

The Catholic Church Of The Visitation

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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 16, 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

Pastor, Gerald Kaggwa
119 Club Drive
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MASS/MUSIC

Entrance: Shepherd of Souls #370

Lord Have Mercy #913

Glory To God #914

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

Responsorial Psalm: Our help is from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

Gospel Acclamation: The word of God is living and effective,
discerning reflections and thought of the heart.

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Homily: Father Gerry Kaggwa

Nicene Creed: page 9

Prayers of the Faithful: Response: Lord hear our prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: Christ Before Us #412

Holy: #917

Memorial Acclamation: When we eat this bread, and drink this
cup we proclaim your death O Lord until we meet again.

Lord's Prayer: page 26

Lamb of God: #922

Communion: I Am the Bread of Life #326

Mediation: Be Thou My Vision #398

Recessional: Tell the Good News #376



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



1st-Anne Baltrusaitis, Kevin Hayes, Mary Ellen Sherwood,
Dot Edwards & Nora Putney; 3rd-Bryan & Cayden Miller,
4th-Jean Kostaskey, 6th-Cathie Sobieski,
8th-Bill Campbell, 12th-Diane Weidner, 13th-Marilynne Cerullo,
15th-Father Gerry Kaggwa & Stuart Beckett, 19th-Tom Jessee,
20th-Len Swinehart, 23rd-Becky Nunn & John Donner, 24th-Maura
Puleo & Tony Robusto, 25th-Noelle Harvey, 27th-Tom Dorman & Jan
Smith, 29th-Helen Linden & Nathalie Smith, 30th-Joann Nolte.

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

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES



5th-Mike & Joyce Ballato & Kevin & Germaine Hayes,
7th-Lee & Barbara Hollingsworth, 10th-John & Andrea
Moore, 19th-Gary & Joe Brown, 25th-John & Jen Clair &
James & Cathy Davenport, 27th-Steve & Lisa Forte.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 23rd-30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 30th-31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 6th-32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 10th-Parish Council Meeting
November 13th-33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Social Sunday)
November 20th-Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe
November 24th-Thanksgiving Mass 9:00am
November 27th-First Sunday of Advent

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

Community Leader:

John Clair

Altar Server:
Barbara Smith

Lectors:

Joe Sychterz/Becky Nunn

Extraordinary Minister for Holy Communion

Noelle Harvey/Joe Sychterz

Music Cantor:

Frank Lohr

Collection Counters:

Tutak/Harvey

October 16, 2022

OFFERTORY COLLECTION from October 9, 2022

Collection:	\$ 2,512
Second Collection:	
Total Offertory Collection Year to Date	\$ 37,107
Total Budget Projection:	\$ 36,675



Our second collection today is for St Noa School

We signed the following principal checks this week.
\$176 Printer expenses; \$420 Sept electricity; \$149 Bank Fees

LEGACY GIFTS

By creating a legal will or living trust, you can provide your next-of-kin with a peace of mind, knowing that you have already determined how your estate will be distributed and who will care for minor children. They will still grieve, but they won't face the daunting task of making decisions that you could have made.



Potential Promise & Purpose

A will also provides an excellent opportunity to remember our congregation. A gift to the church through your will serves as a testament to your heirs of your faith in God and the resurrection. It provides you with one last opportunity to exemplify what it means to be a good steward, providing for others as God has provided for you during your lifetime. What a blessing you can be to future generations!

Drafting a will is a simple process, but make sure it is done right. By using expert advisors, such as attorneys and financial planners, your wishes can be honored after you are gone.

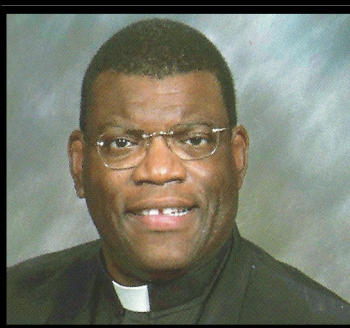
OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The youth faith formation classes will be learning about charity and giving back to the community this year. One activity we will do is participate in Operation Christmas Child. Through this project, Samaritan's Purse partners with churches worldwide to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and make disciples of the nations. We collect shoebox gifts filled with toys, school supplies, and hygiene items for children around the world. Since 1993, more than 198 million children in more than 170 countries and territories have received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox. The project delivers not only the joy of what, for many kids, is their first gift ever, but also gives them a tangible expression of God's love

We are requesting donations of 1) empty shoeboxes, 2) items to fill the shoeboxes and 3) monetary donations to cover the cost of mailing the shoeboxes around the world. A box will be in the social hall for donations through the month of October. You can find more information about what items make good donations by visiting: <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox-suggestions/>

The children will wrap and mail all the donated items from this church, as well as participate in a large-scale shopping, wrapping and mailing day with other local youth before National Collection Week, November 14-21 2022. Monetary donations can be made out to COV, mark Operation Christmas Child in the memo.

For more information see Shelley Katsuki.



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: tcrichmond.org Application deadline: Early March 2023

SUPPORTER OF OUR FATHER JOHN BODDIE SCHOLARSHIP

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- Kathy Kauffman
- Tommy & Donna Lange
- John & Diane Weidner
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- Cynthia & Chuck Taylor
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JoAnn

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Carmen & Joe Brinkley

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 ELECTIONS

Today we elect three members to our Parish Council for a three year term. On the ballot you were provided, please circle up to three names. You may place the ballot in the collection basket or hand it to an usher after Mass. After tabulation, we will contact the highest votegetters to re-confirm their desires to serve and announce the winners thereafter. Every adult and confirmed teenagers are eligible to vote in the election, and we will accept ballots through Wednesday, October 19th.

Questions about the parish council election process can be directed to John Weidner, Parish Council Chair or Ray Kostaske, Church Administrator.



BEHIND THE SCENES

The volunteer services of our parishioners are extraordinary and provide the framework for a healthy and strong religious community.

Many of you know the ministry heads and observe the persons who each Sunday provide a visible presence of their church and parish commitment. But what about those who do the "behind the scenes" tasks that help enrich our community? Frequently we will highlight these invisible ones for your information.

Today we honor the collection counters. These folks are the last ones to depart the church on Sunday after having counted that day's collection. We have five teams, each one designated to count on a specific Sunday of the month. They are Brendan O'Brien, Barbara Smith, Jack King, Jim Angell, Steve Kirsch, Noelle Harvey, Christine Tutak, Johnna Harris, Kathy Davenport, Debby Harriman, and Charlie Hock. These dedicated individuals deserve our utmost thanks for performing their important financial task. Thank you for your service.



FYI OYSTERFEST PARTICIPATION

The Urbanna Oyster Festival is November 4th-5th this year and COV will have a booth on community row headed by Peggy Williams. She headed a successful event last year selling baked goods.



Our booth will need bread bakers and workers to staff it for 2-3 hour shifts in the coming weeks we will have sign-up sheets in the Narthex asking for bread bakers and workers.

In conjunction with this effort, Eileen O'Brien is making seasonal table runners to sell, as well. If you would like to help her, please contact her.



REGRETS

Former parishioner and resident of the Northern Neck, Mary Jacobs, died last Sunday. Many, also known fondly as "Mary, Mary" was our Pastoral Care Coordinator for many years prior to Lynne Richardson.



Her Mass of Resurrection will be held this coming Wednesday, October 19th, at 1:00pm in our New Worship Area. A reception will follow.

She will be interred on the 20th at Historic Christ Church in Irvington. In Lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Cat Cove, Inc. @ catcove.org.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast after Mass on the 4th Sunday of the month, October 23rd. The menu will be pancakes, sausage, juice & coffee.

Please stay after and enjoy breakfast and camaraderie with fellow parishioners. Donations accepted.



NEW STAINED GLASS WINDOW

Our talented artist Al Langer completed and mounted a stained glass window in Father Gerry's vesting room last week.

It's a work of art by an artist. Please feel free to take a peak at the window, admire it, and thank Al for his beautiful work.

He also plans to create another window for Father's confessional booth.

Thank you



A few Sundays ago we said farewell



to our parishioners Ingeborg and Jim Peddicord Their new address is: 212 Peach wood Lane Virginia Beach, VA 23452. We will miss you all!



A hearty welcome to our new parishioner ... Simone Moss Christ Church School 49 Seahorse Lane Christ Church, VA 23031 754-301-9333 simonemoss@gmail.com

Today's message is prayer, perseverance in prayer, constancy in prayer and trust in God as we pray. Today we are invited to feel and understand the effect of prayer. True prayer is not just saying words, it involves the whole person. And sometimes we need the community because alone we may fail to focus ourselves due to human imperfections.

The First Reading from the Book of Exodus and the Gospel reading from Luke both speak about perseverance in prayer. Perseverance in prayer means not giving up but continuing to pray. In the battle against Amalek, the forces of Israel were winning as long as Moses held his hands up. This was not magic. This was prayer. The ancient way of praying, and the way many of us pray at times is to lift our hands up to the Lord. When Moses let his arms fall, Amalek prevailed. When Moses stopped praying, Amalek prevailed. He needed the help and support of Aaron and Hur to keep his arms up. He needed the support of others to persevere in prayer.

What a wonderful symbolic way for expressing something that we have all experienced. We pray at home, we come to mass and often enthusiastically take part, we feel active, at other times however, we droop. We lose interest and even have doubts about faith. Sometimes we feel that we can't pray, we may sit there feeling completely depressed but in fact prayer is going on all around us. It is as if all the other people in the Church, in the community, in the family are holding our tired arms up. The prayers going on around us carries us along with it. Maybe it takes us a very long time to regain our energy but eventually we get there carried along by the others. We need each other.

Jesus in the Gospel invites us to tell God freely and persistently about our needs, often our only form of prayer. Jesus tells a humorous story of an unjust judge and a persistent widow. "If I don't give her what she wants, she's going to strike me" the judge says. It might sound as strange as an example, but He (Jesus) is reminding us that our loving Father will respond to our continual prayers.

We have to keep praying. We can't give up, even when, especially when, it seems that our prayers are not being heard. The problem is that we are used to getting immediate results. We have a question, we Google it, and immediately an answer appears. This is fine for the physical life, but prayer is not physical. It is spiritual. When we pray, we are calling upon God to fulfill our needs, but according to his will not our will. "Let his will be done".

We can't give up on prayer, be it for our personal needs, or the needs of others. Every single one of us is a member of the Body of Christ. And our prayers strengthen that body of Christ. So, we need to pray for our Church. We need to pray for our country. We need to pray for our young people. We need to pray for our families, our loved ones. We need to pray for ourselves and of course we need others to pray for us. We cannot give up on prayer. We cannot give up on God, and our God will never give up on us.



Very Reverend Gerry Kaggwa V.F.

Please Remember in your Prayers



Mary Jacobs, Lee Reamy, Karin Wilkins

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Tom Foley, 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, Michele Meanley, Jack & Louise Petralia, Grace Anderson, Natalie Smith, Pat Paul, Margaret Hock, Anne Dunn, Tom & Cindy Jessee, Mike Lokie, Steve Kirsch, 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.

AUTUMN PRAYER

O God of Creation you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons. As we embrace these autumn months, May the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest. May the crunch of the leaves beneath our feet remind us of the brevity of this earthly life. May the steam of our breath in the cool air remind us that it is your who gives us your breath of life. May the scurrying of the squirrels and the migration of the birds remind us that you call us follow your will. We praise you for your goodness forever and ever.

Amen



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



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Jerry McMurtrie



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Thank You Lord Art & Carol Smith

In support of our Youth Scholarship Fund Richard and Marilyn Cox

SAINT THERESA OF CALCUTTA'S "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

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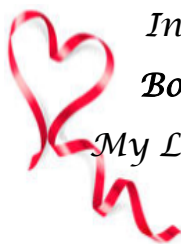
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