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## 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



### Council 9309

#### Officers for 2023-2024

**Chaplain:** Fr. Jong R. Bayta  
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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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[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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## 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 Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ—November 26, 2023

## Study of the Readings

### Background on the Gospel Reading *Matthew 25:31-46*

Today's Gospel passage is the conclusion of Jesus' discourse with his disciples. It is about the end of time, the coming of the Son of Man, and the final judgment. We hear this description of the final judgment at the conclusion of our liturgical year, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. In the context of Matthew's Gospel, this passage might also be read as a conclusion of Matthew's report on Jesus' life and ministry; the remaining chapters report the events of Jesus' Passion and Resurrection.

In today's Gospel, Jesus describes to his disciples the scene of the judgment of the Son of Man. All the nations will be assembled before him, and he will separate them as a shepherd separates sheep and goats upon their return from the pasture. The judgments made by the Son of Man will be based upon the acts of mercy shown to the least ones—the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. Indeed, Jesus, who suffered on the Cross, identifies himself with the least ones. Recall that last week's parable of the talents taught us that the gifts that we have been given are intended to be used for the service of others, especially the least among us. Our

judgment before God will be based not only on how we have used these gifts and talents, but also on how we have extended ourselves in service to these least ones. Indeed, Jesus tells us that whenever we have served these least ones, we have served Christ himself. When we read today's Gospel in the context of the chapters that follow in Matthew's Gospel, we learn the extent to which Jesus identifies with the least ones. In accepting death on the cross, Jesus shows himself to be one of the hungry, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. To accept Jesus is to accept him who suffered and died on the Cross as one of the least ones.

### Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Isaiah 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7  
 Responsorial Psalm: 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19  
 Reading II: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9  
 Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

### Mass Intentions



Saturday, November 25th  
**Peter W. Loesch**  
 Sunday, November 26th  
**Our Parishioners**

### Upcoming Events:

- Nov. 28-Blessing of the Sick
- Nov. 29-Knights Meeting
- Nov. 30-Holy Hour
- Dec. 1-First Friday Devotion
- Dec. 2/3-Second Collection
- Dec. 3-First Sunday of Advent

## Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$3,423.08	\$4,890.71 <b>\$1,467.63</b>

### Online Giving

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

### MASS ATTENDANCE:

**November 18th**  
**58**  
**November 19th**  
**70**

# PARISH NEWS



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 NOVEMBER 28, 2023



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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

The Knights are selling Religious Christmas Cards in the narthex for \$12/ box (10 cards). Checks are made out to the Knights of Columbus 9309. A money box is on the table.

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

*In Our Thoughts & Prayers*

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, Bob Warwick, Zony Carino, Stephanie Hathaway, Peter Hamilton, Dale Litzinger, Robert Purdy, Jan & John Holt, Dave McKenzie

## Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST	BLOOD OF CHRIST
Saturday	Pat Moyles	Mark Fracassa	Chuck Youse	Jeanne Kurilla	Jackie Pfindler
	Dan Moyles	Bettie Berndt			Marge Youse
Sunday	Sue Hathaway	Wilson Youngblood	Carlos Mendez	Jay Warfel	Keith Percic
	Bob Hathaway	Debbie Youngblood			Anna Mendez