



SAINT BEDE

Catholic Church

SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023 | FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever has ears ought to hear.”
- Mt 13:3, 7-9

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“Unfurl the sails, and let God steer us where He will.” - Saint Bede

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Week of 7.17.2023 Joseph Sullivan

REST IN PEACE

Jorge Alfalla
Jean Burke
Suzanne Carr
Owen "OJ" Flynn
Daniel Mangosing,
Helen Petkus

PRAYER REQUESTS

May the healing hand of God rest on
these people and all others in need.

Betty Bongiovi, Julia Burke, Sandra
Chatloa, Elaine Chismer, Theodore
Cors, Brian Donahue, Robert
Doocey, Cathy Elias, Cindy Germain,
Matt Gray, John Hatchard, John
Halasz, Del Humphreys, Anne
Kushnick, Lyne, Koh ManTing,
Robert Napora, PC, Mary Ellen
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Williamsburg House of Mercy Staff
and Volunteers, Steven Woodard

OUR TROOPS

Whit Armbruster, Cullen Anderson,
Kellen Bayer, Ryan Carey, Brian
Connolly, Adam Dillon, Matt Gray,
Patrick Hart, David Holland, Sorena
Jean, Thorin Jean, Nicholas Koch,
Thomas McAndrew, Thomas Mueller,
Geof Palmer, Evan Poole, James
Martin Ryan, Logan Sarina, Anders
Stanke, Erica Stanke, Lee Stephens,
Edward Alexander Ustaris, Jonathan
Weiler, Veronica Williams

MASS INTENTIONS**SATURDAY, JULY 15**

5:30 pm Rev. Francis Pellissier

SUNDAY, JULY 16

8:30 am Parishioners
11:00 am Mark Hendrick †
2:00 pm Antonio Hernandez †; Angel
Jacobco-Lopez †
5:00 pm

TUESDAY, JULY 189:00 am Pat Vaughan †; Charles
Zakour †**WEDNESDAY, JULY 19**9:00 am Dante Ignacios †; Allison
Mary Kiernan †; Carol Landon †**THURSDAY, JULY 20**

9:00 am Michael Coghlan †

FRIDAY, JULY 219:00 am Virginia Covello †; Diana
McElroy †**SATURDAY, JULY 22**5:30 pm Sophia Kern; The Sweeney
Family

Subject to change if there is a funeral
or if a celebrant is unavailable

MASS AND RECONCILIATION TIMES**DAILY MASS**

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am
1st Saturday 9:00 am

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Tuesday: 8:00 am to 8:45 am
Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am, 11:00 am,
2:00 pm (Spanish), 5:00 pm

(Sunday Mass is also live-streamed
at 8:30 am and 2:00 pm.)

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BULLETIN DEADLINES

The deadline to have articles submitted to be in the bulletin will be by
noon on Monday before the weekend the article should be in the bulletin.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHOM DO I CONTACT TO REGISTER MY CHILDREN FOR BAPTISM?

For children under 7, Tracy Lucas | tlucas@bedeva.org
 For children over 7 to adults, Michelle Tomshack | mtomshack@bedeva.org

WHOM DO I CONTACT TO REGISTER MY CHILDREN FOR SACRAMENT PREPARATION?

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WHOM DO I CONTACT TO BECOME CATHOLIC?

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WHOM DO I CONTACT TO GET MARRIED AT SAINT BEDE?

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WHOM DO I CONTACT TO REQUEST SICK, HOMEBOUND AND HOSPITAL VISITS?

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WHOM DO I CONTACT TO RENT KAPLAN PARISH HALL?

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WHOM DO I CONTACT ABOUT RESERVING A NICHE IN THE COLUMBARIUM?

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading:

The rain and snow come down and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful. (Is 55:10)

Psalm:

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest. (Ps 65)

Second Reading:

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God. (Rom 8:18-19)

Gospel:

And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. (Mt 13:3)

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WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday:

Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14
 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday:

Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday:

Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday:

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday:

Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/Mt 11:28-30

Friday:

Ex 11:10-12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday:

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

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WHY DO WE USE INCENSE AT MASS?

The use of incense in religious ceremonies and worship is a practice that predates Christianity, and which is also found in many other religious traditions today.

Incense, which is made from resin infused with aromatic spices and oils, is one of those fundamentally human symbols that incorporates more than one of our senses, helping us to reflect on realities that transcend the everyday details of our lives.

The use of incense in the Church's liturgy — in the Mass, as well as in devotions to the Eucharist and the Liturgy of the Hours — is inspired by the use of incense in the Jewish tradition. In the writings of the Old Testament, we hear about incense being used in the worship of the temple, and Psalm 141 asks, "Let my prayer be incense before you; my uplifted hands an evening offering" (vs. 2). The image here is that, as the incense gently rises to heaven, our prayers also rise to God as something sweet and pleasant.

Another ancient use of incense that has also become part of our Catholic tradition is the idea that when we incense something, it's because it is something special or sacred. This is why the Book of the Gospel is incensed during the Liturgy of the Word and the bread, wine, priest celebrant, and congregation are incensed at the presentation of the gifts. To this, we can also add the incensing of the Blessed Sacrament during eucharistic adoration and benediction, and the body of the deceased at the end of the Mass of the Resurrection (the Funeral Mass).

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STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE 2023

WORDS FROM OUR YOUTH

"Going into the weekend not knowing where my faith went and coming back knowing that God has been there since before I was born."

Jordan Kinstetter Grade 9

"I've never felt God as fully present than during that adoration on Saturday."

William Lambert Grade 9

"During adoration, I was sitting on the end of the row and Fr. Fernando brought the monstrance so close to me. It was such an amazing experience to be so close to Jesus!"

Kate Blinn Grade 9

"Further deepening and creating new relationships centered around the Lord"

Evan Blinn Grade 10



SPEND TIME WITH JESUS IN ADORATION

MONDAY:

9am-10 am

WEDNESDAY:

7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

FRIDAY:

9:45 am to 11:00 am



Blessed

are your eyes,
because they see
and your ears,
because they hear.

Matthew 13:16

GOSPEL MEDITATION

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

It's not uncommon to hear people complain that we Catholics often fail in communicating our faith. Fair enough. We can and should improve there. But it's interesting to notice that Jesus himself was implicitly accused by his disciples of a similar failure. This week in Matthew's gospel they are perplexed that he speaks to the crowds in ambiguous parables. The Lord's riddles leave many people more confused than before. He responds by pointing out that his parables have an intentional dual purpose: to hide (for some) and to reveal (for others) his Gospel: "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted" (Matthew 13:11). Is Jesus being unnecessarily difficult, obscurantist, or, worse, elitist?

No. We have to remember that all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge lie hidden in him (c.f., Col. 2:3). He is the word of God from heaven to be planted in the earth of our humanity to bear great fruit. However, like a lover delicately pursuing his beloved, we're dealing with a relationship, not new data. When we aren't willing to personally accept Jesus into our lives, the "info" of the Gospel will simply not make sense to us. It'll seem bizarre, esoteric, or like incoherent religious-speak. But when we are willing to accept Jesus into our lives, everything else starts to make sense. When others don't understand the Church or the Lord, let's be patient. Love is patient. Sometimes it has to hide before it is revealed.

— Father John Muir



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06 EVANGELIZATION & FAITH FORMATION

Sunday, July 16, 2023 | Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SPONSOR OUR YOUTH FOR THEIR MISSION TRIP

Every year, Saint Bede Youth travel with Saint Jerome Missions to help build ramps, fix roofs, paint, and more. They left for Buckingham County, VA on Wednesday morning after Mass at St Jerome Catholic Church in Newport News, and will travel back home on July 19.



We are completely self-funded and rely on donations. If you are willing and able, please consider supporting our efforts! You may use the QR code to make a donation!



MISSION TRIP 2023

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UPCOMING MIDDLE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

OUTDOOR GAME NIGHT

July 24 from 6-8 pm

All rising 6th-8th graders are invited to come hang out and enjoy some games! Hotdogs, Snacks and Drinks Provided. RSVP to Deacon Grimm

WALK WITH THE SAINTS

SAINT ELIZABETH OF THE HOLY TRINITY

July 26 from 6:00 pm- 7:00 pm followed by Adoration in the Church with Kathleen Borres. Please RSVP on our website so there are enough handouts for the session. Come to the main office (education wing) and someone will direct you.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

24-HOUR RETREAT FOR 2022 & 2023 COLLEGE GRADUATES

Going from college to adult, working life can leave you with a lot of questions. How do I find a parish? Where can I find Catholic young adults like me? What do I do with the skills I learned from my campus ministry? This summer, recent college graduates are invited to a retreat weekend in Richmond where you can find answers and encouragement. There will be time to hear talks, opportunity for prayer and reflection, and a chance to build community with other young adults. College graduates in the classes of 2022 and 2023 are invited to join us July 28-29, 2023 at Saint Michael's Catholic Church, Richmond.

The Recent Graduate Retreat costs \$35/person. Registration closes July 16th.

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*It seems to me
that I have
found my heaven
on earth, because
my heaven is you,
my God, and you
are in my soul.
You in me, and I
in you.*

-may this be my motto

SAINT ELIZABETH OF
THE HOLY TRINITY





**Peregrinación Diocesana a la
Basilica del Santuario Nacional
de la Inmaculada Concepción
Washington, DC**

**21 de octubre del 2023
¡RESERVA LA FECHA!**

El Obispo Knestout invita a todos los fieles de la Diócesis de Richmond a participar en una peregrinación a la Basilica del Santuario Nacional de la Inmaculada Concepción en Washington, D.C. Este evento es GRATIS. Se ofrecerá transporte GRATIS. La peregrinación se enfocará en la Eucaristía, fuente y cumbre de nuestra fe. Tendremos charlas, giras de la basilica, procesiones eucarísticas, adoración, música, y misa con el Obispo - inspirados y bendecidos por la belleza de la iglesia católica más grande de Norteamérica.

Inscribase en : <https://evangelizerichmond.org/events/diocesan-pilgrimage/>

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO – ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA

16 de julio de 2023

15° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Escuchar la Palabra de Dios, entenderla con la mente y llevarla al corazón para que enseguida dé fruto. Así de fácil es decirlo, pero, ponerla en práctica es como el proceso de la semilla que se siembra, se entierra, y poco a poco, con la luz del sol, brota cuando menos se espera. Cuidar es la clave para que haya fruto en abundancia. Dejar que la semilla penetre en el corazón es no dejar de luchar contra las tentaciones que a diario nos aquejan. El diablo siempre está en busca de quitarnos las cosas buenas que tenemos, tal como la bondad y las ganas de trabajar por la justicia y la paz. La vida cristiana no es fácil, no estamos aquí para encontrarlo todo fácil y a la medida de nuestros caprichos, sino que estamos para servir.

El Papa Francisco nos dice sobre este Evangelio que “La parábola del sembrador es un poco la madre de todas las parábolas, porque habla de la escucha de la Palabra. Nos recuerda que la Palabra de Dios es una semilla que en si misma es fecunda y eficaz; y Dios la esparce por todos lados con generosidad, sin importar el desperdicio. ¡Así es el corazón de Dios! Cada uno de nosotros es un terreno sobre el que cae la semilla de la Palabra, ¡sin excluir a nadie! La palabra es dada a cada uno de nosotros” (07/12/2020). El reto para cada uno de nosotros es pedir una mente atenta y un corazón fértil para escuchar la Palabra de Dios y dar frutos abundantes. ¿Cuáles son tus frutos? ¿Cómo los esparces a los demás?

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INVESTIDURA DEL ESCAPULARIO MARRÓN DE LA VIRGEN DEL CARMEN

16 de julio en la Misa en español

¿Qué es el Escapulario de la Virgen del Carmen? El Escapulario es el signo externo de devoción mariana, que consiste en la consagración a la Santísima Virgen María por medio de la inscripción en la Orden Carmelita, en esperanza de su protección maternal. El escapulario tiene 3 significados: (1) El amor y la protección de María, (2) Pertenencia a María y (3) El suave yugo de Cristo. El escapulario simboliza ese yugo que Jesús nos invita a cargar pero que María nos ayuda a llevar.

RITO DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA (RICA) PARA ADULTOS Y NIÑOS MAYORES DE 7 AÑOS

Personas de 7 años o más que desean conocer más acerca de nuestra Fe Católica o no han sido bautizadas toman parte en RICA para Adultos y Niños. Próximo curso comienza pronto. Si usted o alguien que usted conoce está interesado, inscribase en <https://www.bedevea.org/bautismo>



MOVIMIENTO DE CURSILLOS DE CRISTIANDAD - DIÓCESIS DE RICHMOND



**CURSILLO DE HOMBRES en
ESPANOL: 17 al 20 de agosto**

Los Cursillos tendrán lugar en el Centro de Retiros de Santa Clara de Assisi en Hampton, Virginia. Para más información, en nuestra parroquia, comuníquese con Ana Mihok 757-508-6515 o John Mihok 603-321-2337

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STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

HOSPITALITY, MORE THAN JUST A FRIENDLY "HELLO"

Last week, we opened the first pillar of stewardship -**hospitality**- with some examples of how we here at Saint Bede extend a "welcome" to all who come through our doors. However, hospitality is much more than a simple welcome. Hospitality is found throughout sacred scripture and was featured in Christ's teaching and actions. In Matthew 25:35-40 Christ gave us a practical guide: "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me...". Hospitality is service to others, sharing what we have with the love and joy of Christ. Hospitality is seeing Christ in those we encounter in treating them as we would treat Christ. Think about the words we speak at Communion: "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof...". We are invited into Christ's house to share the heavenly banquet. Do we invite others or accept their invitations in that same way? Be open to the opportunity to share hospitality when it presents itself both at church and in the community. It could be staying to visit after Mass, getting together for coffee, or through service to others. The harvest of hospitality is abundant, are you open to making or accepting the invitation?



SAINT BEDE COUNCIL 6828 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

ITALIAN DINNER, SATURDAY JULY 29, 6:30 PM



Benefitting KOVAR - aid for Virginian's with intellectual disabilities

The dinner will follow the 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday, July 29, 2023.

Seating begins at 6:30 pm. Service will end at 8 pm.

MENU: Antipasto, Spaghetti and meatballs with tomato sauce, Fettuccini Alfredo with Chicken
Salad, Green vegetable, Italian bread, Cannoli or cheesecake for dessert, Lemonade, iced tea or coffee.

We are pleased to have a "real Italian chef" to prepare and manage this meal.

We will only have food for 200 so reservations are required and we recommend that you make your reservations early. When making your reservation PLEASE INDICATE THE NUMBER IN YOUR PARTY IN THE QUANTITY FIELD. Reservation can be made using the QR code above.

This dinner is to benefit KOVAR and free-will donations will be accepted at the door.

RESOURCES AND REMINDERS

Stewardship Resources and Reminders:

Summer is a great time to volunteer!

Volunteer at the House of Mercy: contact Becki at becki@williamsburghouseofmercy.org

Volunteer at FISH: fishwilliamsburg.org

Check out our website for ministries you can get involved with: bedeva.org/ministries

Protect your family and leave your legacy. Start your free will today at <https://freewill.com/stbedewilliamsburg>

Do you have directions in place in case of a health care emergency? What about ongoing care? One of the best gifts you can give to your family is to have plans in place. See our website to download a copy of the Advance Medical Directives and Funeral Planning Guides. Your family will thank you.

IRELAND PILGRIMAGE, SPRING 2024



What do God, Golf and Guinness have in common? If you have ever wanted to make a pilgrimage to Ireland, you have an opportunity next Spring. Sam Samorian will be

hosting a trip for men of the parish in the April 4-May 10 timeframe. We will visit the Shrine at Knock, a number of historic cathedrals and Irish Heritage sights along with a few rounds of golf on spectacular links courses. A limited number of spots will be available. Email Sam at ssamorian@bedeva.org for more information.

"But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

Mt 13:23



YOUNG AT HEART

The Young at Heart Ministry is looking for a coordinator and treasurer for their 60+ Ministry. This position is voluntary and requires a schedule from September through June. Anyone who might be interested please contact Nancy Vanderhoof @nancyu2bfrom@aol.com or 757-298-4105 (cell).

STILL LOOKING FOR HELP!

NEW LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS WANTED.

Bring your wisdom and expertise. 1-2 days per week. Working in the flower beds and planters at the Columbarium, Church, Piazza, and Rectory. Volunteer gardener/gardener for the Church. Area of coverage to be the Columbarium, Church entrances and Piazza, Church road sign, and the Rectory. Planting, weeding, and watering as needed. Please contact Bob Locke (Facilities Supervisor) at 757-229-3631 ext.# 2301

ALPHA

Alpha will be starting soon. What is Alpha? Visit the webpage link below to find out!

<https://alphausa.org/catholic-context/endorsements/>

KAPLAN PARISH HALL

Saint Bede has a wonderful website that shares some "basic" information about Kaplan Parish Hall rental details as well as some most frequently asked questions. If you have not viewed yet, please take this opportunity to do so at KaplanParishHall.com. You don't have to be a Parishioner to rent at Saint Bede. You, the parishioners, are the best asset for sharing Kaplan Parish Hall and now you have the tools. Jennifer will handle any questions and schedule a site visit to follow up with interested parties. All you need to do is share the website. www.KaplanParishHall.com
For all questions please contact Jennifer Murtha
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KNITTING MINISTRY

Whether you knit, crochet or have a desire to learn, this may be the ministry for you. Meetings are each Wednesday at 10:00am in the parish office. All items are fashioned from donated yarn and then distributed to various charities throughout the Commonwealth. Additional hands are always needed and always welcome. For more information, contact Kathie Jennings at kpj1000@aol.com.

