

Welcome Home!



Welcome to Saint Bede Catholic Church, whether you're just visiting us for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, returning to the practice of your Catholic faith, or interested in discovering more about the Catholic Church, we're happy to have you here.

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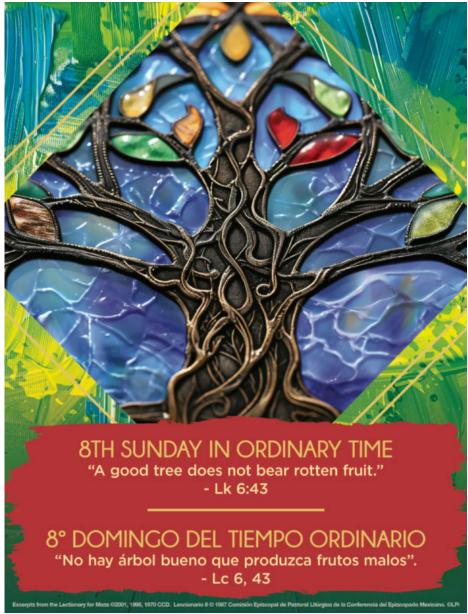


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Saint Bede Catholic Church VA

SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2025 | EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Christ is the Morning Star, who opens everlasting day."-Saint Bede

THIS WEEK AT SAINT BEDE

Sunday, March 2, 2025 | Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time



SANCTUARY CANDLE

Dick Gonyea



Suzanne Dell



PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Laurette Albert John Aldrich Sally Antolini Tony Antolini Carol Brosnan Charlotte Burlas Peg Crews Gerald Della Sala Kathy Drozdowski Mark Endres Family Alfred Guzzi Michelle Hall Dick Hanley Vincent Hughes Claire Lee Larry Lobo **Lobo Family** Maciaga Family Leah Madouri Christopher Mardario Tracy Mcguirk William Meier

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Thorin Jean

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SATURDAY. MARCH 1

9:00 am Natividad del Rosario †

Meghan Hinger † Myrtle Vernon †

5:30 pm Parishioners

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

11:00 am

8:30 am Frank Borkowski †
Frank Hermes †

Doug Johnstone †
Jack Carmichael †

Jeremy Frances

Curran †

Cristina Arriola de Venegas †

Maria Pena Aquilar †

Virginia Subias Salazar †

5:00 pm Aline Coghlan †
Dorothy Hopkins †

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

9:00 am Dick Gonyea †

Robert James † Alex Vap †

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

9:00 am Charlotte Burlas

Anne Mangon Marsha Mueller

5:15 pm Pro Populo 7:15 pm Hector R. Flores †

THURSDAY, MARCH 6

9:00 am Francis M. Donovan †

Megan Hinger † Chris Pohren †

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

9:00 am Mary Ellen Kisielewski

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

5:30 pm Fred Landa †

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



DAILY MASS

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

DIVINE OFFICE

Lauds (Morning Prayer)

Tuesday-Friday 8:40 am

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm Sunday 8:30 am 11:00 am

(Español) 2:00 pm 5:00 pm

SCHEDULE —

Monday 7:00 am - 5:00 pm Wednesday Not on Ash Wed. Friday 9:45 am - 11:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday/Friday Wednesday Saturday 8:00 am - 8:45 am Not on Ash Wed. 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Sunday Mass is live-streamed at 8:30 am and 2:00 pm



BULLETIN DEADLINES

Articles should be submitted two weeks before the weekend you want it printed.

During holidays, deadlines will be earlier. Please check with communications for any questions you may have.

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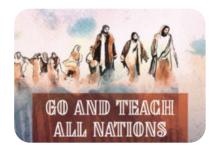
THIS WEEK & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK







WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

NO HOLY HOUR

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading:

Praise no one before he speaks, for it is then that people are tested. (Sir 27:7)

Psalm:

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you. (Ps 92)

Second Reading:

But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Cor 15:57)

Gospel:

"A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." (Lk 6:45)

WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday:

Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45 Monday:

Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday:

Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday:

JI 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday:

Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday:

Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/ Mt 9:14-15

Saturday:

Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32 ©LPi

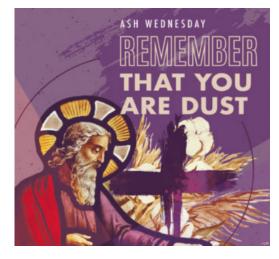


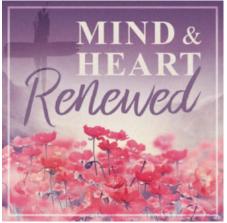




EVERY SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

March 12nd April 9th May 14th June 11th





LITURGY & MUSIC

Sunday, March 2, 2025 | Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time



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THE WEEK OF MARCH 2, 2025

SUNDAY:

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MONDAY:

St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin

TUESDAY:

St. Casimir

WEDNESDAY:

Ash Wednesday

THURSDAY:

None

FRIDAY:

Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs **SATURDAY**:

St. John of God, Religious



GOSPEL MEDITATION

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



One of the things that older pastors and younger priests occasionally quarrel about is the proper balance between work and prayer. I know one pastor who complains that his younger associate ignores the people and the parish because he wants to spend more time in prayer. And the young priest complains that the pastor gives him too much work to do and no time to pray. The Lord's words this Sunday speak into

this tension with an image that can help us find a proper balance between life and prayer.

Jesus says, "For every tree is known by its fruit. For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles" (Luke 6:44). When we are deeply rooted and cultivating our relationship with Jesus, we are going to bear the fruit of that love in our lives. No fruit, no good prayer. How do we know that we are praying well? We are experiencing concrete fruits of love for others in our lives.

Someone who prays well will, sooner or later, burst forth the "figs" and "grapes" of acts of love. But without concrete commitment to deeds of selfless service to others, our prayer time is as useless as thorn bushes and brambles. Let's recommit ourselves to be men and women of prayer and service. And hopefully the pastors will help their associates to pray and serve fruitfully...with minimal quarreling.

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

FIRST READING:

Sirach teaches us to pay attention to how people speak; it reveals a lot. How often do you find yourself weighing your words before speaking?

SECOND READING:

Paul speaks of Jesus's resurrection as taking away the "sting" and "victory" of death. What words of comfort do you use to those grieving over the death of a loved one?

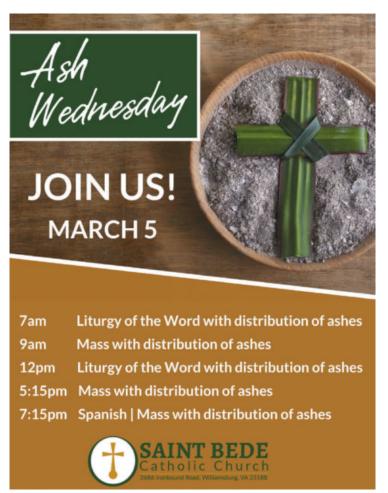
GOSPEL:

Jesus encourages his followers to be humble in judgment of others and mindful in speech. Have you had good role models in your life for these virtues?

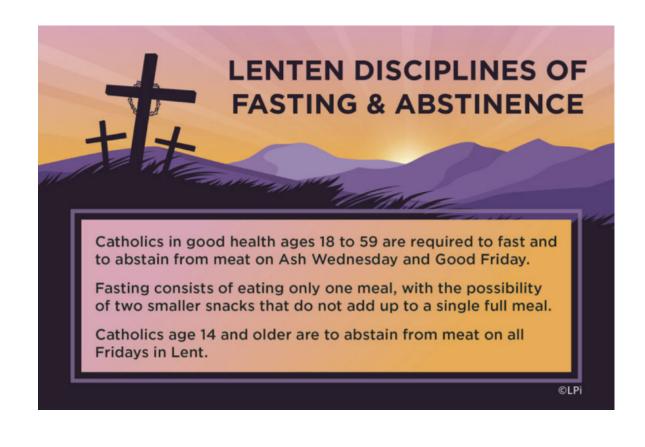
ACCESSIBILITY & SPECIAL NEEDS RESOURCES

Please feel free to ask our ushers for assistance with any of the available resources for wheelchair access, sensory bags, or hearing coil system to make your Mass experience more enjoyable.

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EVANGELIZATION & FAITH FORMATION

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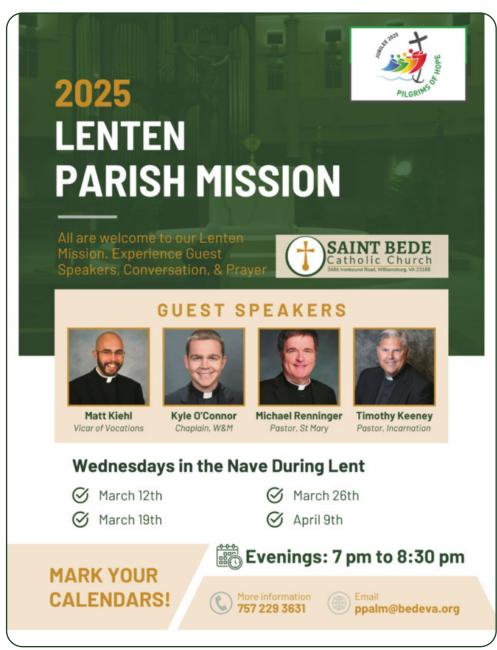


PRAYER FOR INTERIOR LIFE

Dear Jesus,
Fill my heart so full of goodness that
it produces your goodness.
Let my thoughts, words, and actions
reflect you.

Amen.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION





COMMONS LENTEN TABLE

Please stop by the Commons table of Lenten resources and pick up a rice bowl box.

EVANGELIZATION & FAITH FORMATION

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PRAY40 PRAYER CHALLENGE THIS LENT!

JOIN US ON HALLOW THIS LENT FOR PRAY40 AS WE MEDITATE ON THE WRITINGS OF ST. JOSEMARÍA ESCRIVÁ, AUTHOR OF THE SPIRITUAL CLASSIC THE WAY.

Together, we'll hear Escrivá's powerful advice and spiritual direction brought to life through the story of Servant of God Takashi Nagai, a Japanese Catholic convert who miraculously survived the atomic bombing of Nagasaki in 1945. In a moment he lost everything, but through it he surrendered himself and his city to the Lord. To join the prayer challenge, visit our parish page on the Community tab of the Hallow app. If you're brand new to Hallow, visit hallow.com/parish to get set up.

Stay tuned for more announcements! We look forward to praying with you.

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"The most powerful Lent of my life"

YOUTH MINISTRY

SUMMER TRIP REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

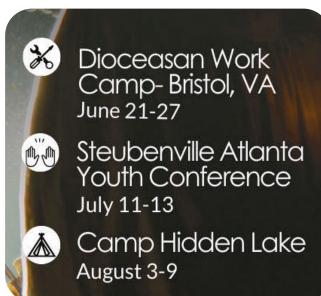
We invite all middle and high school parents to prayerfully consider sending their teens to these life-changing events. There are limited spots available for each trip, so we encourage you to register early!

If you have any questions or would like to connect, feel free to call or visit the office Monday-Thursday, 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM, or stop by after Youth Ministry on Sunday. Just ask for Brittney!

You can register using the link below, visit our website at www.bedeva.org/summer, or pick up a registration form at the check in table at Youth Ministry on Sunday.

Fundraising opportunities and scholarships will be available to help defer the cost.





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EVANGELIO, MARTES - 7PM POR ZOOM

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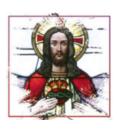
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MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

8° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Eclo 27, 4-7/Sal 91, 2-3. 13-14. 15-16 (ver 2)/1 Co 15, 54-58/Lc 6. 39-45



Siempre que vamos al súper, llegamos con el buen deseo de escoger lo mejor. Especialmente la fruta, la queremos fresca, jugosa y dulce. Has pensado en los árboles de donde proviene la fruta. ¿Serán buenos, estarán bien regados y vitaminados? Porque depende del árbol cómo es que será su fruto, bueno o malo. Hoy, es día de examen, para

saber cómo andamos de frutos. Mucho depende de lo que llevamos dentro del corazón y Jesús, sin rodeos, lanza la siguiente pregunta: "¿Puede un ciego guiar a otro ciego? Ciertamente caerán ambos en algún hoyo" (Lucas 6:39). Desde luego que no, alguno de los dos debe tener visión clara y saber hacia dónde se dirige. Observemos bien qué tipo de fruto esta dando nuestra vida y eso se mide en el refrán que dice: Obras son amores, y no buenas razones. El Papa Francisco, también lo explica de la siguiente manera: "Los niños y los jóvenes son los frutos de los árboles. Y cuando un árbol tiene buenas raíces y un buen tronco (abuelos y padres) da buenos frutos. Debemos ser un bosque lleno de buenos frutos: las familias numerosas son una gran esperanza de la sociedad". Todos por lo general tendemos a cuidar las apariencias, por lo tanto, descuidamos lo más importante, el interior del corazón, que es de donde sale lo bueno: "La boca habla de lo que está lleno el corazón" (Lucas 6:45). Pidamos al Señor, que nuestros frutos buenos sean para que los demás los disfruten.

Commonwealth Catholic Charities (Caridades Católicas) ofrece servicios a familias necesitadas. También, Servicios de Inmigración a bajo costo. Todos los empleados son acreditados por el Departamento de Justicia.

Para más información, vaya a https://www.cccofva.org/

Hampton Roads (757) 337-6916 Richmond (804) 545-6296 Roanoke (540) 268-0014



HORAS Y SACERDOTES EN ESPAÑOL

MARTES / VIERNES - 8AM MIÉRCOLES - 7PM SÁBADOS - 3:30PM



Si desea saber cuál sacerdote estará ofreciendo el sacramento en cada ocasión, vaya a Misas y Confesiones en la página principal de https://www.bedeva.org/

ANUNCIOS



RETIRO CARISMÁTICO

PRIMERA ETAPA
SÁBADO, 8 DE MARZO 8AM - 6PM
CONTACTO: HUGO 757-816-7190

ALABANZA: MINISTERIO LIBERACIÓN DE CRISTO.
Ofrenda: \$20

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ARREPIÉNTETE Y CREE EN EL EVANGELIO

CUARESMA- TIEMPO DE RECONCILIACIÓN

MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA - MISA EN ESPAÑOL 5 DE MARZO A LAS 7:15PM - DÍA DE AYUNO Y ABSTINENCIA

VIA CRUCIS EN ESPAÑOL Y CENA SIMPLE VIERNES DE CUARESMA A LAS 6PM, COMENZANDO 7 DE MARZO

AYUNO:

Mandatorio para Católicos de 18 a 59 años. Sólo una comida al día es permitida en ayuno. Dos comidas adicionales pequeñas son permitidas por el día, si no sobrepasen en cantidad la comida principal. Sólo líquidos como agua, leche o jugo entre comidas. *Días de Ayuno: Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo*.

ABSTINENCIA:

Para católicos de 14 años o más. No se permite comer carne en días de abstinencia, a menos que esto ocasione problemas de salud. *Días de Abstinencia: Miércoles de Ceniza, todos los viernes durante la Cuaresma y el Viernes Santo.*

Misión de Cuaresma

Ayuno Ozación Limosna ¡Reserve las fechas! Miércoles 12, 19 y 26 de marzo 7 - 8:30pm Salón Parroquial Kaplan

Plática, Música y Reflexión ¡Preparándonos juntos para la Pascua!



Recoja su alcancia de la Operacion Plato de Arroz en las mesas de recursos de Cuaresma.

GRADOS PRE-K4 AL 8

Viernes a las 6pm - Nivel de Ministerio . Próxima Junta Preparación - Comunión martes, 18 de marzo a las 6pm- Nivel de Ministerio

GRUPO DE JÓVENES - GRADOS 9 - 12

Domingos a las 3:15pm en Salón Kapplan Próxima Junta Preparación - Confirmación lunes, 3 de marzo a las 7pm- Salon Parroquial Kaplan

Misa de Confirmación con el Obispo Knestout marzo 25, 2025

¿Preguntas? Comuníquese con Ileana 910 689 5603 o con Linda 757 871 4949.

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STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

You see them at Mass, at events here at Saint Bede and in the community, they are the Little Sisters of St. Francis.



A small group of Central West

African religious dedicated to helping our brothers and sisters in the Tidewater area who suffer from serious mental and intellectual disabilities. Our team is a diverse Qualified Mental Health Professionals trained and experienced in life skill building and psychosocial support for our clients.

The sisters along with paid staff and volunteers operate 6 Group homes for adult men and women in Williamsburg and surrounding areas. On the average, they have between 35 and 40 clients in their group homes. They also operate



2-day support centers. During our Knights of Columbus Fish Frys this year, you will have a chance to support the Little Sisters and their mission.

STEWARDSHIP VERSE OF THE WEEK

Brothers and sisters:

When this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality,

then the word that is written shall come about:

Death is swallowed up in victory.

Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin,

and the power of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God who gives us the victory

through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters,

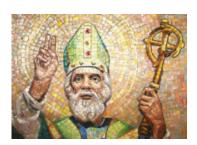
be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord,

knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

1 Cor 15: 54-58

STEWARDSHIP RESOURCES AND REMINDERS:





THE ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS WILL BE SPONSORING A ST. PATRICK'S DAY EVENT AT **ROCCO'S SMOKEHOUSE ON** SATURDAY, MARCH 15.

Tickets will be available March 1st and 2nd and 8th and 9th in the Commons after all Masses. Prices are \$25 for adults and \$15 for kids for the corned beef and cabbage meal and entertainment.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH 7

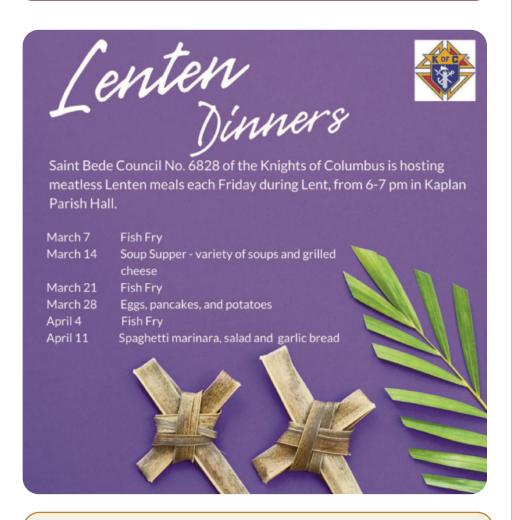
Lenten dinners begin every Friday and Stations of the Cross

> **MARCH 8-9 Annual Diocesan Appeal**

MARCH 15 St. Patrick's Day event

Join us!

All are welcome and freewill donations will be accepted for the meal. A special collection for new ramp structures which are urgently needed at houses operated by the Little Sisters of Saint Francis will be taken up at the suppers.



THE BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST

Bring our most sacred treasure—the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ—to fellow parishioners at Masses. Additional Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are needed. One must have a love for Christ in the Eucharist and be a fully initiated Catholic in good standing with the Church.



Training will be Monday, March 10 at 6:00pm in the church.

Contact our Eucharistic Ministry coordinator, Emma McMillan, emcmillan757@gmail.com if interested.



Adopt-A Highway Adoration Adult Acolytes **Altar Servers Ancient Order of Hibernians Art and Environment Ministry Bereavement Ministry Cenacle of Divine Mercy Children's Faith Formation Ecumenical/Interreligious Affairs Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion Faith and Racial Awareness** Filipino-American Ministry Friends for Life **Funeral Ministry Funeral Hospitality Grounds Landscape Maintenance Growing for Giving Garden Ministry Haiti Ministry Hispanic Ministry Holy Mamas Homeschool Ministry JOY Ministry Knights of Columbus Knitting Ministry Lectors Ministry Legion of Mary** Legion of Mary - Hispanic Mens Fellowship Ministry **Monthly Maintenance Ministry Nurse Ministry Parish Life Ministry** Pope Benedict XVI Library Ministry **Prayer Shawl Ministry Prison Ministry** Sacred Linens Ministry **Sacristans Sound Ministry Special Needs Usher Ministry Vacation Bible School Votive Candle Ministry Welcome Ministry** WHOM - House of Mercy Women's Circle of Faith **Young Adult Ministry** Young at Heart **Youth Ministry**

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JUBILEE 2025 YEAR OF HOPE

Saint Paul knows that life has its joys and sorrows, that love is tested amid trials, and that hope can falter in the face of suffering. Even so, he can write: "We boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope" (Rom 5:3-4). ...Beyond the darkness we glimpse a light: we come to realize that evangelization is sustained by the power flowing from Christ's cross and resurrection. In this way, we learn to practice a virtue closely linked to hope, namely patience.

In our fast-paced world, we are used to wanting everything now. We no longer have time simply to be with others; even families find it hard to get together and enjoy one another's company. Patience has been put to flight by frenetic haste, and this has proved detrimental, since it leads to impatience, anxiety and even gratuitous violence, resulting in more unhappiness and self-centredness.

Pope Francis, Spes non confundit, 4





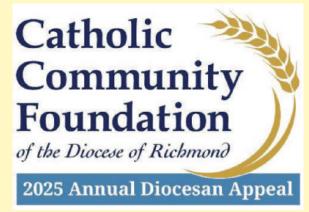
2025 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL:

SHARING HIS LOVE WITH OTHERS

Since the middle of January, you have been hearing from us about the 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal: Sharing His Love with Others.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR:

I find this year's theme to be such a great reminder of what the Lord calls us to do. Here at Saint Bede, we are blessed to have support for our Williamsburg House of Mercy through the Fuel and Hunger Fund. But the Appeal supports so much more.



Your support of the Appeal provides for twenty-one distinct ministries such as the education of seminarians and priests who are dedicating their lives to serving Christ and his Church; assists college students to grow in their faith and relationship with the Lord; ensures that vital resources are made available for children and families facing homelessness and hunger, and so much more. We are so blessed at Saint Bede because of the assistance of the Appeal. Your continued generosity to the Appeal and your faith in our ministries are proof that by offering the Lord what we can, He will provide what we need. It is with this in mind that I hope each of you will prayerfully consider supporting the 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal.

I want you to know the real difference of what the Appeal is doing and the impact it's making in the lives of others. That is why I endorse the Appeal and why I hope you will as well. In the middle of February, many of you received a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2025 Appeal. We hope you will prayerfully consider this request. For those of you who did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our In-Pew Process at all Masses during the weekends of March 8th/9th and March 15th/16th. On behalf of Bishop Knestout and Saint Bede, thank you in advance for your support of the 2025 Appeal.

Father Eric

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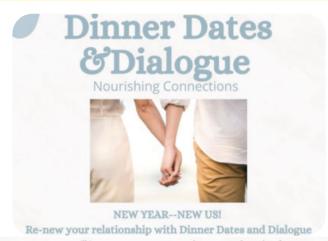
Goepper Fund Tuition Assistance Applications for Walsingham Academy 2025-2026 school year are available through the Pastor's Office. The source of this funding is the Goepper Scholarship Fund created by a bequest from H. Holtman Goepper to assist young people, who are members of Saint Bede parish, in achieving a Catholic education through attendance at Walsingham Academy.

Applicants must be practicing Catholics, registered and contributing members of Saint Bede Parish.

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