



Recognizable Offering..... \$4,742.00
Loose Cash \$697.00
Total Weekly Offering..... \$5,439.00
Mass Attendance Sept 24/25 377



Oct 3 - Oct 9
MondayRichard Rudolph(+)
TuesdayNo Service
ThursdayNo Service
FridayNo Service
SaturdayAl & Louise Perreault(liv)
SundayTrey Corbitt(+)(8:00 a.m.)
.....**St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)**

STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL
Commitment Weekend
This past week has been a time to reflect on your life of stewardship of what God has entrusted to you and to reflect on the letter from Bishop Parkes; a time to pray and to pledge a portion of your time, talent, and treasure in service to our Lord and for the good of our brothers and sisters. Today is Commitment Weekend. To the many parishioners who returned their Commitment Forms today, a heartfelt thank you. If you did not bring your Commitment Form to Mass today, it is not too late. Please return your forms by either dropping them off or mailing them to the parish office this week, or by returning them next week at Mass. Again, thank you for your participation in this important event for our parish family.

Beloved
Parents: We invite you to attend Adult Faith Formation from 9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m. Sunday mornings in Classroom #1 of the Pastoral Life Center. Come join our current study, **“Beloved”**--a marriage enrichment series. Childcare is available in the nursery with RSVP. Please call Susie for more details at 581-7263.

Weekly Calendar of Events

- 10/2 K-5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.
“Beloved” - 9:15 a.m.
Confirmation Classes - 4:30 p.m.
HS/MS - 6:00 p.m.
- 10/3 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
R.C.I.A - 6:30 p.m.
- 10/4 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
40 Days for Life Candlelight Vigil - 7:30 p.m.
- 10/5 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.
“Happiness” - 6:30 p.m.
- 10/6 Adoration - 8:15 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- 10/9 K-5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.
“Beloved” - 9:15 a.m.
HS/MS - 6:00 p.m.

Hello PARENTS
Religious Education
Registration for classes is ongoing. If you have a child in grades K-12, contact Susie for details at 581-7263 or dre@stpeter.ptdiocese.org.
We are still in need of volunteer substitute teachers and a helper for Kindergarten. If you're willing to answer the call to help, please contact Susie.

CARING FOR OUR LITTLE ONES
Are you interested in serving in the nursery during the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass? If you would like to help, especially if you are a parent of a child who would be using the nursery, please contact Susie Rushlau, at 581-7263 or dre@stpeter.ptdiocese.org. Guidelines for serving in this ministry require fingerprinting (cost assumed by the parish) and the completion of an online safe environment course.



Living God's Word
You may never be canonized. However, people should be able to look at your life and discover signs of faith. Do they see you reaching out to those in need, working for justice, caring for family, engaging in prayer, seeking reconciliation, growing spiritually? If so, they see a just one who, through the gift of faith, shall live.
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Liturgical Roles*

Weekend of Oct. 8/9
Altar Servers: Paul Gagnon III
Extraordinary Ministers: Alice Thompson, Ken Olson, Shareen Ketchem, Louise Perreault, Al Perreault
Lectors: Ron Berthelette, Ruth Sykes
Ushers: Mickey Shawbitz, Cora Podrang, Heather Metruck
Greeter: Lynn Brenton
Sacristan: Dan Brenton
Elijah Cup: Liz Simmons
8:00 a.m.
Altar Servers: Joshua Soto, Alina Schorzman
Extraordinary Ministers: Patsy Soto, Jean Jordan, Paul Johansen, Susan Johansen, Nancy McCreary
Lectors: Lynn Griggs, Don Dineen
Ushers: Arnold Soto, Dan Cauley, Kathy Cauley
Greeter: Cathy McKnight
Sacristan: Stan Griggs
Elijah Cup: Gary and Jean Jordan
Coffee & Donuts: Maria Bridges
10:30 a.m.
Altar Servers: Austin Wise, Devony Ross, Joseph Sweeney
Extraordinary Ministers: Stacy Fralic, Becky Bittakis, Judy Robinson, Ray Schlitt, Jean Schlitt
Lectors: Therese Sweeney, Carolyn Alaniz
Ushers: John Fails, Jim Wise, Brian Prescott
Greeter: Terri Turnbull
Sacristan: Bill Roth
Elijah Cup: Barbara Russo
Coffee & Donuts: Tom Blossman

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, Margie Wadsworth*
Tuesday Lynn Graham*, Thomas Holdsworth, Pam Stockbridge, Mary Eichler, Hiram Alaniz
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*, Dan Brenton*, Rick and Maria Beard
Sunday Theresa Fowler*, Jeff Harp, Ann Hart, Cipriano Matiga*, Bonita Long
*Indicates our parishioners.



Our First Reading from the Old Testament Book of Habbakuk is once again from someone we consider to be a minor prophet. However, Habbakuk, like other divinely-inspired writers of the Bible, captures the essence of messages and prophecies that have universal applicability not only in his time, but to us today. Habbakuk was writing more than 600 years before the birth of Christ that is more than 2,600 years before now. Yet he addresses a stewardship approach to life in ways that are significant to us today. Scholars generally agree that the overall theme of Habbakuk is trying to grow from a faith that might be termed perplexing and sometimes doubtful to a point where we place absolute trust in God. **In today's reading, Habbakuk deals with the situation of when someone believes in God, but when they look at the world around them, it does not seem to match what God wants. Isn't that true of today's world as we are inundated with tragic and horrible news almost on a daily basis?**

Trust in God is the key for us to be good stewards, and it is at the crux of the power of faith. In his *Memoirs* Pope Benedict XVI said, **“The more I reflect on it, the more I understand that the nature of human life is that it is ever Holy Saturday, not Easter Sunday. We are still awaiting Easter; we are not standing in full light, but walking toward it full of trust.” That trust is the secret!**



I have a little jar of mustard seeds on the bookcase in my office. They were given to me as a going-away present by a priest I knew, a little reminder to keep the faith. Every time I hear the Gospel about the mustard seed, I am reminded of him. He was a mentor and friend, one of the many people who have inspired my faith from young adulthood until now. He is also the example of what I hope to be for the students I teach. The faith which we explore is a rich inheritance, indeed, and I can only hope to influence my students as much as he influenced me.

Being a faith-filled person isn't for cowards. As Paul tells Timothy, God gave us gifts of power and love to be able to stand against evil and to love those who seem unlovable. God called us to a holy life which means that we occasionally have

to turn away from what the world has to offer and embrace a different way of living. Christ's disciples are called to help make the world holy through word and example, by inviting others to know Christ and acting in such a way that knowing Christ seems the only possible response. Finally, God gives us the Holy Spirit, who makes it possible for us to live lives that are worthy of the calling to which we have been called.

"Stir into flame the gift of God," Paul exhorts. Fire is the perfect metaphor. It lights our way and gives us warmth. It also purifies us for the work ahead. Who inspired you in your faith? How will you become a better disciple today because of them?

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dear Padre

Why drop host in the chalice?

Why does the priest break off a small piece of the consecrated host and drop it into the chalice before Communion is distributed?

This action has a spiritual and historical meaning. Let's look at the historical significance first. In the first centuries of Christianity, it was important for churches in outlying areas to express their unity with Rome. The pope would send a small piece of the consecrated bread to each church. During Mass, the priest would place the portion in the chalice to recognize the union between Rome and the local church. But sending pieces of consecrated bread from Rome to each church became impractical as Christianity grew, so a practice was adopted to allow each priest to drop a piece of the host he had just consecrated into the chalice. Spiritually, this action serves to remind us that Christ is wholly and truly present in both eucharistic forms: the host and the wine. When we receive the Most Holy Body or the Precious Blood, we partake in the entire person of Christ, the same Jesus Christ who lived, died, and rose from the dead. The Real Presence, the singularity of the Mass, and the unity of the Church are all realities that point to the communion of saints and life beyond death. These things are not merely beliefs or promises; they are God's greatest gifts to us.

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Our primary task as Catholic citizens is to ensure that the values of our nation are in accord with the truth about the human person. The vocation of all Catholic citizens is to enter into this task for the good of our families, our Church, our neighbors, and the nation. We cannot, as citizens and Catholics, sit idly by.

—From *Red, White, Blue, and Catholic* by Stephen P. White (826450)

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