

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

The Financial Corner

Collections September 7: \$1034; Palestinian Relief: \$1182.00
Attendees September 7: 69
Have you considered E-giving? It's safe and convenient. You can sign up on our website: www.olpcatholicchurch.org or scan the QR Code to the right. You may sign up for recurring donations or make a one-time gift.

More ways to help with the Palestinian Relief Effort:
Catholic Relief Services: <https://www.crs.org/donate>
Catholic Near East Welfare Association: <https://cnewa.org/>
United Nations Relief and Work Agency: <https://www.unrwausa.org/>



Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



September 14, 2025
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church
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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

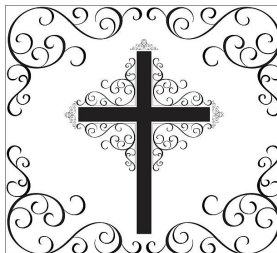
The Jewish people in the Book of Numbers were plagued by poisonous snakes as they journeyed in the desert to the Promised Land.

While they journeyed, they were not unified. One small group would move, but at a distance from another small group. They journeyed apart from one another because they were not getting along. The snakes noticing and sensing small groups were not intimidated by the future Israelites. So they fashioned a symbol and were ordered to march behind the symbol. The symbol was a snake on a pole. By following behind the symbol, they were facing their fears together.

It was a huge group now traveling together. The snakes were intimidated and left the Jewish people alone. Facing their fears together helped the people transcend their differences and disagreements.

This Feast is called the “Exaltation of the Cross.” The Cross is the symbol that unifies. The Franciscan Richard Rohr tells us that Jesus shed his blood so no longer is it necessary to shed human blood. Instead of the our shedding human blood to be in solidarity with God, God sheds blood to be in solidarity with you and me. The Cross tells us that God is in solidarity with all our suffering. So, we fact and walk behind the cross, The cross unites East and West. The Cross unite Heaven and earth. The Cross unites North and South. The Cross united Republicans and Democrats. The Cross unites progressive Catholics and traditional Catholics.

Whoever you are, the death of Christ unites us. Let us accept the gift.



ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY’S MASS INTENTIONS:

Mike Grabowski (Joyce Hing’s 1st husband)

Teddy Nunn (Joyce Hing’s brother)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Have you ever thought about serving on the Parish Pastoral Council? Do you know someone who might be a great council member? We are looking to fill three seats to begin the new term on November 11. General meetings are every other month following Tuesday evening mass. Nomination and Interest Forms are available in the basket in the Commons. If you would like more information about the Parish Pastoral Council, please reach out to any council member. A list of the current council members is posted on the bulletin board in Corter Hall.

DONATIONS FOR PALESTINIANS AFFECTED BY VIOLENCE

Thanks to all for your generous donation last week. You collected \$1182. Some of you asked about other ways to donate. The following organizations have been vetted and guarantee that your donations are used to go for genuine relief and not used for “administrative expenses.” Thanks to Sid Smith for your research!

Catholic Relief Services: <https://www.crs.org/donate>

Catholic Near East Welfare Association: <https://cnewa.org/>

United Nations Relief and Work Agency: <https://www.unrwausa.org/>

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Saturday, September 20: OCIA Class (10:45 am - 12:15 pm) (note time change)

Saturday, September 20: Mac’s Kitchen

Tuesday, September 23: Liturgy Planning (11:00 am)

Saturday, September 27: OCIA (10:45 am - 12:15 pm)

Saturday, September 27: Church Picnic/Welcome New Members (12:30 pm)

PICNIC INFORMATION: Please see the signup sheets on the table in the commons. The Social Committee is providing the hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks, but need to know how many of you plan to attend and what you plan to bring (salads, fruits, sweets, etc.) This is always a fun event. Should you have any questions, please reach out to Diane or Jodi. If they cannot answer your question, “We may not have the answer, but we’ll smile and find the answer toot sweet.”)