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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.

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

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



February Birthdays

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

Happy Anniversary

David & Rosemarie Sanford
February 14

Janet & Carl Hagan
February 24, 1968

Catholic Community Foundation
of the Diocese of Richmond

2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal

LUMEN CHRISTI LEGACY SOCIETY

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church Chapter

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

Officers for 2024-2025

- Chaplain:** Fr. Jong R. Bayta
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*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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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—4:30 pm
Sunday—8:00 am
Holy Hour w/ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction:
First Thursday of the month after Mass
Reconciliation:
Saturday at 4:00 pm & by appointment
Blessing of the Sick:
Last Tuesday of the month after Mass

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 9, 2025

PARISH NEWS



Study of the Readings

Background on the Gospel

Reading Luke 5:1-11

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches from Simon's boat. Jesus turns to Simon and instructs him about where to lower the fishing nets. Simon and others have been fishing throughout the night and have not caught anything. Simon protests, claiming that such an effort would be futile. Simon ultimately obeys Jesus and lowers his nets into the deeper water as directed. Notice here that Peter calls Jesus by the title "master." He already recognizes Jesus as a person of authority. They catch so many fish that the nets begin to tear; Jesus' presence has created

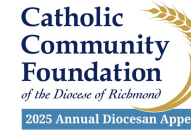
abundance out of scarcity, just as it did at the wedding feast at Cana, which we heard at Mass just a few weeks ago.

Simon Peter becomes a follower of Jesus immediately. He calls Jesus "Lord"—the title given to Jesus after his Resurrection—and protests his worthiness to be in Jesus' presence. Today's Gospel, therefore, marks a turning point in the relationship between Jesus and Peter.

Two of Simon's partners are also named as witnesses to the event described in today's Gospel: Zebedee's sons, James and John. Yet Jesus' words are addressed only to Simon. Jesus gives Simon a new job, telling him that he will become a

different kind of fisherman. No longer will he catch fish; instead he will catch people. In these words, we hear the beginning of the leadership role that Peter will have within the community of disciples. Peter was chosen for this role. His task will be to bring others to Jesus. Already he is doing so; the Gospel tells us that all the fishermen with Peter also left their nets and followed Jesus.

We continue to speak of Peter's leadership and influence in the Church today when we call the pope the "successor of Peter." We participate in the mission of the Church when we bring people to Christ through the example and positive influence of our lives.



2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal: Sharing His Love with Others

This week and into next week, many of you will receive a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal. It is our sincere hope that you will answer our Bishop's request and make a generous commitment to this effort.



Super Bowl Party Feb. 9

- * On the wide screen in the multi-purpose room
- * Games starts at 6:30 pm; doors open at 5:30 pm
- * Bring your pocket change for a football pool & a game of Left-Right-Center at half-time
- * Bring your favorite party snack to share and your beverage of choice

Knights of Columbus
Council 9309

Knights of Columbus will host a Pancake, Scrambled Eggs & Sausage Breakfast at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church Social Hall, on Feb. 16th following the 8 am Mass.
A Freewill Offering is greatly appreciated!

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, Virgil Frizzell, Betty Morris, Patricia Pruden, Mary Jo Bankard, George Wall, Jeri Schottenbauer, Stephanie Hathaway, Peter Hamilton, Dale Litzinger, Robert Purdy, Jan Holt, Jim Perozek, Helen Gryboski, Eneida Felisha Mendez, Linda Fleegle, Travis Smith, Lori Magusson, Leigh Gautreau, Rose Pascoe, Bernice Jiano, Zony Carino, Kip Boisot, Lori Snelling, Paul Daly, Fulton Greiner

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: Jeremiah 17:5-8
Responsorial Psalm: 1:1-4, 6
Reading II:
1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20
Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26

Mass Intentions



Saturday, February 8th
Our Parishioners
Sunday, February 9th
Our Parishioners

Upcoming Events:

- Feb. 11-Adult Bible Study
- Feb. 11-**NO DAILY MASS**
- Feb. 14-17-Office Closed
- Feb. 18-Adult Bible Study
- Feb. 19-**NO DAILY MASS**
- Feb. 20-Finance Council
- Feb. 22-Praying for Priests

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$3,846.15	\$3,174.21 (\$671.94)

Online Giving

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

MASS
ATTENDANCE:

February 1st
60
February 2nd
66

Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST	BLOOD OF CHRIST
Saturday	Bobby Berndt	Chuck Youse	Dan Moyles	Patricia Moyles	Jackie Pfendler
	Jim Perozek	Mike McDonald			Marge Youse
Sunday	Carol Warfel	Jenny Hagen	Tom O'Neill	Barbara Jones	Jim Burke
	Jay Warfel	Wilson Youngblood			Linda Adamos