



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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nov. 12, 2017

Mass Intention: Clarence Jones

TODAY’S MUSIC

ENTRANCE	#521
From All That Dwell Below the Skies	
PSALM	#958
My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord, thirsting for you my God.	
OFFERTORY	#660
Peace with the Father	
COMMUNION	#580
Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God	
RECESSIONAL	#763
O Beautiful for Spacious Skies	

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.*

**SCHEDULE FOR
LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
FINANCE
PLEASE SEE BULLETIN BOARDS**

HOMEBOUND/HOSPITALIZED

David Adams, Joseph Birchette, Steve Campbell, William Claiborne, Mary Davidson, Larry Jones, Cathy Lipchak, Emma Mednikov, Jim Melton, Jesse Oliver, Rachel Robinson, Marilyn Reilly, Nancy Severns, Patty Talley, Beulah Taylor, Craig Trowbridge, Greg Stowers, Maggie Wilkins. 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: John J. Beall, Sr.
Tues.: Mass Intention: Joseph McLaughlin
Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
Wed.: Mass Intention: Timothy Malvhill
Thurs: Mass Intention: Thelma Mendez
Fri.: Mass Intention: Robert Kersey

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Good day.

I wanted to give everyone an update on the news of a new Bishop. As of the writing of this bulletin message (Monday), there has been no news. That said, the announcements are usually made on Tuesdays so maybe when you read this it will have been announced and my message will be out of date. There is no other information to share. Anything else is simply rumor.

There is one item I would like to mention in regards to the second reading this Sunday. St. Paul says we Christians “do not grieve like the pagans do who have no hope.” Basically he is saying that for a pagan, dead is the end and they have no knowledge of heaven or living forever. As such, they grieve horribly at the death of others and because they fear their own death. Christians, on the other hand, know of heaven and eternal life and happiness for those whom God has brought into heaven, as so Christians are not saddened by the certainty of death.

The man or woman who walks by faith still feels pain. He or she still feels sadness at sickness, loss, or death. But the person of faith turns towards the hope held in store for us in heaven rather than look to the world and what it might offer for consolation.

This is sometimes easier to say than to do. That is to say, in the midst of trial it can be difficult to buck up and have faith.

But God does a great thing in our life.

God prepares us for the times when great faith will be expected of us by giving us continual smaller opportunities to us our faith. We are given the chance to go through small challenges with faith, which builds up our faith and makes it strong, so that when the larger challenge confronts us, we can do it.

It's like a guy trying to bench 300 pounds. He has to work up to it, 150lbs, 200lbs, 250lbs, etc. They all seem to be nearly impossible at the time. But push, push, push little by little he gets stronger. Then when he gets ready for the big 300lb challenge, it does not seem like such a leap.

So trials in our life are not insignificant. They are actually serving a greater purpose. They are helping us prepare for something we all face, the certainty of death. But we, Christians, face it head on and "do not grieve like the pagans do who have no hope."

Fr. Rossi

Budgeted Weekly Income	\$3,288.00
Collection	<u>5,325.78</u>
Gain	\$2,037.78

Outreach & Social Ministry – 118 lunches were served on Tuesday, November 7, 2017. 120 dinners were served on Wednesday, November 8, 2017. Thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who serve God's people.

St. Peter's Pantry is in need of restocking. Our pantry helps to feed the poor of the city. Please donate canned foods, pull-top cans preferred, cereals, canned tuna and chicken. We are also in need of personal hygiene items such as bar soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, adult and baby pull-ups.

St. Joseph Sunday Missals – We still have a few missals available in the office for a donation of \$3.00.

St. Patrick Christmas Concert – All parishioners from St. Peter, St. John and St. Patrick are invited to the annual St. Patrick Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 17th, at 4:00 pm. Please mark your calendars now and plan to join us for an afternoon of music celebrating the upcoming birth of the Savior.

Vocalists Needed – Christmas Concert – All musical parishioners from St. Peter, St. John, and St. Patrick are invited to participate in a special Christmas concert choir. We will rehearse 3 times before the concert on December 17th. The first rehearsal will be on Tuesday, November 14th, at St. John at 7:00 pm. Anyone interested in singing or playing an instrument, please contact Angie Pometto at 703-772-6866 or apometto@gmail.com

Lectors Needed – Christmas Concert – This year's Christmas Concert will incorporate several Scriptural readings to tell the story of Jesus' birth. We are in need of 3-5 lectors to share their gifts at this concert. Anyone interested in helping should contact Angie Pometto at 703-772-6866 or apometto@gmail.com.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER'S 36th Annual Craft Bazaar. Saturday, November 18, 2017 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. Located at 8275 Meadowbridge Road, Mechanicsville across from Memorial Regional Medical Center. 120+ craft vendors, bake sale, Santa Claus, Santa Shop, \$1.00 Donation/Door Prize, and raffle. Bring a can of non-perishable food for a bonus door prize ticket! Also serving breakfast and lunch. Join us for a day of fun.

Please join, Rev. James Arsenault and the Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 2712-2nd – Avenue, Richmond, VA 23222, 804-329-4599, as we celebrate our Homecoming Mass, Sunday, November 19, 2017, 9:00 am. Everyone is welcome, and we hope to see all former, long-time and our newest parishioners! Please join us in the parish hall for a reception, immediately following Mass.

Coffee is available downstairs in the parish hall after each Mass on Sunday. All are welcome. Please take this opportunity to get to know your church family.

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