

PRINCE *of* PEACE

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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or youtube.com

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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.	
Sunday	9:00 A.M.	
	11:00 A.M.	<i>Livestreamed</i>
Tuesday-Friday	9:00 A.M.	

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday at 3:30-4:45 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

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS THIS WEEK: JUNE 23-30, 2024

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

- 9:00 a.m. Mass
- 10:15-10:45 a.m. Combined Rehearsal
- 11:00 a.m. Mass
- 1:00 p.m. Baptismal Parent Session (Virtual)

MONDAY, JUNE 24

- 5:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. No Daily Mass
- Vacation Bible School

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

- 9:00 a.m. Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary
- 5:30-8:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

- 9:00 a.m. Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary
- 10:00-11:30 a.m. Food Pantry Open
- 5:30-8:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

- 9:00 a.m. Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary
- 5:30-8:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School
- 6:30-8:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

- 9:00 a.m. Mass followed by Praying of the Rosary
- 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. VBS Mass and Reception

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

- 9:00 a.m.-Noon Parish Cleanup Day
- 3:30 p.m. Reconciliation
- 5:00 p.m. Mass

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

- 9:00 a.m. Mass
- 10:15-10:45 a.m. Combined Rehearsal
- 11:00 a.m. Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

Robert J. Cook †

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

Nina Henry
Mass Intention

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

Debbie Tucker
Mass Intention

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

Sonny Florance †

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

5:00 p.m. Deborah Whittaker †

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

9:00 a.m. Modesto Ancheta †
11:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

† denotes deceased

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE QUOTE FOR MEDITATION

June 23, 2024:

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mark 4: "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?"

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

June 30, 2024:

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Gospel: Mark 5:21-4:43

MASS COUNTS FOR LAST WEEKEND

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	221
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	292
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	324
Total:		837

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.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

As we pray for peace and an end to violence throughout the world, we as a parish community will pray the Prayer to St. Michael after Mass. The prayer will be prayed after the Final Blessing and before the Recessional.
St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Congratulations!

The Prince of Peace Parish Community congratulates Kelly Bruno our Youth/Young Adult Coordinator on her completion of the Diocese of Richmond Lay Ecclesial Ministry Institute (LEMI) program. Kelly along with two others was commissioned as lay ministers by Bishop Barry C. Knestout on June 15, 2024 at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart.

For more information about the program and Kelly's journey, visit Facebook-Diocese of Richmond. An article was also in the *Catholic Virginian*, June 11, 2024 issue.

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. 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, June 23, 2024**
- **Sunday, July 21, 2024**
- **Sunday, August 18, 2024**

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*. Anyone with questions, please contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office.

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

FIRST EUCHARIST and **CONFIRMATION** celebrations for 2025 are being planned. Information on registration for parent meetings will be available soon.

ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY

Prince of Peace has just begun an Altar Server Ministry and we still have room to grow. This Ministry is open to our young parishioners – girls and boys – who have received First Holy Communion. Parents of those interested in joining are asked to please contact Mark Falcon at 703-409-7733.

OUR TREASURES TO THE LORD

Our Treasures to the Lord

	Offertory	E-Giving	Weekly Needs	Over/(Short)*
Offertory				
Week Ending 06-02	\$ 5,911.50	\$ 7,888.00	\$ 12,303.00	\$ 1,496.50
Week Ending 06-09	\$ 5,374.34	\$ 4,919.00	\$ 12,303.00	\$ (2,009.66)
Week Ending 06-16	\$ 8,718.88	\$ 5,644.00	\$ 12,303.00	\$ 2,059.88
Total	\$ 20,004.72	\$ 18,451.00	\$ 36,909.00	\$ 1,546.72

*Amount in () indicates negative

	Fiscal YTD	Week Collection
	16-Jun-24	16-Jun
<i>Funds collected:</i>		
Capital Improvement:	\$ 36,641.90	\$ 156.00
Food Pantry:	\$ 27,905.41	\$ 168.10
Diocesan debt (BLUE env)	\$ 9,710.00	\$ 11.00
Homeless Meals:	\$ 16,450.93	\$ 186.00

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Giving & Offering

Did you know that we pay a processing fee on the online giving transactions? Consider including those fees in your contributions. For instructions on how to edit your giving, see the Welcome Desk or contact the Office. Thank you for your generosity!



UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

- Peter's Pence June 30, 2024
- PoP Capital Improvement July 20/21, 2024
- PoP Capital Improvement August 17/18, 2024

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Please note, as a Community of Faith, we offer our prayers for the sick. With so many requests for prayers, we have begun rotating names. Please be assured that sick loved ones and friends continue to be prayed for... Each week our petition: *For the sick... especially all those who have asked for our prayers, including...*

NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS: Rosa Iglesia, Margaret Gillaspie, Minnette Mergen, Walter Quigley, Tom Boone, June Baiocco, Christine Harrington, Josephine Tarquinio, Carolyn Seigle, Marie Kiesel, Louise Phillips, Eileen Ettwein, Dick DeLong, Joan Crane, Marie Kuenzer (MC), Susan Ott, Mary Oliver, Rodney Grenne, Barbara Sullivan, Mary Anne Agne, Phyllis Hunt, Maureen Anderson, Steve Blum, Jane & Rick Gallagher, Anita York, and Diane Davis.

CHESAPEAKE HEALTHCARE CENTER: Clair Saar, Mary Thatcher, Mike Walker, Anna Phillips, Rafaela Martinez, and Elizabeth Bolmarcich.

AT HOME: Kathryn Marks, Fannye Wickley, Gene DiPascale, Doris Moyer, Joseph Evan, Patty and Al Russell, Ada Murphy, Sherri Yewitt, and Paul Michael Thomas.

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

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Debbie Whittaker

MASS INTENTIONS ARE AVAILABLE

Mass Intentions for the remainder of the 2024 Calendar Year are available! Please stop by the Parish Office to reserve dates for Intentions. The requested donation amount is ten dollars for Intentions, and Mass Cards are available.

ASSISTIVE HEARING DEVICES

Our new sound system is now working with assistive hearing devices for use during Mass. While we recommend you bring your own earbuds, we do have headsets you may borrow. Please see an usher if you wish to use one.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

During this time of transition as we look for a new Parish Secretary, parishioners are asked, if they are available, to volunteer a few hours to answer phones and welcome people at our Front Desk. Any day or time you can volunteer is welcome. A staff member will be present to assist at all times. For more information, please contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW)

Children's Liturgy of the Word is on summer break for the rest of the summer. However, this is a great time to build up our volunteer base! It takes a lot of volunteers to help make CLOW successful. If you would like to volunteer, contact Melody.Smith@popparish.org. We will train you and pay for your safe environment class. For a list of VIRTUS Protecting God's Children trainings this summer, go to www.virtusonline.org.

UPCOMING YOUTH IN MOTION EVENTS

None



VIRTUS:

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 email our POP safe environment coordinator at Melody.Smith@popparish.org for more information.

Christian Formation

CF NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Any donations to Youth Ministry are greatly appreciated, since we do subsidize for families in need. Thank you for your support!

CHRISTIAN FORMATION REGISTRATIONS 2024-2025

Christian Formation Registrations for the school year 2024-2025 are now open!

There will be three class models this year:

- **Friday Family Faith** – First Fridays, 6:30-8:30 p.m., remaining three classes per month are homeschooled
- **Elementary Classes** – Sunday mornings, 10:05-10:55 a.m., between both Masses
- **Youth Ministry** – Sunday evenings, 6:00-8:00 p.m., twice a month, plus events



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



REGISTER NOW FOR THE 2024/2025 CONFIRMATION MEETING

If your son/daughter will be in 10th grade and at least 15 years old in September 2024, has celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist, and wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in spring

2025: You and your teenager are invited to attend a mandatory Confirmation Information Meeting on Sunday, June 23rd or July 28th at 7:00 p.m. Please take a moment to register your teen; these are the only two meetings scheduled before classes begin in September.



You may register by using <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/6b2bc3c8-85b9-4a37-90b1-711a504a46da> or the QR code.

First Eucharist Parent Meeting dates and registration coming soon!

LUMEN CHRISTI LEGACY SOCIETY

July is an Ordinary Time in our church calendar, BUT not at all an ordinary time. It is packed with memorable celebrations, divine interventions and commemoration of holy saints. On **July 3**, we celebrate St. Thomas the Apostle, who had doubts about the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, and when upon seeing and touching the wounds of Christ exclaimed, "My Lord and my God!" We honor St. Mary Magdalene on **July 22**, who showed her love for Christ looking for Him in the garden with anguish. She eyewitnessed the Risen Christ and announced and testified before the apostles His Resurrection, and she became an evangelist announcing the message of His Resurrection to all. St. James the Apostle, the first apostle to shed his blood for Christ in A.D. 44 (Acts 12:2) in Jerusalem, was beheaded by order of King Herod Agrippa I of Judaea. According to Spanish tradition, his body was taken to Santiago de Compostela, where his shrine attracts Christian pilgrims from all over the world. His martyrdom won him the title of "Saint James the Greater," by which we distinguish him from the other apostle. His feast day is **July 25**. Let's contemplate the life stories of these Saints, their love of Jesus and their unity with our church. This will bring a greater focus on God rather than ourselves. With the increase of your love for Jesus and church unity, you can celebrate by considering a gift, whatever the amount, that will perpetuate the ministry of our church for generations and continue to remember those who have gone before us. This is the time to consider Estate Planning. This is an essential act of stewardship for Catholics, ensuring that our values and faith are woven into our future plans. In partnership with FreeWill, the Catholic Community Foundation offers a simple and free way to create your estate plan. Visit FreeWill.com/RichmondCatholicFoundation to start your estate planning today. It is free, legal and user-friendly. Contact Nick Vacca, Lumen Christi Society member, for additional information, or if you have already included Prince of Peace in your Will. He can be reached at nbv8080@outlook.com.



We try to please those we love.
That is why we try to please
God above all others.

Use the code to reveal a verse from 2 Corinthians 5.

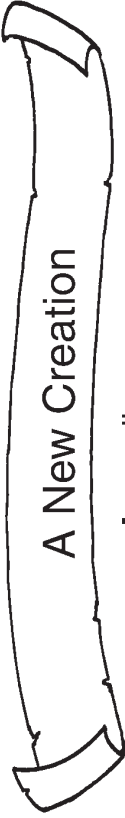
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Children's Worship Bulletin

Ages 7+

June 23, 2024 • 2 Corinthians 5:6-17



A New Creation

In our lives now,
we can't understand everything about God.

Complete the names of the animals' offspring.
Write the letters in order in the blanks.



cow — cal__ pigeon — __quab



sheep — l__mb cat — k__tten



goat — k__d goose — __osling



frog — __adpole turtle — hatc__ling



bird — c__ick butterfly — ca__erpillar



We live by _____,
not by _____.



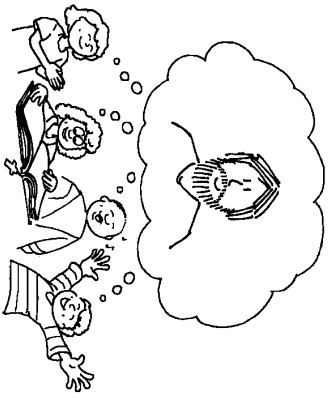
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What should our goal be?

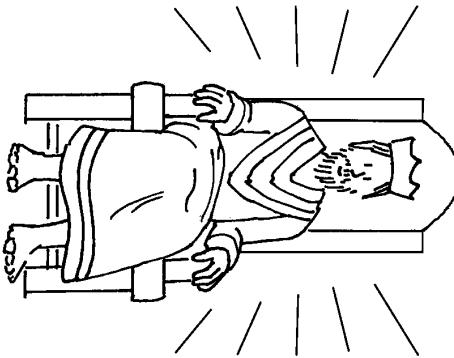
Supply the letter that appears at least twice in each animal name. Read the words in the columns.

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a	apo	_	_	_	_
sh	_	p	_	_	_
k_	w_	b_	rd	_	_
ra	_	les	nake	_	_
kangar	_	_	_	_	_
v_l_t_	re	_	_	_	_
pa	_	ot	_	_	_
_	uinea	pi	_	_	_
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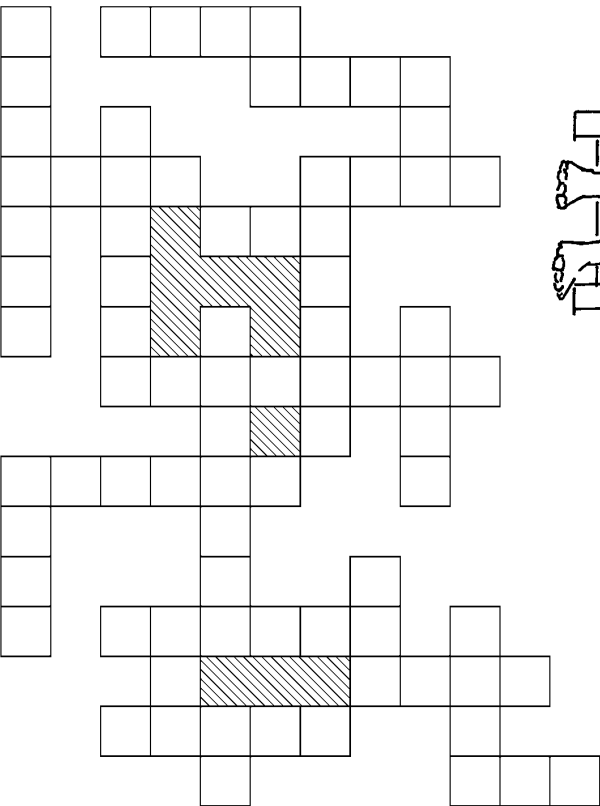


We should always try to please God because we know that someday He will judge all our deeds.

Fit all the capitalized words of the verse into the crossword boxes. (Hint: start with the longest word.)



WE MUST ALL
APPEAR BEFORE
the JUDGMENT SEAT
of CHRIST, THAT
EACH MAY RECEIVE
WHAT IS DUE HIM for
the THINGS DONE
WHILE IN the BODY,
WHETHER GOOD
or BAD.





SIMBANG GABI MINISTRY AT PRINCE OF PEACE
Volunteers and Donations Needed

We are sponsoring a Philippines-American Fiesta on Saturday, August 10, 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

“Simbang Gabi” means “Night Mass” in the Filipino native language of Tagalog. This nine-day Novena takes place December 15-23 and is celebrated in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a centuries-old tradition in the Filipino culture that is still practiced today by Filipino Catholics and parishes around the world. Each Mass is followed by a Feast-like celebration with food and fellowship. Proceeds from this dinner are used to offset the cost of this Mass and fellowship and are also shared with Prince of Peace.

MENU: Pancit, Lumpia/Eggroll, Fried Chicken, Pandesal Rolls, Cupcakes, Coffee, Lemonade, Tea, and Water

TICKET SALES: Dine-in is limited to 200.

PHILIPPINES-AMERICAN FIESTA

SPONSORED BY: SIMBANG GABI MINISTRY

Donation: \$20.00/PP

Only 200 tickets pre-paid tickets will be sold. No tickets at the door.

Food to go available for \$20.00

Proceeds will go to POP 50th Anniversary and Simbang Gabi Ministry

6 PM - 9 PM

Saturday, August 10, 2024

Contacts: Edward of Edward Travel

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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!

1. Go to www.formed.org.
2. Click on the blue “Sign up as a Parishioner” button.
3. Enter: “Prince of Peace, 621 Cedar Road, Chesapeake, VA”
4. Enter your Name and Email.

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

PILGRIMAGE TO MARIAN SHRINES
WITH FR. CHARLES & FR. JOHN BOSCO

Lisbon, Fatima, Spain and Lourdes

September 23-October 2, 2024

Time is running out!

See the flyers in the Commons.

For more information on this exciting trip, contact Jan Barger at j.barger@dreamvacations.com.

PEACE AND JUSTICE:
 We strive to live the love of Christ
 by sharing it with those in our community.

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 judithflorance@cox.net 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.



HELPING OUR HOMELESS
CHESAPEAKE NEIGHBORS:

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 the 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!!



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There's a place for everyone in the Music Ministry



<https://popparish.org/ministries/music-ministry/>

FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR:

Even though the choir and instrumental groups are on summer hiatus, there still are opportunities to make music at Prince of Peace! Singers and instrument players are welcome to join the choir for their mini-practice Sunday mornings prior to the 11:00 a.m. Mass from 10:15-10:45 a.m. in the Worship Space. All are welcome, all belong! Email Joseph.guardino@popparish.org or call 757-547-0356, ext. 127, to get up to speed on what’s going on in the music ministry!



**FATHER ROMEO D. JAZMIN FOOD PANTRY
CAMPAIGN for CANNED GOODS**

Purpose: Build Summer Inventory Food Supplies

CAMPAIGN COLLECTION DATES:

Saturday/Sunday: July 6/7

Mark your calendar. Drop off food bags before each Mass in the Commons. Thank you.

FOOD PANTRY HOURS:

Mondays, 9:00-10:00 a.m. – Pantry Volunteers are available to help with your bags and boxes.

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:00 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.)

PLEASE CONSIDER:

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Canned Fruit, Vegetables, Canned Soup, and Tuna, Pork & Beans, Spaghetti & Sauce, and Applesauce.

With your financial contribution, we're happy to do the shopping. Financial gifts can be made in cash, check, and by going to popparish.org 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.

Be the Light of the World and the Salt of the Earth by helping to support the Parish Food Pantry. God bless you. We need your support!

THANK YOU!

The Sammons, Shoemaker, and Cross families want to thank Father John, Sister Dolores, the music ministry, the funeral reception ministry, and the many caring parishioners and friends for joining us in praying for the repose of the soul of Mary Rose Sammons at her funeral Mass and comforting us with friendship and hospitality at the reception afterwards. *Eternal rest grant unto Mary Rose Sammons, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, by the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

2024 SPRING RAFFLE RESULTS

We Raised \$19,111.00! This year is the most successful raffle we've had in our 17-year history. Congratulations to the winners of the \$500.00 Grand Prize, the 50-inch Fire TV, and all of the terrific gift cards. I want to thank all of the volunteers that helped sell and write tickets, decorate the parish hall, and cleanup after the ice cream social. A big thanks also to Fr. John Bosco, Sister Dolores and the POP staff for their support and encouragement. And most of all, a special thank-you to all of the kind and generous POP parishioners who opened their hearts to share their treasure so we can fund outreach in our community. The love and affection that I feel for you all is genuine, and I am grateful to call Prince of Peace home.

God bless,
Alan



GRAND GROUP NEWS

Attention, all newcomers and current Grand Group members. Mark your calendar for Tuesday, August 6, 2024, Grand Group Planning Session.

It is time to plan for our upcoming Grand Group year. Let's make it an *extra* special one. We will meet in the church Social Hall directly following the 9:00 a.m. daily Mass. Come join us and bring your ideas. Light refreshments will be served. Contact Joan at stanjam22@aol.com or Judy at judithflorance@cox.net with any questions. We look forward to seeing everyone.

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HOMELESS ASSISTANCE VOLUNTEERS

Want to be the face of charity for our local homeless living in their cars? We distribute food for the homeless early on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in two large parking areas. Contact Mike Corrigan at 757-775-7696.

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.

HOST FAMILY OPPORTUNITIES

Catholic High School is welcoming new international students from Germany, Switzerland, and Italy for the 2024-2025 school year and we need host families!

Host families receive a small stipend and have the support of a local coordinator. International students have health insurance and personal spending money. As a host family, you will:

- provide a safe and supportive home,
- provide transportation to and from school and activities,
- share cultural experiences,
- welcome the student to participate in your family, and
- create lifelong relationships!

Please consider opening your heart and your home to one of these students. Please contact Eileen Monacchio at monacchioe@chsvb.org or 757-416-7841 for more information.

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.

MARRIAGE RETREAT!

By offering Married Couples the beautiful experience of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, the Catholic Church is affirming and supporting you in your chosen vocation – Marriage. Take advantage of this great gift to enhance your relationship and enjoy a love-filled weekend away together.

For more information or to register, go to WWME.org, click "Apply" and search for "Virginia" or your desired location. Feel free to contact Mark and Cathy Stangler at 703-378-4150 or mstang1987@aol.com with any questions. Here are two upcoming experiences:

- September 27-29, 2024 – Herndon, VA (only 15 slots left!)
- October 11-13, 2024 – College Park, MD
- November 15-17, 2024 – Virginia Beach, VA

PRINCE OF PEACE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry uses the time and talents of parish members to knit or crochet shawls that will be given away to help spread the message of God's mercy, love and compassion. The recipients include people entering a new phase in life or those experiencing a loss, illness, or difficult circumstances. If you know someone who might need a Prayer Shawl, please contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office.

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.

PARISH SECRETARY – PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Prince of Peace is seeking a Parish Secretary. The ministry includes greeting parishioners and visitors in person and on the phone; maintaining census data using ParishSoft; distributing mail; creating weekly bulletin and maintaining parish calendar; providing assistance to the various ministries and performing other related duties as requested by the Pastor.

Minimum education requirement of a high school diploma; work experience in secretarial/administrative assistance. Some college preferred. This is a full-time but non-exempt position.

Must possess computer skills and be proficient with Microsoft Office products. Candidate must be a practicing/participating Catholic in good standing with the Church; understand and adhere to the policies as stated in the Diocese Guidelines and Procedures.

Those interested in this position should complete the Diocese of Richmond application at <https://richmonddiocese.org/office-of-human-resources/>, a cover letter and résumé. Must be able to pass a background check. Send all required documents with references to Father John Bosco Walugembe at jwalugembe@richmonddiocese.org. Please, no faxes.

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