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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.

EASTER 2025

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PRINCE OF PEACE

STAFF	CALENDAR OF EVENTS THIS WEEK: MAY 18-25, 2025 SUNDAY, MAY 18	
PARISH SECRETARY:	9:00 a.m.	Mass
Mrs. Shannon Schmidt	11:00 a.m.	Mass (livestreamed)
DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:		Lumen Christi Reception for all parishioners in the Parish Hall after the 11:00 a.m. Mass
Mrs. Melody Smith	6:30-8:00 p.m.	Teen Bible Study
YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT COORDINATOR:	MONDAY, MAY 19	Teen blote Study
Mrs. Kelly Bruno		No Daily Mass
MUSIC MINISTER:	TUESDAY, MAY 20	
Mr. Joseph Guardino	9:00 a.m.	Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary
BOOKKEEPER:	WEDNESDAY, MAY 21	
Mrs. Pam Lerach	9:00 a.m.	Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary
FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	10:00-11:30 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
COORDINATOR:	5:00-6:30 p.m.	Sonlight in Room 4
Mr. John Leonard	6:30-8:00 p.m.	Choir and Music Rehearsal
CHAIRPERSONS	7:00 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting
Parish Council:	THURSDAY, MAY 22	
Mark Shepard757-567-8592	9:00 a.m.	Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary
Finance Council:	10:00 a.mNoon	Crafters in Parish Hall
Barb Blumfelder757-548-1951	6:30-7:30 p.m.	Holy Hour for Pope Leo XIV
MINISTRY CHAIRPERSONS	FRIDAY, MAY 23	
Christian Formation: Heather Thomas757-619-8776	9:00 a.m.	Mass followed by the Praying of the Rosary
	SATURDAY, MAY 24	Prove literation
Community Life: Sheila Gargiulo716-244-2031	3:30-4:45 p.m.	Reconciliation
Evangelization/Peace & Justice:	5:00 p.m.	Mass
Mary Riley	SUNDAY, MAY 25 9:00 a.m.	Mass
Liturgy:	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	
Debbie Tucker	11.00 a.m.	Mass (Baptisms; livestreamed)
Stewardship:	PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL	

Alan Cole757-802-5820

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, MAY 20 9:00 a.m. Philip Russo †

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21 9:00 a.m. Uloghobui Family Mass Intention

THURSDAY, MAY 22 9:00 a.m. Catherine Twomey †

FRIDAY, MAY 23 9:00 a.m. Tina Cole †

SATURDAY, MAY 24 5:00 p.m. Victor † and Mary Ann Hrudowsky

SUNDAY, MAY 25

9:00 a.m. Olvis and Mary Sammons † 11:00 a.m. For the Parishioners

† denotes deceased

MASS COUNTS: MAY 10/11, 2025			
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	196	
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	367	
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	350	
Tot	913		

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 for assistance.

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.

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.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE **QUOTE FOR MEDITATION** May 18, 2025:Fifth Sunday of Easter

John 13:34 "I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: Love one another as I have loved you."

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK May 25, 2025: Sixth Sunday of Easter 1st Reading: Acts 15:1-2; 22-29 2nd Reading: Revelation 21:10-14; 22-23 Gospel: John 14:23-29

ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY

Prince of Peace Altar Server Ministry still has 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.

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.

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, That my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, That my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, That I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, To defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, That I always may be holy. – Saint Augustine

HABEMUS PAPAM POPE LEO XIV May 8, 2025

Pope Leo XIV was born September 14, 1955, in Chicago, Illinois. He holds a bachelor's degree from the Augustinian-run Villanova University in Pennsylvania and joined the order in 1977, making his solemn vows in 1981.

He joined the Augustinian mission in Peru in 1985 and largely worked in the country until 1999 when he was elected head of the Augustinians' Chicago-based province. From 2001 to 2013, he served as prior general of the worldwide order. In 2015, Pope Francis named him bishop of Chiclayo, in northern Peru, and the pope asked him also to be apostolic administrator of Callao, Peru, from April 2020 to May 2021.

Pope Francis elevated him to Cardinal in the Consistory of September 30, 2023, when he was assigned Cardinal of St. Monica. On February 6, 2025, Pope Francis promoted him to the highest degree of Cardinals, granting him the title of the Suburbicarian Church of Albano.

On May 8, 2025, Cardinal Protodeacon Dominique Mamberti pronounced the formula, "Habemus Papam," proclaiming to the city of Rome and to the whole world the news of the election of Robert Francis Cardinal Prevost as Pope Leo XIV.



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: Glenn Davis, Wilma O'Callaghan, Bill Holtsnider, Richard Higgins, Patricia Byrne, Rosa Iglesia, Margaret Gillaspie, Walter Quigley, Tom Boone, June Baiocco, Christine Harrington, Carolyn Seigle, Marie Kiesel, Louise Phillips, Dick DeLong, Joan Crane, Marie Kuenzer (MC), Susan Ott, Mary Oliver, Mary Anne Agne, Phyllis Hunt, Maureen Anderson, Steve Blum, Jane & Rick Gallagher, Anita York, and Diane Davis.

CHESAPEAKE HEALTHCARE CENTER: Patricia Byrne, Mary Thatcher, Mike Walker, Rafaela Martinez.

AT HOME: Alvin Paul Calderon, Eileen Lamont, Helen Neyinpessu, Tina Dean, Wayne Waibel, Ann Waibel, Bob Russell, Edward Gasca, Shawn Ries, Elma Alviar, Betssie llen Reed, Shirley Byrd, Kathryn Marks, Emily Lutz, Fannye Wickley, Joseph Evan, Ada Murphy, Sherri Yewitt, and Heather Speicher. **IN THE HOSPITAL:** Jean Lamont, Kaitlyn Wood, Charles Detore, Austin Boone, Linda Treffeisen

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Carma Boswell, Monica Keel, Catherine Twomey, Elma Muniz

Prince of Peace **Parish**Soft Giving & Offering

Text "Give" to 757-300-0155 or visit our website www.popparish.org to sign up for E-Giving. This helps to reduce our mailing costs. After your account is set up, please email pop.office@popparish.org to let us

know to stop mailing your envelopes. Thank you for your generosity!

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

PoP Capital ImprovementMay 17/18, 2025Diocesan Home MissionsMay 24/25, 2025PoP 50th AnniversaryJune 1/2, 2025



LUMEN CHRISTI SOCIETY PRESENTATION AND RECEPTION

Sunday, May 18 after the 11:00 a.m. Mass We will be presenting the Prince of Peace

LEGACY SOCIETY Lumen Christi Legacy Society plaque to the church. The plaque recognizes those who support our parish through gifts, estate plans and wills. All are welcome and encouraged to join us for the presentation and light refreshments in the parish hall.



The Prince of Peace Donor Tree in the Commons of the church is a permanent means for our community to offer remembrances and to mark milestones such as *Baptisms*, *First Communions*,

Confirmations, and Anniversaries; etching in time significant events in our Parish Family. *Single Leaf with 4 Lines of Text is* \$300.00. This ongoing project raises capital for future Parish needs. The tree was installed May 20, 2018 to coordinate with the birth of the Church on Pentecost Sunday. Like our Parish, we'd love to see our tree grow in commemoration of our 50th Anniversary. Order forms are available at the Welcome Desk.



2025 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: SHARING HIS LOVE WITH OTHERS A Message from Fr John Bosco Walugembe

I want to provide a brief update on our 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal effort at Prince of Peace. I am pleased to tell you that we are 210% of 2025 Parish Target towards our parish goal of \$41,570.00 with \$87,487.00.

It is my hope that every household in our parish contributes to this year's effort. If you have not yet made a commitment, I hope you will join me in helping to not only meet but exceed this year's goal! Please visit richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal to make a secure online donation or visit our Parish Office for a hard copy pledge card. Every gift, no matter the amount, makes a difference. Thank you very much for your prayerful consideration of support. God bless.

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 8, 2025

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: 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.

OCIA: Thinking of joining the Catholic Church??? 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.

P.O.P FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION DATES

Saturday and Sunday, June 7 and 8

Please continue saving paper and plastic bags for the Food Pantry.

FOOD PANTRY HOURS

Monday, 9:00-10:30 a.m. Wednesday, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Please drop off your food donations in the Commons area during church office hours. Do not leave food outside of the Food Pantry doors. Thank you.

ITEMS IN NEED OF:

- Spaghetti Sauce
- Canned Tuna
- Ramen Noodles
- Pork and Beans

- Canned Soup
 - Canned Fruit
 - Canned Vegetables
 - Peanut Butter

Want to DONATE FINANCIALLY? Here's how:

- Food Pantry Contribution Box
- Offertory Basket at Mass (Memo line: Food Pantry)

- E-Giving
- Church Office
- Mail via church address

Our group is looking to grow, meet new people, And plan more adventures!

The Church of St. Therese is hosting a Meet and Greet

Wednesday, May 28th 7:00pm, Room 10-11 4137 Portsmouth Blvd. Chesapeake, VA For more information please email: buffalo2va@gmail.com



The Outdoor Activities Group gathers adults and families who enjoy staying active in the beauty of God's creation.

Past activities have included kayaking, walks in the park, and exploring local lakes. The group is open to light to

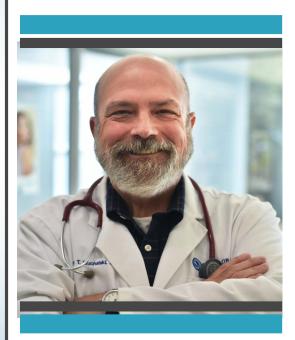
moderate exercise and is family-friendly (parents/guardians must accompany children). Would you enjoy getting outdoors with a fun, faith-filled community?

We cordially invite you to our Eleventh Annual Banquet

to benefit

Hope 4 Life

Saturday, June 7, 2025 St. Matthew Catholic School 3316 Sandra Lane, Virginia Beach, VA 23464 Reception 6:30 p.m. Banquet 7:00 p.m.



We are honored to present keynote speaker Dr. John Bruchalski, M.D. Founder, Tepeyac OB/GYN In Northern Virginia

Hope 4 Life, a mobile medical pregnancy resource center, offers compassionate help, free ultrasounds, pregnancy tests, baby supplies, and resources to women and families in crisis pregnancies. Hope 4 Life, Inc. is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization.

Seating is limited, so please R.S.V.P. early to louantha@gmail.com/757-810-1653

We will honor Our Lady of Guadalupe as Patron Saint for our 2025 annual banquet.

Christian ARXIA Formation 🍒 🛄

Sonlight:

- Wednesday, 5:00-6:30 p.m.
- May 21
- June 18
- July 16



June 30 - July 3, 2025



Order your Prince of Peace 50th Anniversary Commemorative *shirts* after Masses in the Commons





Please contact Ellen Green if you can volunteer after Sunday Masses. egreen1016@icloud.com

JUBILEE 2025



Pope Francis declared this year to be the Jubilee of Hope. The Jubilee calls for us to set out on a journey and to cross boundaries. When we travel, we do not only change place physically, but we also change ourselves. Bishop Knestout designated four locations in the Diocese of Richmond as pilgrimage sites. For the Jubilee of Hope,

participation in a pilgrimage to one of the local sites enables one to obtain the Jubilee Indulgence.

Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Richmond

Basilica of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Norfolk Basilica of Saint Andrew, Roanoke

National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, Williamsburg To learn more, go to www.richmonddiocese.org or www.

catholicvirginian.org.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Attention Parishioners, the Music Ministry is preparing for our upcoming Jubilee Mass in June We are looking for

MINISTRY Jubilee Mass in June. We are looking for singers and musicians to join us for this special occasion. Whether you have participated with us in the past or are new to our music program, all are welcome. We will have rehearsals Wednesday, May 21, 28 starting at 6:30 p.m. in Room #9, and a special dress rehearsal Saturday, May 31 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Contact our music director Joe Guardino at Joseph.Guardino@popparish. org or 757-410-2370 for more information.

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.

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Sign up for Flocknote and receive Parish communications, ministry updates and information about Parish happenings. Simply text "POP" to **84576** and follow the prompts. Please call the Parish Office if you need assistance.



LUMEN CHRISTI LEGACY SOCIETY

On May 29, we commemorate and celebrate The Ascension of Jesus Christ, which reveals the sovereignty and supreme power of God over death and sin. Jesus departed from Earth into the presence of God in Heaven. On May 31, we commemorate Mary's visit to her cousin, Elizabeth, while she was pregnant with Jesus. During this visit, Elizabeth shares that she is also pregnant with a child, the future John the Baptist. After receiving Mary's news, Elizabeth exclaims, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed be the fruit of your womb!" Through Elizabeth's exclamation, we are all invited to appreciate the Virgin's presence as a gift to every believer. St. John Paul II explained that with, "Mary's visit to Elizabeth, she becomes the model for those in the Church who set out to bring Christ's light and joy to the people of every time and place." The liturgical events of this month remind us of the essential act of Catholic stewardship. Consider giving a legacy gift of any amount to ensure your values and faith of the Church remain in perpetuity. Visit FreeWill.com/ RichmondCatholicFoundation to start your estate planning today. It is free, legal and user-friendly. Contact Nick Vacca, Legacy Fund Coordinator, for additional information. He can be reached at nbv8080@outlook.com or at the Parish Office at 757-547-0356.

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



FOOD PANTRY HOURS:

Mondays, 9:00-10:00 a.m. –

Volunteers available to help with donations.

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m. -

Pick-up and drop-off groceries at the Food Pantry in the back of the church.

If you would rather have the Pantry do the shopping, please consider a financial contribution. If you need assistance, contact 757-410-7957.

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 atroz3@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.

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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.



QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTIONS

When you make a gift of a distribution from your IRA to your parish, it allows you to demonstrate a legacy of love for Christ and His Church. If you're over 70½, making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to our parish from your IRA can also save on taxes. To make a

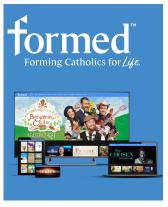
Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA, contact parish staff with questions.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 8240:

Congratulations to parishioner, Gerald E. Hart, finalist in the Virginia State Knight of the Year Contest, for his outstanding service to the Knights and the Catholic Church.

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 Michael Mastro at 908-399-3982.



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.
- Enter: "Prince of Peace, 621 Cedar Road, Chesapeake, VA."
 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.



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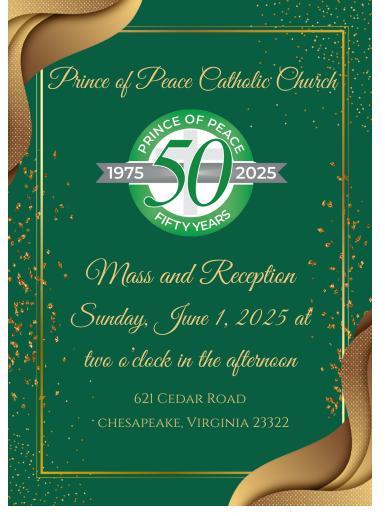
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