



**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**

**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Feb. 11, 2018**

**Mass Intention: Richard Williams**

**TODAY'S MUSIC**

<b>ENTRANCE</b>	#410
Songs of Thankfulness and Praise	
<b>PSALM</b>	#881
I turn to you O Lord in time of trouble and you fill me with the joy of salvation.	
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	#595
There's a Wideness in God's Mercy	
<b>COMMUNION</b>	#737
Alleluia, Sing to Jesus	
<b>RECESSIONAL</b>	#559
Let All Things Now Living	

**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, Joel Rivera, 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: Carrie Johnson
- Tues.: Mass Intention: Isabelle McGuire Spohrer
- Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
- Wed.: Mass Intention: Avril Makhlof
- Thurs: Mass Intention: William Gorski
- Fri.: Mass Intention: William Leischner

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR**

Are you ready for LENT!!!?!?!?!???

Lent begins this Wednesday, Ash Wednesday. Mass times and distribution of ashes are 9 am, St. John, 12 noon, St. Peter, 7 pm, St. Patrick, and 7 pm (Spanish) St. John.

Lent is a great season. We all get a little out of shape, spiritually, and we all need a time where we all tighten the belt, spiritually. Lent is when we should indulge a little less in the pleasures of the world, we should pray a little (or hopefully a lot) more, and we should give a little extra money/time away to those in need and to our parish. It's good for us. Very good for us.

One of the things we are going to be focusing on this Lent, all three priests, is Confession. We especially want everyone to go to Confession this Lent. As such, we are making it easier for everyone by adding extra times when you can go to confession. We are going to have confessions available before and after every weekend Mass. So you have no excuse. It doesn't take long and you feel better after you go.

St. Patrick – confessions Saturday before Mass as usual and after Mass; on Sunday confessions 30 minutes before and after 10:45 am Mass

St. John – confessions Saturday before Mass as usual and after Mass

St. Peter – confessions Sunday before and after the 8:30 am Mass and the 10:45 am Mass.

Go! Go! Go!

Don't worry if it's been too long, or if you are worried about something you know you need to confess, or even if you don't think you need to go (just ask the priest and he will help you dig up your sins). All excuses. Especially if it has been a long time,

now is the time. You know not the day nor the hour when God will call you from this life. Be at peace whenever it does happen by making sure you are right with God.

A couple other reminders for Lent.

1. All Catholics 14 and older are obliged to abstain from meat on Fridays during Lent.
2. All Catholics 18 to 59 years old are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting is eating only one meal the whole day (but you are allowed 2 small snacks if necessary).
3. All Catholics are encouraged to perform some other type of penance during Lent. Give up something you enjoy, add extra time to your prayer routine, give extra money away, etc.
4. Lent is especially a time to focus on being better at whatever we are called to do given our state in life (i.e. take better care of our parents, be a better husband/wife, be more obedient to our parents, be a better priest).

Lent is a great time to push to be better. You can do more. Be better for your wife, be better for your husband, be better for your kids, be better for your parents. Be better mostly for Him who died on the cross for you.

Fr. Rossi

<b>Budgeted Weekly Income</b>	<b>\$3,288.00</b>
<b>Collection</b>	<u><b>3,980.30</b></u>
<b>Gain</b>	<b>\$ 692.30</b>

**Outreach & Social Ministry** – 138 lunches were served on Tuesday, February 6, 2018. 130 dinners were served on Wednesday, February 7, 2018. Thank you for your generous help in serving God’s people.

**St. Peter’s Clothes Closet** – We are in need of donations to the clothes closet again. Gently used, clean winter clothes will be most appreciated. Jackets, flannel shirts, jeans, heavy socks for both men and women are needed.

**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 are preferred. We need cereals and grains, canned fruit, tuna, chicken, and meaty soups. We also need hygiene products.

**VA bishops invite all to join them at liturgy for legislators, needs of Virginia** – Catholics are called to pray for our civic leaders as we engage in the public square. Join Arlington Bishop Michael F. Burbidge and Richmond Bishop Barry C. Knestout, along with the Virginia Catholic Conference, their public policy agency, at a special liturgy for Virginia’s elected officials and the needs of the state. The third annual **Virginia Vespers: Evening Prayer for the Commonwealth** will be held at the

beautiful, historic Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Richmond, at 5 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 15, 2018. The hour-long service draws on an ancient Christian liturgy and includes Scripture and sacred music provided by local Catholic school choirs. A wine and appetizers reception follows. Register at [www.vacatholic.org](http://www.vacatholic.org).

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**WE NEED YOUR HELP** – We need lectors, extraordinary ministers, ushers and counters for both the 8:30 am and 10:45 am Masses. If you can give us some of your time, please email the office or call and sign up  
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**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** – Christians throughout Richmond are invited to take part in the international 40 Days for Life effort from February 14 through March 25. We will be dedicating 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in our city. A peaceful vigil of prayer will also be held outside of the Richmond Medical Center for Women abortion clinic at 118 N. Boulevard next to the Virginia Museum of Fine Art from 7 am to 7 pm each of these 40 Days. Please sign up to pray for an hour at the vigil any day you can, and spread the word to others about this important life-saving effort. For more information, contact: Ann Niermeyer, 804-714-5170. Sign up at: [www.40daysforlife.com/Richmond](http://www.40daysforlife.com/Richmond) or email [ATNiermeyer@aol.com](mailto:ATNiermeyer@aol.com).

**FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION**, a Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat, sponsored by Church of the Epiphany, will be held March 9-11, 2018. This retreat is for women and men who have known regret, sorrow, guilt, or shame from abortion. The weekend combines living scripture meditations, spiritual exercises, and discussions in a guided process that leads to the heart of God’s love and compassion. If you would like to learn more about this retreat you can contact Marty Montgomery-Jennings at 804-704-0429, or Maggie Carlson at 804-432-2589 or email: [RV4hope@gmail.com](mailto:RV4hope@gmail.com). Visit our website: [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org). Inquiries, registration and participation are strictly confidential.

**CONFESSIONS – Beginning Sunday, Feb. 18, 2018**, confessions will be heard before and after 8:30 and 10:45 Masses on Sundays during Lent.

**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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