

St. Peter Catholic Church

The Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 22, 2026



Mass & Confession Schedule

Saturday Vigil	5 p.m.
Sunday	8:15, 9:45(Latin), & 11:30 a.m.
Mon., Wed., & Fri.	8:30 a.m. & 11:15 am
Saturdays	8:30 a.m.
Tuesday	No Public Mass
Thursday	7 p.m.
Holy Hour (Thursday)	7:30 p.m.
Adoration (Friday)	9 - 11 a.m.
Holyday of Obligation	8:30 a.m., 11:15 a.m., & 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.

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Bartolome Esteban Murillo, circa 1670

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Mass Intentions and Feasts

The Fifth Sunday in Lent (Readings: Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45 (34) Pss I)

March 21	5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass	Thomas Fedewa+
March 22	8:15 a.m.	Andrew & Anna Zepeda
	9:45 a.m.	Ann Bukowski
	11:30 a.m.	For all parishioners
Monday—	Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop	
March 23	8:30 a.m.	Megan Klasila
	11:15 a.m.	Sr. Mary Magdalena OP
Tuesday—	Lenten Weekday	
March 24	Private Mass	Doreen Reagan+
Wednesday—	THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD	
March 25	8:30 a.m.	Vytas Stonkus+
	11:15 a.m.	Romune Stonkus+
Thursday—	Lenten Weekday	
March 26	7:00 p.m.	The McGovern Family
Friday—	Lenten Weekday	
March 27	8:30 a.m.	Ronald Lee Lewis Sr.+
	11:15 a.m.	Daniel Ulenkott
Saturday—	Lenten Weekday	
March 28	8:30 a.m.	Meghan Sterett +
	4 p.m. Confessions	
	5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass	Aidan Brooks

Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for the following parishioners and their relatives:

Elaine Viguerie
Nicholas Hovey
Eileen Hawkins
Jim Haley
Lindy Klaus
Kathy Eggers
Ronin O'Neill
Neil and Bernadette O'Heir
Leigh Sargent
Ray Mifflin
Michelle Suess
Tara Cintorino
Gabrielle Barros
Stephanie DiNapoli
Shirley Franey
Robert B. Beattie
Mike Cioffi
Baby Kevin
Jerry Bowerman
Joanne Sellors

Ministry of Mercy

*"Growing in our Catholic Faith
through the Works of Mercy"*

Hosting the Lenten Soup/Meatless Supper – Friday, March 27: The Ministry of Mercy will host a Lenten Supper on Friday, March 27, at 6:00 PM. The meal will be followed by Stations of the Cross and a talk given by Fr. Beres. Everyone is invited to bring a meatless soup or salad to share. To sign up and see what others are bringing, please visit the Sign Up Genie website mentioned in our parish mailout.

Polishing Vessels for Holy Week – Monday, March 30, at noon: Anyone interested in helping polish the church vessels for Holy Week and Easter is invited to join us in Fr. Albert Social Hall after the 11:15 AM Mass on Monday, March 30. Please note that the meeting time has changed to allow us to also polish the vessels and candlesticks used for the last Mass. If you have any questions, please email us.

St. Peter's Easter Egg Hunt, Easter Sunday, April 5th: This year, St. Peter's Church will host its Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday, April 5, between the 9:45 and 11:15 Masses. The hunt will take place on the church's front lawn. All eggs will be filled with candy, and twelve of the eggs will also contain a Miraculous Medal on a chain. Additionally, there will be one special egg that holds a rosary, and the recipient of this egg will also receive an Easter basket with a statue of Mary and other items.

Ministry of Mercy Meetings – Monday, March 30 th – NOTE TIME CHANGE: Our next meeting will take place on Monday, March 30th, after the 11:15 a.m. Mass, around noon. During this meeting, we will polish the church vessels in preparation for Holy Week.

More Announcements

-Be sure to save the date for the **Virginia March for Life**, which will be held on April 22nd, 2026!

-**Christendom College** will host a Spring Open House on Saturday, April 25, from 1–5 p.m. Located in Front Royal, Virginia, Christendom is the only college in the Diocese of Arlington recommended by the Newman Guide to Catholic Colleges. High school students and their families interested in a faithful Catholic college education are invited to meet Christendom's president, tour campus, and hear from students and professors. Applications for Fall 2026 are still open for seniors. Register or learn more at www.christendom.edu

-**St. Peter's Parish Girls Club - Magnolia Girls**: A virtue leadership club serving St. Peter's parish girls from 1st Holy Communion (2nd Grade) to 6th Grade. Run by mothers of the parish, we believe in the importance of instilling a spirit of service, striving in practice of good habits, and fostering personal discipline in young women. We are of the Parish, for the Parish! Magnolia Girls gives young women an opportunity to fulfill their feminine role of prayer, service, beauty and leadership! For questions contact Myla Beasley at mylagan@gmail.com.

Urge Voters to Reject

Virginia's Abortion Ammendment

Weakens Health and Safety Standards

Long-standing safety regulations designed to protect women's health could be challenged and struck down.

More Late Term Abortions

Abortion could be permitted up to the moment of birth even for mental health reasons. The current requirement that multiple physicians to agree that's irreparable harm to a woman's health if she proceeds with her pregnancy will be eliminated.

Upcoming Second Collections

March 22: St. Peter's Local Outreach

April 12: Building Fund and Maintenance

April 19: St. Peter's Local Outreach

April 26: Catholic Home Missions

Tenebrae

Meditate on Our Lord's betrayal, crucifixion, and burial by praying the Office of Tenebrae, April 2-4, starting at 5 AM. Basic programs will be provided - please bring a Bible (and an unobtrusive light) to follow along with the psalms and Scriptural passages. If you are interested in taking part in the chanting the office, please contact Ben Salmon at besalmon@outlook.com.

Palm Sunday Mass Times

Next Sunday, Mass times will be adjusted to accomodate the longer Palm Sunday Masses. The usual Sunday Masses will be held at 8:00 a.m., at 9:45 a.m., and at 12:00 p.m.

Pastor's Piece

Dear Folks,

With this Sunday we begin Passiontide. A time to especially bring to mind that our salvation was purchased by the death of our Lord Jesus. A holy sorrow for our sins should be in our hearts at this time. The statues are now covered as a reminder of this. Forgetting what is behind, let us take these last two weeks of Lent seriously and join our Lord in making reparation for our sins.

God Bless You,

-Fr. Beres