



October 29, 2023

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

*The Greatest Commandment*  
**“You shall love the Lord, your  
 God with all your heart, with  
 all your soul, and with all  
 your mind.”**

# 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
- 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 22, 2023

Collections	Needed Weekly	Y-T-D	Budget	Difference
\$4,752	\$6,923	\$109,984.80	\$117,691	—(\$7,706.20)

10/22/2023 Attendance 10AM— 280

Debt Reduction Collection (Building Fund)  
Current Year: July 01, 2023 through June 30, 2024  
Budget vs. Actual as of October 22, 2023  
Collection \$ 1,163.00 — Needed Weekly \$1,994.00  
Y-T-D— \$ 33,542.42  
Budget—\$33,898.00— Difference —(\$355.58)  
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...** A.J. Jeffers, 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 29**

**Sunday:** Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40  
**Monday:** Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17  
**Tuesday:** Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21  
**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a  
**Thursday:** Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11/Jn 6:37-40  
**Friday:** Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6  
**Saturday:** Rom 11:1-2a,11-12,25-29/Lk 14:1,7-11

**Happy Birthday**

**October 30:** Janet McCatty  
**October 31:** Emilio Daye  
**November 1:** Daniel Hand, Yvette Keese  
**November 2:** Sidney Parker  
**November 3:** Kimberly Bonner, Eloise Ward  
**November 4:** Gregory Daye, Michael Hawkins



**Liturgical Ministers for November 5th 8:00AM**

Lectors—Denise Branch & Florine Davis –Morman  
EOM of Holy Communion— Kathryn Lewis  
Altar Server— Phen Hammond  
Ushers— Floyd Underwood, Clarence McGill, David Murray  
Greeters—Sheila Stanley & Monica Churchwell

**11:00AM**

Lectors—Kanika McBride & Gilbert Menefield  
EOM of Holy Communion—Gloria Cokes  
Altar Servers—Alain Holly & Walter Jones  
Ushers—Jerome Johnson, Phil Robinson, Damian Njoku, Sr., Richard Branch  
Greeters— Paul & Gail Candido  
Counters— Joe Fernandes & Raja Mason



**Sunday** **October 29, 2023**  
**8AM** Mass— Katherine Little  
**11AM** Mass— Parishioners of Holy Rosary  
**Wednesday** **November 1, 2023 ( All Saints Day)**  
**9AM** Mass—Carolyn Johnson  
Eucharistic Adoration following  
Daily Mass until 12 Noon in the Chapel  
**6PM** Mass—Constance Wood Evans  
**Thursday** **November 2, 2023 (All Souls’ Day)**  
**9AM** Mass— All The Faithful Departed  
**Friday** **November 3, 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)**



**Question of the Week**  
**October 29, 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:** Jesus tells us that we are to love others as we love ourselves. Do you love yourself? Can you see the good that God has put within you? Do you find it easier to love others or yourself?

**Children:** Repeat the two commandments which Jesus teaches today in your own words? For each of them, share how it has become part of your life?

**Reading 1:** Ex 22:20-26

**Reading 2:** 1 Thes 1:5c-10

**Gospel:** Mt 22:34-40

**Words of Appreciation**

Thank you, for who you are in the legacy and heritage of HOLY ROSARY Catholic Church. To all of the participants who helped in so many ways, through your presentations, moral support, or simply sharing the impact your family has played in your spiritual development and love for HRC, THANK YOU!

To all of the volunteers that helped in the beautification of the church and fellowship hall: The Knights of Columbus, The Ladies' Sodality, The Anniversary Committee, Gwen Marsh, Katreena Arnold, Mary Harris, Savilla Parker, Elizabeth Robinson, Gail Peterson, THANK YOU!

To Fr. Tochi, Deacon Frank Nelson, Deacon Mel Dowdy, Msgr. Walter Barrett, Jr., and the many priests who celebrated with us during our 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, THANK YOU!

To the staff: Tanya Lesane, Joslyn Ford, Cheryl Rosser, Dr. Joseph Robinson, and the Choir, and Billy Payne for your dedication and hard work, THANK YOU!

To each and every one that contributed in any way to make this 70<sup>th</sup> Celebration a grand occasion," THANK YOU"! For those named, and unnamed, for those who never spoke a word, yet gave from their hearts thank you for your gift of beautiful LOVE! THANK YOU ONE AND ALL FOR a tribute to the Goodness of OUR GOD! To God be the GLORY!  
 Angelyn Poe

**THANK YOU**

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the behind-the-scenes people who helped make our 70th Anniversary a success. From those who prepared the food to those who decorated the sanctuary, we appreciate all the hard work and dedication that went into making this special event a memorable one. Your commitment to our church community is truly invaluable, and we are grateful for your contributions. Thank you for all that you do, and may God bless you abundantly for your selfless service. We especially thank the following:

Taylor Woodz Catering (Joyce Johnson and Kristina Patterson) who are descendants of the first family of Holy Rosary.

Knights of Columbus (especially Vernard Jackson, Robert Jones and Jerome Johnson) for volunteering their time to help prepare the delicious meals for our month of activities.

Ladies' Sodality for organizing our souvenir T-Shirts and hospitality.

Gretta Barnes and Sylvia Eubanks for publishing our souvenir booklet.

Sam Patterson for his time and talents in administrative and decorating detail.

Angelyn Poe for ensuring the environment was conducive for such an occasion.

Terry Thomas, Mary Ann Jones, Michael Thomas, Michelle & Ed Jones for helping with our gifts and corsages.

*Angela Jackson*  
 Chair, Fundraising Committee

**Names Omitted**

The following parishioners contributed to the 70th Anniversary Fundraiser, however their names were inadvertently omitted from the Souvenir Booklet:

Donita Harper  
 and  
 Billie Motley



Thank you for your generous support of this year's Friends of the Poor Walk at St. Michael's Church in Glen Allen. Holy Rosary parishioners contributed to success in various ways by participating themselves, by sponsoring participation of others, by direct donation or by participating in the online auction.

Your care and concern for those in need helped to produce the second most successful **Friends of the Poor Walk** in the nation by raising over \$60,000. These proceeds will be divided among the Saint Vincent de Paul District Council and three area conferences. Because we are an all-volunteer organization, the St. Teresa of Calcutta Conference share of the proceeds will go directly into emergency rental and utility relief for those who find themselves in danger of eviction or utility shut-off. We pray that your kindness to others may be returned to you many times over!

#### **AIDS Spiritual Reflections:**

"Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full." Ps. 17:15b—**AIDS Facts:** HIV attacks and destroys CD4 T-cells ---important immune system cells that help your body fight infections. The more CD4 T-cells that are destroyed, the weaker your immune system can become. With fewer CD4 T-cells due to HIV, it can be harder for your body to fight illnesses and infections. CDC.gov/HIV.

#### **Non-Perishable Canned Goods**

Parishioners, please remember to bring in your non-perishable canned goods to church on the **First Sunday of each month**. Place your bag under the table in the commons. Thank You!

#### **NOVEMBER EVENTS**

##### ***Wednesday, November 1— ALL SAINTS DAY (Holy Day Of Obligation)***

*Mass Times*  
9:00AM  
6:00PM

##### ***Thursday, November 2— ALL SOULS' DAY***

*Mass Time*  
9:00AM

##### **Children's/Youth Choir Practice**

Saturday, November 4  
10:00AM

#### **Worship/Liturgy Committee Meeting**

Wednesday, November 7, 2023  
5:30PM

#### **Speaker Series for Racial Healing**

Dcn. Charles Williams Speaker Series for Racial Healing  
| Cathedral of the Sacred Heart Church & Parish Hall |  
Nov 8, 2023 | 6:00pm - 8:30pm

All are welcome to attend the speaker series honoring the memory of Deacon Charles Williams (1951–2022) and continuing his mission to educate groups and individuals on racial injustice, racial healing and preserving the history of the Black Catholic experience in the Diocese of Richmond. The speaker is Rev. Fr. Tochi Iwuji. His presentation is "My Experience as an African Priest in the United States." The evening will begin with Adoration and Confessions at 6:00 p.m. in the church. Rev. Fr. Tochi Iwuji will be the celebrant for Adoration, with Rev. Msgr. Walter Barrett offering the homily. There will be three priests hearing confessions. Following adoration and confessions, there will be dinner in the parish hall. Fr. Tochi's presentation will begin at 7:30 p.m. with Q&A and discussion ending at 8:30 p.m.

The presentation will also be live streamed via the Cathedral facebook page. You do not need to register or be a member of Facebook to watch the livestream. Parking is around the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. Paid parking is available at the VCU Deck at Main Street (\$2 per hour).

The link to register is here: <https://cathedral.flocknote.com/signup/139673>

#### **PARISH TOWN HALL MEETING**

With Fr. Tochi  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2023  
Immediately Following The 11AM MASS

#### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training**

November 17, 2023  
5:00-6:00PM

#### **Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction**

November 17, 2023  
6:00PM

#### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training**

November 18, 2023  
10:00AM

#### **Children's/Youth Choir Practice**

Saturday, November 18  
10:00AM