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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.

November Birthdays

- 1 **Paul Arena**
- 2 **Barbara Foy**
- Dale Pfendler**
- 4 **David Faleski**
- 5 **Maureen Hockey**
- 7 **Jean Legler**
- 8 **Barbara Fitzgerald**
- Nancy Gilliard**
- 9 **Maribeth Aguila**
- Dan Moyles**
- 13 **Susan Newman**
- 15 **Tom Van Petten**
- 16 **Carmen Quinn**
- 18 **Kim Kapinskis**
- 22 **Barb Jones**
- 24 **Debbie Youngblood**
- 25 **Scott Gagne**
- 26 **Art Lyons**
- 27 **Domingo Aguila**
- 29 **Annemarie Harlow**

Happy Anniversary

- Rita & Gregg Lopez**
November 1, 1980
- Linda & Jerry Becker**
November 5, 1983
- Ceil & Art Lyons**
November 18, 1977
- Kathy & John Husson**
November 18, 1978
- Julie & Mike McDonald**
November 25, 1978
- Donna & Kip Boisot**
November 27, 1965
- Carmie & Gerald Chini**
November 27, 1998

Our Lady of the Lake



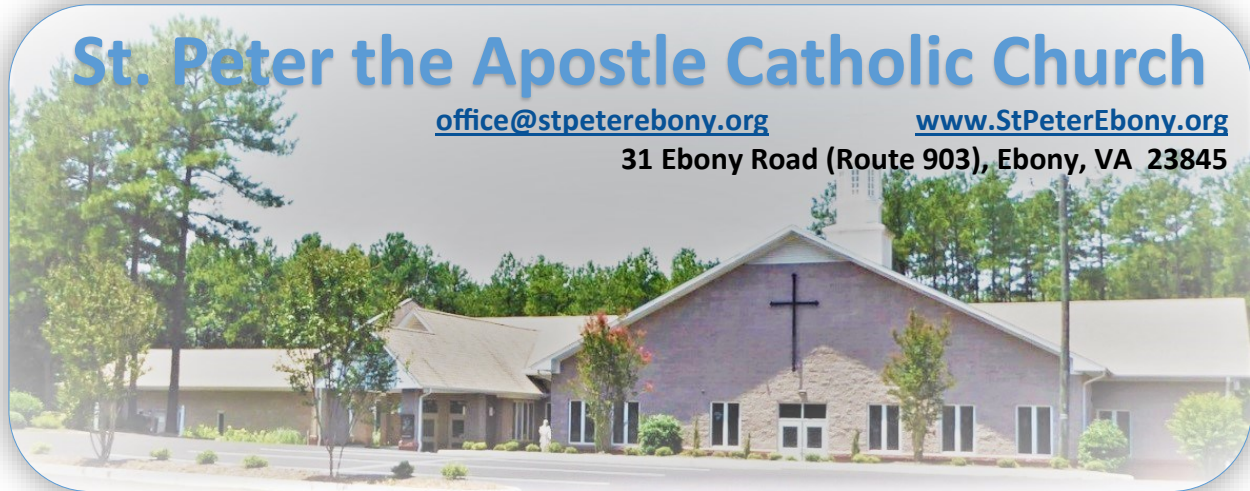
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Officers for 2023-2024

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta
Grand Knight: Mark Fracassa
Deputy Grand Knight: John Husson
Chancellor: Dave Thomas
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Trustee One Year: Chuck Youse
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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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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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 Jerry Beil: 252-586-0635
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 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

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time—November 5, 2023

Study of the Readings

Background on the Gospel

Reading Matthew 23:1-12

Jesus directs his words to the crowds, warning them not to follow the example of the scribes and Pharisees, who were teachers of the Mosaic Law. They were entrusted with its interpretation and, thus, were influential in determining Jewish practice. In order to appreciate the conflict that is evident in this passage, we must understand that Jesus was basing his teachings on the same laws and traditions available to the Pharisees. Both were interpreting the Law of Moses in order to better adapt it to contemporary Jewish life. The differences between their teachings,

therefore, are often highlighted and amplified by Matthew. This part of Matthew's Gospel reflects aspects of the conflict between his Christian community and Pharisaic Judaism. Matthew's Church is thought to have included many Jewish Christians who may not have believed that a break with the synagogue was necessary to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus tells the crowd that it is correct to do and observe what the scribes and Pharisees teach; it is their example that is to be avoided, namely, their love of being honored and exalted. Hence, the Gospel reflects the tension of an active internal debate within the early Church. Jesus references two aspects of Jewish

spiritual life prescribed by the Law of Moses. Phylacteries are small boxes which contain Scripture verses that are placed on the left forearm and forehead. Tassels refer to the fringes worn on the corners of a person's garments; the tassels help to remind those who wear them to keep the commandments. The warning Jesus gives against seeking places of honor in the community was directed as much toward the Christian community as the named Jewish leaders. Indeed, it is a warning that resonates with us today. Christian leadership is a call to service for the glory of God; those who would be leaders among us must, like Jesus, be servants of all.

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Wisdom 6:12-16
 Responsorial Psalm: 63:2-8
 Reading II:
 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
 Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Mass Intentions



Saturday, November 4th
Our Parishioners

Sunday, November 5th
Our Parishioners

Upcoming Events:

- Nov. 14-**NO DAILY MASS**
- Nov. 16-Finance Council
- Nov. 24-**NO DAILY MASS**
- Nov. 28-Blessing of the Sick
- Nov. 29-Knights Meeting
- Nov. 30-Holy Hour

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$3,423.08	\$2,235.46 (\$1,187.62)
Votive Stand:		\$17.00
Poor Box:		\$48.00

Online Giving

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

MASS ATTENDANCE:

October 28th
54
October 29th
60

PARISH NEWS

#GIVINGTUESDAY
November 28

SUPPORT YOUR FAVORITE LOCAL CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS

1 VISIT
 iGiveCatholic.org

2 SEARCH Saint Peter the Apostle (Ebony) at Lake Gaston
 for your parish, school, or ministry

3 DONATE
 \$10 or more

ADVANCED GIVING DATES:
NOVEMBER 13-27



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 Pfenner, 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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For All the Souls of the Dead

O God, you willed that your Only Begotten Son, having conquered death, should pass over into the realm of heaven. I pray that all your faithful departed servants, who have left this earthly life, may join your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and gaze eternally on you, their Creator and Redeemer, in heaven. Amen

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.



Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST	BLOOD OF CHRIST
Saturday	Bobby Berndt	Wilson Youngblood	Bob Hathaway	Jay Warfel	Olvin Rodriguez
	Paul Kurilla	John Husson			Chuck Youse
Sunday	Nancy Arena	Linda Adamos	Carlos Mendez	Mary Ann Daly	Teri Oswald
	Paul Arena	Bernice Jiano			Anna Mendez