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*In Loving Memory of our departed families and friends*

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

# December Birthdays



- 3 Bob Oravits**
- Bettie Pasco**
- 6 Jackie Centamore**
- 10 Judy Pelletier**
- 11 Ginnie Driggers**
- 17 Eileen Griffin**
- Joseph Mullen**
- 19 Maria Schutte**
- Mari Driggers**
- 21 Michael Coughlin**
- Elsie Youse**
- 26 Patricia Ferraro**
- 29 Peter Legler**
- 30 John Tigmo**

**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  
\*PKG-Past Grand Knight  
*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.*

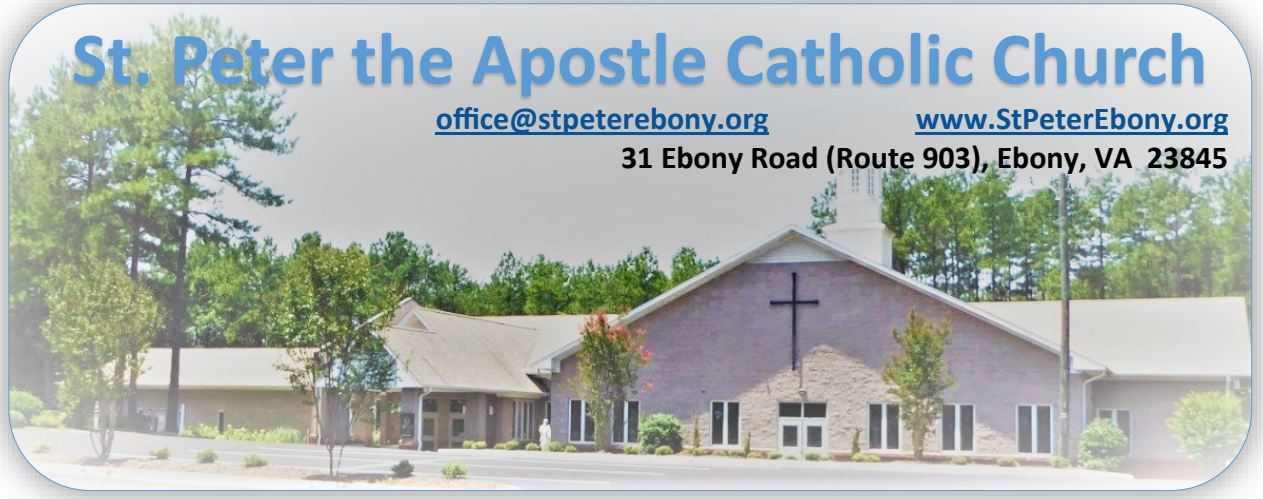
**BRICK MEMORIALS**  
Purchase a brick for St. Peter the Apostle Grotto for \$100. Call the office for details.

# Happy Anniversary

- Jean & Edward Maynes**  
**December 12, 1964**
- Janet & Mark Fracassa**  
**December 17, 1988**
- Jeanne & Paul Kurilla**  
**December 27, 1969**

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

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



**St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church**  
[office@stpeterEbony.org](mailto:office@stpeterEbony.org) [www.StPeterEbony.org](http://www.StPeterEbony.org)  
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.

**Pastor:** Fr. Jong R. Bayta  
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Jay Warfel: 434-636-4029  
**Finance Council:**  
Dan Moyles: 434-636-0081  
**Building & Grounds:**  
Jim Tomazic: 434-636-2993  
**Family Service Advisor:**  
Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

**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**

# Third Sunday of Advent—December 11, 2022

## Study of the Readings

### Focusing the Gospel

#### Key words & phrases:

the works of the Christ, Are you the one who is to come, what you ... see

#### To the point:

The Gospel begins with John questioning who Jesus is and concludes with Jesus extolling who John is. What makes John great is that he recognizes in "the works of the Christ" the person and presence of the Messiah—

"the one who is to come." This salvation is revealed in such is exactly our Advent wonders as making the blind challenge: to see in the see, the deaf hear, and the goodness around us the lame walk. These are exactly works of Jesus and the the works Jesus does, presence of "the Christ." revealing to John and to us Advent calls us to look deeper that Jesus is "the Christ," the and then to trust what we see. Savior.

Whom we discover depends upon what we see.

#### Connecting the Gospel ...

#### ... to the First Reading:

Isaiah announces that

... **to experience:** We learn who a person is by observing how that person lives and behaves. We learn who Jesus is by observing how faithful believers live and behave.

### Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Isaiah 7:10-14  
 Responsorial Psalm: 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
 Reading II: Romans 1:1-7  
 Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24

### Mass Intentions



Saturday, December 10th  
**Our Parishioners**

Sunday, December 11th  
**Our Parishioners**

### Upcoming Events:

- Dec. 13-NO DAILY MASS**
- Dec. 15-Finance Council**
- Dec. 19-Office Closed**
- Dec. 22-Office closes at 12 pm and will reopen on Jan.3.**

# PARISH NEWS



*Thank!  
You!*

We are so grateful for your participation in #iGIVECATHOLIC!

Because of our 26 donors' faith and their generous hearts, we raised \$7,305.00 during our #iGiveCatholic campaign.

### Christmas Flower Donations in Memory/Honor of:



Deceased members of the Arena & Moyles families  
 The Bankard Family  
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 Ida & Maynard Warfel  
 James Winfield & family

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, Jean Sasscer, Bob Tuite, Myrna Rodriguez, Bob & Pat Weise, Cheryl Beebe, Jerry & Kathy Beil, Jerry Chini, Jeanette Andrews, Jason Leese, Virgil Frizzell, Betty Morris

Please contact the office with updates.  
 Contact Mary Ann Daly at 434-577-2660 to receive Holy Communion at home.

### Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$3,307.69	\$5,686.45
Christmas Flowers:	\$700.00	\$2,378.76

### Online Giving

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

### MASS ATTENDANCE:

**Saturday  
 December 3rd  
 48**  
**Sunday  
 December 4th  
 57**

### Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST
Saturday	Pat Moyles	John Husson	Chuck Youse	Teri Oswald
	Dan Moyles	Mark Fracassa		
Sunday	Janet Hagan	Bernice Jiano	Tom O'Neill	Linda Adamos
	Carl Hagan	Anne O'Neill		

### Christmas Services

**Dec. 24-7pm Mass-Christmas Vigil**  
**NO 5:30 PM MASS**  
**Dec. 25-8am Mass-Christmas Day**