

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm | Friday: 9:00 am - 12 pm

OUR MISSION

A Catholic community living the apostolic mission to love God, love our neighbor, and make disciples.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm Sundays: 8:00 am, *10:00 am & 12:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday and Thursday: 6:15 pm Wednesday and Friday 8:00 am

*Livestream Mass

HOLY ROSARY

Tuesday—Thursday: after Weekday Masses Friday: 7:15 am (with Divine Mercy Chaplet)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Tuesday and Thursday: 4:00 pm through 5:30 pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT First Thursday of the month: 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Families will meet with Deacon Steve and are **required** to attend one (1) Baptismal Preparation Class in the parish if you are seeking the Sacrament of Baptism for children under 7 years of age. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST

Children are required to register and attend Religious Education classes for the current school year in order to participate in the Sacramental Preparation program for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Contact the parish office for more information.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR YOUTH

One-year preparation beginning in 10th Grade is required. Contact the parish office if your child is in the 10th grade and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

In the Diocese of Richmond, couples planning to be married in the Catholic Church should notify Father Anthony at least 6 to 9 months prior to requesting a wedding date.

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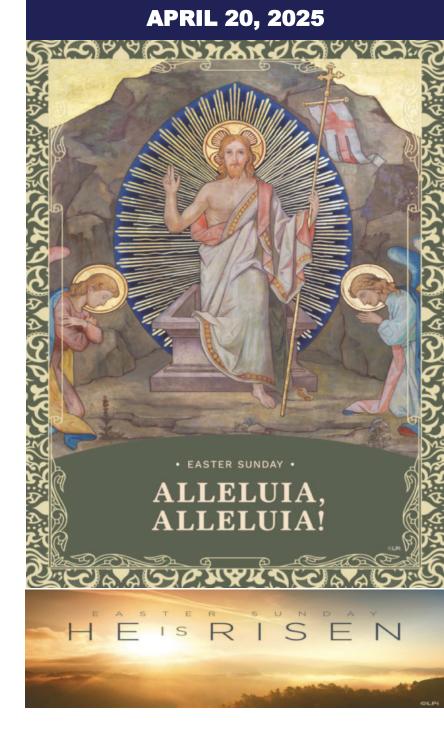
Christ strengthens our faith and bestows God's grace in a time of anxiety and pain. Please call the Parish office to make arrangements to celebrate this sacrament if you are ill, facing surgery or enduring current illness.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Contact Father Anthony in the Parish office or the Office of Vocations (804) 359-5661 or via email at vocations@richmonddiocese.org, if you are discerning a call to the priesthood or consecrated life.

THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Individuals interested in learning about the Catholic Church or entering the catechumenate, please contact Deacon Bob Smithberger in the parish office. Inquiry is welcome at any time.



THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD	YEAR C APRIL 20, 2025
THIS WEEK AT HOLY SPIRIT	PARISH CLERGY AND STAFF
(Subject to change, please check our website or call the Parish office) PLEASE SILENCE <u>ALL</u> CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING MASS. *Public/Livestream <u>SUNDAY, APRIL 20 EASTER SUNDAY</u> 8:00 am Mass Joan Cohen † 10:00 am * Mass Parishioners of Holy Spirit 12:00 pm Mass Leonila Vergonia † 4:00 pm Stepping Stones—AA (L) <u>MONDAY, APRIL 21</u> MONDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER PARISH OFFICE CLOSED <u>TUESDAY, APRIL 22</u> TUESDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER PARISH OFFICE CLOSED <u>WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23</u> WEDNESDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER PARISH OFFICE CLOSED <u>THURSDAY, APRIL 24</u> THURSDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER PARISH OFFICE CLOSED <u>THURSDAY, APRIL 24</u> THURSDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	(757) 468-3600 office@holyspiritvb.org Pastor / Ext 103 Rev. Anthony Mpungu FrAnthony@holyspiritvb.org Deacons / Ext 109 Rev. Mr. Robert Smithberger deaconbob@holyspiritvb.org Rev. Mr. Steve Kuczma deaconsteve@holyspiritvb.org Business Manager / Ext. 115 Lani Ulep
FRIDAY, APRIL 25 FRIDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	PARISH COUNCIL
SATURDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER 4:30 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet (WS) 5:00 pm Mass (WS) Parishioners of Holy Spirit PARISH OFFICE CLOSING	Charlie Chan Tim Hatton Amy Cheatham Ken Hobbs Judee Clamor Linda Kuehn Marivic Ellorin George Onodu Ian Fajardo
The Parish office is closed for the week of	PRAYER REQUESTS
April 21 through April 25, 2025. There will be no daily Mass and Sacrament of Reconciliation while the parish is closed. The parish office will reopen on Monday, April 28 at 9 am.	FOR THE SICK Pope Francis, Fr. Danny Cogut, Rose Hunt, Zachary McCommons-Martin, Julia Norman, Joan Baecher, John Santos, Estrella Monzon, Manuel Aucaquizhpi, Markus Isl
BLESSED	Pray for all the names listed in our book of intentions. † FOR THE DECEASED †
agen	We extend our sincere sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of all who lost a loved one. Ernesto Rabang, Eduardo Jose Gonzales,
IU ALL!	Amparo Jose
	Pray for all the names listed in our book of remembrance.

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Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. Let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

BULLETIN SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

Thank you to our parishioner and sponsor. Levinsky Electric

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SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

www.SVDP-HolySpirit.org SVDP Office number: (757) 468-1533 svdp@holyspiritvb.org



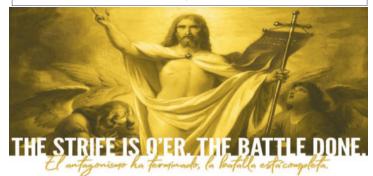
Outreach Office Hours: Monday 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

This week, we are most in need of:

Cans of chunk chicken Peanut butter Jam/Jelly

Please place your non-perishable donations on the wire rack in front of the parish office. Thank you.



PRIESTLY ORDINATION OF **DEACON SAMUEL HILL**





PRIESTLY ORDINATION OF REV. MR. SAMUEL HILL

JUNE 7TH 2025

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ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



Your gift to the Annual Diocesan Appeal supports Seminarians



RichmondCatholicFoundation.org/Appeal

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Holy Spirit at 50 ... Moved by the Spirit!

February 16 - June 3 (weekly) - Wild Goose Series June 7, 2025 - Pentecost Vigil and Potluck June 22, 2025 - Golden Jubilee Mass June 22, 2025 - Choir Concert and Reception September 6, 2025 - Fruits of the Spirit Picnic September 27, 2025 - Jubilee Golf Tournament (\$) October 17, 2025 - Golden Jubilee Gala (\$)



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COMMEMORATIVE FLEECE JACKET



Soth Anniversary Commemorative FLEECE JACKET \$35.00

Order Forms available in the parish office.

WILD GOOSE



TUESDAY 7 PM - ACTIVITY B FRIDAY 10:30 AM - LIBRARY

SUNDAY 1:30 PM - ACTIVITY B SUNDAY 6 PM - CENACLE

SUPPORT HOLY SPIRIT THROUGH ONLINE DONATION

Simply scan the QR code to donate securely online. Your contribution, no matter the size, helps us continue our work and reach more people with the love of Christ. Thank you for your faithfulness and support!



NIGHT MANAGERS NEEDED!

This ministry serves an important role in keeping the church building and parishioners safe and secure. An assigned person each weeknight assumes responsibility for opening and closing the parish, receiving and greeting visitors and parishioners, and is responsible for the safety and security of the facilities and all who are using it during evening hours. This is scheduled on a rotating basis from Sunday-Thursday from 6:30 pm—9 pm.

If you are interested or would like more information, contact Lani in the parish office at 757-468-3600 or by email at mulep@holyspiritvb.org

Please note: The Diocese of Richmond requires **ALL** volunteers to complete a yearly background check and VIRTUS training every five years.

WE VOLUNTEERS

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

If you are unable to attend Mass due to illness, call the Parish office to request communion brought you.

ASSISTANCE DURING COMMUNION

Parishioners who are unable to walk in the communion line to receive the Eucharist during weekend Masses are asked to inform an Usher **before** Mass begins each week. This will ensure that the head usher directs the Deacon and/or the Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

(EMHC) to your seat with the Host and that you do not miss the opportunity to receive the Lord.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

WE'RE HIRING!

Become part of our mission-driven team!

Explore full-time, part-time and flexible schedule opportunities.

GATHOLIC CHARITIES Of Eastern Virginia



CALL 757-456-2366

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2024—2025 FAITH FORMATION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS

All Faith Formation (K-5), Middle School EDGE and HS Life Teen are cancelled for Holy Week and Easter Sunday.

Classes will resume next Sunday, April 27 All Rice Bowls should be turned in when classes resume on 4/27 or 5/4

For more information, contact Jenny Scharf (Grades K-5) at extension 108 or Donna Consla (Grades 6-12) at extension 113 in the parish office.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW)

We are looking for volunteers and aides for Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) during the 10 am Mass.

If you are interested or would like more information, contact Donna Consla in the parish office at ext. 113 or by email at dconsla@holyspiritvb.org

VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENT

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SUNSHINE CLUB



The Sunshine Club Pot Luck Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 14 at 12 Noon at Holy Spirit Parish. For entertainment we will have "Jack The Singer". Also, to help us

celebrate Mother's Day, bring a picture of your mother to post on our Mother's Day wall.

For questions regarding the upcoming meeting, call Jim Pokrywka (757) 340-8138.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER FOR FATHER DANNY COGUT

SERVANT OF GOD FRANK PARATER NOVENA FOR FATHER DANNY COGUT

Pray with us!

Loving Father, your servant Frank Parater sought perfection as a student, scout and seminarian. He offered himself to you completely through the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Through his intercession, may young people answer your call to follow Jesus as priests, deacons and religious. Grant, as well, the favors I seek, total miraculous healing for Fr. Danny Cogut, so that your Church will recognize his holiness and proclaim him Blessed. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen. Frank Parater, pray for us. Our Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us. Saint Peregrine, pray for us. THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED WHY DO WE DO THAT?

DISCERNMENT

Question:

How do I discern if a call to do something big is really from God?

Each day we face plenty of decisions about following God: whether or not to pray, how to treat people, and how to prioritize our time. Sometimes there can be something much more significant we discern: a vocational call, a promotion at work that requires a move, or a new ministry position at church. In addition to a pro-con list or a cost-benefit analysis, here are a few things to prayerfully consider and to talk over with trusted individuals.

Does it conform to God's will revealed in the Church? God doesn't call us to do something that contradicts the moral law. Will it encourage spiritual growth? Sometimes we need to choose between multiple good options. Consider the personal impact on you and others you are responsible for, like family. Other times we might be invited to do good for others, but when we assess our other life commitments, we see that saying yes to this would actually impede our prior responsibilities in the long run. Does the call seem consistent? This isn't to say that God won't do something new. Even so, consider if the call is consistent with your gifts and abilities. Can you see a "through-line" so to speak, with how your experiences have led you to this point? Do others confirm it? Share your reflections with trusted, insightful confidantes. Have they seen the same things you have, or are they bringing up new points to consider? Humbly add their relevant points to your considerations. Don't forget your gut. After you've carefully considered everything in your mind, don't neglect your instincts. Does your heart say yes or no.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

<u>Question</u>: What does the word "deacon" mean?

Answer: Servant, minister, and/or messenger.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/ Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16/Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33/Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105/Lk 24:13-35 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8/Lk 24:35-48 Friday: Acts 4:1-2/Ps 118/Jn 21:1-14 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118/Mk 16:9-15 Next Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

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GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

When I was a young boy, my parents told me about their wedding. Then a few years later, they showed me my mother's wedding dress and my dad's suit. It was astonishing to see and touch garments that connected me to the event that led to my existence. Of course, I already believed they were married based on their word. But these holy garments made the event real and tangible for me.

Something like this is at play when St. John reports encountering in Jesus' tomb, **"the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place"** (John 20:7). Those two separate cloths, for his head and for his body respectively, meant a great deal to St. John and to the early Christians. Some years after the resurrection, there surfaced reports of two cloths with unusual characteristics, one bearing the image of a crucified man's body, another smaller one with the image of a wounded man's face. Some call them the Shroud of Turin and the Veil of Manoppello; they both can be seen today.

These two cloths have a long and complicated history, and scholars debate aspects of them. If you're curious, I encourage you to read about them. To be clear, I believe in the resurrection of Jesus because of the testimony of eyewitnesses and the gift of faith in the Church. Nevertheless, seeing these two mysterious cloths have made the life-giving event of Jesus' resurrection more real and tangible for me. Maybe they will for you, too .

— Father John Muir

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

There is an invitation in the empty tomb and the abandoned burial cloths. What great things could we accomplish, if we only believe that Christ has conquered death? Go forth this Easter season, boldly embracing the hope of the resurrection.

LOW GLUTEN HOST

If you are in need of a low-gluten host at Mass, please contact the Parish office.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK REFLECT AND RESPOND TO THE SCRIPTURE

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FIRST READING:

In his speech, Peter emphasizes that he and the Apostles were chosen as "witnesses" to tell others of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Have you ever told anyone why you believe in Jesus?

SECOND READING:

Paul urges the Corinthians to celebrate Jesus' death and resurrection with sincerity and truth. How does your family celebrate Easter Sunday?

GOSPEL:

We hear how Mary of Magdala, Peter and the Beloved Disciple initially react to seeing Jesus' empty tomb. How do you share startling news with others?

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THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



VOCATION MINISTRY

"HE IS NOT HERE; HE HAS BEEN RAISED."

The joy of the Resurrection brings new life. Could Christ be calling you to share this joy with others

through a vocation in the Church? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Diocesan Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Rev. Mr. Andrew Clark, Rev. Mr. Samuel Hill, Rev. Mr. Matthew Kelly, Brennen McCoy, John Paul Shanahan, Michael Anctil, Scott Campolongo, Graham Fassero, Charlie Tamayo, William Yearout, David Hairston II, Chad Wilson, Peter Olbrych, Maximus McHugh, Jack Domark, Carl Baumann, Jonathan Kenney, Neal McCaffrey, Minh Tran, Aventon Grimes, Austin Alanis, Andrew Allen, Martin Beers, Tim Soukup, Carlos Gonzalez Jr, Martin Kroll

LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR SEMINARIANS

Our seminarians could use letters of encouragement and support. If you are interested in lifting their spirits and encouraging them in their vocation to serve our Lord as future priests through cards or letters, contact the parish office for their address.

Thank you for supporting our seminarians.

ADDRESS & CONTACT INFO CHANGE

If you have a change of address or contact info, please contact the parish office at (757) 468-3600 or by email at office@holyspiritvb.org so we can update our records. Thank you.

COLUMBARIUM SAFETY NOTE

Please **DO NOT leave GLASS** vases when bringing flowers to loved ones in the Columbarium.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Why should you "officially" register as a parishioner at Holy Spirit Catholic Church?

It is a requirement for any type of sponsorship documentation, such as Baptismal Attestation to be a godparent for Baptism, or letters of good standing for Catholic schools.

Registration forms are available online at *www.holyspiritvb.org* or pick up a registration form at the information desk in the commons. Call the parish office if you have any questions.

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PRAYER FOR EASTER

Blessed be God who has triumphed over the grave! Our Lord is victorious! Alleluia, alleluia!

Allelula, allelula:

May the joy of Easter fill every part of our lives! Amen.

POPE FRANCIS GENERAL PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL



FOR THE USE OF THE NEW TECHNOLOGIES

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times .

HEALING GRACE CD



Now available for purchase online on Apple iTunes Music and Amazon Music. Physical CD for \$15 each is still available at the parish office.

Finding hope through Scripture, reflections and prayer offered by Rev. Matthew Kiehl and Rev. Timothy Kuhneman. Music by Erin Laurence and Justin Kauflin.

100% of the proceeds go directly to Holy Spirit Catholic Church

CYBERCRIME ALERT

If you receive a phone call, text or email from Father Anthony requesting money or gift cards, rest assured that it is a SCAM. **Please do not engage, reply, or click on any links.**

BORROWED PYX

Please return borrowed pyx to the Parish Office.

EMMAUS JOURNEY FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

The pain of a parent who has lost a child can be an excruciating, all-consuming grief, accompanied by an emptiness or sorrow that is isolating and unrelenting. This grief often challenges the parent's sense of identity, purpose, and faith. The journey through this pain is deeply personal and can be marked by moments of unexpected joy as they remember their child.

The Emmaus Journey Retreat is offered for parents just like this. No matter the age of your child, the circumstances of their passing, or how much time has gone by, you are invited to join us for a day retreat of healing.

Three retreats will be offered in 2025.

May 24th — Church of the Redeemer, Mechanicsville August 2nd — Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Newport News, October 18th — St. Edward the Confessor, Richmond. For more information: evangelizerichmond.org



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