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*In Loving Memory of our departed families and friends*

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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.**

## February Birthdays

- 5 **Jackie Pfendler**
- 7 **Carl Hagan**
- 9 **Janet Hagan**  
**Kathy Karpinski**
- 11 **Tom O'Neill**
- 12 **Mary Hatch**  
**Wayne Wallace**
- 13 **Liza Kiger**
- 15 **Jerry Beil**
- 16 **Paul Kurilla**
- 17 **George McCall**  
**Dawn Free**
- 20 **Carlos Mendez**
- 21 **Jennifer Harlow**
- 24 **Barbara Oravits**
- 27 **Jerry Becker**
- 28 **Anna Mendez**  
**Tom Tuch**

## Happy Anniversary

- Barbara & Fred Foy**  
February 12, 1972
- David & Rosemarie Sanford**  
February 14
- Janet & Carl Hagan**  
February 24, 1968

**Catholic Community Foundation**  
*of the Diocese of Richmond*

2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal



**Create a Legacy of Giving.**  
Please remember St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in your Estate Plans.

**Our Lady of the Lake**

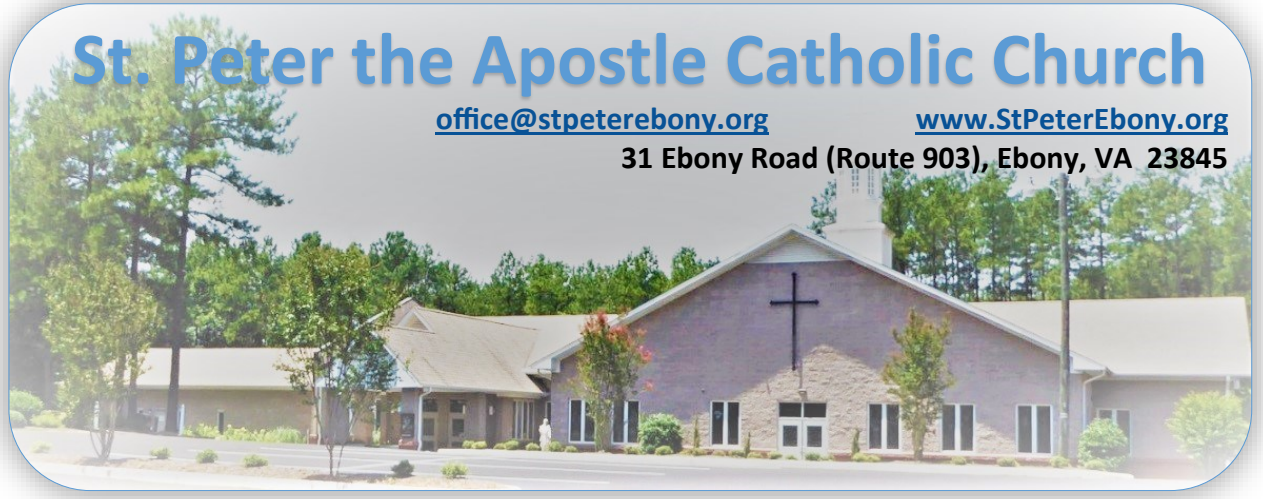


**Council 9309**

### Officers for 2023-2024

- Chaplain:** Fr. Jong R. Bayta
  - Grand Knight:** Mark Fracassa
  - Deputy Grand Knight:** John Husson
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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)519-3050.*



# 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](mailto:jbayta@richmonddiocese.org)  
Rectory: 434-636-7782

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Elizabeth Martin  
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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**

# Second Sunday of Lent—February 25, 2024

## Study of the Readings

### Background on the Gospel

#### Reading Mark 9:2-10

Today's Gospel proclaims the story of Jesus' Transfiguration. Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear with Jesus. Elijah and Moses are significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. Elijah is remembered as one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh. Some Jews believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. The appearance of these two

important figures from Israel's history with Jesus signifies Jesus' continuity with the Law and with the prophets and that Jesus is the fulfillment of all that was promised to the people of Israel. On seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses and having witnessed his Transfiguration, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. The disciples are terrified by what they have witnessed. Peter's offer is made out of confusion. Peter has also reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus rabbi instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding the disciples to obey him. This voice from

heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism. In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. Jesus instructs the disciples to keep secret what they have seen until after the Son of Man has risen from the dead. Their confusion continues as they wonder what Jesus means by rising from the dead. The disciples cannot possibly understand Jesus' Transfiguration until they also witness his passion and death. We hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection, even as we prepare to remember Jesus' passion and death.

### Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Exodus 20:1-17  
 Responsorial Psalm: 19:8-11  
 Reading II:  
 1 Corinthians 1:22-25  
 Gospel: John 2:13-25

### Mass Intentions



Saturday, February 24th  
**Our Parishioners**  
 Sunday, February 25th  
**Our Parishioners**

### Upcoming Events:

- Feb. 26-Reconciliation Service
- Feb. 27-Knights Meeting
- Feb. 29-Holy Hour
- Mar. 1-First Friday Devotion
- Mar. 1-Stations of the Cross
- Mar. 1-Fish Fry
- Mar. 6-Pastoral Council

### Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$3,423.08	\$2,462.46 <b>(\$960.62)</b>

### Online Giving

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

### MASS ATTENDANCE:

**February 17th**  
**59**  
**February 18th**  
**58**

# PARISH NEWS

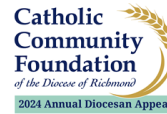


\$13 per plate (Improved Price!)

- Plate Includes:
- Catfish (Best as always!)
  - Hushpuppies
  - Coleslaw
  - Baked Beans
  - Homemade Dessert

Knights of Columbus

Council 9309



2024 Annual Diocesan Appeal:  
 Sharing His Love with Others



The Parish Justice and Peace Committee is collecting non-perishable food through March 24th. Drop your donation off at church and during the Fish Fry. NO BOTTLES PLEASE.



### Eat In / Take Out

#### 2024 Friday Dates:

- Feb. 16
- Feb. 23
- March 1
- March 8
- March 15
- March 22

#### Serving 5-6:30 pm

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church  
 31 Ebony Rd (Rt. 903)  
 Ebony, Va.



Info:  
 Weekdays Bob Hathaway 252-586-1670  
 Friday Church 434-636-6277

\*All profits donated to various charities that the Knights of Columbus support.



Purchase an Easter Basket for your loved ones or donated to a child in need. Support this fundraiser for our church with a \$10 donation.

### Lenten Schedule

*Stations of the Cross*—every Friday at 7:00 pm  
*Reconciliation Service*—February 26 at 7:00 pm



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, Patricia Pruden, Mary Jo & Don Bankard, James Caruso, George Wall, Jeri Schottenbauer, Jackie & Dale Pfendler, Bob Warwick, Zony Carino, Stephanie Hathaway, Peter Hamilton, Dale Litzinger, Robert Purdy, Jan & John Holt, Jim Perozek

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

### Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST	BLOOD OF CHRIST
Saturday	Jeanne Kurilla	John Husson	Dan Moyles	Patricia Moyles	Jackie Pfendler
	Paul Kurilla	Mark Fracassa			Kathy Husson
Sunday	Nancy Arena	Hart Hagen	Carlos Mendez	Mary Ann Daly	Anna Mendez
	Paul Arena	Elizabeth Martin			Barbara Jones