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

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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 **three weeks** 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

OCIA Tracks I & II—Tuesday 6:30 p.m. in classrooms

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

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

Camp-o-ween—Saturday 12:00 p.m. church grounds

No PSR or Bible study this week

ANIMAL SHELTER DONATIONS

Please don't forget those animals who are not fortunate enough to have a loving forever home. Please make a difference in their lives by donating wet or dry food, cat litter, towels, bedding, treats, toys, etc. that the shelter could use. If you would like to make a monetary contribution you may place it in the collection basket marked 'PETS'.



Thank you in advance for your generous contributions!







PRAY FOR THE SICK

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, 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, Cathy Stanford, Herbert Landry, John McKelvey, Jr.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 21

(Eph 2:1-10; Lk 12:13-21)

No Mass Scheduled

Tuesday, October 22

(Eph 2:12-22; Lk 12:35-38)

8:00 a.m. Darlene Laughlin Matherne†

Wednesday, October 23

(Eph 3:2-12; Lk 12:39-48)

6:30 p.m. Purgatorial Society

Thursday, October 24

(Eph 3:14-21; Lk 12:49-53)

8:00 a.m. William & Joyce Wahl†

Friday, October 25

(Eph 4:1-6; Lk 12:54-59)

8:00 a.m. Debra Goodey†

Saturday, October 26

(Eph 4:7-16; Lk 13:1-9)

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†, Emily Doucette, Ana Maria Guerrero†, Barbara Roszczynialski†, Yvette & Al Bowman, Altar Society Members, Antonians & Benefactors, Vaughn Gay, Jewel Bailey†, Fay Vogt†

Sunday, October 27

(Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52)

7:00 a.m. Karen & George Dickerson

8:30 a.m. Deacon Pat Downey†, Glen Parker†, Vaughn & Patti Gay, Ross Noel†, CJ Lightell†, JC Spiers†, DJ Bourgeois†, HT Stottman†, Sylvester & Lois Franzella†, Earline Garitty†, Richard Family, Jewel Bailey†, Miguel Iscoa

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish



DEEPEST SYMPATHY

It is with heartfelt sympathy that we inform you of the passing of Lou Lou Battle, son of Diane and Danny Bourgeois. They wish to thank everyone for all of the prayers through the years. Please keep the Bourgeois and Battle families in your prayers.

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POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious, and lay people.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful flower arrangements adorning the altar this weekend were donated in memory of

Mavis Conravey

THE PROBLEM OF EVIL

The problem of evil is a tough one. When we look around the world we see so much suffering, pain and sin, and it is natural to ask the question, "Why?" For thousands of years the problem of evil has plagued even the best of theologians. Today's first reading starts with the words, "The Lord was pleased to crush him in infirmity." At first glance this doesn't make a lot of sense when we think about a God who loves us unconditionally. How could God be pleased with suffering?

I am not going to pretend to have all the answers to the problem of evil, but I think the first reading today reminds us that we cannot answer the problem of evil fully because we fail to see with the eyes of God.

The first reading goes on to say, "through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear." This brings a little more sense to why God is pleased with infirmity because it is through this suffering that the guilt of many is justified. This does not make it any easier when we are faced with the loss of a loved one, a cancer diagnosis, or any of the other forms of suffering we could face, but it does help us see a glimpse of the workings of God.

We essentially know two things that should give us comfort. The first is that God does not directly cause evil. He may permit it because of free will or other factors, but he does not actively participate in evil. A loving God could not contradict his very nature in this way. The second is that He would only permit evil if a greater good could come from it. This is what makes it difficult because we do not see perfectly with the eyes of God. We cannot see all the good that He is bringing from the suffering that exists.

Let's not forget the worst evil to ever happen. The Son of God became man and suffered and died. From the very greatest of suffering to ever exist, God brought about the salvation of the entire human race. He endured the worst of suffering for me and for you. The problem of evil is tough, especially when it becomes personal and happens in our own lives, but if God himself could suffer and die to bring about the resurrection, then we can be assured that our suffering is also effective in bringing glory to God and his Church. This may not convince us fully but it does allow us to start to see the world how God sees it. He is in charge and he will ultimately make all things new.

GREAT SERVICE

In Mark's gospel, he has a short description of the Last Supper, without the washing of the disciples' feet found in the gospel of John. Today's passage has a similar message. While James and John seem to be close friends of Jesus, they obviously have not learned what it means to follow him. But they think this is the time to ask for their share in the glory of Jesus' Kingdom.

Jesus doesn't make any promises of worldly glory, but he does promise a share in his suffering. When he goes on to remind them of how Gentiles rule over people, they probably thought he was going to let them do the same. Imagine their surprise when he told them that the greatest of them would be the ones who served the rest.

They still did not understand that Jesus had to suffer and die to complete his life mission. They probably did not know what Jesus meant about their being baptized in death as Jesus would. But then how many people today know that leadership is a form of service? Whether you are head of a family, or of a nation, you were given that authority by God. And God expects leaders to not only direct those under them, but inspire and encourage them to do better. Parents do more than correct their children: They also guide them, love them, protect them, and sometimes even let them learn from their mistakes.

This connection of leadership and service is all inclusive. A manager is called to help his employees do their jobs better, not by badgering, but by giving the support they need. Government leaders are called to serve all constituents, not just the ones who donate to their election fund. Military leaders must support their troops with respect as well as discipline. God calls Church leaders in a special way to service of their flock: to protect the weakest members, to give an example of Jesus' love to all, and to be open to the movement of the Holy Spirit in both clergy and laity. Anyone who lives a life of loving service can be "greatest" in the Kingdom of God.

Camp-O-Ween: On the Farm

Saturday, October 26, 2024 to Sunday, October 27, 2024

Sign in and tent set up: 12:00 pm Activities begin 2:00 pm

Online registration: https://sppcprla.com/camp-o-ween

* All minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

For more information or to volunteer,

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TODAY I WILL BEGIN TO EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENT FORMS OF PRAYER BEGINNING WITH ROTE PRAYER

Rote Prayer

PASTOR'S CORNER

I will begin with an explanation of rote prayer, which is a written form of prayer. It is a traditional form of prayer that has been passed down in our Church. Think of prayers like the Our Father, Hail Mary or Glory Be which are all rote prayers. This is a very traditional and valuable form of vocal prayer that involves set formulas and invocations to God, the Virgin Mary, angels and saints.

Rote Prayer is a very beautiful form of prayer that is very meaningful for us, as we pray. This is the prayer form used by most Catholics today, since it is very easy to remember these prayers and to pray them frequently.

One prayer that we should be praying daily is the angel of God prayer It is helpful because our guardian angels were given to us by God at our birth. It is their role to watch over us and guide us to God. When we say the prayer it is good to say seven Glory Be's with the prayer. These Glory Be's give extra graces to our guardian angels as they watch over us, which means more help for us. I do not know about you, but when I heard this I thought who would not want more graces from God and more help from our angels.

Unfortunately for some reason the prayer has been shortened to what we commonly pray now, so I will give you the long version that I pray daily.

Angel of God Prayer

Angel of God my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and guard ,to rule and guide. From stain of sin to set me free and at my death my guardian be. Amen

Prayer to be said in all circumstances of life (Taken from the book In Sinu Jesu)

My Jesus, only as Thou willest
When thou willest
And in the way Thou willest.
To Thee be all glory and thanksgiving,
Who rulest all things mightily and sweetly,
and Who fillest the earth with Thy manifold mercies.
Amen.

As Thou willest, O my Jesus, when Thou willest, and in the way Thou willest, for Thou art God who rulest all things mightily and sweetly, and who fillest the earth with the abundance of Thy mercies. Amen.

My beloved Jesus, attach me to Thyself, even as St John, Thy beloved disciple, was attached to Thee.

Abide in Me, and I in you. As the Branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abide in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. I am the vine; you are the branches: he that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same beareth much fruit, for without Me you can do nothing.

-John 15:4-5

Do Thou in me and through me, O my beloved Jesus, all that Thou desirest to find in me and do through me, so that, in spite of my miseries, my weaknesses, and even my sins, my priesthood may be a radiance of Thine, and my face reflect the merciful love that ever shines on Thy Holy Face for souls who trust in Thee and abandon themselves to Thy divine action.

My beloved Jesus, I surrender to Thy Heart's love for me and I offer myself to Thee as a victim of adoration and reparation for all whom I have hurt or offended, that they may be healed and restored to Thy friendship within Thy Church, and for all Thy priests, especially for those who are still wallowing in sins and blind to the sweet light of Thy Countenance.

My Jesus, I give myself as a victim of love to Thee who gave Thyself as a victim of love for me. I desire to have no will apart from Thy will, the perfect expression of Thy Heart's love for me and for all Thy priests. I offer myself to Thee also for all the intentions of the Pope. I ask Thee to strengthen him and to console him, and I consecrate him to Thy Mother's Immaculate Heart.

Oh Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you.

When suffering offer it up saying Lord, through the hands of your Celestial Mother I offer you with all my heart those sufferings.

May Jesus live, Jesus Crucified.

A prayer for those who would offer one hour of adoration and reparation at home, at work, in hospital, in prison, or while traveling

Lord Jesus Christ, although I cannot, during this hour, approach Thee physically in the Sacrament of Thy love, I would approach Thee by desire and by faith.

Transport me, I beseech Thee, by the lifting up of my mind and heart, to that tabernacle in the world where Thou art, at this hour, most forsaken, utterly forgotten, and without human company.

Let the radiance of Thy Eucharistic Face so penetrate my soul that by offering Thee adoration and reparation, even as I am busy doing ordinary things in an ordinary way, I may obtain from Thy Sacred Heart the return of at least one priest to the Tabernacle where Thou waitest for him today. Amen.

Prayer to be said after Holy Communion (From the book In Sinu Jesu)

O my beloved Jesus unite me to Thyself
my body to Thy Body, my blood to Thy Blood
my soul to Thy Soul, my heart to Thy Heart
all that I am to all that Thou art,
so as to make me one with Thyself, O Jesus,
one priest and one victim, offered to the glory of Thy Father
out of love for Thy spouse, the Church
for the sanctification of Thy priests,
the conversion of sinners, the intentions of Pope Francis,
and in sorrowful reparation for my innumerable sins against Thee in Thy priesthood
and in the sacrament of Thy love.
Amen



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