

FEBRUARY 9, 2025

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 8th

5:00 p.m. Cathy Weathers
by Ruth Weathers

Sunday, February 9th

8:00 a.m. For the People
10:30 a.m. Daniela LaFata
by Rosalia Leone

Monday, February 10th

No Mass

Tuesday, February 11th

For the People

Wednesday, February 12th

8:00 a.m. For the People

Thursday, February 13th

No Mass

Friday, February 14th

12:00 p.m. Theresa Allen by Floyd Allen

Saturday, February 15th

5:00 p.m. For the People

Sunday, February 16th

8:00 a.m. Vickie Christman
by Mike and Robin Koch
10:30 a.m. For the People

Sacrament Chapel vase flowers are a perpetual living memorial for Anna Lupei

Tabernacle Candle Shines in loving memory of Judith Buras

Flower arrangements provided by Deacon Jose and Karen Melendez in Memory of Pat Fisher and Silvia Melendez

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: The Church has a long history burdened with weakness and sinfulness but still the instrument of the Kingdom of God and the germ of a new creation. On **February 16**, between the morning Masses (starting about 9:15 a.m.), Father Gregory will give an overview of **Church History** in the Meeting Room. All are welcome, Catholic or not!



THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

The Men of St. Joseph meet weekly on Mondays at 6:00

p.m. in the meeting room.

BINGO

Bingo is played on Tuesday Nights. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and Bingo starts at 7:00 p.m. Bingo could use some help working in the kitchen and selling pull tabs. Many of our staff are out with surgeries. Any additional help you can provide would be so appreciated.

OUR NEXT TNT (Theater 'N' Theology) will be on **Friday, February 28** (note the date change), beginning promptly at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to come to our St. Therese Movie Theater (the "Meeting Room"). After the movie (the "Theater" part), we discuss the relevance of the film to our life in Christ (the "Theology" part). We will have an intermission midway through the film, and if anyone wants to bring refreshments to share, we will have refreshments at intermission! Our February feature will be the 1966 British film *A Man for All Seasons*. It's a splendid film based on Robert Bolt's play about St. Thomas More's personal conflict when King Henry VIII asks his support in a break with the Pope and formation of the Church of England. Paul Scofield's rich characterization of St. Thomas is matched by a superb cast starring Wendy Hiller, Leo McKern, Robert Shaw, Orson Welles, Susannah York, John Hurt, and Vanessa Redgrave. Vivid atmosphere. Six Oscars: Best Actor, Director, Picture, Screenplay (Robert Bolt), Cinematography, and Costumes. Facilitated by Fr. Gregory. All are welcome. Come watch a great movie with your brothers and sisters in Christ!

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Join Deacon Jose for monthly Adoration and Benediction on the Third Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Jesus is Our Hope in the Blessed Sacrament. The next Adoration will be Wednesday, February 19th.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation has been rescheduled to February 26th at 6:15 p.m.



IS YOUR CHILI UP TO THE CHALLENGE? Come test it out at the 1st Annual **Chili Cook Off**, on February 16, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Sign-up sheet is in the Commons; sign up to bring a delicious pot of your homemade chili, or to bring cornbread muffins or desserts. Youth Group will be judging this year's entries.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is available during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Children, ages 3 to 2nd grade are invited. Please contact Nadine McGrady for more information.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Are you considering the common practice of giving up something for Lent? This year, instead of giving up something, you may want to do something extra. Joining the Morning Bible Study group could be just the thing! Beginning on Thursday, March 6th, which is the day after Ash Wednesday, the group will begin using a special seven-session booklet, *"With Jesus to the Cross-Year C: Lenten Guide on the Sunday Mass Readings."* Each week, the readings for the upcoming Sunday will be discussed. The group meets in the Meeting Room from 10:15-11:45 a.m. each Thursday. To sign up or get more information, please call Sid Dugas at 804-642-5869 or email at spdugas@cox.net or Kim Green at 804-824-1073 or email at kwg853@yahoo.com.



FOOD PANTRY

Please CONTINUE giving to the Food Pantry. The shopping cart is in the social hall. Please note their new addresses as well.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus Council gathers on the First and Third Thursdays of the month. Rosary is at 7:00 p.m. and a meeting is to follow. BYOK!!!

TRUE LIFE IN GOD PRAYER GROUP

Please join us for Bible readings, saying the Rosary, meditation, and sharing. Our main purpose is to pray for Christian Unity as our Holy Father Pope Francis has asked of us. Point of Contact is Trudy Vanderhoof. You may reach her at btcentauri@aol.com. We meet the First Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. at the Church in the library.



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY – FEB. 9, 2025 – HOW WILL YOU CELEBRATE?

Tell your spouse, "I love you!"
Give your spouse a hug.

Take your spouse to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience and learn how to live your best life in love.

March 7-9: Rehoboth Beach, DE

March 14-16: Jessup, MD and Ocean City, NJ

March 21-23: Emerald Isle, NC

For more information or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for your desired location.



SAVE THE DATE

Anchored in Christ Retreat, Saturday
March 29, 2025, 8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Childcare will be available!
Scan the QR code for more information.



CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS TO SERVE IN LITURGICAL MINISTRIES!

Prayerfully consider which of the liturgical ministries you are drawn to. We need USHERS, LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, MASS COORDINATORS. We need adults and children for the ALTAR SERVER ministry. If we have more people involved in these ministries, serving won't fall to the same dedicated ministers every week. Contact Kerry Fallon in the office at 804-693-5939 or email k.fallon@stthersglo.org.

THE FOUR PILLARS OF OUR FAITH

Join the Adult Faith Formation team for a study of the second pillar of our faith: The Sacraments. We began in January for 12 weeks on Saturdays from **3:00-4:30 p.m.** You can order the workbook yourself through AscensionPress.com (click on "Bible Studies" and scroll down to "**Pillar 2: The Sacraments**"), or Kerry Fallon can order the book for you. Please contact Kerry Fallon in the office or via email, k.fallon@stthersglo.org.

GIVE THE GIFT OF LOVE

Prayer shawls are available to gift for the holidays, holy days, birthdays and more.

Slippers, hats and scarves are now available! Each is crafted with the prayer that the recipient knows they are loved not only by the giver but by our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Contact Nadine McGrady at N.McGrady@StThersGlo.org or 804-693-5939, ext. 3 for special orders or for more information.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Church of St. Therese Youth Ministry

Grades 6-12

Sundays 12:00 noon-1:30 p.m. at the YLC

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage

We will not be going to Rome, but we can still go on a pilgrimage.

Plan on joining the youth of the church on a pilgrimage to the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Richmond. The Youth Ministry Program is sponsoring a Pilgrimage during this Jubilee Year of Hope to the diocesan church. A plenary indulgence can be received by going to Reconciliation, Eucharist and praying for your loved ones. Everyone is invited. More information will follow in future bulletins.



ARE YOU RECEIVING NOTIFICATIONS?

Your registration information may need updating. Please contact the parish office with updates on address, phone number or name changes.

Welcome new parishioners! Please register with the parish. Forms are located in the Commons next to the office entrance.

OUR MOST SACRED TREASURE

For the weekend of January 26, 2025
Annual Operating Budget Fiscal Year 24/25 \$699,286.00
Amount needed per week to maintain budget is \$13,447.81

Actual Plate Contributions: \$3,617.00

E-giving: \$2,872.00

Other Contributions: \$282.50

Weekly Grand Total: \$6,771.50

Mass Count 8:00 a.m.: 95; 10:30 a.m.: 146

2nd Collection Schedule

March 2nd MMR



Please use the QR code for Mobile giving.

Your values, goals and ambitions are all part of your life's story – they are your legacy. You worked for it, now it should work for you. If you have ever planned a vacation, you can plan your legacy. Visit freewill.com/richmondcatholicfoundation.

SAINTS CYRIL AND METHIDIUS

Saints of the Day: February 14; Patron Saint of Slavic People

After a brilliant course of studies, Cyril (called Constantine until he became a monk shortly before his death) refused the governorship of a district such as his brother had accepted among the Slavic-speaking population. Cyril withdrew to a monastery where his brother Methodius had become a monk after some years in a governmental post. Cyril and Methodius undertook the missionary task.

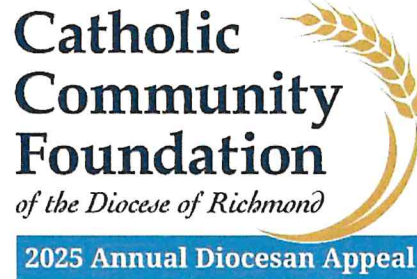
Cyril's first work was to invent an alphabet, still used in some Eastern liturgies. His followers probably formed the Cyrillic alphabet. Together they translated the Gospels, the psalter, Paul's letters and the liturgical books into Slavonic, and composed a Slavonic liturgy, highly irregular then.

The bishop refused to consecrate Slavic bishops and priests, and Cyril was forced to appeal to Rome. On the visit to Rome, he and Methodius had the joy of seeing their new liturgy approved by Pope Adrian II. Cyril, long an invalid, died in Rome 50 days after taking the monastic habit.

Methodius continued mission work for 16 more years. He was papal legate for all the Slavic peoples, consecrated a bishop and then given an ancient see. When much of their former territory was removed from their jurisdiction, the Bavarian bishops retaliated with a violent storm of accusation against Methodius. As a result, Emperor Louis the German exiled Methodius for three years. Pope John VIII secured his release.

Because the Frankish clergy, still smarting, continued their accusations, Methodius had to go to Rome to defend himself against charges of heresy and uphold his use of the Slavonic liturgy. He was again vindicated. In a feverish period of activity, Methodius translated the whole Bible into Slavonic in eight months. He died on Tuesday of Holy Week, surrounded by his disciples, in his cathedral church.

Read the full article: "Saints Cyril and Methodius" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, franciscan1stg.wpengine.com/saint-of-the-day/saints-cyril-and-methodius/ (Accessed January 27, 2025).



**2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal:
*Sharing His Love with Others***

A Message from Our Bishop

Whenever I visit our parishes, I see how our faith and hope is manifested through Mass attendance, reception of the sacraments, Eucharistic devotion, and a commitment to grow closer to Christ. I also see our faith and hope expressed through works of charity such as the Annual Diocesan Appeal.

Your gifts to the Appeal support the education of seminarians and priests who are dedicating their lives to serving Christ and his Church; assist college students to grow in their faith and relationship with the Lord; and ensure that vital resources are made available for children and families facing homelessness and hunger.

During this time of Jubilee in the life of our Church, I ask you to consider contributing to the Appeal so we can spread love and hope for all the world as we empower the people and ministries of the Diocese of Richmond to move our Church forward.

This week and into next week, many of you will receive a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal. It is our sincere hope that you will answer our Bishop's request and make a generous commitment to this effort.

Come one, come all to the 1st Annual



February 16th at noon

What is your favorite chili type? Chili Con Carne (ground, chopped, chunks), Chili Verde, White chili, Vegetarian Chili, or something on the wild side, like venison/bear or elk chili

Do YOU have what it takes to earn bragging rights as this year's culinary Chili Master?



SIGN UP: Whether you plan to vie for the title of **Chili Master** or just want to come for some fellowship and great chili, please sign up in the Commons on the sheet provided.