#### June/July Birthdays

#### **June/July Anniversaries**

June 30: Patsy Notestein

July 01: Fareda Yacoub July 03: Beth Jarrett July 05: Richard Sprinkle July 17: Alex Valasco July 18: Thomas Metzinger July 19: Avery Heady July 20: Killian Brown July 20: Kari Hampton July 20: Kari Hampton July 23: Diane Bradish July 27: Fr. Jim Gallagher July 27: Maureen Smith July 30: Reed Johnson July 30: Helen Dennany June 30: Chene & Emily Heady

July10: Beau & Emily Ellrich July12: Sid & Wendy Smith July 14: Chuck and Ronnie Haney \* July 15: Joe & Linda Gardner July 27: Ben & Lynn Goss July 29: Fred & Bonnie Toth July 31: Andrew & Victoria Blum

\*We honor the memory of the many years of love they shared together.

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 Bvron Deacon John Carey Riordan Cavoris Justin Curtis Alessia Destefano Carol Donato Islea Duncan Patricia Elder John Evans

Grea Moore **Beverly Moyer** Chris Moyer Rav Mover Don Notestein Patsy Notestein Angel Ortiz George Perry Garv Peters Laurie Peters Frank Powell Nelson Sanchez Princess Sanchez John Seaquist Ray Servis Jane Sliwinski

Margaret Smith

Jim Tew Fred Toth Amy Tracy Emilia Walker Charles Watson Danielle Weedon Laura Williams Louise Williams Michael Williams Travis Williams Betty Jo Wolfrum

Chere Tew

#### The Financial Corner

Jack Fisher

Lvnn Goss

Marv Graf

Linda Gardner

Elizabeth Gillam

Kathleen Hamilton

Jeanne Harper

James Heady

Pablo Ignacio

Leslie Jarrett

Patel Mahenra

Carolyn Martin

Willard Mock

Kimberly Martin

Meia Irvin

Paul Lent

Patrick Ignacio

Collections June 22: \$815 Attendees June 8: 70

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# **Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church**



## June 29, 2025 Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

#### **Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church**

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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

This last weekend we celebrated the Body and Blood of Our Lord, or as we also call it, Corpus Christi.

We remember that Christ is present in the consecrated bread and wine. He is present in his "Glorified Body." This was the body the early church experienced after he rose from the dead. This was the body that could appear and disappear. He came through the doors of the Upper Room at Pentecost even though the doors were locked. This was the Jesus who ate fish and bread with his friends on the seashore after they were out in the boat fishing This is the Jesus that accompanied them on the road to Emmaus even though they did not recognize him. And, so we heed his command as he said, "do this in memory of me!" Christ comes among us not only in the words of institution at the Eucharist ("This is my body...this is my blood..."), but all through our gathering at mass. There is the preface in which we give thanks and praise. There is the memory of what He did at the Last Supper. This is called "anamnesis." In a sense, before we even break bread, we break memory. Even before we pour wine, we pour out memory. When we remember Jesus, He is present. He even brings to the table in a mysterious way those who have gone before us. That is why as Catholics we like our mass intentions. It is the whole eucharistic prayer in which Christ is present.

The Lamb of God is another anamnesis, but there is meaning for us. As Jesus is broken and poured out for us, so too we are called to be poured out and broken for others. Christ is present in the action of our giving his body. "Bob, the Body of Christ." "Beatrice, the Blood of Christ." Christ is present in our receiving his body as we say "Amen."

A picture would show a circle. The "Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy" from Vatican II tells us that Christ is present in the Word, the Sacrament and the Gathered Assembly. The presence of Christ is found in the scripture being read. We become the scripture when the lector looks at us and says "The word of the Lord." You and I become the "Word of the Lord."

Because when two or more are gathered in his name, He is in our midst. Welcoming each other at mass is welcoming Christ. Offering the sign of peace at the Eucharist is receiving Christ's presence of Peace. Do you believe that He is present in the gathered assembly?

Peace and welcoming are non-negotiable at the Eucharist.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### "EPIC" - AN EVENT FOR 6TH-8TH GRADE STUDENTS

OLP will be sending a group to EPIC, the Diocese of Richmond **big event for** all middle schoolers (**rising 6th graders to rising 8th graders**) on August **9th**. There will be inflatables, games, speakers, music, and mass--a day of both spiritual growth and a lot of fun. <u>The parish will cover the registration fees for all participants</u>, so cost will not be an issue for anyone. **Please write Chene Heady (headycr@longwood.edu) if you have a child or grandchild who would like to attend. For more details, please visit: https://evangelizerichmond.org/ events/epic-4/** 

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL UPDATE

VBS will take place this year July 22-25. Our theme this year is "Fiesta - Where Kids Get Fired Up About Jesus. VIVA!" Registration Forms are available in the commons. We are asking for forms to be returned by Sunday, July 13.

We are asking for help: If you have "fiesta" themed decorations you are willing to loan us, please see Helen or Alice.

### YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Our next big event is planned for July 31. We are hosting a birthday party for a famous character, Harry Potter! If you are planning to attend, please sign up. More details (especially about gifts) will be forthcoming in the coming weeks. Stay tuned!

### HOLIDAY LAKE OUTING: JULY 17, 2025

Keep the tradition alive! For 15 years we have had a wonderful outing at Holiday Lake. This year, it is Thursday, July 17, from 9 am to 4 pm. We have again reserved Shelter #2 which faces the water. Mass will be celebrated at 11 am followed by food, fun and swimming. The church will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls and drinks. You bring deserts and salads. Be sure to sign up now!



Happy Independence Day. May you all have a Safe and Happy 4th of July!