

# St. Peter the Fisherman Parish

## January 27: 3rd Sunday — Ordinary Time

“Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch.” — Luke 5:4

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Holy Name—Machias



St. Timothy—Campobello Isle, NB



St. Michael—Cherryfield



Sacred Heart—Lubec

Dear Parishioners,

Another season of Lent will soon be upon us as we prepare for the culmination of our liturgical year in the Resurrection of Jesus. The key to understanding the meaning of Lent is simple: **Baptism**. Preparation for Baptism and for renewing baptismal commitment lies at the heart of the season. Why is Baptism so important in our Lenten understanding? Lent as a 40-day season developed in the fourth century from three merging sources. The first was the ancient paschal fast that began as a two-day observance before Easter but was gradually lengthened to 40 days. The second was the catechumenate as a process of preparation for Baptism, including an intense period of preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation to be celebrated at Easter. The third was the Order of Penitents, which was modeled on the catechumenate and sought a second conversion for those who had fallen back into serious sin after Baptism. As the catechumens (candidates for Baptism) entered their final period of preparation for Baptism, the penitents and the rest of the community accompanied them on their journey and prepared to renew their baptismal vows at Easter. Soon you will be introduced to our candidates and catechumens who are moving towards baptism and full communion with the Catholic Church. Please keep them in your prayers.

With prayers for your holiness and God’s abundant blessings this new year,

Fr. Philip Clement

thank  
you!

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

January 12th & 13th

**\$ 1,349.75**

Thank you for your generosity.

### Mass Intentions for the 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sat	Jan 26, 2019	4:00 pm (ATL)	ST	3RD SUNDAY — Al Daigle
Sat	Jan 26, 2019	4:30 pm (EDT)	SH	3RD SUNDAY — People of SPF parish
Sun	Jan 27, 2019	8:30 am	HN	3RD SUNDAY — Eric McDonald
Sun	Jan 27, 2019	10:30 am	SM	3RD SUNDAY — Catholic Exchange
Wed	Jan 30, 2019	8:30 am	HN	NO MASS
Wed	Jan 30, 2019	9:00 am	SM	Week 3 — Fr. Peter Gorham
Thurs	Jan 31, 2019	8:30 am	SH	NO MASS
Fri	Feb 01, 2019	8:30 am	SM	Week 3 — April Sawyer

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Please call Fr. Clement at the parish office (207-255-3731) for:

*Baptisms, Weddings, Holy Communion to the homebound, Sacrament of the Sick, Funerals, or any other sacramental or pastoral needs.*

*Confessions: Sat. 3:00-4:00 ATL @ St. Timothy; Sat. 5:30-6:00 @ Sacred Heart; Sun. 7:30-8:20 @ Holy Name; Sun. 11:30-12:30 @ St. Michael’s*

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# Catholic Trivia ...

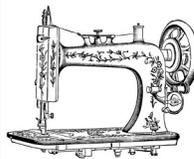


Who was the first pope?

- A. St. Jude
- B. St. Peter
- C. St. Paul

Which liturgical color would the priest wear most often?

- A. Red
- B. White
- C. Green
- D. Purple



# SEW-ERS

## & Scribes



I am very happy to say that the interest in these two projects was overwhelming. A dozen ladies volunteered for the altar cloth project, and a dozen people volunteered for the record transcribing project. More information for both will be forthcoming. Thank you very much for your interest in helping your parish in this way.

## LENTEN MISSION

This year for Lent (March 6 — April 20), we will have a parish mission on each Friday evening of the Lenten season. Each session will begin with the Stations of the Cross, and then we will delve into a discussion of the Holy Mass. The discussions will be guided by the book: *A Devotional Journey Into the Mass—How Mass Can Become A Time of Grace, Nourishment, and Devotion*, by Christopher Carstens. Get a copy from Amazon.com or contact Fr. Philip to help you obtain a copy. You do not need to read the book to attend the sessions. More information to follow.



# Candlemas...

February 2nd is the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple and the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On this day the Church traditionally blesses candles to burn in your homes as a way to bring Holy Light to your family. We will bless candles at all Masses the weekend of February 2nd & 3rd. Don't forget to bring your candles to Mass that weekend. (Yes, any candle)



Fr. Philip will be out of the office next week Monday through Friday. The only daily Masses will be on Wednesday at 9:00am and Friday at 8:30am at St. Michael in Cherryfield.

## Your donation counts ...

If Mass happens to be cancelled or if you are unable to attend for some reason, please be so kind as to submit your offertory donation for the missed Mass on the following weekend. This helps us meet our operating costs. Thank you very much.



## 2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

Parish Fuel Fund

## Blessing of Throats



Sunday, February 3rd, is the Feast of St. Blasé where the Church traditionally blesses throats. Saint Blaise is believed to have been a healer then, eventually, became a "physician of souls." He then retired to a cave, where he remained in prayer. People often turned to Saint Blaise for healing miracles. We will bless throats at all Masses next weekend immediately after the homily.

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## OFFICE HOURS



Fr. Philip's day off is Monday. Office hours are Wednesdays from 10am — 4pm by appointment only. If you need to see Fr. Philip for any reason, please call the office, or email Fr. Philip directly to make an appointment. Appointments are held at Holy Name Church in Machias.

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