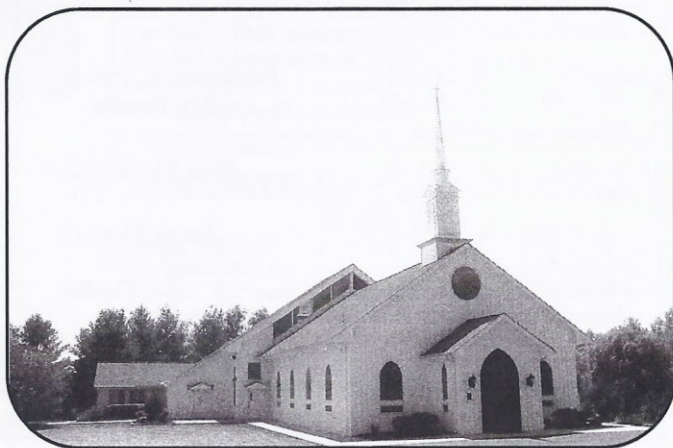


St. Peter Catholic Church

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	5:00 PM
Sunday	8:30 & 11:00 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 & 7:00 PM	



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 website: www.stpeterparishva.org

Parish Office Hours

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

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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 E-mail: grinnellhorace@gmail.com
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Mary Ann Krammes, Cemetery Admin.....(540) 547-4441
 Mrs. Kathleen Tester, Organist.....(540) 987-8764
 Epiphany Catholic School (PK-8).....(540) 825-9017
EpiphanyCatholicSchool.org

Sunday, March 20, 2016

**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION
 OF THE LORD**

**"MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU
 ABANDONED ME?"**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Vigil Mass <i>Mar. 19</i>	5:00 PM	Richard Piar +
Sunday <i>Mar. 20</i>	8:30 AM	Frederick C. Priebe +
5th Sunday of Lent	11:00 AM	Pro Populo
Monday <i>Mar. 21</i>	8:30 AM	Hue Thi Huyuh +
Wednesday <i>Mar. 23</i>	8:30 AM	Jacob Mansch
Thursday <i>Mar. 24</i>	7:00 PM	Le Thi Bai



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the following members of our Parish:

Elaine Viguerie	Joan Gannon
Deacon Charles Coutu	Jane Collison
Colleen Cybrowski	Jerry Keightly
Pat Newman	Diane Rollins
Bonnie Fogelberg	

ALTAR BOY PRACTICE FOR THE TRIDUUM (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil)

**PRACTICE WILL BE TUESDAY, MARCH 22,
FROM 7:00pm TO 8:30pm. MEET IN THE
CHURCH.**

THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support Christians in the Holy Land.

Through the Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace in a troubled land.

In these challenging times in the Middle East your support means that our church will conduct parish ministry, provide Catholic education, feed the hungry, and build housing for Christians, maintain shrines and operate refugee centers in the Holy Land. Christians, along with all the clergy and religious who serve in

the Holy Land, will deeply appreciate your prayers and financial help! The political, religious and military challenges in the Holy Land are more complex than ever. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians.

Our parish will support Christians in the Holy Land through the Good Friday Collection, as requested by Pope Francis. Like Simon of Cyrene, you can help carry the cross under very difficult circumstances in the Holy Land.

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-Friday.

DO YOU WANT TO GO ON CURSILLO?

MEN—There will be a cursillo April 21-24



WOMEN — There will be a cursillo May 19-22

WHAT IS CURSILLO?

Cursillo starts with a three-day retreat to examine and celebrate yourself, your relationship with Christ, and your relationship with the Christian community. We begin with a silent retreat Thursday evening through Friday morning. For the rest of the weekend, you'll hear short talks on a variety of topics from faith perspectives. During the days, you'll discuss the talks and your impressions with the same small group. In the evenings, each group summarizes its discussion for the other tables.

We also offer meditation and reconciliation time as well as community meals. Two spiritual directors, at least one of them a priest, will be on the team and present throughout the weekend. And there's a lot of music and singing—if you have an instrument, bring it along!

Men and women have separate retreats because the way we communicate is different. This is a safe but challenging weekend. We strive to provide an environment that helps you to grow in Christ's love.

I will sponsor any man or woman who wishes to go on Cursillo—the cost is \$250— for the whole weekend, but there are LOTS of scholarships. Email Fr. Tuck Grinnell at grinnellhorace@gmail.com, or by phone 540-675-3432.

MARRIAGE HELP

Retrouaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information or to register for the program, call 703/351-7211 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.



THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 25,

STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTIONS

"I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me." (LUKE 22:34)
How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about Jesus or the Catholic faith? How do you react? Do you remain quiet not to cause a disturbance or worst yet, because you don't want your friends or family to think negatively about you? **Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful dialogue.**



HELP THE POOR IN HAITI THIS SPRING!

Danny Butters, son of Ellen & Mike, is a Junior at Franciscan University of Steubenville will be traveling to Haiti on mission with the **HAITI 180 Program** for spring break and needs your support! His goal is to raise at least \$1500 for air fare, accommodations, etc. and has \$825 so far. Please take a minute to look through this website www.haiti180.com to see the kids he will be helping and the type of work that they will be doing. Danny's GoFundMe account can be found at www.gofundme.com/y9hh3q3w. Any amount will be greatly appreciated.

THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

The **Divine Mercy Chaplet** can be said at any time, but the Lord specifically asked that it be recited as a **novena**, especially on the nine days before the Feast of Divine Mercy (April 3). The Legion of Mary will provide leaflets for this novena which starts on Good Friday, March 25.

EASTER FLOWER DONATION

We will be accepting donations for Easter flowers. Envelopes are in the vestibule of the church. Thank You.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

In today's gospel it says, "He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." Bring the Holy Spirit into your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is Apr. 22-24 in Fredericksburg. 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

FAITHBOOKING RETREAT

April 1-3, 2016—San Damiano Spiritual Retreat Center, White Post, VA

Would you like to leave behind a testimony of your faith for your loved ones? Come experience a weekend of quiet reflection on how God has worked in your life and create a keepsake preserving those moments. For more information and registration details, please contact: kiko.colleen@gmail.com

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE SENIOR CENTER

Come to Scrabble School Senior Center this week for a little fun: Starting at 11am and 1 pm at site on Mon., 3/21, TRIP \$7.00 11am, Front Royal Bowling, 1pm Thompson's Fish Fry; Tues., 3/22 11am Embroidery Floss Easter Eggs, 1pm The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia, & Alzheimers w/Bob Bell; Wed., 3/23 10:30 -2pm Cornhole Tourney; Thurs., 3/24 Egg Scramble in a Basket "Bring large basket", Easter Party—Bring stuff to eat. A delicious lunch is free to all. Come and have fun. If you need to call: 540-987-3638.

How can you help the persecuted Christians in Iraq and Syria? Prayers are essential. The Knights of Columbus also have a website **K of C Christians at Risk** where 100% of the proceeds goes to humanitarian assistance and raising awareness. Please consider participating in this work of mercy, especially in this Jubilee Year of Mercy!

Weekly Contributions for 3/13/16 –
General Collection— \$2992—
Building Fund—\$577—



PASTOR'S PIECE



Dear friends,

HOLY WEEK SERVICE SCHEDULE

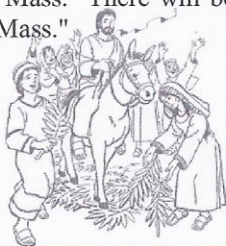
- **HOLY THURSDAY—7:30 PM, MARCH 24, MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**
- **GOOD FRIDAY— 11 AM, BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD**
12 NOON, MARCH 25, THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST
3:00 PM, MARCH 25, CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION
- **HOLY SATURDAY—7:30 PM, MARCH 26; THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT**

LOVE OF BEAUTY

Monday morning, Mar. 21, "**PHILOKALIA**" (Love of Beauty), from 9:15am—10:15am, we will discuss **The Heart 3**, pgs. 50-59. Philokalia is the most important collection of the spiritual writings of the Greek and Russian Orthodox churches (especially the reflections of the monks from Mt. Athos in Greece over the last thousand years). All are invited to join us each Monday at 9:15-10:15 am in the Church meeting room to reflect with us.

"OUR LADY'S EASTER EGG HUNT"

We will have our annual Easter egg hunt after the 11:00am Mass on Easter Sunday, March 27. The general rules are: it is for children 12 and under. Children 5 and under get a 1 minute head start and they can bring a helper. There are about 1000 eggs in total. 12 eggs will have medals inserted in the egg, and only 1 egg will have a rosary inserted. The egg hunt will go on rain or shine. If it rains we will have it in Fr. Albert's Hall after the 11:00am Mass. There will be some eggs in the Church vestibule for children who attend the Easter Vigil and 8:30am Mass."



Father Tuck Grinnell

The Little White Book
Six-minute reflections
on the weekday Gospels of Easter