



SAINT PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Emergency – If someone is dying or there has been a death, please call: 804-402-1221

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:30 & 10:45 am Weekday: 12:05 pm

Holy Day: Call the Parish Office or See Notices

Confession: Mon. thru Fri., 11:45 am

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 27, 2017

Mass Intention: Phyllis Lee

TODAY'S MUSIC

ENTRANCE	#618
O Christ the Great Foundation	
PSALM	#925
Lord, your love is eternal.	
OFFERTORY	#585
How Firm a Foundation	
COMMUNION	#609
The King of Love My Shepherd Is	
RECESSIONAL	#616
Christ's Church Shall Glory in His Power	

Holy Communion – *This is a reminder that Holy Communion, in the Catholic Church, is reserved to actively practicing Catholics. If you are not Catholic or have not been actively practicing your faith, then please refrain from receiving Communion. If you would like to learn how to be welcomed to full Communion, we would love to help. All you need to do is contact a priest. Our contact info is in this bulletin.*

LECTOR & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

TODAY'S MASS

8:30 am: Doug Dewing Extraordinary Ministers: Kimberly Taylor, Maggie Wilkins, Robert Wilkins

FINANCE: Doug Dewing, Ron Hurst, Gabi Wolz

10:45 am: Nancy Eckler Extraordinary Ministers: Jim Martinelli, Marie Martinelli, Joe Naman

FINANCE: Chris Thomas, Richard Williams

NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 am: Bill Lipchak Extraordinary Ministers: Doug Dewing, Tom Fahed, Barbara Goode

FINANCE: Kathleen & Anthony Seal,

10:45 am: Nancy Eckler Extraordinary Ministers: Jim Martinelli, Marie Martinelli, Joe Naman

FINANCE: Chris Thomas, Richard Williams

HOMEBOUND/HOSPITALIZED

David Adams, Joseph Birchette, Steve Campbell, William Claiborne, Maria Konwerska, Cathy Lipchak, Emma Mednikov, Jim Melton, Jesse Oliver, Rachel Robinson, Marilyn Reilly, Nancy Severns, Beulah Taylor, Craig Trowbridge, Greg Stowers. Thank you for your prayers.

If you know of anyone who is sick, hospitalized, homebound, or dying and desires a visit from a priest, please call or email us. Without your help, we have no way of knowing.

SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

- Mon.: Mass Intention: Rico Rivera
- Tues.: Mass Intention: James Harley
- Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
- Wed.: Mass Intention: Lee Patasomit
- Thurs: Mass Intention: Hazel Randall
- Fri.: Mass Intention: William Merritt

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Our new bishop, whoever he is, is going to have some big shoes to fill.

During the time when Bishop DiLorenzo was our Bishop, we went from having around 3 or less seminarians in study for the priesthood, to over 30. He did so much to encourage men to consider giving their lives to God as priests (and also to encourage women to consider religious life as a life of joyful devotion to God).

He was a blessing to Catholic schools. Many Catholic schools would have closed had not measures been put into place to support them financially, which he did. He especially sought to make Catholic school affordable to the poor, particularly to Hispanics. He also implemented a priest chaplain program in the schools to be sure children had Catholic spirituality by

attending weekly Mass, have the ability to go to confession, and simply be able to get to know a priest, planting the seeds of future vocations.

One of the most significant things Bishop DiLorenzo did was rebuild the overall Catholic identity (the Catholicity) of our diocese. When I went to seminary, I learned from speaking with the other men studying for the priesthood that our diocese had a reputation for permitting or at least turning a blind eye to dissent against the teachings of the Catholic Church. Bishop DiLorenzo worked hard ensuring that what was said and taught in the Catholic Churches in our Diocese was in fact Catholic (seems like a no brainer...but it was something that he was very much disliked by some because of).

He consistently worked to support ministry to the poor and destitute. He supported the migrant workers program that ministers to the migrant laborers around the diocese. He encouraged and gave funds to the poor living in Appalachia, including helping them have means to dental and health care. He also ensured that priests, when they retire, will have funds to live on through a properly funded pension plan (that one's of particular concern to me!).

He created the entire office of Evangelization at our Diocese that is responsible for all the amazing youth conferences, retreats and work camps that touch the hearts and lives of so many of our youth. He started the Center for Marriage and Family life that has developed an amazing marriage preparation program for young couples.

He brought in mission priests from other Dioceses to help us until we have enough home-grown vocations to cover our parishes. Many parishes have closed in other Dioceses because of a lack of priests...but not here...not in Richmond, because of his efforts.

I will be forever grateful to Bishop Francis DiLorenzo for being a spiritual father. He was very, very faithful. He was also very down-to-earth and approachable. He loved to laugh. He was tough when he had to be as any good leader would be (as any saint would be...saints are never push-overs).

The words of Jesus are a great consolation that say 'well done good and faithful servant, come into the joy of your master's house.'

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. Amen.

Fr. Rossi

Outreach & Social Ministry – 156 lunches were served on Tuesday, August 22, 2017. 91 dinners were served on Wednesday, August 23, 2017. Thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who serve God's people.

St. Peter's Food Pantry is in need of restocking. We are helping feed the poor of the city. On average we give out at least 5 bags of groceries per week. If you can help restock our food pantry, please consider bringing canned goods, dried goods & any non-perishable food.

Because our Faith keeps us strong and filled with JOY, we want to share it with you every day. **Like** us on **Facebook** and **Follow** us on **Twitter** for inspirational daily messages and the latest happenings with our Pope, Bishop, priests, seminarians, lay ministers, youth, events and general news about the Diocese. Join us in prayer and service. **Facebook** @RichmondDiocese and **Twitter** @RichmondDiocese

If you are a practicing Catholic woman age 21 or older, please join us for the Catholic Woman's Club Membership Tea on Monday, September 25 at 2 pm at the Columbian Center. The Catholic Woman's Club promotes Catholic ideals through intellectual, cultural and spiritual development and philanthropic endeavors. For reservations, please contact Joan Walton 804-266-3612. We hope to see you on September 25th!

Relics of St. John Neumann – Visit Church of the Redeemer, Mechanicsville, VA, September 22 – 24. Schedule – **Friday:** Viewing and Veneration 9 am – 9 pm, with Healing Mass at 7 pm. **Saturday:** Viewing and Veneration 10 am – 7 pm with Vigil Mass at 5:30 pm. **Sunday:** 8 am – Noon with Sunday Mass at 8 am and 10 am. Book Store Open During Viewing and Veneration Except During Liturgy

Coffee – downstairs in the parish hall after each Mass on Sunday. All are welcome. Take this opportunity to get to know your church community.

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Budgeted Weekly Income	\$3,288.00
Collection	2,725.26
Loss	\$ 562.74