

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



12762 Lee Highway, Washington, VA 22747
website: www.stpeterparishva.org

Parish Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
8:30am ~ 3:30pm

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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EpiphanyCatholicSchool.org

Sunday, November 20, 2016

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE
UNIVERSE.**

"Let Us Go Rejoicing To The House Of The Lord."

MASS INTENTIONS AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Vigil Mass 5:00 PM Eugenia Vasquez-Dupuis +
Nov. 19
Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 8:30 AM Julie Ann Hogan +
11:00 AM Pro Populo

Nov. 20—Rdgs: 2 Sam. 5:1-3, Col. 1:12-20, Luke 23:35-43

Monday 8:30 AM
Nov. 21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday 8:30 AM
Nov. 23

St. Clement I, St. Columban, abbot

Thursday 10:00 AM Community Thanksgiving
Nov. 24 **Service—No Mass**

Thanksgiving Day

Friday 8:30 AM
Nov. 18

St. Catherine of Alexandria



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the following members and their relatives of our Parish:

Elaine Viguerie	Joan Gannon
Jane Collinson	Bonnie Fogelberg
Colleen Cybrowski	Penny Smith
Deacon Charles Coutu	Adrienne Foshay
Charlie Hayes	Melanie Maloney
Neil O'Heir	

****ADVENT DAY OF PRAYER, Saturday, December 10— Held at San Damiano in White Post, VA. This year the retreat is led by Fr. John Cregan, the theme is *Jesus our Hope*. The day begins at 9:15 am and ends with Mass - about 3 pm. The cost for the day is \$30, which includes lunch. To register contact Heather @ 540-868-9220 or h.esparza@arlingtondiocese.org .**

**SECOND COLLECTION TODAY IS FOR
CCHD**

PLEASE BE GENEROUS.



**THANKSGIVING DAY, NOV. 24TH,
COMMUNITY SERVICE IS AT 10:00 A.M.—
NO MASS**

**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON
FRIDAY, NOV. 25TH.**

A REFLECTION

“...giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light.” COLOSSIANS 1:12

God wants us to be happy? Instead of looking at the Ten Commandments as being restrictive and telling us what we can't do, look at them as guides for living a joy-filled and peaceful life. Most of our problems arise when we put our own needs first or spend most of our time trying to acquire “things”. Try putting God first in all things instead.

ADULTS GROWING IN FAITH

**JOIN THE BIBLE STUDY GROUP ON
ST. MARK'S GOSPEL**

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS, 9 A.M.—10 A.M.

All are invited to join the Wednesday morning bible study in the parish meeting room. Currently the group is studying St. Mark's Gospel (right now on Chapter 17). Come every week or come when you can! **ALL ARE WELCOME.**

**THOMAS MERTON's — “THE SEVEN
STOREY MOUNTAIN”**

**JOIN US ON MONDAY, NOV. 14TH,
AT 9:15AM-10:15AM**

Join us to discuss Thomas Merton's classic account of his conversion and entry into the Trappists. The **Seven Storey Mountain**. We will read and discuss **PART II, Chapter One, Sections III & IV.**

**THE MONKS OF TIBHIRINE — FAITH,
LOVE, AND TERROR IN ALGERIA
EVERY THURSDAY, FROM 5pm-6pm**

OPEN TO ALL—This week we are discussing Chapter 8 in the book.

**“Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal..”
Luke 23:40-41**



TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR — THE CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CCHD)

Today's collection is for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help. CCHD was founded to break the cycle of poverty in the united States by funding organizations that help individuals help themselves. With a tradition of improving education, housing situations, and community economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities nationwide. Your contribution will defend human dignity and reach out to those living on the margins. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

CD'S FOR SALE

Valerie Von Fange, who provides music for the 8:30am Mass, has CDs for sale ... a nice gift idea during the Holiday season.

Witness & Steadfast Love were recorded and co-produced by Valerie in Nashville and *Christmas in the Shenandoah* is a compilation of various Northern Virginia artists. The theme of her ministry is “music sharing the fullness of Christ’s teachings”. She has been a featured artist in *National Catholic Register*, *Arlington Catholic Herald*, and on *The Catholic Channel* and *EWTN Backstage*. Her CDs can be purchased after the 8:30am Mass on 11/20, 12/11 and 12/25 or via her website, <http://www.valvonfange.com>.

THE BLUE RIDGE SINGERS

Come and get in the Christmas spirit and hear lovely choral music from the Blue Ridge Singers! They are having a concert on Dec. 9th at 7:30 p.m. at the Front Royal Presbyterian Church, and again on Dec. 11 at 4 p.m. at the Opequon Presbyterian Church in Winchester. A \$10 donation is suggested. You will hear one of our parishioners of long ago, Robin Hibel, in the concert.

Weekly Contributions for 11/13/16

General Collection — \$2218.00

SOAR — \$1105.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



EPIPHANY TUITION AID APPEAL

As I mentioned in my last Homily, helping our youth properly form their consciences is part of our responsibility as Catholic adults. We have the opportunity to help fulfill our obligation by assisting families in providing a Catholic Education for their children by contributing to the Epiphany Tuition Aid Appeal. Donation envelopes can be found in the vestibule. Please prayerfully consider making a contribution to the school. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Deacon Benyo

CHRISTMAS CARDS ON SALE

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Christmas cards after the masses for the next three weeks. Help KofC by purchasing these beautiful cards.

2,623 LBS.!!!!!!

As part of Catholic Charities' St Lucy Project, Bernard Cieplak and Bernie Cieplak delivered 1,300 pounds of food to the Rappahannock Food Pantry on November 12; and Bob Mello and Bob Ward delivered 1,323 pounds of food to the Culpeper Food Closet on November 15.

ADVENT can be a hectic time of Christmas shopping and baking. To help you quiet yourself down and focus on the most important one (God), the Legion of Mary is proposing a do-it-yourself retreat starting Nov. 29 and ending on Jan. 1, the feast of Mary, the Mother of God. For those of you who don't have the books that were given out last year, "33 Days to Morning Glory" by Father Gaitley or St. Louis de Montfort's Preparation for the Consecration to Jesus through Mary will be available for you after each of the Masses next weekend. For those who have already made this Consecration, this will be an opportunity to renew your Consecration. Your participation in this retreat will be a wonderful way of preparing for the coming of the Savior's birthday on Christmas!

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., 11/21 10:30-12pm Medication check w/Pharm, Johna. Bring all meds/herbs/vit in bag to check for interactions. 1pm Awesome Exercise with WARF; Tues., 11/22 11am-2pm Thanksgiving luncheon *Special guest speaker and music. *Door prizes. 11am ; Wed. 11/23 Site Closed; Thu. 11/24 Site Closed. A delicious lunch is free to all. Come and have fun. If you need to call: 540-987-3638.

PASTOR'S PIECE



Dear friends.

THIS THURSDAY IS THANKSGIVING!

Join us at 10 a.m. for our Thanksgiving service at 10 a.m.! St. Peter's is hosting the Community Thanksgiving service this year. Join the whole community to give thanks to God for all our blessings!

PRAYING ADVENT 2016 IGNATIAN STYLE:

Today, between the 8:30 and 11:00 masses we will have a talk to prepare for Advent (which begins Thanksgiving weekend). The talk will be *an overview of the life and spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola with suggestions for praying with the Scriptures during Advent*. The presenter will be Colleen O'Sullivan, Nativity Parish, Burke, VA who presented before. Coffee will be served. COME!

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS MEDITATION BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE

The **little blue books** with daily meditations for Advent and the Christmas season are available on the table to the right as you leave church.

READING GOD'S WORD

You are welcome to take a copy of Reading God's Word. This book has all the daily and Sunday Scripture Readings for the Church year (Nov. 27, 2016—December 2, 2017). Reading and meditating on the daily readings is a wonderful way to grow in your faith throughout the year.

ONLINE GIVING

For those who have not experienced it in another parish, electronic giving allows you to support St. Peter parish financially without having to deal with writing checks and using envelopes every week. You can plan your giving, change it as you want online, and even make donations for special collections.

For those who may be hesitant about doing anything online, St. Peter parish is using the electronic giving service operated by Our Sunday Visitor (OSV) - a non-profit organization that has served the Catholic Church in the U.S. for over 100 years. Access to your electronic giving account is via a secure connection and instructions for account set-up are straight forward. To **SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING GO TO OUR PARISH WEBSITE: www.stpeterparishva.org**.

Father Tuck Grinnell