

FATHER JIM'S SCHEDULE

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

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

Wed. - St. Victoria: 10:00 a.m. Mass followed by Clergy Association Meeting or Over the Hill Gang Lunch

Thurs. - Holy Cross School: 7:45 a.m.–11:15 a.m.; OLP Mass at 12:15 p.m.; Hargrave at 4pm; St. Victoria Mass at 6:30 p.m. followed by RCIA/Adult Formation

Fri. - Father Jim's day off

Sat. – Our Lady of Peace: RCIA at 10:15 a.m. Afternoon weddings, funerals at 4 p.m. or 5 p.m.; Mass at Holy Cross when scheduled.

Sun. - OLP 8:30 a.m. Mass; St. Victoria 11:00 a.m. Mass; Holy Cross Spanish Mass 2 p.m.

Diocesan Bicentennial Website- Don't Fall Behind: As you know our diocese is celebrating its 200th Anniversary. There is a song and a book out about it. You can access all information: <https://2020.richmonddiocese.org/> Learn the song for Mass. Learn about our history.

Song Contest: Can you add another verse about Saint Victoria or Our Lady of Peace to our Diocesan's Anniversary Song? If so, Fr. Jim has a prize for you. Contest begins on the First Sunday of Lent which is March 1st.

Bi-Centennial Chairperson

We need a volunteer to be the chairperson for St. Victoria! See Fr. Jim or Krys. Chene Heady is the Bi-Centennial chairperson for Our Lady of Peace. His e-mail is headycr@longwood.edu

Lenten Packet Went Out Last Sunday. If you did not get one, pick one up today please. Lent began on Wednesday February 26th. The small bag reminds you of what we need. Our food pantry is almost depleted. Please shop for the item on the bag. There is a Lenten Schedule and Calendar also in the bag. Read both and stay in the know for Stations of the Cross and other events. There is an **Operation RICE Bowl** in the bag as well. Look at the list of names stapled to the bag. These are people receiving sacraments. Write to them and pray for them.

Memorable Moments in Diocesan History- 1820 Bicentennial 2020 – 200 years

In 1860, the Catholic population in Virginia was very small, quite poor, and overwhelmingly immigrant. Very few Virginia Catholics—perhaps as little as ten families—owned slaves. But they were eager to prove their status as loyal Southerners to anti-immigrant groups like the Know-Nothings. And so, Virginia's Catholics supported the Confederacy in the Civil War.

March 1, 2020

The First Sunday of Lent

St. Victoria Catholic Church

Pastor: Rev. James E. Gallagher, Jr.

P.O. Box 640, 305 Victoria Drive

Hurt, VA 24563

Phone: 434-324-4824

Readings for March 01, 2020

Genesis 2:7–9, 3:1-7
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11

Readings for March 08, 2020

Genesis 12:1-4a
2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Matthew 17:1-9

TODAY'S MINISTERS:

Greeters: Tess & Phil Hoover, Tom Nelson

Lectors: Bob Stanga, Tom Harkness

EM. Jane Coates, Barbara Rogers, Mary Dziabas
Allan & Dianna Lavoie

Servers: Hayden Scolpini, Alma Sanchez

Counters Tom Harkness,
Wendell Pitsenbarger

Visitation of the Sick:

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

St. Victoria Mass Schedule:

Sunday	11:00 a.m.
Monday	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.
Thursday	6:30 p.m.

Holy Day Mass 7:00 p.m.

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

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

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STEWARDSHIP (FINANCES)

February 23, 2020:

Sunday & Holy Day Collections	
Loose	\$ 99.00
Envelopes	\$ 1,910.00
TOTAL	\$2,009.00

Our church fiscal year runs from July 2019 to June 2020. *The Annual Budget (needed) for Sunday Collections is \$105,600.00.*

July 2019 to Jan 2020 Budget	\$ 61,600.00
Collected July 2019 to Jan 2020	\$ 59,311.00
Year to Date Short to Budget	\$ 2,289.00

Please note for STV to cover its budget, the weekly collection needs to be at least \$2,031.00 per week.

Thank You!

CHARITY & OUTREACH:

Coordinator: Georgia Stromer
Phone: Currently, call STV and leave message.
E-mail: Georgia.Stromer@stvictoriacatholic.org

FOOD PANTRY & OUTREACH HOURS:

Mondays from 1:00pm to 3:00pm *and* Thursdays from 10:30am to 12:30pm

MASS INTENTION: George and Mary Reutter

PARISH PRAYER LIST:

Ruth Simpson	Emily McCurry	Joe Smith	Eudora Roach
Marilyn Thurman	Ismael Gonzalez Garcia	Jessie Burks	Oneal Matthews
Chink Thomas	Vince Gryctko	Polly Ostmann	Roger Wood
Virginia Cantwell	Peg & Carl Obuchowski	Joyce Hackworth	Paula Barabach
Anastasia Cowan	Tom Newman	Pat Stapleton	Aaron Hall

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, Anne Derig, Linda Williams, John Libra, Stefanie Schmitt, Jeremy Greg, Jessica Castaneda, Al Smith, Susan Stella, Jeremy Castaneda, Greg Castaneda, Ken Lester, Charlie Ashworth, Shelia Hudson, Michael Kelly, Michael Perri, Sally Wilson, Jerry and Freda Krohn, Michelle Forte, Carrie Hubbard, Scott Wetherbee, Margaret Lewis, Beverley Doss, and Deborah Miles.

PLEASE NOTIFY JANET OF ANY ADDITIONS, OR IF NAMES SHOULD BE REMOVED.

NEWS and EVENTS

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 4:00 p.m.; February 28th through April 3rd.

Chris Deaner Celebrates the Rite of Election next Saturday and Sunday. Pray for our Catechumen, Chris Deaner. He will meet with the bishop next Saturday, February 29th for the Rite of Election and then celebrates another rite on Sunday, March 1st.

Communal Reconciliation/Confessions on Thursday, March 12th at 7 pm.

This will be for our First Communion children and all adults. There will be 4 priests available.

Men's Convocation on March 21st at St. Bedes in Williamsburg 9:30am-5:30pm. Guest speakers are tri-athlete, John Lendeck (biking, running and swimming) and Deacon Charles Williams. Contact CDRCMFL.org or the diocese for more information.

Great Speaker Coming to Holy Cross Church - March 28th from 9:00am - 3:30pm.

We are invited to come to Holy Cross to meet and listen to Gus Lloyd, host of Seize the Day on Sirius XM - The Catholic Channel. He has written a number of books and also has a great sense of humor. His website address is <https://guslloyd.com/>. Check it out and come to meet him.

Join us for St. Victoria's First Annual Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, April 3rd. Due to limited seating it will be open only to parishioners and their families at this time. Lisa and Chip Zimmerman, owners of Leesville Lake Marina, will be cooking the food here in our kitchen. Each meal will include 2 pieces of fried Pollock or chicken, coleslaw, hush puppies, fries, dessert and a soft drink. **Tickets are \$12.00 per person and must be paid in advance.** Beer and wine will be available for a minimal donation.

Because your meal will be freshly cooked, we need to have reserved seating times. There are 16 places available for each time slot. Choose your seating time of 5:00pm, 5:30pm, 6:00pm, 6:30pm, or 7:00pm. when you purchase your tickets. Kathy Perri, Sue Sutton, Krystina Johnson and Phyllis Stanga will be selling tickets after Mass through March 21st. Checks should be made out to St. Victoria Women's Guild.

You are encouraged to stay as long as you wish, after you get your meal.

Mark your calendars - **First Communion** will be Sunday, May 10, 2020.

2020 Annual Diocesan Appeal: Building Our Family of Faith

Annual Appeal will begin TODAY! Our goal is \$4,990.00. Remember, we receive 50% of paid contributions. Our contributions will help other smaller parishes in various ways, including grants issued.

St. Victoria Catholic Church

March 1st First Week of Lent:

Please join us saying the following prayer and repeat daily this week.

PRAYER: LORD let me clothe myself in the sackcloth of repentance. My sins irritate my conscience as sackcloth irritates a body. You, Lord, can transform me when I embrace the joy of forgiveness. Give me the grace to exchange the sackcloth of my mourning for the silken robe of joy in my salvation. Please help me to exchange my stony heart for a heart of flesh. My unfeeling spirit needs to become one that is soft and pliable, able to soothe, comfort, and love others. As I eat sweetness of the buns, may I follow You in Your suffering and passion so that I may taste the sweetness of eternity with you. LORD, You are the God of light and love. Dispel the black darkness of sin with the light of Your grace. Redeem the darkness of death by the power of Your Resurrection. Lord I offer my life to you. Amen.

Lenten Symbolic Food for March 8th: Easter Eggs... Please bring a few decorated hard boiled eggs to share after mass *We will also have plain eggs for decorating after mass.*

Saint Joseph the Worker Ministry Kudos and Opportunities:

Kudos: A special thank you goes out to the following parishioners for their gifts to the parish.

Ross Johnson for purchasing and installing new dusk to dawn lights on the exterior wall of the classroom building to light the upper disabled parking lot as well as one outside the rectory.

Charlie Lewis for ordering and installing new exhaust fans in the Ladies and Mens rooms in the parish hall, with the help and direction of his right-hand-man, **Robbie Viands**.

Kathy & Carmen Perri for contributing and installing a door bell outside the entrance to the classroom building to enhance security for those who are working in the Food Pantry or supporting other ministries.

Carmen Perri for purchasing and installing five additional electrical outlets in the parish hall to support community events without needing to run hazardous extension cords through the hall.

Opportunities: Watch this space for future opportunities to make a contribution to Saint Victoria's Parish Community by sharing your talent and/or providing a little sweat equity. If you have an idea, and know how to do it, we can get it done once it's reviewed and approved by the Parish's Finance and Parish Councils. Please contact Tom Harkness at (703)203-7929 or trharkness@msn.com with questions, suggestions, and to share your talents.

Stained Glass Banner Workshop

The artist who created our beautiful stained glass Pentecost Banner has again offered her time and talent. The St. Victoria banner workshop will be held the mornings of March 19th and 26th at 10am to 12:30pm..

UPDATE ON MIGRANT CLOTHES DONATION

Wayne Parent, head of the Migrant Worker Ministry at St. Mary's in Lovington, reported that in the past weeks they have visited 7 migrant houses and distributed the cold weather clothes, blankets and towels to over 130 migrant workers. They distributed 4 truckloads of material, much of it new or like new with items donated from St Victoria and St. Thomas More. We could not have done it without your generosity and the wherewithal to collect materials and provide them for us. Know that every one of these men greatly appreciates the outreach and concern for them which acknowledges them as human beings worthy of respect and dignity.

Thank You Again,
Wayne Parent



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