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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 31, 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
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MASS/MUSIC

Entrance Song: For the Beauty of the Earth #611

Lord Have Mercy

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23

Responsorial Psalm: If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Gospel Acclamation: Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of God.

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Homily: Father Gerry

Nicene Creed: page 9

Prayers of the Faithful: Response: Lord hear our prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: In Every Age #470

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: Gift Of Finest Wheat #329

Meditation: Parable #689

Recessional: Sent Forth By God's Blessing #379



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:
John McCormack

Altar Server:
Kaylee Kirsch

Lectors:
Joe Sychterz/Louise Petralia

July 31, 2022

Extraordinary Minister for
Holy Communion

Joyce & Mike Ballato

Music Cantor:
John McCormack

Collection Counters:
Angell/Harriman

OFFERTORY COLLECTION from July 24, 2022

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| Collection: | \$ 2,586 |
| Second Collection: Parish Beautification | \$ 327 |
| Total Offertory Collection Year to Date | \$ 11,265 |
| Total Budget Projection: | \$ 10,050 |

There is no second collection today.

We signed the following principal checks this week:
\$159 Printer Leasing Fee; \$208 June Telephone.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today: 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
September 4th: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time-Labor Day Weekend



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.

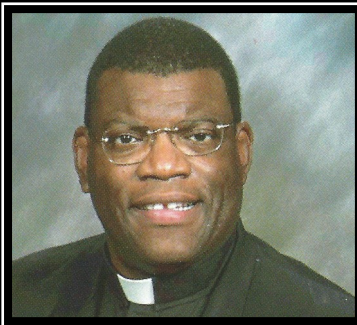
FAREWELL



Two Sundays ago,
we said goodbye to
Carol Smith,
who left Middlesex to
be closer to family.
Carol and spouse Art,
joined the parish in



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

- Vera & John England
- Christine & Peggy Williams
- 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

PARISH COUNCIL SYNOD ACTION ITEMS CONTINUED:

Listed below are three additional action items that the Parish Council has taken up as a result of our Synod Consultations. The Council member responsible for coordinating activities related to each Action Item is listed as the Owner.

- Share Synod consultation results. (Owner: John Weidner)**
 - Information gathered from the local Synod meetings should be shared with the parishioners.
 - What are we doing right? What can we do better?
 - Some topics explored during Synod consultations may need further discussion.
- Explore more ways for women to be involved in a meaningful way in our local parish. (Owner: Roseanne Moncure)**

The role of women was mentioned numerous times during Synod consultations. Suggestions for more Involvement included:

 - Involve women in more leadership positions and participate in more roles that involve financial decisions
 - Create a chapter of the "Legion of Mary" to bring women together to reach out into the community
 - Establish an organization of interfaith women who band together to help those in our county who are in need.
- Explore ways for better use of technology. (Owner: Cindy Jessie)**
 - Provide additional awareness of what's available through blogs, emails and webcasts on relevant issues & topics.
 - A list of what parishioners are listening to, watching or reading might be helpful.
 - It would be helpful to publish links to Catholic bible reflections, websites, newspapers, & commentaries on line.
 - Consider expanded use of technology for virtual meetings, bible studies and discussion groups.

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!

REGRETS

With regrets we announce the death of parishioner Lee Reamy from natural causes last Wednesday. Lee and spouse Pat joined the church in 2001 and Lee was an instrumental member of our first Building Committee. When we receive definitive information about a Mass Of Resurrection, we will publish it.



Our prayers are with Pat and the family.



A HEARTY WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

Bob and Maura Puleo (Emily, Grace & Caroline)

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GUEST PRIEST CHANGES

Because of a family emergency, Reverend Isinta will be unavailable to substitute for Father Gerry when he is in Uganda. Our celebrant on August 7th is *Monsignor Thomas Miller*; on the 14th it will be our old friend *Father Richard Mooney*, who has been a guest priest before. On the 21st, *Deacon Jim Satterwhite* will be the Celebrant, and *Deacon Jim Badalis* will round out the month on the 28th. Because of this change **we will not have Daily Mass during August.**

The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time 'C' July 31, 2022

The Message of today's readings is the futility of the greed and thirst for power because everything and everyone is "here today and gone tomorrow." So, the meaning of life cannot be found in selfishly seeking possessions and power, but only in God.

Today we focus on our priorities and attitudes in life. Nowhere in today's readings or in the Bible does it say that having possessions is wrong. The question is what importance do we give them in our lives? The first reading today is from the Book of Ecclesiastes. In this reading we hear that 'all things are vanity', meaning that many things we take to be important are but an illusion. They are not important after all. It is an illusion to think that wealth or possessions or power in themselves can give true happiness and especially if we put them in the place of God so that they become idols. Because we then act as if we are independent of God

In the gospel Jesus refuses to get involved in a dispute regarding an inheritance between two brothers. He takes the opportunity to warn people against avarice or greed of any kind. Greed can become an idol because it consists in putting our trust in something other than God. Jesus is not talking only about material possessions. He is talking about anything that can become an idol for us. Anything which can take us away from love of God and neighbor.

The parable itself offers two points worthy of consideration. The first point is the rich man's self-centeredness. The wealth resulting from his abundant harvest will be enjoyed by him alone. An abundant harvest would most likely require a larger work force, but the idea of sharing with the laborers the benefits of the bumper crop never crossed the rich man's mind.

We may not be rich farmers ourselves, but we have all been blessed with a variety of gifts, an abundance of richness. We need to be willing to share with others the gifts God gave us. We are invited to share our blessings with others. The parable of the rich farmer gives us a warning as well as an invitation. It reminds us that our God given gifts, be it material things or talents, are merely lent to us by God, and that we are accountable for their use. We must be generous in sharing our time, our treasure, and our talents in Christian stewardship.

The lesson we get from today's readings is that we are here on earth only for a short time and that we should think of the above (heaven) not of what is on earth as St. Paul says in the second reading. The real riches that we take with us to heaven are those kind gestures towards the needy. These acts of love will give one real freedom and a deep sense of peace and joy.

The goal of life is to be eternally happy, not temporarily happy. Without God all life is meaningless. But with God, every aspect of our lives proclaims the reason for our creation: to know him, to love him, to serve him by rendering service to our neighbor and our community. This is true happiness, which lasts forever.



Very Reverend Gerry Kaggwa

Please Remember in your Prayers



Lee Reamy, Robert Patterson, Eugene Chiodo, Father Bob Nash, Charlotte Neuburger & David Smith

PARISHIONERS

Mary Ann Wynn, 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 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.

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ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

For those who were unable to attend Mass last Sunday, you may pick up a copy of the Annual Financial Report from the admin table in the Narthex.



In Loving Memory Of
Alma and Fritz Sitterding

Supporting Our Youth



In Loving Memory of
Bobby Warren

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

"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.

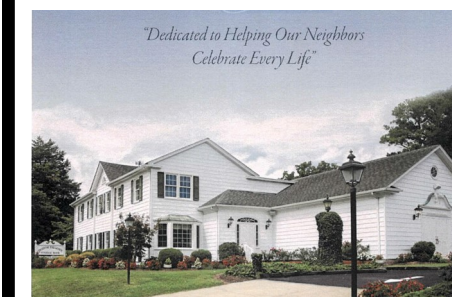
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"ANYWAY PRAYER"

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

Frank & Gerrie Lohr
Supporting
Higher Education

In Loving Memory of
"Vincent Recupido"
Dolores

We Support The Youth Scholarship

John & Carol McCormack

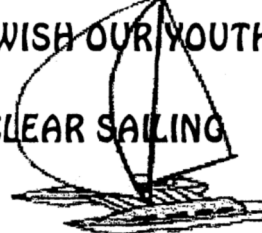


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Emily & Anna

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Choco, Tabby & Rufus



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When there seems to be no way
God works in ways I can not see
God will make a way for me"

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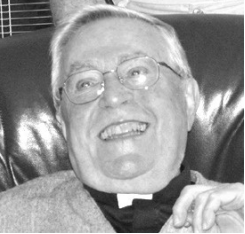


In memory of Church Dog, "CHRISTIAN"

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

Supporting the Scholarships
Jack & Laurie King

Best wishes to all the youth at Church of the Visitation

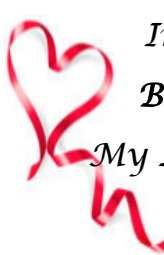
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In Memory of
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My Love of My Life
Jenny



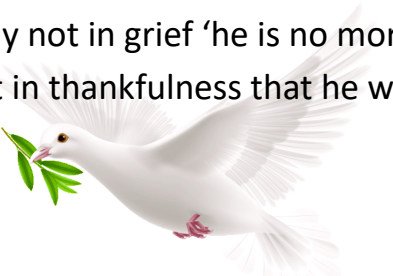
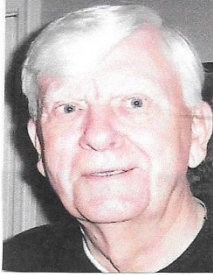
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Tom & Sharon

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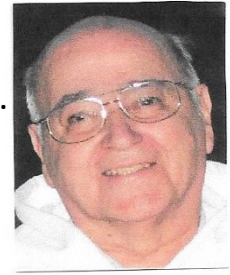


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"Say not in grief 'he is no more' but in thankfulness that he was".

Kenneth Anderson



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Spike and Becky Nunn