourself or other beneficiaries as long as you choose, or for
life. The church will receive the property after that. There
are special tax benefits for these kinds of trusts.



Potential Promise Purpose

Charitable Remainder Trusts allow you to
make a gift to your church while retaining
income from the gifted asset during your
lifetime (and that of your spouse). If the trust
is funded with appreciated property, capital
gains taxes may be avoided. There will also be
a significant current income tax deduction at
the time the trust is created.

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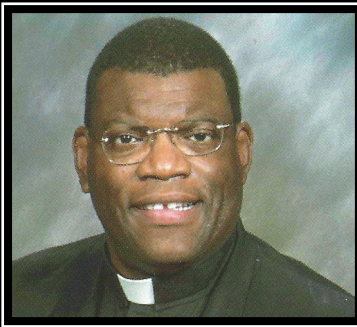


Last Sunday, we said
goodbye to Carol
Smith, who left
Middlesex to be
closer to family. Carol
and spouse Art, joined
the parish on 1999 and



were both very active parishioners. Carol led our
Respect for Life efforts and also chaired the Greeters'
Ministry for many years.

Our Blessings, Thanks, and Prayers go with her.



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: tcfichmond.org Application deadline: Early March 2022

SUPPORTER OF OUR FATHER JOHN BODDIE SCHOLARSHIP

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- Kathy Kauffman
- Tommy & Donna Lange
- John & Diane Weidner
- Mike & Gretchen Borzelleca
- Dave & Emily Filippi
- Frank & Terry Sisto
- Cynthia & Chuck Taylor
- Charles & Louise Hartz
- Jim Angell
- Lynne McMurtrie
- Terry Skovera
- Don Tyrrell



*For a wonderful church
and the youth of the church.
Lynn Shepherd*

*In loving memory of the
McMurtrie's and Strotmeyer's;
Still alive in my heart.
Mollie McMurtrie*

**WE SALUTE
THE YOUTH OF OUR
CHURCH AND THEIR
IMPORTANT JOURNEY**
Carmen & Joe Brinkley

*In Loving
Memory of
Tony Meushaw.
Peg Meushaw*



*In loving memory of
Joseph H. Nolte Jr.
Forever,
JoAnn*



*In support
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 yard sale building.

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



PARISH COUNCIL SYNOD ACTION ITEMS

In the next few weeks we will publish the action items taken up by the Parish Council as a result of our Synod Consultations.

Below are the first three action items.

Action Item #1

- *Provide more information, discussion and communication on how the parish is organized and how it functions.
- *Present and explain the purpose of the Parish Council, how is it organized and how it interacts with all parishioners.
- *Encourage more timely and direct communication. Everyone should know that all Parish Council meetings are open to all parishioners.

Action Item #2

- *Explain and promote the various ministries and opportunities to participate within the Church.
- *We need more people involved and participating.
- *Many current leaders and participants are fulfilling multiple roles.
- *A renewed effort on recruiting new volunteers for the various ministries specifically cantors, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, etc. would help.

Action Item #3

- *Provide additional education about the fundamental teachings and beliefs of the Catholic Church.
- *There seems to be a meaningful amount of confusion, unawareness and lack of understanding in many of the fundamental teachings of faith and the beliefs of the Catholic Church.
- *More education and discussion is needed and desired on critical topics including, but not limited to understanding the Sacraments and addressing the lack of openness and the exclusivity of the Church.
- *Perhaps we can be more inclusive and draw more people back by explaining and educating parishioners on the Church's teaching on the Sacrament of Communion.

MARY'S CHOICE RVA

Virtual Baby Shower

The new maternity home in Richmond for mothers in crisis pregnancies has created a baby registry on Amazon Smile. Their goal is to have enough baby gear for the next 10 women who seek help from Mary's Choice RVA. Please consider purchasing one of these items for the babies whose mothers choose life. The bigger ticket items are perfect for several people to purchase together and there are many smaller but much need items as well. The gear will be shipped directly to Mary's Choice RVA. The link to Amazon Smile Baby Registry is: <https://smile.amazon.com/baby-reg/marys-babyshower-august-2022-richmond/WIRX4UNTCQS3>

Please contact Cindy Jessee with any questions. Thank you!

A HEARTY WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

Bob and Maura Puleo
(Emily, Grace & Caroline)
388 Jackson Drive
Deltaville, VA 23043
egcpuleo@yahoo.com



PASTOR'S VACATION

During the month of August, after three and a half years of absence, Father Gerry will return to Uganda for a well-deserved month's vacation.

Our guest priest during Father's absence will be Reverend Christopher Isinta, a retired priest of the Archdiocese of Newark, who will reside in the rectory while here. His availability will allow us to celebrate Daily Mass during August on a normal schedule.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Question: Will the fellowship hall be made available to non-parish organizations?



Answer: The Fellowship Hall and Kitchen Committee looked at this issue in great detail and recently made recommendations for its use to the Finance Council.

The Council will discuss it as a council and communicate further with father. When the final decision is made, we will announce it to the parish.

The main theme of today's Scripture readings is the power of intercessory prayer, and the necessity for persistence and perseverance in prayer with trusting faith and boldness. These readings teach us what to pray for, and how to pray. The first reading, taken from the book of Genesis, gives us the model for intercessory prayer provided by Abraham in his dialogue with God. Through his skillful bargaining and humble, persistent intercession, God is actually being moved to mercy by the goodness of a few innocents in the city.

In the Gospel today Jesus teaches his disciples to pray the "Our Father." One of the prayers that has special significance for us is the Lord's Prayer, the Our Father, because it was taught to us by Jesus. You will notice that we listened to the Lord's Prayer today in Luke's Gospel, which is slightly different to the version we use. Church uses the one in Matthew which is slightly longer than Luke's version. In this prayer, we see Jesus teaching us to pray for what we need. He also, encourages us to pray unceasingly. We have to persist in our praying. In other words, keep praying to God for what you need, do not stop praying, continue to pray until your prayers are answered. Our Father is the foundation of all prayers. It involves all that we pray for.

Our Father: Jesus taught us to call God Father because he is the source of all life. To call God 'Our Father' shows the intimacy that should exist between us and our heavenly Father. We call God *OUR* Father because we are all one family in the Church. Civil society makes distinctions and differences, but it is not so in the Church. Since baptism we all belong to the one family of God.

Hallowed be your Name: In this petition we ask that God's name be recognized as hallowed and holy all over the world. Too often there is a lack of respect for the holiness of God's name and in this prayer, we pray that the whole world may respect God's name.

Your Kingdom Come: Jesus preached many times about the Kingdom of God using parables. When praying for the coming of the God's Kingdom, we pray that our world will more and more come to reflect the goodness and love of God.

Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven: This petition is only in Matthew's version of the prayer (not in Luke's). We pray in that God's plan may be fulfilled in our lives and in the life of every person in the whole world. When God's will is done in our lives, then we become most fully who we are meant to be.

Give us each day our daily bread: we ask God to provide us with all that we need e.g., food, house, etc... Although we work to provide for our needs, we know that ultimately everything we have is a gift from God. We also ask God to fulfill our spiritual needs.

Forgive us our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us: We all stand in need of God's mercy and there is no limit to God's mercy. We can always reach out to God for his mercy. We are also reminded to forgive those who hurt us because we ask God to forgive us just as we forgive others. Forgiveness is not just an emotion; it is a decision. We need to decide to forgive those who hurt us.

And do not subject us to the final test/lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: Obviously God does not want us to fall into temptation or to be overcome by evil. Here we ask God to prevent us from falling into temptation, but if it happens due to human weakness, then to rescue us.

Through the *Our Father*, Jesus is giving us a new vision of human relationships: that we all, irrespective of our social background, are the

children of God and thereby are brothers and sisters. When we are able to treat God as our Father and love Him accordingly, and if we are able to treat every other human being as our own dear brothers and sisters and love them accordingly, then shall we experience the Kingdom of God here on earth and enjoy this in the next life. When we love each other and forgive each other's failings God also will love us and forgive us. This is the foundation of true faith.



Very Reverend Gerry Kagawa

Please Remember in your Prayers

Marguerite Hock, Thomas Webb, Min Tassone, Morgan Wells & Ron Lester



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Laurie Mears, Mollie McMurtrie, Jack King, Shelley Katsuki, Steve Forte, Donna Thompson, James Peddicord, Paul Pearce, Eileen O'Brien, Laurie King, Cherianne Johnson, Spike & Becky Nunn, Jim Moncure, Lois & Skip Kramb, Marianne Krop, Tom Foley, Michele Meanley, Jack & Louise Petralia, Grace Anderson, Natalie Smith, Pat Paul, Margaret Hock, Anne Dunn, Tom & Cindy Jessee, Mike Lokie, Steve Kirsch and family, Marilynne Cerullo, Tom Hawksworth, Nancy Wirth, Bettie Hodge, Bob & Ingrid Borden, Bill & Linda Gray, Pat & Lee Reamy.

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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.

NATIONAL PARENTS' DAY

National Parents' Day honors all parents on the fourth Sunday in July. No matter where our parents may be, this day serves to celebrate their important role in our lives.

In May we celebrated mothers, and in June we celebrated fathers. It follows that in July we can bring all our parents together and show them some appreciation all at once.

Parents play a vital role in the lives of children. From our birth, parents protect, teach, provide, and serve as role models. As part of a family, we look to them for guidance. We mirror their behavior and learn to be a core part of our communities.

Throughout our lives, our parents lead us to be independent thinking individuals. As many of us know, those efforts can be challenging. The world is changing as quickly as they grow.

Often the sleepless nights and worry seem endless. On this particular Sunday, we honor all parents who do everything to raise and protect their children.



In Loving Memory Of
Alma and Fritz Sitterding

Supporting Our Youth



In Loving Memory of
Bobby Warren

Your Family
Arlene,
L.C., Faye,
Caitlyn & Courtney

"Gone but not to be forgotten"

In Loving Memory of
"Vinnie Recupido"
Barbara Hollingsworth



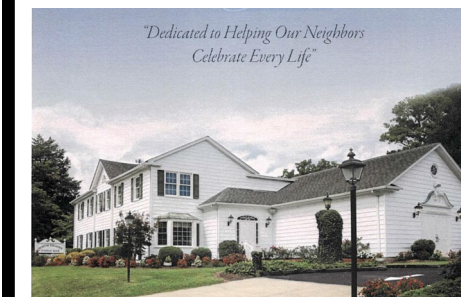
When someone you love
becomes a memory
the memory becomes
a treasure.

Jerry McMurtie



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"ANYWAY PRAYER"**

People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered; forgive them anyway. If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives; be kind anyway. If you are successful, you will win some false friends and true enemies; succeed anyway. If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you; be honest and frank anyway. What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight; build it anyway. If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous; be happy anyway. The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow; do good anyway. Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough; give the world the best you've got anyway. You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God; it was never between you and them anyway.

**Breathe in Love,
Exhale Peace.**



In Loving
Memory Of
David E. Brinkley


In Loving Memory of
"Vincent Recupido"
Dolores

Frank & Gerrie Lohr
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Thanks for always
supporting us in
everything we do!
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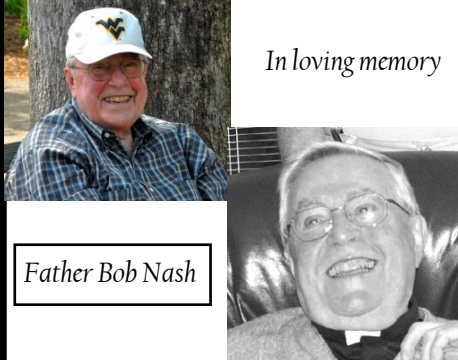
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In memory of Church Dog, "CHRISTIAN"

In loving memory



Father Bob Nash

Thanks for being part of the COV family these past 16 years.
God Bless You All
Ron & Georgia Beville

In Loving Memory of
Bruno Tassone
Min Tassone & Family



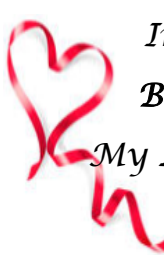
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Best wishes to all the youth at Church of the Visitation
Mary Virginia & Tom Bliley

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My Love of My Life
Jenny



In loving memory of
Marty Hawksworth
Tom & Sharon

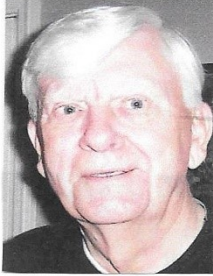


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"Say not in grief 'he is no more' but in thankfulness that he was".

Kenneth Anderson



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Forever, Marianne



In Loving Memory

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