



**SAINT PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH**

800 East Grace Street

P. O. Box 933

Richmond, Virginia 23218-0933

Office: 804-643-4315

[www.stpeterchurch1834.org](http://www.stpeterchurch1834.org)

**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**

**First Sunday of Advent**

**November 27, 2016**

**Mass Intention: William Payne**

**TODAY'S MUSIC**

**ENTRANCE** #357

O Come O Come Emmanuel

**PSALM**

I rejoiced when I heard them say let us go to the house of the Lord. #766

**OFFERTORY** #759

Come Ye Thankful People Come

**COMMUNION** #368

Creator of the Stars of Night

**RECESSIONAL** #363

Lift Up Your Heads O Mighty Gates

**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.*

**HOMEBOUND/HOSPITALIZED**

David Adams, Carolyn Alford, Anthony Arrighi, Rollo Brown, Steve Campbell, David Coffman, Bill Holzgrefe, 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, 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.**

**LECTOR & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**8:30 am:** Bill Lipchak Extraordinary Ministers:

Doug Dewing, Tom Fahed, Barbara Goode

**FINANCE:** Kathleen & Anthony Seal, Tom Fahed

**10:45 am:** Colin Schmidt Extraordinary Ministers:

Marie Martinelli, Joe Naman, Kim Taylor

**FINANCE:** Patty Talley, Richard Williams

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**8:30 am:** Samantha Perez Extraordinary Ministers:

Adriane Henderson, Bill Lipchak, Cathy Lipchak

**FINANCE:** Kathleen & Anthony Seal, Tom Fahed

**10:45 am:** Colin Schmidt Extraordinary Ministers:

Marie Martinelli, Joe Naman, Kim Taylor

**FINANCE:** Patty Talley, Richard Williams

**SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon.: Mass Intention: Devon O'Keeffe

Tues.: Mass Intention: Mariano Taormina, Jr.

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

Wed.: Mass Intention: Mary Bruner Burton

Thurs: Mass Intention: John Moore

Fri.: Mass Intention: Theresa Sciscent

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR**

Happy New Year!!!

That's right folks, with the beginning of Advent this weekend, we start a new Church year. And with any new year, it's a great time to make resolutions!

But not just any resolutions, like losing weight or quitting smoking (we can wait till January 1<sup>st</sup> for those). This is the time for SPIRITUAL resolutions, to ignite your faith, to increase your spiritual fitness, and expand your heart to loving God more.

As such, as your spiritual physical trainer, I intend to offer some suggestions to torture you.

Just kidding.

But any good physical trainer has to push those he works for...

#### Do's

1. Pray every day for at least 30 minutes. Do it in the morning before you do anything else...because you'll be too tired at the end of the day to do it then.
2. If you already pray 30 minutes a day, then bump it up to 1 hour a day. God gives you 24 hours...can't you give Him one?!?
3. Stop watching so much TV...especially if you don't even pray for one hour a day.
4. Pray the Rosary every single day. It takes 17 minutes and is the most powerful prayer you can say by yourself.
5. Go to confession once per month. It's good for you and readily available. It's like going to the chiropractor to get an alignment, except for your soul.
6. Read the daily readings from Mass each day.
7. Go to daily Mass often.
8. Read good books about the lives of the saints.
9. Pray together as a family at least once per day.
10. Listen to good Christian praise and worship music rather than bad stuff.

#### Don'ts

1. Stop being mean to your spouse...even if they bother you.
2. Stop spoiling your kids...I promise they already have too much.
3. Stop being immoderate with food and drink...it won't fill the hole only God can fill.
4. Don't drive angry...just take your time.
5. Stop complaining about having to get up and go to work...God gave you that job!
6. Stop complaining in general...just offer it up.
7. Don't tell lies, even little ones, but just deal with the consequences of telling the truth...God will be with you.
8. Don't say bad words...carry a picture of the Blessed Virgin in your wallet and look at it after you say a swear word.
9. Don't be stingy with your money...find someone or some cause who you love and want to support.
10. Stop being so stressed and trust God will take care of things...do the birds worry???

I hope you have the best year of your life!!!

Fr. Rossi

<b>Budgeted Weekly Income</b>	<b>\$3,288.00</b>
<b>Collection</b>	<b>3,611.86</b>
<b>Gain</b>	<b>\$ 323.86</b>

**PLEASE put your name, check number and amount on your Sunday Collection Envelopes.**

**SECOND COLLECTION** – There will be a second collection on Sunday, November 27, 2016 for the Campaign for Human Development. Please be generous.

**Christmas Concert: Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>** – Please join us for the 2017 Christmas Concert, which will be held at St. Patrick Church on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm. The concert will highlight a combined choir with vocalists and instrumentalists from St. John, St. Patrick, and St. Peter. Several solos and ensembles will also perform along with a children's choir. You and your families are invited to join us for a night of Christmas music as we prepare to welcome our infant Savior. For more information, please contact Angie Pometto at [apometto@gmail.com](mailto:apometto@gmail.com).

**Holiday Festival of Music Benefitting Commonwealth Catholic Charities** – This year the Holiday Festival of Music is celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! The concert will feature the Richmond Symphony, VCU Choral Arts Society, and members of the Cathedral Choir. Selections will range from classics by Bach, Mozart and Handel to a congregational sing-a-long of familiar Christmas carols by Irving Berlin and Mel Torme. Join us Monday, November 28 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are available at [www.cccofva.org](http://www.cccofva.org).

**Thank you for your support** – Thank you to each and every person whose generous and continued support allows Commonwealth Catholic Charities to carry on the work of serving the community. Without a caring and committed network of mission-minded individuals, we would not be able to continue helping the homeless, feeding the hungry, and caring for the young, the elderly, and the sick. Thank you!

**THERE WILL BE A COMMUNAL ADVENT PENENCE SERVICE** – St. John on Tuesday, December 6 at 6:30 pm.

**COFFEE** – downstairs in the Parish Hall after each Mass on Sunday. Come down, join in and get to know your parish family.

#### **Emails:**

**Pastor, Rev. Gino Rossi:** [ginopaulrossi@hotmail.com](mailto:ginopaulrossi@hotmail.com)

**Rev. Ernest Livasia Bulinda:** [livasia@gmail.com](mailto:livasia@gmail.com)

**Rev. Frank Wiggins:** [Padreop@verizon.net](mailto:Padreop@verizon.net)

**Office:** [stpeterchurch2@aol.com](mailto:stpeterchurch2@aol.com)