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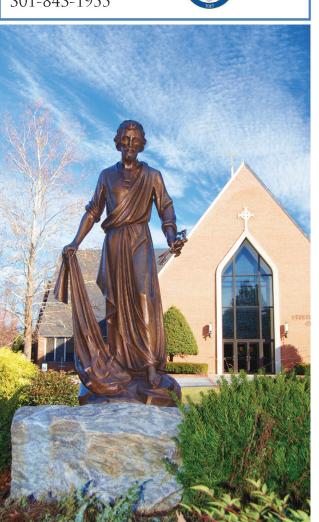
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SUNDAY MASSES

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., Noon and 1:30 p.m. (en Espanol), 6:00 p.m.

Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m.

Daily Mass at 8:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday

Confessions:

Saturday from 3:00 – 3:45 p.m. (Church)
Wednesday from 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. (Our Lady of the Fields Chapel)
or by appointment

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Open 24 hours a day for prayer before the Blessed Sacrament

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Welcome Visitors and New Members

St. Peter's welcomes those new to our community or those who may be visiting family and friends. Please don't hesitate to introduce yourself to those worshipping with you. Also, if you've recently moved into our parish, please register at the parish office, 301-843-8916. We are glad you're here and hope you will come back offen.

If you would like to register in St. Peter's Parish, please contact the Parish Office to request a registration form, 301-843-8916 or email parishsecretary@stpeterswaldorf.org

St. Peter's Catholic School

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Grades pre-K thru 8, hours: 8:15 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Before/After Care, hours: 6:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Mass and Novena in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus 8:00 p.m. on the First Friday of every month in the Church. All night Eucharistic Vigil from the Friday evening Mass until the Saturday morning 8 o'clock Mass from September to June.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those interested in becoming Catholic – those persons who have never been baptized or those baptized into other Christian denominations who now wish to become Catholic – or for those Catholics who have missed receiving Sacraments after Baptism. Please contact the Office for Christian Formation at 301-843-9583 x155 for more information.

GIFT (Growing in Faith Together): Family Religious Education

Please contact the Office for Christian Formation to discuss opportunities for Faith Formation for the entire family, including Baptism, Marriage, First Penance and First Holy Communion. Our Sunday Family Religious Education sessions meet 2x per month and include an enrichment session for families (and social), as well as age-level instruction in the faith (CCD) for children/youth in PreK - 8. Please call the Office for Christian Formation at 301-843-9583 x166 (English speaking only) or x115 (hablar espanol).

Youth Ministry (and Confirmation Preparation)

Youth Ministry provides spiritual, social and cultural experiences for students in middle through high school. The purpose of St. Peter's Youth Ministry is to empower the young people in our parish to live as disciples of Jesus Christ by drawing them to responsible participation in the life, mission and work of the Catholic faith community. For youth in middle and high school it will foster development and growth in Christian discipleship and Catholic identity through faith formation sessions, service projects, social events and spiritual activities, such as retreats. Contact Gavin Arvizo, Youth Minister for more details@gavinyouthminister@gmail.com or 301-843-9583 x 160.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The St. Vincent de Paul Society food pantry is open on the third Saturday of the month from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. and is located in the school auditorium. For more information, call 301-932-7713. Donations of non-perishable food items may be left in the baskets beneath the Offertory Table at the central entrance to the Church for the benefit of the monthly food distribution to the needy.

The Women's Worship Ministry meets on the fourth Monday of each month except June, July and August. Worship and praise begins at 7:00 p.m. in church followed by Bible study and Scripture reflection. Just bring your Bible and your joyful voice! Contact: Kathy Moore, 301-843-2839, goodnews36@gmail.com.

Altar Society washes and presses altar linens, cleans altar and sacristy, fills holy water fonts, etc. in the Church. Call Lily Perez 301-512-4854.

To report repairs and other matters concerning church buildings and grounds, please contact the parish facilities manager on 301-843-8916, ext. 142.

From Father Woods

THE SACRED HEART OF LOVE

Probably the most overused and misused word in any language is the word *love*. Love is described most often as an emotion. Songs, poems, and holidays like Valentine's Day pay tribute to the idea or ideal of love. People stand up in Church and profess love in marriage ceremonies and express love through gifts of every kind. Nothing hurts more than love betrayed or not returned. So often when speaking of love we refer to our hearts. Those in love pledge "I give you my heart" while those for whom love has gone wrong speak of being "broken-hearted."

While love certainly has a strong relationship with emotion, love is fundamentally a **choice.** Parents know this quite naturally when they choose to love children even when they despise the child's behavior. Love is not something we "fall out of." Love is something we either choose to give and receive or not.

As Catholics if we want a great example of genuine love we need only look at the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This devotion emerged in the Middle Ages as people made the connection between their concrete life experiences and the all-understanding Son of God. In the Sacred Heart we see a demonstration that God has made a decision to love humanity even in the midst of its sinfulness.

The symbols of the Sacred Heart teach us much about the love of the Lord Jesus. The heart is depicted as very full. The flames demonstrate the warmth and fire with which we are loved. The heart is pierced to show how willingly Christ pours out Himself for us. The crown of thorns circles the heart as a reminder that the Passion Jesus endured for us always tries to choke out love, but as the Resurrection proves, is ineffective. Finally, the Sacred Heart is surmounted by a cross. The Cross of Calvary is the greatest expression of God's love for us - a love that gives and sacrifices even unto death.

We are challenged to examine how we love. For some, artificial sentiment covers resentment, bitterness, or pride. Are we willing to love even when we don't feel inclined to love? Are we willing to give of ourselves and even suffer in order to love another? Has the flame of love for God and neighbor somehow been extinguished? Do we only love those who love us or are easy to love? Thankfully, God provides this constant reminder of perfect love each time we look at an image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This image reminds us not only to what kind of love we are called, but how much we are deeply loved by God. Aware of God's love for us, it is easier to love others as God loves them!

Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!



Sunday, June 10, Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Vigil Deceased members of the

Hawkins, Chapman and

Brooks families

8:00 a.m. Fay Robey 10:00 a.m. Pro Populo 12:00 noon Special Intention

1:30 p.m. Intentions of the Celebrant

6:00 p.m. Special Intention

Monday, June 11, St. Barnabas

8:00 a.m. Intentions of Avis and Andrew

Turner on their 35th Wedding

Anniversary.

Tuesday, June 12

8:00 a.m. Brenda Dodson

Wednesday, June 13, St. Anthony of Padus

8:00 a.m. Joseph League

Thursday, June 14

8:00 a.m. Yvonne May

Friday, June 15

8:00 a.m. Travis Ashline

Saturday, June 16

8:00 a.m. Cristina Cooke

4:00 p.m. Vigil Father's Day Novena

Sunday, June 17, Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Father's Day Novena

10:00 a.m. Pro Populo

12:00 noon Father's Day Novena 1:30 p.m. Father's Day Novena 6:00 p.m. Father's Day Novena



The sanctuary light will burn this week in loving memory of Nunziato Lusi.

The Designated Charity this weekend will be the Catherine Foundation. The Designated Charity next weekend will be the Angels Watch Women's Watch.



If someone you know is seriously ill and asks to be included in the prayers for the sick, please call the parish office. Names will remain on the prayer list for four weeks. At that time if you wish to have the name put back on the prayer list, please call the parish office.

Please pray for God's grace for those who are ill:

Father Robert Pittman, John David Yamnicky, Doris Ann Bradburn, Belinda Windsor, Mary Beard, G. Oliver, Loula Phoebus, Joan Schrock, Jeff Radtke, Al Dintino, Johnny Norman, Carmen Quinones, Mustafa Naeem, Mercedes Vaira, Bob Jupiter, Tim Beard, Linda Simpson Welch, Bernard Manderville, Scott Williams, Joanne Shuba, Rose Daskievige, Daniel Pickle, Curtis Boswell, Michael Strutt, Yvonne Karotko, Michael Boswell, Bruce Peters, Richard Davis, Bobbie Vaira, Karen Davidson, Eddie Beder, Bill Lipford, Nancy Tierney, Joe Goldsmith, John Walther, Madeline Pell, Christina Lazo, Baby Abigail, Joel Rivera, Isabel Velazquez, John Thomas, Eileen Delgado, Patty Duncan, Cindy Chhimes, Beatrice Proctor, Rose Ashburn, Anthony Licamara, Carmita Navarra, Suzanne Connelly, Gary Reese, Ron Harris, Joey Abbott, John L. Keller, Jennifer Holcomb, Walter Charles Davis, Bill Strutt, Norka Murat-Bagby, Ember Daugherty, John Kelly, Ruth (Sing) Martin.

Please also pray for:

- an increase in vocations, especially in our parish
- our parish Priests

The Lord's House

Our parish church is a place of prayer where Jesus lives in the Blessed Sacrament. Please keep a reverent and respectful silence before, during and after Mass. Please be respectful of the Lord and those speaking with Him in prayer. Please also arrive on time for Mass so that all the graces of the Holy Sacrifice will be yours.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, June 10, Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scouting Event – 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. in AFF room Father's Day Novena cards available after Mass

Tuesday, June 12, St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 13, Confessions in Our Lady of the Fields Chapel – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 14, Catholic Daughters Religious Appreciation Dinner/cook-out

Friday, June 15, Last day for grades 1-8, School Dismissal 12 noon Cenacle Prayer Group – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 6, St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry – 9:00a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Cub Scouts – Athletic Field 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 17, Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time "Happy Father's Day"

Father's Day Novena Cards - Mass cards and envelopes are available at the entrances of the Church for enrollment in the Father's Day Novena of Masses beginning on Sunday the 17th of June. Please take as many as you need and return the envelopes to the Parish Office through the Sunday collection basket or drop them off during the week at the Office. All returned envelopes will be placed near the altar for the nine days of Masses.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society serves 100-120 families each month at our food pantry. Our goal is to provide each family with at least 2 well packed bags of food to assist a family for 3-4 days. For many of these families, this is the difference between eating and going hungry. Our food pantry is currently extremely low. We need canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned meat, canned soup, peanut butter, and jelly; to just name a few items. Anything you can provide would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to donate money, please make the checks payable to St. Vincent de Paul Society and note "for food". Thank you!!

Quo Vadis Camp - The Office of Priest Vocations annual Quo Vadis Camp for high school aged young men will be held at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary July 15-18, 2018. For four days, high school aged young men who are mature and desire to grow in holiness will have an opportunity for Mass, prayer, and Eucharistic adoration, as well time for fraternity, sports, and reflection. Bus transportation is available. More information is available and registration is open at www.DCpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.Dcpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please Contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please Contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please Contact the Office of Priest Vocations www.dcpriest.org! Please Contact the Priest.

Congratulations – and prayerful best wishes to Monsignor McGready as he celebrates the 56th anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood on June the 9th and to Father Cezary as he celebrates the 4th anniversary of his ordination on June the 21st. May Christ the High Priest bless them in every way.

EL SAGRADO CORAZÓN DEL AMOR

Probablemente la palabra más usada y mal usada en cualquier idioma sea la palabra amor. El amor se describe más a menudo como una emoción. Canciones, poemas y días festivos como el Día de San Valentín rinden homenaje a la idea o ideal del amor. Las personas se ponen de pie en la Iglesia y profesan amor en las ceremonias matrimoniales y expresan amor a través de regalos de todo tipo. Nada duele más que el amor traicionado o no devuelto. Muy a menudo cuando hablamos de amor nos referimos a nuestros corazones. Los enamorados se comprometen "Te entrego mi corazón", mientras que aquellos para quienes el amor ha salido mal hablan de "tener el corazón roto".

Si bien el amor ciertamente tiene una fuerte relación con la emoción, el amor es fundamentalmente una elección. Los padres saben esto de manera bastante natural cuando eligen amar a los niños incluso cuando desprecian el comportamiento del niño. El amor no es algo de lo que "nos salgamos". El amor es algo que elegimos dar y recibir o no.

Como católicos, si queremos un gran ejemplo de amor genuino, solo debemos mirar al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús. Esta devoción surgió en la Edad Media cuando las personas establecían la conexión entre sus experiencias de vida concretas y el Hijo de Dios que todo lo entendía. En el Sagrado Corazón vemos una demostración de que Dios ha tomado la decisión de amar a la humanidad incluso en medio de su pecaminosidad.

Los símbolos del Sagrado Corazón nos enseñan mucho sobre el amor del Señor Jesús. El corazón está representado como muy lleno. Las llamas demuestran la calidez y el fuego con el que somos amados. El corazón está traspasado para mostrar cuán gustosamente Cristo se derrama así mismo por nosotros. La corona de espinas rodea el corazón como un recordatorio de que la Pasión que Jesús soportó por nosotros, siempre trata de ahogar el amor, pero como lo demuestra la Resurrección, es ineficaz. Finalmente, el Sagrado Corazón está coronado por una cruz. La Cruz del Calvario es la expresión más grande del amor de Dios por nosotros, un amor que da y se sacrifica hasta la muerte.

Tenemos el desafío de examinar cómo amamos. Para algunos, el sentimiento artificial cubre el resentimiento, la amargura o el orgullo. ¿Estamos dispuestos a amar incluso cuando no nos sentimos inclinados a amar? ¿Estamos dispuestos a dar de nosotros mismos e incluso a sufrir para amar a los demás? ¿Se ha extinguido de algún modo la llama del amor por Dios y el prójimo? ¿Amamos solo a los que nos aman o son fáciles de amar? Afortunadamente, Dios proporciona este recordatorio constante del amor perfecto cada vez que miramos una imagen del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús. Esta imagen nos recuerda no solo a qué tipo de amor se nos llama, sino cuánto nos ama profundamente Dios. ¡Conscientes del amor de Dios por nosotros, es más fácil amar a los demás como Dios los ama!

Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, ten piedad de nosotros!

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ADVICE

Advice is like a good road map. It can show us the best way to go, but we have to decide to make the trip. And just as no road map can include all the detours and roads under construction, so no advice can substitute for our own judgment and character. On the road of life we all have to get lost and find our way on our own. We cannot avoid making mistakes. Unfortunately, too many of us fail to learn from our mistakes and that only makes matters worse. As a witty person said, "Experience is what you get when you don't get what you want." In other words, when we try and fail, at least we have the experience of what did not go right.

The experience of trying is more important than any failure. Father Joe Breighner

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