Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church



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ABOUT OUR PARISH

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon No Mass
Tue 8:00 a.m.
Wed 6:30 p.m.
Thu 8:00 a.m.
Fri 8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES

Vigil and Holy Day Mass times vary; please see bulletin or website

SPECIAL DEVOTIONS

Tuesday: St. Jude Novena following 8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena following 8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday: Patriotic Rosary in Church 6:30 p.m.

First Friday: The Most Blessed Sacrament and Eucharistic Adoration following 8:00 a.m. Mass until 5:00 p.m. closing with Benediction

First Saturday: Mass at 8:00 a.m. followed by the Rosary and Confession

RECONCILIATION

Sat 4:00-4:45 p.m. Wed 6:00-6:15 p.m.

Or by request

YOUR CLERGY

Most Rev. Gregory M. Aymond, D.D. Archbishop of New Orleans



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Monday 1:00-3:00 Tuesday-Friday 8:00-3:00

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REGISTER

If you are new to the parish, we invite you to register by filling out a form located in the holder at the Church entrances and place it in the collection basket or come by the office.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Usually the third Sunday of the month (except during Lent) following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Please call for registration forms at least <u>three weeks</u> in advance.

Matrimony

By appointment with the parish priest or deacon at least <u>six months</u> in advance. No other arrangements should be made before contacting the priest.

Anointing of the Sick

Upon request for the seriously ill, infirm and those undergoing major surgery. Please contact the Church Office when someone is homebound or hospitalized and in need of the sacrament.

Communion for Ill/Shut-In

Please call the Church Office if you know of anyone who would benefit from this ministry.

Funerals

Families should contact the priest (office) before making arrangements.

Parish Mission Statement

It is the mission of our Church Parish to follow the commands of Jesus to Saints Peter and Paul: "Feed My sheep" and "Carry My name among the nations."



WEEKLY EVENTS

Tuesday Morning Rosary—Tuesday after 8:00 a.m. Mass and St. Jude Novena in Parish Hall

Assumption of Mary Masses—Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Thursday 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Legion of Mary—Thursday 10:00 a.m. St. Anthony Hall

Widow's Group—Thursday Phil's Marina 11:00 a.m.

Patriotic Rosary—Thursday 6:30 p.m. in church Next Weekend Second Collection: Catholic Relief Services

THE WORDS OF ETERNAL LIFE

"The desire for God is written in the human heart, because man is created by God and for God; and God never ceases to draw man to himself. Only in God will he find the truth and happiness he never stops searching for." (CCC 27)

Blessed Imelda Lambertini, patron saint of First Communicants, died of joy when receiving Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament for the first time. My soul yearns to encounter Jesus Christ in this same way - to reach a state of completion through pure fulfillment in the Lord and nothing else. As St. Augustine declared, "Our souls are restless until they rest in You".

Our sole purpose on Earth should be to strive to find Christ in all we see and do. It is easier said than done, and day after day I fail to display the patience and gentleness that He has modeled for me. Yet Jesus Christ is infinite whereas all else is finite. Everything on Earth passes away. Materialistic possessions age. Even relationships with others will waver with time due to the human condition.

Is there any dogma more central to Catholicism than recognizing that Jesus Christ is truly present in the Holy Eucharist? Let us desire the Bread of Life above all else. I ask for strength to recognize the joy and unconditional happiness that Christ provides. He is the only one who can sustain me. He is the true Bread of Life. Through Him, the Bread of Heaven, we will encounter Eternal Life and happiness for all ages.

By Alexis Dallara-Marsh

ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful flower arrangement adorning the altar this weekend were donated for

John & Ellie Ross

The Antonians would like to thank everyone who donated to their *Christmas in July* program to benefit the Crisis Pregnancy Center and Safe Harbor. If you still have items that you would like to donate, place them in the back of church or bring them to the church office.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 12

(Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27)

No Mass Scheduled

Tuesday, August 13

(Ez 2:8-3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14)

8:00 a.m. Judy T. Woods

Wednesday, August 14

(Ez 9:1-7, 10:18-22; Mt 18:15-20)

6:30 p.m. Purgatorial Society

Thursday, August 15

(Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Lk 1:39-56)

8:00 a.m. Legion of Mary

Friday, August 16

(Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or Ez 16:59-63; Mt 19:3-12)

8:00 a.m. Cinda Melerine†

Saturday, August 17

(Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15)

5:00 p.m. Joseph D'Antoni, Jr.†, Roszczynialski/ Stottman Family, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Lee & Yvonne Tracey†, Ken & Adele Salzer†, Danny Ragusa, Sr.†, Lawrence Otillio†, Lee Ann Scogin†, Lori Roszczynialski, Robert Jenevein†, Jenny Jenevein†, Bill Deckwa†, Earline Garitty†, Vaughn Gay, Catherine Lambert†

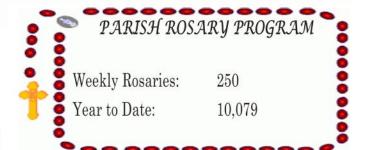
Sunday, August 18

(Prv 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58)

7:00 a.m. Deacon John & Mary Joyce Howard†

8:30 a.m. Deacon Pat Downey†, Glen Parker†, John Lacourege†, Danny Fontenot†, Bernadette Landry†, Richard/Kittel Families, Danny & Nancy Fontaine & Family, Brad & Alison Laguaite, Valma Landry†, Augie Paretti, Augie Guth

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish





POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR AUGUST

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

CHICKEN OR EGG

The second reading of Paul to the Ephesians talks about forgiving one another. It reminds me of the line in the Lord's Prayer, "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." (Mt 6:12) You could read that line as a warning that God only forgives those who forgive others. Paul reverses that conditional meaning to say that we forgive because God has already forgiven us. So which came first, the chicken or the egg?

In a sense, both are needed: Jesus died on the cross to show that God forgives sins you haven't even committed yet. But God does not force his forgiveness on us. It is a gift, given freely. We have to want to be forgiven and accept that gift from God. And we also have to be willing to forgive those who have hurt us. There are many ways to do that.

One is to forgive in your heart. That's usually easy to do for someone you love. You know they didn't mean to hurt you and so you don't get angry at them. And if you truly forgive, you won't be thinking of how that person owes you for the hurt and what you can get from them. If you don't love the one who hurt you, you still need to forgive, so you can let go of the hurt. (And be forgiven for not loving your neighbor!)

Paul also tells us to let go of bitterness, anger, and shouting. Instead of getting even, we are told to be kind and compassionate (Eph 4:32.) We can go to the next step after forgiving in our hearts: We show our forgiveness in our actions. A friend or relative might get a hug; others might get a handshake or words of forgiveness. If the one who hurt you insists on making up for it, accept their gift graciously and remind them that they are forgiven; they may need to make reparation so they can forgive themselves.

Jesus showed how much God wants to forgive us by his death on the cross. Because we are forgiven, we are then able to forgive others. So while God's love and forgiveness are always first, we must be able to forgive others so that we can accept it from God.



MADONNA DELLA STRADA August 11 (Our Lady of the Way)

Originally adorning a small family shrine, the image of *Madonna della Strada* (Our Lady of the Street) now resides in Gesù church in Rome, the mother church of the Jesuits.

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Audrey Bonnet, May Caballero, Diana Bradshaw, Mary Salzer Brown, Elizabeth Kittel, Zachary Cresson, Patricia Cuccia, Kathy Johnson, Ed Roszczynialski, Norris Ripp, Bunny Shriver, Mary Ware, Ryan Ware, Lily Jorns, Dalin Davis, Maria Kalcic, Beverly

Cosse, Lou Lou Battle, Fay Vogt, Israel & Joyce Landry, Steve Dunn, Joann Brewin, Vivian Sedgebeer, Romana Smith, Joseph Decaro, Barbara Galino Gonzales, Isaiah Deblanc, Lois Leonard, Donald Paul & Larry Dickerson, Shirley Matthews, Jim & Eydie Richmond, Ed & Carol Wallace, Frederick Songy, Sue Miller, Molly Hymel, Lucy Reese, Brenda Dehm, Landon Jeffrey, Glenn Bunting, Lucy D'Antoni, Don & Judy Aleman, Dylan Gornor, Vaughn Gay, Cathy Stanford, Helen Story

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In 1794, a young Irishwoman befriended two widows aboard ship while emigrating to America. They bought a house in Philadelphia and began to live a community life under the direction of a priest. Soon they relocated to Washington. There, the "pious ladies," as the neighbors called them, were asked by their priest friend, by then the president of Georgetown University, to begin a religious community. In 1799 they established a branch of the Visitation Order founded by Saint Jane de Chantal and Saint Francis de Sales in the 1620s.

The unique vision of this order followed a sensible routine, less arduous and more flexible than most traditions, and also accepted widows and older women. Amazingly, this American outpost of the Visitation began without reference to the "rule" of the Order. Most of the European convents had been lost under the "reign of terror," and the rules and customs of the community could not be obtained. A copy of the rule was discovered in 1812, and in 1816 the pope officially established the monastery. By then, some French nuns had regrouped, and they sent a habit and cross to be copied. (No religious wore the habit in public in the United States until after the Civil War.) From the beginning, the Georgetown nuns had an educational mission, even though they discovered in the "rule" that such work was officially off-limits for the contemplative life. In America, the nuns depended on a school for their livelihood, so the rule was adapted. Today, the Academy of the Visitation is a thriving example of excellence in Catholic education, and the adjacent monastery is the oldest monastic foundation in the original thirteen United States.

-Rev. James Field



ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY August 15

Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary as a dogma of the Catholic faith on November 1, 1950. "The Immaculate Mother of God, ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory" (Dogma of the Assumption, 44).

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SUFFERING FROM ANXIETY, FEAR AND DISPAIR

Prayers for those who suffer from anxiety



PASTOR'S CORNER

Lord Jesus you know how much this anxiety is weighing greatly on me now. I find myself barely able to do things at times. I am so distracted and anxious about so many things in my life. I am fearful about... (Fill in here things that you are anxious about like being alone, being away from home, making friends, being made fun of, not fitting in, losing job, declining health,

losing a spouse, loved one, making ends meet, etc. whatever you are anxious about.) This anxiety overwhelms me at times, so much so that I can barely do the things that I need to do each day. So I turn to you this day asking for your help. Please help me to cope and help me to work through whatever is causing me this anxiety. Bring me peace so that I can see your presence this day and preform the tasks that I need to do. Amen

PRAYER YOU CAN SAY FOR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WHO IS SUFFERING FROM ANXIETY

Lord Jesus I pray on behalf of _____ who is suffering so much due to anxiety. I know he/she is suffering because I have seen his/her struggles. Help him/her to cope with the anxiety and get through another day. So I pray that you send down peace and strength into his/her life. Grant healing into his/her life in the place where he/she needs it most. When anxiety takes hold and he/she is at his/her worst bring strength, peace, and healing. Please heal whatever is the cause of his/her anxiety and allow him/her to see you're working in his/her life. Amen

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER WITH FEAR

Oh my Lord Jesus, this fear is overwhelming me. There is so much that I am afraid of and so much that makes me fearful. I am always worried about doing things. I am fearful about ... (Mention hear what you are afraid of, examples would be bullies, losing things, not being able to make ends meet, whatever makes you stressful, etc.) At times this fear is so strong that I find myself avoiding doing the things I need to do. Sometimes I even find it difficult to do the simplest of things. Often I find that fear stops me from doing the things that I enjoy most in life. So Lord, please help me to overcome this fear. I realize that with your help I can overcome any fear and move on to do the things that I enjoy most. Please heal the hurt that is the root cause of this fear. Thank you for your help and I will continue to turn to you each day. Amen

NOTE ON FEAR

One thing to note here is that the word FEAR actually stands for something, it is an acronym. If you break the word down into its letters you will see that each letter represents a word that unmasks what fear really is. It stands for False Evidence Appearing Real. This is because most of what we are fearful of is only as big of a problem as we make it out to be. When we really look into what is causing us to be afraid or what is causing the fear we will see that is not as big as we thought. An example would be in this illustration, walking down a dark alley we hear a dog growling around the corner, at first fear starts to set in thinking about this huge dog lurking in the dark alley that could tear us to pieces. We naturally become fearful, until when we turn the corner and see a small Chihuahua growling and realize that our imagination was tricking us into believing that it was a Rottweiler sized dog when after seeing it we realize, I was afraid of that? But that is what fear does, it makes things seem bigger than they really are.

PRAYER FOR THOSE STRUGGLING WITH DESPAIR

Lord Jesus things seem to be going so wrong in my life. I realize that as things go wrong I often fall into despair and I start to give up hope. I can see that when this happens I even question your place in my life. Please help me to overcome this despair that I am going through. When I am tempted to despair help me to look to you for support. Help me during this time to keep focused on you so that with your help I can overcome this despair and move forward with my life. Help me to see your presence during my time of need. Amen

HAVE YOU NOTICED OUR MONTHLY DEVOTIONAL FLAGS?

Beginning last June, and continuing each month through the year, Sts. Peter & Paul has flown a different flag outside our church, each representing the devotion the Catholic Church has traditionally observed for that particular month.

A card providing information for each monthly devotion has been placed in the back of the church offering different tangible ways to practice and live out each devotion; the same information has been printed in the bulletin for each month.

Additionally, a framed image depicting the seasons and monthly devotions can be found at the back of the church.

CHECK IT ALL OUT!

-AUGUST IS THE MONTH OF THE-

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OF MARY-

THE CATECHISM

(CCC#368) STATES

THE HEART IS "THE

DEPTHS OF ONE'S

BEING, WHERE THE

PERSON DECIDES FOR

OR AGAINST GOD."

- BECAUSE OF THIS

MARY'S HEART CAN BE

THOUGHT OF AS A

SYMBOL OF PURE SELF

GIVING LOVE FOR JESUS

AND FOR GOD

TWO PLACES IN SCRIPTURE REFER TO MARY'S HEART: LUKE 2:19 AND LUKE 2:51

IN THE APPARITIONS OF OUR LADY IN FATIMA, SHE REVEALED GOD WISHED TO ESTABLISH DEVOTION TO HER IMMACULATE HEART THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

IDEAS TO INCREASE YOUR DEVOTION:

CHANGE YOUR PHONE
WALLPAPER TO AN IMAGE
OF THE IMMACULATE HEART

PRAY THE "LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY" OR "THE LITANY OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY"

CONTEMPLATE / MEDITATE
ON WHAT MARY
PONDERED IN HER HEART

GO TO MASS ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

PRAY THE PRAYER
TO THE IMMACULATE
HEART OF MARY

GO TO CONFESSION AND HAVE GOD MAKE YOUR HEART CLEAN AGAIN!

SING / LISTEN TO / PRAY
THE SALVE REGINA IN FRONT
OF A STATUE OR IMAGE OF
THE BLESSED MOTHER

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