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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.

**Save your aluminum, rinsed cans and place them in the receptacle near the garage.**

Remember donations to our Poor Box, canned food for our food closet, and donations for Hannah's Place.

## March Birthdays

- 2 Marilyn Tuite
- 6 George Wall
- 7 Mary Carter Hagen  
William Behan
- 8 Crystal Hulse
- 9 Samantha Gagne  
Robert Newman
- 10 Kathy Karls
- 14 Ann Mogilnicki
- 17 Jenny Hagen
- 19 Davyen King
- 20 Peter Polignone
- 21 Laura Kolb  
James Caruso  
Darlene Martin
- 22 Jo Masson
- 24 Alfred Lampazzi  
Casey Collier
- 27 Gary Wickstrand  
Paul Pelletier
- 28 Hart Hagen
- 29 Mark Foran
- 31 Bernice Jiano  
Karen Wickstrand  
Julie McDonald

## Happy Anniversary

- Jackie & Dale Pfdler**  
3-4-1994
- Marianne & Tom Morton**  
3-10-1990
- Susan and Robert Newman**  
3-20-1976
- Carmen & David Quinn**  
3-25-2017
- Maribeth & Domingo Aguila**  
3-27-1983

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



## Our Lady of the Lake



### Council 9309

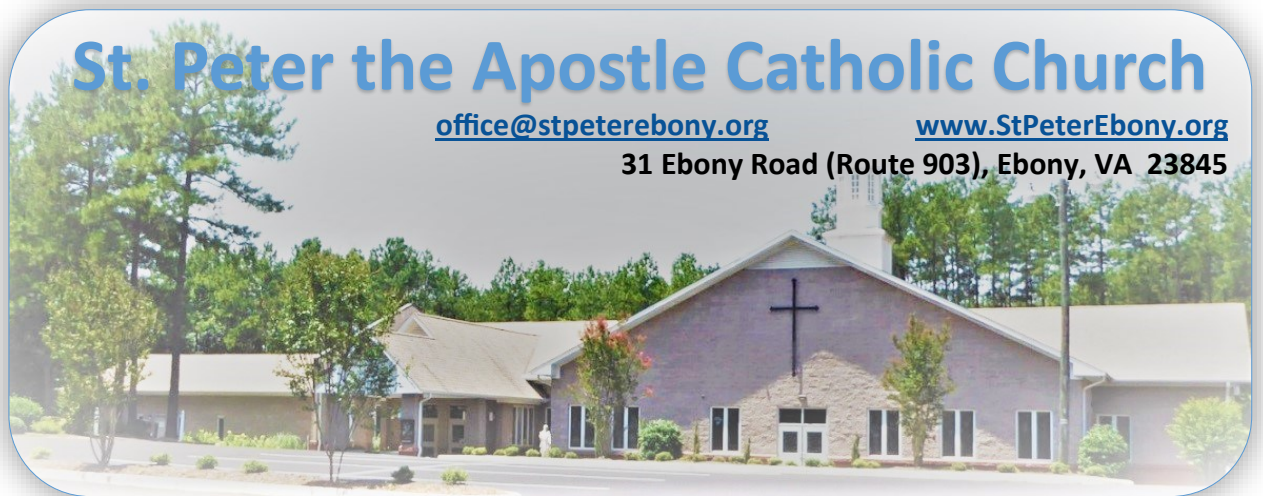
#### Officers for 2023-2024

**Chaplain:** Fr. Jong R. Bayta  
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**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)519-3050.*



# 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.

**Pastor:** Fr. Jong R. Bayta  
[jbayta@richmonddiocese.org](mailto:jbayta@richmonddiocese.org)  
**Rectory:** 434-636-7782  
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**Finance Council:**  
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**

# Fourth Sunday of Lent—March 10, 2024

## Study of the Readings

### Background on the Gospel

#### Reading John 3:14-21

Today's Gospel consists of two parts. The first part is the final sentence of Jesus' reply to Nicodemus, who acknowledged Jesus as someone who had come from God and seemed to want to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus greeted Nicodemus with the observation that one must be born from above to see the Kingdom of God. The dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus that followed was about the meaning of this phrase. Nicodemus misunderstood Jesus at every point, but there was no animosity in the questions he posed to Jesus. Jesus referred to an incident reported in the Old

Testament. When the Israelites grumbled against the Lord during their sojourn in the desert, God sent venomous serpents to punish them for their complaints. The Israelites repented and asked Moses to pray for them. The Lord heard Moses' prayer and instructed him to make a bronze serpent and mount it on a pole. All who had been bitten by a serpent and then looked upon the bronze serpent were cured. By recalling this story, Jesus alludes to the salvation that would be accomplished through his death and Resurrection. The second part is a theological reflection on Jesus' words to Nicodemus. John is known for this kind of reflection offered within the

narrative. The words of the Evangelist are in continuity with the words of the prologue to John's Gospel. In these reflections, John elaborates on a number of themes that are found in his Gospel: light and darkness, belief and unbelief, good and evil, salvation and condemnation. In John's reflection, we find an observation about human sinfulness. Jesus is the light that has come into the world, but people preferred the darkness. We wish to keep our sins hidden, even from God. Jesus has come into the world to reveal our sins so that they may be forgiven. This is the Good News; it is the reason for our rejoicing in this season of Lent and throughout our lives.

### Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Jeremiah 31:31-34  
 Responsorial Psalm: 51:3-4,  
 12-15  
 Reading II: Hebrews 5:7-9  
 Gospel: John 12:20-33

### Mass Intentions



Saturday, March 9th  
**Our Parishioners**  
 Sunday, March 10th  
**Our Parishioners**

### Upcoming Events:

- Mar. 12-**NO DAILY MASS**
- Mar. 12-Justice & Peace Meeting
- Mar. 21-Finance Council
- Mar. 22-Stations of the Cross
- Mar. 22-Fish Fry
- Mar. 26-Knights Meeting
- Mar. 28-Holy Thursday Mass 8pm

# PARISH NEWS



\$13 per plate (Improved Price!)

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

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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.

The Knights will be sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt for all children 12 and under after Mass on Easter Sunday. All are welcome.



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.

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, George McCall, Jean Sasser, 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 Pfenner, Bob Warwick, Zony Carino, Stephanie Hathaway, Peter Hamilton, Dale Litzinger, Robert Purdy, Jan & John Holt, Jim Perozek, Helen Gryboski, Eneida Felisha Mendez

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	\$3,211.26 <b>(\$211.82)</b>
Votive Stand:		\$39.00
Poor Box:		\$133.00

## Online Giving

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

### MASS ATTENDANCE:

**March 2nd**  
**70**  
**March 3rd**  
**69**

## Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST	BLOOD OF CHRIST
Saturday	Jeanne Kurilla	Dan Moyles	Chuck Youse	Patricia Moyles	Jackie Pfenner
	Paul Kurilla	Bettie Berndt			Marge Youse
Sunday	Carol Warfel	Wilson Youngblood	Bob Hathaway	Sue Hathaway	Bernice Jiano
	Jay Warfel	Debbie Youngblood			Teri Oswald