

# Saint John Catholic Church

## Iglesia Católica San Juan

May 19, 2019 - Fifth Sunday of Easter  
19 de mayo de 2019 - Quinto Domingo de Pascua



“I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

- Jn 13:34-35

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### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday .....5:30 p.m.  
Sunday..... 9:00 a.m.  
Daily Masses: ..Thursday ..... 8:30 a.m.  
                  ..Wednesday and Friday ..... 12 noon  
CONFESSIONS (Saturday)..... 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

### HORARIO LITURGICO

Domingo.....12:15 p.m (Español)  
Misa Diaria: ..Jueves ..... 8:30 a.m (Ingles)  
                  ..Miércoles y Viernes ..... 12:00 del medio día  
CONFESIONES (Sábado)..... 4:30 p.m. o por cita

### HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.  
VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio día

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.  
Friday: 9:00 a.m.—12 NOON

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### St John Parish Calendar

**SATURDAY MAY 18, 2019**  
4:30 PM Reconciliation  
5:30 PM Mass for soul of Charlotte Flournoy

**SUNDAY MAY 19, 2019**  
9:00 AM Mass for parishioners St. John, St. Peter & St. Patrick  
10:00 AM Rosary  
12:15 PM Misa por alma de Feliciano Puluc

**WEDNESDAY MAY 22, 2019**  
12:00 Noon Mass for the health of Maria T. Casas

**THURSDAY MAY 23, 2019**  
8:30 AM Mass

**FRIDAY MAY 24, 2019**  
12:00 Noon Mass

**SATURDAY MAY 25, 2019**  
4:30 PM Reconciliation  
5:30 PM Mass for all deceased military

**SUNDAY MAY 26, 2019**  
9:00 AM Mass for all deceased military  
10:00 AM Rosary  
12:15 PM Misa por todos los del servicio militar

**ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON**

### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS

**ORACIONES:** Keith Pinney, Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakoski, Ron Price, Jr., Red and Nancy Goodman, Richard Painter, Maxine DiMarino, Melanie Patterson, Lillian Arthur, Mary Helen Sohaski, Esperanza Godinez, Sherry Wright, Otts Miskimon, Dan Mages, Martha Livingston, Austin Okoli, Jr., Georgina Gerhardt, Sulma Rojas, Elena Chavez, Doris Bartlett, Lynn Miskimon, Suzanne DiMarino, , Ruth and Donald Barock, Jeff Kenschak, Virginia Saunders, Gerry Biartel, Fred Brown, Ewing Family, Jones Family, Beverly Burrow, Marie Ellett, Evelyn Clatterback, Dick Wassel, Bobby and Christie Osterloh, Lisa Cussatti, Nathaniel Young, Chris Nolte, Hallet Harrison and Maria Teresa Casas.

The item being collected for **FISH** for **May**  
**Toilet tissues**  
En el mes de **mayo** necesitamos  
**Papel Higiénico**



Jesus said: "My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another." - Jn 13:33a, 34a

### Readings for the week of May 19, 2019

Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 1]/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35  
Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 [1ab]/Jn 14:21-26  
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn 14:27-31a  
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8  
Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]/Jn 15:9-11  
Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-17  
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 [2a]/Jn 15:18-21  
Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

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### MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30	9:00	12:15
79	161	210

If someone you know is sick, hospitalized or home bound and would like our Eucharistic minister or a priest to visit, please call the office. **Unless you call we have no way of knowing.** If you need a priest for someone who is dying or gravely ill, call our emergency number **804-402-1221.**

### Pastor message

I was recently reading through the Baltimore Catechism (that's what priest's do in their spare time) and I came across one of the most well-known teachings of our faith. Most of you older folks have this particular passage memorized. And you are blessed that you do, I'll explain why. The passage is the famous one regarding "What is the Meaning of Life?" (what is our purpose...why are we here... why are we made)

And it says your purpose in life, why you were made, is to "know Him (God), to love Him, and to serve Him in this world and to be happy with Him forever in the next."

So simple. So sweet. So perfect.

If you have that drilled into your head you are blessed. If you put it into practice by reminding yourself of it when you are confused about your purpose in life, you are doubly blessed. And if you live by it every day, contemplating it and trying to be better at fulfilling it as a mandate for life, then you are well on your way to sainthood. And furthermore, I bet you are a happy person.

I have never met an unhappy or lost person who understood this above dictate. Sure anyone can hit a rough patch in life, ups and downs, struggles and the like, but for a person who knows what their purpose in life is and strives to fulfill it (the purpose noted above in all its simplicity) they are always blessed with a certain indestructible contentment and direction.

More than ever I read about how people these days (especially young people) are sadder than ever. They are even taking their lives at alarming rates. Life gets better and better everyday as far as comforts, advancements in science, advancements in entertainment, and the like. But amazingly there is an ever increasing rate of suicide in our country. How can that be? Furthermore, as people become more and more 'released' from what they thought were the shackles of tradition, rules, guidelines and discipline – the stuff that is always said to be limiting or stopping one's ability to be happy - they seem to be less and less fulfilled in life (no one who is happy and fulfilled in life ends their life prematurely).

There is a quote from the new catechism written by St John Paul II that expands upon what was taught in the Baltimore Catechism.

"The desire for God is written in the human heart, because man is created by God and for God; and God never ceases to draw man to himself. Only in God will he find the truth and happiness he never stops searching for." #27

I love these quotes. They are so simple and clear and what is stated in them is the key to happiness on earth (and even for eternity).

What it says is that because you are made by God, and because you are made for God, then you can and only will be happy when seeking and finding Him. You will never ever stop searching for happiness even if someone gave you every single thing you could put on a wish list. It will not fill the void. There is only one thing that will fill the void, you must dedicate yourself to seeking and finding Him.

It is a commitment that lasts a lifetime, that takes the best and most of your being, and requires you to sacrifice other stuff in life in order to be able to do it.

But all you have to do is remember that whatever the thing is that you have to let go of in order to seek God more God is something that does not have the potential to make you happy anyway. It cannot get to the deep-down desire which is infinite inside you. Only God can get there. There is so much wisdom for the world in these few quotes from the Catechism. There are so many answers to be found therein for those who are looking for them. They just have to look in the right place.

Fr Rossi

**The Annual Council of Women YARD SALE** will be held on **Saturday, May 25**. We hope you have been saving all of those things you no longer need or want for us. We can sell everything except electronics and adult clothes. Call Dianne Cassady (840-8642), Pat Hinton (746-5842) to make arrangements to donate your items. Remember, one man's junk is another man's treasure. We have a truck if your items are large.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** - The RCIA is the process where the Catholic Church welcomes new adult members into the Church. This process helps adults reflect on their faith journey & discover how Catholics live the Christian faith. Adults wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith and the RCIA please contact the St. John Office at 804-737-8028 or e

**What:** Richmond Theology on Tap "Faith and Reason" talk by Chris Malone

**Where:** Kitchen 64 (3336 N Boulevard)

**When:** Monday June 3, 6:30-8:30. We ask guests to purchase food & drink by 7:15.

Join us on a journey to the intersection between faith and reason as discussed in St. John Paul II's encyclical by Deacon and attorney Chris Malone. Singles and married people of all backgrounds are welcome. Search "Richmond Theology on Tap" on Facebook and RSVP there!

### **Please join All Saints Catholic School for an Open House**

on Tuesday, May 21, 8 a.m.- 1 p.m. See the school in action, visit with faculty, staff and current parents, and tour classrooms.

R.S.V.P. requested, but not required at 804 329-7524. Stop by on your way to work or during lunch. All Saints is located at 3418 Noble Ave. Richmond, VA 23222; it is a school of high moral expectations and academic rigor for pre-K through grade eight. For more information, visit [www.allsaintsric.org](http://www.allsaintsric.org).

**St. Paul's Catholic Church in Richmond** (Knights of Columbus Council 6589) is running a bus trip to the June 15 Boston Red Sox v. Baltimore Orioles baseball game in Baltimore. The cost is \$80/ person (includes bus transportation, game ticket, and driver gratuity). Seats are in Lower Reserve Section 83. The bus departs from All Saints Catholic School, 3418 Noble Ave., Richmond 23222, at 11:30 am. Game time is 4:05 pm. The bus returns to Richmond at approximately 11:00 pm. To make a reservation, make your check payable to "Knights of Columbus Council 6589" and mail it to K of C Council 6589, c/o St. Paul's Catholic Church, 909 Rennie Ave., Richmond 23227. Contact to John Tucker at [jtuckeriii@comcast.net](mailto:jtuckeriii@comcast.net) or 804-837-4900.