

28<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
of Ordinary  
Time



October 15, 2023  
"Many are invited, but few are chosen."  
Mt 22:1-14

# Holy Rosary CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

- Sunday Mass**..... 8:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.  
11:00 A.M. Livestreamed Mass each Sunday on  
YOUTUBE: To watch access our website at  
[www.hrccrichmond.org](http://www.hrccrichmond.org)  
**Sunday Adult Bible Study** ..... 9:30 A.M.  
and 6:30 P.M. via Zoom  
**Weekdays:**  
Wednesdays.. Daily Mass....9:00 A.M.  
Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday after  
Daily Mass until 12noon  
Holy Days.....TBA  
Bible Study-Thursdays.... 10 A.M. via Zoom  
**Confessions:** Sunday 7:15 A.M.—7:40 A.M.  
and 10:00 A.M.—10:30 A.M. before Mass.

For information about joining Holy Rosary, please see an Usher or Greeter. For Sacramental information please call the Church Office during business hours.

**OFFICE HOURS-CLOSED MONDAY—** (In Case of an Emergency call 434-288-0184)  
**TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY... 9:00a.m.-3:00pm-THURSDAYS-9:00a.m.-2pm**  
**FRIDAYS.....Closed**

**Mission Statement**

We, the people of Holy Rosary, are called to be a Church with a living God and a dynamic heritage; a heritage that encompasses the beliefs and tenets of the Roman Catholic faith as well as the characteristics of the African American culture. We are called to be a welcoming beacon of hope to parishioners and the surrounding community for continued and sustainable spiritual growth to enhance and strengthen our relationship with God, address social issues, and provide parishioners with the necessary skills for increased evangelization.



General Fund

Current Year: July 01, 2023 through June 30, 2024  
 Budget vs. Actual as of October 8, 2023

Collections	Needed Weekly	Y-T-D	Budget	Difference
\$ 4,939.50	\$6,923	\$96,921.80	\$103,845	—(\$6,923.20)

10/08/2023 Attendance 8AM—79 11AM— 120

Debt Reduction Collection (Building Fund)  
 Current Year: July 01, 2023 through June 30, 2024  
 Budget vs. Actual as of October 8, 2023  
 Collection \$1,707.80— Needed Weekly \$1,994.00  
 Y-T-D— \$30,822.42  
 Budget—\$29,910.00— Difference +\$912.42  
 Loan Payment Monthly: \$9,879.00  
 Outstanding Balance on Loan **\$1,050,679.34**

† Please remember to write a separate check for Debt Reduction.



Please consider making Electronic Contributions throughout the year. Check our website: [www.hrccrichmond.org](http://www.hrccrichmond.org)

**Please support Holy Rosary Parish through your donations:**

• Mail in your usual donation amount by check to Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 3300 “ R” Street, Richmond, VA 23223 or go to E-Giving to set up your donations. Donations can also be dropped off at the church. Thanks!

Scan the QR code to give online: Just point your camera at the code and click the link that pops up. It’s easy!



**PRAY FOR THE SICK...** and all who suffer.

**PRAY FOR THE HOMEBOUND....**

Alice Wright, Clinton Harris, Jr.

**Pastoral Care:** If you or a family member is sick, becomes homebound or is anticipating surgery, please notify our Church office 222-1105. We want to know so we can provide prayer, care, comfort, or the Sacraments.



**For the Week of October 15, 2023**

- Sunday:** Is 25:6-10a/Phil 4:12-14,19-20/Mt 22:1-14
- Monday:** Rom 1:1-7/Lk 11:29-32
- Tuesday:** Rom 1:16-25/Lk 11:37-41
- Wednesday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Lk 10:1-9
- Thursday:** Rom 3:21-30/Lk 11:47-54
- Friday:** Rom 4:1-8/Lk 12:1-7
- Saturday:** Rom 4:13,16-18/Lk 12:8-12



- October 15:** Joyce Tinsley
- October 17:** Thomas Sonnett
- October 21:** Deborah Branch, Clinton Harris, Frank Smith



**Liturgical Ministers for October 22 ONE MASS 10AM**

- Lectors—Kanika McBride and Denise Branch
- EOM of Holy Communion—Patricia Clarke
- Altar Servers—Victor Kimbrough, Phen Hammond, Gilbert Menefield
- Ushers— Phillip Robinson, Antionette Essa, Roosevelt Byrd, Vera Smith, McCoy Welch
- Greeters— Roxanne Wall, Alice Jones, Danette & John Hughes
- Counters— Carroll Antione and Raja Mason

Worship Schedule

- Sunday October 15, 2023**  
10AM Mass— Imani Hand
- Wednesday October 18, 2023**  
9AM Mass—Julia Harris  
Eucharistic Adoration following  
Daily Mass until 12 Noon in the Chapel
- Friday October 20, 2023**  
12PM Mass at Richmond Community Hospital

\***Bible Study** will be held every Thursday 10:00am via Zoom. Contact Joanna Haliday at [joanna.haliday@yahoo.com](mailto:joanna.haliday@yahoo.com) for Zoom link.

\***Adult Bible Study** is held on Sunday mornings at 9:30am and Sunday evenings at 6:30pm via Zoom. Contact Mario Dance at [marioedance@gmail.com](mailto:marioedance@gmail.com) for Zoom link.

\***Our Sunday Livestream Services can be seen on You Tube visit: [www.hrccrichmond.org](http://www.hrccrichmond.org)**

\***The Sunday Bulletin can be downloaded from our website: [www.hrccrichmond.org](http://www.hrccrichmond.org)**

**Question of the Week**  
**October 15, 2023**



All catechesis flows from the liturgy nothing is as important as what happens at the Sunday Mass. Christ is present in four fold ways, in the bread and wine, the Presider, the word of God and the community gathered. But for a lot of people the Sunday mass and readings and homily goes too quickly. In order for people to think back on the mass, we will have the "Question of the Week". The purpose of the "Question of the Week" is to bring together people of all ages to learn about and share their faith. The question will be relating to one of the readings from Sunday's Mass. The question will allow different ministry groups and families to break open the word and share faith throughout the week.

**Question of the Week:**

**Adults:** Using Jesus' parable as your starting point, describe in your own words who will be welcome and why they will be welcome, at the eternal banquet of God.

**Children:** Why is it important for you to do what Jesus asks of you?

**Reading 1:** Is 25:6-10a

**Reading 2:** Phil 4:12-14, 19-20

**Gospel:** Mt 22:1-14

The Month  
of October—  
Traditionally  
the Month of  
the Rosary

The Legion of Mary will pray the Rosary on the following Sundays in October:

October 15th– 9:15 am in the Sanctuary

October 22nd– 9:15am in the Sanctuary

October 29th– 10:30am in the Sanctuary.



**70th ANNIVERSARY EVENTS**  
**"We've Got A Testimony"**

**October 15, 2023**

Family & Friends Sunday

**ONE MASS-10:00AM**

**October 22, 2023**

Anniversary Mass & Celebration

**ONE MASS-10:00AM**

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**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

Next weekend, we will unite with the global Church in celebrating World Mission Sunday. This year Pope Francis illuminates our path with the theme: "Hearts on fire, feet on the move." As we prepare to observe this special day, we are reminded to ignite our hearts with Christ's love and extend that warmth to the most vulnerable corners of our world. Your fervent prayers and upcoming generosity in the collection for the Propagation of the Faith, Home Missions and Black and Indian Missions will bolster missionaries working to spread the "Good News". Let us come together to support them in their mission of love and service. Thank you.



Holy Rosary Catholic Church

Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 29, 2023

12:30pm

A fun and safe alternative to trick-or-treat. Children can come dressed in costume and go from trunk to trunk in the safety of the church parking lot to receive treats. We are looking for volunteers who would like to decorate their car to make this event a success!!! Parishioners can donate candy to the church from now until October 29. If you would like to help, please contact Tanya at [tylesane@hrccichmond.org](mailto:tylesane@hrccichmond.org) or call her at 804-222-1105 for more details.

### **CHILDREN'S/ YOUTH CHOIR**

The Children's /Youth Choir will practice on **Saturday, October 21 at 10:00AM.**

Contact Kristina Patterson for more information at 804-814-2096.

### **ANNUAL SPIRITUAL RETREAT 2023**

NOV 3, 5:00pm to Nov 4, 5:00pm

Rosalyn Retreat Center  
8727 River Rd.

Richmond, VA 23229

THEME: Journeying with Mary:  
Healing Generational Trauma Through Christ  
Speakers:

Dr. Paula Owens Parker

Fr. Tochi Iwuji

Overnight Stay: \$55 Single Occupancy

\$100 Double Occupancy

Commuter: \$20

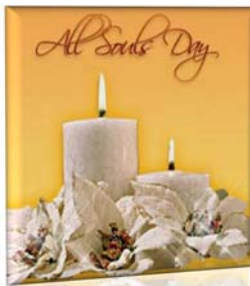
**Register at:**

**<http://obcretreat2023.eventbrite.com>**

### **Substitute Teacher at All Saints Catholic School**

All Saints Catholic School in Richmond, Virginia, is seeking a substitute teacher (JK-8) for the 2023-2024 school year.

Please send resume, Diocesan Application, and letters of reference to All Saints Catholic School, Attn: Scott Meadows, Principal; 3418 Noble Avenue, Richmond, VA 23222 or via email to [smeadows@allsaintsric.org](mailto:smeadows@allsaintsric.org).



**November 2, All Souls' Day** is for the remembrance of the faithful departed.

In commemoration of all departed souls, we are asking parishioners to bring in a photo (s) of deceased members of your family and or friends to the church and place your photo (s) on the table in the commons during the week of **October 22 thru October 29**, along with the photo (s) please place the name of the deceased and date of their eternal life on an index card. Thank you!



In today's Gospel we hear Jesus say: "Many are invited, but few are chosen."

To give thanks for all that God has given to you, have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

### **AIDS Spiritual Reflections:**

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows - Psalm 23. Anointing of oil over a person's head or body forms a covenant, blessing or healing. The foes do not have the final word, rather, we the friends of Christ will anoint our brothers and sisters with HIV or AIDS because they are worthy of our healing touch.

### **Commonwealth Catholic Charities Dibert Food Pantry Thanksgiving Food Drive**



Your generosity will help provide Richmond Families a Thanksgiving Meal.

Boxed stuffing  
Can sweet potato  
Cake mix, pie shell, pudding or can pumpkin  
Corn muffin mix  
Turkey gravy  
Cream of chicken soup  
Cranberry sauce  
Canned fruit  
Mac and Cheese  
Can green beans or corn  
Ham or Turkey (optional)  
Tea bags

Please drop off to Dibert Food Pantry  
**by November 10.**

Contact Katie Johnson with questions:  
**[katie.johnson@cccovfa.org](mailto:katie.johnson@cccovfa.org) or 804.545.6958**

Thank you for your support!