

August 25, 2024
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church

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MASSES:

Saturday-5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday-7, 9, 11a.m., 1 & 6 p.m.

DAILY MASSES:

Mon-Fri-7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Church
Saturday-7:00 a.m., Church

CONFESSIONS: (Sacrament of Reconciliation)
Saturdays: 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Church

ADORATION/BENEDICTION:
Fridays-6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Last Sunday of each month.
Parents: contact Parish Office to begin the preparations.

MARRIAGES

Please call the Parish Office six months in advance.
We want to help you prepare for your marriage.

School Principal—Nora Jaramillo 520-325-2431
1436 N Campbell Ave.

Baptism, CCD, and Director of Faith Formation—
Deacon Daniel F. Flanagan Jr. 520-327-6015

Knights of Columbus—Frank Herran 520-327-6015

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Eileen "Tweety" Gerrish 520-429-2078

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Respect Life Ministry—Claire Aragon 520-327-6015

Walking With Moms in Need—
Jody Gregston 928-210-4394

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday 08/25

MASSES-7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. Church

Monday 08/26

MASSES-7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Church
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL-6:30 p.m., Madonna

Tuesday 08/27

MASS-7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Church
MILLIONS OF MONICA'S-1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m., Church

Wednesday 08/28

MASS-7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Church

Thursday 08/29

MASS-7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Church

Friday 08/30

MASS-7:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Church
ADORATION & BENEDICTION-6:00-7:00 p.m., Church

Saturday 08/31

MASS-7:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Church
CONFESSIONS-10:30-11:30 a.m., and 3:30-5:00 p.m., Church

Sunday 09/01

MASSES-7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m., Church

TODAY'S READINGS

Jos 24:1-2a,15-17,18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a,25-32/Jn 6:60-69



Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5,11-12/Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: Saint Monica
2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: Saint Augustine
2 Thes 3:6-10,16-18/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: The Passion of Saint John the Baptist
1 Cor 1:1-9/Mk 6:17-29
Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 25:14-30



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

08/24 SAT.	5:30 p.m.	Arin Gerrish
08/25 SUN.	7:00 a.m.	†Thomas Meile
	9:00 a.m.	SSPP Parishioners
	11:00 a.m.	†Marge & L.J. Becher
	1:00 p.m.	Alicia Ramirez and David Montes Sanchez
	6:00 p.m.	†Susan Rittenhouse
08/26 MON.	7:00 a.m.	Special Intention
	12:00 p.m.	†Tuyor Gonzalo
08/27 TUE.	7:00 a.m.	†Dottie Stolp
	12:00 p.m.	Cynthia Sotto
08/28 WED.	7:00 a.m.	†Patricia H. McClanahan
	12:00 p.m.	Special Intention
08/29 THU.	7:00 a.m.	Muni Cruz
	12:00 p.m.	†Frank Wang
08/30 FRI.	7:00 a.m.	Special Intention †Rosa Delgadillo
	12:00 p.m.	†Maureen DeDecker
08/31 SAT.	7:00 a.m.	†Ronnie DeDecker

Millions of Monica's

Join our new ministry Millions of Monica's Tuesday's afternoons from 1-2pm in the church. We are moms, grandmas, aunts and godmothers who pray for our children's faithful return to the Catholic Church. Call Jody at 928-210-4394 with questions.



LIVE THE MISSION WITH A GENEROUS HEART 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

Thank you to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal. Saints Peter & Paul is at \$77,998 which is 98% towards our parish goal of \$79,500. To date 162 parish families are participating in the Annual Catholic Appeal.

Please help us reach our goal by using the white ACA envelopes, text ACA to 41444, or visit www.cathfnd.org/donate



PANCAKE BREAKFAST IS COMING BACK!

The Knights of Columbus are happy to announce the return of Pancake Breakfasts!! Bacon, Sausage, Eggs, Potatoes and Pancakes!!!!

Please join us for the opportunity to enjoy a good meal, and more importantly, share time with your SSPP community after the 7 and 9 o'clock Masses on Sunday, September 8, 2024.

This breakfast date is also aligned with the school/family Mass.

Your Knights are excited to be able to once again provide this opportunity to build up our parish community, striving to make tomorrow better than today!



Saints Peter and Paul Religious Education Program for 2024-2025

Classes have started but you can still be a part of our Religious Education program. Register your student on our parish website or on Flocknote. Our new curriculum is offered in English and Spanish.



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Tax Troubles? Find Solutions with the Southern Arizona LITC. Your pathway to fair tax treatment and financial peace. Get free expert help, resolve IRS issues, and reclaim your rights.

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Law Enforcement: 9-1-1 or the local Law Enforcement Arizona Department of Child Safety (DCS): (888) 767-2445 Arizona Adult Protection Service: (877) 767-2385 Diocese of Tucson OCAAP: (520) 838-2513 or (520) 838-2500



Arizona Rosary Celebration Saturday, October 26, 2024

"Save the Date" for the Arizona Rosary Celebration. This year's Arizona Rosary Celebration will be held this year in Tucson, Saturday, October 26, 2024, and in Phoenix, Sunday, October 27, 2024.

We will be honoring Mary under her title, **Our Lady, Queen of Peace**. The Tucson Event will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church located at 8650 North Shannon Road, Tucson. The celebration begins at 10:00 a.m. and ends at 12:15 p.m. The Most Reverend Edward Weisenburger will preside. The guest speaker for this year's event will be Father Zachary of the Mother of God, a member of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity (SOLT). Celebrate our 14th year in the Diocese of Tucson and the 49th year of the Arizona Rosary Celebration tradition. You can support the event through advertising. Donation and Advertising forms can be found on the website, www.AzRosary.net. The advertising deadline is September 15, 2024. For more information, contact Dave Chohon at 1945dwc@gmail.com or 520-539-5528.



Adoration & Exposition Of The Blessed Sacrament

Come and join us for a Holy Hour every Friday evening from 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. in the Church.



Finance Corner

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Budget YTD:	\$ 70,861
Income YTD:	\$ 68,547
YTD Deficit:	\$ (2,314)
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Thank you for your generosity as we continue the mission of Saints Peter and Paul Church.

TIMES OF REFRESHING

Fr. Ricky V. Ordóñez

TRY JESUS! In this Sunday's Responsorial Psalm, we are invited to "TASTE AND SEE THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD!" Sometimes we forget this open invitation from the Lord to partake of all the blessings that He continues to offer to us. This always confounds me how we are so free, willing and able to accept the others invitations, either, be hesitant or find excuses not to accept it.

Last Tuesday's Gospel had reminded us that it is more difficult for the "rich" to enter the Kingdom of God! Why? With the presence of an excess of resources (read: money, position, power, etc.) our dependence upon God diminishes as we start to think that we are in "control" of everything. That is until reality strikes back and forces us, yes FORCES us, to admit that we are powerless before God! Yet, even in our darkest moments, the invitation to TRY GOD is still open to us. In Him, we find sympathy, consolation, relief, clarity of mind etc. which all leads to PEACE!

In the same token, when we find ourselves the recipient of God's abundant blessings we often forget where all of these have come from. In our youth, we find energy and strength, freedom and time to do exciting things, all these without the urgency of having to face serious responsibilities and obligations. It is at this point in our lives that the "IMAGE OF GOD" becomes hazy and makes us wrongly believe that He is NOT a priority. Oh, how the young are mistaken. It is precisely during this time that God should be in their lives.

Our young people today may think that their priority in life is simply to enjoy their youth and have a good time devoid of the necessities that they fail to recognize. They cannot be too wrong! It is at this point in their lives where their futures depend on the choices that they make. Think how many of our youth today lightly take their relationships with their parents or families. To some, they may even think that what Mom and Dad offer are often outdated, unnecessary and don't apply to them. WRONG! They have to be reminded that parents only want what is best for their children: Safety, Good Health and a well-founded life that would lead to personal success! Only parents would have this kind of true motivation without any hidden agenda other than the good for their children.

Another point that many of our children miss is EDUCATION. To some it is simply a "bore" that impedes their time to "enjoy" life. Again, they are so WRONG! The reality of this world is that one needs credentials to ease the opening of opportunities for future employment. Yes, that piece of paper called a 'DIPLOMA' is, indeed, very important today. But it is not only academics that are needed. Together with it is CHARACTER education that makes one NOT only "literate" but "EDUCATED"! Two words, a world apart in meaning! There is education that is learned at schools but, to me, its success even depends on the one that is learned at home – from the parents! When RESPONSIBILITY is taught to our children at an early age, we see that it informs the ethics being formed as they mature that they will need to ensure staying on the proper track. Oh boy! How I wish I have more space to write about this! Wait for future articles!

A father approached me last week after mass and told me that they are from Nogales and travel to Tucson every Sunday to hear mass at Ss. Peter and Paul. It was only then that I recognized that they were the same family who used to attend mass at St. Joseph when I was its Pastor some years ago. When I asked them why they travel so far to hear mass, he said, "Father, it is because you are telling our children what we want them to hear that, oftentimes, they refuse to listen when we tell them!" Simply put, let's THANK THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR THAT!

THE SIGN OF A BEAUTIFUL PERSON IS THAT THEY SEE BEAUTY IN OTHERS!
anonymous

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