

Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Bonnie Toth at: bonnie3871@gmail.com.

Jodi Aerts
Dylan Anderson
Danny Bell
Robert Berry
Sandra Burke
Julie Byron
Toni Capute
Riordan Cavoris
Justin Curtis
Mark Davis
Carol Donato
Islea Duncan
Alan Ekberg
John Evans
Earl Fishback
Fr. Jim Gallagher
Elizabeth Gillam

Lynn Goss
Kathleen Hamilton
Jeanne Harper
Jeannine Iannaco
Meja Irvin
Leslie Jarrett
Margaret MacDiarmid
Carolyn Martin
Jamie Martin
Greg Moore
Kathleen Moore
Beverly Moyer
Chris Moyer
Ray Moyer
Don Notestein
Patsy Notestein
Angel Ortiz

George Perry
Gary Peters
Laurie Peters
Frank Powell
Nelson Sanchez
Princess Sanchez
John Seaquist
Ray Servis
Jane Sliwinski
Margaret Smith
Fred Toth
Amy Tracy
Charles Watson
Laura Williams
Michael Williams
Travis Williams
Betty Jo Wolfrum

Cemetery Committee

Plots are available in the cemetery. Burial plots are \$500 and crematory urn plots are \$350. These prices include perpetual care. The current committee members are: Steve Bradish, Mary Fishback, Dori Garcia, Joe Gardner, Chuck Hirtz, Donald Notestein and Bonnie Toth.

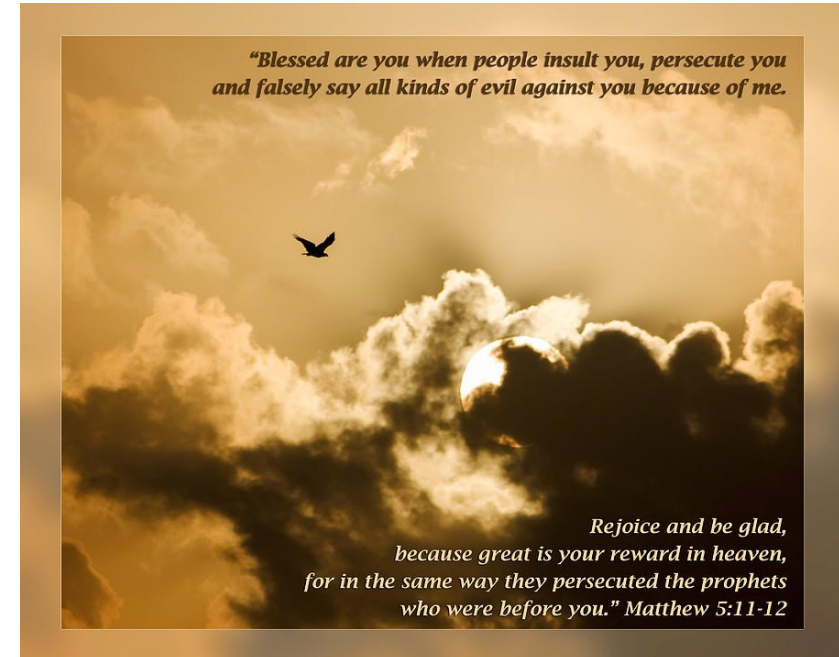


Phone Tree

We have a phone tree that can be used not only for prayer requests but for any notices the church should or would like to know about i.e. funerals, closings, great happenings and other important news.

There are 6 people that do the calling: Sheila Seaquist: 434-352-8756; Carol Donato: 434-352-8275; Linda Gardner: 434-906-8409; Joyce Hing: 434-665-9844; Carolyn Conner: 804-502-1350 and Bernadette Servis: 434-352-8803. Notify any one of these people and they will get the phone tree started so everyone can stay informed.

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



January 29, 2023

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church

2938 Oakleigh Ave. P.O. Box 668
Appomattox VA 24522-0668

Pastor: Father James Gallagher 434-352-0104

For emergencies: Fr. Jim cell number: 434-238-7030

or Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church 434-846-5245

www.olpcatholicchurch.org

**Holy Eucharist: Sunday 8:30 AM and Tuesday 10:00 AM
Tuesday 7:00 PM Thursday 12:15 PM**

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Scripture Readings:

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13
 Psalm 146
 1 Cor 1:26-31
 Matthew 5:1-12

Reconciliation

Fr. Jim offers the Sacrament of reconciliation before Mass or by appointment.

Financial Report

(Those in attendance: 63)

Last week's general collection: \$778.00; 2nd Collection for Buildings & Grounds: \$573.00

Y/T/D report (includes E-giving amounts.)

July 1 - December 31, 2022

Income: \$43,138
 Expenses: \$43,275
 Balance: \$ -137

Theological Moment with Fr. Jim

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

“God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise. God chose the weak to shame the strong.”

While visiting Haiti in 1998, I was touched deeply by the witness of faith lived out by some of the people who lived in the poorest nation in the Western Hemisphere. The people of Circa-la-Source (which means “around the well”) lived on the plateau, a three hours drive from Port-a-Prince. They are in mass for at least two hours and it is anything but boring. There is lots of dancing at offertory and lots of singing. Also, as poor as they are, their Justice & Peace Ministry might meet after mass. It is hard to believe that there where those worse off than those attending mass.

Father Jacques, the pastor of St. Francis of Assisi at Circa-la-Source, also serves three missions. The youth group, which is also the choir, goes out to the missions with the priest. The roads to the missions are too rugged to take even a four wheel jeep. The youth choir walked. The teenage girls carried their dresses on the way to the mission church. They were in street clothes, but when they arrived at the mission, they washed in the stream and put on their church clothes. This was all done with joy and enthusiasm. Fr. Jacques and I were lucky. We rode horses along the way. The youth group sang their hearts out at mass. They are very poor but rich in faith. Faith was all they had, but faith was celebrated!

Later on, one of my parishioners from Sacred heart in Peter-surg asked Fr. Jacques what he does if he has a death in one of the missions and has a funeral. He told us that he has lay people who are trained and accepted to do the funerals. Such as poor Catholic Church, but way ahead of us in terms of lay ministry. A few months earlier, the Vatican issued an edict limiting what lay people can do liturgically. But, in the words of Brother Cos Runbincamp who worked for the Richmond Diocese: “This has no impact with the Catholics of Haiti.”

The people of Haiti and especially Circa-la-Source knew better. Once again: “God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise. God chose the weak to shame the strong.”

Parish News & Announcements

Looking Ahead to Lent

Shrove Tuesday (February 21st)



Please join us at 6:00 PM for this traditional Feast Day - the day before Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Please bring a covered dish for all to share.

At 7:00 PM, Fr. Jim will offer a special service in the worship space and then we all proceed outside for the burning of the palms for Ash Wednesday. This is the final time we sing or say “Alleluia” until the Great Vigil of Easter!

Ash Wednesday (February 22nd) Service times:

Mass with ashes at 12:30 PM
 Ashes at 4:00 PM
 Mass with ashes at 7:00 PM

Lectors and Eucharistic ministers: please see Bob Burke if you can serve at either of the two masses.

Wall of Honor Photos

Sheila Seaquist has updated our “Wall of Honor” and would like to include photos of your family members who are currently serving in the military, are a member of a police force or fire department and/or a first responder, EMT etc. so we can honor and pray for their continued safety. Sheila’s email is seaquistx2@gmail.com.

Unclaimed Christmas Cards

There are a few unclaimed Christmas cards on the table in the commons. Please take a moment to see if any are for you. The basket will be removed this weekend and all unclaimed cards will be recycled.

Birthdays

Jan 3: Chuck Hirtz
 Jan 5: Beverly Moyer
 Jan 6 Ray Servis
 Jan 15: Marge MacDiarmid
 Jan 17: Linda Gardner
 Jan 20: Alice Doeppe
 Jan 21: Alexander Gregory
 Jan 22: Chris Moyer
 Jan 29: Keith Hamilton, Jr.
 Jan 31: Kay Johannes

Feb 02: Bob Burke

Anniversaries

Jan 4: Charlie & Mary Graf
 Jan 20: Todd & Betty Craft

