The Catholic Church Of The Visitation

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Pentecost Sunday May 28, 2023 Year A

Church Hours

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

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

PARISH MINISTRIES

Parish Life: Johnna Harris

FINANCE COUNCIL

Ray Kostesky-Chairman

John Charbeneau

Debby Harriman

Fritz Sitterding

Lisa Forte

Justice & Peace

Worship/Liturgy: Germaine Hayes

Religious Education: Eileen O'Brien

Pastoral Care: Lynne Richardson

Administration, Ray Kostesky

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Please call the office about arranging Baptisms, Marriages, the RCIA Program, Sacraments of Anointing, Reconciliation, Sick Calls, the schedule for Holy Days, and our Rosary Ministry.

PARISH COUNCIL

Steve Forte Kevin Hayes Cindy Jessee-Vice Chair Helen Linden Roseanne Moncure-Secretary Steve Kirsch Cindy Powers Kathy Swinehart Mary Sychterz John Weidner-Chair

Church Secretary, Andrea Moore Webmaster/IT, Mike Dreelin

MASS/MUSIC

Entrance: Come, Holy Ghost #456

Lord Have Mercy #913

Liturgy of the Word

Glory To God #914

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Lord send out your Spirit, and renew the face of he earth.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Gospel Acclamation: Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Gospel: John 20:19-23 Homily: Father Gerry Kaggwa

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Prayers of the Faithful: Response: Lord hear our prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: O Breathe On Me, O Breath of God #654

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: God's Holy Gifts #344

Mediation: All Is Well With My Soul #471

Recessional: One Spirit, One Church #424

May Birthdays

1st-Pat DeGroot, 2nd-Cynthia Taylor, 3rd-Scott Kauffman, 6th-Camdyn Putney & Matt Sherwood, 8th-Donna Lange, 9th-Denise Miller, 10th-Terry Skovera, 13th-Mike Harvey, 14th-Nick Wohleking,

15th-Niki Ambrose, 18th-Grace Puleo & Don Delagrange, 22nd-Spike Nunn, 24th Jennifer Miller 27th-Lynne Richardson, 28th-Tim Wohleking, 29th-Charlie Hock.

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



May Anniversaries 11th-Bob & Maura Puleo, 12th-Tom and Mary Foley-(50th) 16th-Tony & Annamarie Bonanno

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today-Pentecost Sunday/Pancake Breakfast May 31st-Bible Study 9:30am June 1st-Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am Iune 1st-COV was named a Parish in 1983 June 4th-The Most Holy Trinity June 7th-Bible Study 9:30am June 11th-The Most Holy Body and Blood Of Christ (Corpus Christi) June 14th-Bible Study 9:30am June 15th-Scholarship Meeting 10:00am June 25th-12 Sunday in Ordinary Time



<u>Community Leader</u> Bill Puttmann		<u>Extraordinary Minister for</u> <u>Holy Communion</u>	
<u>Altar Server</u> Joe Sychterz	May 28, 2023	Bread: Tom & Mary Dorman Cup: Shoemaker/Harvey/Marcil	
<u>Lectors</u> Lynne Dreelin/tom Dorman		<u>Music Cantor</u> John McCormack	
Sacristan Sandi Delagrange		<u>Collection Counters</u> Harris/Kirsch	

OFFERTORY COLLECTION from May 21, 2023				
Collection:	\$	2,551		
Second Collection:				
Total Offertory Collection Year to Date		114,795		
Total Budget Projection:		109,140		
Loan Amount		159,894		

Our second collection today is for The Holy Father.

We signed the following principal checks this week: \$1,680 church railing.

LEGACY

Proper estate planning can reduce administrative time, expense and inconvenience. Careful estate planning can also be one of the best gifts you give your family.

Who needs estate planning? Every adult who is legally competent, who owns anything and cares Promise & Purpose about who receives it at the time of their



disability or death. In addition, estate planning is necessary for anyone who wants to leave a bequest for their church.

Have you moved to another state since signing your estate planning documents? If so, consider having the documents checked by an attorney in the new state. In addition, this might be a good time to consider naming your church to receive a gift through your estate plans.

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.



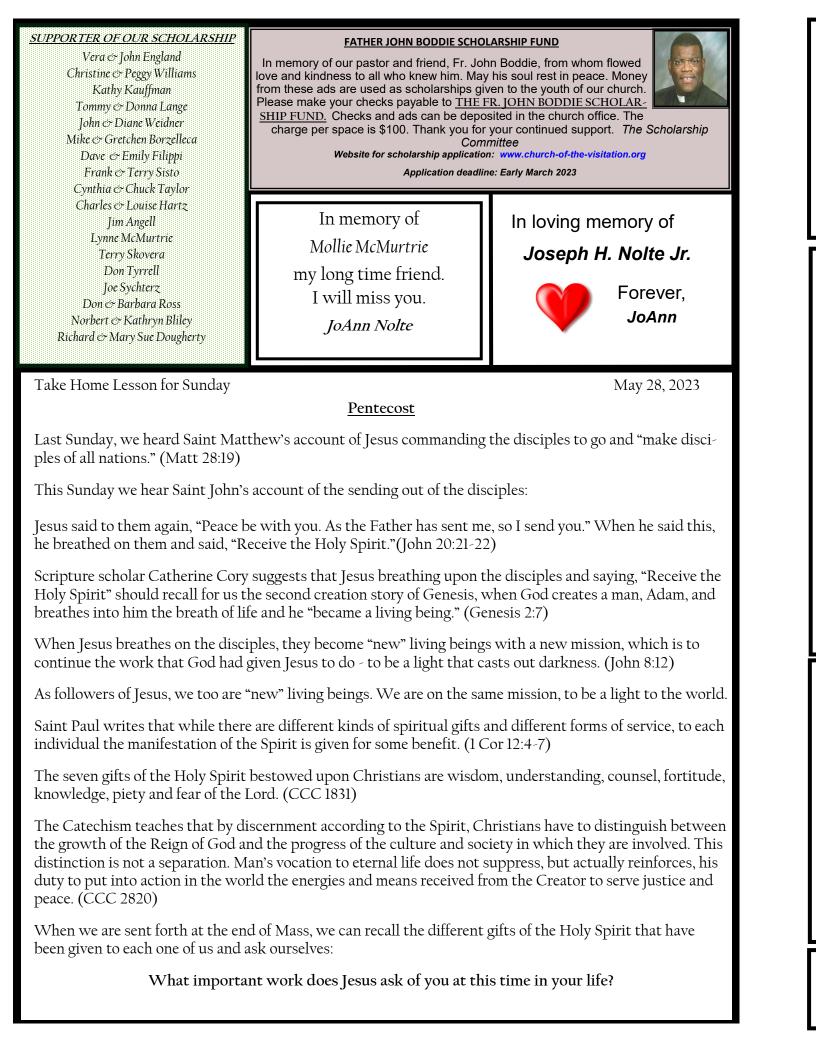
PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast after Mass today.



The menu will be pancakes, sausage, juice & coffee.

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



The Church of the Visitation is proud to announce the Baptism of Carl Louis Ambrose

Patrick Leonard Ambrose



which occurred two Sundays ago.

The Godfather is Gary Ambrose.

Mother is Nicole Ambrose-History teacher at MHS.

THE MONTH OF MAY

May, the month in which the earth springs into bloom (at least in the Northern Hemisphere) and we start thinking about planting gardens, family picnics and making vacation plans.

IT'S ALSO THE MONTH OF MARY

The ways Mary is honored in May is as varied as the people who honor her. It's common for parishes have a daily recitation of the Rosary during May, and many erect a special May altar with a statue or picture of Mary as a reminder of Mary's month. Additionally, it's a long-standing tradition to crown the statue of Mary during May – a custom known as May Crowning. Often, the crown is made of beautiful blossoms representing Mary's beauty and virtue. It's also a reminder to the faithful to strive to imitate our Blessed Mother's virtue in our own lives. May Crowning, in some areas, is a huge celebration and is usually done outside of Mass, although Mass may be celebrated before or after the actual crowning.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

The Father John Boddie Scholarship Fund Committee

announced the award of a scholarship for next school year to Nicholas Wohleking, son of Tim & Zaida Wohleking. Nicholas is a successful student attending Chowan University in North Carolina. He is also a star left-handed baseball pitcher who has received interest from two major league teams.



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Eucharistic Adoration will take place the first Thursday of every month. June 1, 2023 from 9:30am-10:30am.

PENECOST SUNDAY

The Christian feast of Pentecost, which is celebrated on the seventh Sunday after Easter, (50 days after Easter Sunday) commemorates the



descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as describe in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2:1-31). In Christian Tradition, this event represents the birth of the early church.

As one the most important solemnities on the Church's calendars, it has a rich depth of meaning, but here is how pope Benedict summarized it in 2012:

This Solemnity makes us remember and relive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles and the other disciples gathered in prayer with the Virgin Mary in the Upper Room (cf. Acts 2:1-11). Jesus, risen and ascended into Heaven, sent his Spirit to the Church so that every Christian might participate in his own divine life and become his valid witness in the world. The Holy Spirit, breaking into history, defeats aridity, opens hearts to hope, stimulates and fosters in us an interior maturity in our relationship with God and with our neighbor.

DISASTER

An overflowing toilet in the women's bathroom caused disastrous consequences to our admin wing this past week. Water flowed for close to two days unto the floor and all surrounding areas. Normal routine and use of the admin wing has been temporarily suspended until we dry out and assess full damage.









MULCH MEN AND WOMEN

Our deepest thanks to the following individuals who showed up Saturday a week ago to mulch our many islands and gardens. They deposited 20 yards of mulch in what Kevin Hayes and Dave Marcil classified as record

time for a group of non-landscapers: Evelyn Scott, Mary Ellen Sherwood, Dan Peterson, Dave Marcil, Frank Lohr, Joe Brinkley, Nick & Tim Wohleking, Steve Kirsch, Tom Jessee & Kevin Hayes.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 28, 2023

We celebrate Pentecost Sunday, meaning fifty days after - Easter Sunday. What took place on that day, changed the lives of the Apostles and all those who were with them. It also changed those who were listening as the Apostles spoke to them about Jesus. All this change was due to the Holy Spirit who descended on them, fulfilling the promise Jesus made to them that he will send them an advocate who will explain and make them understand all that Jesus taught them.

These apostles had been hiding for fear of those who crucified Jesus, they were scared! Right from the day Jesus was arrested, most of these Apostles were living in hiding, they just run away, except John, Mary the mother of Jesus and Mary Magdalene, and a few friends, who were present at the Crucifixion.

They were filled with fear and were gripped by a terrible sense of failure and inadequacy. A great task had been entrusted to them, yet they had neither the will nor the strength to begin it or defend it.

But now we see these Apostles publicly proclaiming Jesus as the Christ, right in the center of Jerusalem, in the Temple area. Telling people to believe in Jesus, because he is the Savior, the Messiah.

What a huge change. This is the power of the Holy Spirit. He replaces fear with courage. He makes those who believe to do things they would not do on their own. The changed apostles on that day experienced the fidelity of Jesus to his promise. They were suddenly overwhelmed by his love for them and trust in them. Then the Spirit launched them into the world to do the most exciting and worthwhile work of all - to be witnesses to the resurrection of Jesus and to preach his Gospel of salvation to all people. It is this same Holy Spirit who guides and leads the Church today. Such that despite many problems, the Church continues to grow.

The Holy Spirit who was poured into the Apostles and the Church came to unity all people under one God and Lord. Because wherever the Spirit of God abides, there is always unity. Divisions are created by our evil ways, our evil interests. God does not discriminate because He is the one who created all of us. From now on we no longer even think of ourselves as individuals who can save ourselves in isolation from others. We are part of one another. Pentecost not only witnessed the making of new individuals, it witnessed the making of a new community of brothers and sisters who care for each other.

Therefore, the Feast of Pentecost is for us a sign of how we are all united and how we can be and live together as God's children. And our mission as Christians is that of speaking God's language: at work, among our colleagues and associates, with our friends and neighbors. Our work is to bring healing to all those who suffer because of divisions. We must be a source of Hope, unity, love, and forgiveness, because the Spirit which we have received is working in us to bring about a change in all people by showing them God's love.

Pentecost is the birthday of the Church! The Disciples after receiving the Holy Spirit, they are anointed now with his gifts to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ without fear. It is this same Spirit with the same

gifts that works today in the Church, in us all as believers and disciples of Chris. The Holy Spirit empowers and encourages us to live and be real witnesses of the Lord

Let us always be grateful to God for the gift of the Holy Spirit who makes us strong in our faith, and may He guide all peoples to a better understanding of each other so that all may live in peace and harmony under the care of the Risen Christ.



Verv Reverend Gerry Kaggwa V.

Please Remember in your Prayers

Dottie Hines, Joe Edwards, Bill Gray Michel Schein and Charles Alter

PARISHIONERS

The Hollingsworth family, Sal Messina, Ralph Linden, Don Tyrrell, David Rector, Lorraine Kirsch, Tom Shoemaker, Tom & Bea Foley, Jack & Laurie King, Shelley Katsuki, Steve Forte, Donna Thompson, Brendan O'Brien, Spike & Becky Nunn, Lois & Skip Kramb, Marianne Krop, Michele Meanley, Louise Petralia, Grace Anderson, Natalie Smith, Pat Paul, Margaret Hock, Anne Dunn, Mike Lokie, Steve Kirsch, Marilynne Cerullo, Tom Hawksworth, Nancy Wirth, Bettie Hodge, Linda Gray & Pat Reamy, Lynn Vajda.

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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.

ANNUAL APPEAL

Our participation in the Appeal to date is encouraging, 43 families have donated -\$13,688 which represents 191% of our goal. We continue to hope and pray that our participation will exceed 50 families and reach 200% of goal, last year's achievement.

FROM THE HOLLINGSWORTH

Words cannot express the gratitude and appreciation for each one of you who has prayed, called, sent cards and food to my family as we deal with our loss. I am thankful to be part of this church community. God bless, Barbara, Tori and family.

A Hearty Welcome to our new Parishioners Welcome

Michael & Angela Pycha 861 Skipjack Lane Cobbs Creek, VA 23035 mikepycha@gamil.com 703-244-2170 apcha4@gmail.com 703-819-7961



In Loving Memory Alma and Fritz Sitterding

Supporting Our Youth

Celebrate Every Life





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

Jerry McMurtrie



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In support of our Youth Scholarship Fund

Richard and Marilyn Cox 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. f 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,

We Support The Youth Scholarship John & Carol McCormack



1 Loving Memory of Bobby Warren

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

"Gone but not to be forgotten"



SAINT THERESA OF CALCUTTA'S "ANYWAY PRAYER"

Exhale Peace.



In Loving Memory of "Vinnie Recupido" Barbara Hollingsworth

TO SUPPORT OUR YOUTH. THEIR DREAMS, & OUR FUTURE.

Lynne & Gary Richardson

For the love and blessings of Christ given through vocations.

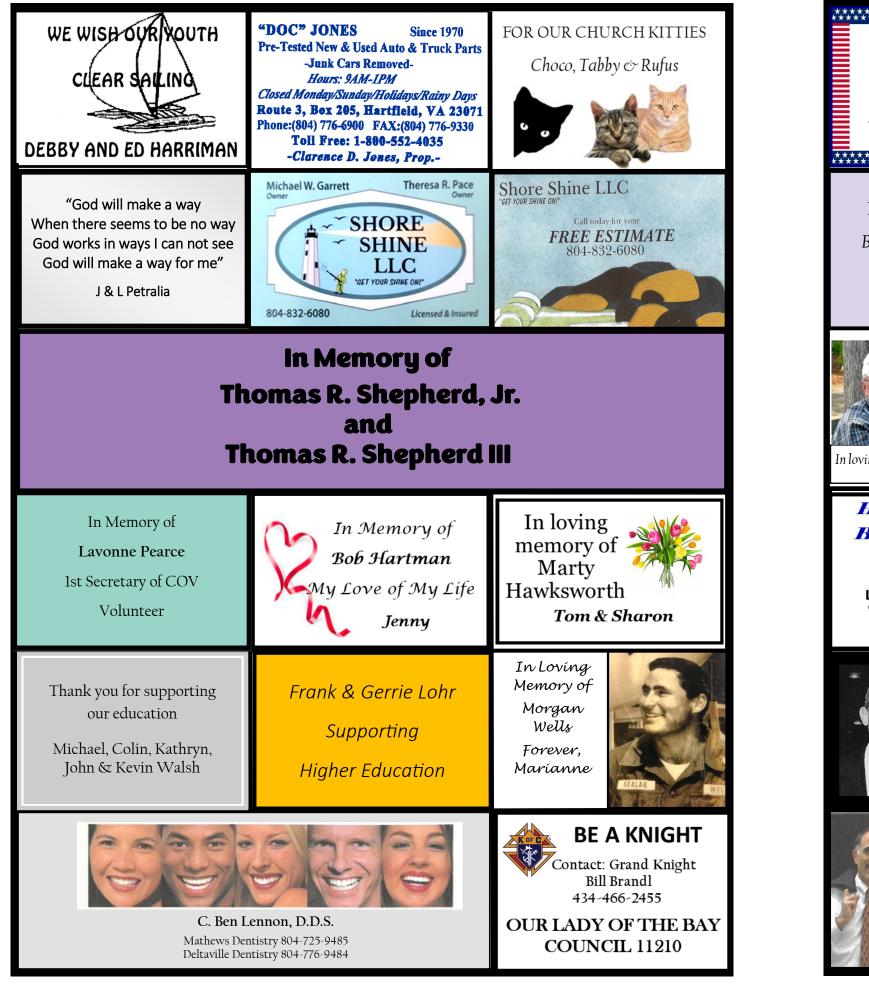
> Thank You Lord Art & Carol Smith

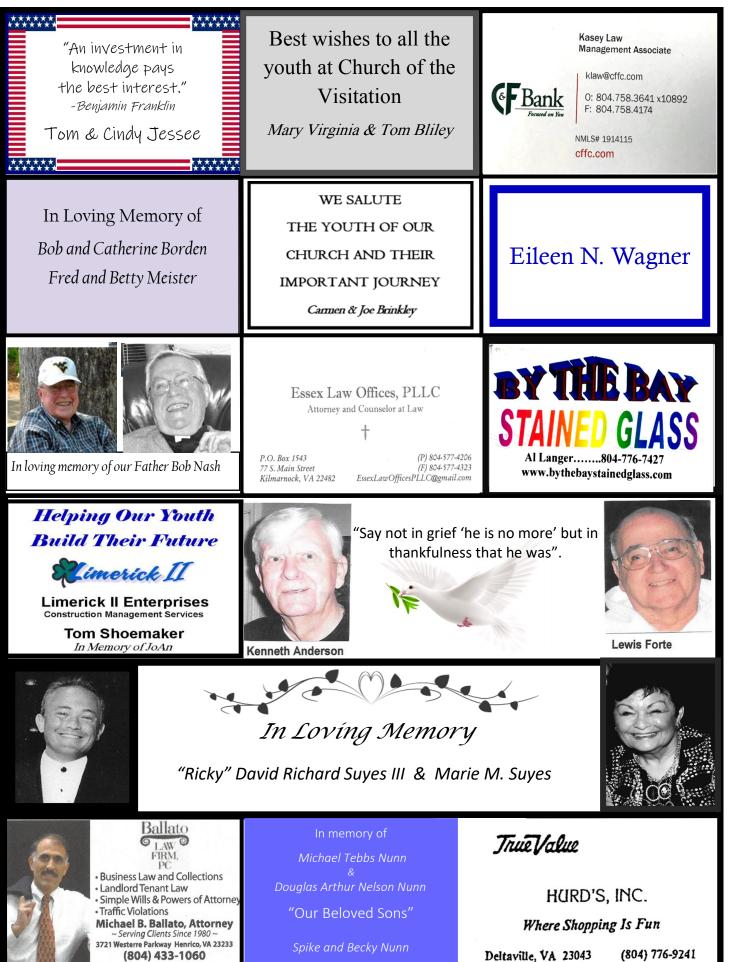
In Loving Memory Of

David E. Brinkley

In Loving Memory of "Vincent Recupido" Dolores

> Thanks for always supporting us in everything we do! Emily & Anna





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