

# Prince of Peace

## Catholic Church

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Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at noon

### Office Hours

Monday-Thursday  
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Friday  
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

### Masses

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday, 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
The 11:00 a.m. Mass is also being  
livestreamed

Tuesday-Friday, 11:00 a.m.  
and also being livestreamed.

**Reconciliation** Every Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

## Sacraments

**Baptism – Infant:** Baptisms are only scheduled on specific weekends throughout the year at liturgies. Please check inside this bulletin for upcoming Baptism dates. A required initial parent preparation session occurs several weeks before the Baptism. To register for the next parent session and schedule your child's Baptism, please call the Parish Office. An additional required session is also held just prior to the Baptism.

**Marriage:** Please call the Parish Office. Minimum of six months preparation time.

**Anointing/Hospital Visit:** If you or someone you know is being admitted to Chesapeake General Hospital, please call the office so we may share Eucharist with them and/or celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick.

**Confirmation (Youth)** may celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation when they are in the tenth grade and are at least 15 years of age. In addition to the Confirmation program, each confirmandi must also be enrolled in a religious education program. Confirmation is normally celebrated during the Easter Season. Contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office for additional information.

**Confirmation (Adult):** Baptized Adults who have received their first Eucharist and wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation participate in an eight-week process usually beginning in Lent. Contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office for information.

**Adults for Baptism or Reception into the Catholic Church:** Adults who have not been baptized or wish to be received into the Catholic Church participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). **Children:** The process is adapted for children 7 years of age or older. Contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office for information.

**Holy Orders, Religious Life and Lay Ministry:** Men and women who are considering Holy Orders, Religious Life, or Lay Ministry are encouraged to call Fr. Jazmin at the Parish Office for information.

### TO REGISTER IN THE PARISH

Welcome! To join the parish, please register at the New Parishioner Desk in the commons after liturgy or in the Parish Office during office hours. You may also register online at our website [popparish.org](http://popparish.org).



THE SEASON OF

# Advent

Hope Peace Joy Love

## Staff

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## Calendar of Events This Week – December 20-December 27, 2020

**Prince of Peace Catholic Church is open for Mass.** Please arrive 30 minutes before Mass to allow for adequate time for the ushers to assist you with seating. Everyone will be ushered into the worship space. Masks are required by all (except children under age 10) to enter our worship space. Our 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass will continue to be live-streamed. Our 11:00 a.m. Daily Mass (Tuesday through Friday) is open to the public and will also continue to be live-streamed. **Our 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass has moved to 8:00 a.m. to provide the appropriate time to clean between Masses. Reconciliation has moved to Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.**

Our parish website continues to offer various spiritual aids that we can use at home during this time.

### Sunday, December 20

**Masses, 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.**

The 11:00 a.m. Mass will also be live-streamed with Prince of Peace on Facebook at [facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake](https://facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake) or [youtube.com](https://youtube.com).

### Monday, December 21

Drop off groceries at Food Pantry, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

### Tuesday, December 22

Mass, 11:00 a.m., also live-streamed followed by praying the Holy Rosary

### Wednesday, December 23

Food Pantry Closed

Mass, 11:00 a.m., also live-streamed followed by praying the Holy Rosary

### Thursday, December 24 – Christmas Eve

**Mass, 2:00 p.m.** – Online sign-up – see website [popparish.org](https://popparish.org)

**Mass, 4:00 p.m.** – Online sign-up – see website [popparish.org](https://popparish.org), also live-streamed

**Mass, 7:00 p.m.** – Online sign-up – see website [popparish.org](https://popparish.org)

**Second Collection – Catholic Charities**

### Friday, December 25 – Christmas

**Mass, 10:00 a.m.**, Online sign-up – see website [popparish.org](https://popparish.org), also live-streamed

**Second Collection – Catholic Charities**

### Saturday, December 26

**Reconciliation, 4:00 p.m.**

**Mass, 5:30 p.m.**

### Sunday, December 27

**Masses, 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.**

The 11:00 a.m. Mass will also be live-streamed with Prince of Peace on Facebook at [facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake](https://facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake) or [youtube.com](https://youtube.com).

### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

by Saint Alphonsus Liguori

*My Jesus,*

*I believe that You*

*are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.*

*I love You above all things,*

*and I desire to receive You into my soul.*

*Since I cannot at this moment*

*receive You sacramentally,*

*come at least spiritually into my heart.*

*I embrace You as if You were already there*

*and unite myself wholly to You.*

*Never permit me to be separated from You.*

*Amen*

### ORATIO IMPERATA

God our Father,  
We come to You in our need  
To ask Your protection against the 2019 N-Coronavirus,  
That has claimed lives  
And has affected many.

We pray for Your grace  
For the people tasked with studying the nature and cause  
Of this virus and its disease  
And of stemming the tide of its transmission.  
Guide the hands and minds of medical experts  
That they may minister to the sick  
With competence and compassion,  
And of those governments and private agencies  
That must find cure and solution to this epidemic.

We pray for those afflicted  
May they be restored to health soon.

Grant us the grace  
To work for the good of all  
And to help those in need.

Grant this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
One God, forever and ever. Amen



## WELCOME!

As we gather again for the celebration of Mass, we are all asked to do our part to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Out of an abundance of caution for others gathered, please

be aware, prior to entering the church, an usher will ask you a series of questions. Please be patient and wait for their instructions regarding seating, as we must comply with social distancing guidelines.

We ask that everyone takes the following precautions:



Stay home if you are ill, elderly, anxious, or immunocompromised. Bishop Knestout has dispensed all Catholics in the Diocese from their Sunday Mass obligation.



Maintain six feet of social distance from others who are not from the same household at all times while in the church or on church property.



All those aged 10 and up and those to receive Communion must wear a face mask or face covering. Be sure the mask covers your nose and your mouth.



Refrain from physical contact, such as holding hands during the Our Father and shaking hands during the Sign of Peace.



Sanitize hands when entering and leaving church. Bring personal supply of hand sanitizer to use before receiving Communion, if possible.



Consider receiving Holy Communion in the hand. After receiving the host in your hand, step six feet to the side, lower your mask, consume the host, put your mask back in place and return to your seat.

If you have a fever or symptoms of COVID-19, you will not be permitted to enter the building.



**THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL READING**

December 20, 2020, Fourth Sunday of Advent  
 Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Scripture of the Week: Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38).

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**

December 27, 2020, Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph  
 1st Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14  
 2nd Reading: Colossians 3:12-21  
 Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

**MASS RESOURCES:  
 LIVESTREAM PRINCE OF PEACE**

Events such as Masses and praying the Holy Rosary are being livestreamed at facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake and youtube.com.

**TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND**

WTVZ channel 33 (MyTVZ) at 7:00 a.m.

Please invite anyone you know to tune in Catholic Mass on TV or watch online anytime on Sundays at [www.HeartoftheNation.org](http://www.HeartoftheNation.org).

**MAGNIFICAT**

During this challenging time, many of the faithful may be unable to attend Mass. Magnificat is honored to provide complimentary access to our online version to help people pray from home at <https://us.magnificat.net/free>.

**FREE RESOURCES**

You may download these free resources for unrestricted, redistributable use here:  
[www.hometouchministry.com/covid19-resources-for-elderly-homebound](http://www.hometouchministry.com/covid19-resources-for-elderly-homebound)

**SUNDAY MASS WITH THE BISHOP**

Sunday Mass with Bishop Barry C. Knestout can be found as a link at [richmonddiocese.org/livestream](http://richmonddiocese.org/livestream).

**OUR TREASURES TO THE LORD**

	12-13-20	Year to Date
Offertory 12-13-20	\$ 7,178.75	\$ 135,666.31
E-Giving 12-13-20	\$ 6,065.00	\$ 144,225.50
Weekly Operational Needs	\$ 12,303.00	\$ 295,272.00
	\$ 940.75	\$ (15,380.19) *

\*Amount in ( ) indicates shortfall

Capital Improvement 12-13-20:	\$ 12,029.00
Food Pantry 12-13-20:	\$ 23,294.35
Haiti 12-13-20:	\$ 2,497.00
Diocesan debt (BLUE env) funds 12-13-20:	\$ 7,434.00
Homeless Meals 12-13-20:	\$ 10,920.00

**SECOND COLLECTION AT ALL CHRISTMAS MASSES:** Catholic Charities is the diocese's charitable organization. Last year, thousands of families were served through programs addressing pregnancy support and parenting education, financial assistance for families in crisis, mental health counseling, services for seniors, and Guardianship services for those deemed unable to help themselves. One half of the second collection at all Christmas Masses will benefit Catholic Charities; one half will go to our parish charity work.

**PRINCE OF PEACE POLICY:** Anyone requesting a Godparent sponsor letter, a Confirmation sponsor letter, or a letter verifying church membership, must be a registered member of the Parish a minimum of six months.



**Tuesday, December 22**

11:00 a.m. Chester Sabisky †

**Wednesday, December 23**

11:00 a.m. Escobar Family  
 Mass Intention

**Thursday, December 24**

2:00 p.m. Ruben Galutera †  
 4:00 p.m. Fernando Crespo †  
 7:00 p.m. Roger Williams †

**Friday, December 25**

10:00 a.m. Valentin Macasaet †

**Saturday, December 26**

5:30 p.m. Anja Hall  
 Mass Intention

**Sunday, December 27**

8:00 a.m. Tom Antroinen †  
 11:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

† Denotes deceased

\*In order to keep with Canon Law, as of March 13, 2019, there will be only one Mass Intention offered per Mass. The Mass Intentions already scheduled will be respected, but no new ones will be made on a date that another one has already been scheduled. Also, Mass Intentions for the repose of the soul and Special Intentions can be made at least 2 weeks before the requested day. The Parish Office will not be able to schedule Mass Intentions on the same week of the requested day. Thank you for understanding.



**PRAYER TO END THE CORONAVIRUS:**

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,  
 Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.

We fly to you today as your beloved children.  
 We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,  
 as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world,  
 and for all our families and loved ones,  
 the protection of your holy angels,  
 that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted,  
 we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.  
 Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful,  
 wipe away their tears and help them to trust.  
 In this time of trial and testing,  
 teach all of us in the Church to love one another  
 and to be patient and kind.

Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,  
 knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother,  
 health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,  
 keep us in the embrace of your arms,  
 help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.  
 Amen.

**ASSISTANCE FOR 65+ OR AT-RISK PARISHIONERS:** During this time where you may be self-quarantining due to your age or because you are high risk, if you need assistance with grocery shopping or other high importance errands, please give our Parish Office a call at 757-547-0356. We will contact a parish volunteer to call you to assist you with your needs.

#### **FROM THE BOOKKEEPER:**

#### **ATTENTION ONLINE DONORS**

We are excited to share that we are in the process of migrating to a NEW online donation service so that we may consolidate all of our accounting programs under one umbrella. Our NEW online donation website is: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/prin621166> (this link is also on our website Prince of Peace ParishSOFT Giving and Offering).

If you are currently an online donor, we would be so grateful if you would sign up under our new online service, ParishSOFT giving. Once you register in ParishSOFT giving, I can remove your recurring donation on the old site. Any issues with this feature? Kindly contact me at the office: 547-0356 or e-mail at karen.pacomio@popparish.org.

#### **UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

Catholic Charities (Christmas Day)	December 24/25, 2020
Capital Improvement	January 16/17, 2021

#### **SACRAMENTS**

#### **BAPTISMS: Baptismal Preparation**

In preparation to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism with an infant, the parents are asked to attend a Baptismal Preparation Session at Prince of Peace. Sessions are being held by ZOOM until further notice. The sessions will begin at 1:00 p.m. and last 45 minutes to an hour. The next sessions scheduled at Prince of Peace:

- Sunday, December 20, 2020
- Sunday, January 17, 2021

Parents are asked to register for the sessions by visiting our parish website at [popparish.org](http://popparish.org). Go to the Sacrament tab and scroll down to Baptisms.

**Eucharist and 1st Reconciliation:** All Sacramental classes are conducted online this year. Contact [Melody.Smith@popparish.org](mailto:Melody.Smith@popparish.org) for more information.

**Confirmation:** All Sacramental classes are conducted online this year. Winter session Confirmation Retreat and classes have begun. Contact [Melody.Smith@popparish.org](mailto:Melody.Smith@popparish.org) for more information.

**Adult Confirmation:** Any adult Catholic who has never been confirmed, a preparation program will begin in October. For more information, please call Sister Dolores at the parish office or email her at [Sister.Dolores@popparish.org](mailto:Sister.Dolores@popparish.org).

**RCIA:** Thinking of joining the Catholic Church???

Prince of Peace parish community offers "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" (RCIA) process for those adults seeking to learn more about and join the Catholic Christian Faith. RCIA is for those who are not yet baptized and also for Christians of other denominations who choose to seek full Communion with the Catholic Church. If you are interested or know someone who might be interested in learning more about the RCIA journey, please contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office at 547-0356, or e-mail [Sister.Dolores@popparish.org](mailto:Sister.Dolores@popparish.org). Sessions began October 14, 2020.

#### **PARISH COMMUNITY LIFE NEWS**

Our mission is to strengthen our parish by bringing neighbors together. The following dates have been scheduled for events taking place here at Prince of Peace!

In an effort to keep our church and our parishioners safe and healthy, we are suspending doughnut ministry until further notice.

#### **CHRISTMAS TREES**

Thank you to everyone who purchased a Christmas Tree at the POP lot this year. Because of you we raised \$13,267.00, which will help support the outreach ministries here at Prince of Peace. I am so grateful for all the volunteers that contributed their time and talent to make this a successful stewardship event. My best wishes for a Merry Christmas and safe and healthy New Year. May God bless you.

– Alan

#### **LITTLE BLUE BOOKS**

Little Blue Books are available for the season of Advent. The books contain reflections to help adults spiritually prepare for Christmas. A donation of \$2.00 will help defray the cost of the books. Do to COVID restrictions we ask that you only pick up the book you intend to take.

#### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF EASTERN VIRGINIA**

CCEVA is looking for two Spanish-speaking volunteers (one on the Southside and one on the Peninsula) to help with our pregnancy and parent support case management program 6-10 hours a month. These volunteers would help bridge the language barrier as we strive to serve our Spanish-speaking clients. This program serves families in the area by providing diapers, baby clothes, formula, etc. as well as case management services (working one-on-one with clients to establish goals and help them meet those goals). The times are flexible within usual business hours, we want to work with your schedule. Your gift of volunteering can help a family become self-sufficient and bring themselves out of isolation imposed by the language barrier. If you have the skills to translate both the spoken and written word and have the desire to make a difference, please contact Rebekah Hall ([rhall@cceva.org](mailto:rhall@cceva.org)).

#### **PEACE AND JUSTICE NEWS**



Happy Holiday to All!!!!

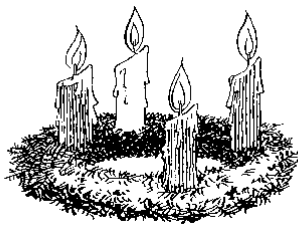
As you are enjoying the hustle and bustle of this Christmas season, please consider helping the children that we serve at the Wesley Memorial Soup Kitchen. These children are in need of gloves, mittens, hats, scarves, socks and gently used or new coats to keep them warm this winter. The children's ages range from Kindergarten through Middle School.

This year there are several options to drop off your donation. \*There is a box in the commons area where you can place your donation.

\* You can drop your donation off at the Church Office

\* You can make arrangements to have your donation picked up, email Kelly at [kbruno18@cox.net](mailto:kbruno18@cox.net).

Thank you as always for your continued support and generosity for those children in need of our love.



## Advent: From the website of the United States Catholic Bishops:

### Advent

Advent (*ad venio* in Latin or "to come to") begins the Church year and consists of the four Sundays before Christmas. The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. Advent devotions remind us of the meaning of the season. Special Advent Devotions: the lighting of the Advent wreath each Sunday during Advent. Advent prayers prepare us spiritually for the birth of Jesus Christ.

### Advent Wreath

The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. Three candles are purple and one is rose. The purple candles in particular symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and goods works undertaken at this time. The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday, when the priest also wears rose vestments at Mass; Gaudete Sunday is the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half over and they are close to Christmas. The progressive lighting of the candles symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our Lord's first coming into the world and the anticipation of his second coming to judge the living and the dead.

### Advent Prayers

Advent prayers call to mind our preparation for the Lord's coming on Christmas and His second coming at the end of the world. The Advent theme of preparing one spiritually requires special Advent prayers focused on waiting, watching, and hoping for the Lord's coming. Many Advent prayer books include daily prayers, while others involve the writings of popular Catholics including Pope John Paul II or Fulton Sheen. Other prayers are meant specifically to be said along with an Advent wreath.

### Prayer of Blessing For Your Home Advent Wreath

Lord, our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: He is Emmanuel, the hope of all people, he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, he is the Savior of every nation.

Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this Advent wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### Advent Wreath Prayers

#### First Week of Advent

Light the first purple candle

#### Prayer:

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come,  
that by your protection we may be rescued  
from the dangers that come upon us through our sins;  
and be a Redeemer to deliver us;  
Who lives and reigns with God the Father  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
ever one God, world without end. Amen.

#### Alternate/Complementary Prayer:

O Emmanuel, Jesus Christ,  
desire of every nation,  
Savior of all peoples,  
come and dwell among us.

*(From Christmas Prayers, Victor Hoagland, C.P.)*

#### Scriptures:

Isaiah 11:1-10

Isaiah 7:10-14

Luke: 1:26-38

Matthew 1:18-24

## Second Week of Advent

Light 2 purple candles.

### Prayer:

Stir up our hearts, O Lord,  
to prepare the paths of your Only-begotten Son:  
that we may worthily serve You  
with hearts purified by His coming:  
Who lives and reigns with God the Father in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

### Alternate/Complementary Prayer:

O King of all nations, Jesus Christ,  
only joy of every heart,  
come and save your people.

*(From Christmas Prayers, Victor Hoagland, C.P.)*

### Scriptures:

Micah 5:2                      Isaiah 2:1-5  
Matthew 2:1-2, 9-11      Matthew 3:1-6

## Third Week of Advent

Light 2 purple candles and the rose candle.

### Prayer:

We beseech you to listen to our prayers, O Lord, and by  
the grace of your coming enlighten our darkened minds:  
You who lives and reigns with God the Father in the  
unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

### Alternate/Complementary Prayer:

O Key of David, Jesus Christ,  
the gates of heaven open at your command,  
come and show us the way to salvation.

*(From Christmas Prayers, Victor Hoagland, C.P.)*

### Scriptures:

Isaiah 9:6-7                      Ecclesiastes 3:1-8  
John 1:19-34                      Philippians 2:1-11

## Fourth Week of Advent

Light 3 purple candles and the rose candle.

### Prayer:

Pour forth your power, O Lord, and come:  
Assist us by that mighty power,  
so that by your grace and merciful kindness  
we may swiftly receive the salvation that our sins impede:  
Who lives and reigns with thee in the unity of the Holy  
Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

### Alternate/Complementary Prayer:

O Wisdom, holy Word of God, Jesus Christ,  
all things are in your hands,  
come and show us the way to salvation.

*(From Christmas Prayers, Victor Hoagland, C.P.)*

## Scriptures:

Malachi 3:1-5  
Romans 8:18-25  
Isaiah 52:7-10  
Revelation 21:1-4

## (Optional)

### Christmas Eve/Christmas Day

Light 3 purples candles and the rose candle.

Light a white candle placed in the center.

### Prayer:

God of love, Father of all, the darkness that covered the earth  
has given way to the bright dawn of your Word made flesh.  
Make us a people of this light. Make us faithful to your Word  
that we may bring your life to the waiting world.  
Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*(From The Roman Missal, Catholic Book Publishing Co.)*

### Alternate/Complementary Prayer:

Let the just rejoice, for their justifier is born.

Let the sick and infirm rejoice, For their savior is born.

Let the captives rejoice, For their Redeemer is born.

Let slaves rejoice, for their Master is born.

Let free men rejoice, For their Liberator is born.

Let All Christians rejoice, For Jesus Christ is born.

*St. Augustine of Hippo*

### Scriptures:

Isaiah 9:1-6                      John 1:1-18  
Luke 2:1-20                      Titus 2:11-14



## Additional Advent Resources

- United States Catholic Bishops Website:-  
Prayer and Worship: [usccb.org](http://usccb.org)
- Diocese of Richmond Website-Office of  
Worship: [www.richmonddiocese.org](http://www.richmonddiocese.org)
- Free Daily Advent Reflections by Bishop  
Robert Barron: <https://adventreflections.com/>
- Catholic Relief Services:  
[www.crsfairtrade.org/advent](http://www.crsfairtrade.org/advent)

**HOMELESS MEALS MINISTRY:****CALLING ALL POP BAKERS**  
**"Cookies with Love"!**

I know from different events that we have had here at POP that there is one plentiful type of chef we have and it is BAKERS!!!!

Do you remember getting homemade cookies and knowing that those cookies were made with LOVE just for you? Well, we are going to try and replicate that feeling of Love for community members that are currently experiencing homelessness that our church is helping.

Our POP Homeless Meals Ministry is asking our bakers to rev your ovens, put on your oven mitts and start baking! What we are looking for are donations of homemade cookies of any type of that can be kept frozen after baking. So, fully baked cookies that can then be kept frozen.

We are also asking for one note of just a loving thought/message that is uplifting to be brought with your donation of cookies. One or two sentences at the most. We ask that you not put your name on the note that has the loving/uplifting thought. So, for example, maybe that thought would be a Bible verse like: "Be Strong & Courageous!" – Deuteronomy 31:6. Or maybe just a line of love off the top of your head like – "Please know that you are loved!" If you use an actual quote, please include the name of the person being quoted.

The uplifting note will be duplicated and attached to each package of cookies that goes out on the night we send your cookies to our guests.

You can drop off your donation at the Parish Office (during office hours) in a large zip-lock bag and please include your name and contact info on a post-it note with the cookies when you drop them off in case we have any questions.

We will be looking for cookies from now through at least the first of the new year.

Thank you all for being such a caring parish and spreading the LOVE of GOD through Word and Deed!!!!

Blessings Always,  
Your POP Homeless Meals Ministry Team



**FOOD PANTRY:** Donations for the food pantry can be made on Monday from 10:00-11:00 a.m. and on Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Someone is near the pantry entrance to receive your donations. Financial gifts can be made by going to [popparish.org](http://popparish.org) and submitted through e-giving. You may not be present physically to give out the food, but without your charity, we could not be your hands and heart. You are an integral part of this entire operation. We are doing a drive-through from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday for anyone who needs food.

Our next monthly collection will be January 9th and 10th. Leave your bags on the benches in the commons. Any amount of food is appreciated. Small or medium size items are best to donate and NO glass, please. Thank you very much to all the parishioners who donated food for the monthly collection. Any amount of food is appreciated. At this time we have plenty of canned vegetables. We can use toilet paper, cereal (12 oz. size), jelly, juice (46 & 64 oz.), JELL-O, pork & beans (15 oz.), and boxed mashed potatoes. NO GLASS JARS, please. Small or Medium sizes are best to donate. God Bless and stay safe.

**As a parishioner, if you need food, please come to the Food Pantry to pick up a bag of groceries too.**

Let us give thanks that we are able to help those in need.

**FOOD PANTRY:** Monthly food collections for the following weekends in 2021:

January 9/10

February 6/7

**Year-End Act Of Love**

Dear Parishioners and especially those who support **The Father Romeo D. Jazmin Food Pantry**. Thank you for your food and financial contributions over the past ten years. The POP Food Pantry has established an Endowment Fund through the encouragement and financial support of many patrons inside and outside the church. The difference between a contribution to the Food Pantry and to **The Father Romeo D. Jazmin Food Pantry Endowment Fund** is your gift will keep on giving in perpetuity in the Endowment Fund. One gift for a lifetime! The contribution is not spent; the interest it generates will go towards the support of items needed for the food pantry.

If you are interested in giving a Holiday Contribution to the Food Pantry, use e-mail giving or write a check, mark in the memo, Food Pantry or FP Endowment Fund. During church office hours, credit cards and cash are accepted.

Help celebrate Christmas, and the Pantry's Tenth Anniversary with a year-end gift. God Bless!

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION NEWS!****CHRISTIAN FORMATION HAS BEGUN!**

Register now for Christian Formation 2020-2021. All registration may be completed through your ParishSoft account online. It is easy to register your child for whichever class is needed.

1. Log onto your ParishSoft account.
2. From "My Own Church," click the "Classes" tab and select your child's class. (For assistance, please email [youthformation@popparish.org](mailto:youthformation@popparish.org) or [melody.smith@popparish.org](mailto:melody.smith@popparish.org)).

For this year, the \$55.00 Christian formation fee is waived in order to help those families affected by COVID-19. Any donation to Youth Ministry would be greatly appreciated and can be donated online through Egiving.

Elementary School Zoom Meetings – Sundays, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Middle School Zoom Meetings – Sundays, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

High School Zoom Meetings – Sundays, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY AND SATURDAY FAMILY FAITH:**

Our Family Faith program meets once a month online on either Friday or Saturday, then the remainder of the lessons are completed at home with the family. Family Faith is for all ages and all members of the family. To register online, see the above ParishSoft registration directions.



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament with Exposition and Benediction is held two times a month giving parishioners an opportunity to come spend time before the Lord outside of Mass.

The dates and times as the calendar allows will tentatively be:

- First Friday of the month, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Exposition will be until Noon and Adoration will be until 12:30. The next first Friday is January 1, 2021.

**PRAYERS AND DEVOTIONS**Eucharistic Adoration – currently canceled

Wednesdays at 12:00 noon

Any time the building is open, the Blessed Sacrament Chapel is available for Adoration.

Rosary

Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel – (currently canceled) and following daily Masses at 11:45 a.m.



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**2020 TAX STATEMENTS**

If you are interested in obtaining a financial statement of your 2020 contributions to Prince of Peace, please visit our website [popparish.org](http://popparish.org). On the website, click on "My Giving" under "Support Your Parish" dropdown. Follow the instructions on the My Giving page to log into your My Own Church account or to set up an account. When available (late January 2021), you are able to download your tax statement. If you do not have access to a computer, you may drop off your self-address stamped envelope (to help offset costs) and place it in the box in the commons during Mass or office hours. If you have any issues with your ParishSoft account setup or have any questions, please contact Karen Pacomio at [karen.pacomio@popparish.org](mailto:karen.pacomio@popparish.org) or call the Parish Office at 757-547-0356.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER** these people, and all who are kept from joining us due to their health...

**(Nursing Home/Assisted Living Residents)** Mary Fallon, Dick DeLong, Mary Finch, Mary Brinker, and Florence Kress. **AUTUMN CARE:** Joan Schnell, Mary Fussell, John Weaver, and Martha Nelson. **CHESAPEAKE HEALTHCARE CENTER:** Mary Garris, Mary Churchill, Clair Saar, Marcella Damweber, Florence Farrell, Mary Thatcher, Donald Holloway, Laverne Barks, Richard Tobin, Joyce Clair, Eugene Batt, Mark Walker, Frank Katusich, Nenita Beliso, and John O'Leary. **AT HOME OR IN THE HOSPITAL:** Bonnie Gallimore, Gene and Diane DiPascale, Maureen Kelly, John Heerema Jr., Doris Moyer, Joseph Evan, Patty and Al Russell, Ed Boone, Ada Murphy, Sherri Yewitt, Paul Michael Thomas and Leigh Armstrong.

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:** There are a number of job opportunities available in the Diocese of Richmond that are posted on the Prince of Peace bulletin board. For more information, log on to <https://richmonddiocese.org/office/office-of-human-resources>.

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The best year-end giving plans make a difference in the lives of others and may improve your own financial and/or tax situation—often right away. Consider a charitable gift annuity or other legacy gift strategies to our parish's endowment. Here are a number of legacy gift strategies that can benefit you and build our endowment.

- Charitable Bequests
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Your legacy gift can help Share Our Spirit at Prince of Peace with a year-end legacy gift during this season of giving.

To learn more about how you can make a significant gift to endow our future, please contact the parish office (757) 547-0356.

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**Christmas Masses**

Due to capacity and social distancing restrictions caused by the pandemic, **ALL SEATING FOR CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES WILL BE VIA PREREGISTRATION ONLY.**

There will be **NO WALK-IN SEATING** and only families living under the same roof may register together.

We appreciate your understanding as we strive to safely accommodate as many people as possible during this challenging time of pandemic.

Online sign-up will be available from December 15th starting at 9:00 a.m. till December 20th.

**PLEASE SEE WEBSITE FOR REGISTRATION LINK**

Masses will be held in the church and social distancing will be followed. Please only sign up your family; do not register other friends and families. Sign up until all Masses are filled. Those without a computer or internet access may call the Parish Office during office hours to register.

**Christmas Eve – Thursday, December 24**

- 2:00 p.m.
- 4:00 p.m. (live-streamed)
- 7:00 p.m.

**Christmas Day – Friday, December 25**

10:00 a.m. (live-streamed)

A few important points of clarification to keep in mind:

- When signing up, select the total number of people **in your household who live under the same roof** who will be attending Mass. Space is at a premium, and it will be difficult to seat larger groups.
- You may only **sign up once**. Attempting to register additional people with a second sign-up will **void and replace** the first registration
- Family members who live outside your home should **register separately**
- Contact the office if you have questions



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