



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: Baptism-Infant Baptisms currently take place outside of Mass throughout the year. Parents are required to attend a parent preparation session prior to their child's Baptism. Please check inside this bulletin for upcoming parent sessions. To register for the next parent session please contact Sister Dolores at the parish office or go to our parish website. Click on Sacrament tab and scroll down to 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.

Staff

PASTOR: Father Romeo D. Jazmin

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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.

Calendar of Events This Week February 14-February 21, 2021

Beginning Thursday, February 18th, daily Mass will be celebrated at **9:00 a.m.** Praying of the Rosary will follow Mass Tuesday-Thursday. On Fridays, Father Romy will lead everyone in praying Stations of the Cross. Our parish website continues to offer various spiritual aids that we can use at home during this time.

Sunday, February 14

8:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass will also be livestreamed with Prince of Peace on Facebook at facebook.com popchurchchesapeake or youtube.com

Second Collection – Capital Improvement

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

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

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

Monday, February 15

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

Tuesday, February 16

11:00 a.m., Mass, also livestreamed, followed by praying the Holy Rosary

Wednesday, February 17 – Ash Wednesday

10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Food Pantry Open via drive up

12:00 p.m., Ash Wednesday Mass, also livestreamed

7:00 p.m., Mass

Thursday, February 18

9:00 a.m., Mass, also livestreamed, followed by praying the Holy Rosary

Friday, February 19

9:00 a.m., Mass, also livestreamed

Saturday, February 20

4:00 p.m., Reconciliation

5:30 p.m., Mass

Second Collection – Annual Appeal Digital in Pew

Sunday, February 21

8:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass, will also be livestreamed with Prince of Peace on Facebook at facebook.com popchurchchesapeake or youtube.com

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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**

February 14, 2021, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that may preach there also. For this purpose have I come."

Mark 1:38

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

February 21, 2021, First Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

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](https://youtube.com/popchurchchesapeake).

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.

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, re-distributable use here:

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.

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.**Virtual Mardi Gras Gala 2021*

*A virtual evening of celebration to benefit
Catholic Charities of Eastern Virginia*

Tuesday, February 16th, 7-7:30 p.m.

*Fund-A-Need
Silent Auction
\$2000 Raffle Prize*



Visit www.cceva.org to register and start bidding!

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, February 16

11:00 a.m. Salvador Fune †

Wednesday, February 17

12:00 p.m. Jenkins Family †

7:00 p.m. Sallie Bellicot †

Thursday, February 18

9:00 a.m. Antonio Macasaet †

Friday, February 19

11:00 a.m. Anastacia M. Choing †

Saturday, February 20

5:30 p.m. Josh Thompson †

Sunday, February 21

8:00 a.m. Sandra Tucker †

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.

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.

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.

SHINE LIKE STARS BICENTENNIAL BOOK: There are still Bicentennial books available. If you haven't picked up one for you and your family, please pick yours up today and leave a donation. Discover the history of the Diocese of Richmond in this richly illustrated book with pull-out objects.

OUR TREASURES TO THE LORD

	<u>2-7-21</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Offertory 2-7-21	\$ 8,178.48	\$ 194,614.59
E-Giving 2-7-21	\$ 9,447.00	\$ 204,064.50
Weekly Operational Needs	<u>\$ 12,303.00</u>	<u>\$ 393,696.00</u>
	\$ 5,322.48	\$ 4,983.09

**Amount in () indicates shortfall*

Capital Improvement 2-7-21:	\$ 17,153.00
Food Pantry 2-7-21:	\$ 31,383.35
Haiti 2-7-21:	\$ 4,070.00
Diocesan debt (BLUE env) funds 2-7-21:	\$ 9,446.00
Homeless Meals 2-7-21:	\$ 13,820.00

FROM THE BOOKKEEPER:

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. 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. **Your 2020 tax statements are available for download!** If you do not have access to a computer, you may drop off your self-addressed 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 or call the Parish Office at 757-547-0356.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Pop Capital Improvement	February 13/14, 2021
Catholic Relief Services	March 13/14, 2021
PoP Capital Improvement	March 20/21, 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, February 21, 2021
- Sunday, March 21, 2021
- Sunday, April 18, 2021
- Sunday, May 16, 2021

Parents are asked to register for the sessions by visiting our parish website at 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 for more information.

11 Ways to help POP Homeless Meals Ministry (YEAR-ROUND Help is NEEDED)

1. **20 PBJ SANDWICHES / 20 MEAT & CHEESE SANDWICHES** (2 Times a Week)

*Must schedule a donation date and receive instructions.

**We don't accept sandwiches that are just dropped off without being scheduled.

2. **20 pieces of SOFT FRUIT** (2 Times a week)

Soft fruit includes oranges, bananas, bunches of grapes

*MUST schedule a donation date and receive instructions.

**We don't accept fruit that is just dropped off without being scheduled.

3. **4 cases of WATER BOTTLES** (Once a month)

*MUST schedule a donation date and receive instructions.

**We don't accept water bottles that are just dropped off without being scheduled.

4. **SHELF STABLE FOOD ITEMS** (Consistently need)

List below.

*Can be dropped off in the donation boxes in church lobby during church office Hours during the week or before Masses on weekends.

5. **HYGIENE ITEMS** (Consistently need)

List below.

*Can be dropped off in the donation boxes in church lobby during church office Hours during the week or before Masses on weekends.

6. **"LOVE COOKIE "program** (Once a month)

Bake a couple dozen cookies that can then be frozen until we need them.

*MUST schedule a donation date and receive instructions.

**We don't accept cookies that are just dropped off without being scheduled.

7. **NEW SOCKS / NEW MEN'S T-SHIRTS (M, L, XL) / NEW MEN'S UNDERWEAR M, L, XL**

*Must be new in package.

**NOT ACCEPTING ANY OTHER CLOTHES ITEMS AT THIS TIME. **

Can be dropped off in the donation boxes in church lobby during church office Hours during the week or before Masses on weekends.

8. **"Welcome Home Bags Program"**

For people transitioning into permanent housing
list of kitchen type items including shelf stable food –
See list below.

9. **MONETARY DONATION** to the POP Homeless Meals Ministry.

Make donation online at popparish.org. Click on the ParishSOFT icon click on the link in the first paragraph that says ParishSOFT Giving. Click on Choose Fund down arrow and click on Homeless Meals Ministry to make your donation. Checks or cash can be brought during regular church office hours.

Any donation by check must be written out to Prince of Peace Catholic Church and in the memo line write:
"POP Homeless Meals Ministry."


10. **HOTEL FEEDING PROGRAM** - Churches and other organizations can sign up for 1 night to a week of providing dinners. We have at any time about 50-60 people that we bring dinners for each night. Any place of business, civic group, HOA or other organizations can be a part if they can provide even 1 night's worth or (60) dinners.

**MUST schedule a donation date and receive instructions.

**We don't accept dinners that are just dropped off without being scheduled and given instructions.

Homelessness does not end when the CAST Season ends in the beginning of April.
Homelessness occurs YEAR-ROUND in our city.

God bless and stay safe!

 Your POP Homeless Meals Ministry Team

Hygiene Items Needed

Please check expiration dates on all items donated to ensure they are not expired prior to donating 😊

Deodorant
 Toothpaste
 Toothbrush
 Hairbrush
 Comb

Sealed Razors
 Shaving Cream
 Feminine Pads
 Tissues – individual size packs
 Chap Stick

WELCOME HOME BAG ITEMS

Please check expiration dates on all items donated to ensure they are not expired prior to donating 😊

Vegetables canned
 Tea Bags
 Pasta
 Rice side dishes
 Instant Rice
 Large Bag Rice
 Pancake Mix
 Cookie Mix
 Hot Chocolate Mix
 Mac & Cheese
 Microwave Soup
 Paper Napkins
 Paper Towels
 Baking Soda
 Italian Seasoning
 Garlic Powder
 Oregano
 2 lb Spaghetti
 Fruit Cups
 Chicken Ramen Noodles
 Beef Ramen Noodles
 Soft granola Bars
 Quick Cooking Oats or Box of Flavored instant oatmeal

Corn Bread Mix
 Mustard
 Ketchup
 Mayo
 Italian Dressing
 Ranch Dressing
 Pam Spray
 Vegetable oil
 Cranberry Juice
 Apple Juice
 Cereal
 Salt
 Pepper
 Flour
 Tuna
 Chicken
 Dried Pasta
 Jelly
 Peanut Butter
 Parmesan Cheese
 Ritz type crackers
 Diced Tomatoes
 Gravy
 Potato Flakes

ON-SITE FEEDING BAGS

Please check expiration dates on all items donated to ensure they are not expired prior to donating 😊

Soft Granola Bars
 Fruit Cups
 Pudding Cups
 Apple sauce cups
 Squeeze fruit pouches
 Vienna Sausages
 Slim Jim's (small lunch bag size)
 Tuna and cracker packs (Individual cracker packets/ kits)
 Chicken Salad and cracker packs (individual cracker packets / kits)
 Deviled ham with crackers (individual packets/kits)
 Cheese and crackers (individual packets/ kits)

Goldfish Crackers or other crackers (individual serving size pouches or packs)
 Teddy Grahams or other type cookies (individual size pouches or packs)
 Cheese It Crackers (individual size pouches)
 Fig Newton Cookies (individual serving size)
 Raisins (individual serving size boxes)
 Cereal Bars (individual serving size pouches)
 Snack Size - zip lock type bags
 Quart size - zip lock type bags
 GALLON SIZE - Zip Lock Type Bags
 Cases of water bottles

To schedule donations please call: Sandy at 757-547-2151 or email: agapefeastmeals@gmail.com

Haiti Lenten Appeal 2021

Hello, my name is David Rabidoux and I'm on the board of directors for the Maison Fortune' Orphanage Foundation (MFOF). This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and it is also the start of our Annual Haiti Lenten Appeal. For over 20 years, Prince of Peace (POP) has been supporting the 250 children at Maison Fortune' Orphanage (MFO).

While I am not able to speak in person this year, I wanted to share some great news about two of our children that recently graduated high school. Etienne Nazaire and François Pinchinat passed the entrance exam and were selected to attend the Veterinary Technician School. (See Picture Below) This program is being fully funded from one of our regular donors. In Haiti, Vet Techs are much like our licensed Veterinarian Technicians in US, but with a bit more responsibility as they are relied upon more than Veterinarians in many instances; mainly because Vet Techs travel by motorcycle to remote locations to care for agricultural animals. The end result is gainful employment for these two and they will pave the way for an ongoing cycle of MFO graduates to attend this sponsored program!

Last year our focus was on much needed maintenance for the Girls and Boys Campuses. Through your generosity we were able to raise a total of \$22,486.00 (\$21,135.50 for Haiti and POP for \$1,353.50.) Some of the money was used to have louvers installed on the windows to keep the children warm and dry. I am pleased to report that none of our children have contracted COVID due to campus restrictions put in place.

Work on the replacement well is on hold until we are clear of the pandemic. As the primary source of water on the campus, we wanted to keep any contamination to a minimum. The well was temporarily fixed and is functioning, but needs a complete overhaul. As soon as we can safely hire contractors from Port au Prince, work will resume.

Last fall, we were able to send 375 supply boxes to MFO with help from POP parishioners and the Knights of Columbus. This has helped augment the ongoing needs of the children. Thank you!

The Foundation has established an annual budget of \$450,000 and needs your help. Due to lack of in-person fundraising events (due to COVID) coupled with rising costs, the MFOF budget has reached the brink. Adding to the rising costs, the Haitian Gourde has recently gained strength against the American dollar. This fiscal year, our yearly donations are down 52% compared to last year. Our greatest need is continuing to serve the children on a daily basis.

Our goal this year is to raise \$32,500.00 to

- \$14,500 to cover the cost of spring 2021 tuition to educate our high schooler aged children in local parochial schools
- \$18,000 to cover operating costs for June to pay our primary school staff, our residential staff and administration, utility bills, food, housing, clothing and medical care.

Over the years you have given your resources to support the children of Maison Fortune. But most of all you have given these children "HOPE". These children now see and believe that they have a chance for a better life, a chance to make something of themselves, and maybe eventually to then give back to those less fortunate.

So, we are asking again for your generous support of the Annual Haiti Lenten Appeal.

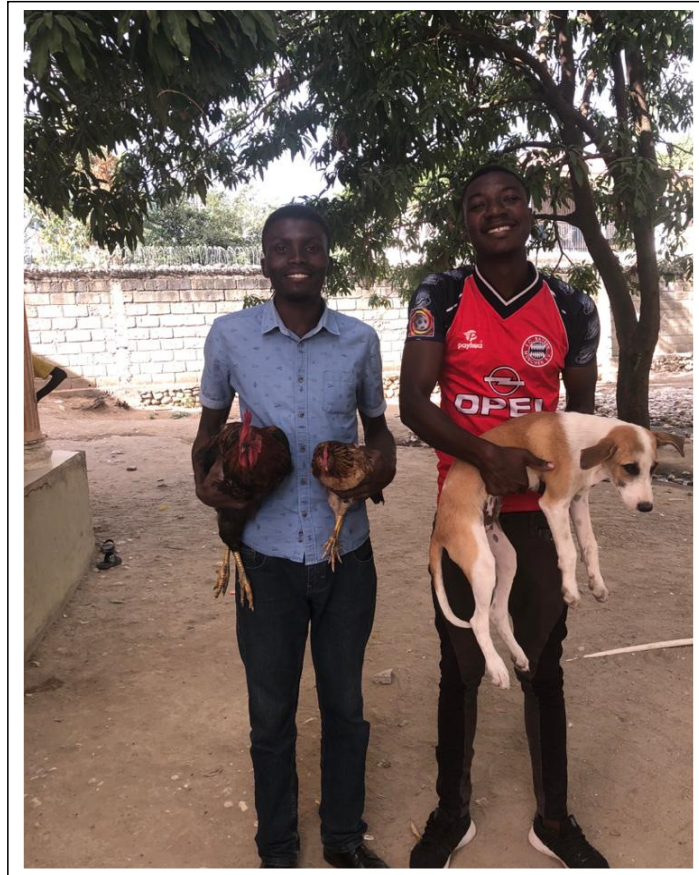
There are three ways to support. Go online to e-Giving and clicking the Haiti button. You can put cash in the box in the commons or write a check. If you do write a check, make sure you put Haiti or MFO in the Memo line. All monies (cash/check) not specified for Haiti will be split 50/50 with the church. If every family gave \$7.00 a week, we could easily reach and exceed our goal.

If you are interested in becoming more involved in the Foundation or visiting the Orphanage, please email me David.Rabidoux@gmail.com.

The children of Maison Fortune' thank you and the Foundation thanks you. Please continue to pray for our children at MFO.

God Bless,

David Rabidoux



Etienne Nazaire and François Pinchinat Vet Tech Students



Children sending their love

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

Adult Confirmation: For 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.

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. Sessions began October 14, 2020.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION NEWS!

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.

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!

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING:

It's not too late to make one resolution that will change your life! Natural family planning (NFP) is fertility awareness, which is simply knowledge of a couple's fertility. It is a means of reading the body's signs of fertility and infertility; applying this knowledge through the Sympto-Thermal Method (STM) is over 99% effective in postponing pregnancy.

The Couple to Couple League offers three ways for couples to learn NFP:

- **Self-Paced Class:** Learn at your own pace, and on your own schedule. With your spouse or fiancé, of course!
- **Live Online:** Meet your teaching couple and fellow students online, in a virtual classroom. Some gadgets required.
- **Live On-site:** Take a class the traditional way – meet in person, with the teaching couple and other student couples.

Stephanie and Deacon Chris Finocchio will teach a *Live On-site* series of classes at **St. John the Apostle starting on February 13th from 1:00-4:00 p.m.** Visit www.live-the-love.org to register. Questions? Contact the Finocchios at finoc@msn.com or 757-430-1493.

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 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 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.

Thank you very much to all parishioners who donated food for the monthly collection. We do between 55 or 65 bags for the people who come to the drive-through on Wednesday morning so all the food we receive is really appreciated. At this time, we have plenty of RICE and CANNED VEGETABLES. We can use the following: Spaghetti & Pasta (1 lb.), Pasta sauce (24 oz. can) NO GLASS, Soup (18 or 19 oz.) Jell-O, Ramen Noodles, Jelly, Peanut Butter (16 oz.), Canned Fruit (15 oz.), Pork & Beans (16 oz.), Mac & Cheese, Cereal, Hamburger Helper, Juice, and Toilet Paper.

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

February 6/7	March 6/7	April 10/11	May 1/2
June 5/6	July 10/11	August 7/8	
September 11/12	October 2/3	November 6/7	December 4/5

POP HOUSING THE HOMELESS PROGRAM UPDATE.

The POP Housing the Homeless program for the Chesapeake Area Shelter Team (CAST) is now history and our parish planning team wants to once again thank the greater POP Community for the exceptional support received for the 26th consecutive year. While we were unable to house the homeless as in past years, we were able to provide an average of 57 homeless of Chesapeake nourishing meals on a nightly basis for each of our seven nights. Using a process of handing out the food to be prepared in advance to ensure continuity of menu and six households per night preparing the food for ten individuals, we were able to safely prepare and deliver the food to the homeless who were housed in a local hotel. We are grateful to all of those who stepped forward to help and the many more that were ready and willing to do so, but were not needed. In all cases, the community spirit of Prince of Peace parish was alive and well and very much appreciated by those receiving the meals. A special thank-you to Bobbi Yeager and Mary Murphy whose efforts were above and beyond.

Please know that Sandy Shepard, Bobbi Yeager and others on their team have been diligently working on feeding the homeless in a local hotel since March of 2020 and there is no clear end in sight. The POP Homeless Meals Ministry is in need of donations and help, please see their insert in our bulletin for more information. The POP Homeless Meals Ministry directly feeds families living out of their cars and in hotels. The need to help the homeless has not ended. Please continue to watch the bulletin and listen to announcements as there will be most assuredly more calls for food and other donations. We ask that all keep the homeless in our prayers as their journey continues.



ANNUAL APPEAL:

As we prepare to celebrate the “Presidents’ Day” holiday, it is important to remember the deep faith of our founding fathers. On October 3, 1789, George Washington gave a Presidential Proclamation to acknowledge God and offer “thanksgiving” to Him. The proclamation stated, in part, “...it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor” — and “to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God...” These are examples of their faith in and reverence for God. This week, as we celebrate them and celebrate LOVE through St. Valentine’s Day, let’s remember the work of charity, kindness and love that is accomplished through the Annual Diocesan Appeal, as well. Please make your pledge today.

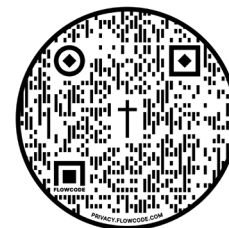
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WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: "Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." Does your marriage give glory to God? Learn how to let your Sacrament shine on an upcoming virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on February 22-March 15, 2021 in VIRTUAL, NC and April 15-May 6, 2021 in VIRTUAL 3RE, SC. Early sign-up is recommended. For more information, visit our website at: <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/>.

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, and Florence Kress. **CHESAPEAKE HEALTHCARE CENTER:** Mary Garris, Mary Churchill, Clair Saar, Marcella Damweber, Florence Farrell, Mary Thatcher, Donald Holloway, Laverne Barks, Joyce Clair, Mark Walker, Frank Katusich, Nenita Beliso, and John O'Leary. **AT HOME:** 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.

IN THE HOSPITAL: Let us pray for all those currently in the hospital



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