



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

**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 28, 2016**

Mass Intention: Margarette Freeman

TODAY'S MUSIC

ENTRANCE	#665
Gather Us In	
PSALM	#930
God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.	
OFFERTORY	#759
Come Ye Thankful People, Come	
COMMUNION	#738
I Am the Bread of Life	
RECESSIONAL	#616
Christ's Church Shall Glory in His Power	

HOMEBOUND/HOSPITALIZED

David Adams, Carolyn Alford, Anthony Arrighi, Rollo Brown, Steve Campbell, Stuart Cary, David Coffman, Bill Holzgreffe, Shirley Hudson, Camilla Hull (mother of Doyle Hull), Connie Klyver, (friend of Ginnie & Marilyn), Maria Konwerska, Emma Mednikov, Jim Melton, Jesse Oliver, Rachel Robinson, Marilyn Reilly, Nancy Severns, Craig Showbridge, Beulah Taylor, Greg Stowers, Bob Webster. 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.

LECTOR & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

8:30 am: Justin Haynes Extraordinary Ministers:
Linda Shisler, Maggie Wilkins, Robert Wilkins
FINANCE: Ron Hurst, Doug Dewing, Kris Mednikov
10:45 am: Jim Martinelli Extraordinary Ministers:
Joe Naman, Kimberly Taylor, Mimi Schoof
FINANCE: Steve Gerloff, Eileen Zorzi

NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 am: Bill Lipchak Extraordinary Ministers:
Doug Dewing, Tom Fahed, Barbara Goode
FINANCE: Kathleen & Anthony Seal, Tom Fahed
10:45 am: Marie Martinelli Extraordinary Ministers:
Nancy Gowen, Jim Martinelli, Marie Martinelli
FINANCE: John Rogers, Patty Talley

SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.: Mass Intention: Alice Walsh
Tues.: Mass Intention: Joseph Hochstrasser
Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
Wed.: Mass Intention: Lucille Cobb
Thurs: Mass Intention: Andrew E. Guidarelli
Fri.: Mass Intention: Andrew & Mary Guidarelli

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Hello all!

I hope you have had a great week!

I am so happy the weather has cooled a little. A little less humidity feels great.

First, I want to use this bulletin to say a big thank you to all those who made our Summerfest at St. John a great success. There are very many people who worked very hard to make it

happen, all the coordination, the cooking, the music, the vendors, the setup, the planning, the cleanup...and the list goes on and on. I am not going to thank folks by name because I will forget too many people...but if you worked hard you know it...and your joints are probably aching...but more importantly God knows it and is greatly pleased!!! He loves hard workers!!!

Thank you so much to all who worked so hard. I am very grateful that you are part of the parish and love it and offer yourself for it.

Second, I want to speak about volunteering in general.

Unfortunately in a parish, it is usually the case of the 80/20 rule when it comes to volunteering (as well as when it comes to tithing income)...that is to say, 20% of the people do 80% of the work (and 20% of the people give 80% of the money that keeps the lights on). In fact, I would argue sometimes it's more like the 90/10 rule!

At times, this can be discouraging to those who volunteer. For me, after an event like Summerfest, or after any of the other wonderful events we have in our parishes, I tend to think and dream of how amazing it would be if we could get 50% or even 75% of the people to volunteer. Can you imagine what great things we could accomplish for the Kingdom?!? And tis is not simply in regards to social functions or fundraising efforts, but also pertains to teaching religious education to the youth, assisting with RCIA, helping maintain our buildings and grounds, or all the many other tasks that need to be done to maintain the piece of the Kingdom of God we have been given at St. John and St. Patrick and St. Peter.

We have been given the care of God's home. We are responsible for these parishes and God wants to do amazing things through these places. But it takes work and commitment from everyone, not just a few.

Are families like this? I guess maybe some are...wherein some people work hard in the family and some people could probably do a little more. My parents both worked hard and demanded that we, their three children, work hard as well. I can't say I always felt like doing it, but my dad's belt encouraged me when needed.

Here at the parishes, we don't use belts. We simply ask for help and wait for God to put it into the hearts of people to volunteer to help.

But the best part about assisting the parishes and God's house, is that it really feels wonderful to know you are serving God. Even when you get home and your bones are tired or you are only going to get a few hours of sleep that night, it feels great knowing you have served God from the depths of yourself.

Please pray about these things. If you volunteer a lot, thank you and I know that you understand what I mean when I talk about how great it feels. If you do not have a lot of time, but have the ability to support the parishes financially then that is just as important as well. So thank you for that (we have to pay the bills...). If you don't have time because you are taking care of a bunch of kids or a sick parent, well do not worry because you

are doing exactly what God intends you to do. But, if you have time, and talent and treasure and are not offering it to God in the measure with which He has given you, then consider taking the next step. It is a cure for sadness, loneliness, and even many physical ailments will be alleviated by the grace God gives us when we put ourselves to work for Him. That's the way it works, we get in the flow of grace when we go to work for God and we get the benefit of experiencing the grace that flows through us to our parish.

Have a great week!!!

Fr. Rossi

RESTORATION – We apologize – We got a little ahead of ourselves. In order to be sure everything is ready, we are going to delay the reopening until Sunday, Sept. 4, 2016.

Lifeline for Marriage – Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing marital disillusionment and misery. For confidential information or to apply to attend the program beginning with a weekend on Sept. 16th call 800-470-2230 or email: retrouvailenc@msn.com or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

Outreach & Social Ministry – 172 lunches were served on Tuesday, Aug. 23. 00 dinners were served on Wednesday, Aug. 24. Thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who serve God's people.

FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION, a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, sponsored by Church of the Epiphany, will be held Sept 30th – Oct 2, 2016, at Shalom House Retreat Center in Montpelier, VA. This retreat is for women and men who have known regret, sorrow, guilt, or shame from abortion. The weekend is a process that leads to the heart of God's love and compassion. If you would like to learn more about this retreat contact Marty Montgomery-Jennings at 804-704-0429, or Maggie Carlson at 804-432-2589 or email: RV4hope@gmail.com. Visit our website: www.rachelsvineyard.org. Inquiries, registration and participation are strictly confidential.

Budgeted Weekly Income	\$3,288.00
Collection –	<u>3,162.81</u>
Loss	\$ 124.20

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