

JANUARY 24, 2021

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses

Monday—Friday 7:00AM
Saturday 8:00AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00PM English
6:30PM Spanish
Sunday 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:00AM English
12:30PM Spanish

Holy Days of Obligation

Please check bulletin or website for Mass times.

FAMILY ADORATION

Spanish: Thursdays 7:00-8:00PM

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the parish office to register



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He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him. - Mk 1:19-20

Excerpted from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCC.

BAPTISMS

English: Please contact the parish office.

Spanish: Please request the "Baptismal Orientation Document" from the parish office and follow the instructions.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples must be at least nineteen and meet with the priest one year in advance. Must be registered and active member of St. Peter Parish 6 months before the wedding date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND PASTORAL CARE

If you anticipate hospitalization or require sacraments, please call the parish office. For emergencies call 815-236-8019.

ENGLISH CONFESSIONS

Saturday: after the 8AM Mass, 3:45-4:45PM

SPANISH CONFESSIONS

Wednesday: 6:00PM-6:30PM

Thursday: 7:00-8:00PM during Spanish Family Adoration

Saturday: 6:00-6:30PM, also after 6:30PM Mass

Sunday: 12:00-12:30PM, also after 12:30PM Mass

St. Peter Church is a Roman Catholic community, evangelizing by the power of the Holy Spirit, leading others to a joyful encounter with Christ and experiencing Our Father's merciful love.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 25th

Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

7:00AM Peter Gonzalez Family

Tuesday, January 26th

Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops

7:00AM †Kal Vanlaningham

Wednesday, January 27th

St. Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious Founder

7:00AM †Genowefa & Jan Jelen

6:30PM †Purgatorial Society

Thursday, January 28th

St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church

7:00AM †Carl Nastab

Friday, January 29th

7:00AM †Concepcion Molina

Saturday, January 30th

8:00AM †Willis Rowald

5:00PM †Trees L. Tjoa

6:30PM †Purgatorial Society

Sunday, January 31st

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Pro Populo

9:30AM Living & Deceased Members of K of C #8021

11:00AM Kim Schmidt

12:30PM †Purgatorial Society

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 24, 2021

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/
Mk 1:14-20

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk
16:15]/Mk 16:15-18

Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/
Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-
25

Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk
4:26-34

Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/
Mk 4:35-41

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Bradley Brewer, Pat Deinhammer, Tom Gasiorowski, &
Kerry Muldowney.

To add or remove the name of a sick person, please call the
parish office at: (815) 525-3400, ext. 3, or email
cgodawski@rockforddiocese.org.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE HOMEBOUND OR IN NURSING HOMES / ASSISTED LIVING

Matilda De Falco, Pat Heiderscheit, Rosemary Penewell, &
Alice Robison.

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER PAVINO

“Gratia non tollit naturam, sed perficit.”

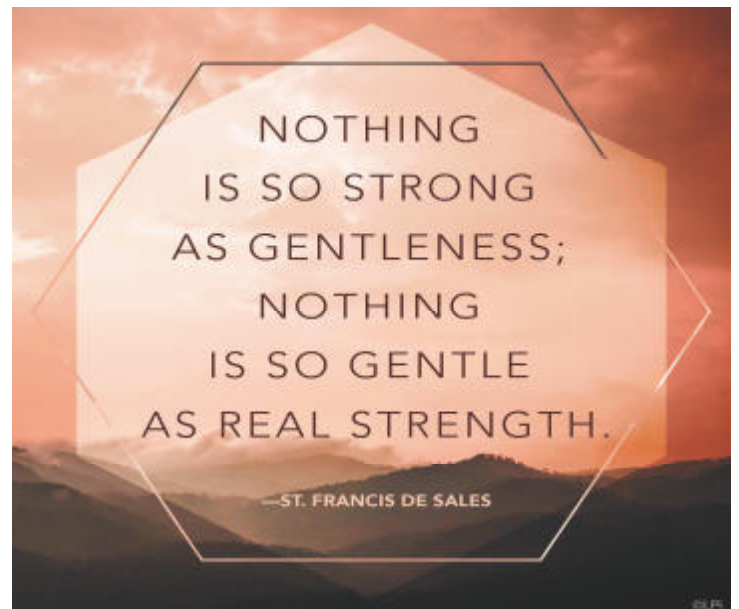
Grace does not destroy nature, but perfects it.

At the beginning of Jesus’ ministry He called His first disciples. Jesus saw the brothers Simon and Andrew, and James and John. They were casting their nets. They were fishermen by trade. They catch fish for a living. Jesus said to them: COME AFTER ME ...

Jesus knew very well that His mission is the salvation of souls. Yet, he chose fishermen to be His disciples who would continue His mission of saving souls. In human standards this is unacceptable. What can fishermen do to accomplish the mission of redemption? A person in his right mind would choose people who have studied the Scriptures and the Law of Moses, like the Pharisees and the Scribes to be their followers. People who are considered educated, intelligent and influential. But no, Christ called the lowly fishermen. Our Lord saw the expertise of Simon, Andrew, James and John. They were experts in catching ... it has become their nature to catch. This was where Jesus capitalized on a given situation. He saw men who are good “catchers.” So, He made use of their ability. No longer catching fish but catching sinners. Catching souls to be brought to the Kingdom of God. This is grace built on nature.

“Gratia non tollit naturam, sed perficit.”

Brothers and sisters, God has given us abilities. The challenge for us now is to use these abilities in the service of God... in the service of His church. We need more volunteers during our weekends masses. We need more ushers and people who can help in sanitizing the pews. This may not be big and others may consider this minimal but to God, everything that you do and you do it with love, is already a big, big achievement.



**WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPEND AN HOUR WITH JESUS?
CHAPEL HOURS NEEDING ADORERS**

SUNDAY	6AM, 11PM
MONDAY	9AM
TUESDAY	12AM, 4AM
MONDAY	9AM
WEDNESDAY	1AM, 2AM
THURSDAY	2AM, 6PM, 8PM
FRIDAY	2AM, 3AM, 4AM, 5AM, 9AM
SATURDAY	1AM, 2PM, 5PM



Call Junie Pospischil (815) 389-3065 or (815) 494-9237.

ST. PETER KEYS BOOK CLUB

Meets the 1st Wednesday of the month
Parish Center at 2:00PM
Christus Vincit: Christ's Triumph
Over the Darkness of the Age
By Bishop Athanasius Schneider

**MARY UNDOER OF KNOTS
CROCHET/KNITTING MINISTRY**

Meets the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month
3-5PM St. Peter School Gym
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RCIA

Interested in becoming Catholic or want to learn more about the Faith? Are you a baptized Catholic that did not receive First Communion or Confirmation? Please call the parish office to register.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE!!!

Thursday, February 4 from 2 pm- 7 pm at Didier Hall, St. Peter's. The blood drive saved 99 lives last year. All blood-types are needed! Please contact Karl Zoller at 815-222-2399 to donate, to volunteer, or for more information.



WORD OF LIFE

"Many people know someone personally who is suffering because of an abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? ... Even a woman who doesn't go to church or think of herself as religious can be afraid that God will never forgive her for having an abortion. She should know that God loves and forgives those who are sorrowful. He wants to comfort them and give them his peace.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

"How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion"

GOSPEL MEDITATION

January 24, 2021
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It was a normal day by all accounts, but John just wasn't feeling himself. He was a little lightheaded and out of sorts. Later in the afternoon, he experienced a sharp pain in his chest and arm. Quick thinking and action brought John to the emergency department with a diagnosis of a significant heart attack. Surviving this ordeal, he found himself face to face with his cardiologist, having an honest conversation about things that needed to change. "I came close to death," John found himself thinking. Then came the remorse. He was a young man with a loving wife and children who were very close to facing life without him. John found himself with intense sorrow for living an unchecked and self-indulgent life that almost brought him to his demise. He wanted to change.

We all have our wake-up calls. We have experiences and encounters that force us to really think twice about choices we have made and directions we have taken. Often, we find ourselves looking at those we have hurt square in the eye and wallowing in our foolishness. We regrettably realize that we have allowed our needs to lure us into making some cruel mistakes. We impulsively say things and flip-pantly do things that reveal our unredeemed and unhealed self. It is a self we stumble over and try to tame but can't quite seem to master and control. Help!

We spin our wheels, naively thinking that we will somehow, perhaps through persistence, get ourselves unstuck. But, we don't. We just get out of the car, feeling very helpless, and ignorantly look at the mess we got ourselves into. Did we ever think to ask someone for help? Or, taken the advice of One who is wiser and avoid this route altogether? "Come after me," are words that Jesus says to all of us. In order to heed his invitation, we must leave our ego-self behind and follow.

When we really see and understand the freedom, peace, justice, and love he offers, we find ourselves with such sorrow in our hearts for how foolish and silly we have been. All the misguided choices and sinful actions come full view and we see how risky our random impassioned behaviors really have been. Repentance is beautiful. When done with a sincere and contrite heart, it directs us to the glory that can be ours, ignites us with the challenge of living a life in service of others and reminds us that all is well.

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COVID 19 MITIGATION RULES

Parish groups may begin meeting again with groups of ten or less. Masks and social distancing are required. Please sanitize your meeting space after your meeting is done. Thank you for keeping our parish safe!!

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