

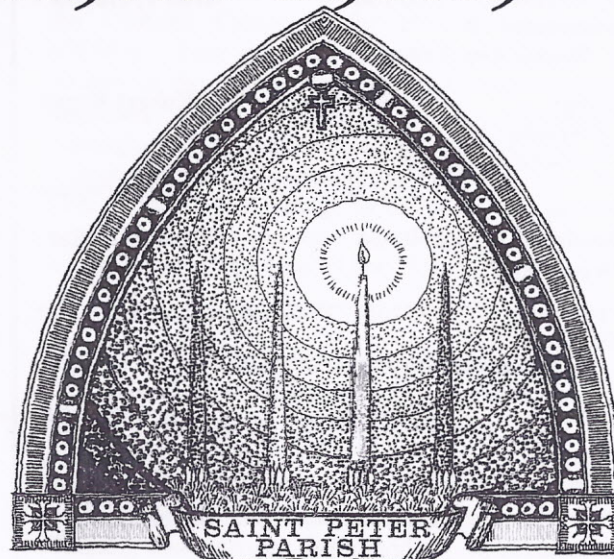
St. Peter Catholic Church

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:30 & 10:45 AM
Mon., Wed. & Fri. 8:30 AM
Thursday 7:00 PM
No Mass on Tuesdays
Holy Days of Obligation 8:30 AM & 7:30 PM

Parish Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
8:30am ~ 3:30pm
Everyday except Tuesday



12762 Lee Highway, Washington, VA 22747

Receiving the Sacraments

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Any Catholic with a life-threatening illness should receive this sacrament even if not in immediate danger of death.. Please call Father Grinnell and ask him to anoint you if you think you should receive the sacrament soon.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Thursday Evening during Adoration
Every Saturday-
3:45 PM until 4:45 PM
(Also by appointment)

The Sacrament of Matrimony

The Diocese of Arlington requires that the parish priest be contacted at least six months before the intended wedding. We want to help all of our couples receive the abundant benefits and graces that the Sacrament of Matrimony can offer them.

The Sacrament of Baptism

A class is required for parents having a child baptized at St. Peter Parish for the first time. Please call Father Grinnell at 675-3432 to make arrangements.

Pastor

Reverend Father Horace Grinnell

Parish Phone Numbers

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St. Peter's Website: www.stpeterparishva.org

Sunday, November 30, 2014

1st Sunday of Advent

*"Be watchful! You do not know when the Lord
of the house is coming."*

Mark 13:33-37

Mass Intentions for the Week

Vigil Mass 5:00 PM **Hue T. Huynh +**
November 29
Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 8:30 AM **Robert Benyo**
November 30
1st Sunday of Advent
 10:45 AM **Pro Populo**

Monday 8:30 AM **Loretta Miller +**
December 1

Wednesday 8:30 AM **Fr. Benedict Groeshel, C.T.R.**
December 3
St. Francis Xavier

Thursday 7:00 PM **Andrew Smith**
December 4
St. John Damascene

Friday 8:30 AM **Kathleen Smith**
December 5
First Friday



Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for the following members of our Parish:

Elaine Viguerie	Genevieve Paterno
Christian Knight	Harrison Knight
Fr. Robert Lange	Deacon Charles Coutu
Evelyn Johnson	John Paul Storey
Colleen Cybrowski	Patricia J. Carey

Friday, December 5, 2014, the **Blue Ridge Chorus** will be performing the Christmas Concert "Gloria" at Reynolds Memorial Baptist Church in Sperryville. The concert starts at 7:00 pm. Admission is not ticketed. A \$10 donation is suggested. This concert will feature a Youth Chorus led by Cathy terWeele, Brass Ensemble as well as other instrumentalist with a 40-voice choir performing traditional and familiar Christmas music. A second performance will be at the State Theatre, December 7 at 3:00 pm. Tickets for this performance are \$12 and available through the State Theatre in Culpeper.

An idea for a "**Bereavement Committee**" has been expressed that could be helpful to St. Peter parishioners facing a death in the family. This committee would assist the family by helping to coordinate a reception after a loved one's funeral at St. Peter's. They could identify parishioners in advance who would be willing to contribute food items and set up a reception in the Social Hall when there is a death. If you are interested in this ministry, please email Marie Reidel at mkratlilwash@yahoo.com, phone 540-675-3638.

INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH??

— If you yourself or anyone you know would be interested in learning about the Catholic faith, email me at: grinnellhorace@gmail.com. If you know of someone who you think might be interested in our faith, but are reluctant to talk to them your self, I would be happy to talk with them, or I can ask someone from the Legion of Mary to talk with them. As Scripture says: "what you have received as a gift you must give as a gift". Faith is a precious gift that must be shared.

DONATION OF STOCKS

TAX SAVINGS THROUGH A GIFT OF STOCKS

You may make a gift of stock as a **donation to our parish**. In exchange for a gift of long-term, appreciated securities (stock), you can receive an income tax deduction and avoid capital gains taxes on stock appreciation. For more information, please call Ms. Mary Reed, McLaughlin Ryder Investments, Inc., 1421 Prince St., Ste. 200, Alexandria, (703) 684-9222, email: mreed@mclaughlinryder.com.

LEGION OF MARY AUXILIARIES: You are invited to the Curia's Annual Reunion at St. John the Evangelist Parish in Warrenton on Dec. 14 from 1pm to 4pm. This is a social gathering of Legionaries (active and auxiliaries) from three parishes, with some fun attached, and it will be held in Mercy Hall (down the hill in back of the church) in celebration of Dec. 8, the Immaculate Conception. Bring a dish to share, and meet others who are devoted to Our Lady!

SEE PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES ON WEBSITE

— If you are interested, you can access the Pastoral Council meeting minutes from the last meeting (Oct. 7) in the Parish website: www.stpeterparishva.org. Just use the link to the Pastoral Council minutes and further link to the page under the names of the pastoral council members. If you have any comments please send them to me grinnellhorace@gmail.com. In the future, we will list the emails of the members of the council and have a picture and short bio of each member.

Catholic Charities Christmas Collection – Dec. 14

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington Christmas Collection is scheduled for Dec. 14. Funds support Catholic Charities programs, such as a soup kitchen/food pantry, hypothermia shelter, adoption and foster care, counseling, immigrant assistance, emergency assistance, services for the elderly, crisis pregnancy counseling, services for the disabled, parish social ministry, and prison ministry. For more information, please visit <http://www.cdda.net/>.

All Saints Catholic Church presents The Westminster Concert Bell Choir. All Saints is pleased to welcome The Westminster Concert Bell Choir from Rider University's Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey. This unique ensemble of talented students are hailed for their virtuosity and perform a wide variety of repertoire on the largest set of handbells in the world. Admission is free, with a free-will offering taken. All are welcome. Jan. 23, 2015, Friday, 7:30 p.m., 9300 Stonewall Road, Manassas. For more information, please call (703)393-2146

or visit www.allsaintsvachurch.org.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Thank you for your contributions to the Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)! Your generous gifts will help CCHD end poverty in the United States through better education, improved housing, and economic development. Through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we help keep Catholic social teaching alive and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor ... to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).

Help a Family Regain Their Independence

Childcare/Activity Supervisors are needed to lead structured activities for the Wednesday night Children's Program from 6:45-8:15 p.m. while their parents are attending Life Skills Classes. This will begin in mid September and run weekly through early December. Training and activities are provided. Volunteers must be 18 years old, or 16 if accompanied by a parent. Volunteers must also complete diocesan Virtus training. Please contact Paula Hummel at (703) 910-4845 or at pahummel@cdda.net for more information.

WANT TO GO TO FRANCE WITH ME NEXT AUGUST?

I am going with a group of people to France next August. The trip will be a river boat cruise (12 days) from Paris to Normandy starting August 4th. Already some 40 people have signed up for the trip but there is plenty of room if you are interested in going. Take a look at the itinerary that is on the table as you leave mass. It should be a lot of fun. If you have questions--email me grinnellhorace@gmail.com or give me a call at the parish office.

Weekly Contributions for 11/23/14 were \$2,793.00; Building Fund, \$100.00.



Thank You for your generosity!

Pastor's Piece



Dear friends,

THE LITTLE BLUE BOOK

Only 6 minutes a day.

Please take a little blue book which has daily meditations for the Advent and Christmas season, Nov. 30— Jan. 11, 2015. Each day has a Scripture meditation and another interesting thought on various traditions and customs of the season.

RENOVATION OF THE MEETING AREAS

On Wed., Nov. 19th the furnace failed that heats the meeting area to the left of the Church (the old rectory). A pipe froze and broke in the ceiling and the place flooded. The ceiling came down and the rug was ruined. We had Servicemaster come to dry us out and clean us up. Contractors are now replacing insulation, wall board, light fixtures, as well as repainting. The new rug will come later.

THE PAPAL FLAG

I have moved the Papal flag to the Gospel side of the altar and the American flag to the choir side of the altar. People tell me that it should be the reverse, but I like the idea of having the Papal flag on the Gospel side.

Fr. Tuck