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donations for Hannah's
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July Birthdays

- 1 Lil Meyer
- 2 Edward Maynes
- 5 Michael McDonald
- 9 Estela Giroux
- Jacob Husson
- 12 Lewis Keipe
- 13 Betty Morris
- 15 Daniel Jones
- 16 Laurie Coughlin
- 18 Robert DeFelice
- 19 Jaimie Martin
- 25 Myrna Rodriguez
- 26 Isaac Bette
- 28 Robert Kapinskis
- 30 Mary Purdy

Happy Anniversary

- Linda & Joseph Ferreira**
July 1, 1972
- Elizabeth & Doug Martin**
July 6, 1996
- Nancy & Paul Arena**
July 18, 1981
- Carol & Bernie Haefner**
July 19, 1967
- Natalie & Ronnie Carlson**
July 20, 1968
- Jennifer & Mark Foran**
July 22, 1989

**LUMEN CHRISTI
LEGACY SOCIETY**

**St. Peter the Apostle
Catholic Church Chapter**

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

Officers for 2025-2026

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta
Grand Knight: John Husson
Deputy Grand Knight: Isaac Bette
Chancellor: Dave Thomas
Recorder: Bobby Berndt, PGK*
Treasurer: Jay Warfel, PGK*
Financial Secretary: Tom O'Neill, PGK*
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Warden: Paul Kurilla
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Inside: Kip Boisot, PGK*
Outside: Richard Rumprik
BOARD OF TRUSTEES:
Trustee One Year: Bobby Berndt, PGK*
Trustee Two Years: Wilson Youngblood, PGK*
Trustee Three Years: Mark Fracassa, PGK*

*PGK-Past Grand Knight

Catholic men 18 years or older
are eligible to join the Knights
of Columbus. Please contact
John Husson (919)740-8405 or
Tom O'Neill (252)308-0493.

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 (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**

The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 20, 2025

Encountering the Word with Jeff Cavins. *Luke 10:38-42*

Our Gospel focus today is the familiar story of Martha and Mary. Jesus visits their home, and we see two different responses: Martha is busy with serving while Mary sits at Jesus' feet, listening to his teaching. This passage speaks deeply to the tension many of us feel between the demands of life and the need to cultivate our relationship with Jesus. We all have responsibilities—work, family, other commitments—but if those tasks consume us, they can distract us from the one thing that is truly needed: spending time with the Lord. Jesus is not dismissing the value of Martha's service; rather, he is showing that time with him is the foundation that brings peace, clarity, and order to all our work! When we sit at his feet in prayer, in Adoration, or at Mass, he guides us, helping us prioritize and carry out our responsibilities with less anxiety and more joy. There is also a lesson about balance in this Gospel. Serving without connection to Jesus can lead to burnout, while constant prayer

without service can miss the opportunity to bring Christ's love to others. The key is to build our service on the foundation of our relationship with Jesus. This week, let's take Mary's example to heart: Spend time with Jesus and let him direct your steps. Out of that relationship, we can serve with joy and avoid the distractions that pull us away from him.

When life overwhelms you, how can you invite Jesus to help you reorder your priorities and find clarity?

Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Genesis 20:18-32
Responsorial Psalm:
138:1-2, 2-3,6-7,7-8
Reading II: Colossians 2:12-14
Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 19th
Our Parishioners
Sunday, July 20th
Julianne Elodie Hulse

Upcoming Events

July 29: Book Club Kickoff
July 31: Holy Hour
Aug 1: First Friday Devotion
Aug 5: Justice and Peace

Next Week's Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST	BLOOD OF CHRIST
Saturday	Bobby Berndt	Dan Moyles	John Husson	Patricia Moyles	Marge Youse
	Jim Perozek	Bettie Berndt			Kathy Husson
Sunday	Joan Medina	Bob Hathaway	Carl Hagen	Barbara Jones	Mary Ann Daly
	Luis Medina	Jenny Hagen			Janet Hagen

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual	Over/(Under)
Offertory:	\$4339.87	\$5919.46	\$1579.59

Mass Attendance

Date	No. People
7/12/25	78
7/13/25	203

Online Giving: (a) <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stpeterebonyva> or (b) Text GIVE to 434-686-6277



We continue to make excellent progress with the Capital Campaign.

Next weekend your Personalized Campaign Material will be here for you to pick up after Masses.

Please stop by the tables in the narthex and prayerfully consider how you can help us at this important juncture in our parish life. The campaign looks to add a classroom, an office and storage space, as well as update and renovate the rectory.

Please be as generous as you can with your gift; even consider pledging an amount to the campaign you can pay off over 5 years.

Every gift, large and small, is helpful.

Thank you and God Bless you! ~ Fr. Jong .

Faith Formation & Communications News/Events

Email: faithformation@stpeterebony.org Phone: 434-636-6277 (Option 5)

- Tues July 29, 10:00 AM, St. Peter's Fellowship Hall. **New Adult Book Club** centered on exploring our Catholic faith in an informal setting. Meetings every 4-6 weeks to discuss. First book: "Death Comes for the Archbishop" by Willa Cather. Sign up by Fri July 25: contact Jennifer Foran via email or phone above. BRING A FRIEND and COME JOIN US
- As the Adult Faith Formation Ministry begins preparations for the fall, please stay tuned for formal Bible Study announcements as well as The Saints in Our Windows Series
- If you would like to participate in Adult Faith Formation activities, and **evening and/or weekend times are better for you**, please contact Jennifer Foran via email or phone above; this will help gauge interest and possible future scheduling
- NOTE: **All announcements and bulletin information** previously provided to Elizabeth Martin, should now be provided to Jennifer Foran via email or phone number above.

School Supply Drive

The Justice & Peace Committee is having their annual **School Supply Drive** this month, supporting students and staff of Meherrin-Powellton Elementary School.

ITEMS NEEDED:

- 3 Subject Notebooks (wide rule)
- Glue Sticks
- Tissues
- Index Cards (3" x 5" and 4" x 6")
- Pencil Pouches (not pencil boxes)
- Highlighters (any color)
- Folders (plastic; 3-prong with pockets)

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Rose Gongla, Ann Mogilnicki, Mary Purdy, Tom Eddy, Carol & Bernie Haefner, Tamara Burns, Lexie Burns, Katie & David Berlin, Megan Quigley, Jean Sasscer, Bob & Pat Weise, Cheryl Beebe, Virgil Frizzell, Betty Morris, Mary Jo Bankard, George Wall, Jeri Schottenbauer, Peter Hamilton, Dale Litzinger, Robert Purdy, Jan Holt, Jim Perozek, Helen Gryboski, Eneida Felisha Mendez, Travis Smith, Leigh Gautreau, Rose Pascoe, Bernice Jiano, Kip Boisot, Lori Snelling, Fulton Greiner, Sadie Waters, Alexandra Roy, Louis Keipe, Carlos Mendez, Kathy Beil, Chuck Youse, Ann Marie Hancock, Denise Leclereq, George McCall, Bill Karls

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