



Saint Peter Catholic Parish



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MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

Weekday

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Holy Hour Adoration

Fridays 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

First Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation
Saturday: 8:30 -- 10:00 a.m.
And by appointment

*Information on Sacraments of
Baptism, Matrimony and Anointing
of the Sick may be obtained at
www.saintpeter.me*

PARISH OFFICE & LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday
8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Ready to become a part of the Saint Peter Parish family?

Register online through our website www.saintpeter.me or scan this QR with your smart phone to get started. Membership has its privileges!



Calendar

Monday OCTOBER 17 St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr Eph 2:1-10 Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday OCTOBER 18 St. Luke, Evangelist 2 Tm 4:10-17b Lk 10:1-9
Wednesday OCTOBER 19 Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs Eph 3:2-12 Lk 12:39-48
Thursday OCTOBER 20 Weekday Eph 3:14-21 Lk 12:49-53
Friday OCTOBER 21 Weekday Eph 4:1-6 Lk 12:54-59
Saturday OCTOBER 22 Weekday Eph 4:7-16 Lk 13:1-9
Sunday OCTOBER 23 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 Lk 18:9-14

Dear Padre,

I'm a recovering heroin addict. Do I need to confess my addiction? Addiction is a disease, not a sin, right?

Right, but addiction and using drugs are two different things. As you know, recovering addicts who don't use drugs are still addicts, and that in itself isn't a sin. But it's against the law to use heroin in the United States, so even if you never committed a secondary crime to get it, the "getting it" was a crime.

More important, though, the body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, and it's a sin to abuse ourselves in any way. Even if it weren't against the law, your use of heroin is certainly an abuse of your body.

The sacrament of reconciliation is more than just receiving absolution for sins. It also helps us look more deeply at our lives. Before you go, examine your conscience: Ask yourself how your addiction has affected your body, your life, your relationship with God, and the welfare of others.

If you bring honest answers to those questions as well as an open heart and open mind, your conversation with your priest at reconciliation will help you heal your relationship with God and others. You will also receive the grace to improve your life and do things like overcome addiction so you can be a better person.

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



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Our Parish COMMUNITY
October 16, 2022
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Ex 17:8-13
2 Tm 3:14-4:2
Lk 18:1-8

Keep at It

We ask something of God because we recognize that we are needy and unable to meet the need for which we plead. This itself is a good prayer because it acknowledges our human limitation, an acknowledgement that might be very difficult for us to voice. Such prayer is also an admission of our dependence on God and our trust in God's loving care. A prayer of petition can be profound. However, what is one to do when the request is not realized? Do you ask again? And if so, how many times? If it is never realized, do you stop asking? This is precisely the issue in today's readings.

Moses held his hands up in prayer, and he grew tired. His prayer addressed a community need—victory over the Amalekites—and so two leaders of the community assisted him so that the plea for help could continue until victory was won. The Gospel passage tells a story about a woman whose need of justice made her bold. As a widow in a patriarchal society, she had no husband to speak on her behalf. She had to plead her own case again and again until a just decision was delivered. The moral of these stories is clear: Keep at it!

What happens when our prayer does not seem to be answered? It is still a good prayer, acknowledging our fundamental need and God's loving care of us. The moral of our story is the same: Trust and keep at it!

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ **Make your needs known to God and trust that God will provide what you really need. You might be surprised.**
- ★ **Be patient. God knows what you need.**



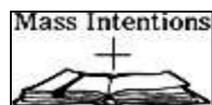
A WORD FROM Pope Francis

I encourage all of you.... to pursue your commitment to increasing awareness and offering support to those who have emerged from the tunnel of drug addiction.... They need our help and accompaniment so that they in turn will be able to ease the pain of so many of our brothers and sisters in difficulty.

ADDRESS TO CONFERENCE ON DRUG ADDICTION, DECEMBER 1, 2018



Identifiable Offering	\$7,158.00
Loose Cash	\$785.00
Total Weekly Offering	\$7,943.00
Mass Attendance Oct 8/9	272



Oct 18-23

Tuesday	Geraldine McDermott(+)
Wednesday	Dcn. Rick Risher(+)
Thursday	Susan Erwin(+)
Friday	Shirley Simmons(+)
Saturday	Dcn. Rick Risher(+)
Sunday	St Peter Parishioners (7:30 a.m.)
	Kay Roth(+)(9:30 a.m.)

Interested in more than just Mass?

Here are some options....

The Ladies' Faith Morning study group (Thursdays 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the parish office building) is getting ready to start a new series! We look forward to you joining us! If enough people with child-care needs attend, child care will be provided.

The Women's Small Groups (Tuesday and Thursday 7:00 p.m.) continue to study "The Bible and the Virgin Mary."

The Ladies' Faith and Fun night still has open seats for BUNCO on Friday, October 21 at 6:45 p.m.

Please contact Rochelle at flc@saintpeter.me or 850-581-7263 for more information.

The Men's Faith group meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m. for Liturgy of the Hours followed by morning prayer and Mass. All men are invited to attend

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, contact Angela Zangerle at (808)295-2587 or email her at stpeter.prayerchain@gmail.com

Hospitalized Parishioners: If you or a family member are hospitalized, please call the Parish Office, otherwise we have no way of knowing who in our parish is there.

In Your Daily Prayers, Please Remember our parishioners who are deployed and:

Monday Deborah Babiak*, Patty Dominitz*, Jean Schlitt*

Tuesday Danny Labatte, Ana Livoti*, Betty Caruso

Wednesday Gordon Pritchard*, Aurora Beard, Sandy Hoyer

Thursday Pam Bauchwitz*, Johanna Malura

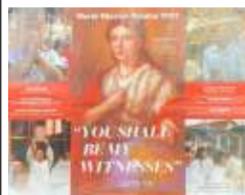
Friday Doug Babiak*, Cheryl Darby, John Fails*

Saturday Cynthia Dixon, Frank Schorzman*

Sunday Karen Clayton*, Paul Livoti, Heidi Tye*

*Indicates our parishioners.

Please contact the church office if anyone can be removed from this prayer list.



World Mission Sunday

NEXT WEEKEND we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities.

Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Parishioners who do not receive offertory envelopes and wish to contribute can drop their contribution using a pew envelope or in a separate envelope labeled "W.M.S". If you are using electronic giving you can log on to your account and make a onetime gift.

Come & See Seminary Trip

November 4-6, 2022

Curious what seminary is like? Need time to pray about your life? Visiting a seminary is one of the best ways to discern your vocation. Join Fr. Tim Holeda and other men from our diocese on a three-day trip to St Joseph Seminary College in St Benedict, Louisiana. Experience Christian camaraderie, prayer, Mass, meals and discussion with seminarians, plus some sports and outdoor activities.

Register at: ptvocations.org

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