

Saint Peter Parish



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die."
- Jn 6:48-50

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES:

Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 AM
Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION:**
Saturday 3:30 PM
Anytime by request.

PARISH COUNCIL:
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New to our Parish Family and would like to join?
Please contact the Parish Office 508-234-2156

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Elaine Nowlan Parish Secretary
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Religious Education:
Loreto: K to 4th
Edge: 5th-8th
Lifeteen: 9th-12th
Please call the Parish Office

Safe Environment Coordinators
Linda Blair & Steven Poudrier

BAPTISMS:

Please call the rectory to meet
with Father Tom

MARRIAGES:

Please call the rectory at least twelve
months in advance to begin required
marriage preparation

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SATURDAY August 7th

4:30PM **Normand Lavallee** by Mr. & Mrs. John Rainville

SUNDAY August 8th

8:30AM **Judith Tessier** by John & Barbara Ramian

11:00AM **Annie Mae Whitcomb** by her Husband

MONDAY August 9th

8:00AM **Raymond Blette** by Sue & Ray Adams

TUESDAY August 10th

8:00AM **Yvette Gauthier**

WEDNESDAY August 11th

8:00AM **Parish Family**

THURSDAY August 12th

8:00AM **No Mass/Communion Service**

SATURDAY August 14th

4:30PM **Valmore & Bertha Dube** by Family

SUNDAY August 15th

8:30AM **Raymond Blette** by John & Barbara Ramian

11:00AM **Richard Cronin** by Daughter & Grandchildren

The numbers for this week were not available at the time of printing. They will be posted in our next bulletin. Thank you for your patience.

Stewardship Reminder

As we go through the summer season, please remember that our financial commitments as a parish don't "take a vacation".

To you who provide your financial support through electronic giving weekly or monthly, Thank You!

To you who use the envelope system or participate in meeting our financial needs in some other fashion, please remember to contribute as you do regularly by anticipating or making up your contributions.

Everyone's participation helps keep us on track!



*Logan Bernard Rich, Lorraine Devlin, Lori Alves,
Robin Warwick, Charles Giambusso,
Margarite Pomponio, Rhonda Lavallee, Eric Lambert
and all those in our parish book of prayers.*

Healing Prayer

*Heavenly Father, we pray that You will lay
your healing Hands upon all those who are
sick. We beg You to have compassion on all
those who are suffering so that they may be
delivered from their pitiful circumstances.*

In Jesus, we pray.

Amen.

**"Say to yourself over and over again
regardless of what happens:
'God loves me!'
And then add:
'And I will try to love Him!'"**

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A Note from Father Tom

"... Get up and eat ..."

Today, in the First Book of Kings, we read or hear this instruction given by an angel to the prophet, Elisha. The prophet has become weary, truly worn out, by the journey on which he has been sent. The angel assures him by he will be renewed and strengthened if he will eat what is set before him. (1 Kg 19: 6-7) He was, indeed, strengthened by it, and continued on to the holy place to which he had been sent.

The Gospel passage from John for today's celebration once again continues Jesus' preparation of his disciples for the day that is coming. With every step in time and space that brings him and them to the reality of his Passion, Death, and Resurrection, they must come to believe WHO and WHAT he is. What the crowds are proclaiming, either exultantly or angrily, is a little or greatly off the mark!

In the mystery of God's loving plan our ancestors were given the gifts of their journey through the desert, but they died. The bread of which Jesus now speaks is something wholly other, and other-holy! Here and now he is talking of that which will occur in him, is his Passion, Death and Resurrection...in his gift to them and to us during that Last Supper they will share. Here and now he is talking eternal life!

In our busy world, crowded with instruments to occupy our senses seemingly endlessly, it can be difficult to change gears to truly listen so as to hear. Something surely is lost when that happens in human interaction (can you say cell phone, can you say ear buds?). Something even greater is lost when we stop listening as Our Lord gathers and welcomes us because we've heard it all before. Our desert isn't a desert that is barren but a desert of too much stuff, sound and fury that offers too little. Being prepared for the Lord's voice and the Lord's gifts takes effort and belief that he comes!

Fr. Tom



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading:
1 Kings 19:4-8

Psalms:
34:2-9

Second Reading:
Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Gospel:
John 6:41-51



Northbridge Association of Churches Backpacks and School Supplies

The Northbridge Association of Churches is once again getting ready for the new school year by collecting backpacks & school supplies.

The Department of Children and Families will distribute to kids who otherwise would not have what they need to start school in the fall.

If you are able to help, there is a list of the needed supplies in the gathering area. (this is a typical list of what each student is asked to bring in the first week of school)

Anything you can do to help out is most appreciated!

**Please return your donations to the boxes in
the gathering area by
Sunday, August 22, 2021**

Thank you for your help in advance!



Thank you to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2021 Partners in Charity Appeal.

Our Parish Goal is \$33,300.00

Total Gifts to date for our goal is \$25,342.00

***We are \$7958.00 away from our goal
Please help us reach our goal!!!***

***If you have not yet made a gift or pledge,
please fill out an envelope located by the
collection baskets in the church.***

This year the diocesan campaign has been impacted by the pandemic, So, it will be a great challenge to reach its goal of \$5 Million (as will many other annual campaigns)

Your gift will help the Diocese implement its essential charitable, pastoral and educational works in the year ahead. Ten of thousands of people are the beneficiaries of our charitable giving.

Hopefully, you will consider making a gift from your generosity and spirit of sacrifice. It takes many gifts to reach our diocesan goal of \$5 Million.

**Mail all donations to:
Partners in Charity
Diocese of Worcester
49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609-9932**

**All checks should be made out to
"Partners in Charity"**

Or visit partners-charity.net to make a donation online and view the 2021 appeal video.

Partners in Charity is the Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Worcester, serving 26 charitable, educational and pastoral ministries. Through your generous support we are able to serve thousands of families and individuals in Worcester County through outreach, formation, evangelization, and worship.

Thank you for your continued support!



St. Peter's Holiday Bazaar

*There will be a meeting on
Tuesday, August 17th at 7:00pm
in the Parish Hall.*

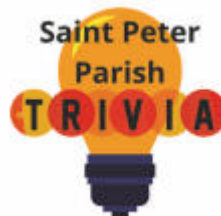
*Please join us if you are interested in learning
more, or if you'd like to volunteer to help.*



Registrations forms for
the 2021-2022 year will
be out soon and we will
be in person.

Watch your email for your registration forms and
information on our Religious Ed Kick Off Party in
September.

If you are new to the parish or new to our
religious education programs, please call the
parish office 508-234-2156 or
email: parishoffice@stpeterrockdale.org.



***Try your hand at a few
new trivia questions
about Saint Peter's...***

In 1952, the statues of these two saints were
placed on either side of the altar.

Before the parish center was built, parish social
events were held where?

Who was the priest that led our parish during
the Second Vatican Council?

What year was the parish center first opened?

What year did St. Peter's start the BINGO
games?



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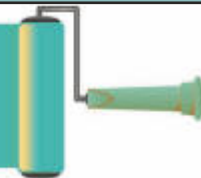
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