

# Church OF THE Holy Family

A Catholic Church

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**Welcome** – If you are new to our church or just visiting, we are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you would like to join our parish, registration is held in the Welcome Office after all Masses.

**Wedding Policy** – At least nine months before the wedding, the couple should meet with the pastor, before the wedding dates are selected. At least one member of the family should be a member of our parish.

**Baptism Policy** – Parents must be registered parishioners and attend a Baptism Class before their child may be baptized. Expectant mothers are encouraged to attend. The class is for parents only – baby-sitting is not provided.

**Funeral Policy** – Funerals are scheduled Tuesday-Saturday. We discourage funerals Sundays and Mondays. Participation by other priests and deacons must have prior approval of current pastor.

## Church of the Holy Family Pastoral Vision

*The Church of the Holy Family is dedicated to manifesting the joy of the Gospel and enriching every individual's Spiritual relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ. The Church of the Holy Family Ministries dedicate themselves in service to our Parish Community, building a just society, and outreach to those in need.*

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday 8:15 and 11:00 a.m.  
(11:00 a.m. is also live-streamed on website.)

### Holy Family Day School

757-481-1180

### Morning Prayer & Daily Mass

Tuesday-Friday 9:30 a.m.;  
Tuesday 6:30 p.m.

Reconciliation Saturday  
4:00-5:00 p.m.

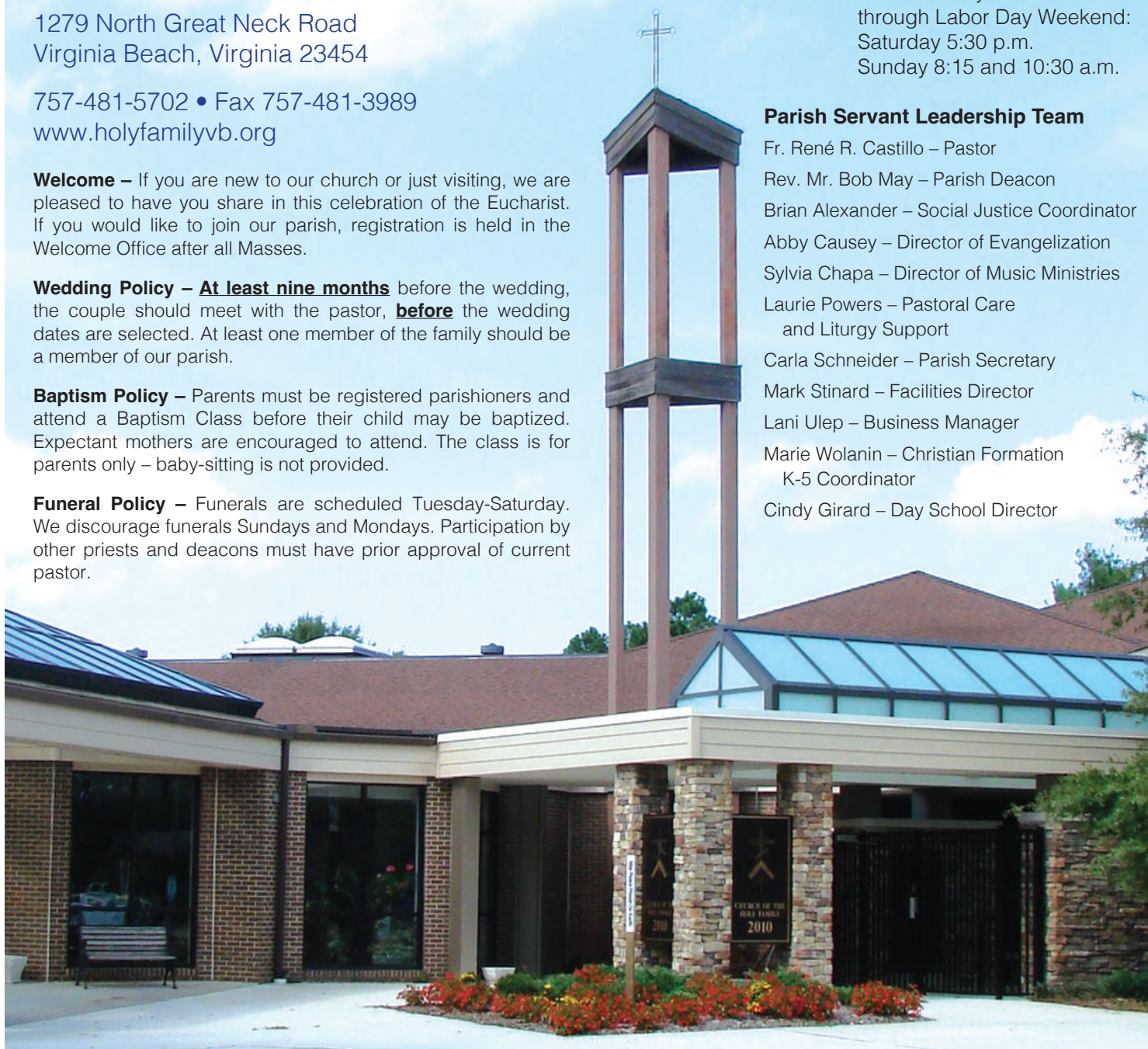
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### Summer Masses

Memorial Day Weekend  
through Labor Day Weekend:  
Saturday 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 a.m.

### Parish Servant Leadership Team

Fr. René R. Castillo – Pastor  
Rev. Mr. Bob May – Parish Deacon  
Brian Alexander – Social Justice Coordinator  
Abby Causey – Director of Evangelization  
Sylvia Chapa – Director of Music Ministries  
Laurie Powers – Pastoral Care  
and Liturgy Support  
Carla Schneider – Parish Secretary  
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Marie Wolanin – Christian Formation  
K-5 Coordinator  
Cindy Girard – Day School Director



A Parish of The Catholic Diocese of Richmond  
Please remember in your prayers our sister parish, St. Jude in Baptiste, Haiti

## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 11 &amp; 12, 2023

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**REMEMBER THE DEAD:** Bernard “Mac” McNamara

**PRAY FOR:** Roberta Affelt, Michael Alleva, Theresa Andrew, Susana Asercion, Lennie Bano, Maria Basmis, Ron Batdorf, Gerard Beres, Richard Bourdon, John Buford, Quinn Carpenter, Patrick Causey, Heather Cervantes, Carolyn Collings, Carol Collins, Donald Cortois, Mary Crell, Linda Davis, Tucker Davis, Bill Dempsey, Joanne Deyo and Family, Michael Eaton, Barbara Evans, Brendan Feeley, Patricia Fogarty, Aretha Francois, Connie Gallacher, Tony Gargano, The Ginley Family, Daniel Girard, Cameron Gladon, Mary Ann Golas, Gail Grabowski, Charlene Gregory, Donna Gottshall, Sister Nancy Healy, George Heath, Russell Heath, Elston Howard, Theresa Hughes, Billy Jankosky, Jeremy Johnson, Julia Johnson, The Joseph Family, Kristin Judge, Susan Kayota, Emily Kerr, Marianne Krop, Tess and Tony Liene, Jeremy Lopez, Connie Loschi, Susan Neal Matousek, Doris Maviglia, Eila Grace McAlphin, Cheryl McLeskey, Thomas McQuay, Debbie Merritt, Isabel Mickle, L. P. Mickle, Steven Molesky, Shaun Maschue, Sandy Nuzum, Julie Oates, Marilyn O'Donnell, Collin O'Rourke, Doug Palczewski, Elenia Pantelidis, Beth Park, Ryan Piotti, Pete Popeck, Margaret Rafferty and Family, Irma Reagan, Daniel Reed, Paul Rehpelz, Kathy Rivet, Kelly Robinson, John Robishaw, Jr., Bob Rodgers, Lou Romano, Mary Romano, Cindy Anna Russo, Dan Ryan, Jr., Jeff Ryan, Frances Sandusky, Marlene Sayers, Sherry Schieno, Valerie Seiberlich, Grace Smith, Carole Solliday, Carol St. Cyr, Mark Staff, Roy and Sue Starrin, Arlene Stepnick, Ann Stern, Gwen Stinard, Mark C. and Catherine Stinard, Dan Stinson, Diane Taylor, Jim Trimble, Tonya Trimble, Peggy Vasko, Suzanne Wassel, Stella Watson, Kai Wescoat, Nancy Wiggins, Emma & Frank Williams, Brianna Willis, Dee Whitley, Emilie Yoder

“Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you receive it, and you will.” Mark 11:24

**BULLETIN PRAYER REQUESTS:**

Please call the Parish Office at 481-5702.

**EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS:** If you have an emergency and call the Church Office at 757-481-5702, please follow the directions on the phone as to what number to call for what emergency. Do not call the number listed for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick if you need Financial Assistance. There is a separate number for Financial Assistance.

**ONLINE GIVING:****DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**Sunday, November 12:** *Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time:*  
Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13

**Monday, November 13:** *Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin (USA):* Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1-10; Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday, November 14:** Wis 2:23 – 3: 9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10

**Wednesday, November 15:** *Saint Albert the Great, Bishop, Doctor of the Church:* Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19

**Thursday, November 16:** *St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin:* Wis 7:22b – 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25

**Friday, November 17:** *Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious:*  
Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday, November 18:** *The Dedication of the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin (USA):* Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8

**Sunday, November 19:** *Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time:*  
Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Thursday from 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Friday from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday – 5:30 p.m.

Sunday – 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Saturday Reconciliation 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Tuesday Evening – 6:30 p.m.

Morning Weekday – 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday through Friday

(11:00 a.m. Mass also Livestreamed)

See Church of the Holy Family Facebook for more information.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:**

Fr. René Castillo, Pastor; Michelle Rack, Chair; Jim McCaddin, Secretary; Bob Breault; Charlie Clarkson; Mariann Gannon; Lucy Klinkhammer; Connie Loschi; Dorothy Lyons; Christina Neveau-Zepf; Adam Stephens; Marie Sexton [ppc@hollyfamilyvb.org](mailto:ppc@hollyfamilyvb.org).

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**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:**

**Note:** Some Mass Intentions may have had to be moved or changed after the Bulletin was published. We apologize for this inconvenience and appreciate your patience and understanding.

**Saturday, November 11:** 5:30 p.m.: Knights of Columbus +  
by Knights of Columbus Council 10804

**Sunday, November 12:** 8:15 a.m.: Holy Family Parishioners;  
11:00 a.m.: Dr. Charles Davis, Jr. + by Ed & Margaret Jones

**Monday, November 13:** No Mass

**Tuesday, November 14:** 9:30 a.m.: Pat Hogan +  
by Rosemary Hogan; 6:30 p.m.: Troy Decker +  
by R. Schleicher

**Wednesday, November 15:** 9:30 a.m.:

Richard and Joan Phelan + by Laurie Powers and Family

**Thursday, November 16:** 9:30 a.m.: Dominic Benedetto  
by The Benedetto Family

**Friday, November 17:** 9:30 a.m.: No Mass

**Saturday, November 18:** 5:30 p.m.: Holy Family Parishioners

**Sunday, November 19:** 8:15 a.m.: Helen Krieb +  
by Tom & Pat Patterson;  
11:00 a.m.: William and Marilyn McDonnell  
(67th Wedding Anniversary)

**SERVANT LEADERSHIP TEAM EMAILS:**

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**PHOTOGRAPHY MINISTRY:**

Join the Photography Ministry and you, too, can attend exciting events happening at our parish! We would love to have more photographers join us and see your perspectives on our many ministries, groups, and

happenings here at Holy Family. Time commitment? VERY flexible. How to sign up? Email or call Laurie Powers at [PAL@hollyfamilyvb.org](mailto:PAL@hollyfamilyvb.org) or 757-481-5702.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS**

**Council 10804**

**COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

The Knights of Columbus Council 10804 monthly membership meeting is held on the first Thursday of each month. The Rosary will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel and all parishioners are invited. The members-only business meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

**“You are born a man, YOU BECOME A KNIGHT!”**

**We invite all Catholic men 18+ years old to join today.**

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**(Please list Council #10804 as your preferred council.)**

For more information regarding our Council  
or how to join us, contact an officer below:

**Grand Knight ~ Charles Clarkson (757-416-2707)**

**Deputy Grand Knight ~ Joe Murray (757-355-2108)**

**Chaplain ~ Fr. René Castillo**

**Knight of the Month: Bob Lincoln**

**Family of the Month: Paul and Carla Schneider**

**FATHER MCGIVNEY GUILD**

For those of you who might not have recorded or remembered the website Father René provided to join this guild, here it is again: **[fathermcgivney.org](http://fathermcgivney.org)**. Should you prefer utilizing a QR code, it is below as well. As Father stated, all Catholics are invited to join for free this thriving community of prayer and spiritual support which promotes the sainthood cause of the founder of the Knights of Columbus. Be part of Blessed McGivney becoming a Saint by joining the Guild.



**MEN OF FAITH/COR – WHO ARE WE?** Just a group of guys coming together to share our thoughts and feelings about how we can be true to our Faith in this sometimes confusing world. We meet here at Holy Family on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. For more information, contact Bob Breault at [bobbro1938@gmail.com](mailto:bobbro1938@gmail.com) or call 610-360-6070 or Ron Batdorf at [ron.batdorf@gmail.com](mailto:ron.batdorf@gmail.com) or call 757-739-4414.



**ROSARY:** Please join us every Wednesday evening at 4:00 p.m. to pray the Rosary in the Chapel. This is a wonderful opportunity to pray as a family. We promise to start on time and have you out by 4:30 p.m.

**NOTE:** There will only be one Rosary Service at 4:00 p.m. The 6:00 p.m. Rosary has been cancelled.



**“THIS IS MY BODY:”** The book, “This is My Body, A Call to Eucharistic Revival,” by Bishop Robert Barron, is available after Mass for a donation. It is an exceptional explanation of why we celebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist as Catholics.

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY****Budget 2023/2024 is \$1,044,400.00**

Our new online giving company (Faith Direct) only provides us with total online giving donations twice a month. In order to provide a more accurate depiction of the total contributions being received from parishioners, we will be providing monthly figures in the bulletin.

Make your stewardship easy with e-giving. Have your contribution taken from your bank account or charged to your credit card. See "Online Donation" on the Parish website: <https://holyfamilyvb.org/>. Contact Lani Ulep, Business Manager, in the Parish Office if you have questions.

**"CREATION CARE CORNER:"**

Water scarcity is a growing issue with the presence of climate change. Finding long-term solutions to water scarcity is becoming more and more important, because everything that is alive depends upon water to survive. This article checks out four areas regarding water that would be long-term solutions to scarcity.

\***INFRASTRUCTURE:** According to the United Nations, 100-200bn cubic meters of water could be saved by 2030 in urban areas simply by reducing leaks. An example would be the **smart-water management system** utilized in South Korea, which helps improve the reliability, soundness and efficiency of water management.

• **Irrigation And Agriculture:** According to a World Economic Forum report, sustainable and efficient agricultural management techniques "are needed to grow more food on less land and with less water." Not entirely free of detrimental effects, reservoirs collect water during wetter times and store it for use during dry seasons. They also are used to generate electricity and can be a crucial instrument in the prevention of floods. Also, individual households can consider reusing water by re-routing sink water to flush the toilet.

• **Conservation:** An incomprehensible amount of water is wasted each year, mostly indirectly through agricultural processes, the automotive industry, and mining. According to the World Water Council, water usage via irrigation and agriculture accounts for 70% of water withdrawals, while industry accounts for 20%.

• **Community:** Building communities around local water systems and resources can help raise awareness and educate people on consumption and a sustainable lifestyle. Educating people on changing or improving their behavior for the better could hold the key to greatly reducing water crises in the future.

This article is adapted from Samara Husbands' article, "Exploring the Most Effective Solutions to Water Scarcity," published on March 7, 2023, on [earth.org](http://earth.org).

Ed Marroni – Holy Family Environmental Ministry

**PARISH DIRECTORIES**

Parish Directories are now available for those whose picture is not in the directory. Stop by the Parish Office during the week, make a donation, and you will receive a directory.

**PASTORAL CARE FOR THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL:**

Are you or a loved one sick and in the hospital? Would you like to receive Communion? If so, please call the Parish Office at 757-481-5702 and leave a message with your name and the best way to contact you. We will make arrangements to accommodate you during your hospital stay.

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY  
BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

*"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around."*

~ Leo Buscaglia

Grief is the conflicting feelings caused by a change or an end in a familiar pattern or behavior; it is the normal and natural reaction to loss. Our Bereavement Support Group meets Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Library. If you, or someone you know is grieving, please join us. These meetings will be confidential and held in a safe environment.

**RCIA**

RCIA is short for the "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults." RCIA is the normative process where those who are interested in the Catholic Church have a time of discernment about a possible call to full participation in the Catholic faith.

RCIA is open to:

- Those adults who have not been baptized and are spiritually looking
- Those adults who have been baptized in a recognized non-Catholic Christian tradition
- Those adults who were baptized Catholic but have not celebrated Eucharist and Confirmation

Participating in RCIA does not mean that you **have** to become Catholic, but it does help you discern as to whether God is calling you to join the Catholic Church.

Please contact the Parish Office at 757-481-5702 if you are interested in learning more.

**HOLY FAMILY DAY SCHOOL**

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### POPE LEO XIII MEMORIAL MASS:

As we have learned, the month of November is traditionally the time of the Liturgical year when we pause to remember our deceased. Accordingly, the Knights of Columbus Annual Memorial Mass for its Council's deceased Brothers will be the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, November 11.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIPS



Knights of Columbus will be awarding \$1,000.00 scholarships to the Outstanding Young Man of the Year, and to the Outstanding Young Woman of the Year. All high school seniors whose families are registered members of the Church of the Holy Family are eligible. To get a copy of the application, email [chuckkenison17@hotmail.com](mailto:chuckkenison17@hotmail.com). The deadline for submission is January 4, 2024.

**PARISH LIFE MEETING:** Please note that the next Parish Life Meeting will be on **Tuesday, November 14, at 6:00 p.m.** Because of Thanksgiving week, it is being moved from the third Tuesday to the second Tuesday.



### THE HOLY FAMILY GIFT SHOP

Helping celebrate your faith journey with products for every day! **Be Inspired by the Word of God.** Stocked with a great assortment of faithful items that are modern or traditional and for kids, young adults, and everyone else! **Stop by after Mass – we would love to see you. Shop open after each Mass.**

**SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER:** *My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You within my soul. Since I am unable at this moment to receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

### BAPTISM DATES

The Following Weekends:

**November 11/12, 2023**

**January 13/14, 2024      April 27/28, 2024**

Parents will need to attend an online **Baptism Class** prior to Baptism. To find out about online classes, see information below.

**To request Baptism for your child,** please go to the parish website. Under the "Our Faith" tab, click "The Sacraments" and then click "Baptism." There you will find lots of information about Baptism requirements and godparents. To schedule a Baptism, complete the online form on the parish website. Here is the direct link to the form: <https://www.holyfamilyvb.org/baptism-request-form>. You can also contact Marie Wolanin at 757-937-6712 or [k5cf@holyfamilyvb.org](mailto:k5cf@holyfamilyvb.org).

**NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS:** "My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God." We were created with a thirst for God. Could He be calling you to quench it by living in Him as a priest, sister, or brother? Call Fr. Matthew Kiehl at the Vocations Office at 804-359-5661, or email [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

## 🎵 Music Notes 🎵



### **Parish Choir & Holy Family Ringers:**

**Thank you for your time and dedication – lovely singing & ringing at the Friday, October 20, Dedication Anniversary Mass and on Wednesday, November 1, at the 7:00 p.m. All Saints Mass,** and for a meaningful Tolling of Bells for those deceased since November 1, 2022.

**Parish Choir: Next rehearsal is November 15 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Holy Family Ringers: Practices are Thursdays,** from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room to prepare to ring at *A Festival of Carols* and at the 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass with Children's Choir and Teen Singers. No rehearsal on Thanksgiving Day! ***We are looking for one more ringer – is it you?***

**Christmas Choir – last chance to begin is our next rehearsal November 15, 8:00-9:00 p.m.** to sing December 21 in *A Festival of Carols* and/or Christmas Eve 9:00 p.m. Mass. Email [music@holyfamilyvb.org](mailto:music@holyfamilyvb.org).

**Teen Singers: Next rehearsal is Sunday, November 12,** from 5:30-6:30 p.m. to sing at *A Festival of Carols*, and Christmas Eve at the 4:00 p.m. Mass with Children's Choir and Ringers. If possible, we'll sing at 11:00 a.m. Mass. **Well done singing at Mass October 29! Thank you!**

**Instrumentalists:** Middle and High School players are meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays in the Choir Room for one hour.

**Children's Choir 3rd-5th Grades: Ms. Anne leads Tuesdays at 6:30-7:15 p.m.** Join now if you want to sing Christmas music! **Well done singing October 29 at Mass!**

🎵 **Contact Sylvia for details to join in the Happy Music Making at Holy Family!**

See Sylvia at the piano after any Mass or  
Email [music@holyfamilyvb.org](mailto:music@holyfamilyvb.org) or  
Call 757-481-5702, ext. 124



### **ULTRASOUND TECHNICIAN JOB OPPORTUNITY:**

Hope 4 Life is seeking a part-time ultrasound technician. Hope 4 Life provides free ultrasounds for mothers facing unexpected pregnancies. As a Hope 4 Life ultrasound technician, you will show the mother a real-time image of her child, demonstrating her child's God-given dignity, while also listening to the mother's needs and concerns. Our Hope 4 Life volunteers then provide every mom and baby with meaningful assistance, tailored to the mother's specific needs. This is an ideal position for an RDMS certified ultrasound technician or RN\* looking for 10-15 hours/week of meaningful work. We are located in Virginia Beach. Please call 757-334-6149 or email [ourhope4life@gmail.com](mailto:ourhope4life@gmail.com) if interested. For information on Hope 4 Life, go to [www.hope4lifeva.com](http://www.hope4lifeva.com). \*RNs are eligible for this position after receiving training offered by the National Institute of Family and Life Advocates.



# Church of the Holy Family Social Justice & Outreach

TO LOVE IS TO TAKE ACTION.  
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## Thank you for supporting the Holiday Food Boxes.

Last weekend, 250 empty boxes were distributed to Holy Family parishioners. If you have not already done so, please return your filled Holiday Food box to the church office during regular office hours or return your box after the Masses next weekend. Boxes will be given to families on Monday November 20, 2023. If you have any questions or are unable to return your box, please contact Mike DeJaeger at [outreach@holyfamiyb.org](mailto:outreach@holyfamiyb.org).



Thanks team for assembling the Holiday Food boxes

## THE GIVING TREE IS GOING UP NEXT WEEKEND!

The Giving Team Ministry team met on August 31<sup>st</sup> to begin preparations for the giving tree to go up next weekend. Last year 744 gifts were distributed. Each weekend the bulletin will highlight two organizations that receive gifts from the Holy Family Giving Tree. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Contact Jill Broome or Bonita Volker with any questions.

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Virginia Beach CASA is a non-profit organization that advocates for the needs of abused and neglected children currently in court proceedings. The program promotes safe, permanent housing for all children.

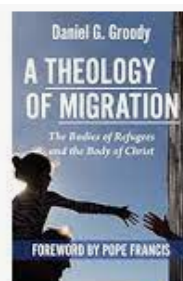


The Norfolk Catholic Worker runs a hospitality house offering hospitality to homeless women. They serve breakfast to the homeless among the community and seek peaceful and non-violent solution to today's problems.



## DID YOU KNOW?

The Basilica of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception is the only African-American Basilica in the United States and the cornerstone of Catholicism in Tidewater. Their mission is to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all people, regardless of race, language, or culture. Nourished by the Eucharist, they seek to accomplish this by drawing on their rich African-American heritage of spirit-filled worship, Christ-centered service, and fellowship that recalls our common Father. The Basilica of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception is located at 232 Chapel St, Norfolk, Virginia.



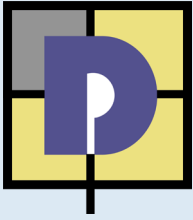
## A Theology of Migration Book Study

After sixteen Holy Family parishioners completed a book study of "A Theology of Migration" by Notre Dame Associate Professor, Fr. Daniel Groody, they hope to discern a path to encounter and listen to the plight of our migrant brothers and sisters. The book draws on accounts of migrants and refugees around the globe; the book explores the relationship between faith and justice, theology and migration, and Christian spirituality and the challenges of the modern world.

## A Prayer for Veterans Day

Lord God, Almighty Father, creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope, and strength. Lead them from darkness to light. To you be all the glory, honor, and praise, now and forever. Amen

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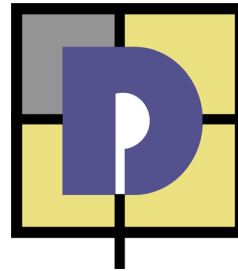


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