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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 13, 2023

Year A

Church Hours

Sunday Mass 9AM

Wednesday Daily Mass 9AM

Thursday Daily Mass 9AM

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

Pastor, Johnny Mintah-Mensah "Koo"

119 Club Drive

Hartfield, VA 23071

Phone: 804-286-9271

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 MINISTRIES

Worship/Liturgy: Germaine Hayes
Justice & Peace
Religious Education: Eileen O'Brien
Parish Life: Johnna Harris
RCIA/Adult Formation: John Weidner
Pastoral Care: Lynne Richardson
Administration, Ray Kostaskey

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MASS/MUSIC

Entrance: Holy, Holy, Holy #213
"Loving and Forgiving" #664

Penitential Act: page 4

Lord Have Mercy #913 Glory To God #914

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:11-13a

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let us see your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

Gospel Acclamation: I wait for the Lord; my soul waits
for the Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33 Homily: Father Koo

Nicene Creed: page 9

Prayers of the Faithful: Response: Lord hear our prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: The Lord is my Hope #469

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: page 26

Lamb of God: #922

Communion: Precious Lord, Take My Hand #675

Meditation: You are Near #439

Recessional: Though the Mountains May Fall #437



August Birthdays

1st-Ed Harriman & Carol Walsh, 3rd-Germaine Hayes, 4th-Nicole Kennedy,
5th-Patricia Paul, 6th-Grace Anderson & James Davenport, 7th-Mary
Hess, 8th-Ralph Linden & Pat Marchant, 10th-Al Langer, 11th-Marysue
Dougherty & Patrick Ambrose, 12th-Donna Thompson, Thomas Kennedy &
Steve Kirsch, 15th-Aldo DeCollibus & Ashley Holthouse, 19th-Bob Puleo, Dave
Marcil, Monty McNeil, 21st-Roseanne Moncure, 22nd-Paula Wilson, 23rd-Robert
Wilson, 24th-Richard Dougherty, 26th-John Matthews, 29th-Bill Puttmann.



August Anniversaries

2nd-Spike & Becky Nunn, 3rd-Charlie & Margaret Hock,
8th-Tom & Cindy Jessee and Don & Marla Tyrrell, 10th-Skip & Lois
Kramb, 11th-Sal & Lorie Messina, 18th-Mike & Gretchen Borzelleca, 19th-John &
Carol McCormack, 25th-Bill & Michelle Puttmann and Mike & Angela Pycha.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today-19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 14th-Visitation Singers

August 15th-Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day)

Mass offered 9am here @COV

August 20th-20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

Community Leader

John McCormack

Altar Server

Tom Dorman

Lectors

Eileen O'Brien/Ray Kostaskey

Sacristan Noelle Harvey

Extraordinary Minister for

Holy Communion

Bread: Dreelin/Harvey

Cup: Shoemaker/Marcil/Donovan

Music Cantor

Jan Smith

Collection Counters

King/Kirsch/Angell

August 13, 2023

OFFERTORY COLLECTION from August 6, 2023

Collection: \$ 2,282

Second Collection: \$ 439

Total Offertory Collection Year to Date \$ 14,248

Total Budget Projection: \$ 14,966

Loan Balance \$ 158,287

There is no second collection today.

We did not sign any checks this week.

LEGACY

It's true, whether we want to believe it or not:
we can't take our possessions with us at death.
There's no trailer on the back of a hearse!



That's why it's important, while we are able,
to decide and name the recipients of our possessions before our
earthly life ends. This allows us to remember the people and
causes important to us. It lets us determine guardianship for
any minor children.

And it's one way to make a gift to the Church of the Visitation.
There's many ways to do this. Some provide better tax
advantages than others. There are also ways you can receive a
stream of income for life with the church getting the remainder
at death.

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.

DIRECTORY UPDATE:

Address change:

Niki Ambrose

Carl & Patrick

189 Sandlin Drive

White Stone, VA 22578

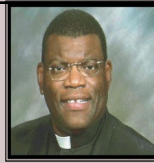


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Don Tyrrell
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Don & Barbara Ross
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FATHER JOHN BODDIE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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: www.church-of-the-visitation.org

Application deadline: Early March 2023

In memory of
Mollie McMurtrie
my long time friend.
I will miss you.
JoAnn Nolte

In loving memory of
Joseph H. Nolte Jr.



Forever,
JoAnn

Take Home Lesson

August 13, 2023

Faith In The Lord

This week's Take Home Lesson is adapted from Bishop Robert Barron's commentary on today's Gospel from the fourteen chapter of Matthew and the narrative of Jesus walking on water.

We hear that after dismissing the crowds whom he had been teaching, Jesus went up a mountain by himself to pray. The Church Fathers interpreted this as Jesus going to the right hand of the Father after his earthly ministry in order to intercede for his Church here below. As he prays, the disciples set out in a boat, under the leadership of Peter, to cross to the other side of the Sea of Galilee. Whenever the disciples are gathered in a boat, the Fathers insisted, we are dealing with a symbol of the Church. In this case, the journey across the sea represents the passage of the followers of Jesus through time. When it was evening, Matthew tells us, the boat was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. The Church has indeed faced, throughout the centuries, storm after storm after storm.

But Jesus, we hear, came toward them walking on the sea. Christ, walking on the tumultuous waves, is the divine power that sustains the Church even during its greatest challenges. And this is precisely why the Lord calls out to Peter, the leader of the disciples, urging him to walk on the water with him. When the Church trusts in the Lord, it finds stability even as crisis and trouble surge around us. When Peter takes his eyes off of Jesus and notices the bounding main, he commences to sink; so does the Church when it attends more to the storm than to the Master.

Matthew narrates: Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" (Matthew 14:31)

When the Lord enters the boat, the winds die down, and the disciples confess him to be the Son of God and commence to worship him. This symbolizes the culmination of the Church's life in heaven, when we are beyond the storms of this life and can give ourselves utterly to the praise of God.

Matthew will end his account of the Gospel with Jesus saying: "And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." (Matthew 28:20)

Reflecting on how Jesus can calm the storms that rage about each of us through out our lives, here is the Question of the Week:

How do you know Jesus is with you at all times?

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SIGNUP FOR A DIRECTORY PHOTO SESSION

It's time for a new parish pictorial directory, and it won't be our directory without you!

In the upcoming weeks, before and after Masse, we will be scheduling parishioners for photo sessions. Photos will be taken on September 19 and 20 2023, from 2:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Appointments will be made on a first come, first served basis, and all parishioners that are photographed will receive a free 8X10 photo and a directory.

Pat Marchant and Helen Linden are available to assist you with scheduling your appointment at Social Sunday following Mass today. Please stop by their table to schedule your appointment.

Those who wish to schedule their own appointment should visit the website at www.ucdir.com or scan this QR Code:



Dear Church family,
It's time for a New Directory!



*Celebrating faith.
Connecting families.
Sharing hope.*

Connections Event

Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.

When people enter the doors of our church they are looking for a place to belong. Our directory brings us together to develop new relationships, connect with our own families and reconnect with those we haven't seen in a while. Join us for this "Connections Event" and be part of what God is doing right here at our church!

• Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at church or simply go online and follow the instructions below. If we don't see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.

• Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!

• Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church! You'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends.

Set your appointment with Universal today!



*Gathering families,
Connecting generations.*

Directory Committee



TO THE LADIES OF THE PARISH:



A group of women have just started meeting for mutual support and spiritual growth. We meet at church on Thursdays at 9:45 am.

We welcome anyone who would like to join us. For more information please call Louise Petralia @ 804-435-9027.

ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Photos of parishioners enjoying the recent Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast.



The Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfasts will be on the 4th Sunday of the month. Mark your calendars, it is a second chance per month to stay and celebrate camaraderie and share able together.

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

On August 15, the Church celebrates the fact that Mary, the Mother of God, was assumed into Heaven at the end of her earthly life. This significant feast day recalls the spiritual and physical departure of the mother of Jesus Christ from the earth, when both her soul and her body were taken into the presence of God.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church

CCC 966 "Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death" (Pope Pius XII, Munificentissimus Deus). The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians: In giving birth you kept your virginity; in your Dormition you did not leave the world, O Mother of God, but were joined to the source of Life. You conceived the living God and, by your prayers, will deliver our souls from death (Byzantine Liturgy, Troparion, Feast of the Dormition)

What does the Assumption of Mary teach us?

In a homily for the Assumption, Pope St. John Paul II said,

- * Taken up into Heaven, Mary shows us the way to God, the way to Heaven, the way to life.
- * She opens this way especially to the little ones and to the poor, those who are dear to divine mercy.
- * The Queen of the world reveals to individuals and to nations the power of the love of God...."
- * In the assumption of Mary into Heaven we are shown the eternal destiny that awaits us beyond the mystery of death: a destiny of total happiness in divine glory. This supernatural vision sustains our daily pilgrimage.
- * Mary teaches about life. By looking at her, we understand better the relative value of earthly greatness and the full sense of our Christian vocation." – St. John Paul II

Venerable Pope Pius XII confirmed this belief about the virgin Mary as the perennial teaching of the Church when he defined it formally as a dogma of Catholic faith in 1950, invoking papal infallibility to proclaim, "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory."

VISITATION SINGERS

Monday, August 14th, we will see you at the Church of the Visitation at 9:30 for a short practice before we start singing at 10:30 at Dockside and 11:15 at Riverside. Bring a friend.

ALL ARE WELCOME

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 13th-
David Hetzer, Mollie McMurtrie,
Lucy Walker & Bob Nielsen



Please pray for the following:



PARISHIONERS

Barbara Smith, Annette Marcil, The Hollingsworth family, 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, Steve Kirsch, Marilynne Cerullo, Tom Hawksworth, Nancy Wirth, Bettie Hodge, Linda Gray & Pat Reamy, Lynn Vajda.

FAMILY OF PARISHIONERS

Mildred Bair, Mary Levine, Susie Maddrich, Carolyn Harvey, Eric Currie, Mike & Katy Shea, Rhonda Wells, Polly Beall, Dick Patton, Sue and Lisa Ferari, Barbara & Ron Burkhart, John Calvin Barnard, Joseph Borzelleca, Andy Hetzer, Sandy Alter, Ryan Jessee, Larry Hersh, Shirley Schultz, Dominick Perry.

FRIENDS OF PARISHIONERS

Karen Armstrong, Kenny Marshall, Ann Chatos, Genie Kauffman, Page Wittkamp, Pattie Sobieski, Cliff Dean, Bill Penfield, Christopher Hutton, Mason Goodrich, Olga Hall, Elizabeth Panzer, Tom Sennott, Gary Campbell, Jim & Inga Peddicord, David Gunn, Hunter Jacobs, Kathy Goyne, Peg Meushaw, Rita Blommel, Linda Cryer, Allen Hines, Tyra Freed.

If you need to add to the prayer list or would like a Mass intention please call the office, email, or leave a note in the box outside the office. Remember to put family or friend by their name. You may offer Mass intentions for the living as well.

SOCIAL SUNDAY

Today is Social Sunday, Please stay after Mass to enjoy refreshments and conversation. If you are able please bring a dish to share.



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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
"Lee Hollingsworth"

We love and
miss you!
Barb & Tori



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vocations.

Thank You Lord
Art & Carol Smith

**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.



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Memory Of
David E. Brinkley

In Loving Memory of
Vincent "Poppy" &
Vinnie Recupido

The Recupido &
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and
Thomas R. Shepherd III**

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Bob Hartman
My Love of My Life
Jenny*



In loving memory of
Marty Hawksworth
Tom & Sharon




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knowledge pays
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-Benjamin Franklin

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Best wishes to all the
youth at Church of the
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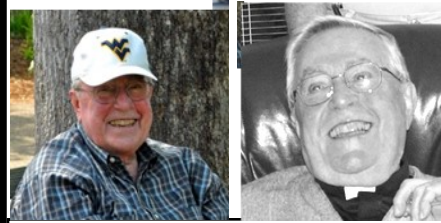
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WE SALUTE
THE YOUTH OF OUR
CHURCH AND THEIR
IMPORTANT JOURNEY

Carmen & Joe Brinkley

Eileen N. Wagner



In loving memory of our Father Bob Nash

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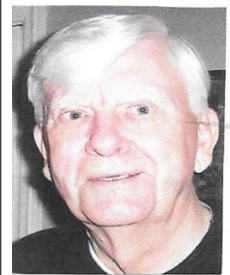
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