


Recognizable Offering..... \$6,064.45
 Loose Cash \$541.00
 Total Weekly Offering..... \$6,605.45
 Mass Attendance June 11/12 365



June 20-26
 Monday Leonard Caplette(+)
 Tuesday Fr. Edward Kirby(+)
 Thursday Religious Freedom
 Friday Mike Kutcher(liv)
 Saturday Stephen Fowler(+)
Sunday..... Leonard Caplette(+)(8:00 a.m.)
..... St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)

 Summer fun has begun at the youth center. Most days we will be feeding 50+ youth. If anyone has extra hot pads or dish drying towels that they would like to donate to the kitchen, we could put them to good use. Thanks!

As the summer begins, parishioners enjoyed a cookout after Saturday evening Mass. Thanks to the volunteers who helped with the set up, grilling, serving, and clean up.



Weekly Calendar of Events

- 6/20 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 6/21 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
 Bunco - 9:30 a.m.
- 6/22 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.



Each year dioceses around the country arrange special events to highlight the importance of defending religious freedom. The Fortnight for Freedom is from June 21—the vigil of the Feasts of St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More—to July 4, Independence Day. This year the focus is on the lives of more than 14 women and men of faith, from all over the world, who bear witness to authentic freedom in Christ.

Peter's Pence Collection

The Peter's Pence Collection provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of oppression and disasters. Parishioners who do not receive offertory envelopes and wish to contribute can use an envelope in the pew. If you are using electronic giving you can log on to your account and make a onetime gift or use an envelope in the pew, if you prefer. Please drop your envelope in the regular offertory

Liturgical Roles*

Weekend of June 25/26
 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Aidan Murray, Paul Gagnon III
 Extraordinary Ministers: Ken Olson, Carrie Gagnon, Joanna Farnum, Anni Labatte, Shareen Ketchem
 Lectors: Ana Fails, Ruth Sykes
 Ushers: Cora Podrang, John Fails, Bob Flanagan
 Greeter: Joni Flanagan
 Sacristan: Dan Brenton
 Elijah Cup: Wanda Corbitt

8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Joshua Soto
 Extraordinary Ministers: Gene Valentine, Susan Johansen, Kathy Stockbridge, James Johansen, Nancy McCreary
 Lectors: Cindy Day, Mark Day
 Ushers: Arnold Soto, Kathy Cauley, Dan Cauley
 Greeter: Alma Battaglio
 Sacristan: Bobby Stockbridge
 Elijah Cup: Paul and Susan Johansen
 Coffee and Donuts: Steve Berthelette

10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Kadi Casey, Gannon Casey, Karly Casey
 Extraordinary Ministers: Luisa Martinez, Barbara Russo, Melody Grogan, Pat Casey
 Lectors: Margie Wadsworth, Carolyn Alaniz
 Ushers: Cord Grogan, Donna Fetter, Ron Fetter, _____
 Greeter: Karen Clayton
 Sacristan: Bill Roth
 Elijah Cup: John Fay
 Coffee and Donuts: Micayla Colwell, Katherine Colwell

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, contact Susi Evers at 664-9165 or email her at saintpeterparishprayerchain@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 Johanna Adam*, Charles Cummings*, Steve Lange, Mike Kutcher

Tuesday Lynn Graham*, Thomas Holdsworth, Pam Stockbridge, Ashley Marie Code, Mary Eichler

Wednesday Gordon Pritchard*, Ken and Bette Dellner*, Caroline Frederick, Pam Holt, Barbara Kirschten*, Wilda Mayhew*

Thursday Gene and Pam Bauchwitz*, Robert Welniak, Theresa Stegall, Connie Jordan, Lucille Kesler, Clare Van Zelfden

Friday Lloyd Biehl*, Doug Babiak*, Sharon Lewis, Shannon Anderson, Vera Thornburg*, Ann Crouch*

Saturday Peter Adam*, Mary Anyel*, Joel & Leo Grieves*, Dan Brenton*, Harriett Warren

Sunday Theresa Fowler*, Jeff Harp, Ann Hart, Cipriano Matiga*, Bonita Long

*Indicates our parishioners.

Our Gospel Reading for today finishes with the Lord telling us, "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will save it." That may sound somewhat foreboding to us as we strive to follow Him and to be His disciple.

We need to see that from another perspective, however. Jesus was fond of teaching by using references to plants and planting. On multiple occasions he cites seeds in His teachings. If we consider it, we bury a seed; in effect it dies. Nevertheless, it must die for it to fulfill what it was intended to be. It cannot produce fruit, become a tree unless it goes through the process of dying to what it once was.

That is Jesus' message for us. If we truly wish to follow Him, we must die to what we once may have been, or in some cases to what we may think we want to be. We have to learn to look at ourselves as the Lord might look at us. The ongoing question is "What does the Lord want me to be?" or "How does the Lord want me to serve Him and others?"

It is not easy to serve the Lord. It is not comfortable to always think of others first. Yet, those are Jesus' instructions to us. That is His call to us. As He reminded us many times, "I came to serve, not to be served." That needs to be our goal as well. That is what stewardship is all about.




Ordinary Time

June 19, 2016 ♦ Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Zec 12:10-11; 13:1 ♦ Gal 3:26-29 ♦ Lk 9:18-24

A few years ago at the ice rink my daughters skated at, I picked up an ad for hockey gear. The pictures showed shoulder pads, shin guards, helmets, and chest pads. What caught my eye was the name of the company and the way they advertised. This was “Christian Protective Gear.” I immediately began chuckling to myself as I imagined the Apostle Paul calling on all of us to “put on the armor” of righteousness and wondering if this was what he had in mind (Ephesians 6:10-17). I think not, but the reading from Galatians reminded me of the ad: “you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.” What does that mean for us today?

The Church teaches that we must show forth the love and mercy of God, especially with regard to the least and poorest among us. In a poem by St. Teresa of Ávila, we are reminded that “Christ has no body but yours, / No hands, no feet on earth but yours.” In today’s Gospel, Jesus says that to put on Christ is to follow in his footsteps, to take up our cross daily, and to lose our lives for his sake that we might find them forever. Most of us can get behind love, mercy, and compassion for others—at least in theory—but discipleship in its fullest is no easy task. Are we willing to live our lives as Christ even when it isn’t easy, when it requires denying ourselves and suffering? Only we can answer that, and with God’s help through grace and the sacraments, the answer can be “yes!”

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A Word From Pope Francis
“We can ask ourselves: Do I guard the treasure of grace? Do I protect the Holy Spirit’s presence within me?”
—“How to rout the demon’s strategy,”
Morning Meditation, October 11, 2013



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dear Padre

What if we can't conceive?

How far is OK to go when dealing with infertility?

Catholic teaching holds that procreation, along with the love expressed between spouses in the sexual act, is one of the principal ends of marriage. The act itself is holy within that context, and the resulting children are a fruit of that love and a gift—not a right of every couple. Most of us know couples who are unable to conceive. Sometimes a technique or medication can help, but not always.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states that, “techniques that entail the dissociation of husband and wife, by the intrusion of a person other than the couple (donation of sperm or ovum, surrogate uterus), are gravely immoral....Techniques involving only the married couple (homologous artificial insemination and fertilization) are perhaps less reprehensible, yet remain morally unacceptable....Only respect for the link between the meanings of the conjugal act and respect for the



unity of the human being make possible procreation in conformity with the dignity of the person” (CCC 2376-77, see also *Donum vitae*).

Infertility treatments such as *in vitro* fertilization (IVF) not only depersonalize the sexual act but also carry the greater problem of the disposal of the fertilized but unused embryos, which are real human beings. When judging an act, we must consider our intentions and the act’s nature and ramifications. Most situations involve many issues, so I suggest you discuss yours further with a competent spiritual advisor.

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FOLLOW HIM

Jesus’ identity as the Son of God gives us an important key to understanding his life and mission. He lived and acted with a purpose hidden in the depths of his relationship with the Father. This relationship influenced his conscious thoughts and unconscious desires and lay behind his life in Nazareth, his ministry in Galilee and Judea, and his sacrifice on Golgotha.

—From *Follow Him and Reclaim the World* by Dennis J. Billy, CSsR (826504)

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Monday JUNE 20 Weekday 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18 Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday JUNE 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36 Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday JUNE 22 Weekday 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3 Mt 7:15-20
Thursday JUNE 23 Weekday 2 Kgs 24:8-17 Mt 7:21-29
Friday JUNE 24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist Is 49:1-6 Acts 13:22-26 Lk 1:57-66, 80
Saturday JUNE 25 Weekday Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19 Mt 8:5-17
Sunday JUNE 26 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21 Gal 5:1, 13-18 Lk 9:51-62

