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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." - Jn 18:37

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Dear friends,

The liturgical year is like a mirror for our life. Through the liturgy, the Church - like a mother - takes us by hand and accompanies us to consider our lives in light of the mysteries of the life of Christ. This Sunday we are led to the last stage of this journey, where everything is summarized: the solemnity of Jesus Christ King of the universe.

The kingship of Christ is the plot and climax of the entire liturgical year, and of every Christian existence. Jesus is «the center of the universe and of history», the profound meaning of all things and the destiny of all hearts. St. Paul gives us words to illuminate this mystery: *In him were created all things ... All things were created through him and for him... In him, all things hold together... For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of his cross through him.*

Paul's words, while describing the divinity of Christ, reveal to us a central aspect of his power: He is the savior, the source of reconciliation and pacification of all things. Not by chance, on today's solemnity, the Gospel presents Jesus in front of Pilate, in the midst of his passion. Quickly thereafter we see him crowned with thorns and wrapped in the purple mantle of his blood. It is an unusual image for a king. And in fact, first the chiefs of the people, then the soldiers, and finally one of the two thieves crucified with him, provoke Jesus to manifest his kingship by descending from the cross. It is the only way the world knows to exercise kingship and power: to save oneself. Instead, Jesus remains silent on the cross. From there he addresses the good thief, expressing the true meaning of his power: *today you will be with me in Paradise.* **Precisely at the moment of the highest humiliation and powerlessness, Jesus makes a promise that God alone can make and in the redemption he supremely manifests his kingship. He does not save himself in order to save all of us.**

In my opinion, the words of Benedict XVI in the opening Mass of his pontificate constitute the clearest comment to all of this and at the same time also offer us a key to understand what Pope Francis is saying to the Church:

«It is not power, but love that redeems us! [...] How often we wish that God would show himself stronger, that he would strike decisively, defeating evil and creating a better world. All ideologies of power justify themselves in exactly this way, they justify the destruction of whatever would stand in the way of progress and the liberation of humanity. **We suffer on account of God's patience. And yet, we all need his patience.** God, who became a lamb, tells us that the world is saved by the Crucified One, not by those who crucified him. **The world is redeemed by the patience of God. It is destroyed by the impatience of man**».

Fr. Ettore Ferrario, F.S.C.B

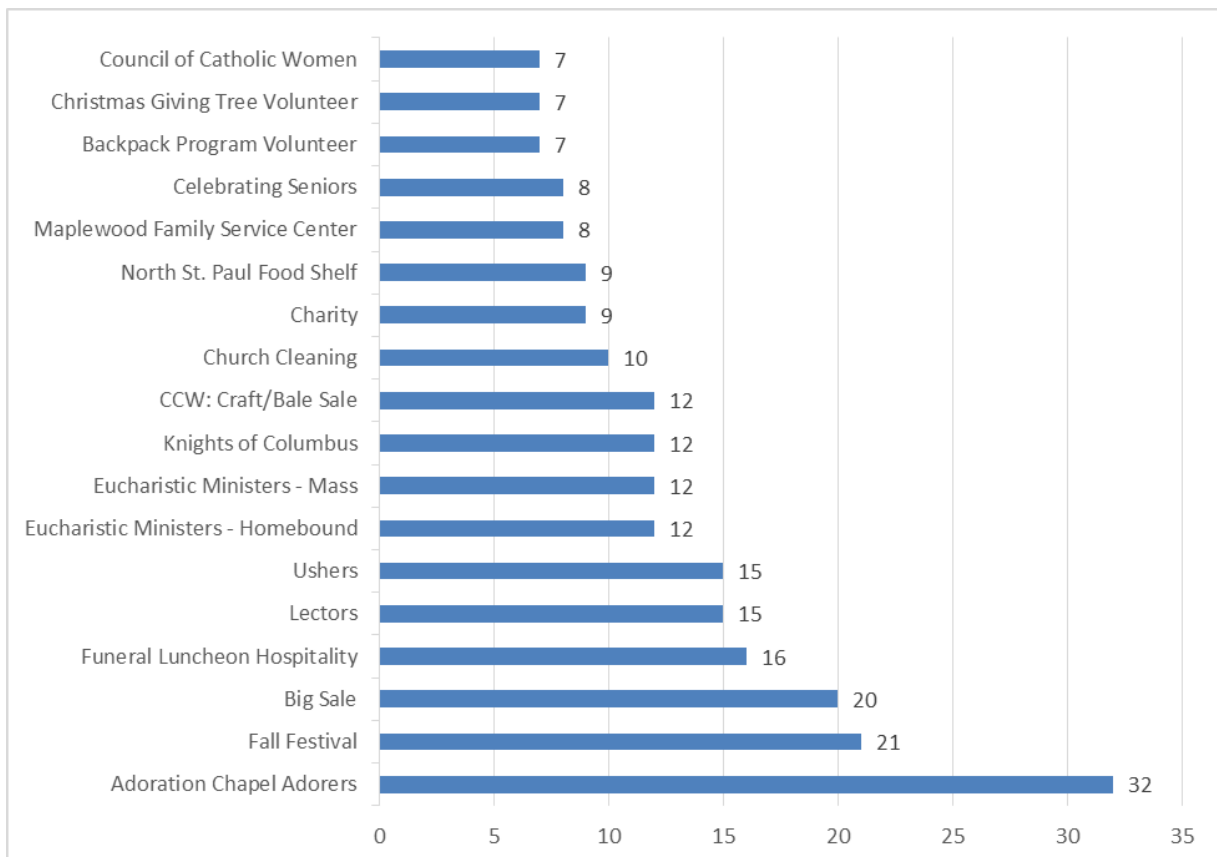
Pastor

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

Several weeks back you received a letter along with a pledge card in the mail. We wish to thank those who filled out a pledge card and for giving your time and talents to the church.

Talent is a reflection of God the creator. God has created us in his image and likeness. Our talent is not our own and we should use it for God and for the benefit of God.

As of November 11, we have received a total of 86 pledge cards compared to 231 in 2019.



STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

The parish is looking for a **Full Time Maintenance Worker** for the parish and school. This position would report to our Maintenance Supervisor and would work the shift of 12:30pm to 8:30pm.

The essential functions of this role are as follows:

- Cleaning the facilities
- Operating power equipment: carpet shampooer, floor scrubber, vacuum.
- Setting up and taking down tables, chairs, and other equipment
- Re-stocking supplies
- Knowledge of using hand and power tools
- Being attentive to safety hazards and malfunctions and make necessary repairs
- Willing to learn minor repair work
- Must learn to operate HVAC control system and troubleshoot as problems arise
- Willing to obtain a special boiler license within a year of employment
- Ability to work with minimal supervision
- On call as needed

Qualifications:

- Prior experience preferred, not required
- High School diploma
- Ability to stand for long periods of time
- Ability to lift 50lbs.
- Must pass a pre-employment physical

This position is full time with benefits extended and the pay range is \$19.00/hr. to \$23.00/hr. based on experience or qualifications.

If you're interested in the position please send your resume to dhagen@stpetersnsp.org

UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTIONS

October 2021 to June 30, 2022

November 25 No. St. Paul Food Shelf
(food collection)

December 11/12 Retirement for the Religious

January 8/9 Women's Life Care Center

January 22/23 Paraguay

Feb 2022: Catholic Service Appeal (Archdiocese)

During Lent: Rice Bowls

March 26/27: North St. Paul Food Shelf

Holy Thursday and Good Friday: Main Collections are for the **Holy Land** (Archdiocese)

April 24/25: Catholic Home Missions (Archdiocese collection for remote areas in the United States)

May 21/22: Faith Formation Youth Summer Programs

June 12/13: Peter's Pence (Archdiocese Collection for the Holy Father)

WELCOME

The Church of St. Peter would like to welcome all visitors and anyone who has recently moved to our community.

- If you are interested in **joining our parish**, there are information packets in the rack in the gathering space. Or contact the parish office at 651-777-8304.
- **Headphones** are available to assist with hearing. Please see an usher or greeter if you would like to use a set.
- **Low Gluten Hosts** are available. Please come to the sacristy before Mass to arrange to receive one.



MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Dear Engaged Couple,

Planning for your upcoming wedding is a beautiful time. Your wedding day is the beginning of your marriage and commitment to each other for as long as you both shall live.

If you are planning to celebrate your marriage here at Saint Peter, you should let us know at least 9 months in advance.

To assist you at the start of this vocation, you are required to attend three pre-marriage information sessions here at Saint Peter. There is a substantial amount of information that will be beneficial and therefore we request both of you to be present.

We will cover:

- Overview of the Catholic view on the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony
- Brief overview of Theology of the Body
- Requirements and paperwork to be filled out
- Premarital inventory information
- Present a personal witness of married life
- Presentation on music planning
- Planning with our Wedding Coordinator



These are the dates of the next three sessions:

- Saturday, March 12, 2022, 7:45 am-1:00 pm (lunch provided)
- Saturday, April 2, 2022, 8:00 am - 11:00 am
- Saturday, April 23, 2022, 8:00 am - 11:00 am

If you have any questions or to learn more and check available dates, e-mail: wedding@stpetersnsp.org

2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

For the Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo

This weekend we will have a second collection for the Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo. The Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo is a Society of Apostolic Life founded by Fr. Massimo Camisasca in 1985. They are located in 19 countries and serve parishes, schools, prisons, and hospitals.

Please be as generous as you can to assist the mission of St. Charles Borromeo who serve all over the world and at the Church of St. Peter in North St. Paul.



PADRINOS FOR PARAGUAY

Dear Church of St. Peter parishioners,

The 2021 school year is ending on November 30 at St. Anthony school in our sister parish in Paraguay, and it is time to prepare for the new year starting in February 2022. This past year has brought devastation and anguish to the students and their families. There has been much sickness and death, resulting in the loss of parents, siblings, grandparents, friends and neighbors, and has left behind a shattered economy. Fr. Miguel and the community share in the children's grief.

In spite of the difficulties being faced, it is time to plan for the new school year. A full academic sponsorship is \$300 per student which includes tuition, uniforms, books, supplies and snacks. Since 2010 the monthly fee for families is only \$10 per student per month which is still a financial burden for most. This low monthly fee is only possible because of the prayers and financial support of the Church of St. Peter parishioners! Your generosity also supports the formation of future Franciscan priests, as well as providing meals to more than two thousand community members each month.



Watch for the upcoming Padrinos For Paraguay sponsorship form insert in the bulletin and please be as generous in your prayers and financial support as possible!

Thank you and God Bless!

The Paraguay Committee

Email: paraguay@churchofstpetersnsp.org

THE BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD



Tradition holds that we pray for the names in The Book of the Names of the Dead. The book will be on display in the Gathering Space for the month

of November. You are welcome to add names of deceased family members. If you are not able to visit the book in person, feel free to contact Claire in the office (651-777-8304) and she will enter them.

The book will be on display beginning Monday, November 1st and will continue to be displayed in the Gathering Space for the month of November. If a name has been entered in the book, there is no need to re-enter it, as prayers will be continued for them.

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SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Month of November through November 7th

Amount Collected for Month of November through November 7th (Envelope/Plate)	\$19,137.
Total Collected for Month of November through November 7th	\$9,436.
Amount Collected for Month of November through November 7th (Electronic Giving)	\$28,572.
Amount Budgeted for Month of November through November 7th	\$26,600.
Collected Year To Date (starting July 1, 2021) through November 7th	\$398,656.
Collected Year To Date (starting July 1, 2021) through November 7th	\$406,250.
% Above (or Below) Budget	-1.87%
Amount Above (or Below) Budget	(\$7,595.)

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of November 21 - November 28, 2021

Sunday: 8:00 AM †Jim Dabe
10:30 AM †Timothy Trembley Sr.
6:00 PM Parishioners
Monday: 8:00 AM †Glenn O'Kane
Tuesday: 8:00 AM †Don Peterson
Wed: 8:00 AM †Don Peterson
9:30 AM School Mass
Thursday: 8:00 AM †Mary Capistrant
Friday: 8:00 AM †Phyllis Morelli
Saturday: 8:00 AM †Doris Stanton
4:00 PM CWA Queen of All Saints
Family members
Sunday: 8:00 AM †Vern & Mary Peterson
10:30 AM Parishioners
6:00 PM †Arline Raleigh

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

NEXT WEEKEND, NOV. 27 AND 28
THE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE WILL BE IN THE
GATHERING SPACE.

If you would like to buy a gift for a child you may take a tag from the tree; each child will have a total of 4 tags on the tree labeled with either a clothing or toy preference. Please bring your wrapped gift back to either the church or to the parish office no later than Sunday, December 12th.

REMEMBER TO PLACE THE LABELED TAG ON THE OUTSIDE OF THE WRAPPED GIFT.



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS AT 9:00AM

We will be collecting food donations for the North St. Paul Food Shelf and placing them by the statue of St. Peter.

Please note: the Parish office will be closed on Thursday and Friday for the holiday.

ADVENT CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 15, 22

Confession 5:30-6:00pm, Mass 6pm.

December 22 added Confession from 6:30-8:30pm.
(visiting Priest)

SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Tuesday, December 7: Vigil Mass at 7:00pm

Wednesday, December 8: 8:00am, 9:30am, 7:00pm

***7:00pm incense**

ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION

December 4, 8:30am - noon

CHRISTMAS NOVENA

Thursday, December 16 - Thursday, December 23

At 5:00pm in the Church

***Novena concludes Friday, December 24 at 8:30am, following morning Mass**

CHRISTMAS EVE DAY

Friday, December 24: Confessions 9:00am - 11:00am

CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS

Friday, December 24: Vigil Masses 4:00pm, 6:00pm, and 12:00am (midnight)

11:00pm Lessons in Carole

***4:00pm and 12:00am incense**

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

Saturday, December 25: 8:00am and 10:30am

***10:30am incense**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26 - Sunday obligation

(No 4:00pm anticipatory Mass due to Christmas Day)

Sunday Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am, 6:00pm

SOLEMNITY: MARY, HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Friday, December 31: Vigil Mass at 7:00pm ***incense**

Saturday, January 1: 8:00am

(not a holy day of obligation this year)

SOLEMNITY: EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Saturday, January 1: Vigil Mass at 4:00pm

Sunday, January 2: 8:00am, 10:30am, 6:00pm

***6:00pm incense**



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