

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ST PETER THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

FEBRUARY 23, 2025



Parish Bulletin

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MASSES

*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 - 4:00 pm (Bilingual)
Sunday - 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	February 22th	4:00 PM	(Available)
Sunday	February 23th	9:00 AM	† Tony Colonna
		12:00 PM	(Available)
Monday	February 24th	9:00 AM	(Available)
Tuesday	February 25th	9:00 AM	(Available)
Wednesday	February 26th	9:00 am	(Available)
Saturday	March 1st	4:00 pm	(Available)
Sunday	March 2nd	9:00 AM	(Available)
		12:00 PM	(Available)



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun, February 23 -1 Sa 26:2/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

Mon, February 24 -Sir 1:1-10/Mk 9:14-29

Tues, February 25 -Sir 2:1-11/Mk 9:30-37

Wed, February 26 -Sir 4:11-19/Mk 9:38-40

Thurs, February 27 -Sir 5:1-8/Mk 9:41-50

Fri, February 28 -Sir 6:5-17/Mk 10:1-12

Sat, March 1 -Sir 17:1-15/Mk 10:13-16

Sun, March 2 -Sir 27:4-7/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

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, March 1st

4:00 pm - Judy Manning

Sunday, March 2nd

9:00 am - Henry Glowiak & Donna Custis

12:00 pm - Benjamin Guitierrez, Elder, Daris Velasques

Lector

Saturday, March 1st

4:00 pm -

Sunday, March 2nd

9:00 am -

Altar Servers

Saturday, March 1st

4:00 pm - Dominick R, Sofia R, Sulamita G, Benny G, Aiden L, Mr. Lou

Sunday, March 2nd

9:00 am - Deily A, Kenna P, George B, Nahomy G, Brayan G, Mr. Lou

12:00 pm - Kimberly V, Ashley V, Madelyn E, Yulissa E, Jose B, Mr. Ben

Tuesday, March 4th

6:30 pm - Perla V, Aiden L, Thania V, Yulissa E Madelyn E, Mr. Ben

EVENTS & MEETINGS

Monday, February 24th

9:00 - Mass

12:00 pm - AA Mtg (Hall)

Tuesday, February 25th

9:00 am - Mass

6:30 pm - Mass & Holy Hour (Spanish)

Wednesday, February 26th

9:00 am - Mass

Thursday, February 27th

7:00 pm - Holy Hour for the Sick by Emmaus Men (Church)

Friday, February 28th

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Saturday, March 1st

11:00 am - Funeral Mass for Mary Volz

4:00 pm - Mass

5:00 pm - Reconciliation

6:30 pm - Charismatics (Hall)

Sunday, March 2nd

Food sale By Emmaus Women

9:00 am - Mass (Eng)

10:00 am - Confessions (McNulty)

10:00 am - Religious Education

10:30 am - Children's Ministry

12:00 pm - Mass (Spa)

1:00 pm - "Organizacion de Casa" by Rudy Gomez (Hall)

Jesus teaches his disciples to be merciful as God is merciful.

Today's gospel reading is a continuation of the teaching that began in last Sunday's gospel. We continue to hear Jesus' Sermon on the Plain. Recall that in Luke's Gospel, this teaching is addressed to Jesus' disciples. This is in contrast to the parallel found in Matthew's Gospel, the Sermon on the Mount, in which Jesus' words are addressed to both the disciples and to the crowds. These words from Jesus' teaching are familiar to us. They constitute the crux and the challenge of what it means to be a disciple: Love your enemies, turn the other cheek, give to those who ask, do unto others, lend without expecting repayment, judge not lest you be judged. There are several similarities between Luke's and Matthew's report of Jesus' great teaching. Both begin with the [Beatitudes](#). Matthew includes nearly all the content that Luke does; the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's Gospel is longer than Luke's Sermon on the Plain. There are, however, differences in language and nuance. For example, Matthew presents this portion of the teaching as a contrast between Jesus' teaching and the teachings of the law and the prophets. This is in keeping with Matthew's concern to address his predominantly Jewish audience. It is likely that Luke omits this contrast because it was unnecessary for the Gentile believers for whom Luke is writing. Another point of contrast between Matthew and Luke's presentation is the terminology. In Luke, Jesus contrasts the behavior of his followers with the behavior of "sinners." In Matthew, Jesus contrasts the behavior desired with the behavior of tax collectors and Gentiles. Matthew concludes the teaching about love of enemies with the admonition to be perfect as God is perfect; Luke concludes by emphasizing God's mercy. In both Gospels, Jesus' words challenge those who would follow him to be more like God. God loves us beyond our expectations, beyond anything we can possibly imagine. In response to God's love, we are to love as God loves, beyond expectations and with a depth beyond imagining.

REFLECTING THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS:

First Reading

- How do you imagine the encampment with Saul and his fellow soldiers?
- Why do you think David sneaks into Saul's camp?
- What all do you think David is feeling as he sneaks into the camp?
- What might David feel when he finds Saul unprotected?
- Why doesn't David allow Abishai to kill Saul?
- Why do you think David takes the spear and the water jug?
- How do you think Saul feels about what happens?
- How might Saul's men react?
- How do you think Abishai feels about all of this?
- Imagine that you are one of the people listening to Jesus.
 - What have people liked about Jesus so far?
 - What do some people want to hear from Jesus?
 - What is the mood of the crowd?
 - As Jesus teaches, how do people react?
 - Does Jesus say anything that seems to upset or offend people?
 - Do people ever seem confused?
 - What do you overhear people say to each other?
 - Does anyone leave?
 - Do you want to leave?

Gospel

- What do you think of David's behavior?
- What insights does this passage offer you as you deal with conflict in your own life?
- Are there times you respect someone's position of authority but not the person who has it?
- What part of this passage most challenges you?
- How does this passage invite you to relate to people differently?
- Jesus offers examples from his era of how to treat people. What examples can you think of from more recent times?
- Why is it hard to "turn the other cheek?"

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
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

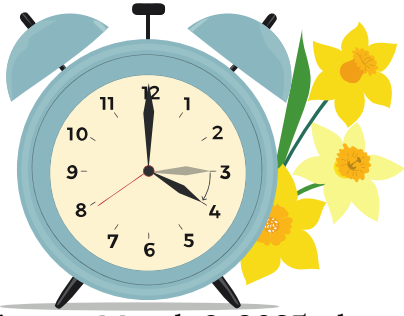
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You*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS OF February 19, 2025

Collections	February 15-16	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Envelopes	\$2,267.00	\$93,929.00	\$99,000.00
Plate	\$2,609.00	\$101,607.97	\$92,028.00
Total	\$4,876.00	\$195,536.97	\$191,028.00



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Starting on March 8, 2025, the Bilingual Masses on Saturdays will begin at 5 pm.

JUST_US_ONCE AGAIN...

Well over 10 years ago a small group of singers known as the "Just Us Singers" banded together to travel to all the Nursing and Rehab Centers along the Eastern Shore. They performed 4 programs a year at 6 locations. These programs were highly anticipated by all of the residents who have seen us perform in the past. Unfortunately, when Covid arrived it put an end to our program. We are now reaching out to recruit singers to bring this program back to life. If you're looking for something rewarding and heartwarming to give back to the community and like to sing (everyone does)! then by all means come join us. We either rehearse or perform on the selected day which has yet to be determined. My name is Joe Ficchi and I can be reached at 757-694-7311 if you have any questions. We are also in need of a keyboard player to assist us on this journey, if anyone knows someone willing to assist us by all means let me know. We thank you in advance for bringing joy to all the residents of these facilities.



Mass Schedule for Ash Wednesday On

March 5, 2025:

9:00 am - Mass (Eng)

7:00 pm - Mass (Spa)

On March 1, 2025, at 11:00 am, there will be a Funeral Mass for Mary Volz.

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 Riggini-Bundick
Troy Reynolds	† Martha Martinez Palacios	† Anthony Palio	Robert Manfredonia	Steve Bendick
Ruth Kiks	Bryan Daffin	† C. Shirley Hirsch	Michael Belmorla	Ann Marie Parmenter
+ WESLEY E.	Janiszewski Michael	† Judy Maher	† Shirley Cristian	Joan Riggini
HUGHES, JR.	Sister Margaret			

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

In Memory of Brother Knights

Trent Serini	George Faustino	Ron Kromer	Don Williams	Al Grez	Winfred Lee Lankford
Terry Mullins	Steve Beshak	Paul Braunstein	Joseph M. Kelly	James Kimidy	Laurence Hanratty
George O'Brien	Frank Conway	Bruce Paone	H Bruce Arnold	John Kauffman	Carl Volanoski
Harry Cockey	Peter Setaro	Charles Moscatello, Sr.	John Remis	Domenic Sollitto	Fred Chemi
Ted Warczynski	Dennis Caccioppo	Paul Kennedy	John Chrzanowski	Jack Pierson	John Tyson
Tom Hirsch	Bob Storherr	Richard Hugh McCarthy	Gregory Coleman	Tomas Elis Skeel	
Joe Paranzino	Paul Sulik	Arthur Matthews, Jr.	Gordon Muise	Henry Willke	

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