

The Catholic Church Of The Visitation

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15th Sunday In Ordinary Time
July 14, 2024 Year B

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

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

PARISH MINISTRIES

Worship/Liturgy: Noelle Harvey
Justice & Peace: open
Religious Education: Zaida Wohleking
Parish Life: Johnna Harris
OCIA/Adult Formation: John Weidner
Pastoral Care: Lynne Richardson
Administration: Ray Kostaskey

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MASS/MUSIC

Entrance: Gather Us In #303

"Loving and Forgiving" #662

Penitential Act: page 4

Lord Have Mercy #914

Glory To God #915

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Amos 7:12-15

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

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel Acclamation: May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call.

Gospel: Mark 6:7-13

Homily: Father Koo

Nicene Creed: page 9

Prayers of the Faithful Response: Lord hear our prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: Servant Song #393

Holy: #918

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: #923

Communion: Eat This Bread #330

Meditation: Eye Has Not Seen #475

Recessional: The Spirit Sends Us Forth #390



July Birthdays

1st-Yvelisse Cabocel & Kimberly Rector, 2nd-Christie Turnbull & Kathy Kauffman, 3rd-Mary Timmins, 5th-Leisa DeCollibus, 6th-Colin Walsh, 8th-Alan Hartlove & Sharon Wiley, 9th- John Charbeneau, 11th- John Clair & Brendan O'Brien, 12th-Annanarue Bonanno, 13th-William Plunkert, 15th-John Weidner, 16th-Jim Brown, 17th-Sal Messina, 20th-Andrew Bury & Mark Levy, 21st-Kathy Swinchart, 22nd-Karl Bayer, 24th-Laurie Mears, 27th-Ingrid Borden & Josephine Brown, 29th-Christine Tutak, 30th-Bill Harris.



July Anniversaries

7th Bill & Georgia Campbell

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today--15th Sunday in Ordinary Time "Devin Putney"-Baptism
July 21st-16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 28th-17th Sunday in Ordinary Time/ KOC pancake breakfast
July 28th-KOC Pancake Breakfast
August 1st-Adoration 9:30am-10:30am
August 4th-18th Sunday in Ordinary Time "Father Mooney"
August 11th-19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 12-Visitation Singers

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

July 14, 2024

Sacristy Duty: Delagrange

Community Leader: Puttmann

Altar Server: Sychterz

Lectors: Dubicki/DeGroot

Eucharistic Ministers: Hosts: TBD

Chalice: TBD

Music: Lange

Counters: King/Angell

July 21, 2024

Sacristy Duty: Delagrange

Community Leader: Hayes

Altar Server: Kirsch

Lectors: Petralia/Weidner

Eucharistic Ministers: Hosts: TBD

Chalice: Marcil, TBD

Music: TBD

Counters: Tutak/Harvey

OFFERTORY COLLECTION from July 7, 2024

Collection:	\$ 3,153
Second Collection: Debt Reduction	\$ 804
Total Offertory Collection Year to Date	\$ 3,153
Total Budget Projection:	\$ 3,614
Loan Balance:	\$ 128,822



There is no second collection today.

We signed the following principal check's this week: \$446. Electric for June; \$915 Lawn Care/May and June.

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 COV Catholic Church. 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.



RECURRING EVENTS

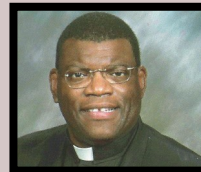
Weekly-Sunday 8:30am-New Worship Area Rosary (Cindy Jessee)
1st-Thursday of the month-Adoration 9:30am-10:30am (Cindy Jessee)
2nd-Monday of the month-Visitation Singers 9:30am (Carol McCormack)
3rd-Wednesday of the month-K of C meeting starts 5:15pm (Al Langer)
2nd & 4th-Monday each month at 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry (Sandi Delagrange)
1st-Friday each month at 9:00; other weeks on Thursdays at 9:45- COV Gals. (Louise Petralia/Eileen O'Brien)

**SUPPORTER OF
OUR SCHOLARSHIP**

Vera & John England
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John & Diane Weidner
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Terry Skovera
Don Tyrrell
Norbert & Kathryn Bliley
Dan & Linda Peterson
Frank & Terry Sisto
Gene & Anne Wolski
Mr. & Mrs. Donald S. Ross

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 2025**

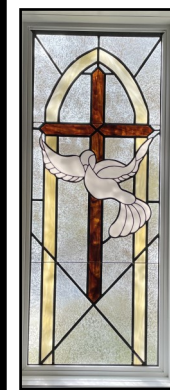


In memory of
Mollie McMurtrie
my long time friend.
I will miss you.
JoAnn Nolte

In loving memory of
Joseph H. Nolte Jr.

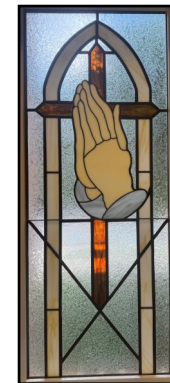


Forever,
JoAnn



STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

Two weeks ago we took advantage of a diocesan-approved program for inspection of our stained glass windows. Tim Hudson of Associated Crafts inspected all of our windows which now number 20 and did not find any windows needing repairs or maintenance work. In general, he was complimentary about their appearance and workmanship complimenting Al Langer for his artistry in the vesting area.



HOME MISSION GRANT

The Diocesan home mission notified us this week they have awarded us an \$8,000 grant to replace the second floor outside deck at the rectory. We are gratified the Mission church office chose us for a grant, the second year in a row we have received one. The grants that have been awarded to us are solely credited to Ray Kostaske, and his grant writing skills. Thank you Ray for always looking out for our church.
You are the best!



MEMORIAL SERVICE

A memorial service will be held for Tom Foley on Saturday, August 3rd at 1:00 pm at his home, 356 North Shore Road, Locust Hill 23092. Light appetizers, beer and wine will be served. You are welcome to BYOB. There will be a tent and music. Tom and Bea were longtime parishioners of COV since 2008. Tom died in January this year and was buried in his family's plot in Pennsylvania. If you plan to attend, please contact Lynne Richardson at lynnegary@gmail.com or text/call 571-239-0980 by July 15th.



FIRST TIME EXPERIENCE

Our Pastor continues to get acquainted with living on the "RIVAH." Here he is sampling how to handle a (steamed) crab for the first time. Glad they didn't give him a live one! He enjoyed eating the crabs. Not only did he experience crabs but he went on his first boat ride in the river as well. There is nothing like being on the river and the wind blowing in your face.

COV FLOWER GUILD

COV invites you to join the Flower Guild to enhance and beautify the front of the altar with flowers during Ordinary Time. Parishioners can sponsor a Sunday to add flowers that commemorate an anniversary, a birthday, a memorial for someone, or a special intention you choose. At this time, Sundays are available in Oct. and Nov. Ordinary Time continues til Advent Dec. 1 this year. A calendar sign up is in the Narthex with Guild members available to answer questions. For further inquiries please call Debby Harriman 804-776-0078 or Cindy Jessee 804-510-4688.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In memory of our son
Christian L. Strotmeyer
Pamela & John Strotmeyer



PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE

Join Father Gregory Kandt, pastor of the Church of St. Therese in Gloucester, for an inspiring and customized pilgrimage to France. Our itinerary traverses some of the most beautiful parts of France – from Normandy to Paris and to areas in and around Dijon, Annecy, and Geneva (in Switzerland).

We will walk in the footsteps of some of the most important visionary men and women of faith. For all information and details, visit the website for our pilgrimage.

<https://www.travelillume.com/trc/ary>

If you'd like to talk to Father Gregory, you can reach him at 804-693-9043.



Take Home

Sharing Good News

Sunday, July 14 2024

This take home is based upon commentary from scripture scholar Stephen Lampe found in our Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers and Proclaimers of the Word.

In last week's Gospel reading, Jesus returned to Nazareth, where he was rejected by his unbelieving fellow townsfolk. While such disbelief did not diminish Jesus' power to heal, it did limit the scope of his healing and teaching.

In today's Gospel, having already chosen the twelve and given them the secret of the kingdom of God, Jesus sends them out, warning them that in some places they too will experience a lack of welcome and that some will refuse to hear the message of repentance.

The twelve are to take nothing on their journey - no food, no sack, no money. Forgoing provisions takes faith. They must rely solely on hospitality, and God's support, for their mission. Regarding the hospitality they are to rely upon, Jesus also tells them to stay put in the first house that welcomes them. Remaining in the same house as a guest rather than moving to another offering greater comfort avoided the impression of seeking advantage for oneself and prevented dishonor to one's host. The gifts on offer are freely given and are not available to the highest bidder.

The twelve receive "authority over unclean spirits," they teach repentance, and they are advised that some places will not welcome them or listen to their message. Strikingly, although the mystery of the kingdom of God had been revealed to them earlier, they are not explicitly charged with preaching the kingdom. Rather, like Jesus himself, they give concrete witness to the kingdom through their actions, miracles, and messages that follow from acceptance and belief.

In a last bit of instruction, Jesus has some very strong words for those who refuse to listen to His Gospel. "Shaking off the dust" was a highly symbolic and provocative act in the ancient world. Pious Jews when leaving a Gentile land would shake off the dust of a Gentile town when leaving to show their separation from Gentile practices. Jesus's message, then, is something like: "You have heard the Gospel and refused it. You are in great danger of being condemned." Jesus is warning of being separated from Him, like useless dust.

"Shaking the dust off" is still good advice. We should not let rejection mitigate our zeal for our faith. We do not hear today of any towns rejecting the disciples. Rather, we hear that they drove out many demons and cured the sick.

The Parish Year of Eucharistic Revival comes to a close next week as thousands of Catholics gather in Indianapolis for the National Eucharistic Congress. The bishops of the United States have designed the conclusion of the Congress as a spiritual sending forth of not just the attendees but for the entire Body of Christ, to spread the good news and challenge our neighbors to "repent and believe in the gospel." (Mark 1:15)

What good news of Jesus can you share with others this week?

The Church of the Visitation is proud to announce the Baptism of

Devin Putney

Proud Parents

Brandon & Gina Putney

God Parents

Chad & Rachel Sauerzoph



On this day Devin is Baptized
in the name of the Father,
Son and Holy Spirit. Amen



Please pray for the following:



Sue Ferari, Julian Alter, Lee Paul, and
Jenny Johnson Ramey

PARISHIONERS

Betty Johnson, Dot Edwards, Walt & Kari Lee Donovan, Peggy Williams, Lynne McMurtrie, Barbara Smith, Germaine Hayes, The Hollingsworth Family, Don Tyrrell, David Rector, Lorraine Kirsch, Tom Shoemaker, Jack King, Donna Thompson, Brendan O'Brien, Becky Nunn, Lois & Skip Kramb, Marianne Krop, Michele Meanley, Louise Petralia, Natalie Smith, Pat Paul, Margaret Hock, Steve Kirsch, Marilynne Cerullo, Nancy Wirth, Tom Hawksworth, Linda Gray, Pat Reamy, Andrea Moore, Lynn Vajda.

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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.

NEW PARISHIONER

A Hearty Welcome to
Jim Dixon
50 Urbanna Creek Court
Saluda, VA 23149
804-370-4996



REGRETS

We regret to inform you that
Johnna's mom, Sue Ferari passed
away on July 1st.



Our prayers are with Johnna and all of the family.



OUR LADY OF THE BAY COUNCIL 11210 OF MATHEWS AND MIDDLESEX COUNTIES

K of C is a not-for-profit organization whose principles are Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

Donations support:

Gloucester, Mathews, Northern Neck & Middlesex Free Health Clinics (KOVAR) Virginians with intellectual disabilities, the VA Veterans Services- Golf Tournament, Families in need, Hands Across Middlesex & Mathews, and The Father John Boddie Scholarship Fund.

Activities that provide funding:

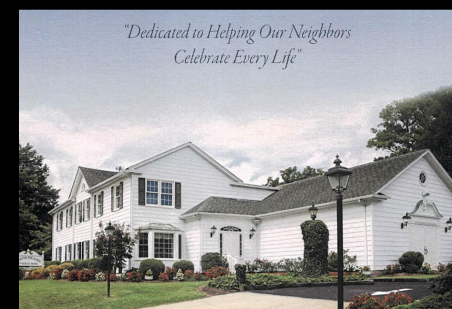
Pancake Breakfast, Italian Feast, St. Pat's Dinner, KOVAR Collection, Dave Marchant Golf Tournament.

We are active participants in many ministries to include Alter servers, Choir members, Collection counter, Community Leaders, Eucharistic Ministers, Parish Council Members and Ushers.

The KOC meet at 5:15pm on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Church of the Visitation. We start with the Rosary.

All are welcome!

Any questions call Our Grand Knight-Al Langer at 804-815-1328.



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In memory of
Lillian M. Reiffel,
Teacher



PRAYERS
MEMORIES
LOVE
Jerry
McMurtrie

**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

In Loving Memory of
**Vincent "Poppy" &
Vinnie Recupido**

The Recupido &
Hollingsworth Families

*"The Retirement Plan Of Christ
Was His Passion.
Is Yours The Same?"*

Josiah Reffo



In
Loving Memory
Of
Alma and Fritz Sitterding

Supporting Our Youth

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

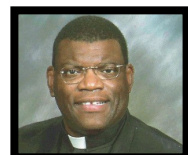
Lynne & Gary Richardson

**FR. JOHN BODDIE MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Fr. John Boddie Memorial Scholarship Fund drive started last Sunday. Our goal this year is to raise \$10,000. During the 2023-2024 year the Scholarship Committee awarded over \$12,000 in scholarship and grants. The ads in the bulletin are our only source of funding.

If you have donated in the past, we have your renewal envelopes in the Narthex. Please pick up your information when you leave church today. If you have not purchased an ad and desire to support this worthy cause, please pick up information as well.


We thank you for all your continued support.



Your envelope is located on the table in the narthex, and there are extra envelopes for anyone who may wish to add to the Scholarship ads as well.

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

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In Loving Memory of
Jack Petralia

Do not fear, for I am with you,
Do not be afraid, for I am your God
Isaiah 41:10

In Loving Memory of
Bob and Catherine Borden
Fred and Betty Meister

We Support The Youth Scholarship
John & Carol McCormack


In Memory of
Thomas R. Shepherd, Jr. 8/28/1943 to 3/18/2020
Thomas R. Shepherd III 11/05/1970 to 3/31/2022


In loving memory of our Father Bob Nash


In Loving Memory of
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Barb & Tori

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Jenny

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Marty Hawksworth
Tom & Sharon



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Tom Shoemaker
In Memory of JoAn


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



Lewis Forte


Thank you for supporting our education
Michael, Colin, Kathryn, John & Kevin Walsh

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Higher Education

In Loving Memory of
Morgan Wells
Forever,
Marianne



In Loving Memory
"Ricky" David Richard Suyes III & Marie M. Suyes




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

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