

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



## ST PETER THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### Parish Bulletin

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### MASSSES

*All masses will continue to be live streamed.  
Masks are optional when attending mass.*

Monday - 9:00 am (English)  
Tuesday - 9:00 am (English) & 6:30 pm (Spanish)  
Wednesday - 9:00 am (English)  
First Friday of the Month - 9:00 am (English)  
Saturday - 5:00 pm (Bilingual)  
Sunday - 7:00 am (Spanish), 9:00 am (English) &  
12:00 pm (Spanish)

### WELCOME!

What a beautiful place God has provided us here on the shore! Whether you're just visiting us for a brief time, looking for a new parish home or are returning to the practice of your Catholic faith, we are happy to have you. We invite you to browse our website and come visit in person as you find your home within our growing community!

### MISSION

We, the members of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, experience our faith as a worldwide community. Through our Baptism in Jesus, we are called to be ministers of the gospel, to become Eucharistic people, and to be people of service through the stewardship of time, talent and treasure.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	April 25th	5:00 PM	† Alvaro Gonzalez, † Al Denn, † Jandt Whalen
Sunday	April 26th	7:00 AM	(Available)
		9:00 AM	(Available)
		12:00 PM	(Available)
Monday	April 27th	9:00 AM	(Available)
Tuesday	April 28th	9:00 AM	(Available)
Wednesday	April 29th	9:00 am	(Available)
Saturday	May 2nd	5:00 pm	(Available)
Sunday	May 3rd	9:00 AM	(Available)
		12:00 PM	(Available)



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sun, April 26th-Acts 2:14/1 Pet 2:20-25/Jh 10:1-10**  
**Mon, April 27th-Acts 11:1-18/Jh 10:11-18**  
**Tues, April 28th-Acts 11:19-26/Jh 10:22-30**  
**Wed, April 29th-Acts 12:24/Jh 12:44-50**  
**Thurs, April 30th-Acts 13:13-25/Jh 13:16-20**  
**Fri, May 1st-Acts 13:26-33/Jh 14:1-6**  
**Sat, May 2nd-Acts 13:44-52/Jh 14:7-14**  
**Sun, May 3rd-Acts 6:1-7/1 Pet 2:4-9/Jh 14:1-12**

**Please get in touch with the ushers before mass if you have asked for a Mass Intention to offer the offertory gift during the mass.**

Save the Date

### NEXT WEEK'S LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

#### Eucharist Minister

Saturday, May 2nd

5:00 pm - Judy Manning, Teri Daley, Milania Gabriel

Sunday, May 3rd

9:00 am - Jane Regan, Delores Thompson, Stanley Thompson, Sarah Coleman, Donna Custis

12:00 pm - David Perez, Irene Ambrosio, Darias Vasquez, Giselle Reyes, Ingrid Vasquez

#### Lector

Saturday, May 2nd

5:00 pm - Youth Lector

Sunday, May 3rd

9:00 am - Youth Lector

#### Altar Servers

Saturday, May 2nd

5:00 pm - Daniel P, Benny G, Lily R, Nick SC, Sulamita G, Mr. Lou

Sunday, May 3rd

7:00 am - Kimberly VV, Ashley VV, Brisa PM, Thania EV MC, Nahomy G

9:00 am - Arianny P, Henry H, Larry H, George B, Keylandy C, Mr. Lou

12:00 pm - Natli VEL, Darel F, Yuridid V, Miguel G, Gabriel G, Mr. Ben

Tuesday, May 5th

6:30 pm - Maria IS, Jenaro S, Cindy BV, Lilian BP, Perla V, Mr. Ben

### EVENTS & MEETINGS

#### Monday, April 27th

9:00 am - Mass

12:00 pm - AA Mtg (Hall)

6:00 pm - Hisp Youth Group Mtg (Hall)

7:00 pm - Luz Y Vida Ministry Mtg (Narthex)

#### Tuesday, April 28th

9:00 am - Mass

6:30 pm - Mass & Holy Hour

#### Wednesday, April 29th

9:00 am - Mass

6:00 pm - "Senaculo" by Hisp Prayer Ministry (Hall)

#### Thursday, April 30th

4:00 pm - Mass Birthday Celebration (Church)

#### Friday, May 1st

9:00 am - Mass & Adoration (Church)

7:00 pm - Hispanic Ministry General Mtg (Hall)

#### Saturday, May 2nd

**All Day - "Galeria" by Marian Ministry (Hall)**

4:00 pm - Reconciliation

5:00 pm - Mass

6:30 pm - Charismatics (Hall)

9:00 pm - Hisp. Ministries Vigil (Hall)

#### Sunday, May 3rd

**Food Sale by Hisp Choir (Outside)**

**All Day - "Galeria" by Marian Ministry (Hall)**

7:00 am - Mass (Spa)

8:30 am - Hisp Usher Mtg (Library)

9:00 am - Mass (Eng)

12:00 pm - Mass (Spa)

3:00 pm - Hisp Baptism Class (Narthex)

3:00 pm - Hisp Marriage Class (McNulty)

4:00 pm - Emmaus Men Mtg (Hall)

## REFLECTING THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS:

### Jesus is the gate for his sheep.

This fourth Sunday of the Easter season is sometimes called Good Shepherd Sunday because in each of the three lectionary cycles, the Gospel reading invites us to reflect on Jesus as the Good Shepherd. In each cycle the reading is from the tenth chapter of John's Gospel. This chapter sets the framework for Jesus' teaching about himself as the Good Shepherd. Today's reading falls between the stories of Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the raising of Lazarus. Both of these stories were proclaimed in the Gospels found in this year's season of Lent. Following the controversy that ensued when Jesus healed the man born blind, Jesus directs his allegory about the sheep and the shepherd toward the Jewish religious leaders of his time, the Pharisees. Throughout John's Gospel the Pharisees fail to accept Jesus' ministry and teaching. They show themselves to be "robbers and thieves" because they try to lead the sheep without entering through the gate, Jesus. Through these metaphors, Jesus is telling his listeners that those who follow him and his way will find abundant life. He identifies himself both as the shepherd and the gate. The shepherds who are faithful to him are the ones whom the sheep (Jesus' disciples) should follow. The relationship between the sheep and their shepherd is based on familiarity. Sheep recognize their shepherd and will not follow a stranger. At the end of the day, shepherds lead their sheep from pastures to a common gated area called a sheepfold. There, one shepherd protects all of the sheep until the next day when each shepherd returns to lead his own sheep to pasture. As shepherds move among the sheep, the sheep follow only their shepherd. Today's Gospel also gives us the opportunity to reflect on Christian leadership. Jesus' words suggest to us that those who will lead the Christian community will be known by their faithfulness to Jesus. The leaders will recognize that Jesus is the gate for all of the sheep and that having a good relationship with Jesus is the primary characteristic of a Christian leader. Jesus' allegory also suggests that faithful Christian leadership requires a good relationship with the community: the shepherd knows his sheep, and they know him. Christian leaders follow the example of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, by being faithful to him and by being a good shepherd.

## First Reading

- Imagine that you're in the crowd listening to Peter. He has just explained the significance of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection.
  - Is anyone with you?
  - How does Peter seem to you?
  - How do your beliefs about Jesus change as you listen to Peter?
  - How do people react to Peter?
  - What questions do people ask Peter?
  - Do you ask Peter any questions?
  - What do you hope to receive from God?
  - Do you go to be baptized? Why/Why not?
  - Is everyone baptized? Why/Why not?
  - What's the mood among those who are baptized?
  - What does this time of reflection leave you thinking about?
- What are ways in which thieves and robbers try to gain access to the sheep?
- In what ways could thieves and robbers harm the sheep?
- How are the sheep likely to react to a thief or robber?
- How do the sheep respond to their shepherd?
- What seems to be the relationship between the sheep and their shepherd?
- What is life like for the sheep who follow their shepherd?

## Gospel

- *How can you tell the difference between a true shepherd and a false one?*
- *What helps you hear the voice of Jesus?*
- *How readily do you follow Jesus?*

**BAPTISM**

We recommend parents to notify the parish 3 months in advance. Parents must be registered members of the parish and participate in preparation sessions prior to the celebration of the sacrament. To ensure proper record keeping, our office requires a pre-baptismal form and a copy of the child's birth certificate. Please call the Parish Office to attend the preparation session.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**

Are you or someone you know interested in learning about joining the Catholic Church? Please contact Jane & Peter Regan by email at twinoakst@verizon.net or through the office.

**FIRST EUCHARIST**

Preparation sessions for children and parents begin in the fall. We encourage children to be at least in the 2nd grade. Parents must be registered members of the parish. To ensure the required sacramental record keeping, parents must provide a copy of the child's birth certificate and baptismal certificate.

**CONFIRMATION**

Preparation sessions for children and sponsors begin in the fall. We encourage children to be at least in the 10th grade. Parents must be registered members of the parish. To ensure the required sacramental record keeping, parents must provide a copy of the child's birth certificate and baptismal certificate.

**MATRIMONY**

We recommend couples notify the parish 6 months in advance. Couples must attend preparation sessions. The groom and bride must be registered members of the parish. To ensure the required sacramental record keeping, groom and bride must provide a copy of their birth certificate, baptismal, first communion, and confirmation certificates.

**SICK & HOMEBOUND**

If you know someone who cannot attend mass or desires the Sacrament of Anointing, please call the parish office.

**FUNERAL**

We highly encourage the family to follow up with the funeral home, so the parish office and funeral home can coincide with the most suitable date. We also ask the family to complete and deliver the funeral intake form to the parish office.

**PARISH STAFF**

Pastor - Fr. Michael Imperial  
 Parochial Vicar - Rev. Fr. Stephen Ofori Acheampong  
 Business Manager - Consuelo Gonzalez  
 Office Secretary - Giselle Reyes Hernandez  
 Bookkeeper - Lucille Parker

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
 Wednesday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
 Friday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**ADORATION**

First Friday of the Month: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
 Every Tuesday: 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm (Spa)

**RECONCILIATION**

Every Saturday: 4:00 pm  
 By appointment for other day/time

**MEMBERS OF PPC 2025**

Fr. Micheal Imperial, Pastor

Joanne Boyko (Chair)	John Morrison
Henry Glowiak (Co-Chair)	Mark Eliot Nuckols
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**FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS OF April 20, 2026**

*Thank You*

<b>Collections</b>	<b>April 18-19</b>	<b>YTD Actual</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>
Envelopes	<b>\$2,675.00</b>	\$137,842.48	\$126,000.00
Plate	<b>\$3,514.00</b>	\$135,470.47	\$126,168.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,189.00</b>	\$273,312.95	\$252,168.00



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## All Women of St. Peter

and

Their Families and Friends

## Are Invited

KOC Council 6936

## Let Us Serve You!



The Knights of Columbus Council 6963 is pleased to announcement an annual event, "Let Us Serve You", to honor all the women of St Peter the Apostle Church.

- **When** :May 9-10 during and after all Masses
- **Where** :Sanctuary and then Social Hall
- **What**: Gifts and Refreshments

Council 6936 actively seeks participation from all men to honor all women in their lives. Please see a Knight of Columbus member to join Council 6936 or learn more!



## Knights of Columbus (KOC)

Council 6963

We invite all men of the parish to join!

**Meetings: 1st Thursday Each Month**

**7:00PM**

**Church Social Hall**

Founded in 1882, all members of the Knights of Columbus are guided by principles that built lifelong relationships and empower Catholic men to live their faith and serve their family, parish, community and country.

- Please join as we work together on exciting projects of service and put our faith into action.
- Pray for us as we seek to unite all men of this parish!

We look forward to sharing news about the upcoming events!

THE MISSIONERS OF CHRIST WILL ONCE AGAIN BE VISITING THE EASTERN SHORE FROM JUNE 13-19, 2026, AS GUESTS OF EASTERN SHORE MIGRANT MINISTRY. AN IMPORTANT PART OF THEIR PROGRAM THIS YEAR IS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS. IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WOULD LIKE HELP WITH YARD WORK, HOUSE CLEANING, CLEARING OUT SHEDS, ATTICS, OR GARAGES, AND HAULING UNWANTED ITEMS TO THE LANDFILL, PLEASE CALL KATHY BREDIMUS

Accomack Northampton Pregnancy Center's Walk for Life Fundraiser

Please consider walking and donating!!

May 2 at 8:45 am

Onley Baptist Church

Free donuts for all attendees!

Hope to have a good turnout for Team St. Peters!

First Friday will be this Friday, May 1, starting with mass at 9 am, followed by adoration.

High School Students: The Ladies Auxiliary & The Knights of Columbus will accept applications for the annual college scholarship throughout the month of May until June 7. Applications will be in the narthex on the usher table.

You are all cordially invited to the photo exhibition "The Many Roles of Mother Mary," which will be held in the hall on May 2 and 3.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

Charles Flynn	Bill Taylor	Perkins Family	Patricia O'Donnell	† Matías Félix Juan
Maricela Carmona	Carolina S Brizuela Pérez	Hernan Enrique	Tom & Jan Perkins	† Richard LaMontagne
Maria Ross	Carolyn Love	Caceres	Dot Reynolds	† Ma Concepcion Soto
Melissa Melody	Barbara Hargis	Veronica Natalia	Stacey Reynolds	Quintero
Karen Paglia	Charles Kyles	Chavez	Gerald Bono	Mary Fabricatore
Andrew Pic	Donagh McDonough	Luz Alejandra Bringas	Peter Manfredonia	Victoria Riggin-Bundick
Troy Reynolds	†Martha Martinez Palacios	† Anthony Palio	Robert Manfredonia	Ann Marie Parmenter
Ruth Kiks	Sister Margaret	† C. Shirley Hirsch	Michael Belmoría	Joan Riggin
	† Ines and Juan Manalansan	† Judy Maher	† Shirley Cristian	
	† Remy Manalansan	† Steven J. Hughes	† Norma Tolentino	
		† Willie Z, Rocés	† Wesley E Hughes, Jr	

*If you would like to add or remove someone from our prayer list, please feel free to send us an email at [StPeterOnley@gmail.com](mailto:StPeterOnley@gmail.com)*

**In Memory of Brother Knights**

Trent Serini	George Faustino	Ron Kromer	Don Williams	Al Grez
Terry Mullins	Steve Beshak	Paul Braunstein	Joseph M. Kelly	James Kimidy
George O'Brien	Frank Conway	Bruce Paone	H Bruce Arnold	John Kauffman
Harry Cockey	Peter Setaro	Charles Moscatello, Sr.	John Remis	Domenic Sollitto
Ted Warczynski	Dennis Caccioppo	Paul Kennedy	John Chrzanowski	Jack Pierson
Tom Hirsch	Bob Storherr	Richard Hugh McCarthy	Gregory Coleman	Tomas Elis Skeel
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