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OCTOBER 11, 2020

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Come to the feast." - Mt 22:4bc

TOO MUCH TIME...

“STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT”

Dear parishioners and visitors, When I was in high school, my literature and history teacher, Tina, told her students constantly: “Too much time he wastes that loves you not, sweet love Jesus, sovereign of all love.” As a teenager, I was irked and considered it a judgmental statement about the usage of my time and talents. Nevertheless, thanks to her promptings, I rediscovered the Church through good friends and a good Christian experience lived in a community setting. In later years, I came to the conclusion that my teacher was inspired in quoting part of a Franciscan chant written hundreds of years ago. That one line, and the words that follow, are a great truth and challenge for me still:

Love, who loves you, will not stand idle...

but always lives desirous,

as you do, to love more closely...

alas! My heart knows you too little.

He is wretch that loves you not fervently!

How comforting the sweet remedy of you, Jesus, who lighten all bitterness,

So delicious were you in their hearts.”

Too Much Time - The Lauda-book of Cortona, 1250-1300 A.D.

We, priests of the Priestly Fraternity of the Missionary of St. Charles Borromeo, desire that you rediscover more deeply that Love who loves you and who “always lives desirous, as you do, to love more closely”; we wish for you to experience that abundant life to which Jesus called us.

When we began **Stewardship as a Way of Life**, we were very moved to see, even in this time of pandemic, that people responded to this stewardship initiative and filled out the Prayer Pledge Card. Now, we turn your attention to the **Time and Talent Pledge Card**.

Please carefully review the enclosed card and consider the area of high need boxes, particularly during the COVID time.

We encourage you to make your commitment by Sunday, October 25, 2020:

- Visit www.churchofstpetersnsp.org/talentcard
- Or simply complete the card and return it to the collection basket or mail it to the parish office. If you need additional Time and Talent cards for family members, you can print them from www.churchofstpetersnsp.org/printtalentcard or call the parish office to have them mailed to you.

Yours faithfully in Christ,

Fr. Ettore Ferrario, Fr. Pietro Rossotti and Fr. Stefano Colombo, FSCB

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

PARISHIONER WITNESS

When things started closing down and Mass wasn't available to us there were days that felt like everything was out of control and I sometimes felt helpless. There were many days I sought peace and solace in the church, when I couldn't do anything else, I could pray. When I prayed in church I could do that in the presence of Jesus, it was comforting knowing He was there waiting for me. I learned about the Divine Mercy Chaplet and started praying that and the Litany in the Time of Need. When in prayer I felt less anxious and able to focus. I have never been a patient person, waiting to be brought into the Church through RCIA wasn't going to happen in the way or time I planned and I was heartbroken. I had to learn to trust that God's plans for me were better than my own. I discovered through friendships in RCIA that asking people to pray for me wasn't as intimidating as I thought it might be and started praying for others in a way I never had before. Praying the Rosary with our Priests and other parishioners via Facebook/Zoom felt powerful and made me feel connected even when we couldn't be together. When we were able to come together for Mass again I felt safer at church than anywhere else because of the precautions that everyone connected with St Peter's was taking. I'm grateful to God that I have the opportunity to help welcome others back to Mass, I know I'm not only serving the parish, but God Himself. While this time of Covid is unsettling it has confirmed to me that I am His beloved one and made me cherish my Catholic faith, the Mass and the Church in a way that pre Covid times may not have.

Thank you for asking me to reflect on this time! It's important.

Blessings,

Susan Brackins, parishioner

BOY SCOUTS

“I came so that they may have life and have it more abundantly”

John 10:10

In the true spirit of Stewardship of Time and Talent, we wish to thank the wonderful job the Boy Scouts did this past week with cleaning up the grounds around the school and parish.

This work was greatly appreciated and certainly enhanced the beauty of the grounds. These fine young men displayed the true essence of being good Stewards and understanding the importance of taking care of the church properties and investments.

Please take a moment to acknowledge their work and perhaps the next time they call on us for a need, we can kindly consider helping them.



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ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF OUR PATRON, ST. CHARLES BORROMEO

The Priests of the Fraternity of St Charles Borromeo would like to invite you to their annual St. Charles Borromeo Dinner, **Saturday, November 7, 2020** at 5:30 pm in O'Reilley Hall.

As all Covid-19 protocol requirements remain in place, we intend to have a moment of joyful celebration and a short presentation on the life of our fraternity with all our friends and parishioners who share our life and mission at St. Peter's.

Capacity: 100 people maximum and first come first served.

Entrance from E1 door.

Please **RSVP by October 26** with Connie, our assistant to the Pastor, by phone: 651-894-6141 or by email at croering@stpetersnsp.org

Unfortunately, we will not be able, in the present situation, to offer child-care, though infants and children from middle school age on may attend.

THEOLOGY WEBINAR

Angels and Demons: What do Scripture and Tradition Say about Them?

Movies and the Internet show no shortage of information on angels and demons. Bookstores have whole racks devoted to the topic. While much of what we see and read keeps us entertained, the media's presentation of the spiritual and diabolical worlds is all too often unconnected to the Christian message. In this presentation and in light of Christ's absolute victory over sin and death, Fr. Michael Patella will outline the Christian understanding of the devil, angels, demons, ghosts, and spirits in Scripture and Tradition. He will also discuss the inherent problems and dangers that arise today with the undue attention many give to the occult.



Thursday, October 22, Webinar presentation from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Event is Free. Registration is required (register at least five days in advance of the event); please visit www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday, call 320-363-3560, or email theologyday@csbsju.edu to register.

PRO-LIFE EVENT

Stand Up for Life

On **Saturday, October 17th**, join the Knights of Columbus on the sidewalk in front of Little Canada Planned Parenthood (91 Viking Drive- by Hwy 36 & Rice St). We will meet there from **11:30am-12:30pm**, and again on the **3rd Saturday of EVERY month**. Through prayer and/or holding signs let's defend the unborn. (Signs provided)

For info on parking or other questions email Grand Knight John Zakroczymski at johzak@msn.com or call Jan Hawkes at 651-490-0247. There's plenty of room to social distance on the sidewalk!



CHURCH OF ST. PETER
STEWARDSHIP AS A
WAY OF LIFE



As we strive to make Stewardship as a Way here at the Church of St. Peter, we would like to **come together as a community in prayer each week**. Prayer is essential to being a disciple of Jesus Christ. Starting this week, we ask all parishioners to pray for the **weekly parish prayer intention**. A suggested prayer for the intention would be the **Prayer to Mary** listed below.

This week's prayer intention is:
End of Abortion / Unborn

Prayer for Life and Dignity

Eternal God, creator and sustainer of life, bless us with the courage to defend all life from conception to natural death. Bless us with the strength to respect all peoples from east to west, from north to south, so that we may truly follow the call of Jesus to be neighbor. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen



WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please continue to pray for Nicole Waskosky and Spencer Kight who were married this weekend



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of Geraldine Ryan whose funeral was this past week and for Ed Mielke whose funeral will be next week.

LIVING WITH CHRIST

"My God will supply whatever you need..." - Philippians 4:19

God really does provide for those who are grateful and generous. This is very difficult for people that don't live a stewardship lifestyle to believe. People are skeptical and say it's just coincidence. If you are skeptical, try living a stewardship lifestyle for just one month – be generous with your gifts of time in prayer, talent in charitable works and treasure and see how God provides for your needs.

What areas of your life will you entrust to god this month?



RACHEL'S VINEYARD



Are You Hurting?

If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child to abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ on our weekend retreat. The next Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities' retreat is October 30-November 1, 2020. For more information contact Nancy at rachels@rvineyardmn.org, call 763-250-9313 or see www.rvineyardmn.org.

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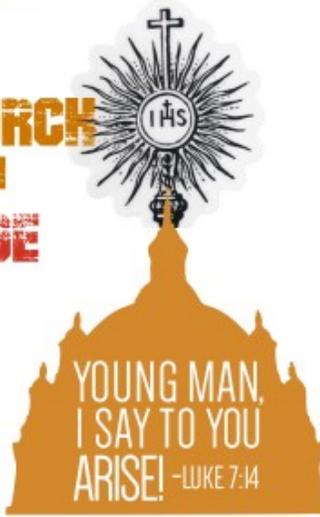
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**ST. JOHN CHURCH
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9-12TH GRADE



**MASS WITH
ARCHBISHOP HEBDA**



St. Peter high school youth are invited to join students from a few other area parishes to celebrate Archdiocesan Youth Day on **Saturday, October 24 from 6-10pm at St. John the Baptist Church in New Brighton.**

The event includes:

- Speakers
- Music
- Food
- Mass with Archbishop Hebda
- An opportunity for Adoration and Confession.

Space is limited so please register today! Transportation is not provided - our group will meet at St. John's. Questions? Contact Jennifer jgreger@stpetersnsp.org or Fr. Stefano Colombo scolombo@stpetersnsp.org.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

October 17/18, 2020

“Here I Am, Send Me”

World Mission Sunday is a time when we all celebrate and renew our missionary identity and discipleship for mission throughout the

world, with messages of love and hope. We encourage, support and pray for the Church's missions, globally. Due to the current pandemic, the World Mission Sunday celebration and collection includes mission in our own country through Catholic Home Missions. This is one World Mission Sunday collection for all struggling missions everywhere. We highlight two missionaries who have responded to the call “Send me”: Father Steve Pawelk and Liz Mach. (Flyer) Please support those who are serving as missionaries by offering prayers and financial gifts during World Mission Sunday. You can contribute to this appeal at your parish, or at <https://centerformission.org/contribute-donation-form/>. Questions? Contact Eric Simon, 651.291.4446.



MASS INTENTIONS

Week of October 11 - October 18, 2020

Sunday:	8:00 AM	†Stephen Bleess
	10:30 AM	Church of St. Peter
	6:00 PM	†Glenn O'Kane
Monday:	8:00 AM	†Patty Forliti
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	†Carroll Story
Wednesday:	8:00 AM	Reparation for Offenses Against the Holy Eucharist
Thursday:	8:00 AM	†Karen Pickar
Friday:	8:00 AM	†Eunice Kuehn
	9:30 AM	School children only
Saturday:	8:00 AM	†Dennis Weimann Sr.
	4:00 PM	†Peggy Turcotte
Sunday:	8:00 AM	†Elizabeth Lachapelle
	10:30 AM	†Thomas Goulding
	6:00 PM	†Augusta (Gussie) Wipf

CORRECTION



We would like to make a correction to last week's bulletin. In our special thank you to our fall gathering sponsors: We would like to thank **Joe and Cathy Zappa** for their sponsorship and generosity. We apologies for the mistake in Cathy's name.

HOLY LAND



Thank you for your generous giving toward the 2nd collection last weekend for the Holy Land. A total of **\$1,753.10** was raised for this important cause.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

As of Oct. 4 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021

Collected for Week: Envelopes & Plate	\$18,823.
Collected for Week: Electronic Giving	\$10,904.
Total Amount Collected for Week	\$29,726.
Amount Budgeted for Week	\$29,289.
Collected to Date: Stocks & Special Gifts	\$286,756.
Budgeted to Date: Stocks & Special Gifts	\$294,105.
Percentage Above (or Below) Budget	-2.5%
Amount Above (or Below) Budget	(\$7,349.)

Current Fiscal Year Capital Improvement Fund balance after the HVAC and Audio System project is:

Donations Received as of September 27, 2020:

\$41,837.27

Thank you for Supporting St. Peter Parish!

COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE



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Saturday, October 10th

12:00 Noon – 6:00pm

Sunday, October 11th

7:30am – 1:00pm

Drop off location:

St Peters Church garage

Recommended items:

Canned goods, Paper products,
Boxed dinners and Baking mixes

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