

FATHER JIM'S SCHEDULE – January to June 2021

Mon. - St. Victoria: 9:30am Reconciliation; 10:00am Mass followed by Adult Formation and evening meetings

Tues. – Our Lady of Peace: 10:a.m. Mass followed by Meetings; 7:00pm Mass followed by evening meetings

Wed. - St. Victoria: 10:a.m. Mass followed by Clergy Association Meeting or Over the Hill Gang Lunch; evening meetings if needed.

Thurs. - OLP Mass at 12:15pm; Hargrave Military at 4:00pm; STV Mass at 6:30pm followed by RCIA

Fri. - Father Jim's day off

Sat. – Our Lady of Peace: 9:00 a.m. Mac's Kitchen followed by afternoon weddings



PARISH PRAYER LIST:

Eudora Roach	Madeline Key	Angel Tapia	Sandra Guthrie
Marilyn Thurman	Ismael Gonzalez Garcia	Jessie Burks	Tom Newman
Vince Gryctko	Polly Ostmann	Aaron Hall	Virginia Cantwell
Peg & Carl Obuchowski		Joyce Hackworth	Roger Wood
Holly Nelson-Rodriguez		Mary Jane Banyo	Elaine Ferguson

Please pray for our Servicemen and Servicewomen: Dylan Allen, Chris Davidson, Ursula Hall, Edward Huddleston, Alex Simpson, Tiffany Smith, Chris Thielenhaus and Emma Reddy.

***"The Power of Prayer"* COMMUNITY PRAYER LIST:**

Ronnie Hackworth, Cynthia Bennett, Mike McCord, Maureen Scholl, Tommy Partington, William Curran, Kathleen Kruse, Robert Wohlen, Gail Hebert, Andy Walker, William Rock, Ken Curran, Tish O'Callaghan, Rosemarie Dugan, Carman Nelson, Ron Larson, Louise Hall, Ronald Smales, John Schmit, Kathy Jackson, Silas Allen, John Libra, Stefanie Schmitt, Jeremy Greg, Jessica Castaneda, Al Smith, Susan Stella, Jeremy Castaneda, Greg Castaneda, Charlie Ashworth, Shelia Hudson, Michael Kelly, Michael Perri, Sally Wilson, Jerry and Freda Krohn, Michelle Forte, Carrie Hubbard, Margaret Lewis, Beverley Doss, Deborah Miles, Denise Murray, David Samu, Garner Mahan, Riordan Cavooris, Jon Rogers, and **the Watlington Family**.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE OFFICE OF ANY ADDITIONS, OR IF NAMES SHOULD BE REMOVED. Thank you.

**February 28, 2021
Second Sunday of Lent**

St. Victoria Catholic Church

Pastor: Rev. James E. Gallagher, Jr.

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Hurt, VA 24563

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Readings for Feb. 28, 2021

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Romans 8:31b-34

Mark 9:2-10

See Your Good News Insert for This Week's Daily Readings

Readings for March 7, 2021

Exodus 20:1-17

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

John 2:13-25

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT

www.saintvictoria.org

For our on-line Bulletin and for Other Information and Schedules

Visitation of the Sick: Contact Fr. Jim of any needs. Leave your name and phone number. Hospitals no longer notify the clergy.

**Mass Continues
Under Phase III Restrictions**

Monday 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday 10:00 a.m.

Thursday 6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY 2:30 p.m.

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Marriage: Plan one year ahead. Registration forms are in the office.

Confession: Monday before Mass at 9:30am; and the 1st Sunday of the month after Mass.

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STEWARDSHIP (FINANCES)

February 14, 17 and 21, 2021

Sunday & Holy Day Collections

Envelopes	\$ 3,271.00
Loose	\$ 113.00
One time, Gift	\$ 0.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,384.00

Our church fiscal year runs from July 2020 to June 2021. *The Annual Budget (needed) for Sunday Collections is \$102,300.00.*

July 2020 to Jan 2021 Budget	\$ 59,675.00
Collected July 2020 to Jan 2021	\$ 59,123.00
One Time Gifts	\$ 6,443.00
Year to Date PLUS to Budget	\$ 5,891.00

Please note for STV to cover its budget, the weekly collection needs to be at least \$1,968.00 per week.

Thank You!

CHARITY & OUTREACH:

Coordinator: Georgia Stromer
Phone: **434-324-4404**
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FOOD PANTRY & OUTREACH HOURS: Remains on an “**appointment only**” basis while we continue under COVID-19 restrictions. Parking lot service will be provided on **MONDAY** by prior appointment only. Masks, social distancing, and other precautions will apply. *Contact Georgia Stromer as above.*

MASS INTENTION: Jim and Nina Joska by Susan Sutton

Corner Private Prayer Space

You are invited to use the corner (St. Elizabeth) prayer space in the sanctuary.

PLEASE REFER TO YOUR LENTEN PACKAGE that was mailed to your homes. It is also available on St. Victoria Web Site at www.saintvictoria.org

And, please don't forget to write to those preparing for sacraments. The names and address are in the Lenten Letter (package as above).

We currently need:

Please refer to your **Lenten Packet**.
Many Items Needed.

Your help is appreciated!



NEWS and EVENTS

Welcome Home! Although we gather under new circumstances, closely following restrictions under Phase III; we are so happy to welcome back those who can attend the Mass and receive the Eucharist. For those of you remaining home for your safety or the safety of others, know that we hold you all in our hearts and in prayers and look forward to the day we can all gather together!

Sunday Mass Will Continue Online for St. Victoria and Our Lady of Peace.

You can access our Sunday Mass by going to <http://olpcatholicchurch.org/videos>.

Youth Christian Formation: John and Kassandra Carey are heading up religious education. Contact them for further information.

Adult Formation Monday Mornings – following the 10:00am Mass:

On **March 1st** learn more about Chene Heady on his book about the liturgical year.

Bible Study

Join us on Wednesday mornings at 9:00am, in the Parish Hall! **All are welcome!**

Men's Night - Monday, March 1st at 5:15pm

Parish Pastoral Council – Monday, March 8th at 7:00pm

Communal Reconciliation “Pandemic Version” - Thursday, March 11th at 7:00pm.

Just as we did in Advent.

Confirmation – March 9th at St. Thomas More at 7:00pm

Alma Ramirez and Hayden Scolpini will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. I hope you are excited and will be supportive.

Anointing of the Sick – Sunday, March 14th

On the Fourth Sunday of Lent which is March 14th, anointing of the sick will be offered during the liturgy.

**Catholic
Community
Foundation**

of the Diocese of Richmond

2021 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

As part of your Lenten giving consider a donation to the **Annual Diocesan Appeal**. The appeal started February 21st and will continue throughout Lent. For a complete breakdown and to donate *go to the Diocesan Website* (be sure to select St. Victoria as your Parish) <https://richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal/>

Information was also mailed to your homes.

Lenten Reflections - We will add a puzzle piece each Sunday during Lent

1st week, February 21st: When we think of sin, we often stop to think about what we have done wrong and then intend to profess those sins. However, how often do we think of the full embodiment of sin, not just the sin but how did I get to that sin, and what can I do about it? This Lent we will be discovering key elements of sin that can give us true healing from our sins. We will lead you through this **puzzling** journey of the deeper meaning of sin by looking at the **five keys of healing in sin**: awareness, reparation, accountability, obedience and humility. Let's put this puzzle together and experience healing.

Our first puzzle piece denotes **Awareness**. "Stay awake, alert", scripture tells us. Lent invites us to the keen awareness of God's abiding presence. We examine our consciousness to repent and gain freedom to know, love and serve God. Because sin is an ever-present reality of life, it is essential that we have sufficient knowledge to recognize it before its fiery darts strike us down. This requires consistent, thoughtful study of God's Word and effort to build an awareness of its presence, enabling us to beat sin to the punch.

Overcoming sin is indeed a formidable task, but not a hopeless one. Awareness of the truth strengthens us to shun the devil. **Take responsibility in caring for your soul.** We have an enemy who plots against our awareness of God because he is jealous above all.

We are all aware of what are sins and therefore we can avoid them given enough strength to fight the enemy. The healing news is that whenever sin increases, so does Grace. Look for God's grace in healing before the sin begins.

Make a list of your most frequent sins, become aware of them though your everyday life and look for God's Grace to avoid them every day.

2nd week, February 28th: Reparation can be difficult to consume. Today we delve into the mercy of God, and it fills us with a holy desire to make reparation. His mercy for our own personal sins fills us with a desire to be merciful to others, especially to other sinners. Similarly, those who are forgiven have the desperate need to also forgive those who have trespassed against them. We can begin to make acts of reparation humbly and with great joy and fervor. This is a powerful moment and the Church is in desperate need of these fervent souls.

Acts of reparation unite us to the sacrificial love of Jesus Christ and make us co-workers in the Church's mission of healing and forgiving. Any member of the faithful can do acts of reparation for their own sins or for the sins of others. An act of reparation might be a prayer or a penance done for someone's conversion: some physical pain you might experience offered in union with the Sacred Heart of Jesus; look at others' political, religious and life beliefs and try to understand their reasoning; smile; ask God today for the grace to be extra joyful; take time to write a handwritten note to someone who is lonely or needing encouragement; give up sleeping with your pillow tonight; ignore your sweet tooth; make healthy eating choices or do any work of mercy for someone in need. An even harder reparation would be to go to an abortion clinic and pray, or set aside an hour today to pray for those who are struggling with a decision of life or death for their unborn child. Spend an hour with the Blessed Sacrament in Adoration. As a child of God, we each have an opportunity to help satisfy the justice of God by making reparation for our own sins and the sins of others. Lent is a time to offer reparation for the sins of the world.