



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

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 12, 2016

Mass Intention: Ben Harris

TODAY'S MUSIC

ENTRANCE #595

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

PSALM #897

Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.

OFFERTORY #755

Our Father, We Have Wandered

COMMUNION #729

O Food of Exiles Lowly

RECESSIONAL #524

Holy God We Praise Thy Name

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, Beulah Taylor, Greg Stowers, Bob Webster, Flordeliza Ybanez. 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: Adriane Henderson Extraordinary Ministers: Doug Dewing, Tom Fahed, Barbara Goode

FINANCE: Ron Hurst, Doug Dewing and Gabi Wolz

10:45 am: Richard Williams Extraordinary Ministers:

Jim Martinelli, Marie Martinelli, Joe Naman

FINANCE: Kathy Kelly and John Rogers

NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 am: Doug Dewing Extraordinary Ministers: Adriane Allen-Henderson, Bill Lipchak, Cathy Lipchak

FINANCE: Roger & Rose Mayer and Linda Shisler

10:45 am: Steve Gerloff Extraordinary Ministers:

Colin Schmidt, Mimi Schoof, Nancy Gowen

FINANCE: Patty Talley and Chris Thomas

SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.: Mass Intention: Chrissy Bottcher

Tues.: Mass Intention: David Adams (L)

Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Wed.: Mass Intention: Evelyn B. Crawford

Thurs: Mass Intention: Roxanne Bentley

Fri.: Mass Intention: Louise Swinton

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

The readings this weekend are all about one word: repentance!

Repentance is recognizing we have sinned and asking for forgiveness.

King David was the Lord's anointed, the special chosen one to lead the people of God. But boy did he blow it. His desires got the better of him and led him down a road that ended in adultery, lying and premeditated murder! And this coming from the Lord's anointed!!!

Similarly in the Gospel, the sinful woman with the alabaster jar, traditionally understood as Jesus' friend Mary Magdalene, has a very checkered past.

Bad people who screw up, big time. And nevertheless, that is not the end of the story.

The reason why repentance is the name of the game is because repentance is what makes it possible for people, even in these most sinful and terrible situations to nevertheless become great workers and servants for God.

God is always more intent on a person converting from their sinful ways than he is on punishing someone because of their sinful ways. He always delights more in a person going from bad to good than he does in seeing someone suffer because they are doing wrong.

God delights in repentance because it instantaneously makes a person who formally fought against the Kingdom of God, now one of its fiercest warriors. This is not a great example but I'll say it anyway...it's like a member of ISIS becoming a navy seal. That's the power of repentance.

But repentance requires 2 things.

First and foremost, repentance requires a person to "own" their sin. In an age when people like to NOT call sin for what it is...instead we say "well that's just part of their personality" or we say "well everyone does it so it's not really that big a deal" or we say something like "but it's natural" or we say "we had no other choice."

WRONG!!! First of all, personality is one thing and sin is another...they are NOT the same. Second, even if everyone else is doing it that doesn't mean it's still not sinful...a whole society can be wrong on something. Third, human nature is good but wounded...so not everything we feel is good and right...some things we have to deny because they are unhealthy or disordered. Fourth, we ALWAYS have a choice...no one is ever FORCED to sin...and even if someone tries to force you don't do it even if it results in you being killed...because you will go straight to heaven for standing up for what is right.

So we have to own our own sin. We have to name and call it for what it is and we cannot make excuses for ourselves. We certainly do not like it when someone else points out our sin, we usually want to punch them in the face...therefore we have to spiritually police ourselves. If we do not...it is likely no one will be able to.

Secondly, the second thing regarding repentance is that we have to recognize that God instantaneously forgives us the moment we repent and says to us "good work, keep

going, I love and know you can do better." HE IS OUR MOST ENTHUSIASTIC COACH!

That's why he didn't kick King David to the curb after he messed up, or Mary Magdalene, or St. Peter, or...

Repentance is a great thing. Without it, God's Army would be small indeed. But because of it, His forces span every nation, society, culture, family and individual human heart that turns to Him.

Amen.

Fr. Danny is celebrating his 1st anniversary – There will be a reception on Thursday, June 30, 6:30 pm, at St. Peter. All are invited to celebrate with Fr. Danny. RSVP is requested by June 23. Please call the office, 804-643-4315 or email: stpeterchurch2@aol.com.

Outreach & Social Ministry – 131 lunches were served to the homeless on Tuesday, June 7, 2016. 62 dinners were served to the homeless on Wednesday, June 8, 2016. Thanks so much to all who help make this ministry possible.

MCV Ministry: There will be another training session for Extraordinary Eucharistic ministers on Wednesday, June 15 at 7:00 pm at St. Patrick's. We are off to a good start. Seven people showed up for the training and they are already seeing patients at MCV.

SECOND COLLECTION - Sunday, June 12, 2016 – The second collection today is for Peter's Pence. Please be generous.

Budgeted Weekly Income	\$3,461.00
Collection	<u>3,231.63</u>
Loss	\$ 229.37

Budgeted income was determined during spring of 2015 budgeting process by Fr. Brownell and Finance Council.

Help needed – Please when writing your check for your pledge to LOM, make it **payable to LOM** and **mail directly to:** Living Our Mission, P O Box 28450, Richmond, VA 23228.

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