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*In Loving Memory of our departed families and friends*

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

*Helpful Hands and Hearts*



If you need transportation to a doctor or pharmacy, call 252-586-3000 for a free ride.

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

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.

## October Birthdays

- 1 **Father Jong**
- 9 **Barton Pasco**
- 10 **John Centamore**
- 11 **Luis Medina**  
**Pat Moyles**  
**Cathy Whitaker**
- 20 **Robert Warwick**
- 23 **Thomas Ellebracht**
- 25 **Carmie Chini**  
**Lowell Gainer**
- 27 **Wayne Hodge**  
**Rosemary Mullen**
- 28 **Charles Griffin**  
**Suzanne McCall**
- 30 **Pamela Tigmo**

## Happy Anniversary

- Jennifer & David Faleski**  
October 1, 1991
- Marge & Chuck Youse**  
October 2, 1982
- Martha & Rene Centeno**  
October 10, 1980
- Barbara & Daniel Jones**  
October 10, 1987
- Maureen & Marc Seelinger**  
October 11, 1987
- Karen & Gary Wickstrand**  
October 20, 1984

## Our Lady of the Lake



### Council 9309

#### Officers for 2023-2024

**Chaplain:** Fr. Jong R. Bayta  
**Grand Knight:** Mark Fracassa  
**Deputy Grand Knight:** John Husson  
**Chancellor:** Dave Thomas  
**Recorder:** Bob Hathaway  
**Treasurer:** Jay Warfel, PGK\*  
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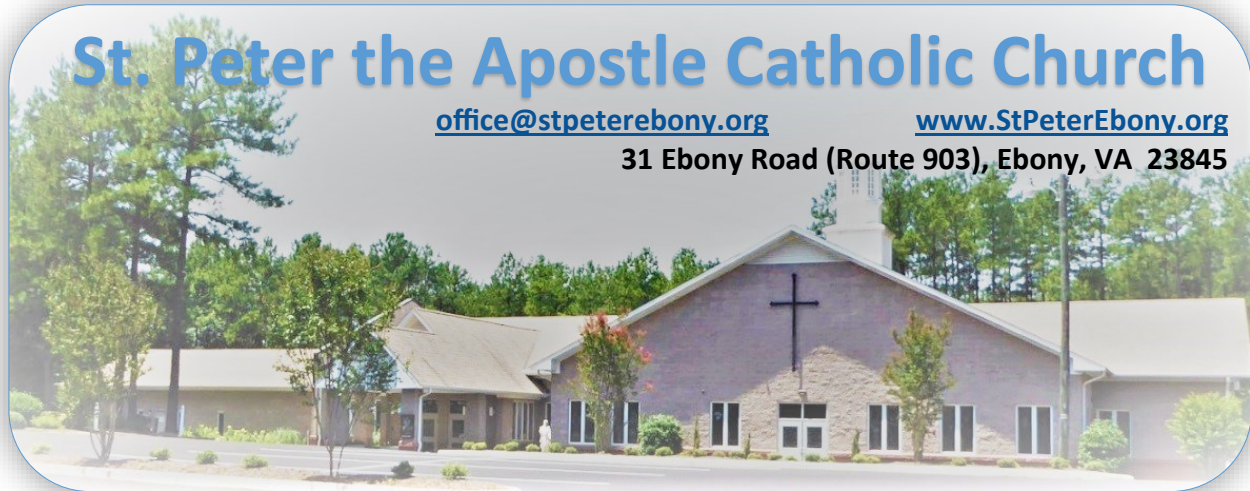
Tom O'Neill, PGK\*  
**Advocate:** Bob Oravits  
**Warden:** Paul Kurilla  
**Guards:**

Inside: Kip Boisot, PGK\*  
Outside: Richard Rumplick

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

**Trustee One Year:** Chuck Youse  
**Trustee Two Years:** George McCall  
**Trustee Three Years:** Bobby Berndt, \*PGK  
\*PGK-Past Grand Knight

*Catholic men 18 years or older are eligible to join the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Mark Fracassa (804) 305-6175 or Tom O'Neill (252) 308-0493.*



# St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

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[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 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.

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Elizabeth Martin  
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Teri Oswald: 856-889-4760  
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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**

# 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 22, 2023

## Study of the Readings

### Background on the Gospel

#### Reading Matthew 22:15-21

In today's Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. The disciples of the Pharisees, together with the Herodians, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes. Matthew sets up an unusual partnership between the Pharisees and the Herodians. The Herodians were supporters of Herod Antipas, a Jewish political leader who collaborated with the Romans. Such collaboration would have required a compromised observance of the Mosaic Law. The Pharisees,

on the other hand, taught scrupulous observance of the Mosaic Law and opposed Roman occupation. Herodians favored the payment of taxes; the Pharisees opposed it. The Herodians and the Pharisees approach Jesus, asking that he take sides in their dispute. If Jesus answers with the Pharisees, he shows himself to be an enemy of Rome. If he answers with the Herodians, he offends popular Jewish religious sensibilities. Jesus' response to this attempt to trap him exposes the guile of his questioners. From his first words to them, Jesus shows that he is very much aware of what they are trying to do. He asks to see a Roman coin and that his

questioners examine the coin. Agreeing that it is Caesar's image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. Avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus answers their question with simple logic. Then, going further still, Jesus tells them that their obligation is to pay to God that which belongs to God. Jesus' response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It reminds us of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God?

### Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Exodus 22:20-26  
 Responsorial Psalm:  
 Psalm 18:2-4, 47, 51  
 Reading II:  
 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10  
 Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

### Mass Intentions



Saturday, October 21st  
**Our Parishioners**

Sunday, October 22nd  
**Our Parishioners**

### Upcoming Events:

- Oct 23-Office Closed
- Oct. 23-27-**NO DAILY MASS**
- Oct. 24-Knights Meeting
- Oct. 29-Faith Formation & RCIA
- Oct. 31-Blessing of the Sick
- Nov. 1-All Saints Day
- Nov. 1-Pastoral Council Meeting

# PARISH NEWS



## 13th ANNUAL BAZAAR/FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, November 4 from 9am-2 pm

**FEATURING** • Outdoor Grill selling hamburgers, hotdogs, sausages, chips, and drinks • Many Craft Vendors • Silent Auction • Yard Sale • Furniture Sale • Chili Cook-Off • Bake Sale • 50/50 Drawing

Spread the word to friends and family.

November 1st is a Holy Day of Obligation as it is the **Solemnity of All Saints**. Mass will be at 9am. After Mass on All Soul's Day, November 2nd Father will proceed to the Columbarium to pray the Responsory for the Dead. Everyone is invited to attend.

The **Silent Auction** for our Fall Bazaar on needs your donations, including any items for a themed basket. If you make a basket, list what is in it. Cash donations for a Lottery Scratch Off Basket are being collected.

Please update the **Book of Remembrance** located in the foyer. Blank pages are located in back of the book. We will pray for the deceased during the month of November .

There will be no daily Mass October 23-27 as Father Jong will be attending the National Association of Filipino Priests for America Assembly.

### Calling All Bakers

**Donate your baked goodies to sell at our fall bazaar. Bring them to church Nov. 3rd.**

### Calling All Chili Chefs!!!

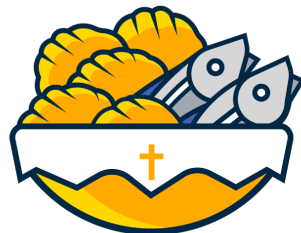
**Enter the chili cook-off for our fall bazaar. Cash prizes awarded. Contact the office for guidelines.**



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: \$3,423.08	\$2,652.86 <b>(\$770.22)</b>



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### MASS ATTENDANCE:

**October 14th**  
**58**  
**October 15th**  
**68**

## Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST	BLOOD OF CHRIST
Saturday	Jeanne Kurilla	Mark Fracassa	Chuck Youse	Marge Youse	Jackie Pfendler
	Paul Kurilla	Mark Fracassa			Kathy Husson
Sunday	Marilyn Tuite	Wilson Youngblood	Jay Warfel	Mary Ann Daly	Olvin Rodriguez
	Bob Tuite	Debbie Youngblood			Myrna Rodriguez