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BRICK MEMORIALS
Purchase a brick for St. Peter the Apostle Grotto for \$100.
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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.



July Birthdays



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*
Advocate: Bob Oravits
Warden: Paul Kurilla
Guards:
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

Happy Anniversary

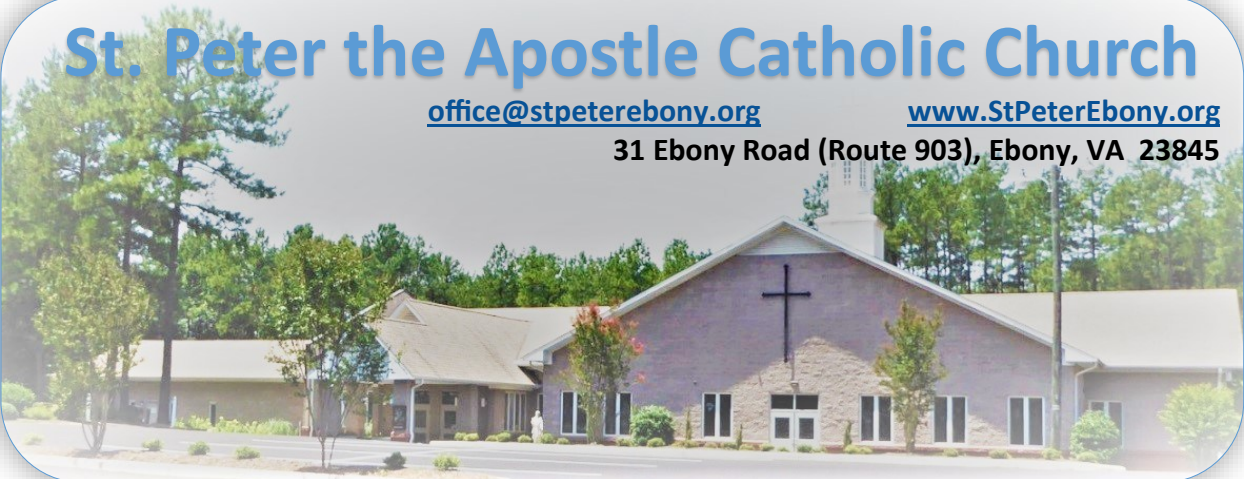
Linda & Joseph Ferreira
July 1, 1972
Elizabeth & Doug Martin
July 6, 1996
Nancy & Paul Arena
July 18, 1981
Carol & Bernie Haefner
July 19, 1967
Natalie & Ronnie Carlson
July 20, 1968
Jennifer & Mark Foran
July 22, 1989



St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church Chapter

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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Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

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:
* **The Thursday before First Friday of the month**
Reconciliation:
* **Saturday 30 minutes before Mass & by appointment**
Blessing of the Sick:
* **Last Tuesday of the month after Mass**

The 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 27, 2025

Encountering the Word with Jeff Cavins. Luke 11:1-13

The powerful theme of persistence in prayer is our focus this week. The story of Abraham interceding for Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 18) highlights the importance of tenacity. Abraham repeatedly asks God to spare the city if righteous people can be found, showing us that prayer requires perseverance, even when the outcome seems uncertain!

In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus teaches his disciples both the structure and spirit of prayer. When the disciples ask, “Lord, teach us to pray” (Luke 11:1), Jesus offers them the Lord’s Prayer, a model for praising God, seeking his will, and

asking for daily needs. More than a formula, this prayer reflects the heart of Jesus’ relationship with the Father. It reminds us that prayer is not only about asking but also about aligning ourselves with God’s will.

Jesus emphasizes the need for persistence in prayer through a parable of a man who knocked on a friend’s door at midnight, asking for bread. Though initially reluctant, the owner of the house eventually responds because of the persistence of the friend’s request. Jesus uses this story to encourage us to keep asking, seeking, and knocking, trusting that God hears us and will respond in his time.

This week, consider the areas in your life that require persistent prayer—whether it’s your family, work, health, or important decisions. Whatever you face, pray consistently and persistently. Jesus assures us: When we ask, we will receive; when we seek, we will find; when we knock, the door will be opened.

How does Jesus’ invitation to ask, seek, and knock challenge your current approach to prayer?

Next Week’s Readings

Reading I: Ecclesiastes 1:2;2:21-23
Responsorial Psalm:
90:3-4,5-6,12-13,14,17
Reading II: Colossians 3:1-5,9-11
Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 26th
Our Parishioners
Sunday, July 27th
Anne O’Neill

Upcoming Events

July 28-30: Office Closed
July 29: Book Club Kickoff
July 31: Holy Hour
Aug 1: First Friday Devotion
Aug 5: Justice and Peace
Aug 6: Pastoral Council

Next Week’s Ministry Schedule

	USHERS	READERS	SERVER	BODY OF CHRIST	BLOOD OF CHRIST
Saturday	Barbara Oravits	Chuck Youse	John Husson	Marge Youse	Jackie Pfendler
	Bob Oravits	JoAnne Carino			Kathy Husson
Sunday	Joan Medina	Keith Percic	Carl Hagan	Jim Burke	Barbara Jones
	Luis Medina	Linda Adamos			Mary Ann Daly

Last Week’s Offertory

	Needed	Actual	Over/(Under)
Offertory:	\$4339.87	\$5769.21	\$1429.34

Mass Attendance

Date	No. People
7/19/25	80
7/20/25	126

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



Capital Campaign: **Please return your pledge form you received in your packet next weekend, as we will collect them during both Masses (8/2 & 8/3)** If you are going to be away, please return it to the office July 31st or August 1st between 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM so we can report our progress to the parish soon! God Bless you all.

Faith Formation & Communications News/Events

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

- Baby Bottle Campaign:** If you have not yet returned your baby bottle, please do so as soon as possible so the Knights can finalize the campaign and provide all donations to the Pregnancy Support Center.
- The Knight’s of Columbus will have their annual **Clothing Drive next weekend, August 2nd/3rd**. Please bring adult/children clothing, shoes, and jackets that are in good shape; we will be distributing to local charities. There will be a designated area in the Narthex for drop-off. The Knight’s thank you in advance for your clothing donations.
- Adult Book Club** first meeting is Tuesday July 29 at 10:00 AM in Fellowship Hall. Please contact Jennifer Foran at above email or phone if interested.
- NOTE: **All announcements and bulletin information** previously provided to Elizabeth Martin, should now be provided to Jennifer Foran via email above. Cut-off time for the following Sunday is Noon on Wednesday’s.



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, Carlos Mendez, Kathy Beil, Chuck Youse, Ann Marie Hancock, Denise Leclereq, George McCall, Bill Karls. Marilyn Tuite, Linda Fleegle

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

