



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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The office will be closed Tuesday, January 15, 2018.

January 13-14, 2018
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Registration—Contact the Parish Office

Parish Facebook Group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/112238392199573/>

Knights of Columbus Facebook Group

<https://www.facebook.com/kofcrockymountva/>

Youth Group Facebook Group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/168563686553669/>

Pastoral Council: Lynore Arrington, Gilberto Ayala, Gloria Clift, Albert Galvan (co-chair), Martha Graf, David King, Manuel Ortiz, Dan Shanahan (co-chair), Jack Shanahan (youth).

Finance Council: Donna Allgauer, Mary Lou Denis, Brenda Maus, John McKenna, Cindy Turpin

Please contact the parish office of anyone you know is ill and would like communion or anointing of the sick.

If there is a death in your family or in the parish family, please contact the parish office or pastoral emergency Contact number as soon as possible. We want to be of service.

Liturgies and Events

Jan 13	Sat	4:30 pm	Mass-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jan 14	Sun	8:00 am	Mass-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
		9:00 am	Religious Education
Jan 15- Jan 17	Mon- Wed	9:00 am	Morning Prayer/Rosary
Jan 16	Tue	7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting
Jan 18 Jan 19	Thu Fri	12:00 pm	Mass
Jan 20	Sat	4:30 pm	Mass-3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jan 21	Sun	8:00 am	Mass-3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
		9:00 am	Religious Education
Jan 22- Jan 24	Mon- Wed	9:00 am	Morning Prayer/Rosary
Jan 25 Jan 26	Thu Fri	12:00 pm	Mass
Jan 27	Sat	4:30 pm	Mass-4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jan 28	Sun	8:00 am	Mass-4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
		9:00 am	Religious Education
		9:00 am	Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast
Jan 29- Jan 31	Mon- Wed	9:00 am	Morning Prayer/Rosary

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard in English or Spanish on Thursday and Friday at 11:30am or on Saturday at 3:45pm. An appointment is necessary for any other time.

Readings, January 20-21, 2018 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First ReadingJonah 3:1-5, 10
 Second ReadingI Corinthians 7:29-31
 Gospel..... Mark 1:14-20

Ministries, January 20-21, 2018

	4:30 pm	8:00 am
Lectors:	C. Cruz-Ramirez B. Galvin	E. Kennedy J. Vadase
Ushers:	C. Gaubatz B. Schmachtenberg	J. Dansby B. Fandel
Greeters:	T. Manning	V. Cruz N. Vasquez
Linens:	M. Davis	

St. Francis of Assisi Altar Servers

Altar server Coordinator: Jack Shanahan

Captains: Andrew Long, Mickey Shanahan, Christian Escobar, Zach Harpin.

Servers: Eduardo Escobar, Jose & Omar Lozano, Tommy Nguyen, Tony Nguyen, Jonathan Castaneda, Paul Garcia, Eduardo Cruz, Arturo Garcia, Allen Castaneda, Venesa Tamona, Alex & Josh Harpin.

Mass Intentions

Thursday, January 18, 2018 at 12:00 pm
For Francis and Martha

Friday, January 19, 2018 at 12:00 pm
For the people of St. Francis of Assisi

Saturday, January 20, 2018 at 4:30 pm
For the people of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday, January 21, 2018 at 8:00 am
For Lucy Kern

Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers

Faithful Departed

Ozell Ayers	Timothy Wade
Paul Eames	Bobby Young
Raymond Kloos	Frank Young
Helen Scarfe	

In Need of Prayer

Jeanne Banks	Bernadette Hussey
Tom Ciappa	Dolly LeMond
Cirenio Cruz	Mike Meeks
Albert Galvan	Regina Opalka
Bernie Galvin	Joanne Patterson
Bud & Nancy Goehring	Janet Vadase & Family
Josephine Graf	Sharon Young

Home Bound

Jeanne Banks	Dolly LeMond (hospital)
Terry Coates (Home)	Ann Syminink (Home)
Leigh Doninger (Franklin Health Center)	Dorothy Weiss (Home)

US Military

Lt. Col. Timothy Carey	Joseph Lyons
Brennan Dopp	James Manning
Noah Davis	Capt. Raine Maus
Brandon Furrow	Jason Presley
John J. Griffo III	Francheska J. Remmert



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time-The choice of two of John the Baptist's disciples to follow Jesus after John identified Jesus as the Lamb of God corresponds to Samuel's call in

the First Reading. Jesus' invitation to the two disciples of John parallels the Lord's invitation to Samuel. As Samuel recognized it was the Lord calling, so the disciples recognize Jesus as the Messiah. Jesus, the Messiah, is the Lamb of God, a connection of titles early in the Gospel according to John, whose meaning the disciples will fully understand on the road to Jerusalem.

Thank You! A special "Thank You" to all the wonderful people who assisted in taking down decorations in the Church and Commons areas this past Sunday.

Thank You! Hispanic Ministries thanks everyone who helped make their first tamale sale of 2018 a success! We appreciate your continued support!

Adult Faith Formation: The next adult faith formation class will be Wednesday, January 17th at 6:30 PM. Class will be a continuation of Bishop Barron's Catholic Pivotal Players series with the next session finishing the video on St Francis of Assisi. This will be followed by the usual group discussion. For those who missed the initial class, the first half of the video on St Francis will start early at 6:00 PM. Any questions can be referred to Tony Patriarco at apatriarco@centurylink.net or at 540-365-2899.

Envelopes: If you have not received your envelopes for 2018 and **ARE CERTAIN** of your envelope number, check the table in the Commons to see if your box is there. If you have received envelopes in the past but are unsure of your number, call/email Kayla Acosta so she can look up your envelope number.

Morning Prayer: Consider making an offering of daily prayer in this new year by joining the Liturgy of the Hours, Rosary, and Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 9 am on weekdays when there is no Mass scheduled at SFOA. This includes Thursdays or Fridays if there is no noon mass. Adding devotional prayer is a great way to extend the Christmas Spirit into the new year.

Virginia Vespers: VA bishops invite all to join them at liturgy for legislators, needs of Virginia Catholics are called to pray for our civic leaders as

we engage in the public square. Join Arlington Bishop Michael F. Burbidge and Richmond Bishop Barry C. Knestout, along with the Virginia Catholic Conference, their public policy agency, at a special liturgy for Virginia's elected officials and the needs of the state. The third annual Virginia Vespers: Evening Prayer for the Commonwealth will be held at the beautiful, historic Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Richmond, at 5 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 15, 2018. The hour-long service draws on an ancient Christian liturgy and includes Scripture and sacred music provided by local Catholic school choirs. A wine and appetizers reception follows. Register at www.vacatholic.org.

Youth Group

The youth group will be meeting on Thursday, Feb 1st, one week before NYC. Youth attending the event **MUST** come to the meeting so that registration information, signatures, medical information, and travel information can be confirmed.

The Youth Group thanks the many who donated to help us get to two key youth events, the March for Life and the Diocesan Youth Conference. We still need to cover transportation expenses. Any gift is appreciated. Leave donations in the youth event donation box.

"Christ does not force our will, he takes only what we give him. But he does not give himself entirely until he sees that we yield ourselves entirely to him."

~St. Teresa of Avila

"Cristo no fuerza nuestra voluntad, sólo toma lo que le damos. Pero él no se da por completo hasta que ve que nos cedemos por completo a él."

~Santa Teresa de Ávila

Sacrificial Giving

Weekly Budget Goal.....	\$3,500
January 6-7, 2018	\$2,471
Weekly Shortfall.....	(\$1,029)
Justice & Peace.....	\$603



Give generously to him and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to.
~ Deuteronomy 15:10

Local and Regional News

Invitation from the Knights of Columbus Council #562:

Super Bowl Annual Tailgate Party and Chili Cook-off is on Sunday, Feb 4th. Doors open at 5:00 PM. Kick off is scheduled for 6:30 PM. Bring your favorite tailgate food to share or bring your favorite chili recipe and enter our Chili Cook-off. This event is open to ALL. Bring your family, friends and neighbors. Address: 3136 Harris St SW, Roanoke, VA 24015

Job Opportunity

Roanoke Catholic School is seeking a part-time assistant Track coach. Areas of knowledge should include sprinting and field events. Candidates may contact Matt Peck at mpeck@roanokecatholic.com or 540-293-3791 or 540-982-3532.

Kateri Circle: The Native American Ministry of the Diocese of Richmond invites you to attend an evening of fellowship, prayer and dialogue about traditional Native American culture and spirituality. A Kateri Circle is a group of individuals of all cultures who belong to a prayer circle/group who strives to live a saintly life through the intercession of St. Kateri Tekakwitha. The areas of focus for Kateri Circles are spirituality, catechesis, hospitality and social justice. Please join us on either date listed below. Light refreshments will be served. For more information please contact the Office for Black Catholics, obc@richmonddiocese.org or (804) 622-5262. We look forward to welcoming you.

January 30, 2018, 6:00-8:00 pm, Pastoral Center, 7800 Carousel Lane, Richmond, VA
January 31, 2018, 6:00-8:00 pm, St. Mark Catholic Church, 1505 Kempsville Rd, Virginia Beach, VA

Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME): Let your spirits be augmented by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend with your spouse. The next weekends are: Feb 2-4, 2018 in Clemmons, NC and Mar 2-4, 2018 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more infor-

mation visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org or 757-690-1369.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing after Abortion:

A Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat will be held January 27-29, 2018 in Toano, VA sponsored by Saint Joan of Arc Church in Yorktown. The weekend retreat includes, spiritual exercises, the sacrament of reconciliation, a Memorial Service and a Mass of Entreatment and is available to women, men and any person who may have been adversely impacted by an abortion. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and mercy.

To register contact Linda Riva at 757-887-3144 or email her at lindajr2@yahoo.com. The cost is \$185 for meals, a private room and all retreat materials. Financial assistance is available!

Español

¡Gracias!-Mil gracias del grupo de los jóvenes a todos que donaron para ayudarnos a llegar a dos eventos muy importantes para nosotros, la Marcha por La Vida y la Conferencia Diocesana de jóvenes. Todavía necesitamos cubrir los gastos para el transporte. Se agradecería cualquier donación. Deje su donación en la caja que esta en la mesa de los jóvenes.

¡Gracias!- Muchas gracias del Ministerio Hispano a todos los que hicieron que su primera venta de tamales de 2018 fue un éxito! Agradecemos su apoyo continuo!

¡Gracias!- Muchas gracias a toda la gente maravillosa que asistió con quitar las decoraciones en la Iglesia y de la sala común el domingo pasado.

Formación de fe para adultos-La siguiente clase será miércoles el 17 de enero a las 6:30. La clase será una continuación de la series presentado por el Obispo Barron y en la segunda parte terminaremos el video sobre San Francisco de Asis. Después tendremos una discusión. Para los que perdieron la primera clase, empezaremos con el inicio del video sobre San Francisco temprano a las 6 de la tarde. Si tiene preguntas puede comunicarse con Tony Patriarco en apatrario@centurylink.net o por teléfono 540-365-2899.

Junta con el Padre-Habrà una junta con el Padre sàbado el 20 de enero a las 11 de la mañana para hablar de la posibilidad de tener más misas bilingües y completamente en español. Su presencia le ayudara a determinar el nivel de interés y apoyo. ¡Esperamos verlos!

Una conferencia católica de hombres el 17 de marzo 2018 en St. Bede Catholic Church en Williamsburg, VA 23188
Inscripciones: \$40 antes del 1 de febrero, \$55 antes del 10 de marzo, \$60 en la puerta.