Saint Peter the Apostle CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am | 10:00 am | 11:30 am

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays | 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

Wednesdays | 8:30 am *(following 8:00 am Mass)*

First Saturdays | 8:30 am *(following 8:00 am Mass)*

The Most Holy Trinity

May 30, 2021

The Lord is God
in the heavens above
and on earth below;
there is no other.

Deuteronomy 4:39

From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

There is so much more to God than we can ever comprehend. This is the mystery we celebrate today, **Trinity Sunday**. The Trinity — three divine persons in one God — offers us a model for living. Just as three persons of the Trinity are united as one, we must strive to live in ever -greater unity with God and with one another. So much can be said about the nature of God, and as much as we can say there is infinitely more than we cannot say or know. This is the mystery of God we celebrate today: God Who gave Himself to us as a Father who created us, the Son who redeemed us, and the Holy Spirit who sanctifies and guides us. Yet, there are not three Gods, but only ONE: Three distinct persons in One eternal God. A mystery we can contemplate and comprehend in one sense, but nonetheless a mystery that escapes our understanding — and so we stand in awe and wonder of this beautiful mystery, and seek to draw closer to Him throughout our lives so that we can be happy with Him forever in Heaven.

Next Sunday is another beautiful Feast day… the Solemnity of **Corpus Christi**. This feast is in honor of the Most Holy Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eucharist. It is, as the late Saint John Paul II said, a great celebration in honor of the Real Presence! At every Mass, the change that takes place in the bread and wine is completely supernatural, mysterious, and effected only by the power of God. Thus, we arrive at the change of substances or "transubstantiation." It is required for all Catholics to believe as an article of faith that the species of the Blessed Sacrament, after the consecration, is really the Body and Blood of Christ under the appearances of bread and wine. It's up to us to accept the gift Jesus gives us. When all is said and done, the Eucharist is about love: God's love for us. Jesus, in this wonderful Sacrament, gives us His body and blood as food for our journey home to heaven.

Summer officially begins June 20th. For many children and young people the school season has ended or will soon end. It certainly should be a time for relaxation and vacations. But remember, we never take a vacation from God and the celebration of Sunday Mass. The Mass is the greatest prayer on earth and nothing, not even watching it on-line can ever replace the worship given to us by Jesus Christ. I do hope that all of us will continue to pray and grow in holiness each day.

God's Blessings!

Fr. Noesen

CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD BLESS

Father Larry Brunette

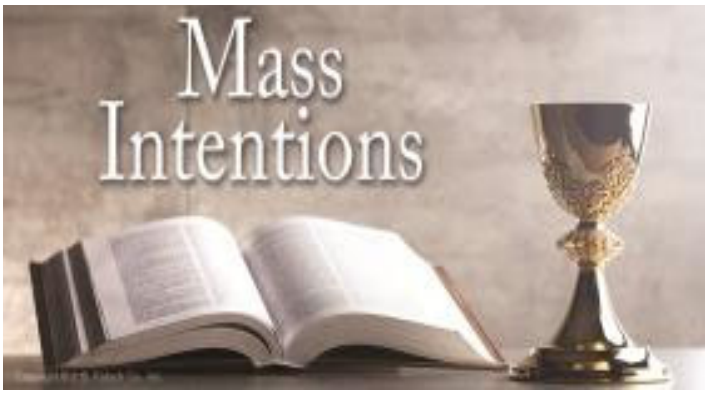
on the Anniversary of his Ordination

(May 29, 1999)

Please pray for Father Larry and his continued ministry to our parish and all those whom he serves.

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday:	Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112:1-2, 7-9; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday:	Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25:2-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 12:28-34
Friday:	Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-10; Mk 12:35-37
Saturday:	Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tb 13:2, 6efgh-8; Mk 12:38-44
Sunday:	Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26



Sunday	**May 30** *(The Most Holy Trinity)*
8:30 am	†Minnie LaMendola
10:00 am	†Mario and Sal Russo
11:30 am	†Ellen Cullinane
	†Margaret DelPreto
	†Jim and Maryann Koback
	The Cali Family - *Special Intention*
	For an End to Abortion
	People of the Parish
Monday	**May 31** *(The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary)*
9:00 am	†Brian Beers
Tuesday	**June 1** *(Weekday)*
8:00 am	†Glenn Christensen
Wednesday	**June 2** *(Weekday)*
8:00 am	†Bernard and Irene Leonard
Thursday	**June 3** *(St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs)*
8:00 am	†Joan Streich
Friday	**June 4** *(Weekday)*
8:00 am	†Mary Scola Pincente
Saturday	**June 5** *(St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr)*
8:00 am	†Bruce Gariti
	Father Noesen's 28th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood
Saturday	**June 5** *(Vigil: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ)*
5:00 pm	†Robert Hoffman
	†Elizabeth Lisak
	†Pat Riley
	†Anthony Pontillo
	†Andrzej Szymikowski
	People of the Parish
Sunday	**June 6** *(The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ)*
8:30 am	For an End to Abortion
10:00 am	†Robert Irsuto Sr.
11:30 am	†Margaret DelPreto
	†Richard and Diane Fejdasz
	†Filippa Gariti
	†Denis McNamara

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Memorial Day Monday, May 31st

On Monday we have the celebration of the Feast of the Visitation on the Church calendar combined with the American celebration of Memorial Day.

I think we often overlook how difficult a journey it was for Mary to travel from Nazareth all the way to Jerusalem to the home of her cousin, Elizabeth. We see Mary respond so easily. She goes "with haste" even. She is a woman of virtue who sees a need to help Elizabeth in her pregnancy and she just goes.

On this Memorial Day, the story of the visitation reminds me of this same kind of spirit in those who have given their lives in service of our country. They were aware of a problem and without thinking about themselves so much, they went to war to fight for our freedoms and liberties. When there is an urgent need, our nation is threatened, our allies are in trouble, the world is threatened, many Americans throughout the history of this country answered the call to serve. How many American soldiers "with haste" went to serve knowing that it may lead to death?

May we reflect on these two days… both that tell of service and sacrifice. May these days help us to reflect more on our duty to do the same.

Let us be a grateful Nation. Let us offer up our prayers for the countless men and women who served and gave their lives in service to our Nation. Let us be grateful for the spirit of sacrifice that has brought us the gift of salvation. Join us for Mass on Monday at 9:00 am.

May each of us have a generous and courageous spirit as we look out for our brothers and sisters in need and go "with haste" to help them.

Blessings in the Lord of Life.

Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

	Sunday Collection	Year to Date
Fiscal Week 47: 05/23/2021	$ 8,360.73	$ 436,965.19

Financial figures reflect the parish fiscal year of July 1st through June 30th.

If you have any questions concerning the collection numbers, please feel free to contact the Business Office at 630-773-1272 (ext. 204).

DONATE NOW with give central

Electronic Giving is available using GiveCentral

Please visit the parish website and look for the GiveCentral icon to link to the secure online giving portal.

You can also connect directly by visiting the website directly at givecentral.org/location/1251

There has been great progress made over the last three years towards paying off the original parish debt of $2 million dollars. As of April 30, 2021, our capital project debt stands at $437,670.00. Thank you for your stewardship and prayers.

Please keep Saint Peter the Apostle Parish in mind when making out your Will and in doing your Estate Planning. Remembering the Church is a beautiful and fitting way to make a lasting memorial statement of faith for future generations.

This Week at St. Peter's...

Sunday	**May 30**
12:30 pm	Motorcycle Blessing *(Parking Lot)*
Tuesday	**June 1**
10:00 am	Crochet Group *(MW Parish Hall)*
7:15 pm	Tuesday Evening Rosary *(Church)*
Wednesday	**June 2**
8:30 am	Confessions *(Church)*
Thursday	**June 3**
7:00 pm	Baptism Prep Class *(PC Conference Room)*
Friday	**June 4**
8:00 am	Eucharistic Adoration begins with Mass
8:30am	Benediction and Rosary for our Nation
Saturday	**June 5**
4:15 pm	Confessions *(Church)*

PLEASE NOTE:
The Parish Center will be closed on Monday, May 31 in observance of Memorial Day.

Roman Catholic Diocese of Joliet — Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

Dear Parish Family,

I would encourage you to continue to be faithful not only in your Sunday giving to the parish, but also in your support of this year's ***Diocese of Joliet Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal***. Thanks to the parishioners of the parish who have contributed and pledged to the annual appeal this year. At Saint Peter the Apostle Parish we still have a way to go as you can see from the numbers below.

2021 Goal for Saint Peter the Apostle Parish - $52,400

Amount Pledged to Date - $49,895

Amount Paid to Date - $45,020

Please help our parish reach our mandated target goal by next month. Gifts are slowly coming in so let's make a tremendous effort this week or month so we can move on to other important matters in our parish. Please find a pledge envelope at the entrances of the church. Fill it out with your payment or pledge and drop it in the Sunday collection or mail it to the Diocese. You can also make your gift on-line through the Diocesan website. The site is https://www.jolietdioceseappeal.org/

Simply do what you can, allow the Lord to direct you in your generosity, take your part in the work of Jesus Christ – be a partner in caring for God's people. Consider becoming a member of the Bishop's Deo Gratias Society.

God bless you for your generosity and support.

Fr. Noesen

Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal
Diocese of Joliet

Blessing of Motorcycles

Sunday, May 30

following the 11:30 am Mass

Saint Peter's Parking Lot

As we celebrate the upcoming Memorial Day weekend, we recognize the unofficial start of summer, and with it, the motorcycling season.

This year, for the first time, St. Peter's will host a blessing of motorcycles and cyclists in the parish parking lot on ***Sunday, May 30, following the 11:30 am Mass, rain or shine***.

If you ride, or know someone who does, please consider being a part of this special ceremony. Though held outside, COVID protocols will be in force; social distancing and the wearing of masks (or helmets).

Anyone interested, is also invited to take a ride to get lunch following the blessing. Details TBD.

TO SUPPORT ST. PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH

The Tardi Family is hosting a GARAGE SALE with proceeds to be donated to the parish.

Friday - Monday, May 28-31, 2021

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

The Tardi Resident
440 S. Walnut
Itasca

Stop by to see what treasures await you!

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND A ROSARY FOR OUR NATION

Friday, June 4
begins following 8:00 am Mass
and will conclude at 8:00 pm

Come spend quiet time with Jesus before this Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

This is a wonderful time to offer your prayers of thanksgiving or prayers of petitions for yourself or loved ones.

To ensure that two people are present at all times, anyone wanting and able to commit to a one-hour time slot is asked to sign up using the link available on the parish website at stpeteritasca.com

The Eucharist makes present again the sacrifice of the cross in an unbloodly manner.

The sacrifice of Christ and the sacrifice of the Eucharist are one, single sacrifice, given for our salvation. Jesus is the "Pure Victim, the Holy Victim, the Spotless Victim, the Holy Bread of Eternal Life and Chalice of Everlasting Salvation."

This coming Friday let us continue to remember with prayer all the Veterans of War who gave of their lives in service to our Country, and for all Americans living and dead. Let us be grateful for all those who serve in the Armed Forces. Pray for those who protect our Country from enemies foreign or domestic.

Come for Mass, Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary. Let us thank and pray to God for our freedoms, liberties and especially our Religious rights and freedoms.

Apostolic Succession

(continued from last week)

Historical Origin

A second issue the apologist will encounter when discussing the office of bishop concerns its historical origin with respect to the office of priest. The New Testament appears to use the terms *bishop*(*episkopos*) and *priest* (*presbuteros*) interchangeably (Acts 20:17 with 20:28, Tit. 1:5-7). It also speaks of there being more than one bishop in a given church (Phil. 1:1). From the end of the first century onward there appears to have been only one bishop (see the letters of Ignatius of Antioch, A.D. 107) or one main bishop plus assistant/auxiliary bishops, such as the *chorepisopus.*

There is more than one way to account for the transition from one state of affairs to the other. However, it seems most likely that the individuals referred to in the New Testament as bishops or presbyters did not possess the fullness of holy orders but were equivalent to modern priests. As the apostles began to pass from the scene, they appointed certain non-apostles-e.g., Timothy, Titus, Mark, Philip, and Apollos-to oversee multiple local congregations and to appoint (Tit. 1:5) and discipline (1 Tim. 5:19-20) individual presbyters within them.

At the time, these individuals were called evangelists (Acts 21:8, Eph. 4:11, 2 Tim 4:5). By the end of the first century the term *overseer* (bishop) may have gravitated to them because they oversaw the individual congregations and presbyters. The term *bishop,* on this hypothesis, thus supplanted the earlier term *evangelist.* To understand why this happened, one should note that in the apostolic age, all of the terms now attached to Catholic ministry-*episkopos* (overseer, bishop), *presbuteros* (elder, priest), *diakonos* (servant, minister, deacon)-were fluid in meaning and could apply to different offices. Anyone who had an oversight role could be called a bishop, anyone who was an elder in the community could be called a presbyter, and anyone in the community who served or ministered could be called a deacon.

This was true even if the person in question had the highest office of all: that of apostle. The apostles Judas and his successor Matthias could be described as having a "bishopric" (Acts 1:20). The apostle Peter could describe himself as a "fellow elder" (1 Pet. 5:1); and the apostle Paul could describe himself as a "servant" or "minister" (*diakonos*, 1 Cor. 3:5, 2 Cor. 3:6, 6:4, 11:23, Eph. 3:7, Col. 1:23, 25). The terms had not acquired the technical senses they did over the course of the first century.

The evidence would seem to indicate that the functions of overseeing, serving as elders, and ministering to the Christian community were all exercised by the apostles. As the Church grew, they began to discharge these functions, beginning with the lowest (which is the typical pattern with any corporation-the founders delegate the lowest functions to others first, the highest functions last). Thus the apostles appointed first deacons (Acts 6:1-6), then elders (14:23), and lastly evangelists (cf. Acts 21:8).

As the terms for these offices began to acquire their technical meanings, the servile term *servant* (*diakonos*) naturally attached itself to the lowest of these three ranks, as the more senior term *elder* (*presbuteros*) did to the second office. The high term *overseer* (*episkopos*) at first attached itself to the office of presbyter when these men were the highest ministers in local churches. Later *overseer* became attached to the office of evangelist when the apostles began to appoint men with the higher authority to appoint and discipline presbyters.

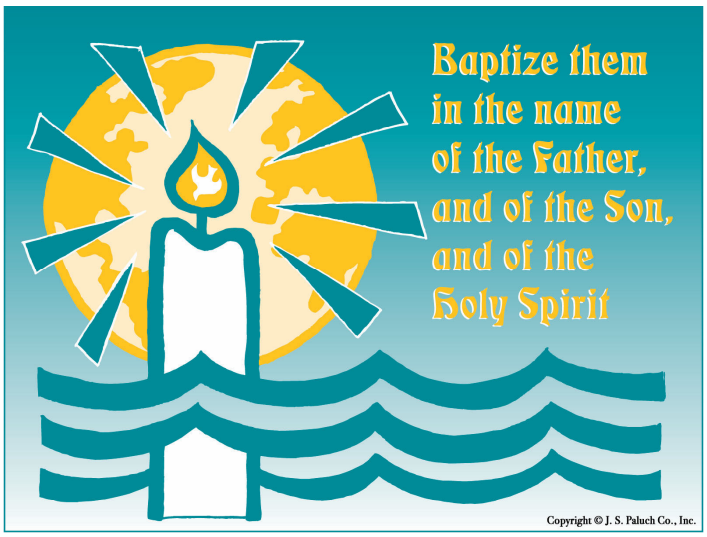
The understanding is further supported by the strong tradition of the Church Fathers that the three offices date from the time of the apostles, to whom early Church writers who attribute the ordination of specific, individual bishops (e.g., Ignatius [Eusebius, *Ecclesiastical History* 3:36], Symeon [ibid. 3:11]). The understanding is also supported by later writers' recognition as bishops of those known in the New Testament as *evangelists* (Eusebius, *Ecclesiastical History* 3:4). Whichever account of the origin of the office is correct, bishop was a distinct office by the late first century, the end of the apostolic age. This is evident because at the beginning of the second century, Ignatius of Antioch wrote a series of letters (A.D. 107) to local churches as he journeyed to Rome for his execution. In these letters, he repeatedly attests that each local church he passes has the three-fold hierarchy of a bishop, several priests, and several deacons.

He is so confident of this usage that he can say that without these three offices a local body cannot be called a church (*Trallians* 3:1-2). These facts show that the usage was already widespread at the dawn of the second century, so it must have first been established in the late first century, at the close of the apostolic age.

The Trinity Love

Pope Francis

"The Trinity Love that is at the heart of the divine life of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. It is a life of profound communion and perfect love, the origin and end of the whole universe and of every creature. But the Holy Trinity is also the model of the Church in which we are called to love one another as Jesus has loved us. Love is the distinctive mark of the Christian. As Catholic Christians, we are called to bear witness to and announce the message that God is love, that God is not distant or insensible to our human affairs. God, the Pope said, is close to us, He is always by our side, He walks with us to share our joys and our sorrows, our hopes and our struggles. He loves human beings so much that He sent His only Son, the Second Person of the Trinity, into the world, that the world might be saved through Jesus. It is the Holy Spirit, the gift of the Risen Jesus, that communicates the divine life to us and so makes us enter into the dynamism of the Trinity, a dynamism of love, of communion, of reciprocal service, of sharing. A person, a family, a parish that loves others for the sake of love is a reflection of the Trinity. But although true love is without limits, true love also knows when to limit itself in order to meet the other, to respect the liberty of the other.'

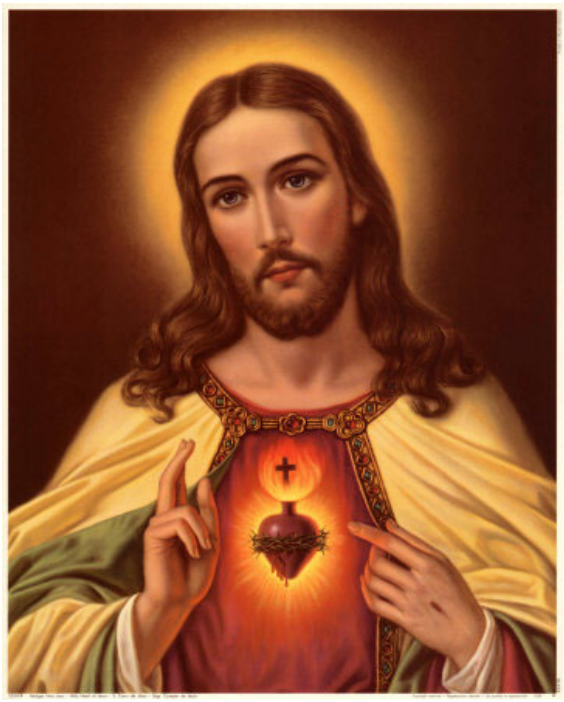


Honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus —

JUNE IS THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

Pope Francis

The month of June is traditionally dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the highest human expression of divine love. Usually, early in the month of June we celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: the feast that sets the tone for the whole month. Popular piety highly prizes symbols, and the Heart of Jesus is the ultimate symbol of God's mercy – but it is not an imaginary symbol, it is a real symbol, which represents the center, the source from which salvation for all humanity gushed forth. In the Gospels we find several references to the Heart of Jesus, for example, in the passage where Christ says, "Come unto me, all you that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart. (Mt 11:28-29)" Then there is the key story of the death of Christ according to John. This evangelist in fact testifies to what he saw on Calvary: that a soldier, when Jesus was already dead, pierced his side with a spear, and from the wound flowed blood and water (cf. Jn 19.33-34). John recognized in that – apparently random – sign, the fulfillment of prophecies: from the heart of Jesus, the Lamb slain on the cross, flow forgiveness and life for all people. But the mercy and forgiveness of Jesus is not just sentiment: Indeed, it is a force that gives life, that raises man up! So let us go to the Lord, who is mercy itself. And let us turn to the Virgin Mary: her immaculate heart – a mother's heart – which has shared the "compassion" of God to the full, especially at the hour of the passion and death of Jesus. May Mary help us to be meek, humble and compassionate with our one another.



The Twelve Promises of Jesus to Saint Margaret Mary for those devoted to His Sacred Heart:

- I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
- I will establish peace in their families.
- I will console them in all their troubles.
- They shall find in My Heart an assured refuge during life and especially at the hour of their death.
- I will pour abundant blessings on all their undertakings.
- Sinners shall find in My Heart the source of an infinite ocean of mercy.
- Tepid souls shall become fervent.
- Fervent souls shall speedily rise to great perfection.
- I will bless the homes where an image of My Heart shall be exposed and honored.
- I will give to priests the power of touching the most hardened hearts.
- Those who propagate this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart, never to be effaced.
- The all-powerful love of My Heart will grant to all those who shall receive Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die under my displeasure, nor without receiving their Sacraments; My heart shall be their assured refuge at that last hour.

An Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Most sweet Jesus, humbly kneeling at Thy feet, we renew the consecration of our family to Thy Divine Heart. Be Thou our King forever! In Thee we have full and entire confidence. May Thy spirit penetrate our thoughts, our desires, our words and our deeds. Bless our undertakings, share in our joys, in our trials, and in our labors. Grant us to know Thee better, to love Thee more, to serve Thee without faltering.

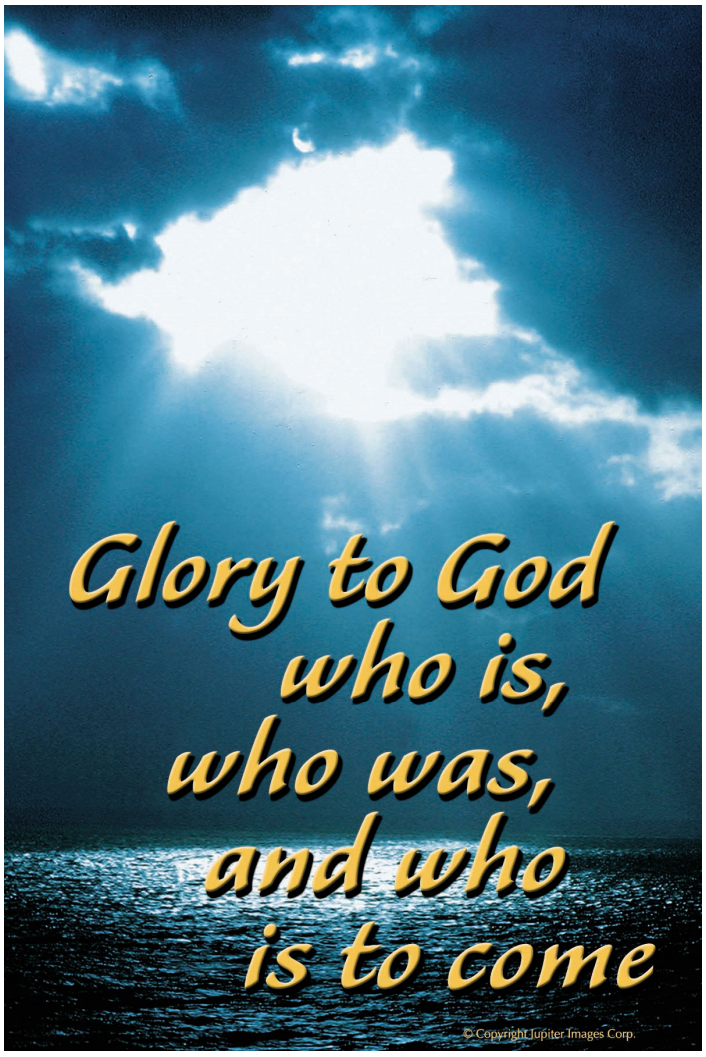
The Month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart. The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the Friday following the second Sunday after Pentecost. In addition to the liturgical celebration, many devotional exercises are connected with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Of all devotions, devotion to the Sacred Heart was, and remains, one of the most widespread and popular in the Church.

Understood in the light of the Scriptures, the term "Sacred Heart of Jesus" denotes the entire mystery of Christ, the totality of his being, and his person considered in its most intimate essential: Son of God, uncreated wisdom; infinite charity, principal of the salvation and sanctification of mankind. The "Sacred Heart" is Christ, the Word Incarnate, Savior, intrinsically containing, in the Spirit, an infinite divine-human love for the Father and for his brothers.

What Does The Immaculate Heart of Mary mean?

The Immaculate Heart of Mary signifies, first of all, the great purity and love of the heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary for God. This purity is manifested in her "Yes" to the Father at the Incarnation, Her love for, and cooperation with, the Incarnate Son in His redemptive mission, and her docility to the Holy Spirit, enabling her to remain free of the stain of personal sin throughout her life. Mary's Immaculate Heart, therefore, points us to her profound interior life, where she experienced both joys and sorrows, yet remained faithful, as we, too, are called to do.

This year, we celebrate the Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary on June 12. Join us for morning Mass at 8:00 am and for devotional prayers to the Blessed Mother.



Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

Joann Anderson
Michelle Anderson
Sue Bobka
Mike Carey
Eunice Cleveland
Robert Cleveland
Regina Conti
Dona Corrigan
Colin Cummins
Mary Cummins
Michael Cummins
Paul Cummins
Scott Erickson
Gerri Gerard
Mel Gerard
Brad Grabow
Mike Graziano
Gary Grote
Virginia Halac
Ken Hemstreet
Mary Hosters
Anne Keeton
Rickie Kruzel
JoLynn Lash
Lilly Lima
Gene Mikulecky
Christopher Mizera
Holly Vana
Tom Vana
Harriett Pinkowski
Bonnie Pollock
Nikki Recchia
Brendan Reidy
Ann Marie Rossi
John Rossi
Wayne Slowiak
Linda Wuerffel
Carol Zell

Published prayer requests require permission from the named individual or their family.
Names will be listed for six weeks, after which time you may call the Parish Center to renew your request.

Join our Holy Father, Pope Francis, in his May prayers for the Church and for the world:

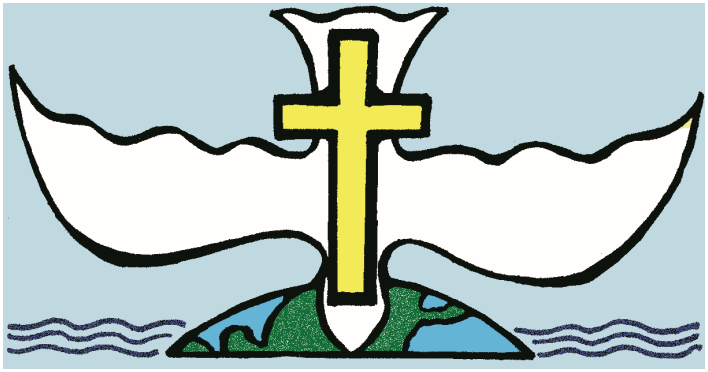
THE WORLD OF FINANCE
Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate financial markets and protect citizens from its dangers.

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen

PFC Ryan Caspary, US Army 101st Airborne
LCpl James J. Cullotta, US Marines
SGT Michael D'Andrea, US Army
Maj Joseph DeHaven, US Army
CPT Steven Gregor, US Army
SGT Michael Helle, US Army
Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines
PVT Aleksandra Juzwiak, Army National Guard
SGT Jacob Los, US Army
Major Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army
1stLt John Kenneth Murphy, US Marines
Kevin Noesen, US Coastguard
SGT Marcin Platek, US Marines
2LT Megan Putze, Army National Guard
SGT Michael Schatzman, US Army
LTJG Albert J. Schrautemyer III, US Navy Pilot (Persian Gulf)
SGT Jeremy Schumacher, US Marines
Robert P. Woods Lt. JG. US Navy
Thomas Zablocki, US Marines
PO2 Benjamin Zubak, US Navy

Go . . . and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

— *Matthew 28:19*



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PARISH CENTER BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm
Friday-Sunday: CLOSED (or by appointment)

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please visit or call the Parish Center (ext. 200) to register.

TRAVELING?
Call 410-676-6000 or log onto www.masstimes.org for the location and schedule of Masses throughout the U.S.

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENT AND BULLETIN DEADLINES

NOTE: Parish staff reserves the right to accept and/or decline, as well as edit, both pulpit announcements and bulletin submissions.

Pulpit announcement requests are to be submitted to the Parish Center no later than the **Tuesday preceding** the weekend during which the announcement is to be made. Announcements may be submitted by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200) or by e-mail to **office@stpeteritasca.com.**

Bulletin submissions are to be submitted **no later than 8 days preceding** requested publication date. Notices and full page flyers will run for a maximum of two weeks, and priority will be given to items that are date sensitive. If possible, all items should be typed for legibility and accuracy and dropped off at the Parish Center or sent via e-mail to **bulletin@stpeteritasca.com**.

CONFESSIONS

Weekly on Wednesday at 8:30 am *(following Mass)*
Weekly on Saturday - 4:15-4:45 pm
First Saturdays at 8:30 am *(following Mass)*

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Adults interested in becoming Catholic or learning about the Catholic faith should contact the Parish Center for information.

BAPTISMS

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated either during a weekend Mass or on the third Sunday of the month at 12:45 pm (immediately following 11:30 am Mass). Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation class prior to the Baptism. Classes are held in the Parish Center at 7:00 pm on the first Thursday of each month. Please call the Parish Center for more information.

Required paperwork MUST be submitted to the parish office **no later than ten (10) business days prior to the baptismal date or your date will be rescheduled.** This includes all necessary information regarding family records and godparents. Please read the **baptism planning information** provided before selecting a godparent. A sponsor certificate must be provided **by each godparent**. The proper **sponsor certificate** for St. Peter the Apostle is included with the baptism packet. Christian witnesses are most welcome to celebrate with the family and community, but please note they are not recorded as sponsors on the Baptismal Certificate or in the Baptismal Register.

WEDDINGS

According to diocesan policy, the parish must be contacted six months prior to the intended wedding date. Please call the Parish Center (ext. 201) for information.

HOSPITALIZATION NOTIFICATIONS AND SICK/HOMEBOUND ARRANGEMENTS

Due to hospital admitting policies, it is necessary to inform the Parish Center when hospitalized parishioners would like a visit from Fr. Noesen or a deacon. Likewise, please call if you would like a visit while convalescing at home or at a facility.

Additionally, before being admitted to a hospital for surgery, it is advisable to call Fr. Noesen to arrange to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Please contact the Parish Center at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200) to arrange for communion visits to the homebound.

FUNERALS

It is the responsibility of the parish to bury their dead. The funeral director will contact the Parish Center regarding arrangements. Funerals are ordinarily celebrated at 10:00 am.

For more information, please read guidelines for Funeral Planning on the parish website.

If it is too difficult for you to walk to the front of the church to receive Communion, please know that at each Mass an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion comes to the back of the church to distribute Communion. If you would like to have the Extraordinary Minister give you communion in the back of church, please let an usher know before Mass begins. At Communion time, when you see the Extraordinary Minister come to the back, please raise your hand so that they can see you and give you Holy Communion.

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Please fill out the form below and someone from the Parish Office will contact you to complete your registration. Return this form either through the mail or drop it in the Sunday collection. You can also register by calling the parish office or by visiting the parish website.

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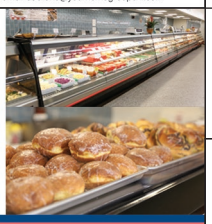

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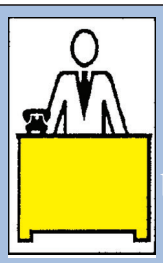

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