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EASTER 2026



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Welcome

A warm welcome to you from our Lord, Jesus Christ, and the People of God at St. Joan of Arc. Newcomers and visitors are invited to make this parish family your own. Registration forms are available in the Parish Commons or contact the Parish Office with your desire to belong.

Diocesan Safe Environment Policy

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond is committed to the idea that diocesan institutions and ministries provide a safe and nurturing environment for children, young people and vulnerable individuals. The mission of the Diocese's *Safe Environment Program* is to create a safe environment, incorporating the standards as outlined in the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*.

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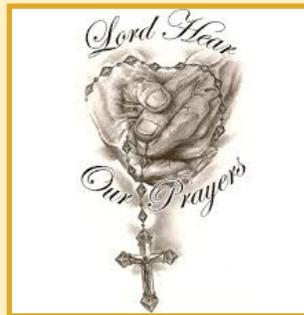
In a commitment to support and facilitate healing, individuals who have been sexually abused by a cleric, religious, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Richmond are encouraged to contact the Civil Authorities and the confidential Victim's Assistance Reporting 24-Hour Number at (877) 887-9603 or by writing to the Office of the Bishop.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

"A man who fails to love the Mass fails to love Christ." (J. M. Escriva, *Christ is Passing By*, no. 92) To love the Mass is a guarantee for salvation. But to love the Mass does not mean just being present and no more. It means to be present with faith and devotion. It means to take part in the Mass, realizing what it is: the Sacrifice of the Cross renewed on the altar; and realizing that when we go to Mass, we go, as it were, to Calvary. And that we should be present there, like our Blessed Lady beside the Cross, in loving contemplation of Christ who offers Himself lovingly for each one of us.
(*The Mass Explained* by Cormac Burke)

Ministry of Healing

Please let the Parish Office know if you or a family member is sick, in the hospital, or suffering. We have resources available for you. We would like to help arrange for Communion visits, phone calls, meals, etc. Please know your parish cares and wants to help. Please contact the Parish Office at (757) 898-5570. Your call is confidential; we will only put names for prayers in the bulletin if you specifically request it. Please be sure to call when it is time to remove a name from the prayer list. Thank you.



Prayers for Recovery

Karen Abi-Saab, Daniel Bridges, Marcella Buckley, Ann Bunch, Barbara & Tom Carroll, Abbey Chesley, Carl & Mary Chesley, Mary Cordaro, Eva Duggan, Jim & Missi Easop, Bill Endres, Tim Gardner, Eileen Gryn, James & Teodora Hall, John Harmsen, Charles Hendricks, Patricia Holston, Anne Holup, Elizabeth Johnson, Debra Martin, Lottie Matthias, Josh Meyer, Ron Morrison, John Musser, Don & Joan Progar, Gary & Kathy Sambuchi, Walter Sandberg, David Seko, Jr., Bill Smith, Bailey Sopko, Stephen Strother, and Pauline Ting

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 6, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Monday in the Octave of Easter (+Linda Herrera)

Saturday, April 11, 2026

5:00 pm – Vigil Mass of the Second Sunday of Easter, Sunday of Divine Mercy (Zach Romeo)

Tuesday, April 7, 2026

9:00 am – Holy Mass, Tuesday in the Octave of Easter (+Poor Souls in Purgatory)

Sunday, April 12, 2026

8:30 am – Second Sunday of Easter, Sunday of Divine Mercy (+ Father Jerome Kaywell) (Sylvia Almanza)
11:30 am – Second Sunday of Easter, Sunday of Divine Mercy

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 6, AND WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY, APRIL 7, AT 8:30 AM.

Divine Mercy



**ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF
DIVINE MERCY
SUNDAY, APRIL 12 AT 3:00 P.M.**

All are welcome!
Reception to follow

Thank you to all who memorialized Easter lilies that so beautified our worship space!



Book of Intercessions

**Located at the pillars
in the Commons**

Whenever you enter the church, you are invited to write any prayer you wish – a prayer of need, praise or thanksgiving; perhaps you will “lift up” someone who is sick or facing surgery; a prayer for peace, or a prayer of thanks for a couple’s wedding or anniversary.

Vocations Chalice Ministry

We began praying for vocations with the "Vocations Chalice" over eleven years ago. Since the beginning of this family devotion, St. Joan of Arc has received from God and “prayed into being” five seminarians studying for the priesthood in the Diocese of Richmond and four permanent deacons. The "Vocations Chalice" is presented to a family, couple, or individual and is taken home and used during daily prayer as a focal point for an increase in religious vocations. Every two weeks, the "Vocations Chalice" is transferred from one prayerful family to another. If you would like your family to participate in the Vocations Chalice Ministry, call Ferdinand Prantl at 757-620-1870 or email fdprantl@cox.net.



Diocesan Information

Vocations Awareness

“He is not here; for He has risen.” (Matthew 28:6)

Christ’s Resurrection opens the way to new life and hope for all who follow Him. Through priesthood and consecrated life, men and women share in this victory over sin and death, bringing the joy of the Risen Lord to others through prayer and service. Could God be calling you to proclaim the hope of Easter in your life and vocation? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 804-359-5661 or via email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.



Parish Ministries

Finance Council, Jack Christie

Pastoral Ministry

Bereavement, Adrian Rivera

Sick & Homebound, Denis Morhiser

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers, Randy Vis

Arts & Environment, Tom & Rowena Fauber, and Lynda Fairman

EMHCs, Denis Morhiser & Rachel Vis

Hospitality, Mary Ann Vogelbein & James Tucker III

Liturgy Committee, Deacon Don Fox

MC, Tom O’Reilly

Readers, Mike Corbett & Patti Komornik

Non-Liturgical Ministries

Altar Linens, Jennifer Randleman

Building Committee, Steve Romeo

Coffee & Cookies, Cindy Brown & Kathy Isaac

Divine Mercy, Donna Prantl & Cathy Fowler

Iron Men Spirituality Group, John Musser

Landscaping, Jim Orband

Lazarus Ministry, Katie Corbett & Manuel Reyes

Legion of Mary, David Cienski

Library, Laura Quellhorst & Federico Colagrande

Magnificat Women Spirituality Group, Tracy Leota & Kelley Rutter

OCI, Deacon Don Fox

Social Ministries, Chris Ladnier

Vocations Chalice, Ferdinand & Donna Prantl

Organizations

KoC & Ladies Auxiliary, Randy Vis & Julia Allaman

Women’s Book Club, Arlene Bradley

EASTER FAITH*Reflection on John 20:1-9*

Knowing well the end of the story, it is difficult for us to imagine how it all unfolded for Mary Magdalene and Jesus' disciples as they were living it when it all happened. How does hope persist through the devastating grief of mourning a dear friend? How does love prevail over the heart-breaking trauma of witnessing such a gruesome and violent death? How do you interpret the stone which has been rolled away, the empty tomb, the burial clothes folded up?

Easter faith – placing our trust and joy in the Resurrection – invites us to embrace God's gift of hope and perseverance through every human trial and during our worst moments. Whatever life looks like in the moment, whatever darkness we pass through, whatever stone seems immovable, in every moment of death – God's love and mercy cannot be held back. When the power of the Resurrection grasps us, new possibilities of love, understanding and compassion are within reach.

– Father Jay

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE**Sunday, April 5, 2026***The Resurrection of the Lord*

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Colossians 3:1-4 or

1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

John 20:1-9 or Matthew 28:1-10

Monday, April 6, 2026*Monday in the Octave of Easter*

Acts 2:14, 22-33

Psalm 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11

Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday, April 7, 2026*Tuesday in the Octave of Easter*

Acts 2:36-41

Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22

John 20:11-18

Wednesday, April 8, 2026*Wednesday in the Octave of Easter*

Acts 3:1-10

Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9

Luke 24:13-35

Thursday, April 9, 2026*Thursday in the Octave of Easter*

Acts 3:11-26

Psalm 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9

Luke 24:35-48

Friday, April 10, 2026*Friday in the Octave of Easter*

Acts 4:1-12

Psalm 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a

John 21:1-14

Saturday, April 11, 2026*Saturday in the Octave of Easter*

Acts 4:13-21

Psalm 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21

Mark 16:9-15

Access Daily Readings from
the New American Bible,
Revised Edition (NABRE) online at
<https://bible.usccb.org>

**SAINT VINCENT FERRER***Saint of the Day: April 5**Patron Saint of Builders, Businessmen, Reconciliation*

Despite parental opposition, Saint Vincent Ferrer entered the Dominican Order in his native Spain at 19. After brilliant studies, he was ordained a priest by Cardinal Peter de Luna – who would figure tragically in his life.

The Western schism divided Christianity first between two, then three, popes. Clement VII lived at Avignon in France, Urban VI in Rome. Vincent was convinced the election of Urban was invalid, though Catherine of Siena was just as devoted a supporter of the Roman pope. In the service of Cardinal de Luna, Vincent worked to persuade Spaniards to follow Clement. When Clement died, Cardinal de Luna was elected at Avignon and became Benedict XIII.

Saint Vincent Ferrer worked for him as apostolic penitentiary and Master of the Sacred Palace. But the new pope did not resign as all candidates in the conclave had sworn to do.

Vincent became disillusioned and very ill, but finally took up the work of simply "going through the world preaching Christ," though he felt that any renewal in the Church depended on healing the schism. An eloquent and fiery preacher, he spent the last 20 years of his life spreading the Good News in Spain, France, Switzerland, the Low Countries and Lombardy, stressing the need of repentance and the fear of coming judgment. He became known as the "Angel of the Judgment."

Saint Vincent Ferrer tried unsuccessfully, in 1408 and 1415, to persuade his former friend to resign. He finally concluded that Benedict was not the true pope. Though very ill, he mounted the pulpit before an assembly over which Benedict himself was presiding, and thundered his denunciation of the man who had ordained him a priest. Benedict fled for his life, abandoned by those who had formerly supported him.

Read the full article: "Saint Vincent Ferrer" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars,
<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-vincent-ferrer/> (Accessed March 20, 2026).

UPCOMING EVENTS—SAVE THE DATES

Magnificat

The Magnificat Women of SJA will gather on Saturday, April 11, from 9 - 11 AM in the St. John Paul II Center.

We encourage all women from juniors in high school to the most senior sister, to join us, regardless of where one is in their faith journey.

There will be a light meal followed by a topic of discussion. If you would like more information, please contact Kelley (757-775-6360) or Tracy (804-695-4538) for details.



How Are We Saved? The Catholic View of Salvation!

Thursday, April 16, 2026 6:30 PM in the JP II Center at St. Joan of Arc

This presentation by Dr. Steven Hemler explores why Jesus died for us and how we can accept this most precious gift of Salvation.

MAY PROCESSION AND CROWNING OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER

St. Joan of Arc's beautiful annual May Procession and Crowning will take place on Sunday, May 3, 2026, between the two morning Masses. Please, plan to be there and to rejoice in it.

We gather to honor Mary, the Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, now our own spiritual Mother, who is also the Patroness of our country, as we crown the Queen of Angels during a devotional service. We invite family and friends to share in this devotion and to announce Mary as the loving Mother of the "New Creation" to the public around us.



We ask all to bring flowers from their gardens this day to offer to, and to honor, Our Lady of Grace.

VACATION/RETREAT FOR YOUR WHOLE FAMILY AT CATHOLIC FAMILYLAND THIS SUMMER

The Apostolate for Family Consecration hosts 7 "Holy Family Fests" each summer - a dynamic weeklong Catholic family vacation at Catholic Familyland near Steubenville, Ohio.

Each morning begins with Mass, followed by breakout sessions for all age groups. Afternoons provide plenty of recreation for all, as well as opportunities for Reconciliation and Adoration. Evening programs are faith-filled and fun for the whole family! Bring your own camper or rent a cabin for the week!

This year's theme is "Mary, Cause of Our Joy." Register at afc.org to experience a life-changing encounter with Our Lord that makes the Faith come alive! If you have any questions about this retreat, please contact Mike & Katie Corbett at mkcorbettfamily@gmail.com.

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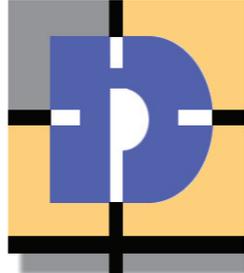
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