June Birthdays

June 02: Stephanie Hamilton June 02: Travis Williams June 06: Katherine Hampton June 16: Phil Hampton June 19: John Evans June 19: Joyce Hing June 21: Beau Ellrich June 22: Indra Valasco Ruiz June 30: Patsy Notestein

June Anniversaries

June 04: Will & Annette McCabe June 11: Scott & Patti West June 12: Don & Patsy Notestein June 13: Bob & Sandra Burke June 13: Chuck & Pat Hirtz June 24: Les & Maria Leslie June 28: Keith & Kathleen Hamilton June 30: Chene & Emily Heady

Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Bonnie Toth at: bonnie3871@gmail.com.

Dvlan Anderson Sid Barr Robert Berry Patricia Bonnewitz Gloria Bowden Kellsei Boyce Millie Budney Sandra Burke Julie Bvron Deacon John Carey Riordan Cavoris Justin Curtis Alessia Destefano Carol Donato Islea Duncan Patricia Elder John Evans

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Jane Sliwinski Margaret Smith Chere Tew Jim Tew Fred Toth Amy Tracy Emilia Walker Charles Watson **Danielle Weedon** Laura Williams Louise Williams Michael Williams Travis Williams Betty Jo Wolfrum

The Financial Corner

Collections June 15: \$797; Breakfast Sunday43 Attendees June 8: 67

Jack Fisher

Lvnn Goss

Marv Graf

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Pablo Ignació

Leslie Jarrett

Marge Lent

Paul Lent

Meia Irvin

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Holy Eucharist Sunday 8:30 AM; Tuesday 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM Thursday 12:15 PM

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A PASTORAL MOMENT WITH FR. JIM

I want to share this brief reflection on the Trinity from one of my favorite theologians, Richard Rohr. In 2013, Fr. Richard Rohr had just returned from an interfaith gathering with the Dalai Lama and representatives from many world religions.

Richard shared: "Perhaps the most quoted line from the Dalai Lama is: "My religion is kindness." Isn't that simple? "My religion is kindness." He asked really challenging us from other religions "How do you teach kindness or compassion and how does this come from our understanding of God?" I had the job of representing the Christian tradition. I though the job was rather easy, because of the feast we celebrate today of God as Trinity.

Sadly, the doctrine of the Trinity hasn't exercised much influence in the Christian understanding of God. If most Christians - Catholic or Protestant - are questioned about their real image of God, it's generally an old man sitting on a throne. He is upset half the time and it is our job to make God happy. This, of course, has almost nothing to do with our actual doctrine on the nature of God. What our tradition believes is that Go is a fountain full of love, a water wheel flowing constantly in one direction: Father to Son, Son to Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit to Father - always outflowing, always outpoured, always giving, never taking, but only receiving what the other gives.

The medieval mystic Julian of Norwich (1343-1416) is one who experienced the Trinity. She has multiple visions of God or "showings" during a near-death illness "In the midst of this showing, The Blessed Trinity also revealed itself to me and filled my heart to overflowing with joy. I realized that this is what it will be like in the world to come, for all beings, and for all time. For the Trinity is God and God is the Trinity. The Trinity is our creator and our sustainer, our Beloved forever and ever, our endless joy and bliss. I saw this in the first revelation and in every showing after that. Whenever Christ appeared, I seemed to understand the Blessed Trinity as well." "...I was thoroughly astonished that he who is so great and sol holy and majestic would both to mingle with such a homely creature as I. What I realized was that our Lord Jesus Christ moved by loving compassion wanted to bolster me with his comfort."

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

"EPIC" - AN EVENT FOR 6TH-8TH GRADE STUDENTS

OLP will be sending a group to EPIC, the Diocese of Richmond **big event for** all middle schoolers (**rising 6th graders to rising 8th graders**) on August **9th**. There will be inflatables, games, speakers, music, and mass--a day of both spiritual growth and a lot of fun. <u>The parish will cover the registration fees for all participants</u>, so cost will not be an issue for anyone. **Please write Chene Heady (headycr@longwood.edu) if you have a child or grandchild who would like to attend.**

For more details, please visit: https://evangelizerichmond.org/events/epic-4/

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS will take place this year July 22-25. If your child will be attending, please see the sign-up sheet so we will know the number of attendees to expect. Please direct any questions or concerns to either Helen Dennany or Alice Doeppe.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Our next big event is planned for July 31. We are hosting a birthday party for a famous character, Harry Potter! If you are planning to attend, please sign up. More details (especially about gifts) will be forthcoming in the coming weeks. Stay tuned!

CHRISTMAS IN JUNE!

You read that right! The Knights of Columbus will have Christmas Cards for sale after Mass in the commons. The cards are packaged 10 in each box and sell for \$10. Let's support our Knights who continue to help our parish ministries in so many ways.

THANKS FOR A JOB WELL DONE!

Thank you, Diane and Andrew, for leading the prayer service last Sunday in Fr. Jim's absence. You both did an incredible job!