#### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

01 Annette McCabe

04 Julia Hounsell 06 Gary Conner

14 John Hampton

21 Ingrid Velasco Ruiz

23 Ray Moyer

27 Steve Bradish

28 Elizabeth Lecco

28 Anna Ellrich

29 Lynn Goss

30 Karam Afram

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

14 Robert & Virginia Jackson 17 Travis & Louise Williams (Sadly, Travis passed away just recently. This would have been their 41st Anniversary.) 31 Phil & Kari Hampton

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.

Dvlan Anderson Sid Barr Robert Berry Patricia Bonnewitz Gloria Bowden Kellsei Boyce Millie Budney Sandra Burke Julie Byron Deacon John Carev Riordan Cavoris Suzi Crawford Justin Curtis Trish Decresce Alessia Destefano Carol Donato Islea Duncan

John Evans Linda Gardner Elizabeth Gillam Lynn Goss Mary Graf Kathleen Hamilton Jeanne Harper James Heady Pablo Ignacio Patrick Ignacio Meja Irvin Leslie Jarrett Maggie Kreiser Fran Lecco Paul Lent Patel Mahenra Carolyn Martin

Kimberly Martin Willard Mock Grea Moore **Beverly Moyer** Chris Mover Ray Moyer Don Notestein Patsy Notestein Angel Ortiz George Perry Gary Peters Laurie Peters Frank Powell Nelson Sanchez Princess Sanchez John Seaguist Bernadette Servis

Ray Servis Jane Sliwinski Don Smith Margaret Smith Maureen Smith Chere Tew Jim Tew Fred Toth **Amy Tracy** Emilia Walker Charles Watson Danielle Weedon Laura Williams Louise Williams Michael Williams Betty Jo Wolfrum

#### The Financial Corner

Collections: October 12: \$1142.00

Attendees: October 12: 94

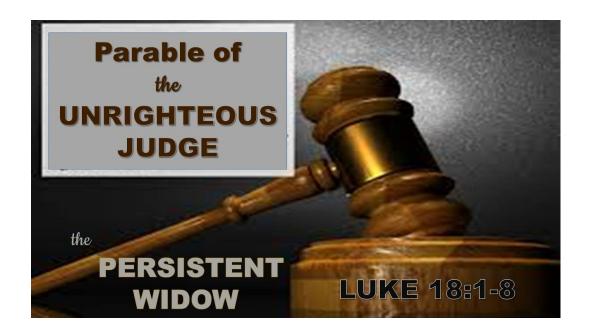
Have you considered E-giving? It's safe and convenient. You can sign up on our website: www.olpcatholicchurch.org or scan the QR Code to the right. You may sign up for recurring donations or make a one-time gift.

#### 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/



## Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



October 19, 2025 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Exodus 17:8-13, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2, Luke 18:1-8

### **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

They are known as the twelve steps for recovery from addiction. The firt step is to admit that we have a problem and we are power-less over our problem of addiction. One of the ways to "get better" and to overcome addiction is to release the shame. Releasing the shame can help us to feel better and to give us confidence to go forward and to enter into the next steps.

In the first step, the person tells their story and tells about mistakes and failures. They are pouring out their lives "like a libation" as Paul would say in 2 Timothy 4:6-8. They are emptying themselves. They are emptying themselves before God - their "higher power" - with the hope that God will fill them. The community will accept them also because all who are gathered are broken.

"Pouring out libation" has its roots in the pagan feasts who would take the last cup of wine and pour it out on the table to the honor of the pagan gods. Here in the twelve step meeting, we pour our lives out in onor of our higher power (for Christians, it is Jesus).

The tax collector in Luke 18:9-14 is doing just that before God. He says "Be merciful to me, a sinner."

Our God will certainly fill him in his "first step" to overcome his addiction. Contrast this scenario with the Pharisee who instead of emptying himself, is FULL of himself. How can God touch him? What a wasted 12 step meeting. Does he think he can fool God? He will not get well until he suffers or "bottoms out."

So, God loves us in our addictions and issues. Can we try to love God back by "pouring out our lives like a libation?"

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

### TODAY'S MASS INTENTION:

Fred & Marge Toth Winnie Clark

### **QUILTER GROUP RAFFLE UPDATE**

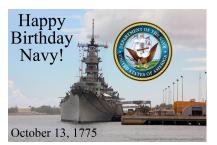
The raffle winners were: Quilt: Mary Graf (a former parishioner and one of our founders); Afghan: Dan & Gayle Grabowski; Angel: Mary Metzinger and the Cross: Lorelei Grobel. Our quilters raised \$2076 toward our Capital Fund. Thank you for all your hard work!!!

### **OCTOBER CALENDAR**

Oct. 21: Liturgy Planning (11:00 am) Oct. 25: OCIA (10:45 am - 12:15 pm) Oct 25: Rummage Swap (12:30 - 2 pm) Oct. 31: Trunk-Or-Treat (6:30 pm)

# ST. VICTORIA CHRISTMAS BAZAAR SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Mark your calendars! St. Victoria's Annual Christmas Bazaar is scheduled for Saturday, November 22 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Everyone who has ever attended will tell you how awesome it is. There are plenty of homemade frozen casseroles, baked goods and those delicious rolls, Brunswick Stew, and handmade crafted items. Raffle tickets will be available before and the day of the Bazaar for FIVE valuable prizes including a queen sized handmade quilt with rack! There will be a Silent Auction featuring a variety of quality items. Sorry, credit cards are not accepted. St. Victoria Catholic Church is located at 305 Victoria Drive, Hurt VA.



# HAPPY 250TH BIRTHDAY UNITED STATES NAVY!

We honor all our US Navy Personnel and Veterans.