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**Linda Adamos**  
FSA, St. Peter the Apostle Cemetery, OCFS

*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.

**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.

## August Birthdays

- 5 Linda Ferreira
- 6 Ronnie Carlson
- 7 Paul Daly
- 12 Elizabeth Vaughn
- Kathy Beil
- 14 Bernie Haefner
- 15 Ceil Lyons
- Alan Oswald
- 18 Kathleen Husson
- 21 Christopher Kiger
- 22 John Hagen
- Olvin Rodriquez
- 25 Teresa Percic
- Dee Quigley
- 26 Beth Driggers
- 27 Richard Karpinski
- 28 Natalie Carlson
- 31 Mary Jo Bankard

## Happy Anniversary

- Pat & Dan Moyles  
August 2, 1974
- Debbie & Wilson Youngblood  
August 4, 1979
- Kathy & Jerry Beil  
August 8, 1964
- Betty & Leon Morris  
August 15, 1958
- Penny & Napier Breen  
August 17, 1985

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



*In Loving Memory of our departed families and friends*

Bettie & Bobby Berndt  
The Fitzgerald Family

## Our Lady of the Lake



### Council 9309

#### Officers for 2024-2025

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta  
Grand Knight: Mark Fracassa  
Deputy Grand Knight: John Husson  
Chancellor: Dave Thomas  
Recorder: Bobby Berndt, \*PGK  
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:

Bobby Berndt, \*PGK

Trustee Three Years:

Wilson Youngblood

\*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@richmonddioocese.org](mailto:jbayta@richmonddioocese.org)

Rectory: 434-636-7782

**Business Manager:**

Elizabeth Martin

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**Pastoral Council:**

Teri Oswald: 856-889-4760

**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**

# 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 4, 2024

# PARISH NEWS



## Study of the Readings

### Background on the Gospel

#### Reading John 6:24-35

In the dialogue between Jesus and the crowds, Jesus unfolds the gift of himself that he gives in the Eucharist. There are four exchanges between Jesus and the crowd. First, they ask, "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus replies by naming their motivation in pursuing him. They have been fed. Jesus acknowledges this, yet challenges them to see beyond the fulfillment of their material needs. The crowds have followed Jesus because they have been fed. They ought to be seeking out Jesus because he can give them eternal life. Second they ask: "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" Jesus replies that they must have faith in the one sent from God. But in the third

dialogue, the crowd reveals their inability to see Jesus' true identity. They ask Jesus for a sign so that they might know that Jesus is from God. How strange this sounds since Jesus has just fed more than 5000 people. What more is expected? But the crowd cannot see beyond the surface of the sign. They show this in their interpretation of the sign that came from Moses. They identify Jesus with Moses, as if to say, as Moses gave the people manna in the desert, give us a sign so that we will know that you are from God. They are looking to identify a prophet without realizing that God is standing before them. Jesus corrects their misinterpretation, saying that the manna received by their ancestors came from God. As God fulfilled their ancestors'

needs in the desert, so God has provided them with food for eternal life. In the bread that they have received from Jesus, they have received physical nourishment and also spiritual nourishment. Jesus wants the crowd to see beyond the surface to the One who provides true nourishment. The conclusion reveals the crowd's blindness. They ask for what Jesus has just told them they have found: "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus answers plainly that he himself is the Bread of Life they seek. Jesus himself is the Bread of Life who will satisfy every hunger and thirst. We understand this better when we remember that God revealed his name to the people of Israel as "I am," as Yahweh. Jesus is now claiming this name for himself.

## A free resource for Make-A-Will Month

St. Peter the Apostle is observing National Make-A-Will Month this August by sharing a free will-writing tool to help steward your family, finances, and faith! Estate planning is an act of faithfulness that empowers you to thoughtfully honor the blessings you've received from God. It can even be used to support your parish and our ministries with an optional legacy gift.

Visit [FreeWill.com/RichmondCatholicFoundation](https://FreeWill.com/RichmondCatholicFoundation) to make a will at no cost and engage in thoughtful stewardship this month. Scan the QR code to learn about Lumen Christi Legacy Society of St.

Peter the Apostle.



The Knights of Columbus is having a clothes drive August 17th and 18th. They are accepting clothes, coats, and shoes of all ages that will be distributed to local charities in the Virginia and North Carolina area.

Call Bob Oravits at 252-629-2321 with questions.

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 Sasscer, Bob & Pat Weise, Cheryl Beebe, Jerry Chini, Virgil Frizzell, Betty Morris, Patricia Pruden, Mary Jo Bankard, James Caruso, George Wall, Jeri Schottenbauer, Jackie & Dale Pfendler, Stephanie Hathaway, Peter Hamilton, Dale Litzinger, Robert Purdy, Jan & John Holt, Jim Perozek, Helen Gryboski, Eneida Felisha Mendez, Linda Fleegle, Travis Smith, Lori Magussen, Leigh Gautreau, Rose Pascoe

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

### Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: 1 Kings 19:4-8  
 Responsorial Psalm: 34:2-9  
 Reading II:  
 Ephesians 4:30-5:2  
 Gospel: John 6:41-51

### Mass Intentions



Saturday, August 3rd  
**Vienna Conners**  
 Sunday, August 4th  
**Maureen Scott**

### Upcoming Events:

- Aug. 7-Pastoral Council Meeting
- Aug. 13-**NO DAILY MASS**
- Aug. 15-Holy Day of Obligation
- Aug. 15-Finance Council
- Aug. 27-Knights Meeting
- Aug. 26-Sept. 27-**NO DAILY MASS**

### MASS ATTENDANCE:

### Online Giving

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

**July 27th**  
**73**  
**July 28th**  
**135**

### Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual	
Offertory:	\$3,846.15	\$3,543.36	<b>(\$302.79)</b>
Votive Stand:		\$37.00	
Poor Box:		\$249.00	

### Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST	BLOOD OF CHRIST
Saturday	Patricia Moyles	John Husson	Chuck Youse	Jackie Pfendler	Marge Youse
	Dan Moyles	Linda Adamos			Kathy Husson
Sunday	Joan Medina	Keith Percic	Carl Hagan	Mary Ann Daly	Teri Oswald
	Luis Medina	Carol Agee			Janet Hagan