



(Continued)

Shine Like Stars... Wherever You Are!

Families can display their work by making a collage with their stars, a mobile or a "string of stars" to hang from a window, or other visual. Then, take a picture to send to your parish, or to us on Facebook/Instagram/Twitter using the hashtag #shinelike stars. We can't wait to see your shining artwork!

An image of "Mary, Star of the Sea" has been provided as the center of your collage/mobile/banner:



Enjoy this image of our cathedral to color and decorate as you prepare to celebrate the 200th birthday of the Diocese of Richmond! Saint Vincent de Paul, Pray for us! Saint Catherine, Pray for us!



Timeline Project: **Where Has the Diocese Shined in History?**

Pope Paul VI once said that "[The Church] exists in order to evangelize." Evangelize is a fancy word that means to share and spread the light of Jesus. In

other words when we "Shine like Stars," we evangelize! For 200 years, the purpose of the Diocese of Richmond has been to do just that.

When a parish is built, when we wel-

come a new family into the community, when we bring God into the family milestones of our lives, and when we serve one another, we are shining the light of Christ, in ways big and small. Your family

is part of this evangelization history, even if you didn't realize it! "Use the timeline below for a fun activity during our virtual time together to see where your family and our Diocese has shined!"

Timeline



1820 July 11 Pope Pius VII begins the Diocese of Richmond and appoints Patrick Kelly of Kilkenny, Ireland as its first bishop. Who comes to Virginia on January 19, 1821.

1885 November 22 Bishop John J. Keane dedicates St. Joseph's in Richmond, the first black church in the diocese.

1841-1843 St. Vincent de Paul is named the patron of the Diocese of Richmond.



1931 April the Diocese Richmond begins its own newspaper, the Catholic Virginian.

1960 November 8 John F. Kennedy is the first Catholic elected president.

1974 August 13 The map of the Diocese of Richmond is re-drawn to what we have today, 33,000 squares miles of Virginia, but not all of Virginia.

2018 January 12 Barry C. Knestout is installed as the thirteenth bishop of Richmond.



2020 Diocese of Richmond celebrates its bicentennial!

Musical Lyrics to the **Bicentennial Refrain:**

Get ready to sing and dance with us on November 7! Here are the words to one of our songs, a partial refrain from the Bicentennial hymn:

The video to this hymn can be found at: <https://2020.richmonddiocese.org/bicentennial-hymn/>

We shine like stars in the world, as we hold fast to the Word of Life. The light of Christ will guide us on our way in times of peace and strife. From

In Gratitude:

*** Christa Blomstrom***Beth Reed***Patrick Dwyer***Sandra Hall***Stasi Wipperman***Megan Cottam***Nina Henry
Emily FilippiSheri Kemp***Stephen Previtera And our special project testers, Jackie and Rose!