

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
Robert Berry
Patricia Bonnewitz
Millie Budney
Michael Burke
Sandra Burke
Julie Byron
Toni Capute
Deacon John Carey
Riordan Cavoris
Jim Croushorn
Justin Curtis
Tony Donehoo
Carol Donato
Islea Duncan
Alan Ekberg
John Evans
Jack Fisher
Linda Gardner
Elizabeth Gillam
Lorraine Brennen Gilliam

Lynn Goss
Kathleen Hamilton
Jeanne Harper
Jeannine Iannaco
Pablo Ignacio
Patrick Ignacio
Meja Irvin
Leslie Jarrett
Paul Lent
Carolyn Martin
Jamie Martin
Greg Moore
Kathleen Moore
Beverly Moyer
Chris Moyer
Ray Moyer
Don Notestein
Patsy Notestein
Angel Ortiz
George Perry
Wendy Pessaro
Gary Peters

Laurie Peters
Frank Powell
Nelson Sanchez
Princess Sanchez
John Seaquist
Ray Servis
Jane Sliwinski
Joseph Souza
Margaret Smith
Chere Tew
Jim Tew
Fred Toth
Amy Tracy
Charles Watson
Danielle Weedon
Laura Williams
Louise Williams
Michael Williams
Travis Williams
Betty Jo Wolfram

June Birthdays

Stephanie Hamilton (June 2)
Travis Williams (June 2)
Kathern Hampton (June 6)
Phil Hampton (June 16)
John Evans (June 19)
Joyce Hing (June 19)
Beau Ellrich (June 21)
Patsy Notestein (June 30)

June Anniversaries

Don & Patsy Notestein (June 12)
Bob & Sandra Burke (June 13)
Chuck & Pat Hirtz (June 13)
Les & Maria Leslie (June 24)
Keith & Kathleen Hamilton (June 28)
Chene & Emily Heady (June 30)

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



May 26, 2024
The Most Holy Trinity

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

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A PASTORAL MOMENT WITH FR. JIM

Fr. John Grace, a friend of mine who was very prophetic in the works of Justice and Peace, taught me two axioms: "We never exist for ourselves." and "The whole thrust of love is outward."

It begins with the Trinity - Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The perfect community, family and intimacy of love. I call it "the Abbondanza" of God - love in over abundance. As the three persons love one another, love cannot be contained. It gives itself away. As they care for one another, the Abbondanza spills out and we have Creation. God gives Godself continuously so we have the creation of humankind. Each individual looks for that special person to give their life to for their lifelong commitment. Humankind, made in God's likeness and image in its better moments, gives itself to one another and children come about. In a faith community that cares for one another, there is protection for the seamless garment of life (protecting the unborn, responsible gun ownership and working for peace.)

In another moment, there is Abbondanza as our people are set free from slavery in Exodus. Of course, God is just beginning as later we celebrate in Incarnation when we realize that the Lord is one with us through Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus, the source of Abbondanza gives his life for us. Jesus, the source of Abbondanza, gives his life for us. Later Abbondanza - the tomb is empty. Shortly or immediately (depending on what Gospel you read) we are aware of the Holy Spirit invigorating and guiding us. We, the church, cannot be contained as we go forth to speak the language of love. Just as the Lord, God shows Abbondanza in our history as a people, we experience it individually. I already mentioned marriage. But, Abbondanza is the adoption of our child who came through or one we birth. So, we mark that graced moment with baptism. That child who we adopted or birthed is able to later feed himself or herself. So, once again, Abbondanza, this graced moment, is marked by First Communion. He or she has their own group of friends, their own music and in a sense, their own culture. They are driving. They are learning to infuse the values of Christ into this new life. So, we celebrate that graced moment with Confirmation.

So, you have done something terrible wrong and you feel terrible about it. But you reach out to those you have offended and they embrace you. You are so relieved and happy. This is Reconciliation and the world is again beautiful. This is an Abbondanza moment again.

As you struggle with illness, this is a relief that you do not struggle alone. The people of Go anoint you and lay loving hands upon your head. Anointing of the sick is the Wounded Healer - Jesus, who comes to walk beside you with your friends.

So all of this - baptizing, communion, marriage, reconciliation, confirmation, anointing of the sick, holy orders - is a result of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit overflowing into our existence with their love.

We say there are seven sacraments. But the Trinity is always "Abbondizing." Could there be an eighth or ninth sacrament?

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Please keep Fr. Jim and his family in prayer as they mourn the loss of Fr. Jim's sister, Mary Catherine Gallagher. The funeral for Mary Catherine will be held on June 30th in Rhode Island. Fr. Jim will leave June 28 and return to Virginia on Saturday, July 6. Condolences can be mailed to Fr. Jim's dad: Mr. Jim Gallagher, Brookdale West Bay, 2783 West Shore Road, Room E20, Warwick RI 02889.

American Legion Post 104 Memorial Day Ceremony, Monday, May 27, 11 am. The American Legion is located at 765 Oakleigh Avenue, Appomattox VA. All are welcome to attend.

Parish Social Tea Saturday, June 1 (1-3 pm): The Social Committee will host a "Tea" in Corter Hall. We are extending an invitation to the ladies at St. Victoria, St. Annes; and Holy Cross Churches. Please RSVP Diane (434-221-9747 or Jodi (252-287-2971) We hope you will come and enjoy the teas, light refreshments and meet new and old friends from our sister churches. (If you can contribute sweet treats or finger sandwiches, please reach let Diane or Jodi know.)



Congratulations to Steve & Diane Bradish as Fr. Jim blesses their marriage with the Sacrament of Marriage today. We thank them for sharing this special day with us. Love and blessings to you both!

Vacation Bible School Applications are available in the commons.

June Lay Minister Schedules are available in the commons.

JUNE CALENDAR

1st:	OLP Tea
5th:	Knights of Columbus Meeting
9th:	Breakfast Sunday
11th:	Parish Pastoral Council Executive Meeting
13th:	Hillcats Game
15th:	Mac's Kitchen
25-28:	Vacation Bible School