

St. Peter Catholic Church

December 10, 2017
Second Sunday of Advent
Renewal

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
Confessions: Thursday:	7:30 pm—8:30 pm
Saturday:	3:45 pm—4:45 pm

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Parish Office Hours

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

**“LORD, MAKE US TURN TO YOU; LET US
SEE YOUR FACE AND WE SHALL BE
SAVED.”**

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**CONFESSIONS,
MASS INTENTIONS AND
READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday
Confession 3:45 PM — 4:45 PM

Vigil Mass 5:00 PM Rick Siegert+
St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

Sunday 8:30 AM Katherine McKitterick+
Dec. 10 11:00 AM Pro Populo
 Rdgs: Is. 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7, 1Cor. 1:3-9, Mark 13:33-37

Monday 8:30 AM Judy Schiminsky+
Dec. 11
St. Damasus I

Wednesday 8:30 AM Loretta Miller+
Dec. 13
St. Lucy

Thursday 7:00 PM Anne Biedscheid
Dec. 14 7:30 PM Holy Hour & Confession
St. John of the Cross

Confession 7:30 PM — 8:30 PM

Friday 8:30 AM Bev+ and Cynthia Hunter
Dec. 15

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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

Elaine Viguerie
 Jane Collinson
 Pat Galletta
 Nicholas Hovey
 Mary Reid
 Walt Cybrowski

Joan Gannon
 Melanie Maloney
 Christopher John Field
 Pat Meinhardt
 Evelyn Kerr & family
 Michael and Eileen Hawkins



MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC

Valerie Von Fange, who provides music for the 8:30am Mass, has CDs for sale ... a nice gift idea during the Holiday season. She recorded and co-produced her *Witness* and *Steadfast Love* CDs in Nashville. She has been a featured artist in *The Arlington Catholic Herald*, *National Catholic Register* and on *The Catholic Channel* Satellite Radio, *Virginia Living Television* and *EWTN Backstage*. Her CDs can be purchased after the 8:30am Mass on 12/10 and 12/25 or via her website, <http://www.valvonfange.com>.

PARISH CALENDARS ARE AVAILABLE

Pick up your yearly calendar after mass in the vestibule. There are plenty of Calendars available for everyone and for friends.

*****THE LEGION OF MARY** cordially invites all auxiliaries (and their families) to the **Annual Reunion** (a social) on Sunday, December 10 from 2-4 pm in Mercy Hall at St. John the Evangelist Church. The guest speaker will be Mr. Ron Savage, who will talk on the qualities of a strong Legion Force. Come and meet other Legionaries from Warrenton, Rappahannock, Orange and Gainesville!

***What can be done about the terrorist tragedies that are happening with greater frequency in the world?
"Among the different ways of praying, there is none more excellent than the Rosary. . . . It is the remedy for evils, the root of all our blessings." (Pope Leo XIII)

*****HELP IS NEEDED TO POLISH THE ALTAR ITEMS FOR CHRISTMAS.** Please contact J. Beattie at: 540-987-8315 or jarbb474@gmail.com.

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY IS FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES CHRISTMAS COLLECTION.

Please be generous in the second collection today for Catholic Charities. The Diocese does a lot of good through their many different programs of counseling, food, immigrant services, housing, and emergency help for people in need. If you are not ready today to donate you can do so on line on their website: www.cdda.net

**ADULTS GROWING IN FAITH
JOIN THE BIBLE STUDY GROUP ON
ST. JOHN'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. Come every week or come when you can!

**JOIN THE BOOK CLUB ON
MONDAY MORNINGS, 9:15 A.M.—10:15 A.M.
The Sunflower,
by Simon Weisenthal**

You are invited to join the Monday morning group —we are discussing *The Sunflower*, by Simon Weisenthal. We will be discussing Book Two, pgs. 101-117 of the book, on Monday, 12/11/17.

**** ALL ARE WELCOME ****



St. Peter Parish now offers **Online Giving**, a web-based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure. And it is convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at www.stpeterparishva.org, click on <http://osvonlinegiving.com/4174> and then click on **Create**.



Weekly Contributions for 12/3/17
 General Collection — \$2,722.00
 Building Fund—\$514.00
 Online Donation—\$3,750.00
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." - Mark 1:3

A REFLECTION

“Prepare the way of the Lord...” - MARK 1:3
We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, does just that – it puts us on the path to holiness and it invites others to be holy, too.

ENVELOPES FOR DONATIONS FOR OUR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS are also available in the vestibule.

St Lucy Project: Recent Activity— 846 LBS.

On behalf of Catholic Charities, Annie Bolles and Joe Galeone delivered 846 pounds of food to the MESA Food Pantry in Madison on December 2.



ADVENT GIVING TREE



We will have an Advent Giving Tree from December 3 through December 17 to benefit the Rappahannock Food Pantry. Each ornament on the tree has an item listed that the Food Pantry is in need of. Please take an ornament and bring in the item(s) by December 17 to help fill the Food Pantry shelves, and those in need in Rappahannock County, before Christmas! A partial list of items needed is: Coffee, Oil - Reg. and Olive Oil, Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo, Canned Chicken, Spam, Hamburger Helper, Zattarains, Pancake Syrup, Laundry and Dish Detergent, Toilet Paper, Tissues. Thank you.

GUN CONTROL

On the occasion of the 5th anniversary of the Sandy Hook shootings, attend the “We Have Not Forgotten” event in front of NRA headquarters Thursday, December 14, 2017, 10AM EST (11250 Waples Mill Rd., Fairfax, VA)

Since the Sandy Hook Shootings, the Gun Violence Prevention (GVP) community has held vigils in front of NRA headquarters on the 14th of every month to let them know WE HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN. On the 5th anniversary of the Sandy Hook shootings, join friends and neighbors in the area, and other gun safety advocates from near and far, in front of NRA Headquarters to make sure the gun lobby hasn't forgotten either. Hope to see you at this event for gun safety. Together, we must stand up to keep our families and communities safe from gun violence.

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear friends,

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Advent is a good time to go to confession. At St. Peter's we have confessions every Thursday evening during Holy Hour (7:30pm-8:30pm) and each Saturday afternoon, 3:45 pm-4:45 pm.

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BIG BANG OR CREATION . . . OR BOTH?

Come join our discussion: Big Bang or Creation...or Both? Talk given by Steve Snyder, Professor of Philosophy at Christendom College, next week, December 17, after the 8:30 a.m. mass. Yummy treats and Father's coffee will be provided!

Fr. Tuck Grinnell



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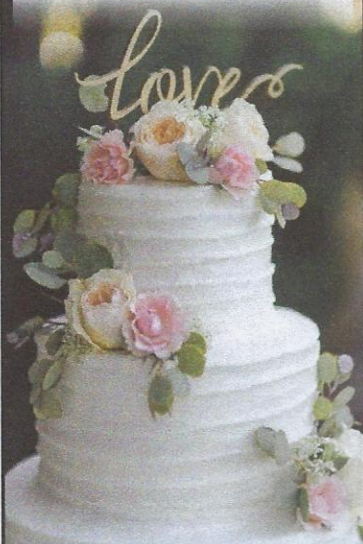
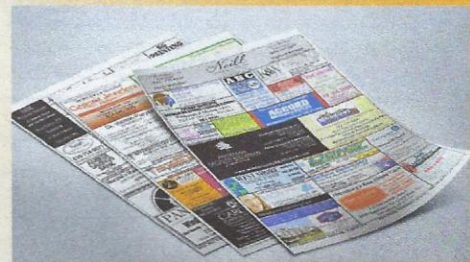


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