

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ST PETER THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

FEBRUARY 16, 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 15th	4:00 PM	† Rita Schmidt
Sunday	February 16th	9:00 AM	† Mary Volz
		12:00 PM	† Candelidia Lucas
Monday	February 17th	9:00 AM	† Jack Simmon
Tuesday	February 18th	9:00 AM	(Available)
Wednesday	February 19th	9:00 am	(Available)
Saturday	February 22th	4:00 pm	(Available)
Sunday	February 23th	9:00 AM	† Tony Colonna
		12:00 PM	(Available)



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun, February 16 -Jer 17:5-8 /1 Cor 15:12/Lk 6:17
Mon, February 17 -Gen 1:1-19/Mk 6:53-56
Tues, February 18 -Gen 6:5-8/Mk 8:14-21
Wed, February 19 -Gen 8:6-13/Mk 8:22-26
Thurs, February 20 -Gen 9:1-13/Mk 8:27-33
Fri, February 21 -Gen 11:1-9/Mk 8:34
Sat, February 22 -1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19
Sun, February 23 -1 Sa 26:2/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

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, February 22th
4:00 pm - Teri Daley

Sunday, February 23th
9:00 am - Mary Wardius & Jane Regan

12:00 pm - Angelica Zuniga, Yolanda Lucas, David

Lector

Saturday, February 22th
4:00 pm - Joan Dize

Sunday, February 23th
9:00 am - Elaine Brehm and Ed Vargas

Altar Servers

Saturday, February 22th
4:00 pm - Daner R, Henry R, Heidi R, Julio J, Holly S, Mr. Lou

Sunday, February 23th
9:00 am - Danny C, Larry C, Iris C, Amaiarany S, Jenaro S, Mr. Lou

12:00 pm - Arianny P, Vanessa L, Dianita B, Arturo B, Thania V, Mr. Ben

Tuesday, February 25th
6:30 pm - Mariola A, Roslin A, Natalia M, Brayan G, Nahomy G, Mr. Ben

EVENTS & MEETINGS

Monday, February 17th

9:00 - Mass
12:00 pm - AA Mtg (Hall)

Tuesday, February 18th

9:00 am - Mass
6:30 pm - Mass & Holy Hour (Spanish)

Wednesday, February 19th

9:00 am - Mass

Thursday, February 20th

6:30 pm - Youth Group Mtg (Hall)

Friday, February 21th

Saturday, February 22th

10:00 am - CCD Mass
1:00 pm - Valentine's Dance Ladies Aux (Hall)
4:00 pm - Mass
5:00 pm - Reconciliation (Hall)

Sunday, February 23th

Food sale By Charismatics
9:00 am - Mass (Eng)
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)
1:00 pm - Raffle Winner Announcement by Hisp. Choir
3:00 pm - Emmaus Women Mtg (Hall)

Jesus teaches the crowd the way to happiness.

Last Sunday we heard Jesus call Peter to be his disciple. Jesus then travels with Peter and the other disciples. Luke reports acts of healing (a person with leprosy and a paralytic man) and the call of Levi, the tax collector. Jesus also replies to questions from the Pharisees regarding fasting and the observance of the Sabbath. In the verses immediately before today's gospel reading, Jesus is reported to have chosen 12 men from among his disciples to be apostles. Apostle is a Greek word that means "one who is sent." Today's gospel reading is the beginning of what is often called the Sermon on the Plain. We find a parallel to this passage in [Matthew 5:1-7,11](#) that is often called the Sermon on the Mount. As these titles suggest, there are differences and similarities between these gospel readings. When spoken from the mountaintop in Matthew's Gospel, we can't miss the impression that Jesus is speaking with the authority and voice of God. The mountaintop is a symbol of closeness to God. Those who ascend the mountain see God and speak for God; recall the story of Moses and the [Ten Commandments](#). As Luke introduces the location of Jesus' teaching, Jesus teaches on level ground, alongside the disciples and the crowd. Luke presents Jesus' authority in a different light. He is God among us. Another distinction found in Luke's version is the audience. Luke's Sermon on the Plain is addressed to Jesus' disciples, although in the presence of the crowd; Matthew's Sermon on the Mount is addressed to the crowd. In keeping with this style, the [Beatitudes](#) in Luke's Gospel sound more personal than those in Matthew's Gospel—Luke uses the article "you" whereas Matthew uses "they" or "those." There is also a difference in number: Matthew describes eight beatitudes; Luke presents just four, each of which has a parallel warning. The form of the Beatitudes found in Luke's and Matthew's Gospel is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, such as in the Psalms and in Wisdom literature. They are a way to teach about who will find favor with God. The word blessed in this context might be translated as "happy," "fortunate," or "favored." As we listen to this Gospel, the Beatitudes jar our sensibilities. Those who are poor, hungry, weeping, or persecuted are called blessed. This is, indeed, a Gospel of reversals. Those often thought to have been forgotten by God are called blessed. In the list of "woes," those whom we might ordinarily describe as blessed by God are warned about their peril. Riches, possessions, laughter, reputation . . . these are not things that we can depend upon as sources of eternal happiness. They not only fail to deliver on their promise; our misplaced trust in them will lead to our demise. The ultimate peril is in misidentifying the source of our eternal happiness. The Beatitudes are often described as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. We are challenged to examine our present situation in the context of our ultimate horizon, the Kingdom of God. We continue to speak of Peter's leadership and influence in the Church today when we call the pope the "successor of Peter." We participate in the mission of the Church when we bring people to Christ through the example and positive influence of our lives.

REFLECTING THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS:

First Reading

- What are some reasons God's people would be wrong to trust in human beings?
- What imagery does Jeremiah use to describe those who don't trust in God?
- What imagery does Jeremiah use to describe those who do trust in God?
- How powerful do you find this imagery?
- Which image seems to fit Jeremiah? Why?
- How might the people have reacted to these words?
- What might be some differences between the great crowd of disciples and the other people who gather around Jesus?
- Why do you think Luke notes that Jesus teaches people on level ground?
- How are the first three beatitudes interconnected?
- In what ways are the first three beatitudes related to the fourth beatitude?
- How are the woes interconnected?
- How might people have reacted to these beatitudes?
- How might people have reacted to the woes?
- Does Jesus condemn the rich?
- How do you think Jesus wants the rich to respond?
- What does this passage reveal about God?
- What does this passage reveal about God's kingdom?

Gospel

- Describe a time you trusted in God. What did that require of you?
- When does it seem appropriate to trust in human beings?
- Does anything in this passage surprise you?
- What aspects of your life does this passage challenge you to change?

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



*Thank
you*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS OF February 11, 2025

Collections	February 8-9	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Envelopes	\$3,430.00	\$91,662.00	\$96,000.00
Plate	\$3,165.35	\$98,998.97	\$89,240.00
Total	\$6,595.35	\$190,660.97	\$185,240.00



ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Flowers on the Altar were donated by the Macdonald Family in celebration of their 60th wedding Anniversary.

"From what we get, we can make a living"

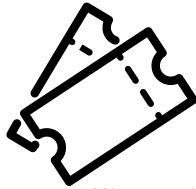
"From what we give, we can make a life"

Best Regards!

JustJoe

May God Bless You Always...

May God Always Bless Those Less Fortunate



There will be a raffle on behalf of the Chorus Ministry. Prizes are \$2,000 for first place and \$1,000 for second place. They will be selling tickets after each mass. Tickets are \$20 for 3 tickets. The winner will be announced on February 23rd at the 12 pm mass.

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	Steve Bendick
Ruth Kiks	Bryan Daffin	† C. Shirley Hirsch	Michael Belmorla	Ann Marie Parmenter
+ WESLEY E.	Janiszewski Michael	† Judy Maher	† Shirley Cristian	Joan Riggin
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
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