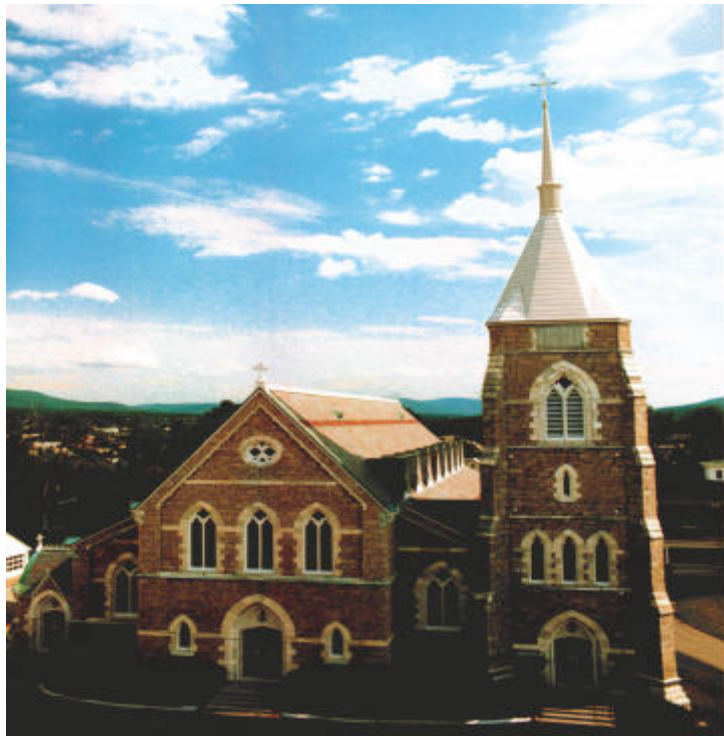


Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 16, 2020

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Saturday—4:15 PM
Sunday—11:00 AM

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Weekday Masses

Chapel of our Lady

Monday—4:45 PM—**Except Holidays**

Suspended until further notice

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the Parish Office at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 PM—or by appointment

New Parishioners

Please call Parish Office to register.

Religious Education

DRE, Michael Audette

Email: maudette@msjvermont.org

Please visit parish website or Facebook
(Saint Peter Parish Religious Education)

Parish Council Members

Sue Ahearn, Chair	Nick Denardo
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ST. PETER MASS SCHEDULE:**Saturday, August 15**

10:00 AM Mem: Claire Esposito by John Romano
 4:15 25th Ann: Muriel Reardon by Sons & Families
and Mem: Loretta Howard by Mary, Lisa & Steven Howard

Sunday, August 16

11:00 Mem: Living & Deceased Members of the Feast of the Assumption Committee

Monday, August 17

No Monday Masses at this time

Saturday, August 22

4:15 Mem: John & Ann Bizarro and Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Librizzi & Grace by Family
and Mem: Peter Giancola by Gary & Carol Randall

Sunday, August 23

11:00 3rd Ann: Mary Scruton by Rose & John



**CANDLES FOR THE WEEKEND
OF AUGUST 15/16**

Mem: Alice R. Cioffi by Judi

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

As you all may know the Diocese is running a Capital Campaign to provide funds for the running of the Diocese and our Parish. The planning and execution of the Campaign has begun. Parishioners will receive information and details in the mail concerning the Campaign. Presently we are asking for volunteers to make follow-up phone calls to 10-20 households concerning the campaign. These phone calls will be made over a period of 8-9 weeks. There is a simple training session about the content and delivery of these calls which will be provided. Please consider volunteering. We need about twenty—twenty five volunteers. Please call the Rectory if you wish to volunteer.

**ST. PETER OFFERTORY REPORT
WEEKEND OF AUGUST 08/09**

53 Envelopes (242 sent out) plus \$564.00	2,865.00
Need	4,500.00
Difference	- 1,635.00
Last Year—Same Date	3,325.00
Monthly Upkeep Collection	510.00

The Wonders of the Holy Spirit

Last weekend as we celebrated the Confirmation of Ann Core Fatima Laurent, who took the name of Lucia (one of the visionaries at Fatima when the Blessed Mother appeared) we were invited to reflect on the Holy Spirit. In our Roman Catholic Faith we believe that the Holy Spirit offers us certain gifts. Most of these gifts have to do with our intellectual processes and our rational capacities. Out of the seven gifts four concern our mental disposition; they are Understanding, Counsel, Wisdom and Knowledge. When we allow the Holy Spirit to guide us our thinking changes and when our thinking changes our behavior changes for the better. We are guided to more closely imitate Jesus Christ and to act as He did. Our lives take on characteristics which reflect the virtues of the Kingdom of God. These characteristics are called the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. They are the effects of our co-operation with the Holy Spirit in our lives. Our lives become more God-like.

These Fruits of the Holy Spirit are: Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience, Long-Suffering (or endurance), Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Mildness, Modesty (or Humility), Continence and Chastity. We usually don't receive them all at once. Rather they come to us, as needed and are part of the Spiritual Process of Living. As our desire for God's Presence in our Hearts and Lives deepens and our willingness to follow God's plan for us increases we receive these Fruits of the Holy Spirit to help us to live in right relationship with God, and very importantly, with one another. The Gifts of the Holy Spirit are Blessings of God to us which we in turn can share with the world and with other human beings. When we share the effects of the Holy Spirit in our lives with our world God's Kingdom comes.

We as faithful people have a mission in this world and work to do for God in this world. We have gifts of Spirit and Grace to give. Let's pray to the Holy Spirit to give us the Spirit's gifts so we, each in our own way, with minds renewed, can be living proof of God's goodness. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to help us to bless our world with the Fruits of the Holy Spirit as we live out those Fruits in our lives. May we be instruments of the Holy Spirit and Promoters of Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience, Endurance, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Mildness, Humility, Continence and Chastity. For the Fruits of the Holy Spirit do not exist unless they exist in us.

Fr. John



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Next Sunday, August 23 the Rosary will be prayed in front of the Holy Family Shrine after the 11:00 AM Mass. Please wear masks and practice social distancing. Everyone is welcome.



Thank you all for the “Memory Guest Book” that I received in the mail today. Every note that was written in it by each person brought back such happy, fond and good memories of the beautiful people of St. Peter’s. I will cherish the book for years to come. Not a day goes by that I don’t recall a memory, a happening, someone, something that brings a smile to my face and tears of joy to my eyes. Thank you again for the beautiful memories.

Fr. Tom

IN NEED OF USHERS AND OTHER VOLUNTEERS

We still need parishioners who would be willing to assist in serving as ushers; those of you who have been serving as ushers, taking up the collection, your continued help would be most appreciated. Anyone interested in serving as ushers, or continuing to serve as ushers, please call the friary at 775-1994, or simply pitch in when you are here.

We also need volunteers to help in sanitizing the church after each Mass. For this, the more volunteers we have, the easier it will be on everyone. “**Sanitizers**” are most needed after the Saturday afternoon Mass, and on Sundays when there is something else going on in the church in the course of that week. It takes 2 volunteers just 30 minutes, from beginning to end, to sanitize the whole church with the equipment that has been obtained for this purpose. Please call the Friary—775-1994—if you are willing to volunteer to be “**Sanitizers**” in this area, or simply stay after the Masses, and pitch in. Thank you.

DEADLINE FOR THE BULLETIN

There is a deadline each week for information to be put into our bulletin. It is Monday by noon. Holiday bulletin deadlines may vary.



Preparation for the
Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church campaign
is in the final stages

As you know, St. Peter Parish will enjoy campaign benefits too by receiving 60% of the funds we raise. Parish leadership will use those funds to address specific parish needs. The other 40% of campaign funding will strengthen our faith formation programs (evangelization, education and youth ministry), as well as outreach through emergency assistance delivered by Vermont Catholic Charities. To watch the campaign video and learn more about the goals visit: www.christourhopevt.org.

We understand this is a difficult time for many who may not be able to financially contribute about their annual Bishop’s Appeal gift. We ask that you first consider an annual appeal gift and, if you are not able to contribute to the campaign at this time, please pray for its success and support our volunteers and leadership.

With Christ at the center of this campaign, we know whatever we raise will be used for His glory.

SOUTHWESTERN VERMONT COUNCIL ON AGING

Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging’s grocery delivery program has been helping older Vermonters stay safely at home during the pandemic and have their groceries safely delivered to them. The need for this service continues to grow, but our volunteer base started to shrink when the state started to open up and allow people to go back to work. We need volunteers and this is a non-contact service. If you can volunteer, please call 802-786-5990 and ask for Ellen. Thank you.

NO KNEELING

We are asking that the kneelers in the church **NOT** be used; the reason for that is if they are used, it means more work and time to sanitize them; if they are left in their upright position than a simple spraying will take care of it and our volunteer “sanitizers” will be able to finish much more quickly. Thank you for your understanding and observance of this.

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