



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

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct. 29, 2017

Mass Intention: John Mulligan, Jr.

TODAY’S MUSIC

ENTRANCE	#512
Immortal Invisible God Only Wise	
PSALM	#952
I love you, I love you, Lord my strength.	
OFFERTORY	#624
What Does the Lord Require	
COMMUNION	#636
I Danced in the Morning	
RECESSIONAL	#559
Let All Things Now Living	

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, Larry Jones, Maria Konwerska, 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: Joseph McLaughlin
Tues.: Mass Intention: James Dyer
Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
Wed.: Mass Intention: Colleen Duggan
Thurs: Mass Intention: William Leftwich
Fri.: Mass Intention: Regina Williams

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Good day all.

I would like to start by saying a very grateful thank you to all the people who volunteered and worked so hard at our Barbeque Blast at St. John last weekend. To our master chef, to our coordinators, to all those who helped setup and take down, to the ladies of the women’s council and to the parish staff, thank you very much. It was an excellent day: good fellowship, amazing food and perfect weather. God smiled upon us and gave us a wonderful day.

I love the Fall. I love the cooler air. It’s great for running and leaving you windows open at night.

I was discussing this with my mother a week ago, and she said she loves it as well but it also makes her sad because she says it means that another year has passed.

I am not as old as her and I don’t know what I will feel like when I am her age (she’d beat me if I said her age). I am sort of in between as to whether I mind if the years pass swiftly or slowly.

It’s funny how when you are young you cannot wait to get old; old enough to drive, old enough to buy beer (legally), old enough to ‘do what you want.’

And then we get a little older and we are not so sure it’s that great to get old: driving isn’t that fun, beer gives us a beer belly, and

usually when we have the ‘do what we want feeling’ it leads to mistakes and sins.

But there are two excellent things to be excited about when getting old. And these ones are legit (that means ‘real’...that’s the way the young hipsters say it).

The first is that you get smarter. You get wiser.

I am convinced there is no substitute for age when it comes to wisdom. There is just some things (most things) you cannot learn in a book. You have to experience it. You have to go through it. And until you do, you just don’t know what the heck you are talking about (most young people). In fact, I would say almost all the virtues increase with age; you become more prudent, more temperate, more self-controlled, and more thoughtful in what you say and do.

Forget the world. The world has this one way wrong. They think it’s great to be young, when you’re immature and stupid. And they throw out and disrespect older people, thinking they don’t offer anything anymore. In fact, it is at that time older folks offer the best we as humans have available to us, because at that point they have seen the most and their advice is the best and most accurate.

Secondly, the second good thing about getting old, and very simply put, the older you are the closer you are to heaven. It is very simple. Heaven is our destination. Heaven is where perfect and eternal joy is experienced. Life is a battle. Heaven is eternal happiness.

It takes faith to be able to say this, to say ‘I can’t wait to get to heaven.’ And even more than that, it takes even more faith to be able to live with that same attitude as we battle through all that life throws at us. It takes a lot of faith to be able to look to the joys offered to us ahead in Heaven rather than long for the past, especially in the midst of affliction or sickness or pain.

But we have to look forward and know what awaits ahead. A Christian always looks forward. Not back. A Christian’s joy and hope is never in some longing for a return to their youth, but for a rebirth to another life...to be born again. – Fr. Rossi

ENVELOPES FOR ALL SOULS DAY can be located in the rear of the church. Please be sure to turn in to the office no later than October 29, so that they can be placed on the altar for the month of November.

Budgeted Weekly Income	\$3,288.00
Collection	<u>5,106.96</u>
Gain	\$1,818.96

Outreach & Social Ministry –160 lunches were served on Tuesday, October 24, 2017. 115 dinners were served on Wednesday, October 25, 2017. Thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who serve God’s people

ALL SAINTS DAY, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2017, is a holy day of obligation. Mass will be at 12:05.

BETWEEN THE MASSES – On October 29 and November 5, we will show the 1952 movie *The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima*. This historical film is based on actual events from the 1917 appearance of Our Lady at Fatima, Portugal. We will be showing portions of the movie each week.

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. 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.

All Saints Catholic School – Open House on Friday, November 10, 9-11 am. See the school in action, visit with faculty, staff and current parents, and tour classrooms. RSVP requested, but not required at 804-329-7524. All Saints is located at 3418 Noble Ave., Richmond, VA 23222

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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