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.

Jodi Aerts **Dvlan Anderson** Danny Bell Robert Berry Sandra Burke Julie Byron Toni Capute Riordan Cavoris Justin Curtis Mark Davis Tony Donehoo Carol Donato Islea Duncan Alan Ekberg John Evans Earl Fishback Elizabeth Gillam Lorraine Brennen Gilliam Lynn Goss Kathleen Murphy Groves

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Our Lady of Peace Cemetery

Burial plots are \$500 and crematory plots are \$250 for parishioners. All prices include perpetual care. Please see one of the committee members (Steve Bradish, Mary Fishback, Dori Garcia, Joe Gardner, Chuck Hirtz, Don Notestein or Bonnie Toth) for more information.



PHONE TREE

Our Phone Tree can be used not only for prayer requests, but for any notices the church family should know about such as funerals, closings, happy events and important news. Please be sure your telephone number is up to date.

There are six people who do the calling. Notify any of them to start the phone tree: Sheila Seaquist (434-352-8756) Carol Donato (434-352-8275); Linda Gardner (434-906-8409); Joyce Hing (434-665-9844); Carolyn Conner (804-502-1350); Bernadette Servis (434-352-8803)

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



March 26, 2023 Fifth Sunday of Lent

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

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Scripture Readings

Ezekiel 37:12-14 Psalm 130 (With the Lord, there is mercy and forgiveness.) Romans 8:8011 John 11:1-45

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

Upcoming Liturgies

Palm Sunday (4/2): 8:30 am Holy Thursday (4/6) 7:30 pm Good Friday: (4/7): 7:00 pm Easter Vigil (4/8): 7:30 pm Easter Sunday (4/9): 8:30 am

Financial Report

March 19, 2023: Attendance: 63 General Collection: \$656 2nd Collection (for Maintenance): \$521

Year to date report (includes E-giving):

July 1, 2022-January 21, 2023

Income:	\$51,352.38	
Expenses:	\$50,137,61	
Balance:	\$ 1,214.77	

A Theological Moment with Fr. Jim

Calling Out and Unbinding

She calls him out if she catches him eating from McDonald's or having a hot dog at the ball game. "That hot dog you ate, that little pig didn't deserve to die!" she says. (She is an animal activist, but concerned about his health.) "All the money the diocese spent on insurance so you wouldn't die of a heart attack! All the stress you put us through during your operation and recovery!"

So, she cooks heart healthy meals for him and they only eat vegetarian when they eat at a restaurant. He stays away from cheese as he imagines it clogging his arteries.

In another situation, there is someone who is histrionic. After he goes off at people and calms down after a while, he gets called and gets called out. "What are we going to do about your anger?" "What do you mean, he says. Then he gets defensive and tries to justify his offensive behavior. The "calm one" names the times and situations where he went off at others. The "histrionic one" has guilt. The "calm one" offers to help, listens and mentions sources for counseling. The "calm one" suggests talking with Deacon Lou or Deacon John.

Lazarus is called out from the tomb - a place of death. The "calm one" called the "histrionic one" from going off and ruining relationships, intimidating workers and fellow ministers. His tomb - this side of eternity. The community is told by Jesus to unbind Lazarus. Unbind the bonds of habits. The "calm one" makes the anary one aware of his destructive behavior and unbinds the angry one. She suggests and helps him get counseling. She is supportive of signs of recovery. Both encourage new ways of living.

What are our tombs? How do we let Jesus call us out? Who do we know that can help unbind us?

Can I find the courage to call someone out from their tombs and places of death" Can I be committed to "unbinding the wrappings of death?

Jesus says: "I came that they may have life and have it to the full. I am the

resurrection and the life."

Parish News & Announcements

Liturgy Ministry: Today's skit is based the Gospel of John 11:1-45, the raising of Lazarus.

Holy Week, Easter Vigil Signups: Do you hear the call to be a part of our liturgies? Please check out the signup sheets in the commons for opportunities to participate in the upcoming Holy Week and Easter Vigil Services.

Justice & Peace Ministry: Go beyond pizza, pasta and fish and encounter new cultures with tasty recipes from around the world through Catholic Relief Services. Each Friday of Lent, we abstain from eating meat as a way to experience a little of the hunger that many experience daily. Journey with us around the world and incorporate the recipes into your meatless Fridays. A few copies of the recipe's are available on the table in the commons. For a complete list, visit www.crsricebowl.org and then click on Lenten Recipes.

CEASA Ministry: As Catholics, we are encouraged to fast on Fridays during Lent. This year, our Committee for Education and Action on Sexual abuse is dedicating our fasting and prayers for the intention of victims of sexual abuse. We welcome all parishioners to join us spiritually and at whatever time of the day the spirit moves you, each Friday through April 7 (Good Friday) as we pray for truth, accountability, reconciliation, justice and healing. Blessings to all in this season of hope.

Knights of Columbus: Our Knights are collecting caps for the "Help for Heros" campaign. They are asking for donations of new or "gently used" caps for our Veterans at the VA Center in Salem. Please place your donations in the basket in Corter Hall.



Gigantic Rummage Sale: Saturday, May 27, 2023, 9 am - 4 pm at Our Lady of Peace!

The call for donations far surpassed our expectations! For sale are many Hot Wheels and other collectables, tools, housewares, clothing, sporting goods, toys, small appliances and more totaling over 1000 items!. 25 cent, 50 cent and one dollar tables will be available. There's certainly something for everyone. Mac's Kitchen will be selling food. Tickets for the 50/50 drawing and several great door prizes will be available after Easter. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. See Paul Harmon or Steve Boyer with questions regarding the yard sale or Alice Doeppe regarding the raffle tickets.

Birthdays		Anniversaries	
March 02: March 03: March 04: March 10: March 16: March 16: March 18: March 23: March 25	Keith Hamilton, Jr. Betty Craft Bernadette Servis Megan Swing Pat Hirtz David Gaydos Kenneth Hamilton Charlie Graf Patti West	March 14: March 15:	Reed & Jackie Johnson Earl & Mary Fishback