

September Birthdays

September Anniversaries

01 Stuart Desso
02 Todd Craft
03 Eileen Brennen
03 Joseph White
06 Wrenlee Simonton
12 Louise Williams
18 Arnie Johannes
22 Sherry Hager
25 Fred Toth
26 Alan Budney
27 Beau Ellrich, Jr.
29 Don Notestein
30 Ben Goss
30 Chene Heady
30 Ed Shallock
30: Lisa Wilkerson

09 Khalid Fadhel & Zina Talya
10 Alan & Millie Budney
28 Luke & Kathy Ford
30 Nat & Dory Garcia

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.

Dylan Anderson	John Evans	Kimberly Martin	Ray Servis
Sid Barr	Linda Gardner	Willard Mock	Jane Sliwinski
Robert Berry	Elizabeth Gillam	Greg Moore	Margaret Smith
Patricia Bonnewitz	Lynn Goss	Beverly Moyer	Chere Tew
Gloria Bowden	Mary Graf	Chris Moyer	Jim Tew
Kellsei Boyce	Kathleen Hamilton	Ray Moyer	Fred Toth
Millie Budney	Jeanne Harper	Don Notestein	Amy Tracy
Sandra Burke	James Heady	Patsy Notestein	Emilia Walker
Julie Byron	Pablo Ignacio	Angel Ortiz	Charles Watson
Deacon John Carey	Patrick Ignacio	George Perry	Danielle Weedon
Riordan Cavoris	Meja Irvin	Gary Peters	Laura Williams
Suzi Crawford	Leslie Jarrett	Laurie Peters	Louise Williams
Justin Curtis	Maggie Kreiser	Frank Powell	Michael Williams
Alessia Destefano	Fran Lecco	Nelson Sanchez	Travis Williams
Carol Donato	Paul Lent	Princess Sanchez	Betty Jo Wolfrum
Islea Duncan	Patel Mahendra	John Seaquist	
Patricia Elder	Carolyn Martin	Bernadette Servis	

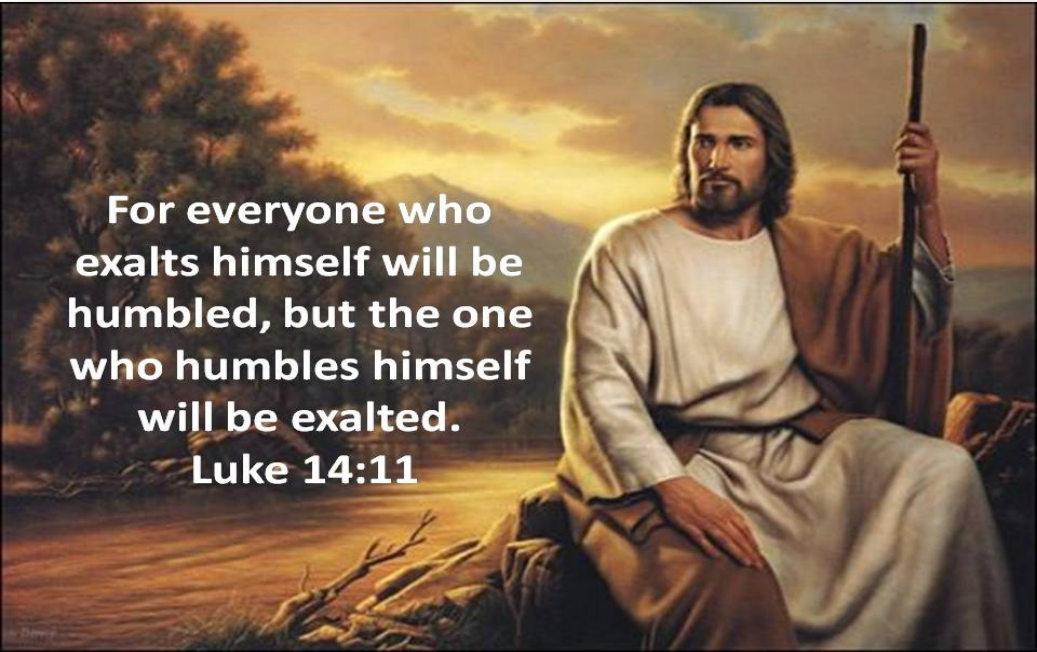
The Financial Corner

Collections August 24: \$1231
Attendees August 24: 65

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Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



August 31, 2025
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church
2938 Oakleigh Avenue (PO Box 668)
Appomattox VA 24522-0668
Pastor: Father James Gallagher 434-352-0104
For emergencies: Fr. Jim's cell number: 434-238-7030
or Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church 434-846-5245
www.olpcatholicchurch.org

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

Bulletin news and requests for mass cards: contact
Bonnie Toth at bonnie3871@gmail.com

A PASTORAL MOMENT WITH FR. JIM

Jesus is speaking in Luke 14:1-14 about serving those who are poor, not with the idea of payback, but with the idea of love. Seeking to care as caring in itself can be the reward. Getting to know those who are disadvantaged can change us and enrich us. As I watch our parishioners serve at Mac's Kitchen at Our Lady of Peace and at St. Phoebe the Deacon Food Pantry at St. Victoria, I experience those who serve as being enriched. They are enriched and their hearts grow as they learn the story of those who arrive each week. Those who serve get to know the story of each one.

"We come to share our story. We come to break the bread. We come to know our rising from the dead." There is my favorite saying in Spanish: "*Yo soy alegre por servirte*" - It is a joy to serve you. The reign of God, the Kingdom is happening before our eyes with all of its blood, sweat and tears.

At Ascension Church in Virginia Beach there were many "aha" experiences while ministering with homeless people. One man wanted to "start his own church." He would gather people into the chapel at Ascension to pray. The group had a talent show in the evening before they went to bed. It was very funny and very creative. Among the parishioners who volunteered, there was a breakfast group in the morning. The parishioners at Ascension would try to outdo one another to see who could cook the best meal. We even gave out the "Golden Spoon Award" for the best meal. Just before going to bed, the people would get together in a circle and sing "We are the World...We are the children."

Each person was responsible for cleaning off their mat in the morning. One man said he could not because in the morning he "has his mind on the Lord." There were disabled veterans in the group. One man mentioned how he got into the cycle of homelessness and could not get out of it. A part of me grew as I heard their sad and traumatic stories. The local Jewish community assisted us as their leader said "We come from a long line of homelessness." While it is a tragedy to know of the homeless situation, the Lord touched our hearts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY'S MASS INTENTIONS:

Walter Perkoski (Joyce Hing's dad)
Terry Brennen

SPECIAL 2ND COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 7

As you may be aware, the civilian population of Gaza is in desperate need of food and medical assistance. Pope Leo and Bishop Barry have requested a special second collection to aid the suffering. The September 7 2nd collection will be sent to the Richmond Diocese who will then forward it to the appropriate charity heading up the humanitarian help.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Wednesday, September 3: Knights of Columbus Meeting (6:30 pm)
Saturday, September 6: OCIA Class (10:30 am - 12 N)
Saturday, September 6: Corter Hall in use for private family function (3 - 6 pm)
Tuesday, September 9: Parish Pastoral Meeting (7:30 pm)
Saturday, September 13: OCIA Class (10:30 am - 12 Noon)
Sunday, September 15: Breakfast Sunday
Saturday, September 20: OCIA Class (10:30 am - 12 Noon)
Saturday, September 20: Mac's Kitchen
Tuesday, September 23: Liturgy Planning (11:00 am)
Saturday, September 27: OCIA (10:30 am - 12 Noon)
Saturday, September 27: Church Picnic/Welcome New Members



Did you know... The first Labor Day was held on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City. The originator of this celebration was the Central Labor Union (CLU). However, following the deaths of workers during the Pullman Railroad Strike of 1894 in Chicago, and in an attempt to repair ties with American workers, the United States Congress unanimously voted to approve legislation to make Labor Day a national holiday, making the official date the first Monday in September. President Grover Cleveland signed it into law six days after the end of the strike.

This year's Labor Day is tomorrow, Monday, September 1st. Prayers for safety for all who will be traveling. Enjoy your cookouts and gathering with family and friends. And contrary to that old belief, it's ok to wear white after Labor Day!