

July 21, 2024

## Liturgical Minister Schedule

	This Week	Next Week
Leader	Waugh	Laliberte
Lectors	Waugh	Laliberte
Altar Servers	Donathan	Moore Fashedemi
Eucharistic Ministers	Rodriguez	Inzana
Gift Bearer	Lewis	Moore
Flowers	Sears	Laliberte
Counters	LeBeau Potter	Maurer Andkjar

Please remember God's children who are ill, homebound, or hospitalized and need our special thoughts and prayers: Fr. Dan Bain, Marianna Bennett, Robert Ferrantello, Patricia Ferrara, Bob & Marge Grassi, Irene Haase, Chet Losinski, Mo Martel, Joe Rodriguez, Carol and Dave Sarginger, Nick Sica, Rebecca Walcutt, Marcia Yost, and members of our military stationed throughout the world including Captain Andrew Maurer.

Send prayer request to [SOTHannouncements@gmail.com](mailto:SOTHannouncements@gmail.com)

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Parish Council

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**Sacraments or Mass Cards – Contact Fr. Michael** 804-484-2806 or [mugmike48@gmail.com](mailto:mugmike48@gmail.com) or via the Holy Infant Parish office at 540-298-1341 or [office@holvinfant-elkton.org](mailto:office@holvinfant-elkton.org)

**Reconciliation:** available with Fr. Michael every Wednesday for one hour before Daily Mass, or for special circumstances can be scheduled with him

**Baptism:** Please contact the Pastor.

**Holy Matrimony:** The couple should contact the Pastor at least 6 months before the planned wedding day.

**Anointing, Pastoral Visits, Spiritual Guidance, or Emergencies** contact Fr. Michael directly

### Readings for the Week –

Mon. Mi 6: 1-4, 6-8/ Ps 50: 5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/ Jn 20: 1-2, 11-18

Tues. Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20/ Ps 85: 2-4, 5-6, 7-8/ Mt 12: 46-50

Wed. Jer 1: 1, 4-10/ Ps 71: 1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17/ Mt 13: 1-9

Thurs. 2 Cor 4: 7-15/ Ps 126: 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/ Mt 20: 20-28

Fri. Jer 3: 14-17/ Jer 31: 10, 11-12abcd, 13/ Mt 13: 18-23

Sat. Jer 7: 1-11/ Ps 84: 3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/ Mt 13: 24-30

Sun. 2 Kgs 4: 42-44/ Ps 145: 10-11, 15-16, 17-18/ Eph 4: 1-6/ Jn 6: 1-15

## Announcements

### Last Week's Offerings

	Budget	Actual	Difference
Regular	\$2052.10	\$2413	\$360.90

**Vocations** – “They were like sheep without a shepherd.” Do these words of Christ challenge you to give your all for Him and lead the flock as a priest? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661 or via email: [vocations@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:vocations@richmonddiocese.org).

**2024 Annual Parish Picnic** - Save the date! August 18<sup>th</sup> at 1pm on the Parish Grounds.

Much help is needed for this fun event, such as:

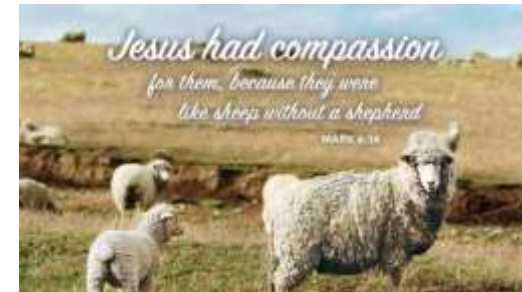
- Staging the picnic
- Games, sports, and Entertainment
- Food and beverages
- Grill masters
- Limitless possibilities....

This is a perfect time to get together outdoors or indoors and get to know our new Shepherd of the Hills parishioners. So please volunteer for this fun event. There is a sign-up sheet in the Church foyer on the table where you can volunteer. More details to come in the near future. For more details, see any of the following Parish Council members: Cooky Bonneville, Virginia Andkjar, John LeBeau



**Help Needed** – We are in need of someone to monitor and sell advertisements for the bulletin. If interested please send a message to [SOTHannouncements@gmail.com](mailto:SOTHannouncements@gmail.com)

**Gospel Reflections** – Today, the Gospel invites us to discover the importance of resting in the Lord. The Apostles were returning from the mission on which Jesus had sent them. They cast out demons, cured the sick and preached the Gospel. They were tired and Jesus told them: “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.” (Mk 6:31). One of the temptations to which any Christian can succumb is that of wanting to do too many things and thus leaving the Lord a little to the side. The Catechism reminds us that, when it comes to prayer, one of the biggest dangers is that you can easily think that there are bigger, more important and more urgent things to be done, leading to a lack of care for the things of God. For this reason Jesus tells the Apostles, who have worked hard, are exhausted though euphoric because everything has gone so well, that they must rest. The Gospel says “they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place” (Mk 6:32). To be able to pray properly you need at least two things: the first is to be with Jesus as He is the person with whom we are going to talk. Make sure that you are with Him. For this reason all times of prayer normally begin with an act of presence of God which is often the most difficult part. We must make ourselves conscious of the fact that we are truly with Him. The second thing is that we must be alone. If we really want to talk with someone, to have an intimate and profound conversation we choose to be alone with them.



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