



SECOND SUNDAY OF **ADVENT** **DECEMBER 8, 2024**  
**CANDLE OF Peace**  
 The second candle, also purple, represents peace. It is called the "Bethlehem Candle" as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.  
**"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."**

# Holy Rosary CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**Sunday Mass..... 8:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.**  
**11:00 A.M. Livestreamed Mass each Sunday on**  
**YOUTUBE: To watch access our website at**  
**www.hrccrichmond.org**  
**Sunday Adult Bible Study ..... 9:30 A.M.**  
**and 6:30 P.M. via Zoom**  
**Weekdays:**  
 Wednesdays.. Daily Mass....9:00 A.M.  
 Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday after  
 Daily Mass until 12noon  
 Holy Days.....TBA  
 Bible Study-Thursdays.... 10 A.M. via Zoom  
**Confessions: Sunday 7:15 A.M.—7:40 A.M.**  
**and 10:00 A.M.—10:30 A.M. before Mass.**

*For information about joining Holy Rosary, please see an Usher or Greeter. For Sacramental information please call the Church Office during business hours.*

**OFFICE HOURS-CLOSED MONDAY— (In Case of an Emergency call 434-288-0184 to reach Fr. Tochi after Office Hours)**  
**TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY... 9:00am-3:00pm- THURSDAY-9:00am-2pm**  
**FRIDAY.....Closed**

**Mission Statement**

*We, the people of Holy Rosary, are called to be a Church with a living God and a dynamic heritage; a heritage that encompasses the beliefs and tenets of the Roman Catholic faith as well as the characteristics of the African American culture. We are called to be a welcoming beacon of hope to parishioners and the surrounding community for continued and sustainable spiritual growth to enhance and strengthen our relationship with God, address social issues, and provide parishioners with the necessary skills for increased evangelization.*



**General Fund Collection**

**Current Year: July 01, 2024 through June 30, 2025**

**Budget vs. Actual as of December 1, 2024**

Collections	Needed Weekly	Y-T-D	Budget	Difference
\$6,743	\$7,404	\$155,499.12	\$162,888	-\$7,388.88

12/01/2024 Attendance 8AM—71 11AM—168

**Debt Reduction Collection (Building Fund)**  
**Current Year: July 01, 2024 through June 30, 2025**  
**Budget vs. Actual as of December 1, 2024**  
 Collection \$2,324.00— Needed Weekly \$1,994.00  
**Y-T-D—\$45,120.25**  
 Budget— \$43,868.00 — Difference +\$1,252.25  
 Loan Payment Monthly: \$9,879.00  
 Outstanding Balance on Loan— \$962,539.16

† Please remember to write a separate check for Debt Reduction.



Please consider making Electronic Contributions throughout the year. Check our website: [www.hrccrichmond.org](http://www.hrccrichmond.org)

**Please support Holy Rosary Parish through your donations:**

Mail in your usual donation amount by check to Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 3300 “ R” Street, Richmond, VA 23223 or go to E-Giving to set up your donations. Donations can also be dropped off at the church. Thanks!

Scan the QR code to give online: Just point your camera at the code and click the link that pops up. It’s easy!



Clementine Marshall, and all who suffer. **HOMEBOUND....** Alice Wright and Clinton Harris, Jr.

**PASTORAL CARE:** If you or a family member is sick, becomes homebound or is anticipating surgery, please notify our Church office 222-1105. We want to know so we can provide prayer, care, comfort, or the Sacraments.

**Daily Scripture Readings For The Week Of December 8**

- Sunday:** Bar 5:1-9/Phil 1:4-6,8-11/Lk 3:1-6
- Monday:** Gn 3:9-15,20/Eph 1:3-6/Lk 1:26-38
- Tuesday:** Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14
- Wednesday:** Is 40:25-31/Mt 28:-30
- Thursday:** Zec 2:14-17/Lk 1:26-38
- Friday:** Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19
- Saturday:** Sir 48:1-4,9-11/Mt 17:9a,10-13



- December 8:** Carla Kimbrough, Raja Mason
- December 9:** Juanita Garnett, Jacques Pierre, Khari Patterson
- December 10:** Danyale Little, Litasi Ndayizgiye
- December 11:** David Murray
- December 13:** David Cornwall
- December 14:** Kailyn Ball, Ericka Garland
- December 15:** Sara Harper

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SUNDAY DECEMBER 15, 2024 8AM**

Lectors—Martha Williams and Courtney Malveaux  
 EOM of Holy Communion—Patricia Clarke  
 Altar Servers—Phen Hammond and Christiana Huynh  
 Ushers—Floyd Underwood, David Murray, David Cornwall  
 Greeters—Oscar Clarke and Sheila Stanley

**11AM**

Lectors—Marie Cornwall and Janet McCatty  
 EOM of Holy Communion—Tom Keys  
 Altar Servers—Rose Scott, Kerchierem Njoku, Alain Holly  
 Ushers—McCoy Welch, Phil Robinson, Damian Njoku, Jerome Johnson  
 Children’s Liturgists—Arshae Davis and Christina Frias  
 Greeters—Alice Jones and Gail Candido  
 Counters—Sheila Miles, Gail Candido, Raja Mason

**Worship Schedule**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>December 8, 2024</b>
<b>8AM</b>	Mass—Christopher Payne
<b>11AM</b>	Mass—The Parishioners of Holy Rosary
<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 9, 2024</b>
<b>5:30PM</b>	Mass- Immaculate Conception
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 10, 2024</b>
<b>12PM</b>	Mass at Richmond Community Hospital
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 11, 2024</b>
<b>9AM</b>	Mass—Andrew Yancey
<b>Friday</b>	<b>December 13, 2024</b>
<b>12PM</b>	Mass at Richmond Community Hospital

\*Bible Study will be held every Thursday 10:00AM via Zoom. Contact Joanna Haliday at joanna.haliday@yahoo.com for Zoom link.

\*Adult Bible Study is held on Sunday mornings at 9:30AM and Sunday evenings at 6:30PM via Zoom. Contact Mario Dance at marioedance@gmail.com for Zoom link.

\*Our Sunday Livestream Services can be seen on YouTube visit: [www.hrccrichmond.org](http://www.hrccrichmond.org)

\*The Sunday Bulletin can be downloaded from our website: [www.hrccrichmond.org](http://www.hrccrichmond.org)

**Question of the Week**  
**December 8, 2024**



All catechesis flows from the liturgy nothing is as important as what happens at the Sunday Mass. Christ is present in four fold ways, in the bread and wine, the Presider, the word of God and the community gathered. But for a lot of people the Sunday mass and readings and homily goes too quickly. In order for people to think back on the mass, we will have the "Question of the Week". The purpose of the "Question of the Week" is to bring together people of all ages to learn about and share their faith. The question will be relating to one of the readings from Sunday's Mass. The question will allow different ministry groups and families to break open the word and share faith throughout the week.

**Question of the Week:**

**Adults:** *Name one thing you can do to help "prepare the way of the Lord?"*

**Children:** *What things do you do to get ready for a big event or celebration?*

**Reading 1:** Bar 5:1-9

**Reading 2:** Phil 1:4-6,8-11

**Gospel:** Lk 3:1-6



In today's Gospel John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord," and this is what Advent is all about. We are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need.

***Have you considered answering the call to serve our neighbors who are in need by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? For additional information call Tom Keys (804) 655-9820.***

**AIDS Spiritual Reflection**

Advent is a journey from darkness to light, reflecting our own lifelong journey. As we move toward the remember our brothers and sisters who have seen a great light after their experience of AIDS. Pray for them even as they pray for us.



Advent wreaths are a favorite way to celebrate the month of December leading up to Christmas Day. The Advent candles readily demonstrate the strong contrast between darkness and light. In the Bible, Christ is referred to as the "Light of the World" contrasted with the darkness of sin.

Human history spanned long ages before our prophesied Savior would finally make his appearance, and God's promise to make all things new through him.

As his Advent, or "coming," draws nearer another candle is lit, with each candle dispelling the darkness a little more. Thus, the Advent wreath helps us to spiritually contemplate the great drama of salvation history that surrounds the birth of God Incarnate who comes to redeem the human race.

Traditionally, each of the four Advent candles have a deeper meaning which is depicted in the lovely Four Weeks of the Advent Wreath:

The **2nd Sunday of Advent** symbolizes **Peace** with the "Bethlehem Candle" reminding us of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

The **3rd Sunday of Advent** symbolizes **Joy** with the "Shepherd's Candle" reminding us of the Joy the world experienced at the coming birth of Jesus.

The **4th Sunday of Advent** symbolizes **Love** With the "Angel's Candle" reminding us of the message of the angels: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."



**December**

PARISH  
ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Every Monday**  
1:00PM-3:00PM- Knitting Group

**Wednesdays 9:00AM**  
Daily Mass and Eucharistic Adoration

**Every Thursday**  
Bible Study  
10:00AM Via Zoom

**Every Tuesday**  
12Noon Mass at Richmond Community Hospital  
6:30PM- Mass Choir Rehearsal

**Every Friday**  
12Noon Mass at Richmond Community Hospital

**December 6**  
First Friday Mass  
5:30PM

**December 7**  
First Saturday Mass  
8:00AM  
9:00AM- Evangelization Committee Mgt.  
9:00AM- Social Justice Mgt.  
10:00AM- Children's/Youth Choir Practice

**December 8**  
12:30PM- Youth/Young Adults Mgt.  
1:00 PM - Legion of Mary Curia Mgt.

**December 13**  
7:30PM-KOC Christmas Party  
(Flyer Available on the table in the Commons)

**Angel Tree Program -November 17- December 15**

It's Angel Tree time! Holy Rosary Catholic Church is continuing our tradition of providing holiday gifts to children in our parish and the community (per request). We will also be sharing holiday gifts to the children in Fairfield Court. Select your angel, purchase a gift, drop off

**unwrapped gifts on or before the deadline December 15, 2024.** Justice and Peace Ministry thank each you in advance for your generosity to our community.

**HOLY ROSARY ADVENT AND  
CHRISTMAS CALENDAR  
2024**

***Sunday December 8***  
***Second Sunday of Advent***  
***8AM Mass***  
***11AM Mass***

***Monday December 9th***  
***Immaculate Conception of the***  
***Blessed Virgin Mary***  
***(Holy Day of Obligation)***  
***5:30PM Mass***

***Sunday December 15***  
***Third Sunday of Advent***  
***8AM Mass***  
***11AM Mass***



***Saturday December 21***  
***10AM- Advent Reconciliation***  
***Service***

***Sunday December 22***  
***Fourth Sunday of Advent***  
***8AM Mass***  
***11AM Mass***

***Tuesday December 24th***  
***Christmas Eve***  
***5:00PM-Children's /Youth Choir Concert***  
***6PM Mass***

***Wednesday December 25th***  
***The Nativity of the Lord***  
***10AM Mass Christmas Day***

***Sunday December 29***  
***The Holy Family of Jesus,***  
***Mary and Joseph***  
***8AM Mass***  
***11AM Mass***

***Tuesday December 31***  
***New Year's Eve***  
***6PM Mass***

***Monday January 1, 2025***  
***Happy New Year***