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In Loving Memory of our departed families and friends

Bettie & Bobby Berndt
The Fitzgerald Family

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

May Birthdays

- 1 **Al Meyer**
- 1 **Kaid Moody**
- 2 **Kathryn Grassi**
- 2 **Kenneth Baron**
- 5 **Atarah Tejada**
- 6 **Jean Maynes**
- 7 **Joanne Tomazic**
- 11 **Tom Hancock**
- 14 **Anna Mae Tejada**
- 16 **Jamie Gagne**
- 17 **Robert Martin**
- 19 **Carl Hren**
- 23 **Leon Morris**
- 24 **Patricia Martin**
- 27 **Bonnie Burns**
- 28 **Jim Perozek**
- 29 **Linda Becker**
- 29 **Ali Hren**
- 29 **Jean Sasscer**
- 31 **Tim Burns**

Happy Anniversary

Marilyn & Bob Tuite
May 18, 2013

Lil & Al Meyer
May 20, 1967

Annemarie & Harlow Martin
May 23, 1987

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

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

Officers for 2022-2023

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta
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Trustee One Year:

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Chuck Youse

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*PGK-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.

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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 narthex.

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

jbayta@richmonddiocese.org

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Elizabeth Martin

434-636-6277

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Jerry Beil: 252-586-0635

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

The Ascension of the Lord—May 21, 2023

Study of the Readings

Focusing the Gospel

Key words & phrases:

went to Galilee, Jesus had ordered them, Go, all nations, until the end of the age

To the point: On the morning of his resurrection, nearing the end of his earthly life, Jesus orders the disciples back to Galilee where he had inaugurated his saving mission. The disciples are to begin where Jesus did, doing what Jesus did, but without geographical or temporal limits: their mission is to “all nations” and continues

“until the end of the age.” In effect, then, Jesus commissions not only those first disciples but all those through the ages who come to know and believe in him. Jesus chooses to complete his work of salvation through us. We must choose to take up his Great Commission.

Connecting the Gospel ...

... to the First Reading:

Jesus makes clear in his words to his disciples before the ascension that, far from abandoning them, he will send

the Holy Spirit to empower them to be witnesses to his saving work.

... to experience:

We mistakenly think that the ascension pertains only to Jesus. The liturgy communicates the ascension’s significance for us: “he ascended, not to distance himself from our lowly state but that we, his members, might be confident of following where he, our Head and Founder, has gone before” (Preface I of the Ascension of the Lord).

Praying With Next Week’s Readings

Mass During the Day

Reading I: Acts 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm 104:1, 24,

29-30, 31, 34

Reading II:

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23

Mass Intentions



Saturday, May 20th
Joanne Tomazic

Sunday, May 21th
Joyce Coincon

Upcoming Events:

May 23-Knights Meeting

May 27-Blessing of Boats

May 29-Office Closed

May 30-Blessing of the Sick

June 1-Holy Hour

June 2-First Friday Devotion

PARISH NEWS



Bishop Knestout is allowing priests to choose whether or not to reintroduce the distribution of the Precious Blood, and Father Jong has decided to do so beginning on the Feast of Corpus Christi. Training sessions will be held this weekend and next weekend after Masses for all current extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion and those interested in joining this ministry. The requirement for becoming an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion is to be a practicing Catholic in good standing and, if you are married, you were married in the Catholic church. It is imperative that we have more volunteers in order to provide distribution of Holy Communion under the form of wine. A commissioning of extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion will take place during Masses on June 3-4. Please attend one of the training sessions and the commissioning.

Father Jong is blessing boats on Saturday, May 27 from 12 noon until 2:00 pm. A boat will be in front of Watersview Restaurant at Eaton Ferry Bridge with a large sign. All boats and personal watercraft are welcome. Please tell your neighbors and friends.

The Knights of Columbus is having their annual "Baby Bottle Campaign" during June. Start gathering that loose change! All funds collected will be donated to the Roanoke Rapids Pregnancy Support Center, which provides counseling, information, support, and baby needs to pregnant women in our area. Baby Bottles will be available after Masses during June.

Today, the Gospel reveals that Jesus’ disciples still struggled with doubt even after He rose from the dead. He didn’t rebuke them this time. Instead, Jesus gave them the mission to “Make disciples of all nations” (Matthew 28:19). Jesus knew they needed help to believe Him, even after seeing Him rise. He knows us, too. Seeing is not enough! Many of His would-be followers abandoned Him despite miracles. That’s why Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to strengthen our weak faith. We ask you to make an act of faith by giving to our Annual Diocesan Appeal. Like the disciples in today’s Gospel, after worshipping Jesus atop a mountain, we worship Jesus at the “source and summit” of our Eucharistic faith. After worshipping, He sends us out to make disciples. The word Mass comes from the Latin word missa, which means “sending.” We make disciples in our homes, workplaces, and our neighborhoods. We need your prayers and financial contributions to fulfill our commission to make disciples in our community. Help us fulfill it so that he will find us busy with the good work when He comes back. God be with you.

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

Maria Schutte, Rose Gongla, Ann Mogilnicki, Lynn Martin, Mary Purdy, 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, Nettie Williams, Suzanne & George McCall, Kathy Aquilina, Randy Groya, John Holt, Jean Sasscer, Myrna Rodriguez, Bob & Pat Weise, Cheryl Beebe, Jerry Chini., Jason Leese, Virgil Frizzell, Betty Morris, Matt Davis, Patricia Pruden, Mary Jo & Don Bankard, Bernice Seay, James Caruso, George & Doris Wall, Jeri Schottenbauer

Last Week's Offertory

Needed	Actual
Offertory: \$3,307.69	\$8,711.86 \$5,404.17

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



2023 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



MASS ATTENDANCE:

Saturday

May 13th

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Sunday

May 14th

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Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST
Saturday	Jeanne Kurilla	John Husson	Chuck Youse	Kathy Husson
	Paul Kurilla	Mark Fracassa		
Sunday	Lois Foltz	Keith Percic	Bob Hathaway	Sue Hathaway
	Charlie Foltz	Bernice Jiano		

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