

# 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 to reach Fr. Tochi after Office Hours)**  
**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 Collection

Current Year: July 01, 2023 through June 30, 2024  
 Budget vs. Actual as of February 18, 2024

Collections	Needed Weekly	Y-T-D	Budget	Difference
\$7,693	\$6,923	\$245,934.55	\$235,382	+\$10,552.55

02/18/2024 Attendance 8AM—72 11AM—128

**Debt Reduction Collection (Building Fund)**  
 Current Year: July 01, 2023 through June 30, 2024  
 Budget vs. Actual as of February 18 2024  
 Collection \$1,565.00 — Needed Weekly \$1,994.00  
 Y-T-D— \$73,063.92  
 Budget—\$67,796.00—Difference +\$5,267.92  
 Loan Payment Monthly: \$9,879.00  
 Outstanding Balance on Loan \$1,007,005.61

† 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!



**Worship Schedule**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>February 25, 2024</b>
<b>8AM</b>	Mass— Maurice Coleman
<b>11AM</b>	Mass—Robert Lacy (Living)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>February 27, 2024</b>
<b>12PM</b>	Mass at Richmond Community Hospital
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>February 28, 2024</b>
<b>9AM</b>	Mass-George Pollard, Sr.
<b>Friday</b>	<b>March 1, 2024</b>
<b>12PM</b>	Mass at Richmond Community Hospital
<b>5:30PM</b>	First Friday Devotion, Adoration-Reflection
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>March 2, 2024</b>
<b>8AM</b>	First Saturday Mass

\***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)



**PRAY FOR THE SICK....**Baby Gizelle Hill, William Burrell, Johnnie A. Hughes, Gretta Barnes, Betty Ignacio, 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 February 25**

**Sunday:** Gn 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10  
**Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38  
**Tuesday:** Is 1:10,16-20/Mt 23:1-12  
**Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28  
**Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31  
**Friday:** Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43,45-46  
**Saturday:** Mi 7:14-15,18-20/Lk 15:1-3,11-32

**Happy Birthday**

**February 26:** Grace Ledford-Odell  
**February 27:** Harmony Kimbrough  
**March 1:** Mary Ann Jones, Charles Wall



**Liturgical Ministers for March 3 8:00AM**

Lectors— Mary Woodley and Florine Davis-Morman  
 EOM of Holy Communion— Carolyn Page  
 Altar Servers— Phen Hammond and Christiana Huynh  
 Ushers—David Murray, Clarence McGill,  
 Floyd Underwood, Denise Branch  
 Greeters— Ellen Davis and Sheila Stanley

**11:00AM**

Lectors—Carla Kimbrough and Gilbert Menefield  
 EOM of Holy Communion—Tom Keys  
 Children’s Liturgist— Brenda Payne and Martha Harper  
 Altar Servers— Victor Kimbrough, Alain Holly,  
 Walter Jones  
 Ushers—McCoy Welch, Denise Myles, Cain Myles,  
 Damian Njoku, Sr.  
 Greeters—Paul & Gail Candido  
 Counters—Raja Mason and Joe Fernandes

**Question of the Week**  
**February 25, 2024**



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:** In what ways does Jesus speak today, ways in which you can truly "listen to him?"

**Children:** Name or draw a picture of a time you knew that Jesus was with you.

**Reading 1:** Gn 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18

**Reading 2:** Rom 8:31b-34

**Gospel:** Mk 9:2-10



Lent is a call not just to "give up something" but more important to "give something for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the church's doorbell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell. **Your almsgiving to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.**

**AIDS Ministry Reflection**

**AIDS Fact:** Saint Avertanus and Blessed Romeo are 14th-century French monks, traveling companions and "patrons of the AIDS pandemic" who died together of the plague and share the same coffin. Their feast day is Feb 25.

**CEMPOC GRANT**

As a follow up to the announcement made in church last week, here is important information about the The Catholic Evangelical Missionary People of Color Grant (CEM POC). The CEMPOC grant was developed to encourage and support the work of evangelization in the Catholic Church. It hopes to provide financial assistance to missionaries who are actively serving in Catholic Ministry and who identify as People of Color or belonging to an ethnic minority. Missionaries looking for assistance simply apply and, if chosen, their efforts of fundraising are matched with funds from the grant. To learn more about the grant and how to support it you may go to [www.cem poc.org](http://www.cem poc.org)

**Thanks Mario Dance**



**Weekdays**

**Daily Mass Wednesdays 9:00 A.M.**  
**(Eucharistic Adoration after Daily Mass until 12Noon)**

**March 1- First Friday Devotion and Reflection- Lent a Time of Celebration**  
**5:30PM**

**March 2- First Saturday Mass**  
**8:00AM**

**6:00PM-Friday Evening**  
**Stations of the Cross and Reflection**

**March 8- Stations of the Cross and Reflection —Lent a Time of Transformation**

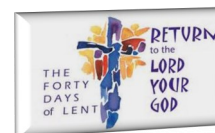
**March 15- Stations of the Cross and Reflection— Lent a Time to Embrace the Cross**  
**March 22- Stations of the Cross**

**March 24, Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**  
**9:45 A.M. Parishioners gather in the Parish Hall**  
*Blessing and Distribution of Palms*  
**ONE MASS 10:00 A.M.**

**Monday, March 25**  
**6:00 P.M. Chrism Mass**  
*(Cathedral of the Sacred Heart)*

**The Triduum (March 28,29,30)**  
 March 28, **Holy Thursday**  
**(Mass of the Lord's Supper) - 7:00 P.M.**  
*Followed by Eucharist Adoration and Meditation in St. Joseph Chapel*  
 March 29, **Good Friday (The Passion of the Lord)**  
*Liturgy 7:00 P.M.*  
 March 30, **Holy Saturday Vigil Mass- 8:00 P.M.**

March 31, **Easter Sunday**  
**(The Resurrection of the Lord)**  
**ONE MASS 11:00 A.M.**



# MARCH

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### **MARCH 1**

3:00-6:00PM- KOC FISH FRY  
5:30PM- FIRST FRIDAY MASS, ADORATION  
AND REFLECTION

### **MARCH 2**

8:00AM- FIRST SATURDAY MASS  
9:00AM- EVANGELIZATION COMMITTEE MGT.

### **MARCH 3**

12:30PM-YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT MGT.

### **MARCH 5**

1:00-3:00PM- KNITTING GROUP  
(MEET EVERY TUESDAY)

### **MARCH 8**

3:00PM-6:00PM- KOC FISH FRY  
6:00PM- STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND  
LENETN REFLECTION

### **MARCH 9**

10:00AM- CHILDREN'S/YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE  
3:30PM-4:30PM- EXPLORING YOUR OWN  
PERSONAL SPIRITUALITY

### **MARCH 10**

10:30AM- 11:00AM- RISC ANNOUNCEMENT  
2:00PM- LEGION OF MARY CURIA MGT.

### **MARCH 11**

6:00PM- GROUP REUNION

### **MARCH 15**

3:00PM-6:00PM-KOC FISH FRY  
6:00PM- STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND  
LENTEN REFLECTION

### **MARCH 16**

10:00AM- CHILDREN'S/ YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE

### **MARCH 19**

6:00PM- KOC MGT.  
6:00PM- AIDS MINISTRY MGT.

### **MARCH 20**

12PM-1PM- RISC  
5:30PM- LADIES' SODALITY MGT.

### **MARCH 22**

6:00PM- STATIONS OF THE CROSS

### **MARCH 23**

10:00AM- PRACTICE FOR PALM SUNDAY  
AND HOLY WEEK



## Phillis Wheatley

Phillis Wheatley Peters is broadly recognized as the first African American woman and only the third American woman to publish a book of poems. Her works continues to be studied by historians, and her legacy has inspired generations of writers. Born around 1753 in Gambia, Africa, Wheatley was captured by enslavers and brought to America in 1761. Upon arrival, she was sold to the Wheatley family in Boston, Massachusetts. Her first name Phillis was derived from the ship that brought her to America, "the Phillis." The Wheatley family educated her and within sixteen months of her arrival in America she could read the Bible, Greek and Latin classics, and British literature. She also studied astronomy and geography. In her early teenage years, Wheatley began to write poetry, publishing her first poem in 1767. Publication of "An Elegiac Poem, on the Death of the Celebrated Divine George Whitefield" in 1770 brought her great notoriety.

In 1773, with financial support from the English Countess of Huntingdon, Wheatley traveled to London with the Wheatley's son to publish her first collection of poems, *Poems on Various Subjects, Religious and Moral*—the first book written by an enslaved Black woman in America. It included a forward, signed by John Hancock and other Boston notables—as well as a portrait of Wheatley—all designed to prove that the work was indeed written by a Black woman. She was emancipated shortly thereafter. Wheatley's poems reflected several influences on her life, among them the well-known poets she studied, such as Alexander Pope and Thomas Gray. Pride in her African heritage was also evident. Her writing style embraced the elegy, likely from her African roots, where it was the role of girls to sing and perform funeral dirges. Religion was also a key influence, and it led Protestants in America and England to enjoy her work. Enslavers and abolitionists both read her work; the former to convince the enslaved population to convert, the latter as proof of the intellectual abilities of people of color.

Although she supported the American Revolution, she believed that slavery was the issue that prevented the colonists from achieving true heroism. She wrote several letters to ministers and others on liberty and freedom. During the peak of her writing career, she wrote a well-received poem praising the appointment of George Washington as the commander of the Continental Army. In 1778, Wheatley married John Peters, a free Black man from Boston with whom she had three children, though none survived. Efforts to publish a second book of poems failed. To support her family, she worked as a maid in a boardinghouse while continuing to write poetry. Wheatley became ill and died on December 5th, 1784. Wheatley's poems continue to be studied by scholars to this day, and many institutions have honored her legacy, such as the Phyllis Wheatley YWCA in Washington, DC.

### **Resources:**

MLA - Michals, Debra. "Phillis Wheatley." National Women's History Museum. National Women's History Museum, 2015. Date accessed. Chicago - Michals, Debra. "Phillis Wheatley." National Women's History Museum. 2015. [www.womenshistory.org/educationresources/biographies/phillis-wheatley](http://www.womenshistory.org/educationresources/biographies/phillis-wheatley).

*Thank  
You*

*Thank you to everyone for your calls, cards, prayers and acts of kindness during our time of bereavement. They were greatly appreciated.*

*Monica Coleman/Patricia Clarke and Family*