

# St. Peter Catholic Church

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 29, 2019



## Mass & Confession Schedule

<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	5 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	8:30 & 11 a.m.
<b>Mon., Wed., Fri., &amp; Sat.</b>	8:30 a.m.
<b>Mon., Wed., &amp; Fri.</b> Traditional Latin Mass (TLM)	11:15 a.m.
<b>Tuesday (TLM)</b>	6:45 a.m.
<b>Thursday</b>	7 p.m.
<b>Holy Hour (Thursday)</b>	7:30 p.m.
<b>Holyday of Obligation</b>	8:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m. (TLM), & 7 p.m.

### **Confessions**

Mon, Wed., Fri., Sat.	10 minutes after morning Masses
Thursday	7:30–8:30 p.m.
Saturday	4–4:45 p.m.

*Art credit: Benozzo Gozzoli. Renunciation of Worldly Goods and The Bishop of Assisi Dresses St. Francis. 1452.*

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### **Parish Office Hours:**

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday  
8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

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## Mass Intentions and Feasts

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time** (Readings: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31)

**Sept. 28** 5 p.m. Anne Facchina +  
**Sept. 29** 8:30 a.m. Roger Adamson  
11 a.m. For all parishioners

**Monday—St. Jerome, priest & Doctor of the Church**

**Sept. 30** 8:30 a.m. Illeana Vicente +  
11:15 a.m. TLM **No Mass**

**Tuesday—St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, virgin & Doctor of the Church**

**October 01** 6:45 a.m. **No Mass**

**Wednesday—The Holy Guardian Angels**

**October 02** 8:30 a.m. **No Mass**  
11:15 a.m. TLM Ann Selock +

**Thursday**

**October 03** 7 p.m. Rev. Cornelius O'Brien +  
7:30–8:30 p.m. Holy Hour & Confessions

**Friday—St. Francis of Assisi**

**October 04** 8:30 a.m. **No Mass**  
11:15 a.m. TLM Dorothy Mahalko +

**Saturday—Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, priest**

**October 05** 7:30 a.m. TLM Melissa McBride

## Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for the following parishioners and their relatives:

**Gerald Hoffman**  
**Elaine Viguerie**  
**Christopher John Field**  
**Nicholas Hovey**  
**Walt Cybrowski**  
**Joan Gannon**  
**Michael and Eileen Hawkins**  
**Bob Ward**  
**Theresa Carney**  
**Joe Miller**  
**Edna Albaneze**  
**Daisy Bachi**



### **Mass Schedule for September 30–October 05**

Monday, September 30—8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, October 02—11:15 a.m. TLM

Thursday, October 03—7 p.m. followed by Holy Hour

Friday, October 04—11:15 a.m. TLM

Saturday, October 05—7:30 a.m. TLM & 5 p.m. Vigil

### Visit by Gift of Peace Sisters

This Sunday, September 29, the Missionaries of Charity and residents of the "Gift of Peace" in Washington, D.C. will be joining us at the 11 a.m. Mass followed by a BBQ lunch in Fr. Albert Hall, and then hayride and bonfire at the Lee's home in Woodville.

### Muscle Needed in the Cemetery

No nails or hammers needed, just some muscles to help repair the fences around the cemetery.

**Come lend a hand Friday,  
October 04 at 9 a.m.!**

*"But the word of God is not chained." Are you considering a vocation to proclaim the word of God as a priest or religious?  
Call Fr. Michael Isenberg:  
(703) 841-2514*

### Mark Your Calendars for the Front Royal Pregnancy Center Walk for Life!

Please register to be a Walker to support The Front Royal Pregnancy Center Walk for Life, themed "Now more than Ever." **The Walk is October 5 at 9 a.m.** and begins at the center in Front Royal. All proceeds go to FRPC to help continue their mission of serving women, children, and families of our community. If you raise \$250 in donations, a t-shirt will be yours. Go to [frpcwalkforlife.com](http://frpcwalkforlife.com) for more information.

### Readers Needed

Please consider lending your voice to our parish by serving as a reader at Mass.

Contact Fr. Beres  
([pastorsaintpeter@gmail.com](mailto:pastorsaintpeter@gmail.com) / (540) 675-3432) for more information.

### Rosary & Bonfire!

**St. Peter's Young Adult Group will hold a Rosary and Bonfire this Sunday, September 29, at 7 p.m.** Location: 8 Headwaters Rd, Chester Gap, VA 22623. For more info contact Angelica Vittitow: (540) 305-9352, [marietangel@yahoo.com](mailto:marietangel@yahoo.com)

## More Announcements

-**The Annual Life Chain** will be held on Sunday, October 6 from 2 p.m.–3 p.m. on the sidewalk along James Madison Highway in Culpeper between Burger King and Ira Hoffman Drive (near Walmart). Please join in this peaceful, prayerful event to witness to the dignity of each human life.

-October is a month dedicated to Our Lady, and Oct. 7th is the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. With this in mind, the Legion of Mary will be promoting the **Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary**. To obtain more spiritual power to your recitation of the Rosary, sign up for this Confraternity during the weekend of Oct. 6 & 7. There is no obligatory meeting or subscription. For more information, visit the table (at the entrance to the church) which will be set up on the first weekend of October.

-The Legion of Mary will also host a **Rosary Rally** on Sat., Oct. 12 at the entrance to the parish driveway, parallel to Rts. 211 and 522. At noon, there will be a rosary, hymns, and other prayers said for the good of our country. Come and join us!

-THRIVE (formerly the Culpeper Pregnancy Center) is celebrating 35 years of service to Culpeper, Madison, Orange and Rappahannock Counties! On Saturday, Oct. 12th at the Germana CC Technology Center (Culpeper), there will be the annual fall fundraiser, the Culpeper Barbeque, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. If you desire protection for unborn lives, and those responsible for them, come to this event of Christian fellowship and stories of healing. Reserve your seat for the BBQ today by contacting J. Beattie (540-987-8315, or jarbb474@gmail.com) or go to [www.Partner.VirginiaPregnancy.org](http://www.Partner.VirginiaPregnancy.org)

-**A Heart Contrite & Humble: A meditation in honor of the feast of Thérèse of the Child Jesus.** Tuesday, October 01 from 6–8 p.m. at Open House: Meet in the Middle (213 E. Main Street, Front Royal—next to Daily Grind). *Sponsored by Living Nazareth High School.*

-**Join Bishop Burbidge at a Holy Hour for Vocations** at Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church (46639 Algonkian Parkway) in Potomac Falls on Friday, October 11. The Holy Hour will start at 7:30 p.m., followed by a light reception. For more information, visit: [www.ArlingtonVocations.org](http://www.ArlingtonVocations.org)

## Saints of the Roman Canon: St. Agatha

St. Agatha ... Two cities of Sicily—Palermo and Catana—contest the honor of her birthplace. It is certain that under the Emperor Decius, in the year 251, she bore off the crown of martyrdom at Catana. This holy virgin was renowned far and wide for her nobility and wealth, as well as for her beauty and virtue. Already in her childhood she had chosen Jesus for her spouse, and clung to Him with undivided love. Accused of being a Christian, she was dragged before the heathen judge, Quintianus. This villain endeavored, by all manner of mean artifices, to overcome her chaste mind and her courage. But, like unto a rock in the ocean, the virgin remained unmoved and unshaken; as the dust beneath her feet, she accounted all that the world could offer. In prison she was miraculously healed of her burning wounds by St. Peter. Afterward the wretched tyrant gave orders that the saint, miraculously healed, be rolled on sharp potsherds and glowing coals. Again brought back to prison, the saint prayed: "Lord, Thou who hast created me and preserved me since my childhood, who hast delivered my heart from the love of the world and protected my body from perdition, who hast made me triumph over tortures and bonds, over iron and fire, I pray Thee, receive my spirit from this earth into the bosom of Thy mercy!" Thereupon she slept in the peace of the Lord, and her pure soul flew heavenward. The tomb of St. Agatha, made glorious by God with many miracles, became the refuge of the Christians, and even of the heathens. There also was kept the wonderful veil that was not burned, but only somewhat crimsoned, when the saint was thrown into the blazing fire. One year after her death, the neighboring volcano of Etna burst forth in torrents of fire, which moved toward the city of Catana, and threatened its destruction. Then the inhabitants ran in terror to her tomb, took the veil, and held it in the direction of the stream of lava. At that very instant, it took another course toward the ocean and the city was saved. This event took place on the anniversary of the holy death of the virgin martyr, February 5, which is still observed as her feastday. Consequently, St. Agatha is the much implored patroness against dangers of fire: as such she is particularly honored in the Black Forest of Germany. There her feast is made resplendent with the brightness of innumerable lights.