

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church



Fourth Sunday of Advent December 21, 2025

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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

Rosary will begin 30 minutes Before each weekend Mass

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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."

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.

WEEKLY EVENTS

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

Christmas Masses:

Christmas Eve 5:00 p.m. and Midnight

Christmas Day 10:30 a.m. ONLY



POPE INTENTION FOR DECEMBER

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.



TABERNACLE LAMP

This week, the Tabernacle Lamp in the Sanctuary burns for

† Wallace, Sr. & Jewel Bailey †

AROUND THE PARISH

Christmas Mass Schedule:

Christmas Eve: 5:00 p.m. and Midnight

Christmas Day: 10:30 a.m. ONLY

Solemnity of Mary: (Holy day of obligation)

New Year's Eve: 6:30 p.m.

New Year's Day: 8:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Fellowship Sunday—Widow's Group hosts after all masses on Sunday, January 11th



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Michael McKelvey, Mary Salzer Brown, Elizabeth Kittel, Zachary Cresson, Ed Roszczynialski, Norris Ripp, Mary Ware, Ryan Ware, Lily Jorns, Dalin Davis, Israel & Joyce Landry, Steve Dunn, Joann Brewin, Joseph Decaro, Lois Leonard, Donald Paul & Larry Dickerson, Shirley Matthews, Sue Miller, Molly Hymel, Lucy Reese, Brenda Dehm, Landon Jeffrey, Glenn Bunting, Lucy D'Antoni, Judy Aleman, Isabella & Dylan Gornor, Vaughn Gay, Cathy Stanford, Herbert Landry, James White, Maria Kalcic, Dave Anderson, Lisa Wayne, Robert Lawtum, Bailey Battle, Patricia Barrois, Amy Fandal, Val Methe, Randy Tilloy, Susan Ordono, Scott Leonard

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 22

(1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56)

No Mass Scheduled

Tuesday, December 23

(Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66)

8:00 a.m. Debra Goodey†

Wednesday, December 24

(Vigil Mass: Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25)

Mass during the Night: Is 9:1-6; Tl 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14)

5:00 p.m. Adele & Hillary Nunez†

12:00 a.m. Patricia & Christian DeLerno†

Thursday, December 25

(Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14)

10:30 a.m. Thomas Brennan†, Imogene Brennan†, Gwen Brennan†

Friday, December 26

(Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; 16bc and 17; Mt 10:17-22)

8:00 a.m. Donald Roszczynialski†

Saturday, December 27

(1 Jn 1:14; Jn 20:1a and 2-8)

5:00 p.m. Joseph D'Antoni, Jr.†, Roszczynialski/Stottman Family, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Lee & Yvonne Tracey†, Ken & Adele Salzer†, Danny Ragsa, Sr.†, Lawrence Otillio†, Lee Ann Scogin†, Judy Woods†, Patti & Vaughn Gay, Terry Brown†, Lauren Vallette†, Lester Coupel†, Augie Paretti†, Dana Bunting, Cecilia Miller, Sandra Harvey

Sunday, December 28

(Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23)

7:00 a.m. Dorothy & James Meyers†

8:30 a.m. Deacon Pat Downey†, JC Spiers†, CJ Lightell†, May Caballero†, Eydie Richmond†, Robert & Jimmie Lou Fava, Pat Cuccia†, Lester Coupel†, Augie Paretti†

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

PARISH ROSARY PROGRAM

Weekly Rosaries: 301

Year to Date: 15,809

PASTOR'S CORNER ON THE DEVOTIONALS KNOWN AS NOVENAS

I feel that I have sufficiently given plenty of information on one of our best devotionals: the Rosary. In the future, I will give more rosary meditations, but for now, I am finished. I feel that it will be good to move onto the next phase of the devotionals that I will talk about known as the Novenas. In order to give a better understanding of what a Novena is, I have supplied a Catholic definition.

A Novena is a traditional Catholic prayer method in which a series of prayers is offered each day for nine successive days. They are offered as a sacrifice and show of devotion when the "pray-er" is asking for something specific. They aren't magic, just a way of increasing your talks with God. A Novena may be carried on in common in church, but the more popular form of the Novena is private. Many Novenas have been approved and Indulged by the Holy See, most designed as preparation for feasts. In its earliest form, the Novena was designed as a prayer for the repose of the soul of a deceased person.

According to Catholic Tradition the first Novena was prayed in the upper room by the apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary nine days before Pentecost. This feast was where the Holy Spirit was to descend on the apostles and change their lives. This change was seen to make them from men cowering in the upper room afraid of the Jewish authorities, into men who willingly went through great suffering and death as martyrs for the faith in Jesus Christ.

Today, I will start with one of my favorite Novenas which is known as The Mary Undoer of Knots Novena. This Novena is useful for all of the problems that we have in our lives that we are desperate for help to overcome. Like the sins that we cannot stop doing or the vices that we are struggling to overcome, create knots that tie up our lives. It is a multi-purpose Novena because we can even pray it for loved ones or others, we know who are struggling in one way or another. I have given this Novena to many people I know who are struggling, and many have found great help from Our Lady after praying this Novena.

Novena to Our Lady Undoer of Knots

DAY ONE

1. Make the sign of the cross
2. Say the Act of Contrition. Ask pardon for your sins and make a firm promise not to commit them again. Oh my God I am heartily sorry for having offended you. I detest all my sins because I dread the loss of Heaven and the pains of Hell. But most of all, because I offended you, oh my God, who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of your grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen
3. Say the first 3 decades of the Rosary.
4. Make the meditation of the day
5. Say the last 2 decades of the rosary
6. Finish with the Prayer to Our Lady the Undoer of Knots (The following prayer is different each day)

Dearest Holy Mother, Most Holy Mary, you undo the knots that suffocate your children, extend your merciful hands to me. I entrust to You today this knot....and all the negative consequences that it provokes in my life. I give you this knot that torments me and makes me unhappy and so impedes me from uniting myself to You and Your Son Jesus, my Savior. I run to You, Mary, Undoer of Knots because I trust you and I know that you never despise a sinning child who

comes to ask you for help. I believe that you can undo this knot because Jesus grants you everything. I believe that you want to undo this knot because you are my Mother. I believe that You will do this because you love me with eternal love. Thank you, Dear Mother.

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

The one who seeks grace, finds it in Mary's hands.

7. Pray the closing prayer

PRAYER TO MARY, UNDOER OF KNOTS

Virgin Mary, Mother of fair love, Mother who never refuses to come to the aid of a child in need, Mother whose hands never cease to serve your beloved children because they are moved by the divine love and immense mercy that exists in your heart, cast your compassionate eyes upon me and see the snarl of knots that exist in my life. You know very well how desperate I am, my pain and how I am bound by these knots. Mary, Mother to whom God entrusted the undoing of the knots in the lives of his children, I entrust into your hands the ribbon of my life. No one, not even the Evil One himself, can take it away from your precious care. In your hands there is no knot that cannot be undone. Powerful Mother, by your grace and intercessory power with Your Son and My Liberator, Jesus, take into your hands today this knot...I beg you to undo it for the glory of God, once for all, You are my hope. O my Lady, you are the only consolation God gives me, the fortification of my feeble strength, the enrichment of my destitution and with Christ the freedom from my chains.

Hear my plea.

Keep me, guide me, protect me, o safe refuge!

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

Since the instructions took up too much room I had to cut them to make room in the bulletin. They were previously repeated each day. You would simply re-use the instructions from the first day and pray the Mary Undoer of Knots prayer provided for each day.

DAY TWO

Mary, Beloved Mother, channel of all grace, I return to You today my heart, recognizing that I am a sinner in need of your help. Many times I lose the graces you grant me because of my sins of egoism, pride, rancor and my lack of generosity and humility. I turn to You today, Mary, Undoer of knots, for You to ask your Son Jesus to grant me a pure, divested, humble and trusting heart. I will live today practicing these virtues and offering you this as a sign of my love for You. I entrust into Your hands this knot (...describe) which keeps me from reflecting the glory of God.

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

Mary offered all the moments of her day to God.

DAY THREE

6. Finish with the Prayer to Our Lady the Undoer of Knots

Meditating Mother, Queen of heaven, in whose hands the treasures of the King are found, turn your merciful eyes upon me today. I entrust into your holy hands this knot in my life...and all the rancor and resentment it has caused in me. I ask Your forgiveness, God the Father, for my sin. Help me now to forgive all the persons who consciously or unconsciously provoked this knot. Give me, also, the grace to forgive me for having provoked this knot. Only in this way can You undo it. Before You, dearest Mother, and in the name of Your Son Jesus, my Savior, who has suffered so many offenses, having been granted forgiveness, I now forgive these persons...and myself, forever. Thank you, Mary, Undoer of Knots for undoing the knot of rancor in my heart and the knot which I now present to you. Amen.

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

Turn to Mary, you who desire grace.

DAY FOUR

Dearest Holy Mother, you are generous with all who seek you, have mercy on me. I entrust into your hands this knot which robs the peace of my heart, paralyzes my soul and keeps me from going to my Lord and serving Him with my life. Undo this knot in my love...., O mother, and ask Jesus to heal my paralytic faith which gets down hearted with the stones on the road. Along with you, dearest Mother, may I see these stones as friends. Not murmuring against them anymore but giving endless thanks for them, may I smile trustingly in your power.

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

Mary is the Sun and no one is deprived of her warmth.

DAY FIVE

Mother, Undoer of Knots, generous and compassionate, I come to You today to once again entrust this knot...in my life to you and to ask the divine wisdom to undo, under the light of the Holy Spirit, this snarl of problems. No one ever saw you angry; to the contrary, your words were so charged with sweetness that the Holy Spirit was manifested on your lips. Take away from me the bitterness, anger and hatred which this knot has caused me. Give me, o dearest Mother, some of the sweetness and wisdom that is all silently reflected in your heart. And just as you were present at Pentecost, ask Jesus to send me a new presence of the Holy Spirit at this moment in my life. Holy Spirit, come upon me!

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

Mary, with God, is powerful.

DAY SIX

Queen of Mercy, I entrust to you this knot in my life...and I ask you to give me a heart that is patient until you undo it. Teach me to persevere in the living word of Jesus, in the Eucharist, the

Sacrament of Confession; stay with me and prepare my heart to celebrate with the angels the grace that will be granted to me. Amen!

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

You are beautiful, Mary, and there is no stain of sin in You.

DAY SEVEN

Mother Most Pure, I come to You today to beg you to undo this knot in my life...and free me from the snares of Evil. God has granted you great power over all the demons. I renounce all of them today, every connection I have had with them and I proclaim Jesus as my one and only Lord and Savior. Mary, Undoer of Knots, crush the Evil One's head and destroy the traps he has set for me by this knot. Thank you, dearest Mother. Most Precious Blood of Jesus, free me!

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

You are the glory of Jerusalem, the joy of our people.

DAY EIGHT

Virgin Mother of God, overflowing with mercy, have mercy on your child and undo this knot...in my life. I need your visit to my life, like you visited Elizabeth. Bring me Jesus, bring me the Holy Spirit. Teach me to practice the virtues of courage, joyfulness, humility and faith, and, like Elizabeth, to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Make me joyfully rest on your bosom, Mary. I consecrate you as my mother, Queen and friend. I give you my heart and everything I have (my home and family, my material and spiritual goods.) I am yours forever. Put your heart in me so that I can do everything Jesus tells me.

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.

Let us go, therefore, full of trust, to the throne of grace.

DAY NINE

Most Holy Mary, our Advocate, Undoer of Knots, I come today to thank you for undoing this knot in my life...You know very well the suffering it has caused me. Thank you for coming, Mother, with your long fingers of mercy to dry the tears in my eyes; you receive me in your arms and make it possible for me to receive once again the divine grace. Mary, Undoer of Knots, dearest Mother, I thank you for undoing the knots in my life. Wrap me in your mantle of love, keep me under your protection, enlighten me with your peace! Amen.

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me.



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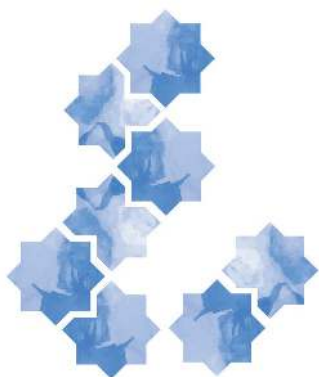
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