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*In Loving Memory of our  
 departed families and friends*

**The Purdy Family**  
**Bettie & Bobby Berndt**  
**The Fitzgerald Family**

# July Birthdays

*Our Lady of the Lake*



**Council 9309**

- 1 Lil Meyer**
- 2 Edward Maynes**
- 4 Teri Oswald**
- 5 Michael McDonald**
- 9 Jacob Husson**
- 12 Lewis Keipe**
- 13 Betty Morris**
- 15 Daniel Jones**
- 16 Laurie Coughlin**
- Nora Macdonald**
- 19 Jaimie Martin**
- 23 Sebastian Centamore**
- 24 Anne O'Neill**
- 25 Myrna Rodriguez**
- 26 Isaac Bette**
- 27 Michael Guthrie**
- 28 Robert Kapinskis**
- 30 Mary Purdy**

## Happy Anniversary

- Sharon & Michael Guthrie**  
 July 1, 1982
- Tamara & Tim Burns**  
 July 6, 1996
- Elizabeth & Doug Martin**  
 July 6, 1996
- Haley & Justin Vermeulen**  
 July 9, 2010
- Kathryn & William Karls**  
 July 16, 1960
- Nancy & Paul Arena**  
 July 18, 1981
- Carol & Bernie Haefner**  
 July 19, 1967
- Natalie & Ronnie Carlson**  
 July 20, 1968

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### Officers for 2022-2023

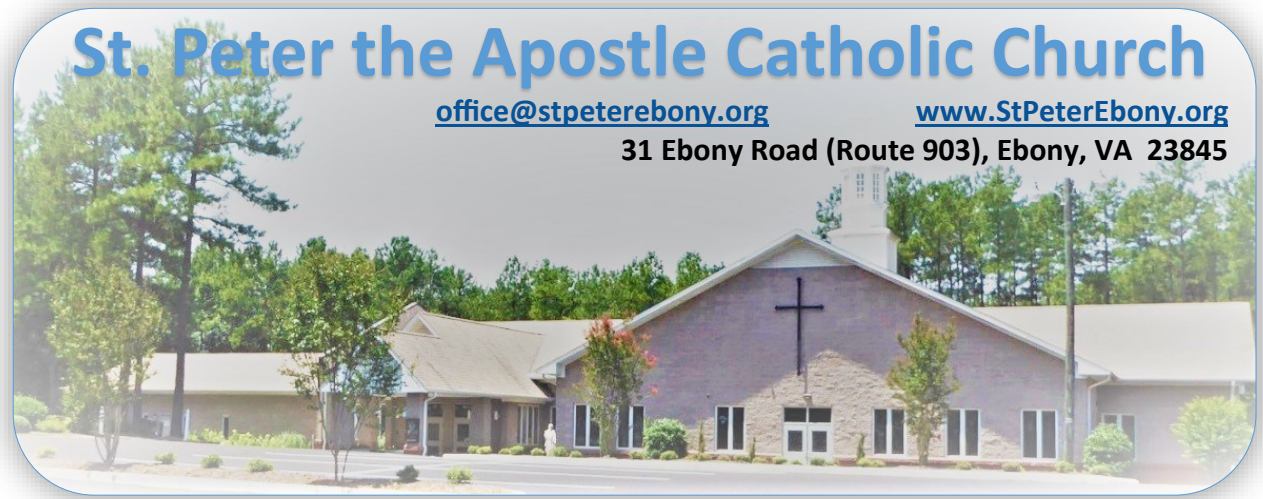
- Chaplain:** Fr. Jong R. Bayta
- Grand Knight:** Bobby Berndt
- Deputy Grand Knight:**  
 Mark Fracassa
- Chancellor:** Dave Thomas
- Recorder:** Bob Hathaway
- Treasurer:** Jay Warfel, PGK
- Financial Secretary:**  
 Tom O'Neill, PGK
- Advocate:** Bob Oravits
- Warden:** Paul Kurilla
- Guards:**  
 Inside: Kip Boisot, PGK  
 Outside: Richard Rumprik

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

- Trustee One Year:**  
 Tom Eddy, PGK
- Trustee Two Years:**  
 Chuck Youse
- Trustee Three Years:**  
 George McCall

*If you are a Catholic man 18  
 years or older and wish to join  
 our Council, please contact  
 Bobby Berndt (434)636-2565  
 or Tom O'Neill (252)308-0493.*

**BRICK MEMORIALS**  
 Purchase a brick for St.  
 Peter the Apostle Grotto for \$100.  
 Call the office for details.



# St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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 31 Ebony Road (Route 903), Ebony, VA 23845

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

### Mission Statement:

We are people of God under the patronage of Saint Peter the Apostle and are called to be active followers of Jesus Christ. As members of the Body of Christ on earth, we gather for worship around the word of God and celebration of the Eucharist. We commit ourselves to each other in Faith, in Hope, and in Love. We, as an adult family of believers, are uniquely positioned in this time of our life with the time, talent and energy to bring the message of Jesus to our Community with the help of the Holy Spirit through testimony, example, hospitality and service.

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**Finance Council:**  
 Dan Moyles: 434-636-0081  
**Building & Grounds:**  
 Jim Tomazic: 434-636-2993

## Liturgical Schedule

Weekday Masses:  
**Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am**

Weekend Masses:  
**Saturday—5:30 pm**  
**Sunday—8:00 am**

Holy Hour w/ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction:  
**First Thursday of the month after Mass**

Reconciliation:  
**First Saturday of the month at 4:30 pm & by appointment**

Blessing of the Sick:  
**Last Tuesday of the month after Mass**

# 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 17, 2022

## Study of the Readings

### Focusing the Gospel

#### Key words & phrases:

Martha welcomed him, burdened with much serving, do you not care, anxious and worried, better part

**To the point:** Martha's generous hospitality is marred by her upbraiding Jesus and complaining to him about Mary. Rather than being truly hospitable, she is "anxious and worried" only about accomplishing a task. Her

welcome shifts away from guests and their comfort and Jesus to herself. Busy about needs. This is what Martha in herself, she misses the "better part": centering on Jesus. The persons at the heart of "better part" is to be undividedly present to the person of Jesus. Even when serving.

### Connecting the Gospel ...

**... to the First Reading:** Abraham exhibited true hospitality. All of his efforts and busyness were directed toward the presence of his

... **to experience:** How uncomfortable we feel when our presence takes second place in the attention of a host who is busy about the details of our being there! On the other hand, how welcome we feel when we are the host's center of concern and attention.

### Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Genesis 18:20-32a  
 Responsorial Psalm: 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8  
 Reading II: Colossians 2:12-14  
 Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

### Mass Intentions



Saturday, July 16th  
**Our Parishioners**  
 Sunday, July 17th  
**Mary Lemoine**

### Upcoming Events:

- July 21-Finance Council
- July 22-Office Closed
- July 25-Office Closed
- July 26-Knights Meeting
- August 3-Pastoral Council

### MASS ATTENDANCE:

**Saturday**  
**July 9th**  
**63**  
**Sunday**  
**July 10th**  
**107**

### Online Giving

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stpeterebonyva>  
 OR  
 Text GIVE to 434-686-6277

# PARISH NEWS

**Volunteers needed!**

Our parish is in need for volunteers to bring the Eucharist to a homebound couple living near I-85 on the south shore of Lake Gaston. Please contact Father or the office to assist in this important ministry.

The diocesan approach to COVID-19 guidance regarding Mass and liturgical gatherings has shifted from state-wide mandates to localized "Community Level" recommendations to best manage the spread of the virus. This new approach encourages pastors to create, implement, and continually reevaluate local plans to best meet the needs of their community. In this approach, the Diocese provides overall COVID-19 guidance, based upon the latest recommendations from the CDC and VDH, and then parishes are encouraged to adapt these to their local circumstances.

Based on the latest CDC and VDH Guidance, there are three potential **Community Levels** for each county – "**Low**", "**Medium**", or "**High**".

Here are the three levels with corresponding Diocesan Recommendations:

**COMMUNITY LEVEL: LOW OR HIGH**

Masks are welcome at the discretion of the individual

**COMMUNITY LEVEL: HIGH**

One should wear a mask. Gatherings are allowed as in socials after Mass.

## Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST
Saturday	Jeanne Kurilla	Mark Fracassa	Chuck Youse	Mary Jo Bankard
	Paul Kurilla	Dan Moyles		
Sunday	Janet Hagan	George McCall	Suzanne McCall	Mary Ann Daly
	Carl Hagan	Linda Adamos		



Please use this list to pray for those who are in need. May we all lift one another up in prayer.

Jack Fioriti, Maria Schutte, Rose Gongla, Ann Mogilnicki, Lynn Martin, Mary Purdy, Joe Dart, Tom Eddy, Mike McFadden, Judy, Kyle, Josh & Emma Pelletier, Steve Miller, Carol & Bernie Haefner, Tamara Burns, Lexie Burns, Katie & David Berlin, Megan Quigley, Katy Meyer, Bob Warwick, Zony Carino, Brenda George, Peter Hamilton, Joanne Tomazic, Nettie Williams, Suzanne & George McCall, Kathy Aquilina, Randy Groya, Tom Lane, John Holt, Roy Gaudette, Jean Sasscer, Garth Dugolinsky, Bob Tuite, Myrna Rodriguez, Jay Warfel

Names will remain on the prayer list for 1 month. Please contact the office with updates. Contact Mary Ann Daly at 434-577-2660 to receive Holy Communion at home.

**Save your aluminum, rinsed cans and place them in the receptacle near the garage.**

Remember donations to our Poor Box, canned food for our food closet, and donations for Hannah's Place.

## Last Week's Offertory

Needed	Actual	
Offertory: \$3,307.69	\$3,629.45	<b>\$321.76</b>