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The Fitzgerald Family



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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.

April Birthdays

- 1 **Gerald Chini**
- 2 **Rita Lopez**
- 6 **Linda Kapinskis**
- 9 **Mark Fracassa**
- 11 **Douglas Kolb**
- 12 **Donna Boisot**
- Chuck Youse**
- 19 **Marge Youse**
- 20 **Benjamin Whitaker**
- 21 **Jeanne Kurilla**
- Richard Rumprik**
- Leigh Driggers**
- 26 **Anne Hagen**
- 28 **David Vaughn**
- Atasha Tejada**
- 29 **Kyle Pelletier**

Happy Anniversary

- Dee & Brian Quigley**
April 6, 1968
- Carol & Jay Warfel**
April 8, 1967
- Linda & Robert Kapinskis**
April 11, 1970
- Teresa & Keith Percic**
April 12, 1980
- Sue & Bob Hathaway**
April 15, 1978
- Kay & David Berlin**
April 20, 1985

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



Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

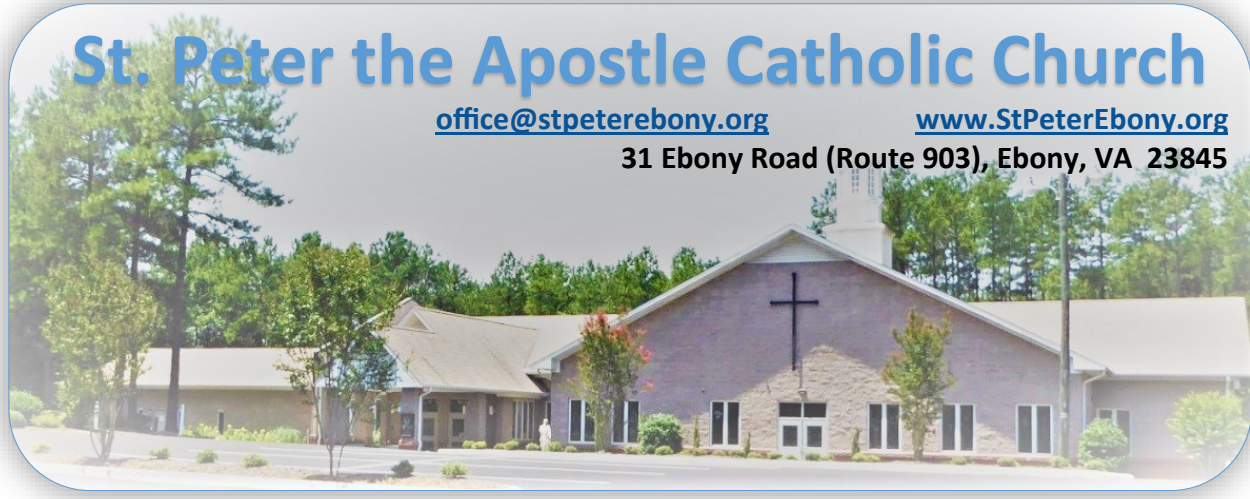
Officers for 2023-2024

- Chaplain:** Fr. Jong R. Bayta
- Grand Knight:** Mark Fracassa
- Deputy Grand Knight:** John Husson
- Chancellor:** Dave Thomas
- Recorder:** Bob Hathaway
- Treasurer:** Jay Warfel, PGK*
- Financial Secretary:** 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
 - Trustee Two Years:** George McCall
 - 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

office@stpeterEbony.org 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
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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 Easter—April 21, 2024

Study of the Readings

Background on the Gospel

Reading John 10:11-18

The fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday. The Gospel is taken from the 10th chapter of John which follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by the Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge by calling himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the leadership of the Pharisees and Jewish leaders so they attempt to stone and arrest Jesus. This controversy with the religious leaders continues until Jesus' death. In today's Gospel, Jesus describes his relationship with his followers as similar to the relationship between a good shepherd and his sheep. As a good shepherd will

lay down his life in order to protect his sheep, Jesus willingly sacrifices himself for the sake of his sheep. Jesus contrasts the actions of the good shepherd with the actions of the hired shepherd who abandons the sheep in the face of danger. In the verses following Jesus' teaching, the Pharisees and religious leaders understand that Jesus is referring to them when he describes the hired shepherds. The concern of a good shepherd for his sheep is part of the shepherd's job. Jesus says, however, that the actions of the good shepherd are based upon the relationship that develops between the shepherd and the sheep. This is at the heart of the difference between the good shepherd and the hired shepherd. The good shepherd knows the sheep and therefore acts out of love. For the Good

Shepherd, this is never simply part of a job; this love-in-action is integral to his identity. One hears in this passage John's particular focus on Christology. As the sheep are known by the Good Shepherd, the Father knows Jesus and Jesus knows the Father. There is an essential unity between the Father and the Son. The freedom with which Jesus acts when he lays down his life is rooted in the unity that he shares with his Father. In this context, Jesus also refers to others with whom he shares a relationship. By this reference, John understands the eventual inclusion of the Gentiles in the Christian community. Our modern ears hear this as a reference to Christian unity. The work of ecumenism is to restore unity among all Christians so that we form one flock under one shepherd, as God desires.

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Acts 9:26-31
 Responsorial Psalm: 22:26-27,
 28, 30, 31-32
 Reading II: 1 John 3:18-24
 Gospel: John 15:1-8

Mass Intentions



Saturday, April 20th
Angelo & Frances Arena
 Sunday, April 21st
Suzanne McCall

Upcoming Events:

- Apr. 23-Knights Meeting
- Apr. 30-Blessing of the Sick
- May 1-Pastoral Council Meeting
- May 2-Holy Hours
- May 3-First Friday Devotion
- May 11/12-Diocesan Home Missions Collection

PARISH NEWS



St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church Chapter

Just as we plan to ensure financial health for our families, we must plan for the health of our faith families. Your planned gift to the St. Peter the Apostle endowment fund will provide financial support forever. You have a wonderful Catholic heritage. Pass it on! Contact the parish office or visit our website to learn more.



Cursillo is 3-day retreat that is fully sanctioned by the Catholic Church and the Diocese of Richmond. The retreats are put on by lay Catholics with the assistance of clergy. Anyone in good standing with the church is eligible to attend. If you are interested in learning more about Cursillo or participating in a weekend, call Steve Brophy at (804) 586-6635 or contact the Central Virginia Coordinating Committee at (804) 530-3546. The next Cursillo men's weekend in the Central Virginia area is scheduled for June 20-23 at Sacred Heart Parish in Prince George, VA.



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 Pfendler, Bob Warwick, Zony Carino, Stephanie Hathaway, Peter Hamilton, Dale Litzinger, Robert Purdy, Jan & John Holt, Jim Perozek, Helen Gryboski, Eneida Felisha Mendez, Linda Fleegle

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	\$4,408.06 \$984.98

Online Giving

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MASS ATTENDANCE:

April 13th
47
April 14th
85

Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST	BLOOD OF CHRIST
Saturday	Barbara Oravits	Dan Moyles	Chuck Youse	Marge Youse	Jackie Pfendler
	Robert Oravits	Bettie Berndt			Teri Oswald
Sunday	Joan Medina	George McCall	Tom O'Neill	Mary Ann Daly	Olvin Rodriguez
	Lewis Medina	Anne O'Neill			Bernice Jiano