



SAINT PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Emergency – If someone is dying or there has been a death, please call: **804-402-1221**

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:30 & 10:45 am Weekday: 12:05 pm

Holy Day: Call the Parish Office or See Notices

Confession: Mon. thru Fri., 11:45 am

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nov. 5, 2017

Mass Intention: Mahlon Brower

TODAY'S MUSIC

ENTRANCE #485

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty

PSALM #955

In you Lord, in you Lord, in you Lord, I have found my peace.

OFFERTORY #664

Come Rejoice Before Your Maker

COMMUNION #588

Love Divine All Loves Excelling

RECESSIONAL #705

For All the Saints

Holy Communion – *This is a reminder that Holy Communion, in the Catholic Church, is reserved to actively practicing Catholics. If you are not Catholic or have not been actively practicing your faith, then please refrain from receiving Communion. If you would like to learn how to be welcomed to full Communion, we would love to help. All you need to do is contact a priest. Our contact info is in this bulletin.*

**SCHEDULE FOR
LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
FINANCE
PLEASE SEE BULLETIN BOARDS**

HOMEBOUND/HOSPITALIZED

David Adams, Joseph Birchette, Steve Campbell, William Claiborne, Larry Jones, Cathy Lipchak, Emma Mednikov, Jim Melton, Jesse Oliver, Rachel Robinson, Marilyn Reilly, Nancy Severns, Patty Talley, Beulah Taylor, Craig Trowbridge, Greg Stowers, Maggie Wilkins. Thank you for your prayers.

If you know of anyone who is sick, hospitalized, homebound, or dying and desires a visit from a priest, please call or email us. Without your help, we have no way of knowing.

SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.: Mass Intention: John W. Crowe
Tues.: Mass Intention: Joseph Summers
Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
Wed.: Mass Intention: Louis G. Schirano
Thurs: Mass Intention: John Olszewski
Fri.: Mass Intention: Margaret McCoy

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Hello everyone and I hope you had a great week.

I would like to begin by first saying thank you very much to all the volunteers who donated their time, talent and treasure to take care of the poor at St. John last week in the CARITAS program. It was a very beautiful event to witness and take part in. I am always impressed with the tenderness and care our volunteers have for these people they do not know. They treat them like they are their own children, a truly godly disposition. Thank you.

Secondly I would like to remind everyone that Tuesday is Election Day and to please pray for our country and our government.

Last week we provided an information sheet of all the issues and the Catholic Church's position on various issues. This week, we are providing a description of where the candidates stand on the various issues. Both of these sheets are put out by the Virginia Catholic Conference.

The Catholic Church does not directly support any candidate but expresses agreement and disagreement with candidates on where they stand on particular issues.

There are many issues to be considered when selecting a candidate. The dignity of the human person is to be respected. Evils such as abortion, euthanasia, in-vitro fertilization and embryonic research are all direct attacks to this. The principle

of subsidiarity is to be embraced. This includes respect and protection of the human family as the building block of society. The common good is to be pursued so that decisions are made that provide the greatest economic and social benefit to the greatest number of people, especially to the elderly, to children and those living in poor conditions. Finally, we as Catholics believe in the principle of solidarity, that when any soul suffers, we all suffer, thus unjust oppression and the scourge of poverty and corruption must be eliminated.

That said, not all issues have equal weight. Certain rights are more fundamental, because they are the most basic and without them, no other issue is of consequence. The right to life is paramount among all these issues. No other issue matters to one who is deprived of the right to life. For one who is deprived of the right to life, they will not even be given the chance to have good or bad health care, good or bad schools, good or bad family life, good or bad government...none of that matters to that life because they have not been given the chance even to see the light of day. Furthermore, the direness of the issue of abortion is amplified by the sheer numbers at how common it is. Over 3,000 lives every single day in the United States are ended through abortion, that's 125 an hour. We often mourn, and rightly so, terrible events of death and horror in our country that involve 5, 10, or 50 lives that happen more and more frequently. But nothing is done to eliminate the most basic right, life, with such prevalence as abortion. Nothing.

So please remember that Tuesday is Election Day and people will be chosen to make decisions on our behalf. Please pray about this. Please pray for our country and for our leaders. I hope that one day God will raise up leaders who we are happy to support and who are on God's side, who embrace God's values, and who fight for God's truth. –Fr. Rossi

Budgeted Weekly Income	\$3,288.00
Collection	<u>3,090.65</u>
Loss	\$ 197.35

Outreach & Social Ministry – 137 lunches were served on Tuesday, October 31, 2017. 86 dinners were served on Wednesday, November 1, 2017. Thank you to all the dedicated volunteers who serve God's people.

BETWEEN THE MASSES –November 5, we will show the last part of the 1952 movie *The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima*. This historical film is based on actual events from the 1917 appearance of Our Lady at Fatima, Portugal.

St. Peter's Pantry is in need of restocking. Our pantry helps to feed the poor of the city. Please donate canned foods, pull-top cans preferred, cereals, canned tuna and chicken. We are also in need of personal hygiene items such as bar soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, adult and baby pull-ups.

St. Patrick Christmas Concert – All parishioners from St. Peter, St. John and St. Patrick are invited to the annual St. Patrick Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 17th, at 4:00 pm. Please mark your calendars now and plan to join us for an afternoon of music celebrating the upcoming birth of the Savior.

Vocalists Needed – Christmas Concert – All musical parishioners from St. Peter, St. John, and St. Patrick are invited to participate in a special Christmas concert choir. We will rehearse 3 times before the concert on December 17th. The first rehearsal will be on Tuesday, November 14th, at St. John at 7:00 pm. Anyone interested in singing or playing an instrument, please contact Angie Pometto at 703-772-6866 or apometto@gmail.com

Lectors Needed – Christmas Concert – This year's Christmas Concert will incorporate several Scriptural readings to tell the story of Jesus' birth. We are in need of 3-5 lectors to share their gifts at this concert. Anyone interested in helping should contact Angie Pometto at 703-772-6866 or apometto@gmail.com.

All Saints Catholic School – Open House on Friday, November 10, 9-11 am. See the school in action, visit with faculty, staff and current parents, and tour classrooms. RSVP requested, but not required at 804-329-7524. All Saints is located at 3418 Noble Ave., Richmond, VA 23222

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER'S 36th Annual Craft Bazaar. Saturday, November 18, 2017 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. Located at 8275 Meadowbridge Road, Mechanicsville across from Memorial Regional Medical Center. 120+ craft vendors, bake sale, Santa Claus, Santa Shop, \$1.00 Donation/Door Prize, and raffle. Bring a can of non-perishable food for a bonus door prize ticket! Also serving breakfast and lunch. Join us for a day of fun.

Please join, Rev. James Arsenault and the Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 2712-2nd – Avenue, Richmond, VA 23222, 804-329-4599, as we celebrate our Homecoming Mass, Sunday, November 19, 2017, 9:00 am. Everyone is welcome, and we hope to see all former, long-time and our newest parishioners! Please join us in the parish hall for a reception, immediately following Mass.

Coffee is available downstairs in the parish hall after each Mass on Sunday. All are welcome. Please take this opportunity to get to know your church family.

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