

#### Parishioner of St. Richard 5-10-21





### Parishioner 10-18-21

Mass Intentions This Week



Saturday John Banach Sunday Caitlin Martin

### **Next Weeks Readings** The Ascension of the Lord

Reading I: Acts 1:1-11 Responsorial Psalm: 47:2-3, 6-7. 8-9 Reading II: Ephesians 1:17-23

or 4:1-13

Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

In Loving Memory of our departed families and friends by Bettie & Bobby Berndt 8/30/21 In Loving Memory of our departed families and friends by

The Purdy Family 11/29/21

In Loving Memory of our family and friends by The Fitzgerald Family *5-9-2022* 

We welcome all visitors and new parishioners to our parish family. Frequent part-time attendees are encouraged to register. Registration forms are located in the narthex.

### **Knights of Columbus** Council 9309 If you are a Catholic man 18

years or older and wish to join our Council please contact: Jerry Beil (252-586-0635) ncijb2@gmail.com or Thomas O'Neill (252-308-0493)

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### **OUR LADY OF THE LAKE** COUNCIL#9309

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

Ebony, Va

St. Richards Catholic Church Emporia, VA Officers for 2020-2021:

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Elizabeth Martin

**Church Office:** 434-636-6277

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### **SCHEDULE OF MASSES:**

Weekday Masses:

TUE. - FRI.: 9:00 AM 5:30PM **SATURDAY:** 8:00AM **SUNDAY:** Holy Days - As Announced.

ADORATION/BENEDICTION and ROSARY: First Thursday of the month, after 9:00 a.m. Mass

**CONFESSIONS:** First Saturday of the Month at 4:30 p.m., and by appointment.

### **Blessing of the Sick:**

Last Tuesday of the month, after 9:00am Mass.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL:** Jay Warfel: 434-636-4029

FINANCE COUNCIL: Dan Moyles: 434-636-0081

### **BUILDING & GROUNDS:**

Jim Tomazic: 434-636-2993



### 6th Sunday of **Easter** May 9, 2021



### Focusing the Gospel Key words and phrases:

Remain in my love, love one another, lay down one's life, I have called you friends

To the point: Jesus issues two commands in this gospel: to remain in his love and to love one another. Actually the two commands are one: remaining in his love is to love others. By remaining in his love, we love with his love, laying

lives. down our remaining in his love, we bear the fruit of a very tangible love that expansive enough to call everyone "friend." Everyone.

### Connecting the Gospel

... to the Second Reading: The Second Reading invites us to obey the command to love given by Jesus in the gospel. Love is the very being of God ("God is love") and since we are "begotten by God," love is our very being as well. To refuse the invitation is to refuse who we are.

... to experience: We generally use the word "remain" to mean to "stay put." The "remain in me" that Jesus speaks, however, calls us to move beyond where we are to embrace an ever widening circle of those whom we love.

# Calendar of Events & Special Announcements



There will be a Parish Pastoral Council Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> after the 9 am Mass.

On Saturday, May 22, 2021 at 9 AM the Knights Columbus will participate in the Walk for Life sponsored by The Support Pregnancy Center at 1021 Roanoke Ave., Roanoke Rapids, NC. We are inviting all church members to join us on the walk or sponsor a walker to personally show our moral and philosophical support of Pro Life. Our goal is to raise \$2000 in support of this cause. To sign up to walk or sponsor please contact Tom O'Neill at 252-308-0493 oneilltomandanne@gmail. com.

## PRAYER FOR AN END TO THIS PANDEMIC

To be recited after the rosary

O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith.

"Protectress of the Roman people," you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection, Amen.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin



There are a lot of ideas out there about what it takes to be happy: earn a certain income, have certain experiences, achieve certain things. In today's Gospel, Christ presents us a vision of happiness that is wildly counterintuitive to our contemporary, individualistic society: "love one another."

Jesus reveals that we find ourselves only by giving ourselves away. This is because we are made for relationship, not self-indulgence. Christ tells us that there is no greater love than to "lay down one's life one's friends," not in an effort to scare us, but so that his joy may be in us and that "your joy may be complete."

So how do we live out this selfgiving love? Most of us aren't called to be missionaries in foreign lands, or to completely devote our lives to caring for the poor or sick. Yet opportunities to lay down our lives for others abound. One simple way? Support our ongoing Annual Diocesan Appeal. Your offering will directly contribute to our ability to share the love of Christ with a world in desperate need, truly producing "fruit that will remain."

# Next Week's MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### May 15<sup>th</sup>

Ushers: Jeanne Kurilla Paul Kurilla

Lectors: John Husson

Bettie Berndt

Counter: Bobby Berndt

Altar: Pat Moyles
Server: Dan Moyles

May 16<sup>th</sup> Ushers: Marilyn Tuite

Robert Tuite

Lectors: Tom O'Neill

Anne O'Neill **Counter:** Sue Hathaway

Altar: Mary Jo Bankard Server: Bob Hathaway

Mass Attendance: Saturday-05/01 4

Saturday-05/01 49 Sunday-05/02 76

### **Weekly Offerings**

May 2<sup>nd</sup>

Offertory: \$2316 Initial Offering: \$3

ParishSoft Egiving: \$1127.70



Currently there are four vacancies on the Parish Pastoral Council. If you are interested in representing your church or know of someone you feel would be an asset to St. Peter's, please contact Father Jong, Elizabeth Martin or Jay Warfel.

### **Parish**SOF

Thank you to the 37 families that have signed up for Online Giving and to the 19 families who have set up recurring gifts! Not only is it safe and secure, it also helps St. Peter the Apostle by decreasing the cost of envelopes and check processing. You can even view your giving history and pledge progress at any time, just by logging in. Please visit https://giving.parishsoft.com/ap p/giving/stpeterebonyva to get started.



Al Meyer Kaid Moody

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7 Joanne Tomazic

11 Tom Hancock19 Carl Hren

23 Leon Morris

24 Patricia Martin

27 Bonnie Burns Carol Haefner

28 Anthony Moran

9 Linda Becker Ali Hren

Jean Sasscer Tim Burns



Marilyn & Robert Tuite 5-18-2013 Lillian & Al Meyer 5-20-1967



People will stay on the prayer list for the sick for 1 month. After that time, if you would like your love one to go back on the list for the following month, please call the office and let Elizabeth know. We encourage parishioners to use this list during their daily prayer time to pray for those who are sick. May we all lift one another up in prayer during times of need.

Rose Gongla, Carol & Bernie Haefner, Suzanne & George McCall. David & Katie Berlin. Zony & Bob Warwick, Paula Freeze. Caleb Lentz, Billera. Joe Dart, Richard McGovern, Mike McFadden, Karen White, Lynn Martin, Tamara Burns, Kyle Pelletier, Eileen Wurzer, Lexie Burns, Pat Hamlet, Josh, Judy, & Emma Pelletier, Greg Serangeli, David Founds, Ann Mogilnicki, Dave Radford, Tom Eddy, Susan Turner, Kathy Karpinski, Jessie Ginsberg, Mary Marshall, Jeff Johnson, Rose Marie Bates, Mary Purdy, Fred Gasko, Matteson, Mary Jo Bankard, Madison Reid, Megan Sullivan, Peg Myers, Roger Pruhs, MaryAnn Newmyer, Emma Williamson, Jack Fioriti, Peter J. Hamilton, Linda & Steve Miller, Jo Anne Sprouse, Peggy Coster, Ranada Morbitzer

Please contact the office to update the Parish Sick List.
Office......434-636-6277

Please contact Father Jong or Mary Ann Daly if you need to receive Holy Communion at home Mary Ann Daly....434-577-2660 & 434-532-5896