

*Prayer Requests Pray For....*

**Repose of Soul:** + Phillip Hofe, +Marshall E. Brown Sr. +Charles Gills, +Dan Holdnack, + Lowell Barnhart, +Fr. John Fitzgerald  
 ~ *May all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace: Amen!*

**Healing:** Kayleigh Boyer, Lew Miller, Gavin McAllister, Rosemarie Horz, Joe McKenzie, Robert Berger, Julie Fiori, Clare Hash, Lynda Swanson, Tammy Dickey, Andy McKenzie, JoAnn Santor, Eleanor Leasure, Bill Hudson, Terry Kibler, Laura Bivens, Kevin Lathwell  
 ~ *For these named, and for all the special intentions of our hearts.*

**And in our Military:** Ethan Souders, Connor Elbin, James Buchheit, Spencer Hose, Jared Hose, Mario Cook, Edmund Tiller, Jon Barker, Kendra Lorraine Appel, Garrett Fox, Benjamin Yellott, Wesley Woolford, Elizabeth Ricks, Colton Ashkettle, Sam Walker, Lance Fullwood.  
 ~ *Thank God and our country for their service!*

**Weekly Offering – April 28, 2024**

Weekend Attendance: 150

Envelopes \$714 Loose \$501 Poor Box \$81.01  
 Pew Plaque Donation \$1000 Give Central \$1525  
 Religious Ed Donation \$100 Utilities \$10  
 Total Offertory \$3931.01

**EWTN Four Day Pilgrimage**

Hanceville, Ala. Mother Angelica's May 28th -May 31st  
 We will attend a live broadcasting show **Sharing a Room - \$511.00 Single Rooms - \$624.00 Contact:** Terri Messersmith 301-639-0630 or Barbara Webster 717-658-8497... AGENDA: We will tour the monastery grounds & studio; Mother Angelica's tomb, Shroud of Turin exhibit; attend a live show of EWTN; have prayer & Mass & Adoration time; share in meals & talks on the spiritual life.

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**The Mass-Why we Catholics do that...**I recently had a wedding with many non-Catholics attending, they liked it and also wondered: *Why do we kneel, and stand, and do all these varied movements?*. We stand to praise and honor God especially in the Easter Season. We kneel to show adoration and humility. We walk (to Holy Communion) like we are on pilgrimage to God. We fold our hands for reverence; we exchange the Sign of Peace to be peacemakers. We sit to meditate: We live to worship Him 24/7!

**Mass Schedule and Intentions**

Saturday, May 4 <sup>th</sup> – 5:00 pm	Faithful of Ss. Peter & Patrick
Sunday, May 5 <sup>th</sup> – 7:30 am	Pam & Craig McCusker
Sunday May 5 <sup>th</sup> – 10:00 am	Marc & Ayla Heppding
Monday, May 6 <sup>th</sup> – 7:00 pm	+M Eleanor Woolford
Tuesday, May 7 <sup>th</sup> – 7:30 am	Lula Mae Jones
Wednesday, May 8 <sup>th</sup>	NO MASS
Thursday, May 9 <sup>th</sup> – 7:30 am	Jack & Rosalia Einhorn
Friday, May 10 <sup>th</sup> – 9:00 am	Irma Ashkettle
Saturday, May 11 <sup>th</sup> – 5:00 pm	Mary Appel
Sunday, May 12 <sup>th</sup> – 7:30 am	Faithful of Ss. Peter & Patrick
Sunday, May 13 <sup>th</sup> – 10:00 am	Shirley Breakall family

**Confession Times:** Half hour prior to weekend Masses & by appt

**Sunday Readings:** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 / 1 Jn 4:7-10 / Jn 15:9-17

**Next Sunday:** Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 / Mk 16:15-20

**Devotions: Monday** at 6:30pm- Rosary and Evening Prayer, 7:00pm Mass. -Miraculous Medal following.

**Thursday:** All day Adoration, and 7pm Holy Hr. & Rosary.  
 First Friday and First Saturday Masses & Confessions.

**WDTF Relevant Catholic Radio**

**Father Jack's Radio Program- "Semper Fi" airs online at**  
<https://soundcloud.com/wdtfradio1079>  
**Sundays at 1pm on 107.9 Berkeley Springs & 96.3 Hancock**

**Saint Peter & Saint Patrick  
 Catholic Parish**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter  
 May 5, 2024**



*May is Mary's Month: Our Lady of Monsterrate-Pray for us!*

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

May 5 8:45 am Last day of School of Religion  
10:00 am 1st Communion Mass

May 7 7:00 pm Bible Study-The Psalms

May Ascension Sunday-Transferred from Thurs in AOB

May 19 3:00 pm Youth Group

May 21 7:00 pm Bible Study -Quarrelsome Bible ?'s

May 23 6.30PM - Pastoral Council -all welcome

June 23 Parish Picnic – More info to come

\*Afternoon Trip to Holy Cross Trappist Abbey-Berryville, Va. June 9

\*Bus Trip to Bible Museum – August 10<sup>th</sup> \$100/person which covers transportation and admission.

### Spring BIBLE STUDY

May 7 - The Psalms: Explain why they have so many emotions therein. What is your go-to favorite Psalm? Ever sing them?

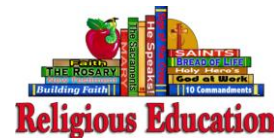
What are the different major-genres of Psalms?

How do the Psalms help you to pray, live, emote, worship?

Who is the Author / dating of the Psalms?

How are the Psalms used in the Church, liturgy, prayer? See Video-YouTube: “The Book of Psalms: A Complete animated Overview”

**The Pew-Memorial Program** has been a success and continues to gather more donors. Call us if you would like to make a donation and remembrance of a loved one to St. Peter or St. Patrick Church--\$1000



## Religious Education

May 5, 2024 – Last day of Religious Education

A heartfelt thank you to the teachers for volunteering their time and talents for a successful program and helping our students grow in their faith. We ask for prayers that the Spirit of Jesus be watching and caring over each one of them. May the Holy Spirit keep them healthy, happy, and loving. May they enjoy God’s gift of good times with friends, warm days, and family vacations.

**REGISTRATION soon for 2024-2025 school year and Vacation Bible School – July 8<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>**

Celebrating the sacrament of their  
1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion today.

Asher William Bailey  
Evelyn Ann Haber  
Jacob David Haber  
Nicholas Devine

Congratulations!!



**SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR MONEY COUNTING.** Please contact the office for more info & helping— Still needed!

### Sunday Sermon—Divine Love: Remain Don’t Profane

*We all have in-built love and desire—for The All, Something or Someone Bigger. Saints love God & the Church and others the right ways, while others—do it wrong, harmful, ugly ways—like so many school rioters, we saw this week. So...Remain in His love / don’t profane Him.*

1-Make the right holy choice—for God, not sin—His Way, not Satan’s. We can profane Him, not remain—yes, get out of His grace-thru:- Serious sin = 1 Jn. 5:16-17 = Mortal Sin (cf. Gal. 5:22). Sin that kills the soul involves: Serious matter; knowledge that it is sinful; & consent of our will—free choice. *–Don’t go there!*

2- Distinguish: Love isn’t just a feeling – Love is of the will-*a choice* as well as an emotion. Here’s Five words to remember= Mooshy love, Or: From Above?  
3-Love entails proper actions, Jesus says: “You are my friends if you do what I command you” (Jn. 15). Wow! Morality matters. Actual actions actuate agape-I.e., When we truly love God we act rightly & “Remain in His love” (Jn.15:9). How? Natural lovers “do Love” more easily, while “learners” need work at it.. It’s easy to love ice cream and hobbies & friends --but tough love is needed too-for bothersome people and broccoli!

Conclusion - How to Remain in Him, His Love.:

1-Recommit every day. St Phillip Neri said, “Lord keep your hand on Filippo, for today he may betray you.” Realize you are vulnerable and, also, consciously re-commit to Him each day. (*Lord Jesus: I need You, I love You, I trust You.*)”

2-Pracrice doing what He did. Good deeds & actions for others—heroically.

3-Pray - For instance, pray: *Litany of the Love of God*; and visualize-God is Love (1 Jn. 4:16). So, He is both a noun (Three Divine Persons, personal) and, also, a verb: active, undulating (Mk. 5:30)-receive His powers. Image both a lake (Noun, stable)and a flowing river (verb, ongoing( glowing to you—and join in Him: Remain!

## United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland

In re: Roman Catholic Archbishop of Baltimore  
Case No. 23-16969

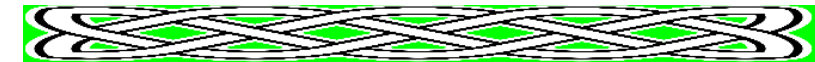
### Claims Notice for Victims of Sexual Abuse and Others with Claims Against the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Baltimore

If you were sexually abused by any person or entity connected with the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Baltimore (also known as the Archdiocese of Baltimore), a Roman Catholic parish or Roman Catholic school within the geographical area of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Baltimore, or have any claim against the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Baltimore, you must file a claim by **May 31, 2024**. If you fail to file a timely claim, you may lose the right to assert a claim at a later date.



For more Diocesan information, visit: <https://www.archbalt.org/>  
or <https://dm.epiq11.com/RCA/Baltimore>

For U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland information, visit: <http://www.mdb.uscourts.gov/>



Reflections of the Sixth Sunday of Easter  
Christian discipleship can bring up many challenges and demands. None are so challenging or so potentially transformative as the commandment we hear today. Jesus reveals his central commandment, boiled down to three words: “love one another.”

We are made to love. Yet the love that Jesus is calling us to is not the love that we would normally choose. It is a love that is literally off all our charts and will challenge everything we know about love.

Love is the simplest and most difficult of commandments. Here God is inviting us to surrender our choosing and understand ourselves as being chosen, chosen to reveal the love of God by caring for those who are opposed to us, loving those who hate us, and erasing every boundary to our love that we have erected. Jesus wants us to share in his love, the love of the Father. The only way to do that is to find the edge of our loving, our compassion, our concern, and push past it.

The invitation that Jesus offers today will make us transformed people and we will become what we are called to be: true witnesses and living examples of the love of God.

They will know we are Christians by our love! ~Deacon Jim Mason