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*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  
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**Deputy Grand Knight:** John Husson  
**Chancellor:** Dave Thomas  
**Recorder:** Bob Hathaway  
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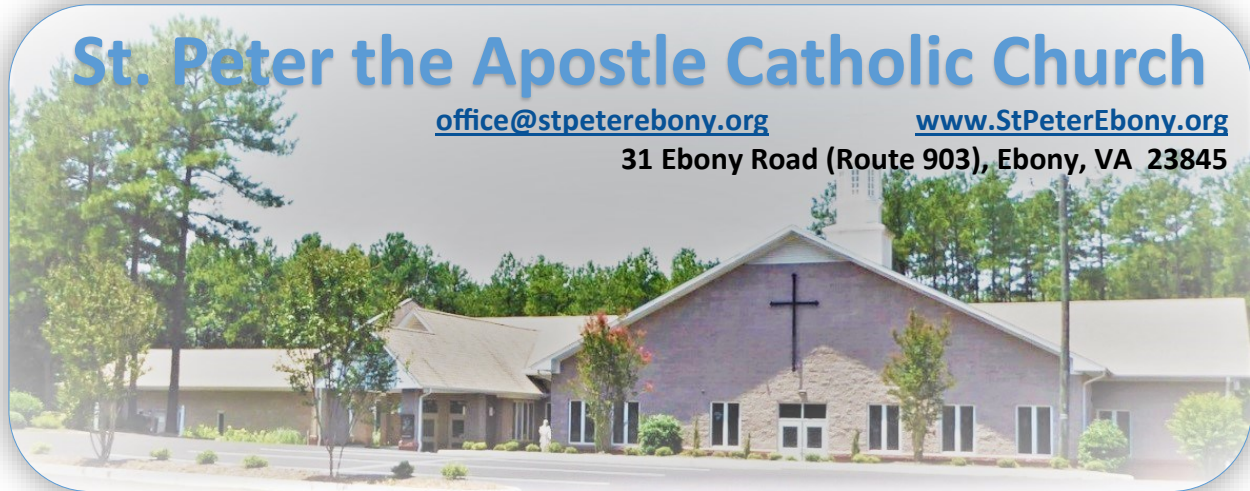
Tom O'Neill, PGK\*  
**Advocate:** Bob Oravits  
**Warden:** Paul Kurilla  
**Guards:**

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

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

**Trustee One Year:** Chuck Youse  
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**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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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**

# 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 29, 2023

## Study of the Readings

### Background on the Gospel

#### Reading Matthew 22:34-40

This week's Gospel follows close behind the Gospel read last Sunday. It is the last of three questions put to Jesus by Jewish religious leaders who are trying to trick him into saying something that might get him arrested. This reminds us that the context for today's reading is the mounting tension between Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem. The Herodians and the Pharisees asked the first question, which was about taxes. The Sadducees asked the second question, which was about the Resurrection

(see Matthew 22:22-33). The third question, considered in today's Gospel, is asked by a Pharisee who asks Jesus about the greatest of the commandments. The question requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses, which consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional rules, numbering over six hundred. Adherence to the Mosaic Law, for a devout Jew, is an expression of faithfulness to God's covenant with Israel. The ranking of the Commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law. Jesus answers the Pharisees'

question with a two-fold summary. Jesus says that all of the commandments can be summarized in two commandments: love God and love your neighbor. Both of these were central elements of the religious tradition Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed these continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbor.

### Praying With Next Week's Readings

#### Reading I:

Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10

Responsorial Psalm: 131:1, 2, 3

#### Reading II:

1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13

Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

### Mass Intentions



Saturday, October 28th  
**Our Parishioners**

Sunday, October 29th  
**Our Parishioners**

### Upcoming Events:

Oct. 31-Blessing of the Sick

Nov. 1-All Saints Day

Nov. 1-Pastoral Council Meeting

Nov. 2-All Souls' Day

Nov. 2-Holy Hour

Nov. 3-First Friday Devotion

Nov. 14-**NO DAILY MASS**

# PARISH NEWS



November 1st is a Holy Day of Obligation, the **Solemnity of All Saints**. Mass is 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.

Mass on November 11th is dedicated to the Deceased Knights of our parish in recognition of their contribution to our Catholic community. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Your Knights perform a variety of charitable services and assist in functions throughout the year. They appreciate everyone's support of these endeavors.

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.

### Calling All Bakers

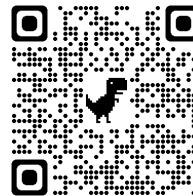
**Donate your baked goodies to sell at our fall bazaar. Bring them to church Nov. 3rd.**

Maria Schutte, Rose Gongla, Ann Mogilnicki, Mary Purdy, Tom Eddy, Judy, Kyle, Josh & Emma Pelletier, Carol & Bernie Haefner, Tamara Burns, Lexie Burns, Katie & David Berlin, Megan Quigley, Suzanne & George McCall, Jean Sasscer, Bob & Pat Weise, Cheryl Beebe, Jerry Chini, Virgil Frizzell, Betty Morris, Matt Davis, Patricia Pruden, Mary Jo & Don Bankard, James Caruso, George Wall, Jeri Schottenbauer, Dale Pfindler, Pat Hoffman, Bob Warwick, Zony Carino, Stephanie Hathaway, Peter Hamilton, Dale Litzinger, Robert Purdy, Jan & John Holt, Dave McKenzie

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

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LEGACY SOCIETY

## St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church Chapter



A Will provides an excellent opportunity to remember our congregation. A gift to the church through your Will serves as a testament to your heirs of your faith in God and the resurrection. It provides you with one last opportunity to exemplify what it means to be a good steward, providing for others as God has provided for you during your lifetime. What a blessing you can be to future generations!

## Last Week's Offertory

Needed	Actual
Offertory: \$3,423.08	\$3,587.71 <b>\$164.63</b>
World Mission Collection:	\$570.30

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#GIVINGTUESDAY

NOVEMBER 28, 2023

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### MASS ATTENDANCE:

**October 21st**  
**55**

**October 22nd**  
**71**

## Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST	BLOOD OF CHRIST
Saturday	Dan Moyles	Mark Fracassa	Chuck Youse	Marge Youse	Kathy Husson
	Bobby Berndt	John Husson			Linda Adamos
Sunday	Marilyn Tuite	Hart Hagen	Tom O'Neill	Sue Hathaway	Keith Percic
	Bob Tuite	Anne O'Neill			Mary Ann Daly