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SAINT PETER CHURCH

Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM
10:00 AM

Rev. Michael E. Gendron, Pastor
Deacon Christopher Paul
Michelle Paul, Office Manager

Celebration of Sacraments

Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Friday 7:00 AM

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00-3:30 PM
or by appointment

Holy Days of Obligation

7:00 AM and 5:30 PM

Baptism, Confirmation, Sacrament of the Sick

Please contact pastor

Marriage

Contact the Parish Office
at least 6 months in advance

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Jake Linxweiler at 483-5571
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St. Peter Church is a tithing parish. Each week 10% of the offertory collection is donated to worthy outside charities. All parishioners are encouraged to move in faith toward the goal of full 10% tithing, and of faithful stewardship of time, talent, and treasure.

From the Pastor...Good Shepherd Sunday: Let's go back to the movies. Well, not actually to the movie itself, but to the person who inspired the movie *The Sound of Music*. Specifically, Maria von Trapp who once wrote these words:

I want to tell you about still another discovery which we made when we had already become quite familiar with our Lord. This happened when one blessed day we seemed to understand what Paul meant when he exclaimed, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever"; and in another place, "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me." These two statements were linked with the tremendous statement the mysterious voice had made to Paul when he was still Saul, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting" (Acts 9:5).

From that day on these words became the whole pattern of our life. If he can be identified with each one of us and if he is the same yesterday as today – then he just continues his very life in every one of us until the end of time. It is a big moment when one realizes that. One feels like saying, "All right, dear Lord, here are my hands and feet, eyes and ears, my lips and my heart – they are yours." I suppose this is the first step towards the final goal: "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me."

As soon as one becomes familiar with the fact that he is the same today as yesterday, one will meet him constantly...He really is the same. Nothing has changed. The Good Shepherd is still going after the lost sheep; the Father is still waiting for the Prodigal Son; Mary Magdalene is still sitting at his feet after he had freed her from seven devils. It may be that not everybody will come across Mary Magdalene or the Good Shepherd in a drastic way. But as soon as we have awakened to what the words mean: Jesus Christ...yesterday and today, and as soon as we want to meet him today, we can always find him unerringly as Jesus, a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief.

Once he would talk about the persecuted Christians of the first decade: "I am Jesus whom you are persecuting." This is true throughout the centuries. All we have to do is learn to think about our fellow man in that term: "I am Jesus."

COVID19 Requirements: Although Gov. Sununu has lifted the state mandate for wearing masks, the Bishop has not lifted that requirement for our parishes. He is asking all parishes to continue to follow the CDC and Federal government guidelines of wearing masks, sanitizing our churches, washing hands, and maintaining the 6' distance when in church. This does include those members of our parish who have been fully vaccinated. As soon as these requirements are lifted by the Bishop, I will let you know. Thank you for your patience and compliance with these guidelines.

Blessings,
Fr. Michael

OFFERTORY: \$5,615.15

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NH ANNUAL APPEAL:

The Catholic Charities NH annual appeal will be held next weekend, May 1/2. Your gift will help Catholic Charities to address issues that impact our communities, such as poverty, food insecurity, mental health, isolation among seniors, and veteran's homelessness. Donation envelopes will be available, or you can donate online at www.cc-nh.org/everything. If you make a gift online, please be sure to enter "St. Peter" in the comment section. Our parish goal is \$12,100.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those who died recently, especially parishioner Ernest Vincent.

FUNERAL NOTICE: Parishioner Bobbi Frisella passed away in December 2020, but due to the pandemic, her funeral will be held on Saturday, May 8th at 9:30 am.

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT: Copies of the Parish Financial Report for Fiscal Year July 2019-June 2020 are available in the vestibule of the church. If you are currently livestreaming Mass, and would like a copy, please contact Michelle Paul in the parish office.

ST. ANDREW DINNER: St. Andrew was the first of the Apostles to hear Jesus' call to follow Him. If you are a young man considering a vocation to the priesthood or who would simply like some help hearing the Lord's call in your life, join us for a St. Andrew Dinner. The next St. Andrew Dinner will be held **Monday, May 17** at **St. Martin Church** at **St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish – Somersworth**. Fr. Ryan Amazeen will speak briefly on his first year of being a priest, followed by dinner, and conclude with night prayer. For more information and/or to RSVP, please contact Fr. Charles Pawlowski, Assistant Director of Vocations at 603-448-1262 or cpawlowski@rcbm.org.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and others are weekday sessions from 7:00pm to 9:30pm. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call at or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>. The next weekly sessions are May 3-24 (Mondays/Thursdays) and June 3-24 (Thursdays/Mondays).

MASS INTENTIONS

Apr 26,	Mon.	7:00 am	George Mercier from the Mercier family
Apr 27,	Tues.	7:00 am	Rev. Roger Bilodeau
Apr 28,	Wed.	7:00 am	Liliane Frappier by Marc and Silvana Frappier
Apr 30,	Fri.	7:00 am	To end abortion
May 1,	Sat.	4:00 pm	Peg Wood by Helene Belanger
May 2,	Sun.	8:00 am	Louise Flagg by John and Joanne Fraser
May 2,	Sun.	10:00 am	For all parishioners of St. Peter Church

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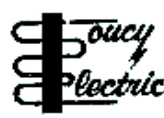
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