

May 14, 2023

### "We are the Eucharistic Church serving the Family of Christ"



### STS. PETER & PAUL PARISH

4309 Thomas Jefferson Parkway Palmyra, VA 22963

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:00pm p: 434.589.5201 parish office

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w: saintspeterpaulpalmyra.org

### **OUR VISION**

To expand and strengthen the Christian Community in which the Gospel of Jesus Christ is demonstrated and fulfilled.

### **OUR MISSION**

In the spirit of our patron saints and missionaries, we commit ourselves to a pilgrimage of faith through Evangelization, Sanctification and Social Service ministries.



### MASS SCHEDULE

### WEEKENDS

Saturday 5pm: SPP Sunday 9am: St. Joseph's 11am: SPP

### **WEEKDAYS**

Wednesday-Friday 9am: SPP

### **HOLY DAYS**

Vigil 7pm: SPP Holy Day 9am: St. Joseph's Noon: SPP

### **CONFESSION**

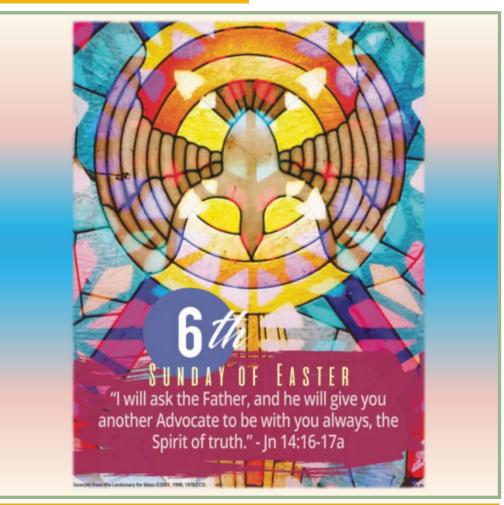
Saturday 4pm: SPP Sunday 8:30 am: St. Joseph's (or by appointment)

### **HOSPITAL VISITS:**

Call Parish Office or Rectory: 434.589.5200

### HOMEBOUND:

Call Parish Office to schedule Communion



## WELCOME



### **ADMINISTRATION**

PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIR

Doug Mullinex | 434.981.6950

FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR

Steve Momper | 434.977.5453

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS** 

Charles Nicholson | 434.365.9712

CEMETERY

Mandy Tolano | 540.595.7173

PARISH LIFE

Pat Amato | 434.589.7811

JUSTICE & PEACE

Mitzi Crane | 434.589.2552

RESPECT LIFE

David Cauffield | 814.525.0594

PRISON MINISTRY

Will Kulick | 540.308.5152

GOOD SHEPHERDS

Frank Feliciano | 434.242.0735

PARISH NURSE

Catherine Heffley | 757.813.1992

**LITURGY & WORSHIP** 

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Sid D'Amico | 434.996.4325

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Frank Pilk | 571.239.3373

LECTORS

Cynthia Aycock | 434.996.6065

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS** 

Dianna Campagna | 434.286.3665

ALTAR SERVERS

Nicole Amato | 434.589.7987

SACRISTY

Mary Ann Mason | 434.589.6141

GREETERS

Rose Meyer | 434.589.5018

**EVANGELIZATION & EDUCATION** 

CCD/Youth Group

Sr. Madrine Mukaluziga | 434.589.5201

RCIA/BIBLE STUDY

Cynthia Aycock | 434.996.6065

SUPPORTED GROUPS

CURSILLO

Ellie Henrietta | 434.981.3551

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Doug Mullinex | 434.981.6950

**PASTOR** 

**Rev. David M. Ssentamu** | 434.589.5200

**DEACON** 

Rev. Mr. Robert Allen | 434.589.0941

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Karen Davidson | 434.589.5201

RECEPTIONIST

Marianne Stewart-Carbocci

**FAITH FORMATION** 

Sr. Madrine Mukaluziga

Whether you are a visitor or new to our parish, interested in becoming Catholic, seeking to return to the practice of your faith, or an active member of our parish, we are pleased that you have come.

**BULLETIN & ANNOUNCEMENTS DEADLINE** 

Fridays-1 week in advance-In writing to karen.davidson@saintspeterpaul.org

Readings for the Week of May 14, 2023

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/1 Pt 3:15-18/

Jn 14:15-21

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23 Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23/

Mt 28:16-20

Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 (13)/1 Pt 4:13-16/

Jn 17:1-11a

Observances for the Week of May 14, 2023

Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day

Monday: St. Isidore

Tuesday: Wednesday:

Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord; St. John I, Pope and Martyr

Friday:

Saturday: St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest; Armed Forces Day

Next Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter; World

Communications Day

**MAY 2023** 

HONOR YOUR LOVED ONE WITH A SPECIAL MEMORIAL

BREAD & WINE ALTAR FLOWERS SANCTUARY CANDLE

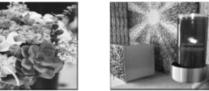
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Or have a Mass said for a loved one. Contact the office for availability.



## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

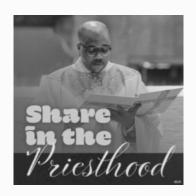
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"Whoever loves me will keep my word." Are you called to bring the word of Christ to his flock?

Call the Vocations Office to speak with Father Brian Capuano at 804-359-5661

Or write

vocations@richmonddiocese.org





### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

My dad was adopted as a baby. It's a big part of my family's story. His birth mother placed him in a Catholic orphanage not long after birth. A young couple longing for a baby strolled among the bassinets. My father, then only a few months old, looked at the husband and smiled. The man said, "That's my son." They took him home and the family grew. This moment of adoption was a wonderful truth they celebrated even when my dad was a young boy. They told him, "You're even more special than the other children, because we chose you to be our son." My dad's eyes well up with tears of gratitude whenever he tells the story, even eighty-three years later.

What is your story? Do we think or act like unwanted orphans? Who do we believe ourselves to be? As we continue to ponder Jesus' resurrection, we hear him say to us this Sunday, "I will not leave you orphans." God doesn't leave us alone like spiritual orphans. The power that raised Jesus from the dead is the Holy Spirit, who is also called the Spirit of Adoption. He chooses us to be His children, to share God's life forever. He gives us a future filled with

hope. We are not orphans anymore! This Easter, that's the story we should share with others. It's the true story we are living right now.

By Father John Muir

Mission Week - Eucharist & Family Thursday, May 25 - Saturday, May 27

Let's mark our calendars as we celebrate Pentacost with Mission Week which will encompass spiritual talks and prayerful reflections that can inspire, empower and motivate us throughout life's journey. The focus will be on **Family & the Eucharist** as related to this year's theme: "We are the Eucharistic Church Serving the Family of Christ." Renowned speaker, Carrie McKeown Delaney, Founder of Wings to Fly (www.wingstoflycm.com) will be our guest speaker throughout the mission.





<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
May 25	7:-00pm - 8:00pm	Talk
May 26	7:00pm - 8:00pm	Talk
	8:00pm - 10:00pm	Adoration/
		Confession
May 27	10:00am	Holy Mass
	10:45am	Brunch
	11:00am - 12:00pm	Talk

# PARISH YOUTH

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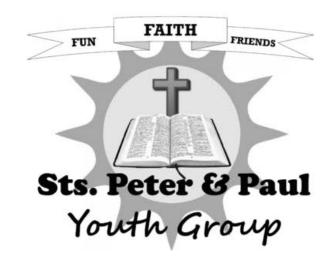
June 19 - 22, 2023, 6-8pm



Grades PreK4-5th

Volunteers are Needed

Come Join Us!



Sts. Peter & Paul's Youth Group will start meeting every other Friday, beginning Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 5:00pm to 7:00 pm in Room 119 in the Parish Hall.



Come join us for our next fundraiser: CAR WASH - JUNE 3<sup>R</sup>

> 9 am - 12 pm Thank You, All!



### **CONGRATULATIONS**

**TO OUR CONFIRMANDS &** 

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNICANTS!





Townes M. Francesco C.

Saige M. Stella S.

Hunter M. Bianca W.

Jay B. Levi S.

Brandon W. Paxton S.

Anna A. Declan G.

### **SHARE THE GOSPEL**

If you love Jesus, you will do what he asks. If someone hurts your feelings, Jesus asks you to forgive. If someone is hard to get along with, Jesus asks you to show love. If someone is sick Jesus asks you to pray. Learn from Jesus. Follow his example. Love all people like God does.

### **PRAYER**

Lord, please help me to love you enough to do all that you ask.

### JOIN SCOUTING!

Do you have a son or daughter between the ages of 11 and 17? Now is the perfect time to sign him or her up for Scouts. The Scouting program helps youth develop academic skills, self-confidence, ethics, leadership skills and citizenship skills that influence their adult lives.

For more information contact:

Boy Scouts Troop 138 (boys): Chuck Palmer

charleswpalmeriv@gmail.com 571.212.4445

## INTENTIONS

### MASS INTENTIONS: MAY 13 - MAY 21, 2023

\* Represents Saint Joseph's Parish

Day	Date	Mass	For	Status	Requested By
Saturday	5/13	5pm	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	5/14	9am*	William & Rena Cook	D	Jarl & Carol Hannum
Sunday	5/14	11am	Joanne Czarnecki	D	Ernest Czarnecki
Wednesday	5/17	9am	Annie Arblie Teal	D	John & Moisesa Bailey
Thursday	5/18	9am	Joseph Loftus	D	Patrice Malloy
Friday	5/19	9am	Patty Mae Evangelista	D	John & Moisesa Bailey
Saturday	5/20	5pm	Margaret Ward	D	Michael & Nancy King
Sunday	5/21	9am*	Misa Pro Populo		
Sunday	5/21	11am	Patti Markle	D	Royal & Janis Duffy

### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

## All those who serve our country particularly . . .



Michael Bohtelo, Devon Burger, Gerard Holodak, Sarah and Taylor Graese, Raymond Markle, Connor Dobbins, Kevin and Kathleen O'Malley, Katie Marron, James Fulford, Rhett Hartwell, Andrew Thompson, Sasha and Lonnie Kuhlow, William Furst, Matt Hendl, Luke Marron, Damien LaForenza, Mark Mason, Russ Marron, Christopher McCarthy, Zach Marron, Josiah Noble, Jose Langoria, Joseph Ayuso, Alex Ostrowski, Adam Warren, and Matthew Reinitz.

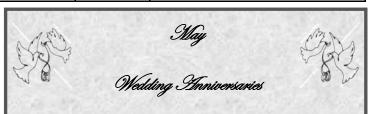
Pray God keeps them in His care.



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Michael Amato, Maria Boice, Melissa Bowling,
Sharon Cassidy, Nicole Colley, The Compton Family,
Jean Dalsky, Connie D'Amico, Emily Desgrosiellier,
Me'Shelle Durant, Bill Ellis, Patricia Golgosky,
Patrick Granville, Bob Griffin, Mary Anne Grimes,
Phyllis Guthrie, Jack Hartwell, John Hobby,
Regina Humanitzki, Tony Ingilleri, Sue Ingilleri,
Margaret Johnson, Ron Johnson, Carolyn Kerrigan,
Tom Kinter, Marie Knighting, Jackie Kraemer,
Judi Kuhlow, Marcia Lagomarsino, Annie & Joe Lodato,
Art Menard, Brigid Markle, Joan Merk, Irene Nadig,
Rosario Nixon, Rose Patterson, Donald Raab,
Carol Scampoli, Mary Ellen Scango, Barbara Sipress,
Carol & Ted Starowicz, Marylou Stock, Anna Sturhann,
Claire van Nierop, Raylan Trapp, Cornelia Waters, and
Mike Waters.

Please call the office at **434.589.5201** for homebound or hospital visits.



If you are celebrating your marriage anniversary in May and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on either

June 3<sup>rd</sup> or June 4<sup>th</sup>,

please contact the office by

Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.





Do you have old sneakers you no longer wear?

Catholic Health Initiative for Uganda can use them!

There is a box at the front door where they may be placed.

Just sneakers, please!

Catholic Health Initiatives for Uganda is a 501(c) (3) non-profit entity. All donations are tax deductible.

Thank you for your support!

## **EVERDAY STEWARDSHIP**

Pew Count Sat 105   Sun 180	May 6 - 7
First Offering	\$ 3,602
First Offering: <b>Faith Direct</b>	\$ 1,671
Total	\$ 5,273
May MTD Debt Reduc	tion \$ 2,194
Bake Sale (Thank you for your s	upport!) \$ 335

The Debt Reduction collection occurs at the beginning of each month.

### **Our next DEBT REDUCTION Collection is**

JUNE 3RD & 4TH

Thank you and God bless you for your continued support.

### THE NEXT BAKE SALE IS JUNE 3RD AND JUNE 4TH. BAKED GOODS ARE ACCEPTED BEFORE MASS.



Christ is risen! As His disciples, we are called to go forth and spread the good news of Christ's Resurrection. The fruitful ministries at our parish are examples of how many of you have answered, and continue

to answer, that call. To ensure such work can continue requires not only gifts of time, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting our parish with electronic donations through Faith Direct.

You can sign up online at faith.direct/FD2 or call Faith Direct customer service at 866-507-8757.

You'll provide us with consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

### **ADORATION**

### ADORERS,

As you know, we have adoration in the sanctuary of the church every Friday and, unlike in the chapel, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed all day on the altar. This makes it imperative that there



is someone in the church at all times, until the benediction at 3pm. A group of ladies at the church have been faithful for years to try to ensure that there is someone there every hour. I am asking everyone to pray about making a stop-in to the church for some prayer time before the Lord on Fridays a priority. I would also ask that if anyone discovers a specific time on Fridays when the sanctuary is empty, please notify me so that I can get the word out and encourage someone to attend at that time.

Thank you all for your love for Him. Just a reminder that, during your time in the chapel, please refrain from moving or touching the monstrance inside the tabernacle. Only the door should be touched, when you open and close, in reverence. The sub-theme for the month of April is our young people, the youth of our church which, I'm happy to say, seems to be increasing in numbers lately! Be sure to pray especially for them when you're in the chapel in May. Our parish has a need for altar servers and you might especially pray that God will lead them to serve.

Peace to you!

Denise Minor, dminor92@gmail.com

# UPCOMING EVENTS



### **ADULT FORMATION CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

AFCE replaces RCIA to offer instruction to unbaptized and non-Catholic persons with interest in being members of the Catholic faith. If you, a spouse or friend wishes to learn more about Catholicism, you may contact the office at 434-589-5201 for more info.

**Group meets** every Sunday at 9:30am in St. Elizabeth in the Parish Hall.



**ROOM SCHEDULE** 

Sat   13-May					
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F - St. Francis (Hall)

R - St. Raphael (Church)

Room Ledger:

**E** - St. Elizabeth (Hall)

M - St. Michael (Church)

**C** - Commons (Church)



Bible Study meets each Monday from 1:00pm to 2:00pm (May 22, last meeting) Please join us in Room E in the Parish Hall.



### SIGN UP TO SPEND AN HOUR WITH JES in the Adoration Chapel

M - Th, 6am - 8pm

The Adoration Chapel Schedule is posted in the vestibule on the wall for all to see. You can choose your own slot.

> Contact: Denise Minor dminor92@gmail.com



The Good Shepherd Health Ministry





Coffee Social

**INVITE A FRIEND & JOIN US IN THE CHURCH COMMONS!** 



31 MAY

2023

**WEDNESDAY** 

9:45AM

At **10:30** we will begin an interactive presentation based on

'THE FOURTH QUARTER OF YOUR LIFE, Embracing What Matters Most"

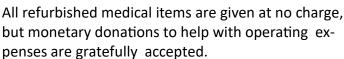
### BY ALLEN HUNT AND MATTHEW KELLY

For more information. Please contact the Parish Nurse, Catherine Heffley, RN: caheffley@aol.com



#### **ALL BLESSINGS FLOW**

### Used Medical Equipment



Please visit: www.allblessingsflow.org or Call 434-422-8888

Email: allblessingsflow@yahoo.com



Yoga instruction is available at Sts. Peter & Paul, Tuesdays from 11-12pm in St. Francis; bring a mat. Contact Renata Miller @ 757.536.8408.



### **Blessing of Mothers**

During the Easter season what a great time to remember our mothers and ask for God's blessing on them. It is God who ultimately gave us life. It is through God's unselfish love--mirrored in our mothers' willingness to associate their love with God's and take the risk to love us into life -- that we have the opportunity for life. W remember our mothers this Mother's Day with much love. Let us pray for each of them:

God, our heavenly Father, you give to each the ability to share our generative love. Bless those women in our lives who mirror your love and bring forth life through their willingness to risk bringing new life into this world. Help us to show them our gratitude for the gift of life and the gift of a mother's love. May our life-giving God continue to bless them and show them his unfailing love. We ask this through Jesus. God's Son and our brother. Amen.

## FIRST EVER MEMORY ALBUM OF STS. PETER & PAUL CHURCH

Many exciting things are happening as we prepare for our 40th Anniversary, and there is so much history to honor!

In continued preparation for our 2026 Celebration, we invite you to share your special thoughts and memories about Sts. Peter & Paul Church. What is your first recollection? When did you arrive? Who was our Pastor at that time? What significant experiences here hold a special place in your heart?

Our goal is to create an archive of your presence in our parish family for today and for future generations. If you have something to share with us, contact Eileen or Tim Monahan at <a href="mailto:emthode-

Thank you for your participation in this fun, and memorable journey!

### THE KNIGHTS' KORNER

The Knights of Columbus meet monthly. If you'd like more info or the opportunity to join, please

contact: Doug Mullinex at 434-981-6950



# Annual Yard Sale June 9 - 10, 2023

### WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteers are needed to help with this year's yard sale. Please contact Cynthia Aycock, 434-996-6065, if you can help.

When	Time	What is Needed
June 4	12:00pm	Trucks & people to haul & set up
June 5 - 10	Open	Set up: Sort & Organize
June 9 - 10	7 am to 4:00 pm	Sell items





### **Virginia Department of Veterans' Services**

Are you a U.S. Veteran in need of help? Visit the Fluvanna Community Center, 5725 James Madison Hwy by appointment only. Appointments are only available on the first Wednesday of each month from 9am to 11:30am. Call Pamela Zirkle & Jeannette Flint at 434-529-6431 to schedule your appointment.

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Upcoming Dates:

September 22-24, 2023, Crowne Plaza in Herndon, VA Nov 17-19, 2023, Holiday Inn in VIRGINIA BEACH, VA

Early sign up is recommended.



Newly formed Catholic hybrid education program in Orange, VA is seeking to fill multiple tutor positions for the 2022-2023 academic year. The Holy Infant of Prague Paideia is looking for dedicated

Catholics who have a love for teaching and sharing the good, the true, and the beautiful. The academic year is 32 weeks, with 2 days of on site instruction per week. Student ages are 8-12. Hours can vary from 3-14 hours per week. We are also seeking craftsman/artists to share talents.

Please contact <u>HolyInfantCollective@gmail.com</u> or Anne Bukowski 540-409-8527.

**Part-time Receptionist** needed in Sts. Peter and Paul parish office for 24 hours per week.

Duties include but are not limited to:

- Prepare church bulletin and various programs
- Schedule Mass intentions
- Maintain parishioners' records
- Prepare and make deposits of funds

### **Qualifications:**

- 3 5 years of related experience
- Maintain confidentiality
- Committed to church's mission and message
- Courteous and tactful in dealing with the public and parishioners
- Able to work with technology
- Able to communicate effectively both in writing and verbally

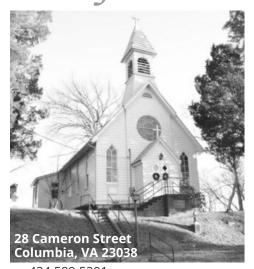
Please send resume and diocesan application to Karen Davidson at

karen.davidson@saintspeterpaul.org

# Did You Know?

- It is not only courteous but expected that we all maintain a silent reverence anytime we are in church -- even before and after Mass -- as it is a holy sanctuary.
- May 20th is Armed Forces Day, dedicated to paying tribute to men and women currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces.
- Australia is wider than the moon -- 600km wider, to be exact..
- Vatican City is the smallest country in the world at only 0.2 miles wide.

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### INTROSPECTIVE

### **First Reading:**

We hear how through the prayers of Peter and John the Holy Spirit descended upon those Samaritans who believed in Jesus and were baptized. Can you think of a time when your prayers were answered?

### **Second Reading:**

Peter taught his community to be prepared to defend their faith with gentleness and reverence even in a hostile environment. Have you ever had to explain what you believe to someone arguing with you?

### Gospel:

Jesus assured his disciples, "I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you." When do you experience Jesus' presence in your life?

## LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

If we love Christ, we will keep his commandments, and the world will not accept us. But we are not left orphans - God sends us an Advocate. Come, Holy Spirit, and renew the face of the earth!

### 140th Anniversary Event: Sunday, May 21st - Children's Mass,

followed by a talk and presentation on the early parishioners who kept the faith and educated the families in and around Columbia.

Hear about the one-room schoolhouse that existed for over 40 years, and how one of our parishioners was awarded the "Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice" Papal Medal of honor, the highest award that could be attained by a female. Come for these and other stories following Mass in the Parish Hall.

### **OUR 140<sup>TH</sup> YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Please join us next Sunday to conclude the CCD program for the season with a special children's Mass and theme on Education.

Visit the 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary web page for a full calendar of events.

### **Upcoming Events\***

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
June 11, 2023	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Corpus Christi Mass &
		Procession
July 9, 2023	TBD	Parish Homecoming
August 13, 2023	10:00 am - 10:30 am	Pre-Diocese History

\*All events are themed with a focus on history, faith, education or community.

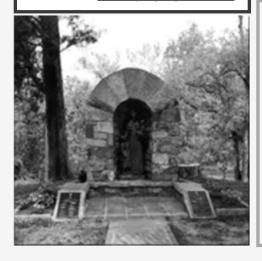


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If you have pictures or ministry information to be added to St. Joseph's website, please email Melissa at: kenneymg@gmail.com



# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNICANTS!

Nehemiah D.

Noah D.

Johnny F.

Hayden L.

Efra S.

Declan W.

May you always know the peace of Jesus, the light of His love and the joy of His life within you.





If you would like to honor a loved one by having a Mass said for them, contact the office at Sts. Peter and Paul at 434.589.5201 to arrange an available date at least 6 months out.

### **OFFERTORY\***

May 7<sup>th</sup>

\$1,197

Thank you for your generosity!



Our next and final WYD fundraising event will be a CAR WASH on Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>







If you are celebrating your wedding anniversary in May and wish to be part of the marriage blessing at Mass on June 4th,

please contact the office by Wednesday, May 24th.



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