# 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
Holy Hour 7:30 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 website: www.stpeterparishva.org

## 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

## Sunday, May 3, 2015

5th Sunday of Easter

"I Will Praise You, Lord, In The Assembly Of Your People"

#### Mass Intentions for the Week

Vigil Mass 5:00 PM Cal Perkins + May 2 St. Athanasius Sunday 8:30 AM Nancy Torbik + May 3 10:45 AM Pro Populo 5th Sunday of Easter Susan Rittenhouse + Monday 8:30 AM May 4 Wednesday Huynh Hue + 8:30 AM May 6 Frank & Susie Sherwood Thursday 7:00 PM

8:30 AM

*May 7* Friday

May 8

Jesus is the good shepherd and laid down his life for us that we may have new life. Give your marriage new life by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are 18-20 September in Herndon, or 6-8 November in Herndon. For more information or to apply, visit our website at renewmarriage-vanorth.org or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org or 703-378-4150

#### THE CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS

Thank you for your generous support of last week's collection consisting of \$885.00 for Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Your contributions will help strengthen the Church at home and will help ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. To learn more about Home Missions funding and who the appeal helps, please visit www.usccb.org and search "Catholic Home Missions."



Huynh Hue +

### Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for the following members of our Parish:

Elaine Viguerie
Christian Knight
Fr. Robert Lange
John Paul Storey
Colleen Cybrowski
Helen & Oliver Ashe

Harrison Knight
Deacon Charles Coutu
Evelyn Johnson
Patricia J. Carey
Penny Smith
Nicole Cornado

#### PILGRIMAGE TO THE BASILICA

There will be a pilgrimage for our nation in early June to the Basilica. It's a 3-day affair, but folks can join at any point along the way. The pilgrims plan on arriving at the Shrine on Saturday June 6 with a Mass at 5:30 p.m. Go to this link for more information: <a href="http://fsspdcpilgrimage.com/schedule.html">http://fsspdcpilgrimage.com/schedule.html</a>

I would think that a 11:30 a.m. drop-off in DC and post-Mass pickup at the Shrine would work. I'm checking on coach pricing. I'll be happy to be the point of contact for sign-ups.

If there's no interest at all, families can go individually by auto or rail. Another option is to use the Metro (which may be the best course, so we don't have unfilled seats):

Depart Vienna Metro at 10:30 a.m. to Rossyln, then a 20 minute walk across the bridge to the park.

Depart Catholic Univ. at 8:13 pm and arrive at Vienna at 8:45 p.m.

Note: there is a 12:05 p.m. Nationals game, so Metro could be crowded.

I think it would not only be a wonderful experience for some of our religious ed. students and their families, but for anyone who has not experienced a pilgrimage. To have one in our own back-yard is truly praiseworthy.

And given the trajectory our nation is heading, it comes at the most opportune time.

God bless you, Mike Butters Email me if you have questions: butters@mris.com

#### WE'RE SERIOUS: BAKED GOODS NEEDED BY THIS SATURDAY, MAY 9, FOR BAKE SALE TO AID THE FOOD PANTRY.

St. Peters will conduct its 4th annual bake sale to benefit the Rappahannock Food Pantry. It will be held this Saturday, 9 May, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. (or whenever all baked goods are gone) in our parking lot near the entrance off Rt. 211. What can you do? One or ALL of 4 things: A) bake goods such as cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, whoopee pies, you name it - and donate to the sale, B) sign up to help receive the baked goods at the church on Friday from 4 - 7 p.m. (or for an hour or two), C) Help man the bake sale tent on Saturday for an hour or two or the whole day if you feel so inspired, or D) Come by on Saturday and see what treat you can bring home for Mother's day while making a nice donation to one of your Fay - O - Rite charities!

Please help out by contacting either David Riedel (675-3638) or Nanette Hogan (937-5180) to let us know what you would like to do. We are anxious to know how many people are willing to bake (we don't need to know what) and more important - if you can work a shift at either accepting goods on Friday or during the bake sale. This has previously been an extremely successful fundraiser - thanks to your generosity. Please help us to do it again.

Thanks, St. Peter's

#### From the Office of Vocations

"Now by this we may be sure that we know Him, if we obey His commandments." Jesus wants to make Himself known to you through the vocation He chooses for you. Will you obey His call to the priesthood or consecrated life? Call Father J.D. Jaffe at 703/841-2514, or write: j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

Weekly Contributions for 4/26/15 were:
General Collection \$3,475.00
Catholic Home Missions \$885.00

Thank You for your generosity!

#### A LETTER TO ALL TEENS

Dear Fellow teens of Saint Peter's,

As you know some teens from the parish joined up with teens from Saint Joseph's parish out of Petersburg, Virginia to go on a hike of Old Rag Mountain. It can be agreed (and you can see proof of it in the poster hanging up in the vestibule.) by all who attended that a great time was had by all as we 'stumbled' through the rock scramble, enjoyed the views, and afterwards had dinner back at Saint Peter's and played cards. During the event however, I was thinking how we need to get a youth group going here at Saint Peter's.

Along with fellow teen Teresa Lee, we have organized two activates (including the hike) for teens to get together and hang out. The other event was organized by Teresa where in some of our teens gathered at the Rappahannock Senior Center around Christmas, and had a cookie exchange with the seniors and sang Christmas carols, as well as brought joy to the seniors lives. But besides that we haven't had much in the way of a 'youth group'. So my idea is to get a group going that would probably meet once a month to start off with. We could have our meetings after Saturday evening mass, or Sunday afternoon/evenings; whichever time is preferred. Every so often we could start off with short adoration and confession, then have snacks and different activities. This way you could come together with fellow teens in the parish to hang out, pray, and have fun.

We would continue to work to schedule outings every couple of months or so such as hikes, canoe trips on the Shenandoah, etc. It is also an idea to incorporate some volunteer work such as helping the elderly of the county with weeding/mulching, or working a few hours each month at either the senior center or food pantry.

So what I want from you all is ideas/interests. We will also need an adult leader who is good with teens; can be a CCD teacher who has already been trained to deal with teens. If you have ideas and/or are interested in seeing a youth group being started, please e-mail me at <a href="mailto:DCUnit-ed62@gmail.com">DCUnit-ed62@gmail.com</a>. I really believe this is something we could get started at Saint Peter's, we just need more teens interested.

That is all for now; keep your eyes and ears open for further information!

God bless, Nick Riedel

#### Pastor's



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Dear friends,

#### FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION

First Communion is Sunday, May 3rd, at the 10:45 a.m. mass. The whole parish is invited to attend the mass and remember the first communicants and their families in prayers.

#### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL TO MEET TUESDAY, MAY 5

The pastoral council will meet this Tuesday at 6 pm for a dinner meeting. This will be that last meeting before Summer so if you have any input that you want to give to me (<a href="mailto:grinnellhorace@gmail.com">grinnellhorace@gmail.com</a>) or to any of the council members you can find their contact information of the parish website: <a href="mailto:www.stpeterparishva.org">www.stpeterparishva.org</a>.

Our discussion will continue to have three themes: 1) How to bring the Gospel to the surrounding community (evangelical outreach); 2) How to build up the spirituality and community within our parish community (evangelical in-reach); and 3) How to reach out and minister to the "least of our brothers and sisters" (the preferential option for the poor.) If you have ideas on these topics I would like to hear them.

## ST. AUGUSTINE REFLECTION GROUP PARALYSIS OF WILL

We will talk of the paradox inherent in Augustine's understanding of free will. We are called to make choices, by our very nature and God's design. Yet we are deeply wounded creatures who struggle mightily to make those choices that define us.

#### **NEW REGISTRATION FORMS**

We have new parish registration forms and we invite anyone who has not filled one out yet to please do so. Forms are located in the vestibule, or please contact Jean Hagarty at the Church Office, 540-675-3432, email: stpeterschurch@comcast.net.

Father Tuck Grinnell