



MASS TIMES

Tuesday & Thursday—10:00 am

1st Thursday of each month after Mass—Holy Hour & Eucharistic Adoration

Hospitality: 1st Sunday of Every Month following Mass

Most Holy Days: 10:00 am

Saturday: March 22nd—Lector: M. Oviedo

4:15pm — 4:45pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30pm— Praying the Rosary

5:00pm— 3rd Sunday of Lent

Sunday : March 23rd— Lector: S. Lam

11:00am - 3rd Sunday of Lent

5:00pm—Lenten Ecumenical Service

Tuesday: March 25th—10:00AM—The Annunciation of the Lord

Readings: 1st Ex 3: 1-8a, 13-15 — 2nd 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 Gospel Lk 13: 1-9

Events and Announcements 2025

Mar 21st- 6:00 PM—Stations of the Cross

Mar 22nd- 4:30 PM— Praying the Rosary

Mar 22nd—5:00PM—Mass Intention for +Gerard Knapp—by Lenore O'Connor

Mar 22nd & 23rd Mass— 3rd Sunday of Lent

Mar 23rd- 5:00 PM—2025 Lenten Ecumenical Services—Followed by Soup & Sandwich

Mar 25th- Mass—10:00 AM—The Annunciation of the Lord

Mar 27th- Mass—10:00 AM

Mar 29th & 30th Mass—4th Sunday of Lent—Special Collection Catholic Relief Services

SPECIAL NOTICE:

Join us at 5:00pm Sunday March 23rd as we host a Lenten Ecumenical service . Thank to you everyone who has offered his/her services to make this event a joyous one for everyone to enjoy.

All our parishioners are invited to attend the 2025 services scheduled below:

“2025 Lenten Series Schedule”

<u>Church & Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Holy Infant Catholic Church, 101 West Marshall Avenue, Elkton VA	03/23/2025	5:00PM
Beldor Mennonite Church, 4985 Beldor Road , Elkton	03/30/2025	5:00PM
St Paul United Methodist; Held at Elkton Comm. Ctr. 20593 Blue & Gold Dr	04/06/2025	5:00PM

Repairs & Maintenance Update:

The upstairs restrooms have been repaired. The total cost of the repairs plus fixtures was \$11,368. We were blessed with a \$2,500 donation from a generous benefactor to assist with this cost. We have a few more repairs that need to be addressed, so any contributions to Capital Improvements will be welcomed. We will keep you informed and thank you for all you do!

Easter Flower Offering; In Memory of: Mr. & Mrs Edward Chocla, Mr. & Mrs Joseph C Dobes Sr, Ms. Dolores Pechanic, Ms. Dennis Bobbe- *by Joe & Pat Dobes*—Kenneth Burner, Joseph & Norma Gasper, Herbert Baugher-*by MaryAnn Baugher* —Michael & Eva Moretti-*by Michael & Julia Moretti*—Mr. George Vogen- *by Stephen & Regina Vogen*—Lucas & Sophia Skrobak, Joseph & Catherine Muia, Sophie Muscosky, Tom & Martha Shust, Paul Shust, Mary Ann Rusek, David Budnomo—*by Joseph & Lillian Muia*

WEEKLY THOUGHTS THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 23rd 2025.

Dear friends, welcome to the celebration of the 3rd Sunday of Lent. Last Wednesday we celebrated the Solemnity of St Joseph spouse of Mary, foster father of Jesus and Patron of the Church. St Joseph is emulated with his faith, prudence, humility, obedience, love, and silent prayerful life. Sincere congratulations to all named Joseph and Josephine.

Holy Infant Church will host a Lenten Reflection of the Elkton Area Churches on Sunday from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Please endeavor to attend this unique Ecumenical Prayer Reflection in this Holy Year of pilgrims of hope.

The Gospel Reading for our meditation; Luke 13: 1-9 we hear Jesus’ teaching on the kingdom of heaven and the importance of repentance that leads to conversion of heart. Repent and believe in the Gospel were the words said to us when we received the ashes on our face, as an invitation to conversion.

While Jesus was on his ministry of teaching and healing, people questioned him about the people Pilate had massacred after enduring much pain and suffering. Did these people suffer because of their sin? This question was based on the popular thought that people suffer because they have sinned. Jesus’ response challenged the miss interpretation of suffering. People suffer not because they have sinned. Jesus called instead for repentance.

In the parable of the barren fig tree, Jesus contrasts the patience of the gardener and landowner on the barren fig tree. Here we find the image of God’s patience and hopefulness as he prepares his kingdom for the people.

The failure to repent would lead one to miss the kingdom. Ability and willingness to repent would lead to producing the fruits of the kingdom. These would include self-denial, cutting off or pruning off things offensive to your neighbor and God.

Thank you very much for your generous donations to the Annual Diocesan Appeal for 2025. So far, Holy Infant collected \$7,770 and Shepherd of the Hills collected \$2,370. This is a great start to the 2025 Collection Year! Thank you all for your sacrifices and I look forward to giving you the next update.

Tuesday March 25th is the Annunciation of the Lord. Mass at Holy Infant will be at 10:00 am and Shepherd of the Hills at 12:00 noon.

Have a wonderful week.

2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal
Sharing His Love with Others
Annual Goal \$7,410.00 vs Actual \$7,770.00

We invite you to give today at
<https://www.richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal>
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<u>Weekly Contributions</u> Mar 15 to Mar 21		
Targeted	Actual	Difference
\$ 2,388.10	\$ 1,894.91	\$ - 493.19
<u>\$ 90,747.80</u>	<u>\$ 87,425.27</u>	<u>\$ -3,319.53</u>
Parish Improvements \$2500		
Justice & Peace \$0		Flowers \$90
Poor Box \$2		Votive \$16
Haiti \$100		Rosary Guild \$0
Special Collection:		
Catholic Relief Services - \$200		

