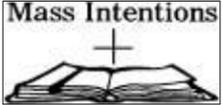
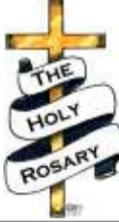


 <p><b>Sacrificial Giving</b></p> <p>Recognizable Offering..... \$7,530.07 Loose Cash ..... \$455.00 Total Weekly Offering..... \$7,985.07 Mass Attendance July 4/5            287</p>	<p>Weekly Calendar of Events</p> <p>7/12 Blood Drive &amp; Pancake Breakfast - 8:30 a.m. 7/13 Rosary - After Morning Mass 7/15 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.       <b>“Revelation” Adult Faith Series</b> - 6:30 p.m. 7/16 Adoration 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.</p>
 <p>July 13- July 19 Monday .....Communion Service Tuesday .....Communion Service Wednesday .....Communion Service Thursday .....Communion Service Friday .....Communion Service Saturday .....Stephen Fowler(+)(5:00 p.m.) Sunday .....Mary E. Johansen(+)(8:00 a.m.) .....St Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)</p>	 <p>Join the Legion of Mary in the recitation of the Rosary every Monday morning after daily Mass or Communion Service.</p> 
<p><i>There is only one person who can return to God the love that He has given to me. That person is me.</i></p>	

 **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH: What’s your idea of great youth ministry?** Youth entering grades nine through twelve this school year are invited to attend a “brainstorming” session in the high school youth room on July 26, following the 10:30 AM Mass. What do you want to learn about our faith? What ideas do you have for service and social activities for the group? What larger events, (e.g., mission trips, **Abbeyfest, Steubenville**) are of interest to you? **Here’s the chance to share your ideas. Lunch will be provided**, so please call or email Paul Johansen at 581-2556, or johansenp@stpeter.ptdiocese.org if you plan to attend so that we have adequate food for all. Thanks!

**Twinkle, Twinkle**

 The parish will host a baby shower for three of the moms-to-be from the Ronda Coon Home Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. The Ronda Coon Home is a transitional residence for ladies who are working toward self-sufficiency. The moms-to-be, Arle Ferguson, Jasmine McCranie, and Amanda Clayton are very excited knowing that they will be the guests of honor. They each have made the choice to keep their baby even though they are struggling to thrive. Your generosity of coming to celebrate with them, pray for them and shower them with gifts will be most appreciated. Please sign up a the Hospitality Cart if you will be participating in any way- attending, dropping a gift, prayer card, helping with food, etc. The theme will be **“Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star, What a Miracle You Are”**. **The guests of honor are registered at Target.**

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**2015 Parish Directory**

The Parish Directory has been updated. If you need a hard copy, please sign-up for one at the cart. We encourage parishioners to get the app on their phone instead of a hard copy. The app updates continually as people change their contact information.

+ July 12, 2015

# dear Padre

## Q Is there an age limit for attending Mass?

My daughter tells me that after a certain age I'm no longer obligated to attend Mass every Sunday. Is that true? I'm eighty-five years old and have physical problems.

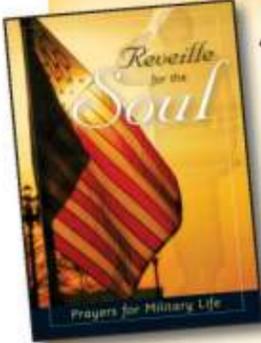
**There is no age limit** on attending the Sunday Mass. We have all been called to remember the Sabbath and to keep it holy. So there is no provision given in the Church that releases someone from attending Sunday Mass on the basis of age.

However, if your physical problems make it difficult for you to attend Mass, then you should attend when you can, and when you are not able to attend it is not considered a mortal sin. Why? A sin requires the cooperation of our will. We have to want to do the thing we know is wrong. You may want to attend Mass, but your body will not allow you. Thus, failure to attend Mass in this case would not be a mortal sin.

However, if you are able to do other activities, like shopping or going to a restaurant, then you might be able to physically attend Mass.

In short, if you are able you should attend Mass. If you are not able to attend Mass, keep the day holy by doing what you can. Maybe you could pray the rosary, watch the Mass on television, or read the Bible.

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**A Serviceman's Prayer:**

“Almighty God, you’ve blessed me with a wonderful family who loves and supports me in this mission to serve my country. Now, as I find myself separated from them by many miles, their welfare weighs on my soul. Dear God, bless them every day. Keep them safe in your arms. Remind them of my great love for them....”

—Excerpted from *Reveille for the Soul: Prayers for Military Life* (818783)

Share God’s hope and promises with our men and women in uniform.  
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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time B 1  
*Amos 7:12-15*

### God-given Words

**“Get out of here!” No one likes to hear those harsh words.** Wherever we go, we like the assurance that the place where we have arrived is hospitable. Sometimes we trespass. Sometimes we say offensive words. Sometimes we perform an action that separates us from the community. If we upset the host, we may hear those **awful words, “Get out of here!”**

That was the command that Amaziah the priest of Bethel leveled against the prophet Amos. Amos came from Tekoa of Judah in the southern part of the kingdom. **At God’s command he traveled to Bethel in the north to prophesy. He warned the people of God’s judgment against them. The local priest didn’t like hearing the message Amos brought. So Amaziah gave Amos a blunt and derisive retort: “Go home. Get out of Bethel. Go back to Judah. Prophecy there. Leave us alone.”**

There was one problem. Prophecy in Bethel wasn’t Amos’s idea in the first place. **It was God’s idea. God sent Amos from Judah to Bethel to bring divine judgment on the people.**

Sometimes when people tell us to leave them alone, they are wrong. If God has given us words to speak, we stay and deliver them.

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time B 2  
*Ephesians 1:3-14*

### Blessings without Measure

Those born into a loving family receive blessings without measure. They are given a name and a nationality. They receive food and drink. They are kept clean and free from danger. They receive a language, a faith, a culture, customs, and education. The gifts a family bestows cannot be numbered or adequately acknowledged.

As children of God, we have received blessings as well. The Letter to the Ephesians says we were adopted by God through Jesus Christ. We receive forgiveness. **And we receive knowledge of the mystery of God’s will.** This incredible package of gifts is ours due to the goodness of God.

We are used to paying what something is worth, and receiving a wage for our work. But once in a while, some merchant does you a favor. You get a rebate. You buy one and get one free. A debt is relaxed. And it feels like the mercy of God has fallen into your lap.

God has given us the greatest gifts freely. Such generosity inspires us to give freely as well. We share our income with those less fortunate—not because they did something for us, but because we want to be kind. We give up our time to help the church or community—not because we cannot pay for a service, but because commitment requires muscles, brains, and patience as well. God has blessed us, and we can share our blessings with the world.

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Weekend of July 18/19

5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Aidan Murray, \_\_\_\_\_  
Extraordinary Ministers: Shareen Ketchem, Ron Berthelette, James Johansen, Shelia Casselberry, Alice Thompson  
Lectors: Mike Brennan, John Fay  
Ushers: Mickey Shawbitz, Jim Wise, Mike Sweeney  
Greeter: Ron Fetter  
Sacristan: Doug Hoover  
Elijah Cup: Aidan and Sheila Murray

8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Jared Dunn, Joshua Soto  
Extraordinary Ministers: Maria Bridges, Nancy McCreary, Eden Carter, \_\_\_\_\_  
Lectors: Susi Evers, Ruth Sykes  
Ushers: Gary Jordan, Eric Miller, Jim Guris, Mike Logan  
Greeter: Kathy Cauley  
Sacristan: Jean Jordan  
Elijah Cup: Eden Carter  
Coffee & Donuts: Steve Berthelette, L.P. Henley

10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Kadi Casey, Killian Casey, Gannon Casey  
Extraordinary Ministers: Judy Robinson, Stacy Fralic, Rick Grecco, Alicia Grecco  
Lectors: Therese Sweeney, Eleanor Sweeney  
Ushers: Patrick Sweeney, Stewart Grogan, Cord Grogan, Brian Prescott  
Greeter: Terri Turnbull  
Sacristan: Bill Roth  
Elijah Cup: Pat and Maryetta Casey  
Coffee & Donuts: Bonnie and Bill Spangenberg

***Saint Mary Catholic School .....  
a place where everyone knows my name!***

Saint Mary Catholic School, a ministry of Saint Mary Parish, is fully accredited by the Florida Catholic Conference and has been a vital part of the local community for 69 years.

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, please contact Susi Evers at saintpeterparishprayerchain@gmail.com or call her at 664-9165.

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\*, Peter Cleary, Steve Lange, Mike and Jeanne Trueting

Tuesday Lynn Graham\*, Anthony Michael Merriquer, John Clark\*, Bobby Stockbridge\*, Stacie Tippett

Wednesday Gordon Pritchard\*, James Smith\*, Steve Powell\*, Ken and Bette Dellner\*, Caroline Frederick, Jim Losco, Pam Holt, Robert Tinney

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

Friday Lloyd Biehl\*, Doug Babiak\*, Sharon Lewis, Shannon Anderson, Betty Keever, Vera Thornburg\*

Saturday Peter Adam\*, Mary Anyel\*, Joel Grieves\*, Dan Brenton\*, Skye Mahosky\*, Gene Valentine\*, Mary Valentine

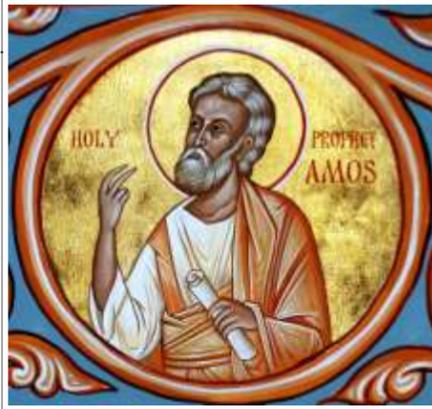
Sunday **Maureen O’Neil\*, Michael Adam\*, Theresa Fowler\***, Mary Beth Downer, Greg Babiak, Tony Kelly, Jeff Harp

\*Indicates our parishioners.

Please call the church office if you or a family member can be removed from this prayer list.

Did you Know Saint Mary Catholic School:  
-Has the motto, **“We Walk with Jesus”**.  
-Knows **“Christ” is the reason the school exists.**  
-Attends Mass each Thursday as a School  
-Has a band and flag corps.  
-Has a Drama department which produces a musical each year.  
-Has Spanish, Art, Music, PE and Technology Classes for all students K5-8<sup>th</sup> grades.  
-Participates in the Voluntary Pre- Kindergarten, McKay Scholarship for Exceptional Student Education, and the Corporate Tax Scholarship programs sponsored by the Florida Department of Education.  
-Has vacancies in all grade levels for the 2015-2016 school year.

***If you would like for your child to have a Catholic Education, come take a tour and let us help you make it a reality. Call the school at 243-8913***



Everyone is called to evangelization. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (#849) includes a mandate that we all be missionaries. “Having been divinely sent to the nations that she might be ‘the universal sacrament of salvation,’ the Church, in obedience to the command of her founder and because it is demanded by her own essential universality, strives to preach the Gospel to all men.” Our readings on this Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time examine this universal call to evangelization.

The First Reading, from the Book of Amos, gives us insights into the prophet Amos. Amos was a shepherd and a farmer. He is an excellent example of the idea that all are called to evangelization. God can speak through each of us, in spite of our place in the world. Just as Amos was a farmer prophet, and Jesus included simple fishermen among His closest followers, we are expected to evangelize in

our present situation, representing ourselves as Catholics and Christians.

It is difficult to think of evangelization without thinking of St. Paul. Everything he did and everything he represented was a form of evangelization. The key to his success was the fact that he “preached not to please men, but to please God who tests our hearts.” (1 Thessalonians 2: 4) Today’s Second Reading from Paul’s letter to the Ephesians reminds those to whom the letter was written, which includes us, that we are blessed “with every spiritual blessing in the heavens.” It is of great consequence that we understand that Paul speaks of “spiritual” blessings, not “material” blessings. Sometimes when we try to define stewardship in our lives we look mainly at our temporal or material blessings. Paul’s point to us is that our spiritual blessings are even greater, and just as Paul translated those blessings into a lifetime of evangelization, we are expected to do the same.

### Living Stewardship Now

Pick a ministry that really appeals to you. If training is not provided, ask the leaders to help you get up to speed. Decide to serve for at least one year, and serve that year faithfully.

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## Pictures Tell the Story

Youth Day was a blessing for all who participated. The EJJYC guests had a wonderful time with crafts, music, games, nature exploration, and special picnic food including gooey spiders and dirt cups. The volunteers were amazing – Heidi Tye, Bob and Tere Brenci, Ron Fetter, Angela Zangerle, Alyssa Walsworth, Janet Streacker, Stacie and Frank Schorzman, Cathy Andrews, Nicole and Cameron Morley, Josh Soto, Juliana Wall, Mike and Teresa McClure and Paul Johansen. They made the work seem like play even in the 90 degree day. There was an overwhelming sense of exhaustion at the end of the day to accompany the gratitude for the opportunity to serve and continue fostering the wonderful relationship with the youth at EJJYC.



Spiritually, discernment is the process of listening for and responding to God’s call. It is a popular activity these days in churches, schools, and businesses. Discerning the right career, the right person for a job—or even the right person to marry—occupies a lot of adults. I often talk about discernment with college students because Catholic tradition has much to offer to the process.

We can draw some principles of discernment from our readings today. From Ephesians, we learn that God has called us into the mission of Christ and to praise his glory in the world. Does the life you live now allow you to do that with a full heart? From Amos, we learn that God doesn’t call only the ones we think are holy enough, brave enough, or religious enough. God calls all of us wherever he finds us. Amos was a dresser of sycamore trees. We might be teachers, parents, or students in school, but we are all a part of Christ’s mission by baptism. Finally, in Mark, we learn that mission is a communal affair. We are together in mission. We are to go into every house, depending on God to tell us what to do and give us what we need.

With our different gifts, we help each other spread God’s word and love those we meet. Finally, we learn that not everyone will hear us, but we must not let that weigh us down. We must shake the dust from



our feet and move on. These and other principles of discernment can apply no matter where we find ourselves along the road. How have you responded to God’s call today?

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