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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.



March Birthdays

- 2 Marilyn Tuite
- 6 George Wall
- 7 Mary Carter Hagen
- 8 Crystal Hulse
- 9 Robert Newman
- 10 Kathy Karls
- 14 Ann Mogilnicki
- 14 Thomas Giroux
- 17 Jenny Hagen
- 19 Davyen King
- 20 Peter Polignone
- 21 Laura Kolb
- 21 Darlene Martin
- 22 Jo Masson
- 24 Alfred Lampazzi
- 26 O'Neill Hagen
- 27 Paul Pelletier
- 28 Hart Hagen
- 28 Daniela Satur
- 29 Mark Foran
- 30 Suzanna Hagen
- 31 Bernice Jiano
- 31 Julie McDonald

Happy Anniversary

- Jackie & Dale Pfindler**
3-4-1994
- Susan and Robert Newman**
3-20-1976
- Carmen & David Quinn**
3-25-2017
- Maribeth & Domingo Aguila**
3-27-1983
- Maricris & Erwin Satur**
3-31-2006

Our Lady of the Lake



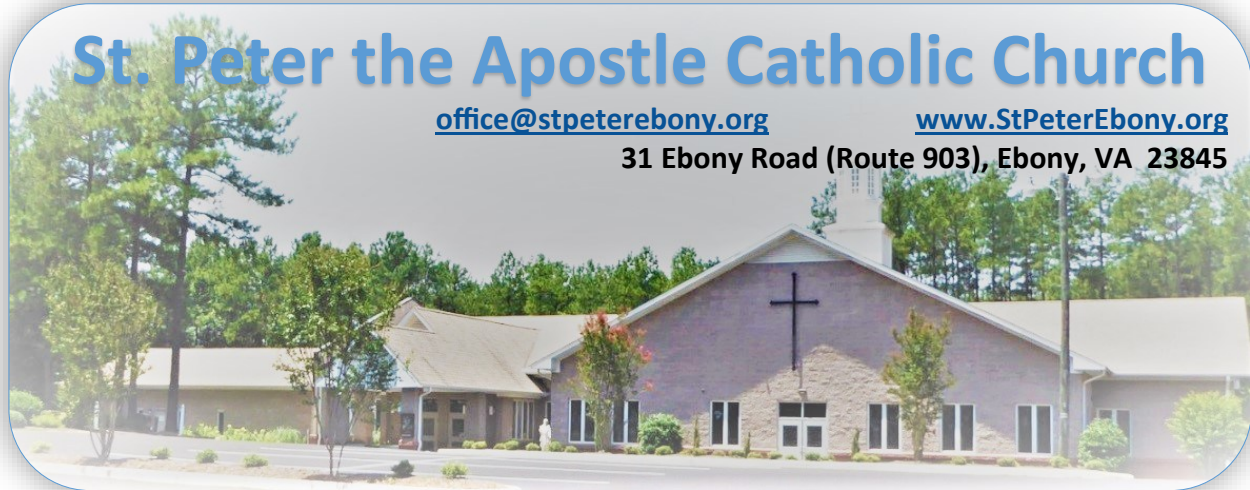
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Officers for 2024-2025

- 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
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- Trustee Three Years:** Wilson Youngblood, 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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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.

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Liturgical Schedule

Weekday Masses:
Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am

Weekend Masses:
**Saturday—4:30 pm (after DST ends)
5:30 pm (after DST begins)**

Sunday-8:00 am
Holy Hour w/ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction:
First Thursday of the month after Mass

Reconciliation:
Saturday 30 minutes before Mass & by appointment

Blessing of the Sick:
Last Tuesday of the month after Mass

Third Sunday of Lent—March 23, 2025

Study of the Readings

Background on the Gospel

Reading Luke 13:1-9

Today's Gospel prepares us to hear Lent's call to conversion and repentance. It is found in the chapters of Luke's Gospel that describe Jesus' journey to Jerusalem. During this journey, Jesus teaches and heals. He must also respond to those who question and challenge his authority and actions. Luke tells us that some among the crowds report to Jesus a massacre of Galileans by Pilate. The intention of the crowd seems to be to ask Jesus to explain why these people suffered. It was commonplace to render people's suffering as evidence of their sinfulness. Jesus challenges this interpretation. Those

who were massacred were no more or less sinful than the ones who report the situation to Jesus. Jesus replies that even a fatal accident, a natural disaster, ought not to be interpreted as punishment for sin. Jesus' words at first appear to have a fire-and-brimstone quality. Jesus says in essence, "Repent or perish as these people did; all are sinful before God and deserving of God's punishment." The tone changes, however, in the parable that follows. The parable of the barren fig tree contrasts the patience and hopefulness of the gardener with the practicality of the property owner. When told to cut down the fig tree because it is not producing fruit, the

gardener counsels patience. If properly tended, the barren fig tree may yet bear fruit. Throughout his journey to Jerusalem, Jesus has been teaching about the Kingdom of God. In this parable, we find an image of God's patience and hopefulness as he prepares his Kingdom. God calls us to repent, and it is within his power to punish us for our failure to turn from our sinfulness. And yet God is merciful. He delays punishment and tends to us so that we may yet bear the fruit he desires from us. This, then, is our reason for hope: Not only does God refuse to abandon us, he chooses to attend to us even when we show no evidence of his efforts.

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Joshua 5:9a, 10-12
 Responsorial Psalm: 34:2-7
 Reading II:
 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
 Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Mass Intentions



Saturday, March 22nd
Our Parishioners
 Sunday, March 23rd
Our Parishioners

Upcoming Events:

- Mar. 25-Blessing of the Sick
- Mar. 29-Praying for Priests
- Mar. 30-Catholic Relief Services

PARISH NEWS

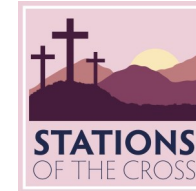


Praying For All Priests

The Brides Of The Most Blessed Trinity, will meet on March 29th at 9:30 am to pray for all priests. This is an invitation for all men, women and children. Our prayer time lasts about 2 hours. Please come for all or any part of it.



All donations are for St. Richard's food pantry which assist parishioners in need.



Every Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm



LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE April 9 at 7 pm at St. John the Baptist

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry Fridays



Eat In/Take Out
 \$1 per plate
 Serving 5-6:30 pm
 March 28
 April 4
 April 11



Scan here to donate to the 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal



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Contact Mary Ann Daly at 434-577-2660 to receive Holy Communion at home.

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$3,846.15	\$3,979.21
Easter Flowers:		\$550.00
		\$133.06

Online Giving

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

MASS ATTENDANCE:

March 15th
70
March 16th
61

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	Bettie Berndt			Marge Youse
Sunday	Marilyn Tuite	Wilson Youngblood	Isaac Bette	Jim Burke	Barbara Jones
	Robert Tuite	Debbie Youngblood			Mary Ann Daly