



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

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 22, 2018

Mass Intention: Samuel Brittle

TODAY’S MUSIC

ENTRANCE	#752
The Master Came to Bring Good News	
PSALM	#911
The Lord is my Shepherd there is nothing I shall want.	
OFFERTORY	#729
O Food of Exiles Lowly	
COMMUNION	#728
Shepherd of Souls	
RECESSIONAL	#522
Heavenly Host in Ceaseless Worship	

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.

PRAYER LIST

David Adams, Joseph Birchette, Steve Campbell, William Claiborne, Mary Davidson, Marta Fritzne (Gabi Wolz’s Mother), Cathy Lipchak, Jim Melton, Erin Moores, Jesse Oliver, Sarah Riegel, Rachel Robinson, Marilyn Reilly, Beulah Taylor. 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: Patricia McKay
Tues.: Mass Intention: Donna Duggan
Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
Wed.: Mass Intention: Mary Welch
Thurs: Mass Intention: Ernest Pervall
Fri.: Mass Intention: Patricia Jones

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Good day all.

Today’s readings are all about being a good shepherd. “Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock of my pasture, says the Lord...you have not cared for them.” This from the first readings. Similarly, Jesus in the Gospel looks around and is saddened at all the people who were like “sheep without a shepherd.” Now remember, he is saying this knowing full well that there are plenty of Pharisees and Sadducees around but they are failing in their duty.

Jesus’ rebuke of those with authority is especially strong. The standard at which He holds them it high. Thus he elsewhere warns them, that if they teach and lead the young followers astray, it would be ‘better for them to have a great millstone around their neck and be thrown into the sea.’

He doesn’t mince words.

Those in authority will be held to a high standard. Those God has given authority in the world and in the Church, he will demand more from.

That is why at every single Mass we pray for the pope, the bishops and the clergy. That is why we also pray at every Mass for all civil leaders.

Unfortunately, the tendency among many people is jealousy to those in authority, “why should they have that authority?” In the same way that people can covet their neighbors goods (hence the

commandment ‘do not covet your neighbors goods’), people can also covet their neighbor’s authority. People can covet the authority and responsibility other people have. There is a time and a place for criticism of those in authority but this can sometimes come from a desire for control...wanting the authority or the role for one’s self.

A good way to avoid this tendency and temptation, that of coveting authority and responsibility, is to remember the words of the scriptures this weekend and the high standard of judgment that God reserves for those in authority. When we consider the severe punishment for those in authority who do not do a good job at their task (i.e. having a millstone around their neck and being thrown into the sea), it has the effect of calming our desire for authority and control

It is a heroic thing men and women do when they attempt to step into shepherding roles. Men do it when they strive to be priests. Women do it when they are asked to lead in religious communities. And not only in religious life, but men and women also shepherd when they have children and raise families.

Pray for those in authority. They will be in great need of God’s mercy on the day of judgement.

Fr. Rossi

Budgeted Weekly Income	\$ 3,288.00
Collection	<u>2,561.90</u>
Loss	\$ 726.10

OUTREACH & SOCIAL MINISTRY

124 lunches were served on Tuesday, July 17, 2018. 128 dinners were served on Wednesday, July 18, 2018. Thank you for your generous help in serving God’s people.

Hygiene and Personal Items – Please consider these items when donating: sample size Shampoo, Chapstick, sample size Sunblock, Lotion, Hair Combs, Hair Ties, razors, cloth tote bags, hats, socks, underwear, women’s pads, and sample size toothpaste.

First Annual Open House – Saturday, Aug. 11th at 7:00 PM, St. John’s Catholic Church, 811 W. Nine Mile Road, Highland Springs, VA – Open to all Knights, their families, parishioners, and friends. We encourage you to bring a guest. Refreshments will be provided. Our Guest Speaker will discuss, but is not limited to, the following topics:

- Family Financial Protection
- Long-Term Care
- Asset Protection and Retirement
- Knights of Columbus, Humble Beginnings to Today

COFFEE downstairs in the Parish Hall after each Mass on Sunday. Please join us and get to know your church family.

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