



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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept 24, 2017

Mass Intention: Randall Hicks

TODAY’S MUSIC

ENTRANCE	#529
Praise the Lord You Heavens Adore Him	
PSALM	#937
The Lord is near to all who call on Him.	
OFFERTORY	#662
On This Day the First of Days	
COMMUNION	#488
Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All	
RECESSIONAL	#525
Joyful, Joyful We Adore You	

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: Will Rogers Extraordinary Ministers:
Doug Dewing, Tom Fahed, Barbara Goode

FINANCE: Kathleen & Anthony Seal, Kris Mednikov

10:45 am: Jim Martinelli Extraordinary Ministers:
Jim Martinelli, Marie Martinelli, Joe Naman

FINANCE: Chris Thomas, Steve Gerloff

NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 am: Norma Bunchman Extraordinary Ministers:
Adriane Allen-Henderson, Bill Lipchak, Linda Shisler

FINANCE: Bill Lipchak, Gabi Wolz

10:45 am: Marie Martinelli Extraordinary Ministers:
Mimi Schoof, Richard Williams, Steve Gerloff

FINANCE: Richard Williams, Chris Thomas

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, 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: Mary Estelle Smith
- Tues.: Mass Intention: Christopher D. Carrollo
- Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
- Wed.: Mass Intention: Frances Murdock
- Thurs: Mass Intention: Ronald James Lee
- Fri.: Mass Intention: Avril Makhlof

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Hello all,

I want to use the pastor message for an announcement.

Fr. Frank is being temporarily transferred to a parish in Virginia Beach. The plan is that he will leave mid-October and return mid-January. There is a parish in need of help and Fr. Frank has been chosen to assist.

I was surprised when I was told of this decision but also not completely surprised. We have been especially blessed to have the great gift of three priests for our three parishes. But I knew that it was a matter of time before a need arose and one of us three priests were chosen for the task. At this point we are told the move is temporary. Obviously things could change and, with

the new Bishop likely to arrive in the next month or two, he will have the discretion to change all priests' assignments.

In the meantime, I have prayed about this and have decided that the following changes will occur for the time being.

1. The Saturday evening Vigil Mass at St. Patrick will be temporarily suspended. With only two priests and wedding schedules being as they are, Fr. Ernest and I will not be able to cover all the Masses. I have selected to suspend this Mass because the attendance is lowest (usually around 20). If and when Fr. Frank returns in January, we can resume the Mass and/or discuss another time that might be more convenient for the most number of people. All people who normally attend this Mass are invited to attend the Mass at St. John at the same time 5:30 pm, which is only a 10 minute drive.

2. The Friday daily noon Mass at St. John will also be temporarily suspended due to priest schedules and limitations. All who normally attend this Mas are invited to attend the daily Mass at St. Peter at the same time (noon).

3. The rotation of priests will be as follows: priest #1 will cover the St John Vigil Mass and the two Sunday Masses at St. Peter while priest #2 will cover the two Sunday Masses at St. John as well as the Sunday Mass at St. Patrick. Weddings and funerals will be divided up based on schedule. So basically you will see Fr. Rossi or Fr. Ernest every other week (instead of every third week

4. Emergency calls will be split half-way through the week, with Fr. Rossi covering the first part of the week and Fr. Ernest covering the second part of the week.

5. We are currently working on the Christmas schedule which will have to be covered by Fr. Rossi and Fr Ernest only. We will do our best, but Masses will have to be staggered so that we can say Mass at one place and have enough time to drive to the other. So some Masses may be a little earlier than you prefer (like a 4 pm Christmas vigil) or some a little later (like 6 pm), etc.

I realize this is not ideal and a cluster situation is not ideal. But we do not have enough priests. There was a day when St. Patrick alone had 3 priests. We need to pray that more young men and women answer calls to religious vocations. God still calls plenty, but people do not want to follow God. We have to strive ourselves to follow Him unreservedly and encourage others to do the same.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Please pray for our parishes and especially for our new Bishop, that whoever he is, God will give him the grace to satisfy the needs of the parishes in the Diocese of Richmond.

God Bless

Fr. Rossi

Budgeted Weekly Income	\$3,288.00
Collection	2,645.00
Loss	\$ 643.00

Outreach & Social Ministry –155 lunches were served on Tuesday, September 19, 2017. 83 dinners were served on Wednesday, September 20, 2017. Thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who serve God's people.

Special Collection for Victims of Hurricane Irma Today, Sunday, Sept. 24, 2017 – Please make checks payable to St. Peter Catholic Church and the parish will send a single check to the Diocese Finance Office. The funds collected in this one-time special appeal for Hurricane Irma Relief will support Church relief agencies as they provide humanitarian aid in the form of water, food, shelter, and medical care, as well as long-term efforts to restore communities after widespread destruction, and the USCCB for pastoral and reconstruction aid to the Church in the Caribbean and the United States.

Medical Director and Nurse Manager Needed – As God is moving at East End Pregnancy Center we have seen the need to provide more accurate and impactful pregnancy testing by using ultrasound technology. In order to be able to utilize this technology we must first have a medical director to approve our ultrasounds and a nurse manager to perform the ultrasounds and oversee volunteer nurses. If you are able to volunteer your time in either position, please contact Rachael Newmister or Ann Campbell at East End Pregnancy Center at 804-564-5852 or eastendpregnancy@gmail.com. Thank you for helping us to become a medical clinic which will use technology to help women see the beauty of life that God created!

Spaghetti Dinner and Movie – Sept. 30, 2017 – The Bible Study Group at St. Patrick Church is sponsoring a spaghetti dinner and showing of the movie “The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima” on Saturday, September 30, starting at 6:00 p.m. We are celebrating the 100th year since Our Lady appeared to the three children at Fatima. This is a great story we all will enjoy and need to see to understand the importance of Her message. If you have questions, you may contact Kathy Buttner at kathybuttner@hotmail.com.

Rosary Rally – October 14 at Noon – Everyone is invited to gather outside St. Peter Church at Noon on October 14 to pray the rosary. At Fatima, Our Lady requested that we pray the rosary daily for peace. October 13 is the 100th anniversary of Our Lady's last apparition to the three children at Fatima. This will be a public praying of the rosary for peace. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Buttner at kathybuttner@hotmail.com.

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