Vision
That we live our Faith through our thoughts, words and actions.

Parish Staff
Pastor
Rev. Stephen McNally
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Parish Office Hours
Monday-Friday
9:00am-2:00pm

Bulletin Deadline
Wednesday at Noon

Mass Schedule
Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:30 am

Weekday Mass Schedule
Wednesday 10:00am
Friday 10:00am*
*Mass only offered the first Friday of each month

New Parishioners
Welcome to COTT! Please call the office or go on-line to register.
Forms can be found in the commons or go on-line to download them please complete and return to office or drop in collection plate.

Sacraments
Reconciliation
By appointment.
Baptism
Arrangements must be made in advance in the parish office.
Marriage
Couples planning to marry should contact the Pastor at least one year before the wedding.
Visiting the Sick
If admitted to a hospital or confined at home, please call the parish office to arrange for a visit, communion, and/or Anointing of the sick.

Parish Pastoral Council
Bill Dillon, Chair
Dan Burkard, Vice-Chair
Barbara Conti, Secretary
Susan Ayers
Ruth Bokun
Dan Burkard
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Religious Education Committee
Mary Stickler
Youth Coordinators

Knights of Columbus
John C. Webb Council #12134
Grand Knight: Mike Poole
540-793-4854
7pm Business Meeting
2nd Monday of the Month

Circle of Mary
6:30pm Meeting
3rd Wednesday of the Month
“It seems strange that Jesus would tell his disciples not to reveal that he was the Christ (the Messiah). After all isn’t that the point? But the problem was that many people of the time had different ideas about what the Messiah was supposed to be. So Jesus spent a lot of time trying to persuade people to rethink the whole concept of Messiah. Most people thought (or feared) that the Messiah was going to be a warrior who would restore the dynasty of King David over Israel.”

2020 Sourcebook for Sundays and Seasons

Church Calendar & Liturgies

Saturday, August 22
4:30 pm  Mass - †Dan Taylor

Sunday, August 23
8:30 am  Mass (livestreamed to Facebook)  - in Thanksgiving

Monday, August 24
OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, August 25

Wednesday, August 26
10:00 am  Mass (livestreamed to Facebook)

Thursday, August 27

Friday, August 28

Saturday, August 29
4:30 pm  Mass - †Tish Mitchell

Weekly Scripture Readings

SUN – 08/23  Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:23-26
MON – 08/24  Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
TUE – 08/25  2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13; Mt 23:23-26
WED – 08/26  2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5; Mt 23:27-32
THU – 08/27  1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt 24:42-51
FRI – 08/28  1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13
SAT – 08/29  1 Cor 1:26-31 (430); Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17; Mk 6:17-29
SUN – 08/30  Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Altar Flowers donated by Dick & Jane Taylor in memory of Dan Taylor.

Mission Statement

To grow in our relationship with God and our parish community by...

- Fostering a safe and welcoming community where each member is encouraged to live out the blessings of their baptismal calling;
- Ensuring faithful liturgical celebrations are available to draw all closer to God;
- Providing ongoing faith formation;
- Promoting opportunities to grow as a parish family
  To live our Faith in our community by...
- Seeking out and helping those in need;
- Promoting respect for and outreach to other faith communities and to the community at large
  To be good stewards of our financial and physical resources

Welcome!

We are happy you have joined us; if you are new to the area we hope you will consider joining our parish. Complete the registration form found in the commons.

Prayer Requests for the Sick

Contact the office if you would like a copy emailed to you!

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Eucharist Ministers

Lector

Altar Servers

Weekly Financial Report

Kroger.com “Community Rewards” MA300

It’s easy, but if you have a problem, contact Suzie in the office. Yes, you do have to renew each year to stay active in program. No, you don’t lose any points! Yes, it does help our church!

iGive.com – Shop online at hundreds of participating stores and a percentage of your purchase comes back to our parish. Sign up and show Church of the Transfiguration, Fincastle as the cause.

Thank you for your support!

Welcome!

Come as a guest; leave as a friend
Prayer List  Please add Yvette Gibbs and Judy Heise.

Parish Office Closed  The parish office will be closed on Monday, August 24th.

Office Hours Changes  Beginning August 26, Suzie will be working from home on Wednesdays due to the schools being closed on Wednesdays. Wednesday Masses will continue to be livestreamed. Email and phone messages will be monitored, so please don’t hesitate to contact us if a need arises. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Special Collection for Lebanon  On August 4th, a colossal explosion in the Port of Beirut caused widespread destruction and a tragic loss of life. Additionally, as many as 300,000 people have been made temporarily homeless. In the wake of such disasters, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has asked for prayers for the afflicted and for us to give generously to Catholic Relief Services’ Lebanon disaster response. If you would like to donate to this cause, please make checks payable to Transfiguration and write “Lebanon” in the check memo. We will be accepting donations for Lebanon through September 2nd. Thank you for your generosity!

Wednesday and First Friday Masses  will be open to all parishioners beginning on Wednesday, July 15th. You will not need an invitation to attend these Masses, but the following requirements must be met: 1. The 3 question posted at the door must be answered “No” for everyone entering the building. 2. A mask must be worn throughout the Mass by everyone 10 years of age or older. 3. There will be no congregating or socializing in the parking lot or parish building before or after Mass. 4. 6-feet social distancing must be observed at all times. 5. Sanctuary seating will be directed by an ushers. Attendees may not sit with someone not of the same household. 6. All attendees MUST CLEAN & DISINFECT THEIR PLACE AT THE CONCLUSION OF MASS. NO EXCEPTIONS. Cleaning materials will be provided.

Vocations  “Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God.” Is God calling you to serve His Son in the priesthood? Call Father Brian Capuano 804-359-5661 or email: vocations@richmonddiocese.org.

Food Donations Needed  The Botetourt Food Pantry supplies are low as a result of the COVID crisis. If you are blessed to be in a position where you can donate food to our neighbors in need, please bring your donations to the church. You are welcome to leave donations on the portico if you are not comfortable entering the building. Thank you for your generosity!

Fincastle UMC Blessing Box  Fincastle United Methodist Church has placed a red Blessing Box on the front of the gray cinderblock building next to its Family Life Center. The Blessing Box is mean to be a community project stocked by donations with shelf-stable food items as well as basic toiletries FREE to be taken by anyone in need. The perception is that an unusually large number of people are hurting now. This is meant to be anonymous and honor-system based. No one needs to sign up or qualify; they just drive past, stop and take what they need. How can you help? As it says on the doors: “Take what you need. Leave what you can.” Blessing Box means that those who leave items are blessed enough to be able to do so, and those who take items are blessed that items are there to take.

Bicentennial Coffee Table Books  are now available to the faithful of the Diocese of Richmond! Featuring a strikingly illustrated history of our diocese, dozens of removable prayer cards and photographs, and information specifically about our parish, Shine Like Stars is the perfect addition to your home. This is the only printing of the commemorative books—get yours today! Contact the parish office if you are interested in purchasing a copy.

Do You Know an Older Adult Who Could Use a Friendly Call?  Commonwealth Catholic Charities Call Reassurance program provides lonely and shut-in seniors with regular phone calls from caring volunteers. Seniors feel encouraged knowing a compassionate friend is only a phone call away. To make a referral or to volunteer call 804-545-5916 or visit www.cccofva.org/aging-anddisability-services.

Marriage Encounter  Don’t distance from your spouse! Learn how to bring your marriage to a new level. Renew, rekindle and strengthen your marriage on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience September 11-13, 2020 in Hickory, NC and September 11-13, 2020 in VIRTUAL WEEKEND. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org.

On the third Saturday of each month, our Parish is assigned to assist with the distribution of food to the needy at the Botetourt Food Pantry. Hours of service is 9:15–12 noon. The BFP is located at 221 N. Roanoke Street, Fincastle. Can you spare some time to assist those less fortunate? Please contact Martha Rodger 540-597-0025.