CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Parish Email** 

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**Parish Website** 

www.popparish.org

**Mass Live Stream** 

www.facebook.com/popchurchchesapeake/ or voutube.com

**Diocesan Website** 

www.richmonddiocese.org

**Bulletin Deadline** 

Tuesdays at noon

**Office Hours** 

Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Friday, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

## **MASSES**

Saturday 5:00 P.M. 9:00 A.M. Sunday

> 11:00 A.M. Livestreamed

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 A.M.

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday at 3:30 P.M.

# REGISTER IN THE PARISH

Welcome! To join the parish, please contact our office at pop.office@popparish.org.



#### **STAFF**

#### **DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

Mrs. Melody Smith

YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT

COORDINATOR:

Mrs. Kelly Bruno

**MUSIC MINISTER:** 

Joseph Guardino

**BOOKKEEPER:** 

Mrs. Pam Lerach

**SECRETARY:** 

Mr. Hunter Liptrap

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:** 

Mrs. Tanya Cole

FACILITIES MAINTENANCE

COORDINATOR:

Mr. John Leonard

CHAIRPERSONS Parish Council:

Mark Shepard......757-567-8592

**Finance Council:** 

Barb Blumfelder......757-548-1951

**MINISTRY CHAIRPERSONS** 

**Christian Formation:** 

Heather Thomas .......757-619-8776

**Community Life:** 

Sheila Gargiulo ......716-244-2031

**Evangelization/Peace & Justice:** 

Mary Riley ......757-560-6444

Liturgy:

Debbie Tucker ......757-436-0456

Stewardship:

Alan Cole ......757-802-5820

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19** 

9:00 a.m. Gloria Frenette †

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

No Mass

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21** 

9:00 a.m. Thomas Visosky †

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

9:00 a.m. Deacon Larry Illy †

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23** 

5:00 p.m. Olivia Bell †

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

9:00 a.m. Evan Trudeau † 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. Mass Intentions for the repose of the soul and Special Intentions can be made at least two 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.

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS THIS WEEK: SEPTEMBER 17-24, 2023**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17** 

9:00 a.m. Mass

10:05-11:55 a.m. Elementary Formation
11:00 a.m. Mass (also livestreamed)

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9:00-10:00 a.m. Drop off groceries at Food Pantry

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19** 

**9:00 a.m.** Mass followed by praying the Holy Rosary

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

No Mass

10:00-11:30 a.m. Food Pantry 7:00-8:00 p.m. VIRTUS Training

7:00-9:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21** 

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

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

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

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23** 

11:00 a.m. Funeral

3:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:00 p.m. Mass

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24** 

9:00 a.m. Mass

10:05-10:55 a.m. Elementary Formation

**11:00 a.m.** Mass (also livestreamed)

5:00-8:00 p.m. Winter Confirmation Session Mod 1

6:00-8:00 p.m. Peer Ministry

6:00-8:00 p.m. Middle & High School Formation

# THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE QUOTE FOR MEDITATION

September 17, 2023: Twenty-Fourth

Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 18:21 "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times."

#### **READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**

September 24, 2023: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a

#### **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.

#### 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.

# MASS COUNTS FOR LAST WEEKEND Saturday, 5:00 p.m. 133 Sunday, 9:00 a.m. 280 Sunday, 11:00 a.m. 308 TOTAL 721

#### 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 selfquarantining 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.

All Catechists, Assistants, VYMs, people in leadership roles, and those serving minors or vulnerable adults are required to register for and attend a one-time class, VIRTUS Protecting God's Children. Registration for the class will initiate the Safe Environment Screening which is required every five years. Please register at <a href="https://www.virtusonline.">https://www.virtusonline.</a> org/. For your convenience, we will be offering them as an online Zoom class on September 20th at 7:00 p.m. Please email our POP safe environment coordinator at Melody.Smith@ popparish.org for more information.

#### FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

Parish Council: Father John Bosco and the Prince of Peace Parish Community would like to thank the following parishioners who have served on our Parish Council and whose term has ended:

Chair: Mike Corrigan Vice Chair: Myra Lee Seimetz

Secretary: Karen McDonald **Our Current Parish Council:** 

Parish Council Chair: Mark Shepard Parish Council Vice Chair: Ellen Green Parish Council Secretary: Leigh Williams Frank D'Angelo Penni Harrison

Jerry Hart Michele Leazer Dorothy Hill Matt Yeager Tom Lynch Laura Dufrene

Joseph Ellenbecker William Shafley

Karen Kemp Johnny Matias

Chairs:

Liturgy Chair: Debbie Tucker Stewardship Chair: Alan Cole

Evangelization/Peace and Justice Chair:

Mary Riley

Community Life Chair: Sheila Gargiuló

Christian Formation Chair: **Heather Thomas** 

Father John Bosco Walugembe

Sister Dolores Sabisky

We welcome Joseph Guardino to our parish staff. He is our new Music Minister!

#### STEWARDSHIP A Disciple's Way of Life

#### PRINCE OF PEACE FUNERAL RECEPTION MINISTRY

The Funeral Reception Ministry provides a kind work of mercy by providing a delicious reception for families and friends after a Funeral

Mass. The Ministry welcomes parishioners who would be interested in supporting us by donating a specialty dish, salad, or dessert for *upcoming receptions*. If you are interested in helping, please contact: Judy Florance at <a href="mailto:judy-florance">judy-florance@cox.net</a> OR Rosalyn Price at roz3@cox.net. We will add your name to the Funeral Reception Ministry Contact List and be in touch by text, phone or email (your preference) when a Funeral Reception is planned. There will not be a need for everyone on the list to provide a dish for each reception, contacts will be rotated. Thank you for supporting this caring Ministry.

#### **ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY**

Prince of Peace is beginning an Altar Server Ministry. Youth - girls and boys - who are in Middle School-High School are invited to be part of this ministry. Parents of youth interested in the Altar Server Ministry are asked to contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office.

#### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: (CLOW Volunteers Needed)**

CLOW is the Liturgy of the Word suitably adapted for children ages four to six years old to make it relevant to their lives and experiences. It gives them the opportunity to understand the Gospel message. Our CLOW takes place during Mass and will begin in November; however, we are still looking for volunteers to help make this happen. If you are able to help with this program this year, please send an email to pop.office@ popparish.org.

#### CLASSES ON FUNERAL PLANNING AND THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN FUNERAL RITES

Community Outreach Staff from the Office of Cemetery and Funeral Services (OCFS), a Ministry of the Diocese of Richmond, will be here on November 18th and 19th after all Masses to inform and discuss the spiritual and practical reasons for learning about Catholic funeral planning and the Order of Christian Funeral Rites, practices and traditions. There will be a short presentation, along with a question-and-answer session, in the hall. Please take advantage of this opportunity to better understand the importance of Catholic Funeral Rites and the benefits of preplanning your funeral arrangements. Food and refreshments will be served during the presentations.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are looking for volunteers for our coffee and snacks after weekend Masses. This volunteer opportunity requires limited time involvement. Please consider participating in this ministry. Contact Ellen Green at egreen1016@icloud.com or 757-646-2117.

#### THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF RICHMOND: **OPEN POSITIONS**

The Catholic Diocese of Richmond has many positions available in our parishes and schools and diocesan office. For more information, visit richmonddiocese.org and go to the Employment tag at the bottom of the page.

#### **ULTRASOUND TECHNICIANS NEEDED**

The Hope 4 Life Medical Mobile Pregnancy Resource Center is hiring ultrasound technicians to work flexible part-time hours at a competitive salary. Since its founding in 2014, we have helped mothers to welcome 1,047 babies into the world by providing medical, moral, and material support to expectant moms outside of the three abortion "clinics" in our area. Offering free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds and baby supplies, Hope 4 Life needs more volunteers to assist families in the community as sidewalk advocates and admin staff. Please call Louantha Kerr at 757-810-1653 for more information about this special ministry or send an email to ourhope4life@gmail.com.

#### **FORMED.ORG:**

Prince of Peace offers a wide variety of Catholic movies, educational programs, seminars, books, and spiritual exercises for all POP families and adults at no cost to them. Here is how to get signed up!

- Go to <u>www.formed.org</u>. Click on the blue "Sign up as a Parishioner" button.
- Enter: "Prince of Peace, 621 Cedar Road, Chesapeake, VA"
- Enter your Name and Email.

# THANK YOU, PAT!

**Prince of Peace Volunteer** of the Month for the **Maintenance Department is** Pat Mitolo.

Pat volunteers most Wednesdays and is a blessing to our church, in taking charge of fixing leaking faucets in both the kitchen and water closet, cleaning, maintaining and fabricating parts to keep the kitchen grill in like new condition, and repairing the leaking faucet in the baptismal fount. have several volunteers that I really appreciate and will be highlighting them and their accomplishments every month. God bless!

John Leonard

Facility Maintenance Coordinator

#### **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, September 17, 2023
- Sunday, October 15, 2023

Parents are asked to register for the sessions by visiting our parish website at <u>popparish.org</u>. Go to the *Sacrament* tab and scroll down to *Baptisms*. Anyone with questions, please contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office.

FIRST EUCHARIST 2024: If your child is entering 2nd grade or higher and is at least seven years old by March 1, 2024, your child is eligible to begin Sacramental Preparation Classes for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist this 2023-2024 school year. Sign up for the next parent Zoom meeting from our website at <a href="https://popparish.org/sacraments/holy-eucharist/">https://popparish.org/sacraments/holy-eucharist/</a> OR contact <a href="mailto:Melody.Smith@popparish.org">Melody.Smith@popparish.org</a> for more information.

**ADULT CONFIRMATION:** Any adult Catholic who has never been confirmed; sessions are held throughout the year. For more information, please call Sister Dolores at the Parish Office or email her at <a href="mailto:Sister.Dolores@popparish.org">Sister.Dolores@popparish.org</a>.

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 joining 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 757-547-0356, or email Sister.Dolores@popparish.org.



#### OUR YOUTH MINISTRY IS OFFERING A HOT DOG SUNDAY LUNCHEON FUNDRAISER ON OCTOBER 8TH IN THE SOCIAL HALL

Single Dog \$5.00
 Hot Dog Happy Meal \$8.00
 Double Dog Meal \$10.00

Meals include a hot dog, bag of chips, and a drink. Hot dogs will be sold as takeout after the 9:00 a.m. Mass and as a sit-down meal after the 11:00 a.m. Mass.





All the proceeds from Hot Dog Sunday go to Youth Ministry to help offset the cost of religious education curriculum and events.

Thank you for your support!

#### **CHRISTIAN FORMATION**



A GREAT BIG THANK-YOU to our wonderful community for helping to replenish and refresh the Christian Formation games, activities and supplies. It is because of your generous support that our youth will start the new year with a Bang!!!

#### TIME TO REGISTER FOR CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Yes, it is that time of year to register your child(ren) for the upcoming Christian Formation school year.

**\*Elementary Formation** begins for the Fall 2023-2024 school year on Sunday, September 17th. Classes will be held on Sundays, 10:05-10:55 a.m., for elementary grades Kindergarten through 5th grade.

\*Middle School and High School Youth Ministry and Peer Ministry for the Fall 2023-2024 school year began on September 10th, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Class will be on Sunday evenings twice a month.

\*Friday Family Faith begins for the Fall 2023-2024 school year on Friday, September 29th. In Family Faith, families get together once a month to share a meal and formational experience. The remaining three lessons are completed at home and turned in the following month. Monthly meetings run from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Parents should register younger children using the elementary K-5th grade link and older children using the youth 6th-12th grade link. (See below.)

Class **PRICES HAVE BEEN REDUCED** this year to \$45.00 per child or \$100.00 per family. Any donations to Youth Ministry are greatly appreciated, since we do subsidize for families in need. Thank you for your support!

Below is a registration link for Kindergarten through 5th grade and a separate registration link for 6th through 12th grade.



#### K through 5th grade:

https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/ 280d0069-c12f-4eb5-b55c-2877013cd21d



#### 6th through 12th grade:

https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/ 17c44378-ffe6-4a74-ac78-2291ef72a3fd

We look forward to this upcoming year to help your children to learn and grow in their faith.

If you have any questions, please contact:
Elementary Formation- Melody.Smith@popparish.org
Middle School/High School Formation and
Peer Ministry - Kelly.Bruno@popparish.org.



# LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER YOUR TEEN FOR THE 2023/2024 CONFIRMATION YEAR

If your son/daughter will be in 10th grade in September 2023, has celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist, and wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in Spring 2024, please contact Kelly Bruno at Kelly.Bruno@popparish.org.

#### **OUR TREASURES TO THE LORD**

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Week Ending 08-06	\$ 7,497.14	\$	8,637.00	\$	12,303.00	\$ 3,831.14	
Week Ending 08-13	\$ 3,975.41	\$	5,156.00	\$	12,303.00	\$ (3,171.59)	
Week Ending 08-20	\$ 5,256.23	\$	6,410.00	\$	12,303.00	\$ (636.77)	
Week Ending 08-27	\$ 5,391.73	\$	3,967.00	\$	12,303.00	\$ (2,944.27)	
Total	\$ 22,120.51	\$	24,170.00	\$	49,212.00	\$ (2,921.49)	

#### \*Amount in () indicates negative

	Fiscal YTD	Week Collection		
Funds collected:	31-Aug-23		27-Aug	
Capital Improvement:	\$ 6,269.18	\$	331.00	
Food Pantry:	\$ 5,194.00	\$	641.00	
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env)	\$ 1,680.00	\$	201.00	
Homeless Meals:	\$ 4,729.47	\$	406.00	
Catholic Relief Services:	\$ -			

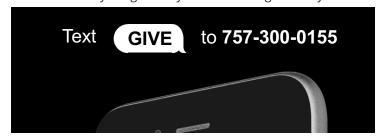
#### **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT GIFTS**

Thanks to all of you, our generous Prince of Peace Parishioners, we'd like to report to you all the wonderful things we've done with your Capital Improvement gifts.

In the past Fiscal Year, July 2022-June 2023, the following projects have been completed:

Shed Roof Repair	\$ 1,000.00
Termite Infestation in Room 5	\$ 3,800.00
New HVAC – Education Wing	\$ 180,000.00
New HVAC – Parish Offices	\$ 11,000.00
New HVAC – Sanctuary	\$ 46,000.00
Rectory Renovations (Roof repairs, new kitchen,	
bathroom repairs, electrical repairs,	
painting – whole interior)	\$ 28,000.00
New Rectory HVAC	\$ 10,000.00
Total listed	\$ 279.800.00

Thank you again for your continued generosity



#### YOU'LL RECEIVE A LINK

- For your first time click "SIGN IN" then "REGISTER FOR AN ACCOUNT"
- 2. Complete the registration to receive your secure PIN
- Select the fund, enter the donation amount and payment information. Tap "Save Payment" to use it for future gifts.

## OTHER TEXT COMMANDS

**EDIT** - Update your account & payment information

**KEYWORD** - See a list of Keywords (Funds) you can give towards

**REFUND** - Made a mistake? Refund your last gift. (15 min. expiry)

#### **UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS**

Retired Religious: September 23/24, 2023 Collection for Catholic Schools in the

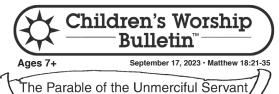
Diocese of Richmond: September 30/October 1, 2023



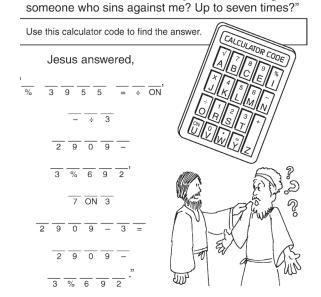
# LEARN TO LEAD CAPITAL CAMPAIGN SPECIAL COLLECTION WEEKEND: SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 1

Bishop Knestout invites your participation in the *Learn to Lead* Capital Campaign that will strengthen the extraordinary ministry of our Catholic schools. Our Catholic Schools shape the lives of more than 7,000 young people – helping them realize their greater purpose – succeeding and serving God, their families, churches, and communities. If you have been blessed by a Catholic education or believe in the importance of its mission, please make a generous gift. To learn more about this campaign or to make a secure online gift now, please visit <u>learntoleadcampaign.org</u> or scan the following QR code. Thank you!





Peter asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive



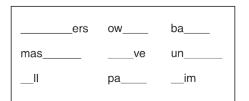
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When the master heard what the servant had done to the other man, he was angry! The servant had been shown mercy, but didn't show mercy to another.

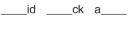
Finish each word with the syllables from the list below.



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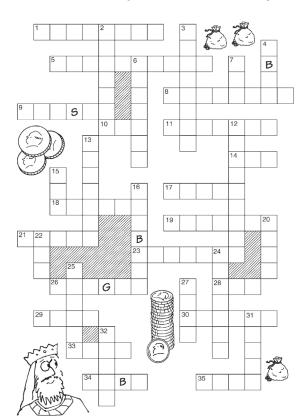


Jesus said we should

forgive others from our heart.



The kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants.



Fit the words into the crossword puzzle. (Hint: start with the longest word.) Then transfer the words to the lines. Read the parable.

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What do you think happened next?

#### **YOUNG ADULT**



#### THEOLOGY ON TAP

The goal of Theology on Tap in the Diocese of Richmond is to provide a place for young adults (roughly ages 21-35) to gather, delve into a Catholic

topic, and connect with other young adults in the area. All young adults, whether single or married, are welcome!

**Date:** Last Thursday of the month.

Location: Locations rotate every month; contact Chloe for

more information. **Time:** 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Contact: Chloe Barnes at oliviafreeman804@outlook.com.



YOUNG ADULT RETREAT We all need to take time to rest, retreat from the world, and recharge. This fall, young adults from across the Diocese of Richmond have

an opportunity for a spiritual weekend retreat in a relaxing beach environment. The retreat will include a combination of keynote sessions and personal reflection times, and a priest will be available throughout the weekend for Mass, Reconciliation, and Eucharistic Adoration. There will also be ample opportunities for prayer, fellowship, and downtime. Lean into our 2023 theme of "Courage, Dear Heart," finding both comfort and strength in Jesus' True Presence in our hearts and in the world!

For more information: Young Adult Retreat -





American Red Cross

## **HELPING OUR HOMELESS CHESAPEAKE NEIGHBORS**

history questions before you arrive.)

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

**AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** 

BLOOD DRIVE: Monday, October 9, 2023, 1:00-6:00 p.m. POP

**Parish Hall.** Please save the date and encourage your friends and

family to give much-needed blood. Several donors have already

signed up. Thank you. To schedule an appointment, please visit

RedCrossBlood.org and enter: POPCath. (On the day of your

appointment, save up to 15 minutes by visiting redcrossblood.

org/rapidpass to complete your predonation reading and health

**PEACE AND JUSTICE:** 

We strive to live the love of Christ by sharing it

with those in our community.

Prince of Peace is sponsoring a RED CROSS

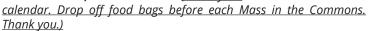
We have several ongoing programs to support our homeless neighbors within Prince of Peace and we

also partner with many other churches in the area. We have an Amazon Wishlist of what we call "shelf stable" items; this is a quick and easy way to buy items we use every week and would be a wonderful way to support this ministry if you don't have time to make sandwiches, etc... .it is as easy as going to this link via the QR code, ordering and having them sent to POP - Homeless Meals, the address will be available for you to choose once you go to checkout!! If you have any questions at all, please just email me at cooeybrooks@cox.net. Thank you so much!!



(Your support is welcomed)

Saturday and Sunday: October 7/8, November 4/5, December 2/3 (Mark your



The Food Pantry serves: Children 0-17 years, Adults 18-59, Seniors 60+. In the past three months, the Food Pantry has gone from 800 family members to 1,021 members a month being served. The Pantry has increased from 45 to 55 families a week.

#### **WEEKLY FOOD PANTRY HOURS...**

Mondays, 9:00-10:00 a.m. Drop off food... Pantry Volunteers are available to help with your bags or boxes.

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m. - Pick up and drop off food (Drop food bags off at the food pantry located in the back of the church. Do not leave food outside of the doors.)

Parishioners who need assistance, contact the office for a date and time to pick up food or pick up food on Wednesdays between 10:00-11:30 a.m.

SOME SHOPPING ITEMS NEEDED, PLEASE CONSIDER...

Peanut Butter, Canned Fruit, Jell-O, Hamburger Helper, Jelly, Canned Soup, Pork & Beans, Eggs, Brown Paper Bags

If you would rather have the Pantry do the shopping, consider a financial contribution. Financial gifts can be made in cash, check, and by going to the website at popparish.org, and to Prince of Peace Parishsoft Giving & Offering (Tap) and submit through E-giving. If you are writing a check, in memo, write "Food Pantry." Thank you and God bless.

#### **PANTRY NEWS:**

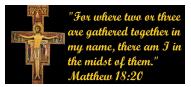
A special thank-you to all our Food Pantry Supporters for helping us with paper and plastic bags. Don't stop saving them. We always need them. Drop them off at the church or at the Food Pantry. God bless you all for your gifts to the Food Pantry... for you are the Light of The World and The Salt of The Earth.



#### **BIBLE STUDY**

Calling all Young Adults age 20 to 35: Come study God's Word with your peers and grow in understanding God and His works. The Bible Study "The Biblical Roots of the Mass" includes videos, a workbook, a book, and group discussion, which will take place at POP on the evenings of

September 26th, October 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and November 7th at 7:00 p.m. Although this is the first time this Bible Study is being offered to Young Adults exclusively, it has been taught four times over the years, and each time, it has been an enormous success. Dr. Edward Sri, the teacher, is knowledgeable and enthusiastic. Don't hesitate to get in touch with Mike Corrigan at 757-775-7696 or micjohcor@gmail.com to register. Don't forget to bring a friend!



#### FALL RETREAT - TEN KEYS TO JOY-FILLED LIVING

Monday and Tuesday, October 9-10, at St. Stephen. Sessions will be held at 9:30 a.m. (repeated 7:00 p.m.) each day. The facilitator will be Dr. Jack Buchner.

Monday - Ten Keys to Joy-Filled Living Tuesday - Transforming Our Pain Into Joy Handouts will be provided. All are most welcome! Most gratefully. lack Buchner

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#### **PARISH COMMUNITY LIFE**





#### **HELLO, ALL POP PARISHIONERS!**

Our Annual Holiday Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, December 9th and that will

be here before we know it. We are ramping up and looking for vendors. Tell your friends, family and neighbors who might have a hobby and may be interested in attending the Fair as a vendor. Vendor applications are available online or please contact our Parish Office during business hours at 757-547-0356 for an application. Thank you



#### **CREATION CARE CORNER**

for your time and God bless.

What exactly does climate change mean? What does it have to do with right - or wrong - relationships with God, each other, all of humanity and our Earth?

To answer the first question, climate change includes increased temperatures, rising sea levels, and severe changes in storms - things that impact the atmosphere of our Earth. Some of the consequences are more frequent and more intense droughts, fires and floods. This means increasingly limited access to water, reduced crop yields, more widespread disease, increased frequency and intensity of natural disasters and conflicts arising from the decline of resources. The poorest among us on Earth will suffer the deepest hardships.

What does this have to do with God, faith and right relationships? Global climate change is about the future of our common home and God's human family. Its about protecting both the human environment and the natural environment.

We are making our relationship with God, with all of humanity and our Earth RIGHT and PROTECTING them when we engage in these following actions:

\*turn off our computer, \*shut off lights, \*unplug electrical appliances when not in use, \*avoid the waste of electricity whenever possible; \*use our legs or bike to reach destinations at a reasonable distance; \*wash clothes in cold water and hang them out in the sun to dry; \*use reusable containers and utensils; \*buy locally-grown food items; \*eat more vegetables and plant-based food and less meat; \*help plant trees; campaign for recycling at our parish or workplace; \*carpool when possible; \*advocate with our legislators for laws which protect the environment and promote its well-being.

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#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 8240:**

Attention, Catholic Men! Have you ever thought of joining the Knights of Columbus? The Knights of Columbus is the largest fraternal Catholic organization in the world. Men age 18 and over, who are practicing Catholics, are strongly encouraged to join for a variety of reasons. All Knights strive to be Catholic gentlemen, to learn more about their faith, and are dedicated to putting their faith in action in support of their church, family, community, and, yes, charities that help benefit children, the elderly, the handicapped, and the homeless. Prince of Peace Knights of Columbus Council 8240 has existed for over 35 years. Working together in unity and fraternity, the Brothers have helped countless families, individuals, church programs, and benefits over the years. We make a difference! Come join us. For more information, please contact Grand Knight Frank Kenney at greatfx35@gmail.com or call 757-615-6285.

#### BE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD AND THE SALT OF THE EARTH: HELP PROCLAIM THE GOOD NEWS WITH AN IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER...

Parishioners who are 70.5 years of age or older can help the Parish with a gift from their IRA account. You can direct your IRA plan administrator to make all or part of your Required Minimum Distribution. The IRA charitable transfer is an excellent way to make a gift and possibly reduce your taxable income. Charitable distributions can take longer to process. Contact your IRA plan administrator early about making this kind of gift.



#### LEAVE A LEGACY TO HELP PROPAGATE THE FAITH

August was National "Make-A-Will" Month, which serves as an annual reminder to think about your estate plans

and the legacy you can leave with the gifts you have receive from God. As you consider your plans, we would be most grateful if you became an inaugural member of The Lumen Christi Legacy Society by making a provision in your will, trust, or estate plan for Prince of Peace Catholic Church. Your legacy gift to Prince of Peace Catholic Church will make a lasting impact on the parish that will allow the mission of our "Ministries" to withstand any short falls in the economy. Don't have a will? Need to update your will? Get started today, just 20 minutes, at www.freewill.com/ richmondcatholicfoundation.

In October, nature puts on the ultimate show of leaves changing color for our enjoyment. In October, the Church gives us the ultimate prayer and celebration: The celebration of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary (October 7). The Apostolic Letter Rosarium Virginis Mariae, written by St. John Paul II, provides an understanding to the beauty of praying the Rosary. You can receive many benefits from praying the Rosary. You can have peace of mind, increase your love for Jesus and unity with our church, follow Mary's request, and have a greater focus on God rather than yourself. With your increase of love for Jesus and unity with our church, celebrate by considering a gift, in whatever amount you choose, to perpetuate the ministry of our church for generations. For more information about Legacy Giving, please view A Guide to Legacy Giving Brochure on the Prince of Peace website at www.popparish.org, go to Support Your Parish, then to Legacy Giving, or click on the "Legacy Giving" icon at bottom of the home page. Contact Nick Vacca at nbv8080@outlook.com for additional information or contact him at the Parish Office at 757-547-0356. Need a Will? Get started today at www.freewill.com/richmondcatholicfoundation, and for direct access, click on the "FreeWill" icon at bottom of the Prince of Peace website homepage. If you have already included Prince of Peace in your Will, "Welcome as a Lumen Christi Society Member."



August 30, 2023

Rev. John Bosco Walugembe Prince of Peace Catholic Church 631 Cedar Road Chesapeake, VA 23322

Dear Fr. Walugembe,

We wanted to take this opportunity of personally thanking you, your legacy giving committee, and Prince of Peace Catholic Church for an exceptional achievement. We are pleased to inform you that your parish has achieved the Catholic Community Foundation's level of Gold Status by accomplishing your goals for your legacy giving program this year. Our hope is that your leadership will light the way for other parishes to achieve the same results.

With every new legacy commitment received, you are taking a significant step forward in securing the future of your parish and the Diocese of Richmond. These commitments are one of the many ways that you and your parishioners are joining with the leaders of past generations that have grown the Catholic Church in Virginia.

We look forward to hearing about your future successes as you continue to promote these opportunities through your Lumen Christi Legacy Society. Thank you again for your part in securing the future for your parish and the larger Catholic Church.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Barry C. Knestout Bishop of Richmond Margaret I. Keightley

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**AT HOME:** Gene DiPascale, John Heerema, Jr., Doris Moyer, Joseph Evan, Patty and Al Russell, Ada Murphy, Sherri Yewitt, Paul Michael Thomas, and Colleen Richardson.

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

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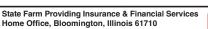
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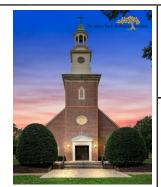




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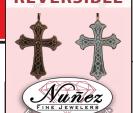
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