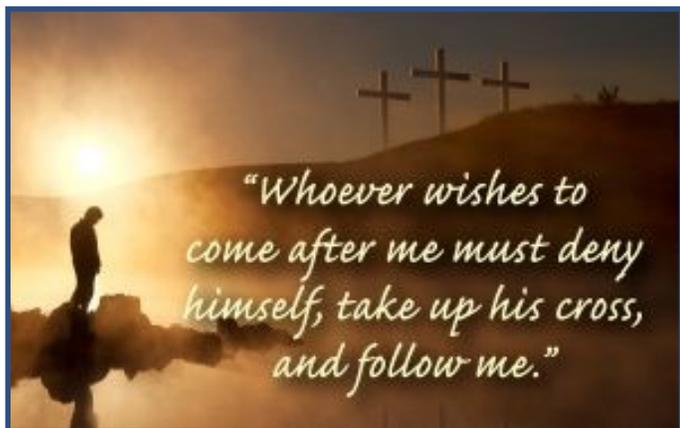


In today's Gospel we hear Jesus tell his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem, where he will suffer and be killed and that— guess what? — whoever comes after him must take up his cross and follow him. It must have been quite a shock. This is the first time Jesus told them this. We know what happened two thousand years ago, but the challenge is new for each generation of disciples. Are we willing to take up our crosses? Will we follow? Let us be strengthened as we take up the cross and follow Jesus.



Readings for this Week (Aug. 31—Sept. 5)

Monday: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Luke 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Corinthians 2:10b-16; Luke 4:31-37
Wednesday: 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Luke 4:38-44
Thursday: (Memorial: St. Gregory the Great)
2 Corinthians 4:1-2, 5-7; Luke 22:24-30
Friday: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Luke 5:33-39
Saturday: 1 Corinthians 4:6b-15; Luke 6:1-5

Scripture for next Sunday

(Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Ezekiel 33:7-9

We are responsible for one another and must try to lead each other in the path of righteousness.

Psalms 95

"If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

Romans 13:8-10

We are bound by the law of love.

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus is present in our midst wherever two or three are gathered in his name.

God calls Ezekiel to be watchman for the house of Israel. God wants him to intervene to lead sinners back to God. Paul reminds us that we are commanded to love our neighbor as ourselves. Jesus tells his disciples that they must draw sinners to reconciliation with themselves, each other, and the entire church. As we listen to the readings next Sunday, let us reflect on whom we need to be reconciled with and resolve with God's grace to do so.

 **Pastor's Notes**

There are people reading this who are older than I am and most likely remember seeing the kind of civil unrest that we are seeing in our country right now. For me and those younger than me this is something new and very disturbing. I think it is disturbing to everyone who is seeing this happen now. I spoke to a friend the other day who used to live in Kenosha and cannot believe what is happening there now.

This is a difficult topic to address, but the time has come. We have to talk about this. It is difficult to address because so many people are angry and we are very divided about what we are seeing. We need to discuss this because if we do not talk about the things that are making us angry we cannot expect to see any improvement. Basically, as long as we are driven by anger and shouting at each other, things are only going to get worse.

I have a challenge. I know I am addressing people with a wide variety of opinions on this subject. You may want to defund the police. You may want to see every protestor arrested and prosecuted. My challenge is to step away from whatever you are feeling and look at those who feel differently. Can you look at someone who feels very different than you and try to understand why that person is so angry? Can we possibly find some areas where we might agree?

I write this now because I know there is much going on in our country that is causing division. As bad as this may seem, I still stand by my belief that the things that unite us are stronger than the things that divide us. If we want to move beyond the unrest we are seeing now we have to learn to focus on the things that unite us rather than the things that divide us.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

We ask your prayers for *Bill Lemieux*, a member of our parish family, who died this past week. Notes of sympathy may be sent to his wife, Linda, at 309 York Dr., Bristol, TN 37620.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers at our altar this weekend are given by Donna V. Hale in loving memory of *deceased members of the Verthein and Hale families.*

PRAYER for SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

We encourage you to pray the *Prayer for Spiritual Communion* when you are participating in livestream Masses or viewing a recorded or televised Mass.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present
in the Most Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things and I desire
to possess 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 being already there,
and unite myself wholly to You.
AMEN.



Liturgy Intentions For The Week

Saturday, August 29 (*Vigil/22nd Sunday/Ordinary Time*)

5:30 p.m. †Albert Verthein

Sunday, August 30 (*Twenty-second Sunday/Ordinary Time*)

8:30 a.m. †Pat Hall

11:30 a.m. Parishioners

Tuesday, September 1

8:30 a.m. †Jonathan Mendoza-Onate

Wednesday, September 2

8:30 a.m. †Fay Buckles

Thursday, September 3

6:00 p.m. †Hedwig Meussen

Friday, September 4

8:30 a.m. Spec.Int: Gregory Family (esp. Josh & Felicia)

Saturday, September 5 (*Vigil/23rd Sunday/Ordinary Time*)

5:30 p.m. †John Ebert

Sunday, September 6 (*23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

8:30 a.m. †Neal Jewell

11:30 a.m. Parishioners

Public celebration of the Mass:

Saturday: 5:30p Sunday 8:30a & 11:30 a.m.

Tues./Wed./Fri. 8:30 a.m.; Thurs. 6 p.m.

All liturgies (except the 11:30a Sunday Mass) are live-streamed on social media and images may appear in print in the Catholic Virginian newspaper.

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass is still in effect until further notice.

If not feeling well, please do not attend —those in vulnerable categories encouraged to please stay home!

We ask for your understanding and cooperation with our ushers and their instructions.

Everyone (age 10+) must bring/wear a face mask;

ALL ages receiving Communion must wear a face mask.

- **Weekend Mass, only entrance—doors at main p/lot.** Please arrive approx. 15-20 minutes prior to Mass time. **If social distancing capacity is met**, we'll not be able to allow anyone else into the building; **Once Mass begins** door is locked & no one else can enter.
- **Weekday Mass, only entrance—side commons door.**

For those receiving **Communion**, you are **ENCOURAGED to receive in the hand.**

If you plan to receive on the tongue, be sure to let the USHER know when you are being seated... anyone receiving on the tongue will receive after the rest of the congregation has received, so you will need to be seated in a specially designated area.

★ TAKE NOTE:

By entering any buildings at St. Anne's, ALL employees/ visitors/vendors/contractors acknowledge the following:

- Your temperature is **under 100.4**
- In the past 2 weeks you **HAVE NOT had COVID-19 symptoms** (fever, chills, sore throat, cough, shortness of breath, muscle pain, loss of taste/smell, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea) with no alternative diagnosis.
- In the past 2 weeks you **HAVE NOT travelled internationally.**
- In the past 2 weeks you **HAVE NOT BEEN EXPOSED** (less than 6 ft for more than 15 minutes, to anyone who tested positive for or exhibits COVID-19 symptoms, with no alternative diagnosis) without wearing the appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

ANYONE WHO CANNOT ACKNOWLEDGE THE STATEMENTS ABOVE, WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO ENTER.



A Thought for Today

A bell is not a bell 'til it is rung.
A song is not a song 'til it is sung.
Faith is not a gift 'til it is lived.

Donations deposited 08/24/2020

(mail-in, drop-off, Masses August 22/23)

Operating/Regular Collection	\$6,905.
Holy Day/Assumption	\$ 153.
School 2nd Collection	\$ 110.
Retired Religious 2nd Coll.	\$ 30.

E-Giving (August 21-26)

Operating/Regular Collection	\$2,483.
Holy Day/Assumption	\$ 10.
School 2nd Collection	\$ 85.

Livestream/online thru diocese (Aug. 17/18)

Operating/Regular Collection	\$ 150.
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Second Collection in September:

September 6—St. Anne Catholic School
September 27—Retired Religious Fund



Pope Francis' Monthly Prayer Intentions

To better know *"the concrete problems that trouble the Universal Church, especially those of the missions"*, the Holy Father asks that his monthly intention be *"the object of knowledgeable and responsible prayer on the part of the people of God."*

September 2020:

Respect for the Planet's Resources

*We pray that the planet's resources
will not be plundered,
but shared in a just and respectful manner.*

PRAY for VOCATIONS!!

"What profit would a man show if he were to gain the whole world and ruin himself in the process."

Are you being called to be a priest or deacon,
religious brother or sister?

Call Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661
or email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org

CONFESSIONS

Confessions are heard in the main church (station is set up over in the stained glass section) on:

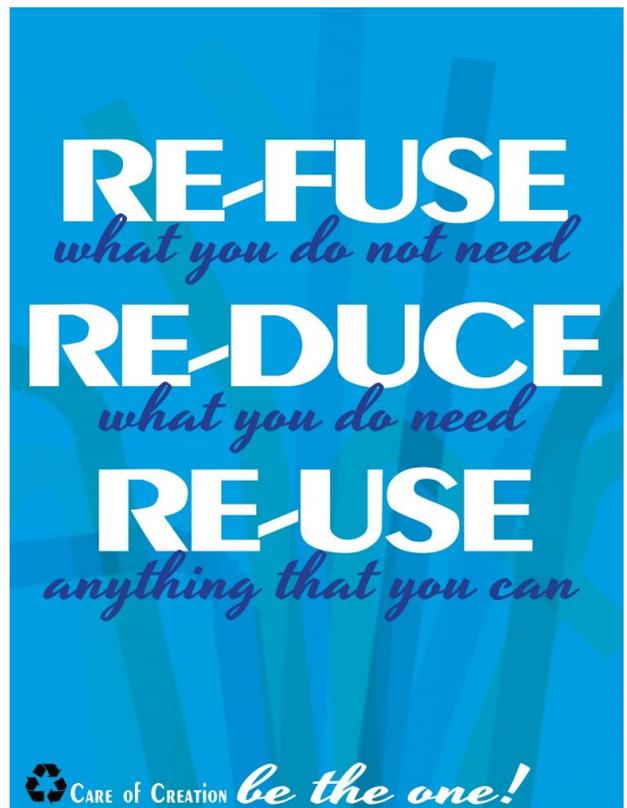
Tues. 5-6p Thurs. 5-5:30p Sat. 3:30-4p

Enter thru the side door to the commons. If someone is already in the church in confessions, you are asked to wait in one of the chairs (socially distanced) in the commons until they finish their confession.

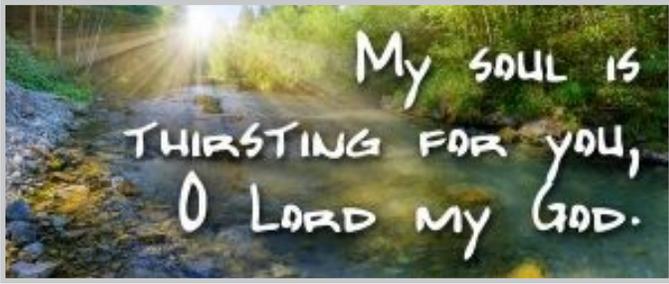
World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

September 1 is to be observed annually as the *World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation* which *"will offer individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which He has entrusted to our care, and to implore His help for the protection of creation as well as His pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."*

(Pope Francis, 6 August 2015).



Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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