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June Birthdays

- 2 Inez Edita Smith
- Antonio Deluna-Santes
- 7 Monserrat Deluna-Ramirez
- 10 George Seif
- 14 Nelida Rosales
- 22 Brett Abernathy
- 30 Monica Ramirez Perez

Happy Anniversary

Augustus Williams
&
Agatha Pascal
June 12th



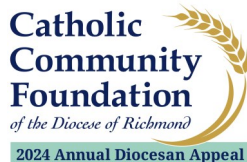
Please use this list to pray for those who are in need. May we all lift one another up in prayer.

Steven Goellner; Mary Frances Kramer, Nina Gendron & family, Esther Zepeta

Please contact the office with updates.

Upcoming Events:

June 25-Knights Meeting



Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

Officers for 2023-2024

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta

Grand Knight: Mark Fracassa

Deputy Grand Knight: John Husson

Chancellor: Dave Thomas

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Treasurer: Jay Warfel, PGK*

Financial Secretary:
Tom O'Neill, PGK*

Advocate: Bob Oravits

Warden: Paul Kurilla

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Inside: Kip Boisot, PGK*
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Trustee One Year:
Chuck Youse

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Bobby Berndt, *PGK
*PGK-Past Grand Knight

Catholic men 18 years or older are eligible to join the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Mark Fracassa (804) 305-6175 or Tom O'Neill (252)519-3050.



St. Richard Catholic Church

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We welcome all visitors and guests to our parish family and wish you safe travels and a happy visit to Emporia.

Mission Statement:

We, the Church of Saint Richard, have been anointed by Jesus Christ to continue His Mission. For us to participate in the mission of Jesus, we are challenged by the Gospel to a daily conversion to God, leading to spiritual growth and holiness. We invite others to join us at the Eucharistic table. Mindful of our neighbors, we will work to bring about a just and peaceful society. At every opportunity, we will work with other faith communities to further God's Kingdom.

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Business Manager:

Elizabeth Martin

434-636-6277

Liturgical Schedule

Weekday Mass:

Wednesday: 12:00 pm at SVMC

Weekend Masses:

Saturday—1:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday—10:30 am

Rosary:

Wednesday—11:45 am at SVMC

Sunday—10:00 am

Reconciliation:

Sunday—10:00 am

Pastoral Council—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Finance Council—Janet McKenzie: 614-579-8185

Religious Formation—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Music Coordinator— Rocky Rodriguez; **Assistants—**Ramis Celedonia; Jeromil Enoc

Altar Ministry—Stevie Thomas: 434-634-6713

Family Service Advisor—Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

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Mass Intention



Our Parishioners

Contact Elizabeth to schedule a Mass or if you have any questions. Please give Mass intentions to Father.

Póngase en contacto con Elizabeth para programar una misa o si tiene alguna pregunta. Por favor, den intenciones de misa al Padre.

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Ezekiel 17:22-24

Responsorial Psalm: 92:2-3,

13-14, 15-16

Reading II:

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—June 9, 2024

Study of the Readings

Background on the Gospel

Reading Mark 3:20–35

In the section of the Gospel just before these verses, Jesus calls his Twelve Apostles. Now he performs his first exorcism. It is told within the context of conflict with his family. A crowd so large has gathered that Jesus and his disciples are not even able to eat their bread. His family comes to take him away because they think he is beside himself. And the scribes think he is possessed by the devil. Jesus points out to them the absurdity of their thinking that he uses the devil to cast out demons. In fact, it is Jesus who ties up the strong man, Beelzebub, and overcomes him. He concludes with a brief saying about the

forgiveness of sins. All sin can be forgiven except for blasphemy against the Holy Spirit. It's not known exactly what he means by this. It could be that the only sin that can't be forgiven is the one that cuts you off from the source of forgiveness, the Holy Spirit. Mark then brings Jesus' family back into the picture. They are not presented in a critical light but are just trying to see him. This gives Jesus the opportunity to point out that family for him is not based on blood.

Family Connection-Families are places of beginnings. Within our family, we first learn what it means to be part of a community. We share a closeness and experience mutual understanding and support. We learn how to love one another, how to ask for and receive

forgiveness, and how to apply all these lessons to the world outside our homes. As you gather as a family, talk about what makes your family special. Share some of the lessons you have learned together about love, forgiveness, and understanding. Then read today's Gospel, Mark 3:20–35. Jesus wants us to understand that by doing God's will, we are part of a bigger family. Choosing to follow Jesus, being his disciple, means we must treat one another with kindness and mercy. We must become a family. Conclude by asking God to bless your family and to help you do God's will by seeing all his people with the same kind of love and compassion. Pray together the Lord's Prayer and the Hail Mary.

PARISH NEWS

GUIDANCE ON THE DISPOSITION OF CREMATED REMAINS (continued)

An ossuary is "a defined and permanent sacred place [which] can be set aside for the commingled accumulation and preservation of the ashes of deceased baptized persons..." While these ashes share a single space, they remain separated. In his letter dated December 9, 2023, Cardinal Víctor Manuel Fernández, prefect of the Vatican's Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith (DDF), stated that such a place must indicate "the identity of each person so as not to lose the memory of their names." A memorial plaque with names and relevant dates would meet this guidance and ensure the faithful departed are not excluded from the prayers and remembrance of their family or the Christian community." Cardinal Fernández's letter included guidance that, with the permission of ecclesiastical authority, the ashes of a relative could be retained by their family in a "place of significance for the history of the deceased person..."

In the Catholic Diocese of Richmond, the decision has been made that this is not an acceptable practice. It remains the current policy that ashes cannot be separated.

The Knights of Columbus continue the "Baby Bottle Campaign" this month. All funds collected are donated to the Roanoke Rapids Pregnancy Support Center, which provides counseling, information, support, and baby needs to pregnant women in our area. Baby bottles are available in the back of the church. Please return all bottles by June 30.

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$914.04	\$416.25 (\$497.79)
Building Fund:		\$401.00

Online Giving

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/>
Strichardemporiava OR Text
GIVE to 434-603-6341

MASS ATTENDANCE:

June 2nd
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Décimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Estudio de las lecturas

Antecedentes de la lectura del

Evangelio Marcos 3:20–35

En la sección del Evangelio justo antes de estos versículos, Jesús llama a sus Doce Apóstoles. Ahora realiza su primer exorcismo. Está narrada en el contexto del conflicto con su familia. Se ha reunido una multitud tan grande que Jesús y sus discípulos ni siquiera pueden comer su pan. Su familia viene a llevárselo porque piensan que está fuera de sí. Y los escribas piensan que está poseído por el diablo. Jesús les señala lo absurdo de que piensen que él usa al diablo para expulsar demonios. De hecho, es Jesús quien ata al hombre fuerte, Belcebú, y lo vence. Concluye con un breve dicho sobre el perdón de los pecados. Todos los pecados pueden ser perdonados, excepto la blasfemia

contra el Espíritu Santo. No se sabe exactamente a qué se refiere con esto. Podría ser que el único pecado que no puede ser perdonado es el que te separa de la fuente del perdón, el Espíritu Santo. A continuación, Marcos vuelve a poner en escena a la familia de Jesús. No se presentan bajo una luz crítica, sino que solo están tratando de verlo. Esto le da a Jesús la oportunidad de señalar que la familia para él no se basa en la sangre.

Conexión familiar-Las familias son lugares de comienzos. Dentro de nuestra familia, primero aprendemos lo que significa ser parte de una comunidad. Compartimos una cercanía y experimentamos el entendimiento y el apoyo mutuos. Aprendemos a amarnos unos a otros, a pedir y recibir perdón, y a aplicar todas estas lecciones al mundo

exterior de nuestros hogares. A medida que se reúnan como familia, hablen sobre lo que hace que su familia sea especial. Compartan algunas de las lecciones que han aprendido juntos sobre el amor, el perdón y la comprensión. Luego lee el Evangelio de hoy, Marcos 3:20-35. Jesús quiere que entendamos que al hacer la voluntad de Dios, somos parte de una familia más grande. Elegir seguir a Jesús, ser su discípulo, significa que debemos tratarnos unos a otros con bondad y misericordia. Debemos convertirnos en una familia. Concluye pidiéndole a Dios que bendiga a tu familia y que te ayude a hacer la voluntad de Dios al ver a todo su pueblo con el mismo tipo de amor y compasión. Rezad juntos el Padre Nuestro y el Ave María.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

ORIENTACIÓN SOBRE LA DISPOSICIÓN DE LOS RESTOS CREMADOS (continuación)

Un osario es "un lugar sagrado definido y permanente [que] puede reservarse para la acumulación y preservación mezclada de las cenizas de las personas bautizadas fallecidas..." Si bien estas cenizas comparten un solo espacio, permanecen separadas. En su carta fechada el 9 de diciembre de 2023, el cardenal Víctor Manuel Fernández, prefecto del Dicastery para la Doctrina de la Fe (DDF) del Vaticano, afirmó que dicho lugar debe indicar "la identidad de cada persona para no perder la memoria de sus nombres". Una placa conmemorativa con nombres y fechas relevantes cumpliría con esta guía y garantizaría que los fieles difuntos no sean excluidos de las oraciones y el recuerdo de su familia o de la comunidad cristiana".

La carta del cardenal Fernández incluía la orientación de que, con el permiso de la autoridad eclesiástica, las cenizas de un pariente podrían ser retenidas por su familia en un "lugar de importancia para la historia de la persona fallecida..."

En la Diócesis Católica de Richmond, se ha tomado la decisión de que esta no es una práctica aceptable. La política actual sigue siendo que las cenizas no se pueden separar.

Los Caballeros de Colón continúan con la "Campaña del Biberón" este mes. Todos los fondos recaudados se donan al Centro de Apoyo al Embarazo de Roanoke Rapids, que brinda asesoramiento, información, apoyo y necesidades de bebés a mujeres embarazadas en nuestra área. Los biberones están disponibles en la parte trasera de la iglesia. Por favor, devuelva todas las botellas antes del 30 de junio.

Next Week's Ministry Schedule

READERS	E. MINISTER	USHERS	SERVERS
Mary Anne Newsome	Maria Vasquez	Elizer Carillo	Jesus Ramirez
Elsie Moleno	Manuel Vasquez	Dave Thomas	Vanessa Ramirez
			Allison Castro

Next Week's Cleaning Group

Christine Smith
Stevie Thomas
Lois Gownley

Vanessa Carillo
Mary Ann Newsome