

# PRINCE *of* PEACE

## 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 youtube.com

### Diocesan Website

www.richmonddioocese.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. *Livestreamed*

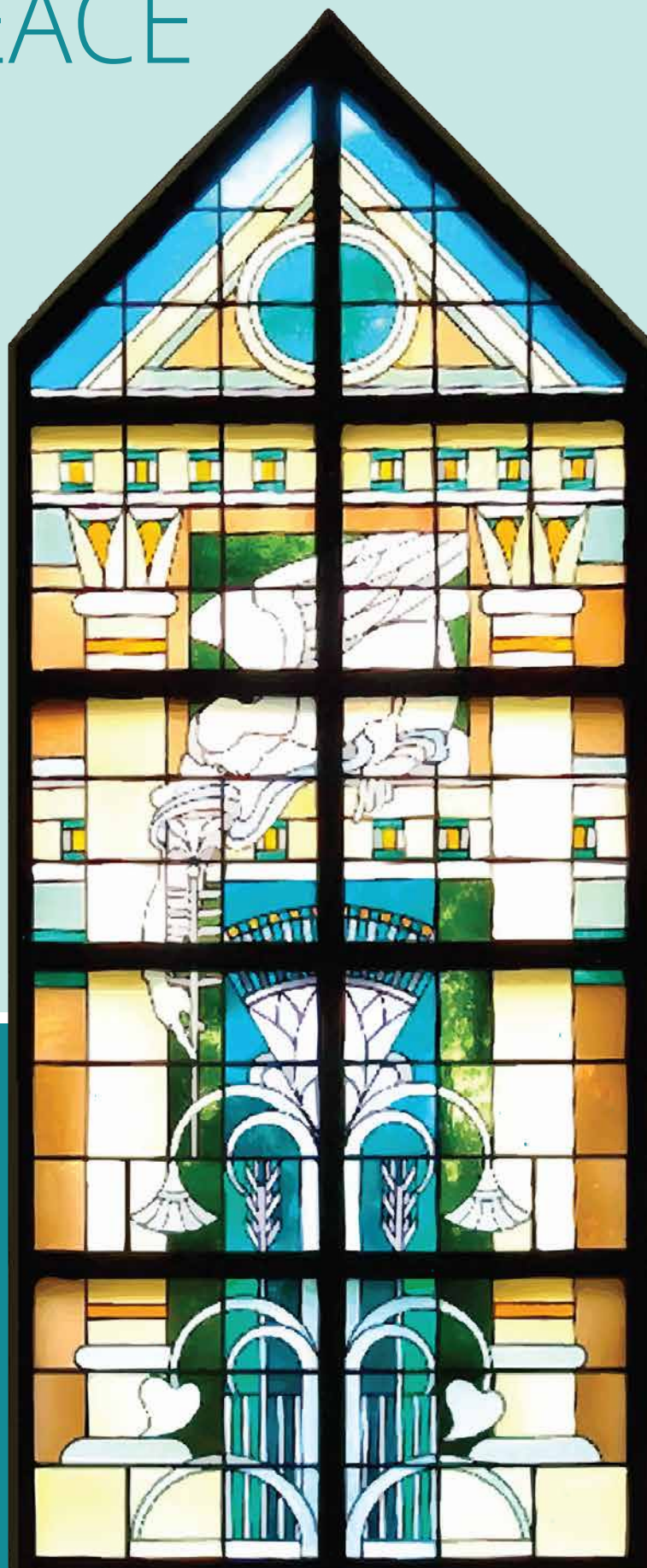
Tuesday-Friday 9:00 A.M.

## 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

PARISH SECRETARY: Mrs. Shannon Schmidt
DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Mrs. Melody Smith
YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT COORDINATOR: Mrs. Kelly Bruno
MUSIC MINISTER: Mr. Joseph Guardino
BOOKKEEPER: Mrs. Pam Lerach
FACILITIES MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR: Mr. John Leonard
CHAIRPERSONS Parish Council: Mark Shepard
Finance Council: Barb Blumfelder
MINISTRY CHAIRPERSONS Christian Formation: Heather Thomas
Community Life: Sheila Gargiulo
Evangelization/Peace & Justice: Mary Riley
Liturgy: Debbie Tucker
Stewardship: Alan Cole

CALENDAR OF EVENTS THIS WEEK: SEPTEMBER 8-15, 2024

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
9:00 a.m. Mass
9:00-11:00 a.m. Elementary Catechist Training
10:15-10:45 a.m. Combined Rehearsal
11:00 a.m. Choir Kickoff Mass
7:00 p.m. Confirmation Information Meeting
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
No Daily Mass
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
9:00 a.m. Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary
7:00 p.m. First Eucharist Parent Zoom Meeting
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
9:00 a.m. Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary
10:00-11:30 a.m. Food Pantry Open
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
9:00 a.m. Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary
6:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting in Parish Hall
7:00 p.m. OCIA Meeting in Rooms 9 & 10
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
9:00 a.m. Mass
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
3:30 p.m. Reconciliation
5:00 p.m. Mass (Baptisms)
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
9:00 a.m. Mass
10:00-11:00 a.m. Elementary Christian Formation
11:00 a.m. Mass
6:00-7:00 p.m. Middle & High School Christian Formation

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
9:00 a.m. Romulo Calubaquib
Mass Intention
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
9:00 a.m. Chester Sabisky II †
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
9:00 a.m. William Anderson †
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
9:00 a.m. William Sincere †
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
5:00 p.m. Agudelo Family
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
9:00 a.m. Mary Patrice Raum †
11:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

† denotes deceased

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, however, we do have headsets you may borrow. Please see an usher for assistance.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE QUOTE FOR MEDITATION

September 8, 2024: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 7:34 "Ephphatha!" that is, "Be opened!"

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

September 15, 2024: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
1st Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9a
2nd Reading: James 2:14-18
Gospel: Mark 8:27-35



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.



**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.*

**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, September 22, 2024](#)
- [Sunday, October 20, 2024](#)
- [Sunday, November 24, 2024](#)
- [Sunday, December 15, 2024](#)

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

**ADULT CONFIRMATION:** For 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](mailto:Sister.Dolores@popparish.org).

**OCIA: Thinking of joining the Catholic Church???** The process by which adults formally join the Catholic Church has traditionally been referred to as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). In November of 2021, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops approved a new translation of the process and its corresponding curriculum, now known as the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA). Prince of Peace parish community offers “Order of Christian Initiation of Adults” (OCIA) process for those adults seeking to learn more about and join the Catholic Christian Faith. OCIA 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 OCIA journey, please contact Sister Dolores at the Parish Office at 757-547-0356, or email [Sister.Dolores@popparish.org](mailto:Sister.Dolores@popparish.org).

**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**

Week Ending	Offertory	E-Giving	Weekly Budget	Over/(Short)*
August 4	\$8,509.00	\$9,148.00	\$16,403.06	\$1,253.94
August 11	\$5,703.58	\$4,863.00	\$16,403.06	\$(5,836.48)
August 18	\$5,846.00	\$5,983.00	\$16,403.06	\$(4,574.06)
August 25	\$4,314.17	\$2,958.00	\$16,403.06	\$(9,130.89)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$24,372.75</b>	<b>\$22,952.00</b>	<b>\$65,612.24</b>	<b>\$(18,287.49)</b>

\*Amount in () indicates negative

**NEW Fiscal Year**

August 25 Funds Collected:	Fiscal YTD	Week Collection
Capital Improvement:	\$ 4,823.10	\$ 136.00
Food Pantry:	\$ 3,592.37	\$ 283.00
Diocesan Debt (BLUE env)	\$ 1,657.00	\$ 66.00
Homeless Meals:	\$ 6,810.17	\$ 326.00

**WHERE DO OUR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT DONATIONS GO?**

With the closing of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, we are providing an update on a couple of our major projects in the parish.

**ADA 2021** – The AV Ministry project was closed out with the upgrading of the sound system in the church. This upgrade included the new speakers, mics and hearing aid devices. This project was paid for by the funds from the Annual Diocesan Appeal of FY 2021. The cost of the upgrade exceeded the funds collected by \$2,235.79.

**ADA 2023** – Additionally, we closed the books on the Rectory Renovation. This brought the rectory up to date and provided some long overdue repairs. This project was paid for by the funds from the Annual Diocesan Appeal of FY 2023. The cost of the repairs and upgrades exceeded the funds collected by \$15,431.72.

The excess funds needed for these important initiatives were provided by your ongoing contributions to our capital improvement fund. These important funds help with projects but also the ongoing maintenance of our building.



Text “Give” to **757-300-0155**.  
Thank you for your generosity!

**UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS**

PoP Capital Improvement	September 14/15, 2024
PoP Capital Improvement	October 12/13, 2024
World Mission Collection	October 19/20, 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 states” 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, 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:** Paulette Cormier, Jean Lamont, Emily Lutz, Becky Schares, Kathryn Marks, Fannye Wickley, Gene DiPascale, Doris Moyer, Joseph Evan, Patty and Al Russell, Ada Murphy, Sherri Yewitt, Paul Michael Thomas, and Heather Speicher.

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** Doris Moyer, John Lasko, Jr., Lucille Antroinen

**IN THE HOSPITAL:** Hallie Rouch

# Christian Formation



## CF NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

If your child is at least 7 years old and in 2nd grade by September 1st, he or she may be ready to begin preparation for First Eucharist. There will be an online registration meeting for parents who wish to find out more or to register their child for a sacrament. The next meeting (Zoom) is September 10th at 7:00 p.m. Please sign up for this from our webpage at <https://popparish.org/sacraments/holy-eucharist/> or contact [Melody.Smith@popparish.org](mailto:Melody.Smith@popparish.org) for more information.

### 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** – 1st Fridays, 6:30-8:30 p.m.; remaining 3 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
- **Peer Ministry** – Sunday evenings, 5:00-8:00 p.m., Twice a month, plus events



If you have any questions, please contact:  
 Elementary Formation – [Melody.Smith@popparish.org](mailto:Melody.Smith@popparish.org)  
 Middle School/High School Formation & Peer Ministry – [Kelly.Bruno@popparish.org](mailto: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, September 8th at 7:00 p.m.** This will be the last opportunity to register before classes begin on Sunday, September 15th. Please take a moment to register your teen. You will be provided the link to register for classes at the meeting. You may register by using the QR code:



### 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](mailto: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](http://www.virtusonline.org).

### 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](mailto:Melody.Smith@popparish.org) for more information.



### YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

We all need to take time to rest, retreat from the world, and recharge. This fall, young adults will 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.

The Retreat is intended for young adults ages 18-39. Single people and married couples are all welcome. The retreat will take place October 18-20, 2024 at the Ramada Plaza Nags Head Oceanfront on the beach in Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina. For more details: Young Adult Retreat – Evangelize Richmond



**A GREAT BIG THANK-YOU** to our wonderful community for helping to ensure that the children in our neighboring community, Campostella, will return to school with the supplies they need for a successful year. It is because of your generous support those children will start the new year with a Bang!!!

## FOOD PANTRY

### CAMPAIGN for CANNED GOODS:

**Purpose... Build an Inventory! Join us!**

### CAMPAIGN COLLECTION DATES:

**Saturday/Sunday, October 5/6** (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. (Drop off food.)**

Pantry Volunteers are available to help with your bags and boxes.

**Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m. (Pick up & 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.**

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 [popparish.org](http://popparish.org) and submit through E-giving. If you are writing a check, in memo, write "Food Pantry." Thank you and God bless.

**We are in need of 120 cans of 24 oz. Spaghetti Sauce for this month! Can you help? Thank you and God bless.**



Then what happened?

Fit the words in the list on the blanks and read the story.  
Match each picture with its description.

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|------|-------|--------|----------|
| Be   | sigh  | speak  | tongue   |
| away | spit  | begged | fingers  |
| deaf | talk  | heaven | plainly  |
| ears | crowd | opened | touched  |
| hand | place | people | loosened |

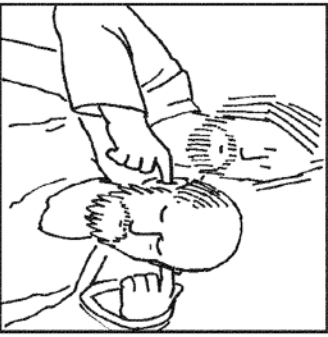
1 Some \_\_\_\_\_ brought to Him  
a man who was \_\_\_\_\_ and could hardly  
t \_\_\_\_\_, and they \_\_\_\_\_ q \_\_\_\_\_

Him to \_\_\_\_\_ His  
\_\_\_\_\_ on the man.

2 After He took him aside, \_\_\_\_\_  
from the \_\_\_\_\_,  
Jesus put His \_\_\_\_\_  
into the man's \_\_\_\_\_ s \_\_\_\_\_.

3 Then He \_\_\_\_\_ t \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ the man's  
\_\_\_\_\_  
4 He looked up to \_\_\_\_\_  
and with a deep \_\_\_\_\_ q \_\_\_\_\_ said to him,  
"Ephphatha!" (which means,  
" \_\_\_\_\_ i").

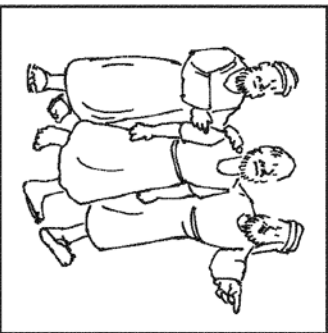
5 At this, the man's ears were opened,  
his tongue was \_\_\_\_\_  
and he began to \_\_\_\_\_ k \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.



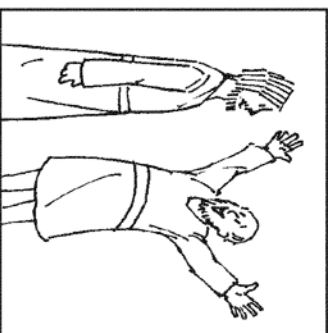
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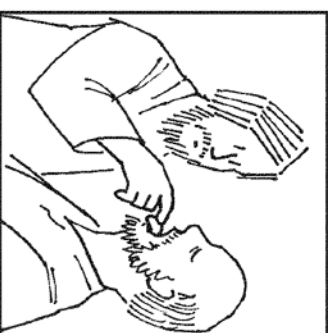
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**FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR:**

Attention, all Parish Musicians, Singers, and lovers of music: Our choir and instrumental groups are preparing for an exciting, song-filled 50th Jubilee Year. For the 2024-2025 Year, we will have a Christmas Concert, participate in Simbang Gabi and Jubilee Mass, and introduce new music from Gregorian Chant to Contemporary Christian! In order to make this happen, we need you. If you have sung or played with us in the past, are coming from another parish music program, or are new to music, *you are welcome!* Please see the Music Director, Joseph Guardino, if you are interested in joining. Contact Joseph.guardino@popparish.org or 757-547-0356.

**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](http://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.

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



# PRINCE OF PEACE

# CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## There's a place for everyone in the Music Ministry



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

**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](mailto:judithflorance@cox.net) or Rosalyn Price at [roz3@cox.net](mailto: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](mailto:cooeybrooks@cox.net). Thank you so much!!

**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 Katerina Blackstone at 757-288-6766.



**ATTENTION, ALL PARISH YOUTH: YOUTH CHOIR REGISTRATIONS HAVE BEGUN!**

If you or your child are in grades 2-12 and want to learn how to sing, read music, and grow in faith, then Youth Choir is for you! We look forward to hearing from you. All are welcome, all belong! If

you are interested, please fill out an interest form by scanning the QR code below. We look forward to hearing from you. **Contact Joseph** at [Joseph.guardino@popparish.org](mailto:Joseph.guardino@popparish.org) or 757-547-0356.



**PRESENTATION: CALLED TO FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP**  
**Jeff Caruso, Executive Director, Virginia Catholic Conference**  
**October 9, 2024, 7:00-9:00 p.m.**  
**Church of St. Therese, 4137 Portsmouth Boulevard,**  
**Chesapeake, VA 23321**

Join us to welcome Jeff Caruso, Executive Director of the Virginia Catholic Conference, the public-policy office of Virginia's Catholic bishops and their dioceses. Join us to learn about the VCC's mission, the principles of Catholic Social Teaching, and how to be faithful citizens this election season and throughout the year.



**HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR**

Our Annual Holiday Craft Fair will be held on **Saturday, December 7th** 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 using the QR code. Applications are also available in the Parish Office. For any questions, reach out to John Ricci at 757-995-5532.





### 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](http://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](mailto:mstang1987@aol.com) with any questions. Here are a few 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 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.

### FREEWILL – A PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO REFLECT ON OUR FAITH JOURNEY AND PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

Estate planning 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 for you to create your estate plan. This year, take the opportunity to ensure that your legacy aligns with your spiritual values and contributes to the ongoing growth and strength of our parish community. Visit [FreeWill.com/RichmondCatholicFoundation](http://FreeWill.com/RichmondCatholicFoundation) to start your estate planning today and take a leap of faith into the future. It is free, legal and user-friendly.

### 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.

### ATTENTION, CATHOLIC FAMILIES:

It’s never too early nor too late to plan for your family’s financial security.

The Knights of Columbus offers to its members life insurance, retirement income and investment products, long-term care insurance, and disability income insurance at extremely competitive rates and prices for its members.

Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors provide, FREE OF CHARGE, institutional asset management, donor-advised funds and an array of securities products and services, as well as retail mutual funds. The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic men’s fraternal society. It was formed in 1882 for the express purpose of taking care of Catholic families. It has been named as a Fortune 1000 entity and is rated AA+ by S&P and A+ (Superior), as well as a “Top 50 U.S. Life/Health Insurers” by A.M. Best. For more information on how you can take advantage of this opportunity to care for the future needs of your family, like so many other Catholic men already have, please contact Prince of Peace Council 8240, Grand Knight Mike Mastro at 908-399-3982, or Past Grand Knight Jerry Hart at 757-575-1857.

### ATTENTION, CATHOLIC ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL AND POLICE/FIREMEN FIRST RESPONDERS:

Did you know that as a member of the Knights of Columbus, college scholarships are available to your children should you be killed or permanently disabled by hostile action while serving in the armed forces in a combat zone?

This opportunity is also available to full-time firefighters and law enforcement officers who, while in the performance of their duties, die as a result of criminal violence directed towards them. Benefits for children of these Fallen brother Knights include a \$25,000.00 scholarship per year at any four-year Catholic University anywhere in the continental limits of the U.S. For more information on how you can become a Knight of Columbus and how your children can become eligible for this scholarship should, God forbid, you be killed in the line of duty, please contact Council 8240 Grand Knight Mike Mastro at 908-399-3982 or Past Grand Knight Jerry Hart at 757-575-1857.



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LEGACY SOCIETY

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We celebrate numerous Saints in September and offer them our prayers. On **September 12**, The Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a day of inexpressible love of the Mother of God for her Holy Child is recalled. The eyes of the faithful are directed to the figure of the Mother of the Redeemer, to invoke devotion and contemplate the Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary. **September 5**, is the feast day of St. Teresa of Calcutta. Read Mother Teresa’s biography, her path to sainthood, and the quotes and prayers she wrote in her lifetime. Other Saints who showed their love of Jesus and unity with our church,

and glorified God during their lifetimes, are honored in September: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church (**September 3**); St. Peter Claver, Priest (**September 9**); St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist (**September 21**); and St. Vincent de Paul, Priest (**September 27**). By learning more about these Saints, we learn more about God, and we increase the love of church unity. Celebrate this love and unity 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 which is an essential act of stewardship for Catholics. Ensure that your values and faith are woven into your future plans. Visit [FreeWill.com/RichmondCatholicFoundation](http://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](mailto:nbv8080@outlook.com) or contact him at the Parish Office at 757-547-0356.



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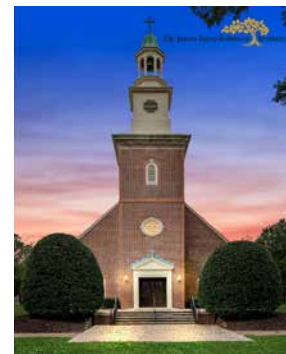
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