



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

Holy Family

Dec. 31, 2017

Mass Intention: Maria Konwerska

TODAY'S MUSIC

ENTRANCE	#392
O Come All Ye Faithful	
PSALM	#782
O happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways.	
OFFERTORY	#400
It Came Upon the Midnight Clear	
COMMUNION	#402
Once In Royal David's City	
RECESSIONAL	#387
Hark the Herald Angels Sing	

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.

HOMEBOUND/HOSPITALIZED

David Adams, Joseph Birchette, Steve Campbell, William Claiborne, Mary Davidson, Cathy Lipchak, Jim Melton, Jesse Oliver, Rachel Robinson, Marilyn Reilly, Nancy Severns, Beulah Taylor, Craig Trowbridge, Greg Stowers, Richard Williams. 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 Simons
Tues.: Mass Intention: Michael Bryant (L)
Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
Wed.: Mass Intention: Evelyn Jensen
Thurs: Mass Intention: Juan Rosales
Fri.: Mass Intention: Thomas Berry

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Happy New Year!!!!

We made it folks, another year.

Did you have a good year? I realize that those reading this bulletin have had a range of years in 2017, from good to great to bad to worst.

It's nice to start a new year. It's sort of a fresh start. We take a breath and carry on.

My prayer for everyone is that they have a very happy 2018.

I was thinking about happiness and my life and the times I have been most happy in my life and I would say that two things are always present in my life, in my year in those years when I can look back and say 'that was a good year' as opposed to a bad one.

The first is hard work. I can say without a doubt that the happiness times in my life is when I am busy with work. I don't mean being a workaholic, but I mean staying busy. Keeping focused and trying hard at whatever task God has put in front of me. The alternative is self-absorption and nobody is happy when they are focused on themselves.

The second is being sensitive to the voice of God in my daily life and being strictly obedient to it. What do I mean by this? I mean that each day we have to consider our day a 'walk' with God. What do you do when you walk with someone? When you walk with someone you have to be sensitive to their pace in order to be walking close to them...not too fast or too slow. When you walk with someone you also talk with them, listening and

speaking occasionally. But you have to be continually away of that person with whom you are walking, aware of their presence, because if they go left you have to go left, or if they go right you have to go right. Otherwise you get separated.

These two aspects of life make for a happy life.

Oh what does this new year have in store? If we only knew...

But I can tell you one thing, whether your new year has good things in store or tough things, your best bet is to go through it working hard, trying your best and doing it with God alongside you. That way, when the good things happen, you will know to give thanks to God who gave you the strength to do all you have done, and when the tough stuff happens, you will have the most powerful partner to get through it with.

Prayers for you and all your loved ones in 2018.

Fr. Rossi

Budgeted Weekly Income	\$3,288.00
Collection	3,538.10
Gain	\$ 250.10

Outreach & Social Ministry – 117 lunches were served on Tuesday, December 26, 2017. **94** dinners were served on Wednesday, December 27, 2017. Thank you for your generous help in serving God's people.

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.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

New Year's Day – Mon., Jan. 1, 12:05 pm
(This is not a Holy Day of Obligation)

MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY IN WASHINGTON DC:
Friday, January 19, 2018 – For the 35th consecutive year, the Knights of Columbus will provide **FREE** bus transportation for people in the Richmond metropolitan area to attend the 45th annual March for Life Rally in Washington DC, on **Friday, January 19, 2018. Seating on buses is limited and will be by RESERVATION only.** A Registration fee may be required; however, the Registration fee will be returned when you take your seat on the bus. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a Parent, Legal Guardian, or Approved Temporary Guardian with written permission.

Charter buses are scheduled for the following locations:

Columbian Center, 2324 Pump Road, Henrico, bus arrives at 7:30 am for pick-up and departs by 8:00 am; contact Darius Yazdgerdi at 804-740-9633 or dmyaz@verizon.net. Bus Captain: Darius Yazdgerdi.

Church of the Redeemer, 8275 Meadowbridge Road, Mechanicsville, bus arrives at 7:30 am for pick-up and departs by 7:45 am; contact Ed Gillikin, Sr. at 804-737-7628 or EdGilli@msn.com. Bus Captain: Steve Gerloff.

Columbian Center and Church of the Redeemer buses will also stop at the **Diocese of Richmond Pastoral Center**, 7800 Carousel Lane, Henrico, (just off of Parham and Shrader Roads) at 8:00 am for additional pick-up and a brief prayer service.

Marchers must check-in at the pick-up location at least 30 minutes prior to the specific departure time and **must bring a lunch, soft drinks, cell phone, hat, gloves and suitable clothing for weather conditions.** Buses will normally return by 6:30 pm.

THANK YOU! Thank you to each and every person whose generous and continued support allows Commonwealth Catholic Charities to carry on the work of serving the community. Without a caring and committed network of mission-minded individuals, we would not be able to continue helping the homeless, feeding the hungry, and caring for the young, the elderly, and the sick. Thank you!

COFFEE downstairs in the Parish Hall after each Mass on Sunday. Please join us and get to know your church family.

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