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Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time
February 9, 2025 Year C

PARISH MINISTRIES

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Religious Education: Wohleking /Peterson
Parish Life: Johnna Harris
OCIA/Adult Formation: John Weidner
Pastoral Care: Lynne Richardson
Administration: Ray Kstesky

FINANCE COUNCIL

Debby Harriman
Tom Hawkworth
Tom Jessee
Debbie McNeil
Gary Richardson
Fritz Sitterding-Chairman
Anne Wolski

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 OCIA Program, Sacraments of Anointing, Reconciliation, Sick Calls, the schedule for Holy Days, and our Rosary Ministry.

PARISH COUNCIL (elected members)

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Church Secretary, Andrea Moore
Webmaster/IT, Mike Dreelin

MASS/MUSIC

Entrance: As We Gather At Your Table #311

"Loving and Forgiving" #653

Penitential Act: page 4

Lord Have Mercy #896

Glory To God #897

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

Responsorial Psalm: In the sight of the angels I will sing
your praises, Lord

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Gospel Acclamation: Come after me and I will make
you fishers of men.

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

Homily: Father Koo

Nicene Creed: page 9

Prayers of the Faithful Response: Lord hear our prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: The Summons #391

Holy: #900

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: #905

Communion: Take and Eat #364

Meditation: Seek Ye First #574

Recessional: The Spirit Sends Us Forth #382

February Birthdays



2nd-Jennifer Beuchelt, Monique Donner, 4th-Jim Angell,
7th-Jen Clair, 10th-Karen Halay, 12th-Kari Lee Donovan,
13th-Bob Borden, 14th-Chad Ogden, 17th-Gina Putney, &
Loretta Borostovik, 19th-Bob Smith, 24th-Christopher Beuchelt,
25th-Brennan Williams, 26th-Barbara Smith, Aden Calderin, &
Annabel Clair, 29th-Susannah O'Donnell.

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

February Anniversaries



4th-Gene & Anne Wolski, 14th-Joe & Mary Sychterz,
15th-Tommy & Donna Lange, 25th-Mike & Lynne Dreelin.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today-5th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Social Sunday
February 16th-6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 23rd-7th Sunday in Ordinary Time/Pancake Breakfast
March 2nd-8th Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 5th-Ash Wednesday (9am @COV/6:30pm @FdS)
March 2nd-8th Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 9th-First Sunday of Lent

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

February 9, 2025

Sacristy Duty: Delagrane

Community Leader: McCormack

Altar Server: Kirsch

Lectors: Dorman/O'Brien

Eucharistic Ministers: Hosts: Wolski

Chalice: Sychterz/Marcil/Smith/tbd

Music: Powers

Counters: King/Angell

February 16, 2025

Sacristy Duty: Delagrane

Community Leader: Richardson

Altar Server: Ambrose/Miller/Smith

Lectors: Kstesky/Sherwood

Eucharistic Ministers: Hosts: Donovan

Chalice: Harvey/Gray/tbd

Music: Meanley

Counters: Tutak/Wohleking

OFFERTORY COLLECTION from February 2, 2025

Collection:	\$ 2,021
Second Collection: Debt Reduction	\$ 795
Total Offertory Collection Year to Date	\$ 78,500
Total Budget Projection:	\$ 79,002
Loan Balance:	\$ 107,165

There is no second collection today.

We did not sign any principal checks this week.



LEGACY

One of the simplest ways to leave a gift to our church is to use the beneficiary designation on savings and retirement accounts, as well as life insurance policies. These can be done with no cost, and typically only require us to sign a new beneficiary designation form.



Retirement assets and similar accounts are called Income in Respect of a Decedent (IRD) assets. This is taxable income that's earned during life but not received before death, so it is never included in an income tax return. This may be assets in Individual Retirement Accounts or 403(b) plans, accrued interest on Certificates of Deposit and savings bonds, nonqualified stock options, deferred payments of capital gains, or other income that is earned but not acquired.

In most cases, naming the church as the beneficiary of these types of assets gives the estate and heirs the best tax benefits, since it avoids both income and estate taxes.

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-KOC meeting starts 5:15pm (Al Langer)
2nd & 4th-Monday each month at 1:00pm Shawl Ministry (Sandi Delagrane)
1st-Friday each month at 9:00; other weeks on Thursdays at 9:45am- COV Gals.
(Louise Petralia/Eileen O'Brien)
2nd-Thursday of the month Liturgy Meeting (Noelle Harvey)



SUPPORTER OF OUR SCHOLARSHIP

Vera & John England
Christine & Peggy Williams
Kathy Kauffman
Gene & Anne Wolski
Jack & Laurie King
Terry Skovera
Bill & Donna Plunkert
Norbert & Kathryn Bliley
Dan & Linda Peterson
Tommy & Donna Lange
Charles & Louise Hartz
Dave & Emily Filippi
William Durham-Auctioneer



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

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Our new directory is about eight months old and many parishioners have learned that in addition to a hard copy, you can download the app from the internet and gain additional features, to include our new members. Described below is the process to follow to gain entrance to your directory. If you have any questions see Helen Linden or call the office.

myUCD App Start Guide

Download The App From The App Store or Google Play

- With your smart phone touch the App Store icon for your type of phone (Apple Store -or- Google Play) then search for: 'Universal Church Directory'
- The App is called *myUCD*
- Click on the "GET" -or- "INSTALL" button
- When the App has finished installing, click "OPEN"

Enter Your Family's UNIQUE IDENTIFIER

- A **Unique Identifier** was sent to the heads-of-household whose email was listed.
- Enter unique Identifier
- Click on the gray "Download My Church Directory" button (there may be a few seconds delay)
- **If you did not receive an email please see your church administrator*

Begin Using Your Church App Features

- Video link
- Email the church
- Call the church
- Church announcements
- Calendar of events
- Online giving
- Link to Facebook, Twitter, Instagram
- Staff contacts
- YouVersion Bible App
- Directory of all members
- **Some features may -or- may not be available for your church*

myUCD Desktop Directory

1. Go to directory.ucdir.com
2. Enter unique identifier and hit **GO**
3. Prompts will appear to create your own Username & Password.
4. Click on **'CREATE ACCOUNT'**

ENVELOPES, CALENDARS, AND TAX STATEMENTS

Our 2025 envelopes are available for pickup on the admin table in the Narthex. Some e-givers have wondered why we printed envelopes for them. It was done to provide, by request, envelopes for the scheduled second collections. Also if you desire a tax statement for this year, please place your name on the writing tablet located in the same area, and take a free calendar.

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS

In Memory of
Patricia O'Shaughnessy & Lucy Walker
Kathy & Scott Kauffman

MARK YOU CALENDERS

Saturday, March 29,
9:00-12:30 at CoV.

"Learning to Love Longevity:
Embracing Elder Roles"

There was a time when being an "Elder" was a respected role in the community.

Whether you have reached this age yourself, or have family or friends who are there, you will want to hear this talk and participate in the conversation.

Our speaker, Dr. Ayn Welleford, is an Associate Professor at VCU and Director of VCU Gerontology Community and Continuing Education.

Sign up sheets will be provided next weekend.

Please see or call Lynne Richardson if you have any questions.



A HEARTY WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS



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Journey Through the Bible: The Call of Moses and Deliverance from Egypt (Exodus, 1-15)

This commentary is adapted from Little Rock Scripture Study's "Panorama of the Old Testament."

The second book of the Pentateuch is called Exodus, from the Greek word for "departure," because its central event is the departure of the Israelites from Egypt. This event gave birth to Israel as a people, a nation, and as a religion. Exodus recounts the Egyptian oppression of Jacob's ever increasing descendants and their miraculous deliverance by God through Moses, who led them across the Red Sea to Mount Sinai where they entered into covenant with the Lord.

The call of Moses, like the call of Abraham, marks the beginning a new stage of God's saving plan. While shepherding sheep, Moses comes to the mountain of God. God speaks to Moses from a burning bush. God identifies himself to Moses as the God of his ancestors.

God intends to send Moses to Pharaoh to be the instrument of Israel's deliverance. Moses expresses humility and reluctance in his response. When he asks for the divine name, God says, "I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: I AM sent me to you." (Exodus 3:14) The divine name, YHWH, is generally written in English version of the Bible as "LORD." The root verb conveys the idea of dynamic presence. The name conveys this idea of God's active presence in the life of Israel. God will be known through what God does, through the effect God has on the life of the chosen people. The whole of salvation history is God's expression of the divine name.

Moses uses every excuse he can muster to escape his call, yet God reassures him: "I will be with you." Then the presence of God, bringing freedom from oppression, is demonstrated in two basic stories of deliverance: first, the plagues in Egypt and the Passover (Exodus 7-11), and second, the crossing of the sea (Exodus 13-15). The passage of Israel through the sea is remembered as the primary event of salvation for Israel, expressing in a single event the whole narrative of transition from bondage to freedom. For the ancient Israelites, the sea represents the forces of destruction, chaos, and death. The passage through the waters, from the darkness into the dawn, is an image of birthing, the transition through the birth canal. Israel is God's firstborn, and the exodus is described by later writers as the moment of Israel's birth.

Now that the people of God have passed through the waters, the history of Israel as a nation has begun. Israel was born out of the waters, brought by God out of the waters and into life. Now that Israel is born, God leads her through a period of childhood and adolescence, before she reaches adulthood in the Promised Land.

Journey Through the Bible Readings and Daily Prayer Points
Feb 9 through Feb 15, 2025

Sun, Feb 9: Bible Readings (Day 40): Exodus 22; Leviticus 15;
Psalm 76

*Prayer Point: For safekeeping of our armed forces, police
and security officials

Mon, Feb 10: Bible Readings (Day 41): Exodus 23; Leviticus 16;
Psalm 77

*Prayer Point: For the protection of all Christians who are suffering
for their faith

Tue, Feb 11: Our Lady of Lourdes
Bible Readings (Day 42): Exodus 24; Leviticus 17-18;
Psalm 78

*Prayer Point: That those who are sick, especially the chronically ill,
may know healing and strength

Wed, Feb 12: Bible Readings (Day 43): Exodus 25-26;
Leviticus 19; Psalm 79

*Prayer Point: That our nation's leaders will act with malice toward none
and charity for all

Thu, Feb 13: Bible Readings (Day 44): Exodus 27-28;
Leviticus 20; Psalm 119:1-88

*Prayer Point: That God will calm the restlessness of our hearts

Fri, Feb 14: Bible Readings (Day 45): Exodus 29; Leviticus 21;
Psalm 119:89-176

*Prayer Point: For the grace to overcome all fear by trusting more firmly
in Jesus

Sat, Feb 15: Bible Readings (Day 46): Exodus 30-31; Leviticus 22;
Psalm 115

*Prayer Point: For the unemployed, that the Lord give them fitting work
that enhances their human dignity

JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE

Our first "Journey Through the Bible Q&A with Father Koo" is scheduled for Wednesday morning, February 12th, at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall.

This is an opportunity to learn more about the first few books of our Journey Through the Bible reading plan in a relaxed setting over coffee and continental breakfast. Father Koo is ready to address some of our questions, and he will likely ask us a few questions in return.

If you cannot make the meeting in the fellowship hall but wish to participate online you will receive a code with a link, prior to the meeting. All you should have to do is click the link. If you don't want to download the app, choose join on the web.

Please make sure your microphone is muted, until you need to speak. You can still participate in the meeting even if you do not have a camera on your computer.



Please pray for the following
In Memoriam:



Rose Langer, Christian Strotmeyer, Cindy Simmons,
Johanna Langer & Jackson Lane

PARISHIONERS

Mike Dreelin, Bob Borden, John McCormack, Donna Lange, Bill Campbell, Maggie Gerdts, Betty Johnson, Dot Edwards, Peggy Williams, Barbara Smith, Germaine Hayes, Don Tyrrell, David Rector, Lorraine Kirsch, Tom Shoemaker, Jack King, Donna Thompson, Brendan O'Brien, Becky Nunn, Lois & Skip Krumb, Marianne Krop, Michele Meanley, Louise Petralia, Natalie Smith, Pat Paul, Margaret Hock, Steve Kirsch, Marilynne Cerullo, Tom Hawksworth, Linda Gray, Pat Reamy, Lynn Vajda.

FAMILY OF PARISHIONERS

Joseph Borzelleca, Larry Hersh, Patty Pace, Polly Beall, Dick Patton, Peggy Smith, Brian Dubicki, Anthony Pace, John & Debbie Stockhorst, Lester Stockhorst, KJ Edwards, Alex Brown, Chloe Pearson, Tom Delagrang, John Calvin Barnard, Justin Harvey, John Wohleking, Christopher Seay, Lynn Messina, Gene Sullivan, Diane Petralia, Andy Hetzer, Ryan Jessee, Eric Currie.

FRIENDS OF PARISHIONERS

Alex Brown, Jim Brusio Jr., Allen Hines, Linda Cryer, Kathy Goyne, Elizabeth Panzer, Valerie McCarthy, Karen Armstrong.

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.



**APPROACHING DEADLINES FOR
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS**

The deadline for anyone interested in applying for the Father John Boddie Scholarship for post high school education is early March, 2025.

The Website for the scholarship application can be found at www.church-of-the-visitation.org



SOCIAL SUNDAY

Today is Social Sunday after Mass, please stay for great food and camaraderie with fellow parishioners.

We have a lot of events happening in March and have moved our Social Sunday to March 30th, following Mass.

The KOC Pancake Breakfast will take place on March 23rd, after Mass.



PALMS TO ASHES

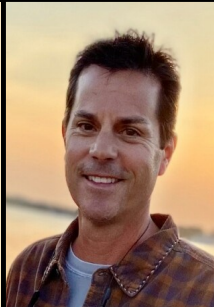
If you have any palms at home from previous years and wish to donate them, please bring them to the office. We plan to make our ashes this year. All palms that have been blessed should be buried or burned.



OUR LADY OF THE BAY COUNCIL #1210 OF MATHEWS/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.

In memory of
our son
Christian Strotmeyer



John & Pam
Strotmeyer


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.




In memory of my beloved Spike.
Where he was, there was Eden
Love Forever,
Becky



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In Loving Memory of
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Caitlyn & Courtlyn
"Gone but not to be forgotten"


Helping Our Youth
Build Their Future




Limerick II Enterprises
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Tom Shoemaker
In Memory of JoAn

**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
Carmen and David
Brinkley



PRAYERS
MEMORIES
LOVE
Jerry
McMurtrie

In Loving Memory of
Vincent "Poppy" &
Vinnie Recupido
The Recupido &
Hollingsworth Families

In loving memory of our Father Bob Nash

In
Loving Memory
Of
Alma and Fritz Sitterding
Supporting Our Youth



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OUR YOUTH,
THEIR DREAMS,
& OUR FUTURE.
Lynne & Gary Richardson

Thanks for always supporting us in everything we do!

♥ Emily & Anna

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-Benjamin Franklin
Tom & Cindy Jessee

In support of our
Future Leaders
"Our Youth"
The Kirsch Family

FOR OUR CHURCH KITTIES

Choco, Tabby & Rufus



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



Pray that the youth of today will help make the world a better place for tomorrow.

Frank & Terry Sisto

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I love and miss you.



Jim

"I am the good shepherd... and I will lay down my life for the sheep."

(John 10:14)

John and Diane Weidner

In Loving Memory of
"Lee Hollingsworth"

We love and miss you!

Barb & Tori

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STAINED GLASS

Al Langer 804-815-1328

Thank you for supporting our education

Michael, Colin, Kathryn,
John & Kevin Walsh

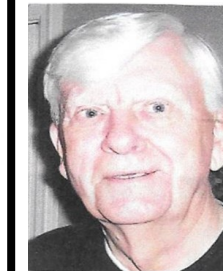
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My Love of My Life
Jenny

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Marty
Hawksworth



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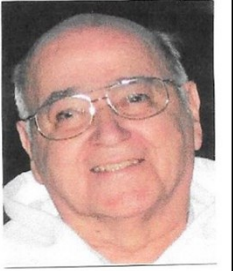
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Kenneth Anderson



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



Lewis Forte

We Salute the Youth of Our Church and Their Important Journey.

Carmen & Joe Brinkley

Frank & Gerrie Lohr
Supporting
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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In memory of
Michael Tebbs Nunn
&
Douglas Arthur Nelson Nunn
"Our Beloved Sons"
Spike and Becky Nunn

In Loving Memory of
Reinald Carter
&
Mary Borzelleca

Mike and Gretchen Borzelleca