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If you are in need of a priest in an emergency, please call this line and leave a message. We cannot guarantee we will see email requests in a timely manner.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Lillian Allen, Clemente Andrews, Anne Awad, Ava Blakeslee-Carter, Sandra Buckles, Tom Cary, Robert Cole, Andrea Coleman-Young, Tucker Conley, Alan DeNardo, Francisco Diaz, Joseph Wayne Diggs, Beverly Draper, Rick DuFour, Shirley Dunn, Nancy Eckler, Paul Evans, Valerie Evans, Wayne Ewing, Joan Faison, Stanhope Flournoy, Anita French, Judy French, Suzanne French, Renee Galletti, Georgina Gerhardt, Nancy Goodman, David Gragnani, Debbie Gray, Leonora Gray, Leslie Gray, James Green, Sandy Haddix, Bret Hall, Michael Harley, Melissa Harrington, Marvin Hoke, Peggy Holt, Barbie Jones, Brittney Jones, Chris Jones, Joe Koch, Jeff Korschack, Mare Marshall, Mary Miskimon, Theresa Mosely, Ralph Hyatt, Millie Kennedy, Alison Knickelbine, Sherrie Markow, Trish Markow, Marie Martinelli, Rita Mayer, Stokes McCune, Eileen McLaughlin, A.R.Murray, Gloria Nadder, Dr Paul Ohai, Helen Oliver, Jesse Oliver, Richard Painter, Mildred Parham, Clara Pate, Pat Penhallow, Harvey Purcell Jr, Camilla Raimo, Helen Rice, Sterling Robinson, Warren Ross, Boscoe Sanctafamilia, Mary Margaret Shannon, Jean Small, John & Peggy Smith, Thomas Smith III, Rachel Snyder, Geraldine Thornton, Angelina Toots, William Toots, Monique Tucker, Kathy VanPelt, Ed Walker, Mimi Ward, Roger Wayte, Richard Williams, Bob & Maggie Wilkins, Sylvia Winston, Jim & Kathleen Wood, Eileen Zorzi.

Please email or call the office to add to the prayer list, please let us know how to pray for your loved ones in an intentional way.

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THE PRO-CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PETER

Join us every Sunday after the 8:30 AM Mass for fellowship in the hall.

SAINT PATRICK

Join us every Sunday after the 10:45 AM for fellowship in the hall.

SAINT JOHN

Join us on the 4th Sunday of the month for brunch in the hall from 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Proceeds from your purchase of a meal support parish ministries.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Pastoral Council: Many thanks to those who have responded so far to assist with a revised Pastoral Council for each of our parishes. **Instead of one council**, my hope is to create **3 parish councils**, one for each parish, given the unique features of each parish. **Please prayerfully consider joining me in reflecting on parish life and finding new means to grow our communities and reflect on ways we can deepen our faith as disciples.** My hope is to find mutually agreeable times from the various members of each pastoral council for each parish to meet (whether the time of day is during the work day or during the evening, is more appropriate, will depend on those who want to join me on the various councils. **Thank you for your dedication to our parishes.** We will schedule meetings, after I receive results from present interest and the coordination of meeting times. Thank you for your patience. Fr. Capuano

COMMUNITY NEWS

Women's Retreat: I recently advertised a women's retreat for October for the benefit of the parishes. Due to my scheduling conflicts, as well as community needs with the *Missioners of Christ*, I am postponing the retreat until a later date, possibly Lent. Thank you for your understanding, and flexibility as we take strides in the community to offer various opportunities for formation throughout our parishes. Fr. Capuano

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Saturday, September 7, Vigil for the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

12:00 PM **Quinceanera**, Salón San Juan
 4:30 PM **Wedding**, St. Peter
 4:30 PM **Confession**, St. Patrick, *Fr. Kubneman*
 4:30 PM **Confession**, St. John
 5:30 PM **Mass**, +James & +Julia Fisher, St. Patrick, *Fr. Kubneman*
 5:30 PM **Mass**, +Doug & +Edna Stanley, St. John
 7:00 PM **Asamblea Renovación Carismática**, San Juan
 7:15 PM **Hora Santa Adoracion y Bendición**, San Juan

Sunday, September 8, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM **Mass**, +Margie &+ Fred Hearl, St. Peter
 9:30 AM **Fellowship**, St. Peter
 9:00 AM **Mass**, +Andrea & +Carmela Jo Young, St. John
 9:00 AM **OCIA**, Basement of St. Patrick Rectory
 9:30 AM **Religious Education**, St. Patrick Hall
 10:15 AM **OCIA**, St. John Conference Room
 10:30 AM **Religious Education**, St. John R.E. Building
 10:45 AM **Mass**, +Frank & +Edith Boehling, St. Patrick, *Fr. Boehling*
 10:45 AM **Mass**, +Bernard Chudoba, St. Peter
 11:45 AM **Fellowship**, St. Patrick Hall
 12:30 PM **Misa**, Omar Ernesto Mancia Jimenez, San Juan

Monday, September 9, St. Peter Claver, Feria

11:15 AM **Confession**, St. Peter
 12:05 PM **Mass**, +Lou Terway, St. Peter
 2:00 PM **DCM Safety & Security Task Force**, St. Peter

Tuesday, September 10, Feria

11:15 AM **Confession**, St. Peter
 12:05 PM **Mass**, +Gordon Tucker, St. Peter

Wednesday, September 11, Feria

11:15 AM **Confession**, St. Peter
 12:05 PM **Mass**, Lisa Hearl, St. Peter
 12:30 PM **St. Thomas More Society**, St. Peter
 6:00 PM **St. Patrick Finance Council Meeting**, St. Patrick Hall

Thursday, September 12, The Most Holy Name of Mary, Optional Memorial

8:30 AM **Mass**, +Frank Hazelton, St. John
 11:15 AM **Confession**, St. Peter
 12:05 PM **Mass**, +Barbara Simons, St. Peter

Friday, September 13, St. John Chrysostom, Memorial

11:15 AM **Confession**, St. Peter
 12:05 PM **Mass**, Holy Souls in Purgatory, St. Peter

Saturday, September 14, Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Fr. Capuano will be at Our Lady of Lourdes for a weekend anniversary celebration for the parish at the invitation of Fr. Jonathan Goertz.

2:00 PM **Bautismo**, San Juan
 4:30 PM **Confession**, St. Patrick
 4:30 PM **Confession**, St. John, *Fr. Armando Herrera*
 5:30 PM **Mass**, St. Patrick
 5:30 PM **Mass**, +John Kolakoski, St. John, *Fr. Armando Herrera*
 7:00 PM **Asamblea - Renovación Carismática**, San Juan

THE PRO-CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PETER

Weekend Collection

September 1, 2024

Weekly	Year-to-date
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Actual \$3,821.82	Actual \$35,897.18
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Budget \$3,058.00	Budget \$30,285.00
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\$763.82	\$5,612.18
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Weekend Mass Attendance

8:30 AM	10:45 AM
73	62

SAINT PATRICK

Weekend Collection

September 1, 2024

Weekly	Year-to-date
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Actual \$3,336.14	Actual \$30,273.01
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Budget \$4,097.55	Budget \$37,161.00
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(\$761.41)	(\$6,887.99)
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Weekend Mass Attendance

5:30 PM	10:45 AM
33	115

SAINT JOHN/ SAN JUAN

Weekend Collection

September 1, 2024

Weekly	Year-to-date
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Actual \$6,628.44	Actual \$49,281.05
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Budget \$4,947.00	Budget \$46,242.00
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\$1,681.44	\$3,039.05
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Weekend Mass Attendance

5:30 PM	9:00 AM	12:30 PM
73	117	280

All totals include weekly collection and E-Giving

COMMUNITY NEWS

We updated the online giving pages of all three parishes, to provide an option for you to pay a convenience fee for online transactions from your personal accounts, to assist in lowering the fees the parish pays to provide online contributions for the faithful. This fee is not automatic if you are presently making recurring contributions. To pay the convenience fee you would need to log in to your account and update your contribution. Thank you so much for your consistent generosity to the parishes and for enabling us to be on a stable footing financially.

If you are not presently contributing online to the parishes, please prayerfully considering making an intentional financial sacrifice to help us grow our parishes.

See the website for each parish and navigate to the "Support" tab on the top menu bar, then click: "E-Giving". Fr. Capuano

PASTOR'S WEEKLY REFLECTION

My brothers and sisters, show no partiality...

A philosopher once suggested, *wrongly*, that at the the root of human life is a “will to power.” It ultimately suggests that base human nature is always trying to play “King of the Hill,” that we are always scrapping with one another to be at the top, to be seen, to be known, that we have to exert strength.

In contrast to this is the Christian vision. God chose us, who are *poor*, to be rich *in faith* and the inheritors of His Kingdom, which is *union with Him*. Instead of striving, you and I should have as our first task each day, the drive to share the good news with at least one soul, asking mightly for the gift of faith, instead of trying to dominate the little worlds that we occupy.

Please be assured of my prayers this week. Fr. Capuano

FORMATION IN THE COMMUNITY

All three parishes are open to assisting youth and adults in developing their faith life, from offering baptism to completing sacraments of initiation (ex: Confirmation). Due to the movement of the Holy Spirit, we have formation opportunities at each of the parishes this fall. **What do you need, please let us know. - Fr. Capuano**

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SAINT PATRICK

Phone System: We’re in the process of updating the phone system, which will enable us to begin the process of setting up a volunteer office at the parish. We have acquired a new phone number, contributed through the generosity of the Irish Festival Committee, please be patient as we work out the digital system that will allow us to route calls to the appropriate location at various times of the day. - Fr. Capuano

Parish Office: As we anticipate opening a parish office to meet possible needs of the parish, we’re considering staffing the office Monday-Friday from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM, allowing the church to be open for visitors and prayer. Please see Fr. Capuano for more information.

Gift Bearer Assistance: Have you thought about carrying the Bread and Wine to the altar during the Offertory? Just tell the Sacristan before Sunday Mass or sign-up on the clipboard (w/yellow cover sheet) on the credenza at the entrance to the Church.

Sacristans, update: Thank you to those who have offered to begin assisting as sacristans, we are still in need of additional volunteers, as strive to grow the parish. In order to do this, your assistance is necessary. Please prayerfully consider if you could assist with Masses in the parish on weekend. Please see Fr. Capuano if you would like to assist.

Plant issue: We recently discovered someone stole one of our exterior cameras and ran off with one of our copper gutters... A police report has been filed and we’re looking to repair the damage in the next few weeks.

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Entrance	Amazing Grace	#583
Psalm	Praise the Lord my soul, Praise the Lord	#932
Offertory	Your Hands O Lord in Days of Old	#750
Communion	Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God	#580
Recessional	Christ’s Church Shall Glory in His Power	#616

Social Ministry This week, we fed over 336 guests a hot meal, 28 guests utilized the showers, 28 guests utilized the clothing closet, 21 bags of groceries plus 28 snack bags were given out to those in need. Saint Peter continues assisting the Department of Social Services, helping those financially, spiritually, and physically.

Wish List: Spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, canned meats, soups, cereals(hot & cold). Men’s athletic casual shoes-all sizes

Social Ministry: I’m grateful for hard work of parishioners and non-parishioners who have found a home in our social ministry efforts at St. Peter. We’re continuing efforts to maintain *and expand* our offerings, while striving to also protect our property and ensure that it is safe and welcoming for those coming to worship and receive social aid. I’m grateful also for the collaboration that is developing with local faith leaders and our developing relationship with the dedicated officers of the 1st Precinct of the City Police. - Fr. Capuano

Formation: We’re starting up a formation session to assist the non-baptized, Catholics who need to receive sacraments, and those Catholics who need a refresher. Presently, we are working on developing the schedule. The sessions will be held on periodic Sundays after the 8:30 AM Mass. **The first meeting will be Sunday, October 6th in the parlor (to the left of the front doors of the Church).** For more information, [please contact Fr. Capuano.](#)

Restoration and renewal in the Church: As you know, we recently restored three statues and pedestals that were in storage. The Sacred Heart statue had lost its feet and pedestal and one of the hands (according the restorers, the statue dates to before or around 1900). The other two statues are unique in their own right and date to the early 1900s, both saints depicted are patrons of the missions, St. Francis Xavier, from the Society of Jesus and St. Thérèse de Lisieux, from the discalced Carmelites, her statue is of Spanish origin.

Currently the company has taken the Mary and Joseph statues for restoration. We welcome contributions that will help preserve these works of art for a new generation. Please contact the office if you would like to make a memorial to continue to preserve elements of this unique Church in the City.

Additionally, we’re continuing to address the need of restoring and repairing various marble features in the Church, I hope to meet with a local contractor in the coming weeks. We welcome designated donations for this project as well.

Lastly, we do have some plaster issues and hope to be able to address possible leaks in the roof in the near future.



Servant of God Francis J. Parater
October 10, 1897 - February 7, 1920

frankparater.org

I have nothing to leave or give but my life and this I have consecrated to the Sacred Heart to be used as He wills... This is what I live for and in case of death, what I die for...

**Servant of God, Frank Parater,
pray for us!**

Please ask for his intercession and send favors granted to: chancellor@richmonddiocese.org.

If you would like to help financially support the creation of a statue of Frank to help support devotion, please email the Chancellor's office.

INTERESTED IN ASSISTING?/

¿INTERESADO EN AYUDAR?

outreachstpeter@richmondcluster.org

**Outreach Schedule at
The Pro-Cathedral of Saint Peter**

Tuesday Lunch – 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Tuesday Clothes Closet – 12:30 – 3:00 PM
Tuesday Pantry Bags – 12:00 PM
Tuesday Shower – 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Wednesday Dinner – 4:30 – 5:30 PM

What else can we be doing to reach out?

Advertising in the Bulletin

\$1000 per year or \$100 a month OR \$500 per year or \$50 per month, depending on the size of the advertisement.

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Hermanos y hermanas míos, no seáis parciales...

Un filósofo sugirió una vez, erróneamente, que en la raíz de la vida humana hay una "voluntad de poder". En última instancia, sugiere que la naturaleza humana básica siempre está tratando de jugar al "Rey de la colina", que siempre estamos peleando entre nosotros para estar en la cima, ser vistos, ser conocidos, que tenemos que ejercer fuerza.

En contraste con esto está la visión cristiana. Dios nos escogió a nosotros, que somos pobres, para ser ricos en fe y herederos de su Reino, que es unión con Él. En lugar de esforzarnos, tú y yo deberíamos tener como primera tarea de cada día el impulso de compartir la buena nueva con al menos un alma, pidiendo poderosamente el don de la fe, en lugar de intentar dominar los pequeños mundos que ocupamos.

Tengan la seguridad de mis oraciones esta semana.

P. Capuano

OICA - ORDEN DE INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA PARA ADULTOS

¿Tienes curiosidad sobre el catolicismo o estás pensando en unirte a la Iglesia? OICA (Orden de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos) ofrece un camino acogedor para explorar y abrazar la fe. Si tienes preguntas o quieres compartir este viaje con un ser querido, estamos aquí para apoyarte. ¿Estás listo para comenzar? ¡Contáctanos al 804-737-8028 o envía un correo a officestjohn@richmondcluster.org!

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¡Regístrate hoy para el nuevo año escolar! Recoja los formularios después de la Misa o visita nuestra página web. ¿Tiene preguntas? Contáctenos al 804-737-8028 o envíenos un correo electrónico a pmatheny@richmondcluster.org. Únase a nosotros para fomentar una base sólida de fe para su familia. ¡Tu viaje comienza aquí!

Consejo pastoral: Como ya sabrán, estoy cambiando el enfoque del consejo pastoral. En lugar de un consejo para las tres parroquias, espero establecer tres consejos pastorales para nuestras parroquias. Por favor, consideren unirse al consejo pastoral de San Juan. Comuníquense conmigo personalmente si desean unirse al consejo para reflexionar juntos sobre cómo podemos seguir haciendo crecer la parroquia y satisfacer las necesidades de la comunidad para mejorar lo que ofrecemos a los fieles. Gracias por su dedicación a nuestra parroquia. Padre Capuano

Eastern Henrico FISH, Inc. depends on the help of local churches and charitable organizations. It provides clothes, food, and financial assistance for people with short term emergencies. **September: shampoo & conditioner.**

Interior Church Renewal: We're working with architects to continue the renewal of the interior of the Church. As mentioned last fall, and as mentioned in recent comments in the bulletin and announcements, we're planning on moving the sacristy and continuing updating of the sanctuary, flooring, fixing the baptismal font, constructing confessionals and updating the choir area. More information for *discussion* in the coming weeks, once the design concepts are complete. **I would like this to be an open conversation for the parish, so please don't hesitate to share ideas and concerns.** Thank you for your continued commitment to the parish - Fr. Capuano

The Council of Women's membership drive runs from September 1 to November 6. Don't forget to sign up. Anyone new who is interested in seeing what we are about, our meeting is Wednesday, September 4, at 11am, in the Religious Ed building. Come join us. Thank you, Mary Miskimon

FORMED

Contenido católico para tu familia, unirte gratis. Apoye a su familia; profundiza tu fe. Cómo registrarse:

1. Haga clic [aquí](#) o escriba lo siguiente en un navegador web: <https://formed.org/signup>.
2. Busque "Pro Cathedral of Saint Peter".
3. Regístrese utilizando su nombre y dirección de correo electrónico.
4. Revise su correo electrónico para obtener un enlace de confirmación.

FORMED

Catholic content for your family, free to join. Support your family; deepen your faith. How to register:

1. Click [here](#), or type the following into a web browser: <https://formed.org/signup>.
2. Search for "Pro Cathedral of Saint Peter".
3. Register using your name and email address.
4. Check your email for a confirmation link.

This is the first weekend of the fall choir season. We are moving to a model that includes the parish choir on the first and third Sundays of the month, and a cantor on the alternating days, with the hope of building our choral program. Please prayerfully consider joining the choir. If you have an interest, reach out to Virginia Tilley at vtalley@richmondcluster.org, and she will be happy to meet on an individual basis.

The *Instruction on Sacred Music and Sacred Liturgy*, from the 1950s, describes “Active Participation” as a threefold endeavor of the Faithful: (1) to chant or speak allowed the responses to the priest [ex. “and with your spirit,” “Amen.”]; (2) to chant the Ordinary of the Mass [Kyrie, Gloria, Creed, Sanctus, Agnus Dei]; and (3) to chant the Proper of the Mass [ex. Communion antiphon]. As we seek God in our individual spiritual lives, may we remember what the Church asks of us in our communal worship each week – to outwardly and inwardly praise God through our gifts and best efforts!

IN THE WIDER COMMUNITY

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IN RICHMOND
NOON LUNCH OR 6^{PM} DINNER



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Join us for an event looking at the state of Pro-Life Ministry in Virginia, and what to look for in the coming year! Register here or visit evangelizerichmond.org and click on “events.” The presentation will focus on pro-life ministry from three perspectives:

- **Prayer** (presented by 40 Days for Life)
- **Vision** (a look at upcoming legislation and what individuals can do to support a culture of life in our state)
- **Action** (an overview of pro-life resources/organizations in Virginia that enable women to choose life – what are our strengths and weaknesses).

We will offer a meal before the presentation and social time afterwards.. The event will run about two hours and is offered twice that day.

Saint Francis - Manchester's 4th annual Giving Day is swiftly approaching, and with your help, we can make this our best Giving Day yet! **On Friday, October 4**, please consider making a donation to help provide quality care and a loving home for those who are otherwise unable to afford the care they need. If you're interested in supplying additional support, Saint Francis is also looking for Peer-to-Peer fundraisers to assist us in spreading the word about Giving Day and overall our mission. You can find more information at givingday.saintfrancisrva.org or by scanning the QR code. Questions? – contact dprice@saintfrancis.org or 804-292-0837. Thank you!