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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... 9:00am-3:00pm- THURSDAY-9:00am-2pm

FRIDAY.....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, 2024 through June 30, 2025

Budget vs. Actual as of January 26, 2025

Collections	Needed Weekly	Y-T-D	Budget	Difference
\$5,405	\$7,404	\$219,242.78	\$222,120	—(2,877.22)

1/26/2025 Attendance 8 AM—89 11AM-142



Please consider making Electronic Contributions throughout the year. Check our website: 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

Sunday	February 2, 2025
8AM	Mass-Kathryn Johnston
11AM	Mass-The Parishioners of Holy Rosary
Tuesday	February 4, 2025
12PM	Mass at Richmond Community Hospital
Wednesday	February 5, 2025
9AM	Liturgy of the Word & Communion
Friday	February 7, 2025
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 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 for Zoom link.

***Our Sunday Livestream Services can be seen on YouTube visit:** www.hrccrichmond.org

***The Sunday Bulletin can be downloaded from our website:** www.hrccrichmond.org

Debt Reduction Collection (Building Fund)
Current Year: July 01, 2024 through June 30, 2025
Budget vs. Actual as of January 26, 2025
 Collection \$2,608.01— Needed Weekly \$1,994.00
Y-T-D—\$63,804.51
 Budget— \$59,820.00 — Difference +4,014.51
 Loan Payment Monthly: \$9,879.00
 Outstanding Balance on Loan— \$930,396.85

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



William Burrell, William Carter, Savilla Parker, Hope Jackson, and all who suffer.
HOMEBOUND.... Alice Wright and 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.

Daily Scripture Readings For The Week Of February 2

Sunday:	Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40
Monday:	Heb 11:32-40/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday:	Heb 12:1-4/Mk 5:21-34
Wednesday:	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Mk 6:7-13
Friday:	Heb 13:1-8/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday:	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Mk 6:30-34



February 3:	Victor Shavers
February 5:	Cathy Parker
February 7:	Joanne Sonnett, Olivia Thomas
February 8:	Charles Wynn

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY February 9, 2025

8AM

Lectors—Mary Harris and Andrew Degele
 EOM of Holy Communion—Ellen Davis
 Altar Servers—Phan Hammond and Christiana Huynh
 Ushers—Clarence McGill and David Murray
 Greeters—Roxanne Wall and Ellen Davis

11AM

Lectors—Furiose Gomez and Carla Kimbrough
 EOM of Holy Communion—Berna Seabrook
 Altar Servers—Alain Holly, Nicolas Holly, Rose Scott
 Children's Liturgists—Jane Henderson and Gloria Cokes
 Ushers—Melissa Scott, Alice Robinson, Janice Hect
 Greeters—John and Danette Hughes
 Counters—Donita Harper and Sheila Miles

Question of the Week February 2, 2025



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: *Mary and Joseph took their faith seriously enough to make a return to the Lord of the most precious thing in their lives, their son, whom they presented to God in the Temple. How do you return to God that which is most precious to you?*

Children: *Simeon said that Jesus would be a "light to all nations." When, where or how do you see the light of Jesus?*

Reading 1: Mal 3:1-4

Reading 2: Heb 2:14-18

Gospel: Lk 2:22-40



In the Gospel today, we learn of the first sword in Mary's heart – the knowledge of her Son's death. Though many would live forever in fear, Mary found courage in faith in the Lord.

Your donation to the needy can help them to overcome their swords of fear and doubt

AIDS Spiritual Reflection

Our brothers and sisters with HIV/AIDS belong to the Body of Christ. If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy. Today we are full of honor and joy for the Body of Christ faced the AIDS pandemic and lives.

Why Do Catholic Celebrate The Presentation Of the Lord

The Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2, also called Candlemas for the custom of using lighted candles. This feast day celebrates both the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple and the and the Purification of Mary, which was required by the Mosaic law 40 days after the birth of a child.



Moments in Black History

1621— William Tucker is the first Black child known to be born in America.

1773—Phillis Wheatley's "Poems on Various Subjects Religion and Moral" is the first book published by an African-American author.

1793—Congress passes Fugitive Slave Act, making it a federal crime to assist a slave trying to escape.

1808— Congress bans importation of slaves.

Financial Peace University

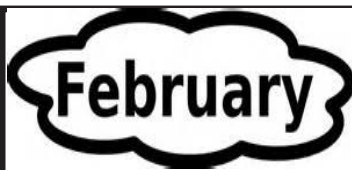
If you've ever felt like you just can't get in control of your money, you're not alone. You'd be surprised how many people you know are struggling just like you. But it's time for your struggle to end—starting today.

Join a Financial Peace University class starting late February at Holy Rosary. During the nine-week, biblically based course, you will learn how you can pay off debt, save more money, and build wealth.

Sign up by giving a check payable to Holy Rosary to participate by **Feb. 2** to Tanya Lesane! The cost is \$79.99 for a membership, physical workbook, free audiobooks, and more.

In-person sessions will be Saturdays at 10 am.

A minimum of 10 individuals or couples are needed to proceed.



Every Monday

1:00PM-3:00PM- Knitting Ministry

Wednesdays 9:00AM

Daily Mass and Eucharistic Adoration

Every Thursday

Bible Study

10:00AM Via Zoom

Every Tuesday

12Noon Mass at Richmond Community Hospital

6:30PM- Mass Choir Rehearsal

Every Friday

12Noon Mass at Richmond Community Hospital

February 1

No First Saturday Mass

February 2

National Day of Prayer For the
African-American Family

Fr. James Goode OFM, Founder

February 5

9:00AM- Liturgy of the Word & Communion

February 8

9:00AM- Social Justice Mgt.

10:00AM- Children's Choir Practice

February 9

12:30PM- Youth/Young Adults Mgt.

2:00PM- Curia Mgt.

February 10

6:00PM- Group Reunion

February 12

Liturgy of the Word & Communion

February 14

7:30PM-Ultreya Mgt.

February 17

6:30PM

SVDP Mgt.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

It is very important that you notify the church office if you have updated your home address, phone or email address. Also, if you have transferred your membership from another parish and you are now attending Holy Rosary, please complete a parish registration form so your information can be included in our parish data system. This is important so that you can receive pertinent information from the parish. Thank you!

Join us for the

**Deacon Charles Williams Speaker Series for
Racial Healing on**

Feb. 5 at 6pm at Cathedral of the Sacred Heart

The speaker is Tanya LeSane, the Director of Religious Education and Business Manager at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Richmond, VA. Her talk is titled, "Beauty Rising to the Glory of God: Why I Choose to be a Catholic."

Ticket prices are \$10 per person, \$15 per couple, \$20 per family and \$5 for students.

Register by Feb. 3: <https://bit.ly/DCWSSFeb25>

The evening will begin with a holy hour and confessions from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., and dinner will follow. The presentation with Q & A will take place from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Parking is available on Cathedral Place and at the VCU Main Street deck.

The Deacon Charles Williams Speaker series continues the legacy of Deacon Williams by providing education about racism and Black Catholic history in the Diocese of Richmond.

BLESSING OF THROATS

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 2 both MASSES

Saint Blaise—Feast Day—February 3

Saint Blaise is known by many titles, among them "physician of souls" and "saint of the wild beasts." He is most commonly known as the patron saint of throat illnesses, however. Many Catholic churches worldwide celebrate his feast day with a special blessing of throats, using two blessed candles in a "v" shape across each person's neck. Though little historical fact is known about St. Blaise, we do know that he was considered a miracle worker even in his day and lived much of his life as a hermit in a cave. Many churches have been named after him, especially in the United Kingdom. In Kent, England, there exists St. Blaise's Well, which is claimed to have water with healing properties in it.