



PRAYER LIST

David Adams, Judy Burneston, Steve Campbell, Barbara Cosby, Mary Davidson, Marta Fritzne (Gabi Wolz's Mother), Jim Melton, Erin Moores, Jesse Oliver, Diane Lindenfesler Ouellette, Marilyn Reilly, David Simons, Beulah Taylor, Bob 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.

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

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 1, 2019

Mass Intention: Laverne Olsewski

TODAY'S MUSIC

ENTRANCE #665

Gather Us In

PSALM #930

God, in your goodness you have made a home for the poor.

OFFERTORY #759

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

COMMUNION #738

I Am the Bread of Life

RECESSIONAL #762

My Country Tis of Thee

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 & MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.: Mass Intention: Robert Shisler

Tues.: Mass Intention: Christian Cunningham

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

Wed.: Mass Intention: Richard Cottrell

Thurs: Mass Intention: Makhlof Family

Fri: Mass Intention: Evelyn Sullivan

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Happy Labor Day everyone!!!

I hope everyone gets a chance to relax and enjoy this wonderful weekend.

Did you know that you can only really appreciate relaxation if you know what it is like to work hard?

Isn't that amazing?

We as humans only know how wonderful it is to relax because (if) we know what it is like to work hard.

I know for myself after spending a day doing hard work, especially if I am helping someone out doing something physical and spending a whole day working in the hot sun, it feels sooooo good to relax in the evening.

But if I were to just lay around all day and do nothing, then I do not really appreciate the cool a/c inside in the evening and the chance to sit down and relax.

That is just the way it is for us. We love the opportunity to relax and appreciate it more, the harder we work.

I hope you are able to enjoy the Labor Day holiday, because I hope you are a person who works hard. If you are a person who works hard, there is a pretty good chance you are a generally content and happy person.

Work is a gift. And so is relaxing from work. But they go together and you have to have them both in order to be happy.

Fr. Rossi

Budgeted	\$3,288.00
Collected	<u>2,547.00</u>
Loss	\$ 741.00

OUTREACH & SOCIAL MINISTRY

152 lunches were served on Tuesday, August 27, 2019. 105 dinners were served on Wednesday, August 28, 2019. Thank you for your generous help in serving God’s people.

We are pleased to announce we are currently in the process of organizing our **Shower Outreach Program**. The effort will be co-led by Robert Peters from St. Patrick and Lorraine Hewitt from St. Joseph. We plan to do a pilot of the program on October 1st, before opening on a regular schedule in November. Showers will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Volunteer roles are being defined and training will be held beginning in mid-October. If you are interested in volunteering for this worthwhile program, please email your name, phone number, and email address to: stpetersshowers@gmail.com.

A MESSAGE FROM GERALD BRITTLE

Alicia Brittle, a member of our parish, passed away on Saturday, August 10, 2019, a victim of breast cancer. Born in New York on August 13, 1945, she was preceded in death by her parents, Henry and Albina Svec of Prague, and is survived by Gerald Brittle, her husband of fifty years. Alicia was a true woman of faith who graduated from Spalding University, a Catholic college in Louisville, and in life taught at Notre Dame Academy, an elite Catholic high school in Manhattan, and then later as a professor at the University of Hartford. May your prayers be with her.

St. Elizabeth Catholic Faith Community, will be celebrating Mass in Swahili, mixing English language. Fr. Ernest Bulinda will be the presider. With the blessing of our pastor, Fr. Jim Arsenault, we are inviting you, Sts John, Patrick and Peter Catholic Faith Communities to participate in the celebration that will be on Saturday, September 7, at 11:30 am, followed by a delicious meal. For more information, see the e-invitation poster on the bulletin board.

Catholic Graduate Students, WE’RE LOOKING FOR YOU! The Catholic Graduate Student Organization (CGSO) aims to link Catholic graduate students from all parts of VCU/MCV together for mutual support and fellowship. If you would like more information, please contact Mario Dance at medance@vcu.edu or call him at 804-314-1681.

Vocations – “Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord.” Are you willing to accept the yoke of the Lord through a vocation as a priest? The Vocations Office, (804) 359-5662, to speak with Fr. Brian Capuano; or write to vocations@richmonddiocese.org

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT – I wanted to inform you of something very unfortunate that happened in one of our parishes. While cleaning the church, we found a host laying on the floor in the pews. It is likely that it was a consecrated host that someone walked back to their pew with and threw on the floor. This is a sacrilege and if done willingly is grounds for excommunication from the Church. Desecration of the Blessed Sacrament is one of the worst offences that can be committed because it is an offence against the Real Presence of Jesus Christ. I pray it was simply an accident and maybe a child who did not know what they were doing. **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION** – if you are privileged enough to be able to help with the distribution of Holy Communion, then you need to observe every single person who comes up for Communion to be sure they consume the Host in front of you. No one is ever permitted to walk off with the Host. If they do, you need to stop them and ask them to either return the Host to you or consume it in front of you. I do this regularly and you need to as well if you want to have the honored responsibility of distributing Holy Communion. **ALL PARISHIONERS** – if you see someone walking away with a Host or someone in the pew with a Host then you need to say something to them. Do not be ashamed. Or walk up to the priest at that moment (not at the end of Mass) and tell the priest so he can deal with it. We must take it extremely seriously to care for and protect the Blessed Sacrament and it is everyone’s responsibility. Thank you – Fr. Rossi

Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC led by Bishop Knestout: Join Bishop Knestout as he kicks off the 200th anniversary celebration of the founding of the Diocese of Richmond with a spiritual pilgrimage to the Basilica in Washington, DC on Saturday, October 12, 2019. The day begins at the Basilica at 10:00 am and concludes following the Sunday Vigil Mass at 5:15 pm. Registration is required. For more information including registration, transportation options, and meals, visit 2020.richmonddiocese.org OR contact 2020@richmonddiocese.org OR 804-622-5200.

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