

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 25, 2024



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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.
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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 **three weeks** in advance.

Matrimony

By appointment with the parish priest or deacon at least **six months** 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."



JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU

Fear of rejection is one of my greatest struggles. Jesus, who came down to Earth in the Flesh to experience every Human emotion, was rejected both by those who didn't know Him and His closest loved ones, his disciples. I cannot begin to imagine the agony he experienced in the Garden of Gethsemane.

During Christ's brief physical time on Earth, many struggled to understand his teachings, and the same remains true in our present day. One of His greatest teachings is that of His Infinite Mercy. Whether over 2000 years ago, or still today, many of us struggle with the ability to be forgiven. Yet there is nothing we can do that will disqualify us from His infinite love. We are His children, who can always return to Him and know that His love never falters, if we so ask for it.

Especially in today's world and age, we must remind one another of the unconditional, perfect mercy God desires to gift us with. We were born for this time. Our existence is not a random occurrence, but we were created for God. Let us remind ourselves what Christ taught us through His Divine Mercy, that He gave blood and water as a fount of mercy. Jesus, I trust in You.

By Alexis Dallara-Marsh

WEEKLY EVENTS

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

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

Patriotic Rosary—Thursday 6:30 p.m. in church

* OCIA I&II classes begin Tuesday, September 3 at 6:30 p.m.

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Audrey Bonnet, May Caballero, Diana Bradshaw, Mary Salzer Brown, Elizabeth Kittel, Zachary Cresson, Patricia Cuccia, Ed Roszczynialski, Norris Ripp, Bunny Shriver, Mary Ware, Ryan Ware, Lily Jorns, Dalin Davis, Beverly Cosse, Lou Lou Battle, Fay Vogt, Israel & Joyce Landry, Steve Dunn, Joann Brewin, Joseph Decaro, 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, Helen Story, Cathy Stanford

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 26

(2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22)

No Mass Scheduled

Tuesday, August 27

(2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26)

8:00 a.m. Michael Tracey

Wednesday, August 28

(2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32)

6:30 p.m. Purgatorial Society

Thursday, August 29

(1 Cor 1:1-9; Mk 6:17-29)

8:00 a.m. Joyce Firchter†

Friday, August 30

(1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13)

8:00 a.m. Bernadette Landry†

Saturday, August 30

(1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30)

5:00 p.m. Joseph D'Antoni, Jr.†, Roszczynialski/Stottman Family, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Lee & Yvonne Tracey†, Ken & Adele Salzer†, Danny Ragu-sa, Sr.†, Lawrence Otilio†, Lee Ann Scogin†, Yvette & Al Bowman, Earline Garitty†, Altar Society, Antonians & Benefactors, Vaughn Gay

Sunday, August 31

(Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)

7:00 a.m. Sylvester & Lois Franzella†

8:30 a.m. Deacon Pat Downey†, Glen Parker†, Judy Woods, Earline Garitty†, Julia Richard, Margaret Wingerter, Ludger Miller†, Richard Family, Catherine Lambert†, Ken Nunnally, Augie & Sondra Parette, Joyce Poche, Elazibeth Mae Barrois†

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

PARISH ROSARY PROGRAM



Weekly Rosaries: 358

Year to Date: 10,878



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.

WITH HEARTFELT SYMPATHY

Please keep Terry Goodey (Wally) in your prayers as she mourns the passing of her beloved mother, Jewel Bailey.



Our sympathy on the death of Gay Saladino, daughter of Fay Vogt. Please keep Fay and her family in your thoughts and prayers at this time.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Eucharist was never meant to be only "comfort food," something that makes us feel warm and satisfied. It is to be bread for the journey, nourishment for the task that God has set for our community and for each one of us. Thus it is not surprising to see some walk away in today's Gospel, for they understood that recognizing Jesus as the bread of life is a commitment to changing one's life.

St. Augustine, whose feast we celebrate this week, once observed that in celebrating the Eucharist we become what we receive, the Body of Christ. As we conclude the series of reflections in John's Gospel on Jesus as the bread of life, it is appropriate to think about the role that the Eucharist plays in our lives and in our parish. It is in the Eucharist that we are nourished and renew our commitment in faith to serve the Lord. How does the parish social ministry carry out that mandate? How do you carry it out in your own life? Is it related in any way to the celebration of the Eucharist? How does celebrating Mass Sunday after Sunday make a difference in your life and in the world?

—Rev. James Field

LABOR DAY

The office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day and will re-open on Tuesday, September 3rd at 1:00 p.m.

GASPP will meet on the following Monday, September 9th at 12:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.



TAKEN OUT OF CONTEXT


If you want to start an argument, try telling your wife that St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians says she should agree with everything you say. I'm sure that many people have taken out of context the line about wives being submissive to their husbands. In fact, the first sentence says they both should be subordinate to one another. (Eph 5:21) And even more important is the last verse: Paul says he is actually talking about Christ and the Church.

So what does Christ show us guys about being subordinate to our wives? Paul mentions the main example: Christ handing himself over for her (the Church) refers to his death on the cross. "Handed over" is a scriptural term for Jesus' giving himself to be crucified. He made it even clearer for them the night before he died: He washed the feet of his disciples and told them to do the same for each other. (Jn 13:14-15) If you ever had your feet washed on Holy Thursday by the pastor, and were humbled by that experience, imagine how it would feel to have the Son of God wash your feet!

Still not sure that subordination is a mutual quality in marriage? Paul explains that marriage is the best example of "love your neighbor as yourself." He quotes Genesis 2:24 about two people becoming one body. So your love for yourself now becomes love for your spouse. Do I love my wife so much that what she needs is as important to me as what I need? Are we willing to listen to each other and support each other? Do we encourage and support each other in our chores and weaknesses? Do we support each other's faith? Ladies, ask yourselves the same questions.


Paul's conclusion is that marriage is a sign of what the church should be. If you ever want to know what the love of Christ for his Church is, look at how a couple in a strong marriage love each other. And if you want to have a good marriage, love each other as Christ loves you.

Tom Schmidt.




We have Class!


Back to School



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NOTE ON DEALING WITH LOSS OF A LOVED ONE



Death and dying is such a hard thing for us humans. When someone we love dies we often do not know how to deal with it. As Christians we believe in life after death, in Heaven, so death has lost its sting. However as humans there is something inside of us that still makes us fear death. So I have written these prayers for those who have experienced loss of loved ones in their life.

PRAYER FOR ONE WHO IS SUFFERING THE LOSS OF A SPOUSE

Lord Jesus I feel so burdened by this loss in my life. I miss __N__ my wife / husband so much. We were together for __#__ years. I do not know how I can make it without her / him. I feel so alone that my heart aches from this emptiness inside of me that used to be filled with her / his presence. I think of her / him constantly. Please help me in this most difficult time. Help me to forgive myself for any unfinished things that I wish I would have done for her / him. Help me to forgive her / him for anything that I feel that she / he should have done.

Help me to be at peace for I believe that I will see her / him again in Heaven. Help me to feel your presence when I feel alone. When I feel sadness over this loss help me to look forward to the future when I will be with her /him again in heaven. Amen

PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO ARE SUFFERING FROM THE LOSS OF A CHILD (A MOTHERS PRAYER)

Lord Jesus this loss I am going through is so difficult. Seeing the empty place where my child was supposed to be, leaves an empty space in my heart and soul. As this child was growing in my womb I was so excited for the upcoming birth. But now that he / she is gone all I feel is emptiness. I was expecting joy, but now I feel sorrow. This loss takes away my peace and makes me depressed and sad. I humbly ask you Jesus for your help and comfort during this trying time. Help me to have hope that one day I will see him / her again. Help me to see your presence in my life and help me to grow closer to you during this trying time. Amen

PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO ARE SUFFERING FROM THE LOSS OF A CHILD (A FATHERS PRAYER)

Lord Jesus you alone know the pain and sorrow that I am going through after the loss of my child. I am in anguish because of this loss. This loss is unbearable. Sometimes I wonder why you would allow children to die. The only thing that helps is that I realize that my child will be with you in heaven and I will see him / her again. But I still feel emptiness and pain over this loss. This is compounded when I see my wife suffering. I am often at a loss for words as to how to comfort

her. Please give me the words to say to bring comfort. Help us to carry on during this difficult time. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO ARE SUFFERING FROM THE LOSS OF A CHILD (GRANDPARENT PRAYER)

Lord Jesus, the loss of my grandson / granddaughter is very difficult. This really hurts. I am struggling two fold, not only because of the loss that I feel but also because of the loss that my son / daughter is going through. This loss bring me great pain and sorrow. I pray for strength for myself during this trying time and I pray for my son / daughter as well. Grant me a deeper faith that I will see my grandson / granddaughter in heaven. Help me to look forward to that day. Increase my faith in you during this time as well. Amen



PRAYER A PARENT CAN SAY WITH THEIR CHILDREN AFTER THE LOSS OF A CHILD (A YOUNG CHILD'S PRAYER)

Jesus I feel sad and empty inside. My brother / sister died. I was excited when mom told me she was pregnant. But now my brother / sister is gone. Jesus please help me during this time of sadness and please help my parents as well. Amen

PRAYER FOR A YOUNG PERSON WHO LOST A SIBLING

Lord Jesus, sometimes I do not know what to say. This seems so unfair, my brother/ sister has died and I am hurting inside. I feel sad and depressed because of this loss. I believe that You have a reason for all things but this just hurts so much. Please give me hope and perseverance during this trying time. When I feel depressed and hopeless help me to carry on. When I remember this loss help me to have faith that I will see him / her again in heaven. Help me to look forward to that day. Until then increase my faith in you. Amen

PRAYER FOR A MOTHER WHO HAD A MISCARRIAGE

Lord Jesus, please help me through this trying time. The child that was growing inside of my womb is no more. I was excited but now I am sad and at a loss for words. I am grieving this loss. One day I hope to see my child in heaven. But until then help me to carry on with the hope for the future. When I feel anxious or depressed help me to look to you for help and comfort. Grant me peace during this trying time. Help me to feel your presence and grant me comfort during this painful time. Amen

PRAYER FOR A FATHER WHOSE WIFE HAD A MISCARRIAGE

Lord Jesus, I feel loss and sadness over this loss. When my wife told me she was pregnant I was excited and happy for the coming of our child. But now I feel emptiness and sadness. I can see that my wife is going through a difficult time over this loss of our child, but I am not sure of what to say to her. Please give me words of comfort to share with her. Help me out during my grief as well. Show us your presence. I believe that we will see our child in heaven, but that is a long way off. Please give us comfort and peace during this trying time. Amen



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