August 29 2021 | 29 de Agosto, 2021

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

22° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Después, Jesús llamó a la gente y les dijo: "Escúchenme todos y entiéndanme. Nada que entre de fuera puede manchar al hombre; lo que sí lo mancha es lo que sale de dentro". - Mc 7, 14-15

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The St. Peter Prayer Line unites parishioners in a spirit of Christian Charity to pray for the needs of our parishioners, especially:

Heidi Ann Hebrank, Rob Munski, Jerry Nielson, Fr. Pedro Rodriguez Gonzalez, Kathy Drummett, Paula Glennie, Jack Duthler, Lorrie Gaunt, Frances Byk, Jackie Diaz, Tom Doucette, Janet Fahey, Fr. John Flynn, OSA, Ronnie Hebrank, Dolly Leonard, Madison McAllister, Deacon Tony Nethercott, Sylvia Scurio, Br. Larry Sparacino, OSA, Saúl Suárez, Jr., *and all the sick on St. Peter's Prayer Line.* The group will continue to pray for your request until they hear differently from you.

SAN FELIPE DE JESÚS

Readings for the week

Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/
Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11
Friday: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: BVM
Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 28
5:00pm ***† John and † Charlotte Amaya***
by Sharon Amaya
Sunday, August 29
8:00am ***Dan Seder & Family***
by Bill & Toni Alwin
10:30am ***Dan Hebert***
by Rick & Elizabeth Parent
Monday, August 30
8:30am ***† Marilyn Akey*** (Anniversary of Death)
by Michael Akey
Tuesday, August 31
8:30am ***DeBenedetti and Napoli Families***
by Mary DeBenedetti
Thursday, September 2
8:30am ***People of St. Peter Parish (ProPopulo)***
Friday, September 3
8:30am ***K. Johnson***
by Jim & Marianne Hoffman
Saturday, September 4
8:30am ***In Reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary***
5:00pm ***† Charlotte Amaya***
by Tom & Patti Reiss
Sunday, September 5
8:00am ***R. Johnson***
by Jim & Marianne Hoffman
10:30am ***† Frank & Eileen Violante***
by the Steenwyk Family

SAINT PETER
A Catholic Community of Love, Faith, and Hope

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays 3:30pm-4:30pm
other times by appointment

Masses Open to the Public
M,T,TH,F 8:30am
Wednesday —No Mass—
Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am and 10:30am

All weekend Masses at St. Peter are Live

Attention

All persons attending weekend Masses are asked to wear a mask, until Covid numbers recede.

Masks are required for the non-vaccinated, as has been the case all along.

Weekday Mass offers ample social distancing space; this request applies to weekend Masses.

This Week

- **Sunday Masses,** 8am & 10:30am
- **Morning Mass,** weekdays at 8:30am in the Chapel
- **Open Vessels Women's Faith Sharing**
  Tue 9:30am - Vatican Room
- **Wedding Rehearsal,** Thurs 4:30
- **Eucharistic Exposition,** Fri 9-12pm - Chapel
- **Wedding,** Fri 4pm - Sinke-Sweeney
- **Catholic Men's Fellowship,**
  Sat 8 - 10:30am - Solanus Casey Room
- **Baptism**, Sat 10am
- **Wedding**, Sat 11am - Salazar/Martinez
- **Sacrament of Reconciliation,** Sat 3:30 - 4:30pm
- **Vigil Mass,** 5:00pm

From Rick Hardy
Pastoral Associate

Living Tabernacles

For some weeks this summer, we heard Fr. Fabio developing the image of each of us as a "Living Tabernacle." Once we receive the Body of Christ in Holy Communion, each of us is truly and literally a vessel containing the true Body of Christ, just like the Tabernacle we honor with a central placement in our church.

This has several implications. First, if you think about it, we honor the Tabernacle by genuflecting when we enter the Church, and we may do so again as we leave. But when we leave, we are surrounded by Tabernacles! We should genuflect to each other! And we should act as if we not only contained, but treasured the Real Presence of Christ within us as well as among us.

Another implication is the one that Father has emphasized in several homilies this summer: during the week, we will encounter people who need the presence of Christ. And we will have the opportunity to open our Tabernacle and share Christ's love, mercy, kindness, and compassion with them.

I would like to add a third implication, and this is an urgent one: There are numerous parishioners — members of this parish, people who helped to build this community physically and spiritually — who, in their advancing age, are unable to come to Sunday Mass.

Some of these people watch our live stream on Sunday morning, and others watch other televised Masses at home, And Christ is with them, to be sure. But what is not there with them is the *Sacramental* touch, taste, and comfort of receiving the Holy Eucharist in person.

At present, St. Peter parish is not providing Holy Communion on a weekly basis to our all of our homebound parishioners who desire it. During the covid shutdown, there was a good reason for not visiting these homebound folks. But there is no such reason now.

This is a ministry of kindness, care, and compassion that is ridiculously easy to do. So why are we not doing it? How hard would it be?

It seems to me that the people of St. Peter parish could easily see that every homebound person within our parish boundaries who desires it could receive Communion every week.

Think of it: Before the dismissal at Mass, a dozen or more people from the assembly would come forward and be sent out, right in front of God and everybody, to take the joy we have shared, along with the Sacrament of the Eucharist, to someone — just one person — who can't come to Mass.

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Gospel Meditation

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Albert Einstein said that the "true measure of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination." Being a disciple of Jesus Christ requires a great deal of imagination. It is not enough to simply attend to facts, rules and rituals and consider the job done. Quite contrarily, the Gospels demands creativity, of trying to discern how to put flesh on the Beatitudes and properly serve God's children. Jesus never doled out a top down agenda. Not once did he ever demand conformity over conversion or sacrifice over mercy. The Gospel is always about putting people in touch with their compassionate, forgiving, and unconditionally loving God and meeting them where they are.

For Jesus, it often meant breaking a few rules. Well respected and time-honored traditions had to be set aside in order to attend to what really mattered. God's compassion, mercy and true conversion were always the trump cards. The story of the Good Samaritan, healing on the Sabbath, and bypassing of purification rituals all display this theme. Human beings can get too hung up on protocol and tradition. This is so much so that often preserving all of these things is of greater concern than the beggar knocking on our door or the sinner looking for mercy. It is no wonder, then, that we can easily become hypocritical. Many can see us on our knees in prayer while our true heart and actions, rooted in judgment and self-preservation, are hidden from others. It is a trap into which we can easily fall. Who cares how we live our lives as long as our hands are properly washed!

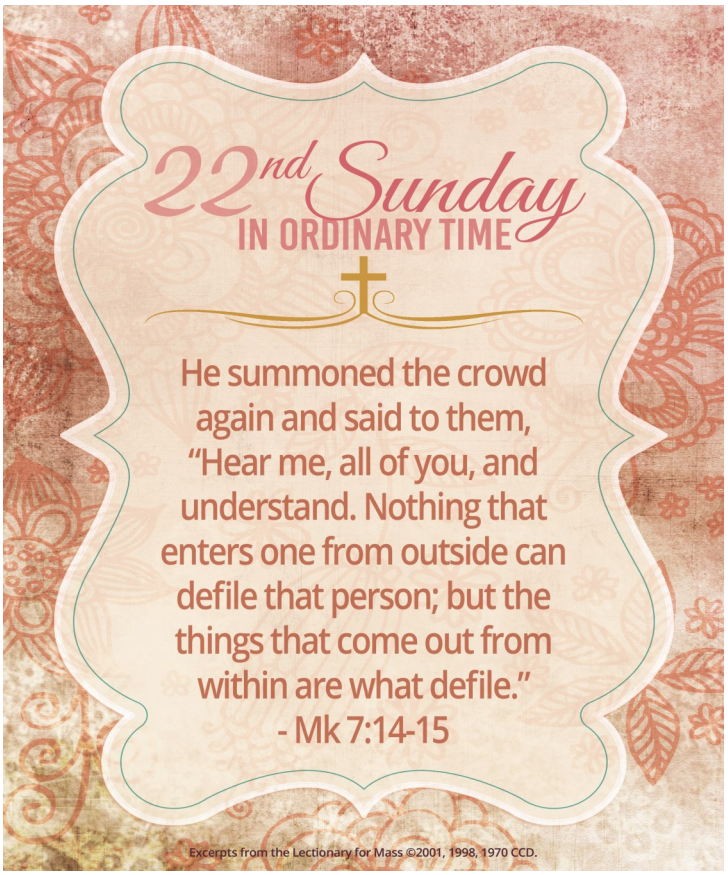
Here enters the need for imagination and the distinction of truly being a wise and intelligent person. It takes a good measure of creativity and a lot of guts to really be a doer of God's word and not merely a hearer. Being a person who doesn't just tell people about God but shows people God requires courage and ingenuity. That's why people like St. Francis of Assisi and St. Teresa of Calcutta are timeless. Their genuineness speaks volumes generation to generation. It's risky business taking the step to allow God into our hearts. Permitting God to release us from the grip of our evil thoughts, infidelity, greed, malice, sexual improprieties, licentiousness, envy, arrogance, folly, and the like takes courage. That's why we prefer to spend our energy rearranging the future rather than take measures to secure a foundation that is most certainly crumbling. ©LPi

Rick Hardy's article continue here...

This ministry can be done on Sunday or any day of the week. Ideally, it would be right after a Mass at the church, but it also can be at other times. You could do it every week, or you could alternate with someone else; there are lots of options.

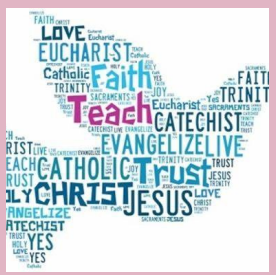
Would you kindly give this some thought and prayer? And then, if you feel called to this ministry, would you please call Geri at the parish office and give her your contact info? Someone will be in touch promptly.

Finally, if you've already offered to do this service and have not been contacted, please call again and tell Geri that, too. It's probably my bad. I'll send you a bouquet of flowers and a sincere apology, but we've got to get our homebound people served.



Become a Catechist or Co-Catechist

Catechists are needed during the morning sessions at our once a month Family Faith Formation. All training and materials are provided. Adults and Confirmed teens may inquire by contacting Alisha Giles.



The Lighter Side

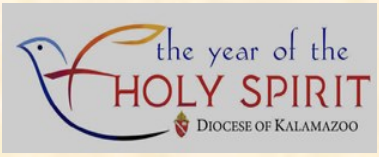
No Pushing

A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran, she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!" As she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again. As she ran, she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late ... But please don't shove me either!"

Jubilee Year of the Holy Spirit

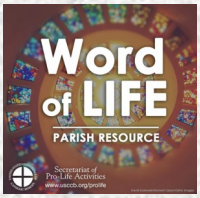
Bishop Bradley announces a special Jubilee Year of the Holy Spirit to begin August 28, 2021 and culminate on the Solemnity of Pentecost, June 5, 2022.

This special Year will call upon the Holy Spirit to bestow upon our Diocese His seven-fold Gifts to help us be renewed in our Love for Jesus, for our Faith, and to help us to become those joyful and courageous missionary disciples Jesus needs us to be. The details and much more information about how we will observe this Year of the Holy Spirit will be forthcoming. Come, Holy Spirit!



Intercessions for Life

For those who are imprisoned:
May they be treated with the respect due to every human person;
We pray to the Lord.



Our once a month Family Faith Formation will begin on **Sunday, September 19 Register Today!**

From the Diocese of Kalamazoo

EVENTS

Diocese of Kalamazoo Caregivers Connection: Are you a caregiver for someone with a disability? Do you sometimes feel alone or overwhelmed? You are invited to a virtual gathering on Sunday, Aug 1 from 1:00 – 2:00p.m. The focus is to build relationships, share faith and experiences, and create a supportive community. To learn more or to register go to https://diokzoo.org/caregivers or contact Lisa Irwin at the Diocese of Kalamazoo 269-381-9800 x227 or by email at lisairwin@ccdok.org Zoom link will be sent to those who register. Future 2021 dates are Sept. 12, Oct. 3, Nov. 7, and Dec.5.

Creative Connections: Persons with Disabilities are invited to a virtual gathering from 1:00 – 2:00p.m. on Sunday Sept. 19. The focus is to build fellowship and have fun. We'll spend some time getting to know each other and catching up, have a brief reflection on Sunday's scripture passage and end with prayer. To learn more or to register go to https://www.diokzoo.org/personswithdisabilities or contact Lisa Irwin at 269-381-9800 x227or lisairwin@ccdok.org. Zoom link will be sent to those who register. Future date: Nov. 21

LANGUAGE FOR REPORTING SEXUAL MISCONDUCT: The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the reporting number set up by the Michigan Attorney General's office at: (844) 324-3374

The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR) has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. To make a report, visit ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.

Un vistazo a San Felipe esta semana...

¡¡¡ Felicidades, Padre Fabio !!!

El lunes pasado Padre Fabio cumplió 35 años de ministerio sacerdotal y dos días después cumplió 65 años de vida. Que el Señor siga bendiciéndolo en todo lo que realiza en su ministerio y en su vida. Gracias por tantos años de servicio sacrificial a la Iglesia de Dios y a la comunidad de San Felipe de Jesús.

Inscripciones para la Confirmación

Ya está disponible la inscripción para los jóvenes de 13 años y mayores para entrar en la formación para confirmarse. Hay varias actividades que tienen que completar antes de poder entrar en esta catequesis. La aventura comienza tomando este primer paso. Esperamos la participación de sus adolescentes.

Misa Diocesana de Bodas de Oro

La Misa Diocesana para los que cumplen 50 años de matrimonio en 2020 ó 2021 será el domingo 3 de octubre a las 2 p.m. en la Catedral de San Agustín en Kalamazoo. Apúntense con Joe o www.diokazoo.org/50-anniversary antes del 15 de septiembre. Van a recibir un certificado firmado por el Sr. Obispo también. Para mas información mande correo a struchan@diokzoo.org.

Las Inscripciones para la Primera Comunión

¡¡ Apunten a sus hijos para hacer la primera comunión antes del 5 de septiembre !!

Comenzaremos el primer año de catequesis con un retiro el domingo 12 de septiembre de 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. También vamos a repartir libros y un calendario ese día.

Comparten esta información con familiares que están pensando en la catequesis para sus hijos este año.

La Próxima Jornada de Adoración

Domingo 19 de Septiembre
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Rezamos el Rosario, las Vísperas y la Coronilla de la Misericordia.
Hay momentos para su oración y encuentro personal con Jesús en el Santísimo Sacramento.

Misa de Consagración a San José con el Obispo

Este miércoles 1° de septiembre a las 6 p.m.
En la Inmaculada Concepción en Hartford.
Para más información, llame a 269-621-4106.

El Año del Espíritu Santo

28 de Agosto — 5 de junio (el Pentecostés)

Respira en mí, oh Espíritu Santo,
para que todos mis pensamientos sean santos.
Actúa en mí, oh Espíritu Santo,
para que mi trabajo también pueda ser santo.
Atrae mi corazón, oh Espíritu Santo,
para que solo ame lo que es santo.
Fortaléceme, oh Espíritu Santo,
para que defienda todo lo que es santo.
Guárdame, oh Espíritu Santo,
para que siempre pueda ser santo. Amen

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Lecturas de la semana del 29 de agosto del 2021

Domingo: 22º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Dt 4, 1-2. 6-8/Sal 14, 2-3. 3-4. 4-5/ Sant 1, 17-18. 21-22. 27/ Mc 7, 1-8. 14-15. 21-23

Lunes: 1 Tes 4, 13-18/Sal 95, 1 y 3. 4-5. 11-12. 13/Lc 4, 16-30

Martes: 1 Tes 5, 1-6. 9-11/Sal 26, 1. 4. 13-14/ Lc 4, 31-37

Miércoles: Col 1, 1-8/Sal 51, 10. 11/Lc 4, 38-44

Jueves: Col 1, 9-14/Sal 97, 2-3. 3-4. 5-6/Lc 5, 1-11

Viernes: San Gregorio Magno, papa y doctor de la Iglesia
Col 1, 15-20/Sal 99, 1-2. 3. 4. 5/Lc 5, 33-39

Sábado: BVM
Col 1, 21-23/Sal 53, 3-4. 6 y 8/ Lc 6, 1-5

Domingo siguiente: 23er Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Is 35, 4-7/Sal 145, 7. 8-9. 9-10/ Sant 2, 1-5/Mc 7, 31-37

Su Aporte a la Parroquia

Domingo XXI del Tiempo Ordinario – **22 de agosto**

Colecta de Domingo **$ 926.00**

Gastamos dinero cada mes para el servicio del teléfono, la basura, y el servicio de control de plagas también. Gracias por hacer todo esto posible.

La Campaña Anual del Obispo Meta: $7,700

Comprometido: $3,050 Compromisos: 14

¿ Saben Uds. que pueden donar en línea directamente de su cuenta bancaria y lo acreditan a San Felipe? Pueden hacerlo al: **www.osvonlinegiving.com/867**

La Corresponsabilidad Diaria

Devuélvelo todo

La cultura pop nos ha dado una idea única del término justicia. La justicia, pensamos a menudo, se trata de tomar. Tomando lo que se debe. Tomando venganza. Tomando lo que nos merecemos. Esta visión del mundo tiende a hacer picadillo nuestras enseñanzas sociales católicas. Buscando el bien de los pobres, un llamado a la comunidad y la participación, la solidaridad, a primera vista, en una sociedad donde todo debe ganarse y se nos anima a acumular para nosotros cualquier éxito que podamos lograr, estos principios se parecen mucho a un asalto.

Pero cuando recuerdas la presencia de un Dios omnipotente, amoroso y misericordioso, pone de cabeza nuestro sentido pistolero de la justicia. Porque, ¿cómo habita la justicia en el mismo universo que un Dios que es tan rápido en dar y en perdonar?

Bueno, muy fácilmente, cuando recordamos Quién es exactamente la fuente de todas las cosas buenas y perfectas en este mundo. No hay ley que no se remonte a la Palabra. Y la Palabra salva nuestras almas.

¿Eso es justicia? No, eso es un regalo. Es el regalo indulgente e imprudente de un padre cuyo amor es mayor que su ira. ¿Qué es la justicia en el sentido bíblico?

La respuesta es simple. Mira tu vida. ¿Ves las horas de tu día? ¿Ves a tu cónyuge, a tus hijos, a tus nietos? ¿Ves la casa en la que viven, el dinero en tu billetera, la comida en tu refrigerador, el aliento en tus pulmones?

Llamarlo todo tuyo, negarte a compartir algo de eso, eso es robo. Devolvérselo todo a Aquel que te lo dio, eso es justicia.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Los Obispos estadounidenses están pidiendo a los católicos que le hagan saber al Congreso que los dólares de sus impuestos no deben financiar el aborto. Firme la petición ahora en **https://www.notaxpayerabortion.com.**