

Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Mary Niagro at [mcniagro@gmail.com](mailto:mcniagro@gmail.com).

Jodi Aerts  
Dylan Anderson  
Manfred Boewer  
Terry Brennen  
Julie Byron  
Toni Capute  
Carol Donato  
Irene Dombrowski  
Islea Duncan  
Lynn Goss  
Kathleen Hamilton  
Roland Hayden  
Jane Hayes  
Bill Hines

Felice Iannaco  
Jeannine Iannaco  
Meja Irvin  
Lillian Johannes  
Lori Lecco  
Margaret MacDiarmid  
Kathleen Moore  
Beverly Moyer  
Chris Moyer  
Ray Moyer  
Mary Niagro  
Patsy Notestein  
Angel Ortiz

George Perry  
Isabel Perry  
Nelson Sanchez  
Princess Sanchez  
John Seaquist  
Ray Servis  
Jane Sliwinski  
Margaret Smith  
Fred Toth  
Charles Watson  
Laura Williams  
Michael Williams  
Travis Williams  
Betty Jo Wolfram

**Our Lady of Peace Catholic Cemetery**

Plots are available in the cemetery for \$500.00, or you may purchase crematory urn plots for \$250.00. These prices include perpetual care. For more information, contact one of the following **Cemetery Committee Members**:

Joe Gardner	Donald Notestein	Kevin Hirtz	Ted Skirvan
Dorothy Garcia	Chuck Hirtz	Pam Skirvan	

**On the Cover**

On the cover today is *The Dream of Joseph* painted in 1773 by Anton Raphael Mengs. Mengs was born in 1728 in Bohemia, into an artistic family of German origin. Like many artists during the 1700s, he developed his skills by studying works from the Classical, Renaissance, and Baroque periods; all of which he encountered while traveling in Italy. This painting demonstrates a blending of these styles showing a clearly physically strong but weary St. Joseph, contrasted with the idealized and brightly illuminated form of the angel.

# *Our Lady Of Peace*

## *Roman Catholic Church*

*Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her."*

*Matthew 1:20*



**Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church**

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For emergencies: Fr. Jim cell number: 434-238-7030  
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[www.olpcatholicchurch.org](http://www.olpcatholicchurch.org)

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

Bulletin news to: Mary Niagro at: [mcniagro@gmail.com](mailto:mcniagro@gmail.com)  
Requests for mass cards to: Bonnie Toth at: [bonnie3871@gmail.com](mailto:bonnie3871@gmail.com)

**December 22, 2019  
Fourth Sunday  
in Advent**



**Scripture Readings:**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading:  
Isaiah 7:10-14  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:  
Romans 1:1-7  
Gospel:  
Matthew 1:18-24

**Calendar**

December 24  
Christmas Eve  
December 25  
Christmas Day  
December 27  
St. John Evangelist  
December 28  
The Holy Innocents

**Reconciliation**

Fr. Jim offers the Sacrament of reconciliation before Mass or by appointment.



***Upcoming Meetings and Events***

**Religious Education  
Holiday Schedule**

Our last class will be Wednesday December 11, 2019 until we resume class on Wednesday January 8, 2020 !

Father Jim, "Miss Carolyn, Miss BettyJo and Miss Biff", send our love and appreciation to our students and parents and to our OLP faith community for your love and support.

**Diocesan Cemetery  
News**

Effective January 1, 2020, the diocesan Office for Cemetery and Funeral Services will assume management and administration of diocesan regional cemeteries and funeral services, which were previously overseen by the Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services. Deacon Ed Handel will serve as director of the new Office. For more information, please visit [www.richmonddiocese.org](http://www.richmonddiocese.org)

**Remembering the  
Appomattox Martyrs**

On the evening of Friday

January 10, at Our Lady of Peace in Appomattox, we will have a memorial service for Morgan Dobyns, Emily Quarles, Bo Scruggs, Dwayne Sipes, Joshua Sipes, Karen Quarles, Lauralee Sipes, and Jonathan Quarles who were killed 10 years ago. They are called our Appomattox Martyrs and we forever hold them in our hearts.

***You say it's your  
birthday - We're  
gonna have a  
good time*** 🎵

Ray Servis will be celebrating his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on Monday January 6. The OLP Community is invited to stop by the Commons area after mass on Sunday January 5 and share some time with Ray, enjoy some birthday cake, and partake in a light brunch.

🎵 ***I'm glad it's your  
birthday -  
Happy birthday  
to you.***

***Parish Notices and Announcements***



**Happy  
Birthday!**

December 25  
Terry Brennen

**Seeking Ideas for  
Activities at OLP**

Let me know this month if there is any special activities that you would like to see happen at OLP so we can plan for it at the next calendar planning. Like St Patrick's day party, picnic, anything you and others might like to do to have fun with our OLP family. Men's, women's, children, or all together. Thank you and hoping for great ideas. Put on you fun thinking hats.  
Sheila Seaquist  
434-352-8756 call  
434-664-8242 text  
seaquistx2@gmail.com  
or any Sunday at church

**Reminder to Parents**

This is a gentle precaution to parents and guardians of minors. While we are confident that Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church is a safe environment for all, we recommend a parent or guardian accompany young children as they move about the church including the restrooms, the playground, or other spaces not in plain sight of the parent or guardian. This is a safe practice that complements the Diocese regulations for a safe environment.

**Christmas Flowers**



It is that time of year again to decorate our altar with Christmas flowers through money donations from us! Sign up on the *Flowers for Christmas* Clipboard and take an envelope in which to place your donation. The clipboard and envelopes will be on the table in the Commons. Place your donation envelope in the offering basket at Mass. Thanks to all for the many ways in which you make our church prosper!

**Memorable Moments in Diocesan History**

***To be published each week of the  
200<sup>th</sup> anniversary liturgical year***

by Chene Heady

From 1660 to 1775, the Brent family, from Virginia's Northern Neck, were colonial Virginia's only prominent open Catholics. The Brents were well educated lawyers and prosperous farmers who brought in priests to say masses on their estate. They were so economically important in the sparsely settled Northern Neck that anti-Catholic laws were usually not enforced in their case.