

This Week at Sacred Heart

Sunday, October 7
 Readings: Gn 2:18-24
 All Day Blessing of New Parishioners
 8:00 am Mass/People of Sacred Heart
 10:00 am Choir Practice
 11:00 am Mass/People of Sacred Heart
 12:00 pm Rosary Group
 1:30 pm Soup Kitchen #1 Commons

Monday, October 8
 Readings: Gal 1:6-12
 2:00 pm JustFaith
 7:30 pm Centering Prayer in the Chapel

Tuesday, October 9
 Readings: Gal 1:13-24
 6:00 am Catholic Worker
 5:30 pm Daily Mass

Wednesday, October 10
 Readings: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14
 9:30 am Weekly Staff Meeting
 12:00 pm Support Group Meeting
 5:30 pm Young Adult-MAP
 5:30 pm Mass
 6:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration
 6:30 pm Haiti Twinning Ministry Mtg

Thursday, October 11
 Reading: Gal 3:1-5
 6:00 am Catholic Worker
 5:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal
 7:00 pm RCIA
 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday, October 12
 Reading: Gal 3:7-14
 12:00 pm Daily Mass
 2:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal
 5:00 pm Arthur Wedding

Saturday, October 13
 Readings: Gal 3:22-29
 6:30 am That Man is You
 2:30 pm Cucci/Mulski Wedding
 4:30 pm Reconciliation
 5:30 pm Mass/People of Sacred Heart
 6:30 pm Youth Group Social
 6:30 pm HTM Craft Sale

Sunday, October 14
 Readings: Wis 7:7-11
 8:00 am Mass/People of Sacred Heart
 8:00 pm Rite of Continuing Conversion
 9:00 am HTM Craft Sale
 9:15 am RE K-8
 10:00 am Choir Practice
 11:00 am Mass/People of Sacred Heart
 11:00 am Rite of Continuing Conversion
 12:00 pm Rosary Group
 1:30 pm Soup Kitchen #2
 2:00 pm Parish Picnic
 4:00 pm Contemporary Music Practice
 6:30 pm Confirmation S/C Session



Mark Your Calendars

For Upcoming Sacred Heart Events

Young Adult-MAP.....Oct 10th
 Haiti Craft Sale.....Oct 13th & 14th
 Rite of Continuing Conversion.....Oct 14th
 Parish Picnic.....Oct 14th

Service Members of Our Parish

We pray for members of our parish who are serving overseas, as well as their families.
 John Matchett, Thomas Van de Castle,
 Dillon Scherger, Michael Schaefer,
 Dave Gomez, Giovanni Ordoñez, Charlie Gough

If you would like to add or remove a name from this list, contact us at:
office@sacredheartnorfolk.org or 625-6763.

Pastoral Care

We Pray for our sick and those in need of our prayers.

Mary Lou McPhaul,
 Dan Reeves, Dr. Sal Barr, Kara Gusano,
 Bernice Van Aalten, Erwin & Ellen Schoepf,
 Eileen Powell, Chris-Kennedy, Andrew Wilcox,
 Terry Kelly, Peter Callo, Alan Morton, Edie White,
 James McMally, Gail Anthony, Sebastian Bonaiuto,
 Elizabeth Von Tersch, Ann Hennelly, Betsy Murray,
 Barbara Hudgins, Eileen Abrahamsen,
 Fr John Dorgan, St. Gabriel Parish, Calvin Hoffler

October 7, 2018— 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Encourage Deeper Understanding of the Scriptures

"Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." This verse is part of a beautiful reflection on childlike faith. We're reminded of the innocence of children, how eager they are to experience life and how quick they are to trust. Rarely do we hear it with the story that immediately proceeds it. The Pharisees question Jesus on the lawfulness of divorce! Hardly the sort of thorny moral conversation one typically has in front of children. Yet here we are.

Jesus' response goes further back than the Mosaic law. "From the beginning, God made them male and female the two shall become one flesh what God has joined together, no human being must separate." Jesus cites a particular set of passages from Genesis 1 and 2, before the Fall in Genesis 3. Adam and Eve possessed original innocence. How eager they were to encounter one another and to explore the garden! How immediate their initial trust in God. We no longer live in Eden. As we age in our fallen world, our childlike trust is wounded and betrayed. We become hardened to the beauties of life. We're quick to find a way around difficult moments.

In brief, things become complicated as we lose our innocence. The teachings of Christ and the Church on sexuality become more challenging or more objectionable. Jesus recognizes this in today's Gospel. His invitation is not to compromise with our broken reality. It is a return to beauty, to the fullness of life as it was meant to be. We can affirm our trust in God. We can view life with gratitude. We can experience healing of our lost innocence. This is possible today -- now! -- by grace. Indeed, "the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."



Catholic Life Explained

What is the story behind the rosary?

The rosary is a sacred and popular Catholic devotion, but its origins are mysterious. Prayer beads to facilitate meditation began in the early ages of the Church. In the early medieval period, bead strings were used to count Hail Marys or Our Fathers. A tradition has developed that the rosary in its current form was given to St. Dominic by the Blessed Mother. However, the earliest biographies of the saint do not include this story. In the Middle Ages, the prayers were grouped into 50 Hail Marys with verses from the Psalms and vignettes from the lives of Jesus and Mary. By the 16th century, the Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious Mysteries were established.

The rosary rose to prominence in the late 1500s. The Turkish Empire was spreading across eastern Europe and pirates were raiding Christian ships. The Christian nations of Europe rallied for a great battle at sea. Pope St. Pius V urged all Christians to pray the rosary for victory. While vastly outnumbered, the Christian fleet was victorious at the Battle of Lepanto. The pope established October 7th as the feast of the Holy Rosary. Later, all of October would come to be known as the Month of the Rosary.

Question of the Week

First Reading

We hear in the creation account how man's search for a "suitable partner" led to the creation of woman and that God's intention for marriage was "the two of them become one flesh." Why do you think this idea of marriage is still a debate within our larger culture today?

WORDS TO INSPIRE THE FAITHFUL

"The Church does not offer to the [people] of today riches that pass, nor does she promise them a merely earthly happiness. But she distributes to them the goods of divine grace."

--St. John XXIII

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 7, 2018



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Welcome!

Parish Office Hours
Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Fri: 9 a.m.-Noon

Nursery Hours
11:00 am mass
Reconciliation Saturday.....4:30

Mass Schedule

Saturday.....5:30 p.m.
Sunday..... 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass

Tuesday.....5:30 p.m.
Wednesday.....5:30 p.m.
Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration..... 6:00 p.m.
Friday.....12:00 p.m.

Parish Staff

Rev. Paul Muyimbwa.....*Pastor*
Amy Woods.....*Director of Religious Education*
Dr. James Gallatin.....*Music Director*
Neil Walsh.....*Director of Social Ministry*
Tia Marvin.....*Parish Admin. Assistant*
Calvin Hoffler.....*Maintenance Technician*
Rosana Enriquez*Bookkeeper*

Our Mission
We, the diverse Catholic community of Sacred Heart, are called to act as disciples of Jesus, respecting the dignity of all, through our Word, Worship, Community and Service.

Rosary
Prayed every Sunday following the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

Registration of New Parishioners
Online Registration:
www.sacredheartnorfolk.org/parish-registration
Or
Registration Session next week-September 23, 2018
Room 305
Or
Contact parish office at
625-6763 or office@sacredheartnorfolk.org

Sacramental Preparation
For more information, contact Amy Woods at
625-6763 or amy@sacredheartnorfolk.org.

Ministry to the Sick & Homebound
If you know someone who desires a visit, contact the parish office at 625-6763 or office@sacredheartnorfolk.org.

Prayer Chain Ministry
Contact Susan Daniel with prayer requests at
436-2324 or susdan@me.com

RCIA at Sacred Heart
If you are an adult and would like to explore the Catholic way of life, our RCIA group meets **every Thursday at 7 p.m.** Contact Amy Woods at 625-6763 or amy@sacredheartnorfolk.org.

Sacred Heart Young Adults Group (21+)
For information about the young adult scripture discussions and monthly socials. Contact Gabby at youngadults@sacredheartnorfolk.org

From Fr Paul's Desk
Meditations on the Mass

External Order

The overarching internal and spiritual order of the Mass and of Catholic spirituality as a whole can be summarized by the formula: To the Father, through the Son, in the Holy Spirit.



This order directs the lifting up of our hearts in prayer and worship internally, but it is also expressed in the Mass by an external order. If you went to a football game for the first time, and did not understand the external order that governs the play of the game, you would be severely limited in your capacity to participate as a fan. "Who are those guys running up and down on the side with poles and chains? Why is everyone cheering right now? Why is that guy kicking it back to the other team again?" The Mass too is governed by an external order. It is a ritual, or a rite. It contains a certain set of prescribed words, gestures and actions. The football game always begins with the singing of the 'Star Spangled Banner', the ceremonial shaking of hands by the Captains, and then the customary coin toss. At half time the band comes out, we eat a hotdog, discuss the first half, and offer predictions about the second half.

A football game is kind of ritual. It is a solemn repetition of this familiar external order or pattern that acts as a vessel or container to express, channel and direct our interior delight in the human spirit of competition, excellence and achievement, and our passion for this particular team. Since we are made up of soul and body, the Mass is made up of both an internal and an external order. The prayer and worship of our hearts may be the meat of the sandwich, but to be a sandwich it needs the bread on either side. To participate fully in the Mass we need to be attuned to both the internal and the external order. (Fr. Larry Young)

Is there a ceremony or preparation for baptized Catholics who never or seldom have practiced the faith? For Catholics who have been baptized, confirmed and made First Communion but then drifted from the faith, the way they return is through the Sacrament of Penance. Please contact Fr. Paul at 625-6763.

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Please keep our parish in your heart wherever you may find yourself this season.



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<http://www.sacredheartnorfolk.org/giving/>

or contact the office to assist you in setting up a recurring gift. 757-625-6763 or office@sacredheartnorfolk.org

Parish Picnic

Sunday Oct 14th from 2pm-5pm
Columbus Club
5201 Kennebeck Ave Norfolk

Come out and enjoy food, drinks, games, and have a good time with your fellow parishioners!



Check out pictures of the site!!



For those already Registered

Please help us update your information in our database!!!!

If you are already a registered member of the Parish please Follow these steps to edit your information:



1. <https://richmond.parishsofffamilysuite.com/Register.aspx>
2. Find Sacred Heart Church in Drop down menu
3. Enter a username
4. Your personal information
5. Enter your email
6. Once a Staff member accepts your information, 5-7 days Parish Soft will send you a username and Password

Thank You

To everyone who supported the Wine Festival in some way. A great time was had by all and money was raised to support youth ministry trips.



Middle School Youth Rally-- LAST CALL

Saturday, October 29, 2014 at St. Pius X. Catholic Church from 9 a. m. – 6 p.m. The cost is \$40 per participant. DEADLINE to sign up today! Please email Amy Woods at amy@sacredheartnorfolk.org to get the registration form.

Confirmation Sponsor/Candidate Meeting



The next Confirmation Sponsor/Candidate meeting is Sunday, October 14 at 6:30 p.m.

Super Social Saturday

In honor of Halloween, our next Youth Group Social will be a trip to the Haunted Masonic Lodge on Saturday, October 13 from 6:30pm -9pm. The cost is \$20. Sign up now by contacting Amy Woods at amy@sacredheartnorfolk.org. Friends are always welcome. We need 2-3 adults who are willing to drive.

Religious Education

K-8 will meet next Sunday, October 14 from 9:15am-10:45am.

No morning Sessions on Sunday, October 21. It is Service Weekend. Families with last names A – F are asked to come help serve in the Soup Kitchen from 1-3 p.m. All families are asked to Go Out and BE of service to others.

Youth Council Meeting

The next Youth Council meeting will be on Sunday, October 21 starting with the 8 a.m. Mass.

Rite of Continuing Conversion

Our Confirmation Candidates will celebrate the Rite of Continuing Conversion at Mass next weekend, October 14. Please come and pray with and for our teens as they begin their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation during this Easter Season.

Diocesan Women's Conference – November 3, 2018

The Diocese of Richmond is hosting another diocesan-wide Catholic Women's Conference! This is a one-day conference for all women over 18 to come together for a day of fellowship, prayer, and learning. When not in general sessions with keynote speakers, participants may attend different breakout sessions, visit the expo area featuring many vendors and exhibitors, and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The conference will conclude with Vigil Mass for Sunday. Visit www.cdrcmf.org for more information and to register.

From September 1st – October 4th Christians around the world participate in the "Season of Creation. To reflect and celebrate this "gorgeous token of affection God has given us." It's no accident the Season of Creation ends on October 4th, the day we celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, best known for his love of "Mother Earth." The following are the principles that guide a Franciscan view of creation.

The first is this: the image of God exists in all things. All Christians believed the image of God or "Imago Dei" existed in all living things, our natural default would be to do everything in our power to care for everyone and everything, all the time.

The second Franciscan principle is this: **we have a special place in creation, but not a central place.** While human beings are special because we've been created in the image and likeness of God, we're not the center of the universe. Embracing this requires us to be humble. Much of today's environmental degradation is a direct result of "center of the universe" thinking. If we believe the universe revolves around us, it makes it much easier to exploit everything.

The third principle: **we have boundaries and limits that have been set for us.** While God created this wonderful planet in such a way that it should be able to regenerate itself, the earth's ability to do so is being hindered or completely obstructed by us humans. There are a finite number of natural resources. A finite number of times toxic chemicals can be put into our ground, air and water before they begin to do serious damage to the earth and to us.

There are a finite number of times we can do things that prohibit the natural world from replenishing itself. The damage caused by recent hurricanes– most recently Hurricanes Maria and Florence – are examples of how our actions may well be leading to a time when the earth can no longer protect us from ourselves.

Save the Date: Oct. 13th and 14th Haiti Fall Sale before and after Masses: costume jewelry, craft and baked goods. The sale will be held in the Commons before and after Masses Oct. 13th and 14th. Additionally, donations to the Lunch Fund are welcome. For information contact Patricia Britz at patprovence1@yahoo.com

Community News and Events

Free VIRTUS Training

The Knights of Columbus, Norfolk Council 367, The First Council in the South, will be holding a free VIRTUS training on Tuesday, October 16th, at 7 PM located at 5201 Kennebeck Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23513.

If interested, go to https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme=0 and select the Richmond Diocese or call Dan Doyle