Liturgical Minister Schedule

	This Week	Next Week	
Leader	Potter	Inzana	
Lectors	Rodriguez	Mullins	
Altar Servers	Moore	Donathan Madeline	
Eucharistic Ministers	Lilly	Laliberte	
Gift Bearer	Moore	Ferantello	
Counters	Potter Walcutt	Dichtel Adams	

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 and members of our military stationed throughout the world including Captain Andrew Maurer.

Send prayer request to <u>SOTHannouncements@gmail.com</u>

Parish Contact Information -

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Holy Infant Parish office at 540-298-1341 or office@holyinfant-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. Hos 2: 16. 17c-18. 21-22/ Ps 145: 2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/ Mt 9: 18-26 Tues. Hos 8: 4-7. 11-13/ Ps 115: 3-4. 5-6. 7ab-8. 9-10/ Mt 9: 32-38 Wed. Hos 10: 1-3. 7-8. 12/ Ps 105: 2-3. 4-5. 6-7/ Mt 10: 1-7 Thurs. Hos 11: 1-4. 8c-9/ Ps 80: 2ac and 3b. 15-16/ Mt 10: 7-15 Fri. Hos 14: 2-10/ Ps 51: 3-4. 8-9. 12-13. 14 and 17/ Mt 10: 16-23 Sat. Is 6: 1-8/ Ps 93: 1ab. 1cd-2. 5/ Mt 10: 24-33 Sun. Am 7: 12-15/ Ps 85: 9-10. 11-12. 13-14 (8)/ Eph 1: 3-14/ Mk 6: 7-13

Announcements

Last Week's Offerings

	Budget	Actual	Difference
Regular	\$2052.10	\$1134	-\$918.10

Vocations – "My grace is sufficient for you." Consider a calling to the priesthood or consecrated life. God's grace is all you need. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Office of Vocations at (804) 359-5661or via email: <u>vocations@richmonddiocese.org</u>.

2024 Annual Parish Picnic - Save the date! August 18^{th} 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
- Food and bevera
 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

Gospel Reflections - Today the liturgy helps us discover the sentiments of the Heart of Jesus: "He was amazed at their lack of faith" (Mk 6:6). Without a doubt, the disciples must have been impressed by the lack of faith of the Master's fellow citizens and his reaction. It seemed only natural that things would have occurred differently: They came to the land where he had lived for so many years, they had heard about the works he was doing, and the logical consequence was that they would welcome him with affection and trust, more willing than others to listen to his teachings. However, it was not so, but quite the opposite: "And they took offense at him" (Mk 6:3). The amazement of Jesus at the attitude of his people shows us a heart that trusts in people, that expects a response and is not indifferent to the lack of it, because it is a heart that gives itself seeking our good. St. Bernard expresses it very well when he writes: "The Son of God came and did such wonders in the world that he uprooted our understanding of all that is mundane, so that we might meditate and never cease to ponder his wonders. He left us infinite horizons for the ease of the intelligence, and an overflowing river of ideas impossible to wade through. Is there anyone capable of understanding why the Supreme Majesty would want to die to give us life, why He would want to serve so that we could reign, live without a place to rest his head so that we can possess the world, and allow himself to be lowered to the most vile and vulgar to exalt us above all else? One could think of how the lives of the Nazarenes would have changed if they had approached Jesus with faith. Thus, we must ask him daily as his disciples: "Lord, increase our faith" (Lk 17:5), so that we open ourselves more and more to let His love work in us.

Thank you! The Justice and Peace Committee would like to thank everyone that made donations during the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Through your generosity we were able to allocate funds to the following areas: \$659.26 to Thanksgiving/ Christmas/Easter food drives, \$800 to parishioner assistance, and \$3881 to charity organizations. Now that the next fiscal year has started please keep an eye out for those green envelopes and please continue to indicate Justice and Peace for non green envelope donations. Thanks and blessings to all!



