



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

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 28, 2017

Mass Intention: Parishioners of St. Peter, St. Patrick and St. John

TODAY'S MUSIC

ENTRANCE	#469
A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing	
PSALM	#851
God mounts His throne to shouts of joy, to shouts of joy.	
OFFERTORY	#470
Lord You Give the Great Commission	
COMMUNION	#488
Jesus My Lord, My God, My All	
RECESSIONAL	#471
Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise	

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: Norma Bunchman Extraordinary Ministers: Barbara Goode, Bill Lipchak, Tom Fahed

FINANCE: Doug Dewing, Ron Hurst, Chris Thomas

10:45 am: Marie Martinelli Extraordinary Ministers: Joe Naman, Mimi Schoof, Richard Williams

FINANCE: Chris Thomas, Patty Talley

NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 am: Adriane Henderson Extraordinary Ministers: Adriane Henderson, Linda Shisler, Kimberly Taylor

FINANCE: Gabi Wolz, Bill Lipchak

10:45 am: Joe Naman Extraordinary Ministers: Steve Gerloff, Nancy Gowen, Jim Martinelli

FINANCE: Chris Thomas, Kathy Kelly

HOMEBOUND/HOSPITALIZED

David Adams, Charlie Aldridge, Carolyn Alford, Steve Campbell, William Claiborne, David Coffman, Bill Holzgreffe, Shirley Hudson, Camilla Hull (mother of Doyle Hull), Connie Klyver, (friend of Ginnie & Marilyn), Maria Konwerska, Cathy Lipchak, Emma Mednikov, Jim Melton, Jesse Oliver, Darnetta Robinson, Rachel Robinson, Marilyn Reilly, Nancy Severns, Beulah Taylor, Craig Trowbridge, 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.

SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.: Mass Intention: My Guidarelli (L)
Tues.: Mass Intention: Andy Guidarelli (L)
Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
Wed.: Mass Intention: Jane Guidarelli
Thurs: Mass Intention: Patricia Jones
Fri.: Mass Intention: Joe Ted Thill

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Happy Sunday All!!!

And Happy Memorial Day!!!!

Monday is a special day in the United States, it is a day when the country remembers those who have given their lives in service, those who have died fighting to defend this country.

It is a very noble thing to sacrifice of ourselves for something greater than ourselves, for a purpose that is beyond us. Giving of our selves is the best definition of 'love.'

Giving = love...that is Christ...that is *Christian* love.

There is something inspiring about seeing a soldier. It makes you sort of straighten up, tighten up and show respect.

This is good. This is the way it's supposed to be.

The reason why is because of what the country celebrates on Memorial Day.

Memorial Day reminds us citizens that those men and women who choose to be soldiers, when required, will lay down their lives for us. They are willing to die for us.

We may have disagreements about the country's political involvement in something, but those are questions on which soldiers do not base their decision when choosing to jump on a grenade or walk a midnight patrol. They give up freedom to give us freedom. They voluntarily sign up for it. And that's always in the back of our mind.

As such, we say thank you today along with all the citizens of our country to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice giving up their lives for us, and we pray for all those who are currently serving and would do the same...for us.

Thinking about soldiers makes me think of the priesthood. I always say that soldiers make great priests. They know how to take orders, they understand authority and obedience, and they understand the importance of discipline. All important aspects of living a faithful Christian life and especially a faithful life as a priest.

I attended an ordination of three young men to the transitional diaconate last weekend (that's the year before they are ordained priests) and watched as they put their foreheads on the marble of the Cathedral floor and asked for God's help before giving their hands to the Bishop and promising 'obedience to the Bishop and his successors.' It's always inspiring.

And while priests and religious, like soldiers, make a public promise to give up their lives for others, there is no difference in the call God has placed on all the baptized. The bible says "we are called to be good soldiers of Jesus Christ" (2 Tim 2:3)...and when it says that, it was meant for all, lay and religious. We are all called to embrace obedience. We are all called to take up the discipline appropriate to Christian life.

And while no earthly compensation is worth the value of our entire lives, we lay down our lives nonetheless. We do this to attain the same reward the Lord experienced this Ascension Sunday, our entrance into Heaven.

Fr. Rossi

Budgeted Weekly Income	\$3,288.00
Collection	<u>2,961.59</u>
Loss	\$ 326.41

Please make welcome our latest members to register to become a part of our church family – Anthony, Karen, Morgan, and Collin Seal, Kimberly Cogbill, Chandler, Diana, and Caroline Fulton, and Rita Mayer.

If you wish to register, please contact the office. All are welcome.

Outreach & Social Ministry – 113 lunches were served on Tuesday, May 23, 2017. **91** dinners were served on Wednesday, May 24, 2017. Thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who serve God's people.

BISHOP BARRON DVD SERIES – Beginning Sunday, June 18, after 8:30 Mass, we will begin showing the Catholicism series narrated by Bishop Barron. Each DVD is approximately one hour in length. We will try to finish each DVD by 10:30. This series is outstanding with beautiful music and cinematography.

“...I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.” Lead your married lives “more abundantly” by participating in a **WorldWide Marriage Encounter** weekend. The next weekends are: June 23-25, 2017 in Chapel Hill, NC and Sept. 15-17, 2017 in Herndon, VA. Early sign up is recommended. For more information, visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org or 757-690-1369.

Save the Date! Saturday, June 24th, 2017 from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. Please join the Office for Black Catholics for a Women's Day of Reflection. Pam Harris and Candra Parker invite us to come together as Sisters in Christ to spend a day of prayer, reflection, and talk. The day of reflection will take place at St. Paul Catholic Church/909 Rennie Ave, Richmond, VA 23227. For questions please contact the Office for Black Catholics at email obc@richmonddiocese.org or by phone at (804) 622-5262.

Foster Care. Foster Hope. Commonwealth Catholic Charities is dedicated to the children and you entrusted to our agency's foster care program and we recognize the special role that foster parents play in these children's lives. CCC is blessed to work with a group of passionate individuals who have embraced their calling as foster parents.

If you would like to learn more about foster care and foster parenting, please visit our website at www.cccofva.org.

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