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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 27, 2021



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Mass Times **Pius.org/stream**

Monday - Friday:	8:00 am	<i>in person & livestreamed</i>
Saturday Vigil:	5:00 pm	<i>in person only</i>
Sunday Schedule:	8:00 am	<i>in person only</i>
	9:30 am	<i>in person & livestreamed</i>
	11:30 am (Spanish)	<i>in person & livestreamed</i>

this week

PC = Parish Center FC = Fitzsimon Center
HC = Homer Crouse

June 26 - July 3, 2021

26 Saturday	Weekday	30 Wednesday	First Martyrs of the Church of Rome
27 Sunday	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time	1 Thursday	St. Junipero Serra
10:30 am	Mass of Thanksgiving for Fr. Edgardo Reception to follow	2 Friday	St. Oliver Plunkett
28 Monday	St. Irenaeus	10:00 am	Senior's Meeting HC)
29 Tuesday	Saints Peter & Paul	3 Saturday	St. Thomas
		3:30 pm	Individual Reconciliation (Baptistry)

Masses Livestreamed at pius.org/stream

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from the pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

We gather together this morning to celebrate Father Edgardo's ministry with us as Parochial Vicar. It is hard to imagine that three years has already passed since Father's arrival. It was a blessing and grace to welcome Father to our community and that grace has grown exponentially because of his presence among us. Although his parents had lived here and he has siblings here in the county, it must have been very difficult for him to leave his familiar surroundings in the Archdiocese of San Salvador to begin a new life here. He has done so with great apostolic zeal, openness and generosity. A hard worker who listens to others, Father has contributed so much to the unity and positivity we so evidently are feeling today in our parish community. He has helped to grow and create a strong Hispanic community, possessing a deep compassion and spirit of reconciliation and bringing people together. I want to thank all of you who gathered together in person this morning to celebrate Father's ministry among us. I am personally very sad to see him go. He has been a true brother and collaborator in ministry, always generous and available. I know he will thrive at Holy Angels Church in Colma but I have told him this will always be his home and he is welcome any time.

The late twentieth-century evangelist Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, in his book *The Priest is Not His Own* wrote: "The priest too is not only the shepherd who cares for his sheep; he is also the lamb who is offered in caring for them. This caring is what distinguishes him from the hireling. One who cares for another assumes the weight of the other's condition on his own heart and bears it in love. The parishioners are not disturbers; they are our heart, our body, our blood.

Crucified to the external extension of personality, the priest grows internally and becomes the extension of the Person of Christ. The fewer staffs the priest has to lean on - and staffs that will pierce his hands - the more the Lord leans on him. Poor in himself, he is rich in Christ. The parishioners then do not see the human person in him; they see Christ, living, teaching, visiting, consoling, renewing Calvary. The instincts of parishioners is infallible: they know in whom Christ lives. Of one priest, they say, 'He's a good Joe'; of another, 'He is another Christ.'"

These words are a mirror reflection of Father Edgardo's priesthood. He is truly *in persona Christi*, in the person of Christ. My enduring memory, among so many, will be of Father arranging food to be given to the hungry during the first months of the pandemic. He did so without notice nor attention to himself. He is aware of those around him and is generous in meeting the needs of others, especially those who are in crisis. He is a wonderful confessor, I am told; he celebrates the Eucharist with the solemnity and reverence it deserves. His homilies are among the best I have heard. In this spirit, I conclude with Father Edgardo's own words: "At every Eucharist, the love which Jesus gave expression to by his actions at the Last Supper and most fully on the cross is present again to us all. At every celebration of the Eucharist, we are invited to receive the Lord's love and we are called by the Lord to bring that love we have received to each other. At every Eucharist, the Lord sends us out with the words, 'Love one another as I have loved you.' We are sent out from the Eucharist to serve others as we have been served by the Lord." Amen!

In today's Second Reading from Saint Paul's Letter to the Corinthians, he exhorts his brothers and sisters in the Christian community, "As you excel in every respect, in faith, discourse, knowledge, all earnestness, and the love we have for you, may you excel in this gracious act also." That gracious act is humility and unconditional love and service of others. We know that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, first humbled himself to share and engage in our human nature. But he did not stop there.

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Queridos hermanos y hermanas:

Nos reunimos esta mañana para celebrar el ministerio del Padre Edgardo entre nosotros como nuestro Vicario Parroquial. Es difícil imaginar que ya han pasado tres años desde la llegada del Padre. Fue una bendición y una gracia dar la bienvenida al Padre a nuestra comunidad y esa gracia ha crecido exponencialmente debido a su presencia entre nosotros. Aunque sus padres habían vivido aquí y él tiene hermanos aquí en el condado, debe haber sido muy difícil para él dejar su entorno familiar en la Arquidiócesis de San Salvador para comenzar una nueva vida aquí. Lo ha hecho con gran celo apostólico, apertura y generosidad. Un gran trabajador que escucha a los demás, el Padre ha contribuido tanto a la unidad y positividad que evidentemente estamos sintiendo hoy en nuestra comunidad parroquial. Ha ayudado a crecer y crear una comunidad hispana fuerte, poseyendo una profunda compasión y espíritu de reconciliación y uniendo a las personas. Quiero agradecerles a todos los que se reunieron en persona esta mañana para celebrar el ministerio del Padre entre nosotros. Personalmente, estoy muy triste de verlo irse. Ha sido un verdadero hermano y colaborador en el ministerio, siempre generoso y disponible. Sé que progresará en la Iglesia Holy Angels en Colma, pero le he dicho que este siempre será su hogar y que será bienvenido en cualquier momento.

El evangelista de finales del siglo XX, el arzobispo Fulton J. Sheen, en su libro *El sacerdote no se pertenece a sí mismo*, escribió: "El sacerdote, además, no es solo el pastor que cuida de sus ovejas; también es el cordero que se ofrece para cuidarlas. Este cariño es lo que lo distingue del asalariado. Quien se preocupa por otro asume el peso de la condición del otro en su propio corazón y lo lleva con amor. Los feligreses no son perturbadores; son nuestro corazón, nuestro cuerpo, nuestra sangre.

Crucificado a la extensión externa de la personalidad, el sacerdote crece internamente y se convierte en la extensión de la Persona de Cristo. Cuantos menos bastones tenga el sacerdote para apoyarse, y bastones que le traspasen las manos, más se apoyará el Señor en él. Pobre en sí mismo, es rico en Cristo. Los feligreses entonces no ven a la persona humana en el tarareo; ven a Cristo viviendo, enseñando, visitando, consolando, renovando el Calvario. El instinto de los feligreses es infalible: saben en quién vive Cristo. De un sacerdote, dicen: 'Es un buen tipo'; de otro, 'Es otro Cristo'".

Estas palabras son un reflejo del sacerdocio del padre Edgardo. Él es verdaderamente *in persona Christi*, en la persona de Cristo. Mi recuerdo perdurable, entre tantos, será el del padre arreglando comida para los hambrientos durante los primeros meses de la pandemia. Lo hizo sin darse cuenta ni prestar atención a sí mismo. Él es consciente de quienes lo rodean y es generoso al satisfacer las necesidades de los demás, especialmente aquellos que están en crisis. Es un confesor maravilloso, me han dicho; celebra la Eucaristía con la solemnidad y la reverencia que merece. Sus homilias se encuentran entre las mejores que he escuchado. En este espíritu, concluyo con las propias palabras del padre Edgardo: "En cada Eucaristía, el amor que Jesús expresó con sus acciones en la Última Cena y más plenamente en la cruz está nuevamente presente para todos nosotros. En cada celebración de la Eucaristía, se nos invita a recibir el amor del Señor y el Señor nos llama a llevar ese amor que hemos recibido unos a otros. En cada Eucaristía, el Señor nos envía con las palabras: 'Amense los unos a los otros como yo los he amado'. Somos enviados desde la Eucaristía para servir a los demás como nos ha servido el Señor". ¡Amén!

En la segunda lectura de hoy de la carta de San Pablo a los Corintios, Pablo exhorta a sus hermanos y hermanas de la comunidad cristiana: "Ya que ustedes se distinguen en todo: en fe, en palabra, en sabiduría, en diligencia para todo y en amor hacia nosotros, distínganse también ahora por su generosidad". Ese acto de gracia es humildad y amor y servicio incondicional a los demás. Sabemos que Jesucristo, el Hijo de Dios, primero se humilló a sí mismo para compartir y participar en nuestra naturaleza humana. Pero no se detuvo ahí.

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prayer and worship

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

(✠ = deceased; INT = special intention)

Saturday, June 26	5:00 pm	Cortopassi Family
Sunday, June 27	8:00 am	Rosario & James Sievers ✠
	9:30 am	People of St. Pius
	11:30 am	Josefina Magaña (INT)
	5:00 pm	For those with mental illness
Monday, June 28	8:00 am	Marie Berhan (INT)
Tuesday, June 29	8:00 am	Albert Tomalino ✠
Wednesday, June 30	8:00 am	Norbert Wong ✠
Thursday, July 1	8:00 pm	Souls in Purgatory
Friday, July 2	8:00 am	Maria de Jesus Solorio ✠

This Sunday's Readings

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24;
2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15;
Mark 5:21-43



**Please pray for our
faithful departed**



Altar Flowers

*Flowers have been placed in the sanctuary of the church
this weekend in loving memory of the
Gray & Devincenzi Families*

Altar flower arrangements may be donated to remember living or deceased relatives and friends or to celebrate a special occasion.

Please contact the Parish Center at (650) 361-1411 for more information.

***Please email all announcements
and photos for the bulletin to:***

kristin@pius.org by
10:00 am on Monday for the following Sunday.
(Items submitted may be edited for content and space.)

***Please pray for our sick, that
Jesus be a source of strength and
comfort for them.***

*Names are automatically removed after 30
days; please call the Parish Center
to add a name to this list.*

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Anne Callaghan
Sylvia Collier
Maria Contreras
Erma DeMartini
Leonore Dei Rossi
Francesco DiFede
Clemencia Garcia
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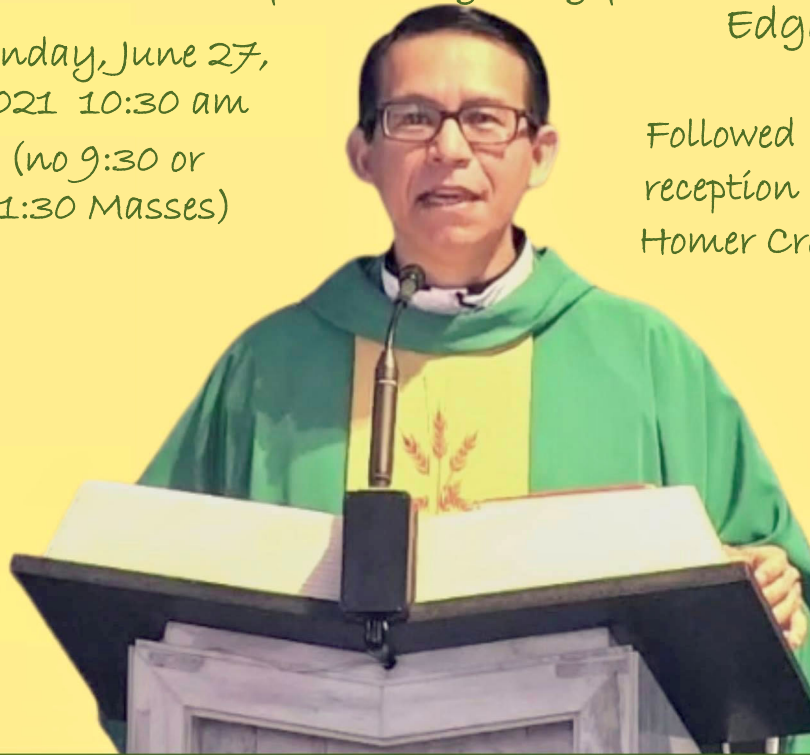
~and for those affected by the Coronavirus



Join us at a Mass of Thanksgiving for Father
Edgardo

Sunday, June 27,
2021 10:30 am
(no 9:30 or
11:30 Masses)

Followed by a
reception near
Homer Crouse.



Happy birthday, Fr. Edgardo!

FROM YOUR ST. PIUS FAMILY



COVID Update

In response to California's lifting of most COVID-19 restrictions, Archbishop Cordileone has announced updates to safety protocols within the Archdiocese.

He has restored the obligation to attend Sunday Mass.

You may view this letter at sfarch.org/health-alerts.

Many safety precautions will remain in place including encouraging ventilation, wearing of masks at indoor Mass and social distancing (now 3 feet). **Temperature checks, signing in for Mass, and sanitizing of pews after Mass are no longer required.**

Advance reservations are no longer required.

We are in the process of arranging the resumption of our pre-Covid Mass schedule.

We will also have a few EMs begin serving to help at our Masses.

Watch out in the bulletin and on pius.org for upcoming announcements.

In the meantime, please continue to wear your face masks at Mass and stay 3 feet apart by household.

Please contact the Parish Center at (650) 361-1411 if you have any questions.

from the pastor (continued)

His kingship was rooted not in amassing material wealth or worldly power but in service. That service was based in reaching out to the poor, the marginalized, the sick. He did not wait for others to come to him; rather as the good shepherd, he sought out the lost and scattered sheep. His way of proceeding was always being challenged by the prevailing religious and civil authorities of his time.

On the Feast Day of the great Jesuit Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, June 21, we honor a saint who grew up in a very wealthy and powerful family. He was a page in the court of the Medicis and King Philip II of Spain. He renounced his inheritance and stature in life to answer a call to religious life. He became a Jesuit. At the age of twenty-three, in the year 1591, he died in Rome as a result of serving the sick and dying in the midst of a plague. Several times he was forbidden by his superiors to work amidst the sick in a hospital set up by the Jesuits in Rome for this purpose. He was persistent and his superiors relented. As he lay dying, the Jesuit Cardinal and later Saint Robert Bellarmine, his confessor, gave him Last Rites on the octave of the Feast of Corpus Christi, and he expired. This young man truly gave completely and unselfishly to his Divine Master. The Gospel proclaimed on his feast day is taken from Matthew 22: 34-40. The Scribes and the Pharisees challenge Jesus, through a lawyer, hoping to trip him up. He is asked, "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" Jesus replied, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. The second is to love your neighbor as yourself."

We are able to live our Christian discipleship in an authentic manner when we love God with all of our heart, mind, and soul. So disposed, we are able to be less selfish and self-absorbed, more open and generous with our time, talent, and treasure, and so more desirous of serving the kingdom of God. In a spirit of humility, we are able to approach Jesus with the confidence and trust of Jairus, the synagogue official. His daughter is dying, and so he comes before Jesus with humility, putting aside his stature and prestige, to humble himself before the Master. Jesus is so moved by the faith of Jairus that he heals his daughter. So, too, with the woman afflicted for twelve years with hemorrhages. She goes out to meet Jesus and touches his tunic. In this act of faith and profound trust in the Lord Jesus, this woman is healed. "Daughter, your faith has saved you."

Jesus speaks to us as well as he did to Jairus when he counseled him, in the midst of great personal pain and grief, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." These are good advice for us to live by.

As we finalize the plans for our parish festival Friday, October 1 through Sunday, October 3, I am grateful to the festival committee for its incredible energy and commitment to our parish community. The theme this year, as we celebrate our seventieth anniversary, is ***Back Together, Stronger than ever!*** Stay tuned!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 22 as we celebrate **Welcome Back to Mass Sunday**, a national initiative to invite Catholics back to Mass in person. We are blessed to have Bishop Michael Barber, S.J., the Bishop of Oakland, as our celebrant and homilist.

Watch out: On July 1st, we will be rolling out our new parish logo. Thanks to Cathy Yee and others for designing this new symbol which will easily identify the mission of our parish rooted in faith and unity.

Enjoy the summer!!!



Su reinado no se basaba en acumular riquezas materiales o poder mundano, sino en el servicio. Ese servicio se basó en llegar a los pobres, los marginados, los enfermos. No esperó a que otros vinieran a él; más bien, como buen pastor, buscó a la oveja perdida y dispersa. Su forma de proceder siempre fue cuestionada por las autoridades religiosas y civiles dominantes de su tiempo.

En la fiesta del gran jesuita San Luis Gonzaga, el 21 de junio, honramos a un santo que creció en una familia muy rica y poderosa. Fue paje en la corte de los Médicis y del rey Felipe II de España. Renunció a toda su herencia y estatura en la vida para responder a un llamado a la vida religiosa. Se hizo jesuita. A los veintitrés años, en el año 1591, murió en Roma como consecuencia de servir a los enfermos y morir en medio de una plaga. Varias veces sus superiores le prohibieron trabajar en medio de los enfermos en un hospital establecido por los jesuitas en Roma para este fin. Fue persistente y sus superiores cedieron. Mientras agonizaba, el cardenal jesuita, que llegaría a ser san Roberto Belarmino, y era su confesor, le dio los últimos ritos en la octava de la fiesta del Corpus Christi, y expiró. Este joven verdaderamente se entregó completa y desinteresadamente a su Divino Maestro. El Evangelio proclamado el día de su fiesta está tomado de Mateo 22, 34-40. Los escribas y los fariseos desafían a Jesús, a través de un abogado, con la esperanza de hacerle tropezar. Se le pregunta: "Maestro, ¿cuál es el mandamiento principal de la ley?" Jesús respondió: "Amarás al Señor tu Dios con todo tu corazón, y con toda tu alma, y con toda tu mente. El segundo es amar a tu prójimo como a ti mismo".

Podemos vivir nuestro discipulado cristiano de una manera auténtica amando a Dios con todo nuestro corazón, mente y alma. Con esa disposición, podemos ser menos egoístas y ensimismados, más abiertos y generosos con nuestro tiempo, talento y riquezas, y por tanto más deseosos de servir al Reino de Dios. Con espíritu de humildad, podemos acercarnos a Jesús con la confianza de Jairo, el funcionario de la sinagoga. Su hija está muriendo, por eso se presenta con humildad ante Jesús, dejando a un lado su estatura y prestigio, para humillarse ante el Maestro. Jesús se conmueve por la fe de Jairo de manera que cura a su hija. Lo mismo ocurrió con la mujer afligida durante doce años con hemorragias. Sale al encuentro de Jesús y le toca la túnica. En este acto de fe y profunda confianza en el Señor Jesús, esta mujer es sanada. "Hija, tu fe te ha salvado".

Jesús nos habla de la misma manera como lo hizo con Jairo cuando le aconsejó, en medio de un gran dolor y sufrimiento personal: "No temas; solo ten fe". Estos son buenos consejos para que los hagamos vida.

Mientras finalizamos los planes para nuestro festival parroquial del viernes 1º de octubre al domingo 3 de octubre, estoy agradecido con el comité del festival por su increíble energía y compromiso con nuestra comunidad parroquial. El tema de este año, en que celebramos nuestro septuagésimo aniversario, es ***¡Volver a estar juntos más fuertes que nunca!*** ¡Manténganse al tanto

Marquen sus calendarios para el domingo 22 de agosto en el que celebraremos el **Domingo de bienvenida de nuevo a la Misa**, una iniciativa nacional para invitar a los católicos a volver a la misa en persona. Tenemos la bendición de tener al obispo Michael Barber, S.J., obispo de Oakland, como nuestro celebrante y homilista.

Estén atentos: el 1º de julio, lanzaremos nuestro nuevo logo parroquial. Gracias a Cathy Yee y otros por diseñar este nuevo símbolo que identificará fácilmente la misión de nuestra parroquia arraigada en la fe y la unidad.

¡¡¡Disfruten el verano!!!



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Sunday Collections

July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021 (annual goal)	\$550,000.00	
July 1, 2020 - June 20, 2021 (goal to date)	\$539,000.00	2021 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal Campaign \$119,307.00
July 1, 2020 - June 20, 2021 (actual rec'd)*	\$381,575.36	2021 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (received) \$ 75,560.00
Sunday Collection - June 20, 2021		Campaign Goal less payments received \$ 43,747.00
Collection for our Parish	\$ 5,807.00	

*includes electronic contributions to May 31, 2021

***"For the needy will never be forgotten;
nor will the hope of the afflicted ever fade."***



Peter's Pence 2nd Collection this weekend June 26/27

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the activities of the Holy See through which Pope Francis governs the Church and exercises his charitable works. When used for charitable outreach, funds from this collection help those most in need. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy.

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Taking a vacation is essential for us all, whether it's a "staycation" or going somewhere with your family and friends. Taking a break from work and life to have some fun is good for your soul and this summer we can actually do it!



While you're away, stay connected with your St. Pius community by visiting pius.org - read the bulletin, watch Mass via livestream and sign up for online giving.

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Thank you for your generosity and have a wonderful summer!



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St. Pius Altar Society members are committed to the care and cleaning of our Sanctuary, sacristy, altar linens and vestments of the Church. They are the "behind the scenes" workers who give so graciously of their time and talent. The Altar Society also assists the Environment Committee in decorating and beautifying the church for Holy Days and special occasions.

Please consider joining the Altar Society...each individual is scheduled one Friday (or Saturday) every month or two with a partner to care for the church; duties include replacing the holy water in the fonts, dusting, organizing the pews, washing & ironing the altar linens and vestments and other duties as needed (some duties suspended during COVID).

For more information, please contact Barbara Mosso at barbara.mosso@frosch.com or (650) 346-6677.



other news/events



Women's Catholic Scripture Study of San Mateo County

Please join our 2021-2022 study

Thus Says the LORD: God Speaks Through His Servants the Prophets Volume II: Restoration and Redemption.

St. Mark Catholic Church, Belmont

Thursdays, September 16, 2021 - March 31, 2022 (with holiday breaks)

Class times: 9:45 am - 12 noon

This 23-lesson Catholic Bible Study from 'Turning to God's Word' provides an in-depth look at the exilic and post-exilic prophets, offering valuable insights into biblical history immediately before and after the time of Jesus Christ.

For more information, please visit our website, www.cssbelmont.com.

To register, please contact Martha Rubio at msr.rubio@gmail.com or (650) 743-0949.

Prevent Physician-Assisted Suicide Proponents from Removing "Safeguards"

Senate Bill 380 will weaken patient protections in the already existing assisted suicide law.

Specifically, SB 380 (Eggman, D-Stockton) would:

- Prematurely end the existing 2025 sunset date and legislative reevaluation option years early with little to no scientific data to support this action (especially in light of the worldwide pandemic);
- Stop future oversight or evaluation of annual reports about assisted suicide requests and their outcomes. (Existing reports do not contain any data regarding complications, reasons for requesting the lethal drugs, and for the limited data provided, much is listed as "unknown.")
- Remove the 15-day waiting period "safeguard."

Sign the alert at sfoar.ch/sb380.

Please visit the SF Archdiocese page at sfarch.org/end-of-life-issues.

Protect The Hyde Amendment from members of Congress who want to repeal it!

Take action and sign the petition at notaxpayerabortion.com.

Please visit the SF Archdiocese Office of Human Life & Dignity at sfarchdiocese.org/abortion.



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THE BIBLE COLLECTION - PAUL THE APOSTLE

We are celebrating a feast day, consecrated for us by the blood of the apostles. Let us love their faith, their lives, their labours, their sufferings, their confession of faith, their preaching. This week we celebrate the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, each of whom spread the Gospel to the nations in the earliest days of the Church. In honor of Paul, the Apostle of the Gentiles, enjoy this film the Bible Collection!



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LECTIO: PETER: EPISODE 1: PUT OUT INTO THE DEEP



The character of St. Peter is both inspiring and confounding to many of us. How could a stubborn and impulsive fisherman become the “rock” upon which Jesus would build his Church? Bringing together biblical accounts, historical evidence, Church teaching, and personal insights, Dr. Tim Gray gives a fresh perspective on Simon Peter in this Lectio series.

LISTEN

SET ALL AFIRE

It is no stretch to say that Peter and Paul set the world afire with the Gospel message. In honor of these apostles, enjoy this one-of-a-kind presentation that includes seven segments covering some of the most important topics in the Church today. Taken from many of our most powerful talks, these segments are sure to inspire you to set all afire for Christ and His Church.



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