



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, 9:00 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

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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.

PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH**Calendar of Events****This Week March 21-March 28, 2021**

As of Thursday, February 18th, daily Mass is now being 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, March 21**8:00 a.m. Mass**

11:00 a.m. Mass also livestreamed with Prince of Peace on Facebook at [facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake](https://www.facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake) or [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com)

Second Collection – POP Capital Improvement

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

1:00-1:45 p.m., Baptismal Preparation

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

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

Monday, March 22

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

Tuesday, March 23

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

Wednesday, March 24

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

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

7:00-8:00 p.m., RCIA Zoom

Thursday, March 25

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

6:30-8:00 p.m., RCIC Zoom

Friday, March 26

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

9:45 a.m., Stations of the Cross, livestreamed

5:00-7:00 p.m., Drive-Thru Fish Fry, The Venue at Cahoon Plantation

Saturday, March 27**4:00 p.m., Reconciliation****5:30 p.m., Mass****Sunday, March 28 – Palm Sunday****8:00 a.m., Mass**

11:00 a.m. Mass, also livestreamed with Prince of Peace on Facebook at [facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake](https://www.facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake) or [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com)

1:00-2:00 p.m. Palm Distribution, Front of Church

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

ORATIO IMPERATA

God our Father,

We come to you in our need

To ask your protection against the 2019 N-Corona Virus,

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

March 21, 2021, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Gospel: John 12:20-33

"Lord, you have the words of everlasting life" Psalm 19

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

March 28, 2021, Palm Sunday of The Lord's Passion

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47

MASS RESOURCES:

LIVESTREAM PRINCE OF PEACE

Events such as Masses and praying the Holy Rosary are being livestreamed at [facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake](https://www.facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake) and [youtube.com](https://www.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.

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.

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*



Tuesday, March 23

9:00 a.m. Lauren Vergara †

Wednesday, March 24

9:00 a.m. Isidora & Hilario De La Pena †

Thursday, March 25

9:00 a.m. Calalino De La Pena †

Friday, March 26

9:00 a.m. Claudia Encarnacion †

Saturday, March 27

5:30 p.m. Erik Ervin †

Sunday, March 28

8:00 a.m. Mark Pacomio

Mass Intention

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.

PALM SUNDAY AND EASTER DAY MASSES

Due to capacity and social distancing restrictions caused by the pandemic, ALL SEATING FOR PALM SUNDAY AND EASTER SUNDAY 8:00 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M. 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 for all the Palm Sunday Masses will be available from Monday, March 22nd starting at 9:00 a.m. until Friday, March 26th. PLEASE SEE WEBSITE FOR REGISTRATION LINK. Online sign-up for Easter Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses will also be available from Monday, March 22nd starting at 9:00 a.m. until Wednesday, March 31st. PLEASE SEE WEBSITE FOR REGISTRATION LINK. No preregistration is needed for Holy Thursday, Good Friday or Easter Vigil Celebrations.

BULLETIN DEADLINE CHANGE: Please send all bulletin inserts to the parish secretary by Friday at 10:00 a.m. the week before you'd like it in the bulletin. This is to allow the office more time to prep and send out the bulletin. You can email the parish secretary at parish.secretary@popparish.org.

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.



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.



Simply text **GIVE** to **757.300.0155** you will be sent a link to follow.

1. If this is your first time click "Sign In" then "REGISTER FOR AN ACCOUNT"
2. Complete the registration to receive your secure PIN
3. Select the fund, enter the donation amount and payment information. tap "Save Payment" to use it for future gifts.

If you already have an E-Giving account you only need to Log In. Feel free to make a one time donation as well.

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.

OUR TREASURES TO THE LORD

	3-14-21	Year to Date
Offertory 3-14-21	\$ 3,595.00	\$ 233,140.45
E-Giving 3-14-21	\$ 6,822.00	\$ 237,839.50
Weekly Operational Needs	\$12,303.00	\$ 455,211.00
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**Amount in () indicates shortfall*

Capital Improvement 3-14-21:	\$ 19,859.56
Food Pantry 3-14-21:	\$ 37,323.35
Haiti 3-14-21:	\$ 12,700.00
Diocesan debt (BLUE env) funds 3-14-21:	\$ 10,620.00
Homeless Meals 3-14-21:	\$ 16,391.23
Catholic Relief Services:	\$ 617.00

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-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 or call the Parish Office at 757-547-0356.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

PoP Capital Improvement	March 20/21, 2021
PoP Capital Improvement	April 17/18, 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, 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.

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, Sunday, 6:00-7:00 p.m.



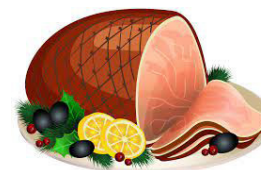
*Congratulations to the following
who celebrated their Confirmation
March 3, 2020*

Prince of Peace

<i>Scott Calvin Adcock</i>	<i>Camille Doose Aerga-Kersha</i>
<i>Gabrielle Elysse Amerson</i>	<i>Datelyn Elizabeth Black</i>
<i>Ella Grace Breshears</i>	<i>Xander David Buschert</i>
<i>Micheal Thomas Casey</i>	<i>Joseph Hannah Carpenter V</i>
<i>Cate Santos DeGuzman</i>	<i>Colin Santos DeGuzman</i>
<i>Nathaniel Rudolf DeLorenzo</i>	<i>Matthew Geran Kaempfe</i>
<i>Holden Patrick Kinsman</i>	<i>Natalia Zofia Krauz</i>
<i>Marissa Kathryn Langer</i>	<i>Brian Barvis Mays</i>
<i>Anna Xanthe Nicholos</i>	<i>Diego Martin Rivera</i>
<i>Paige Kaitlin Schmidt</i>	<i>Megan Leigh Storch</i>
<i>Amaya Faith Warren</i>	<i>Sydney Maria Zardeskas</i>

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!



HAM IT UP CAMPAIGN: Its time gain to "HAM IT UP." Every Easter since the opening of the F. Romy Food Pantry, Easter hams have been distributed to needy families, two Wednesdays prior to Easter Sunday. We are continuing this tradition thanks to the Prince of Peace Church Community, non-Parishioners and the Food Pantry volunteers. The Canned hams are over and above the groceries the Guests would normally receive. Depending on the size of the family, the pantry will distribute either a 2- or 3-pound ham. (Parishioners are treated anonymously, contact church office for private pickup.)

Lent is a time for prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. You and your family are invited to consider a contribution that will help defray the cost of the hams for a single family. Please make your check payable to Prince of Peace and memo: Food Pantry Ham. Place check in Offertory Basket, at any Mass, or in the Food Pantry Contribution box, along with cash, located in the Commons or go online to E-Giving and click Food Pantry. God bless you and thank you.



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.-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.-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. Our next monthly collection will be April 10/11, any amount of food is appreciated. At this time we have plenty of canned vegetables. We can always use the following: juice, cereal, pasta (lb.) & sauce (24 oz.), mashed potatoes (5 or 6 oz. box), pork & beans (16 oz.), soup (18 or 19 oz.), Ramen Noodles, peanut butter (18 oz.), jelly (NO GLASS), Hamburger Helper (5 or 6 oz.) tuna (5 oz.), canned fruit (15 oz.), mac & cheese (7.25), and JELL-O (3 oz.). 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.**

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

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	

TIDEWATER SOWERS:

As this New Year dawns, do you carry deep concern for people impacted by racism, lack of affordable housing and healthcare, immigration laws, high rates of incarceration, climate and many other injustices? You are not alone! The Tidewater Sowers of Justice is a faith-based group that addresses social justice causes of our world.

We invite you to come journey with us. We meet on the Second Friday of each month via ZOOM to learn about, accept and respond to the challenges of the Gospel.

For more information, please contact Helen White at 757-270-8074 or email dolfingal8@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: Catholic Charities of Eastern Virginia offers free, confidential pregnancy counseling to any woman considering adoption for her baby/child. Our staff can be reached 24/7 at 757-274-4952 by phone or text.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF EASTERN VIRGINIA provides Mental Health Counseling Services for adults, children, couples and families. Telehealth and safe in-person appointments are available on a sliding scale fee. Call 757-467-7707 to schedule an appointment.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE:

As part of the nationwide 40 Days for Life Campaign, the Prince of Peace Respect Life Ministry invites you to join in a peaceful prayer vigil outside Planned Parenthood, 515 Newtown Road, Virginia Beach from February 17th through March 28th. We will be joining other parishes and communities of faith in 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Prince of Peace will be standing vigil from 9:00-11:00 a.m. on Tuesdays. If you wish, you may choose a time that fits your schedule to help in this important outreach. Parking is along Lake Edward Drive (the street adjacent to the 7-11 on Newtown Road). For more information, please contact Vicki Olenick at 549-2192, or olenickv@yahoo.com.

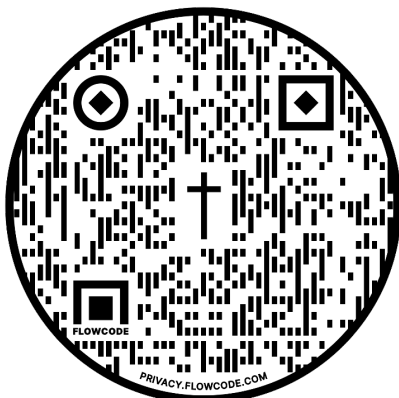


ANNUAL APPEAL:

When Jesus speaks about glorifying the Father, the clearest image Christ gives us in today's Gospel is of a grain of wheat falling to the ground and dying. Hm. Not exactly what most of us have in mind when we think "glorious."

In typical fashion, though, Jesus is showing us that the ways of God are not the ways of men. While God's glory does include His power and awesomeness and majesty and might, it also includes something else that we might find a little surprising: the giving of Himself for another, so that they might have life. This is why Christ's Self-Gift on the Cross – perhaps even more so than the Resurrection or the Ascension – is highlighted in John's Gospel as the place of His Glory. And it's why the Cross has been called Christ's Royal Throne throughout Christian history.

We are called to glorify God, too. And we can't do better than by imitating Jesus, offering generous, fruitful sacrifices in union with Christ. This Lenten season is the perfect time to do so. We can take part in many opportunities for almsgiving. We can also contribute to our Annual Diocesan Appeal, allowing the grain of our almsgiving to bear much fruit in our parish community. As we go forward this week, let's ask God to show us how we can glorify His name by giving generously in imitation of Christ.



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

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.

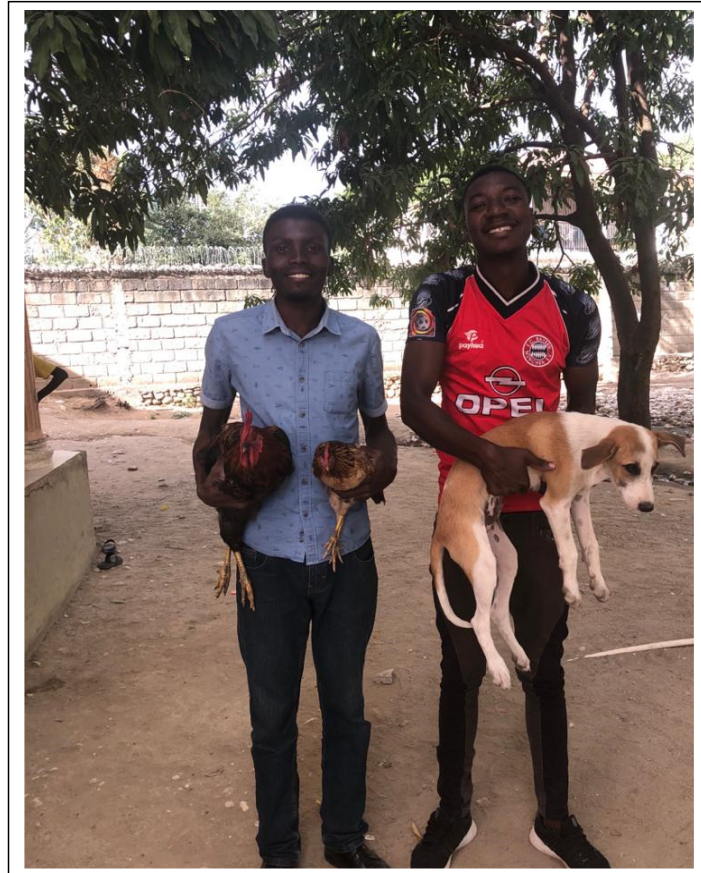
There are three ways to support. Go online to e-Giving and clicking the Haiti button. You can put cash in the box in the commons or write a check. If you do write a check, make sure you put Haiti or MFO in the Memo line. All monies (cash/check) not specified for Haiti will be split 50/50 with the church. 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

10 Ways to help POP: Homeless Meals Ministry

(YEAR-ROUND Donations are NEEDED)

1. **20 PBJ SANDWICHES / 20 MEAT & CHEESE SANDWICHES**

*Must schedule a donation date and receive instructions.

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

2. **20 pieces of SOFT FRUIT**

Soft fruit includes oranges, bananas, bunches of grapes

*MUST schedule a donation date and receive instructions.

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

3. **4 cases of WATER BOTTLES**

*MUST schedule a donation date and receive instructions.

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

4. **SHELF STABLE FOOD ITEMS**

List below.

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

5. **HYGIENE ITEMS**

List below.

*Can be dropped off in the donation boxes in the Prince of Peace Catholic Church lobby during regular church office hours during the week or before masses on weekends.

6. **NEW SOCKS / NEW MEN'S T-SHIRTS (M, L, XL) / NEW MEN'S UNDERWARE 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 at Prince of Peace Catholic Church lobby during church office hours during week or before masses on weekends.

7. **"LOVE COOKIE" Program**

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

*Must schedule a donation date and receive instructions.

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

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

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

9. **MONETARY DONATION:** to the Prince of Peace Catholic Church Homeless Meals Ministry.

Checks can be made out to Prince of Peace Catholic Church, in the memo section please write: Homeless Meals Ministry. Checks can be mailed to: Prince of Peace Catholic Church, 621 Cedar Rd, Chesapeake, VA 23322. Or you can make a donation online at: popparish.org and click the link to Parishsoft giving and offering. Please click on "choose fund" and select "Homeless Meals Ministry. You can also choose to be a recurring donor, if you would like.

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 (60) of dinners.**MUST schedule a donation date and receive instructions.

**We will not except dinners that are 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!

POP Homeless Meals Ministry
757-547-2151

Hygiene Items Needed

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Deodorant | <input type="checkbox"/> Sealed Razors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste | <input type="checkbox"/> Shaving Cream |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush | <input type="checkbox"/> Feminine Pads |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hairbrush | <input type="checkbox"/> Tissues – individual size packs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comb | <input type="checkbox"/> Chap Stick |

WELCOME HOME BAG ITEMS

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetables canned | <input type="checkbox"/> Corn Bread Mix |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tea Bags | <input type="checkbox"/> Mustard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pasta | <input type="checkbox"/> Ketchup |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rice side dishes | <input type="checkbox"/> Mayo |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instant Rice | <input type="checkbox"/> Italian Dressing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large Bag Rice | <input type="checkbox"/> Ranch Dressing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pancake Mix | <input type="checkbox"/> Pam Spray |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cookie Mix | <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetable oil |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hot Chocolate Mix | <input type="checkbox"/> Cranberry Juice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mac & Cheese | <input type="checkbox"/> Apple Juice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Microwave Soup | <input type="checkbox"/> Cereal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paper Napkins | <input type="checkbox"/> Salt |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paper Towels | <input type="checkbox"/> Pepper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baking Soda | <input type="checkbox"/> Flour |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Italian Seasoning | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuna |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Garlic Powder | <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oregano | <input type="checkbox"/> Dried Pasta |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 lb Spaghetti | <input type="checkbox"/> Jelly |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fruit Cups | <input type="checkbox"/> Peanut Butter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Ramen Noodles | <input type="checkbox"/> Parmesan Cheese |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beef Ramen Noodles | <input type="checkbox"/> Ritz type crackers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soft granola Bars | <input type="checkbox"/> Diced Tomatoes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quick Cooking Oats or Box of Flavored instant oatmeal | <input type="checkbox"/> Gravy |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Potato Flakes |

ON-SITE FEEDING BAGS

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Soft Granola Bars | <input type="checkbox"/> Goldfish Crackers or other crackers (individual serving size pouches or packs) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fruit Cups | <input type="checkbox"/> Teddy Grahams or other type cookies (individual size pouches or packs) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pudding Cups | <input type="checkbox"/> Cheese It Crackers (individual size pouches) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Apple sauce cups | <input type="checkbox"/> Fig Newton Cookies (individual serving size) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Squeeze fruit pouches | <input type="checkbox"/> Raisin's (individual serving size boxes) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vienna Sausages | <input type="checkbox"/> Cereal Bars (individual serving size pouches) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Slim Jim's (small lunch bag size) | <input type="checkbox"/> Snack Size - zip lock type bags |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tuna and cracker packs (Individual cracker packets/ kits) | <input type="checkbox"/> Quart size - zip lock type bags |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Salad and cracker packs (individual cracker packets / kits) | <input type="checkbox"/> GALLON SIZE - Zip Lock Type Bags |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deviled ham with crackers (individual packets/kits) | <input type="checkbox"/> Cases of water bottles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cheese and crackers (individual packets/ kits) | |

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