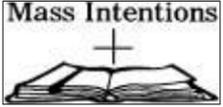
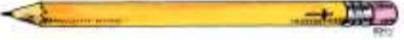


 <p>Recognizable Offering.....\$5,882.86 Loose Cash.....\$655.00 Total Weekly Offering.....\$6,537.86 Mass Attendance July 11/12 352</p> 	<p>Weekly Calendar of Events</p> <p>7/20 Rosary - After Morning Mass</p> <p>7/21 Bunco - 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>7/22 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m. <b>“Revelation” Adult Faith Series</b> - 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>7/23 Adoration 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.</p>
<p>July 20- July 26</p> <p>Monday .....Willis Henderson(+) Tuesday .....David Jordan(liv) Wednesday.....Carl &amp; Marian Shaw(+) Thursday .....Eloi Owen Demoruelle(+) Friday .....Bernie Morrison(liv) Saturday .....Rita Branch(+)(5:00 p.m.) Sunday .....St Peter Parishioners(8:00 a.m.) .....Mike &amp; Teresa McClure(liv)(10:30 a.m.)</p>	 <p>2015-16 Faith Formation Registration</p> <p>K – 5<sup>th</sup> grades, middle school (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>), high school and confirmation will begin registration for the new school year next weekend, July 25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>. Registration will take place in the Parish Center after all Masses. Classes will begin on Sunday September 13, 2015.</p>
<p><b>The Lord hears the cry of the poor...</b> For the month of June: Sharing and Caring: \$130.00 Alms Dispensed: \$1,964.47</p>	<p>Twinkle, Twinkle</p> <p>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, <b>helping with food, etc.</b> The theme will be <b>“Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star, What a Miracle You Are”</b>. The guests of honor are registered at Target.</p> 
 <p>HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH: <b><i>What’s your idea of great youth ministry?</i></b> Youth entering grades nine through twelve this school year are invited to attend a <b>“brainstorming” session in the high school youth room on July 26, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass.</b> 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 <b>interest to you? Here’s the chance to share your ideas.</b> Lunch will be provided, so please call or email Paul Johansen at 581-2556, or johan-senp@stpeter.ptdiocese.org if you plan to attend so that we have adequate food for all. Thanks!</p>	 <p>Please drop off all shower gifts by July 26<sup>th</sup> at the Hospitality cart or at the office and include the name of the mom-to-be on the gift.</p>
<p>If You Missed Out</p> <p>The <i>Demystifying the Book of Revelation</i>, adult faith series will be offered in August if there is enough interest. The sessions will be held from 9:30-11:30 a.m. on August 4, 11, 18. No book is necessary but you may want to take notes. The DVD presentation is followed by group discussion. Please sign-up at the Hospitality Cart if you are interested in attending or call the office.</p>	



**Monday**  
JULY 20  
Weekday  
Ex 14:5–18  
Mt 12:38–42

**Tuesday**  
JULY 21  
Weekday  
Ex 14:21—15:1  
Mt 12:46–50

**Wednesday**  
JULY 22  
St. Mary Magdalene  
Ex 16:1–5, 9–15  
Jn 20:1–2, 11–18

**Thursday**  
JULY 23  
Weekday  
Ex 19:1–2, 9–11,  
16–20b  
Mt 13:10–17

**Friday**  
JULY 24  
Weekday  
Ex 20:1–17  
Mt 13:18–23

**Saturday**  
JULY 25  
St. James, Apostle  
2 Cor 4:7–15  
Mt 20:20–28

**Sunday**  
JULY 26  
Seventeenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
2 Kgs 4:42–44  
Eph 4:1–6  
Jn 6:1–15

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# dear Padre

July 19, 2015

## Is there more value in a group rosary?



Does it mean more to pray the rosary in a group? The congregational rosary before Mass disturbs my meditative time before Mass in church.

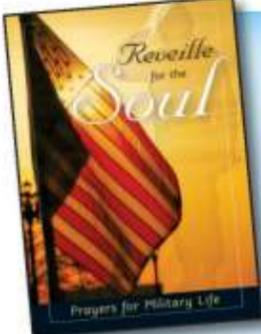
**There is power** and strength in community prayer. We are social beings and like to do things together. That is why we like to root for our sport teams with other people present.

But we also have a personal side. For myself, I like to go into a silent chapel with the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. There are, nonetheless, so many ways to enter into the presence of the Lord.

So while both forms of prayer have great value, the norms for the celebration of the Eucharist call for a silent time of meditation before the Mass begins. This may only be for a few brief moments. This is so people will end their conversations and more fully participate in the celebration with limited distractions. Therefore, the rosary should end before Mass with adequate time for personal quiet and reflection. If this is done, then everyone has an opportunity to enter into prayer in a way that he or she wants.

Whether one prays alone or with others, the important thing is that we are trying. Devotion to Mary has always been a long-standing tradition among Catholics. The rosary is one popular way for many people.

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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)

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time B 1  
*Jeremiah 23:1-6*

## Uniting the Flock

When parents hand children over to other caretakers for the day, they rightly expect that those in authority will dutifully watch the kids. When religious and civil leaders accepted responsibility for the people of Israel, God rightly expected that they would watch the people with care.

**It didn't happen. They failed. Through Jeremiah,** God told the leaders of Israel that they were like hired shepherds who scattered the sheep and drove them away.

Several consequences resulted. God punished the irresponsible leaders, gathered the remnant of the chosen people back together, and appointed new leaders who would do the job right. God also promised something more. **God promised to "raise up a righteous shoot to David," a king who would govern wisely and do what is just.** We Christians believe that that prophecy was fulfilled in the coming Jesus, who rules as a righteous king.

God is no happier with bad leadership than parents are when caretakers mistreat their children.

Whom has God placed in your care? If God were to assess your leadership, how would you score? If God could use you to unite rather than scatter, what actions would you take?

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time B 2  
*Ephesians 2:13-18*

## The Path to Peace

Forgiveness can be hard to achieve. If you have broken a relationship that you wish could be restored, you know the longing for reconciliation.

In some cases, you may not even seek reconciliation. You may still be angry over an injury committed against you, your home, or someone you love. You may wonder how one nation could ever reconcile with another after being at war. The death and destruction caused by war lies beyond imagination; healing seems unreachable. Then forgiveness seems not only hard—it seems impossible.

In the first century, the separation between Jews and Gentiles was severe. The Letter to the Ephesians called it a **"dividing wall of enmity."** It seemed as though the two groups would never agree, never get together, never heal the old wounds.

But then came Jesus, who suffered and died so that **everyone might have life. Ephesians says, "He is our peace, he who made both one." Through the cross, Christ put death to death, but he also put enmity to death. "He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father."**

Forgiveness may seem unreachable, but all things are possible with Christ. He provides a middle ground where hope is alive and peace is real. Those who listen to his message and heed his words are already on the path of reconciliation.

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Weekend of July 25/26

5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Aidan Murray, \_\_\_\_\_

Extraordinary Ministers: Elizabeth Baldwin, Doug Hoover, Joanna Farnum, Al Perreault, Louise Perreault

Lectors: Ana Fails, Paul Gagnon II

Ushers: John Fails, Bob Flanagan, Joni Flanagan

Greeter: Lynn Brenton

Sacristan: Dan Brenton

Elijah Cup: Al Perreault

8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Audrey Moore, Jared Dunn

Extraordinary Ministers: Eric Miller, Bruce Brandewie, Nancy Brandewie, Kathy Stockbridge

Lectors: Lynn Griggs, Deidre Henderson

Ushers: Dan Cauley, Kathy Cauley, Mike Logan, Jim Guris

Greeter: Alma Battaglio

Sacristan: Stan Griggs

Elijah Cup: Patty Dominitz

Coffee & Donuts: L.P. Henley, Maria Bridges

10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Teresa Englehardt, Abigail Zaleske, Patrick Sweeney

Extraordinary Ministers: Penny Sweeney, Joe Davison, Katherine Colwell, Kathleen Garcia

Lectors: Dawn Ciccarello, Jeremy Fumerola

Ushers: Mike Sweeney, Jim Wise, Brian Prescott,

Greeter: Karen Clayton

Sacristan: Jean Jordan

Elijah Cup: Bill and Kay Roth

Coffee & Donuts: Barry and Alicia Graham

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.



Volunteer Interviewers are needed at Sharing and Caring in Fort Walton Beach to work either the 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. shift or the 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. shift. Computer skills are necessary to perform this task. For more information or to apply, you can contact Trish Sawyer at Sharing and Caring 850-244-0778, directly: 850-240-7370, 850-240-7330 or by email: captrixie@yahoo.com

## 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.

## Instant Church Directory Mobile App

Parish members can view the directory from their iPhone, iPad, Android or Kindle Fire by downloading the free Instant Church Directory Members App. Search for "Instant Church Directory" in the Apple App Store, Google Play, or Amazon Appstore, or use this link: <http://www.instantchurchdirectory.com/app>

The image of the shepherd and His sheep is one of the most enduring ones within our Christian faith. Jesus uses this reference consistently throughout His teachings. The Lord, however, does more than tell us He is a shepherd. The idea of shepherds and shepherding occurs more than 200 times in the Bible. We hear of references to shepherds from Abel in Genesis to King David to the shepherds who came to worship Jesus the night He was born.



Sheep are among the most defenseless animals, and they are completely dependent upon the shepherd to feed them or lead them to food and water; to keep them from wandering aimlessly; and to protect them because they are so vulnerable. In today's Gospel the Lord recognizes that the people are "sheep without a shepherd" and He begins to teach them.

He is feeding them with the word of God. The Hebrew word for "shepherding" can also be translated "feeding." Jesus calls us to serve as shepherds for those around us, just as He shepherds us. It is this stewardship of our family, friends, co-workers, and others which allows us to show the love we are expected to demonstrate. Even our word "pastor" derives from the Latin word *pastor* which means, quite simply "shepherd." An anonymous quote captures what our relationship to the Lord should be perfectly: "When you cannot sleep, do not count sheep; talk to the Shepherd."

### Living Stewardship Now

Look at your life and try to add up how you spend your week. How much time is devoted to God, family, work, and service? Do you rest and relax or just change activities? What are your time-wasters?

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Having a hectic week or a stressful day? Need some peace for quiet reflection. Come and spend some special time in the presence of God. Saint Peter Church is open every Thursday from 8:30 am to 8:00 pm for the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Take some time to grow stronger in your relationship with Jesus. It will make a difference.

### Saint Mary Catholic School Free Prekindergarten for 4- year olds.

Saint Mary Catholic School participates in the State of Florida's Voluntary Prekindergarten Program. (VPK)

Have you Registered your 4-year old for VPK?

- VPK is free for all Florida's 4-year olds
- VPK helps your 4-year old develop the skills the need to become good readers and successful students
- All VPK instructors must meet quality standards required by Florida Law
- VPK provides children a strong foundation for success in education and life

Call the school for more information: [850-243-8913](tel:850-243-8913)

Or come by for a tour (110 Robinwood, Fort Walton Beach) Monday-Thursday 9:00-2:00

### Catholic Charities Offering Full-Time Immigration Services in Panama City

Ms. Betsie Kummer has been a case manager with Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida (CCNWFL) in our Immigration and Refugee Services office in Pensacola since October 2013. She became passionate about poverty, exploitation, and international relations while living in Guatemala as a missionary for 4 years. Since then she has continued to travel, learned 3 languages, and received her Bachelor's Degree in International Affairs from Florida State University. Her position supports our mission 'to serve, to empower and to advocate for vulnerable families and individuals of any race, religion or national origin' by assisting immigrants and refugees to reunite with their families and integrate into American society. As of June 2015, Ms. Kummer has relocated to the CCNWFL office in Panama City. Immigration Services offered include Citizenship, renewal of Green Card, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, and family-based petitions. For referrals or information contact Ms. Kummer at 850-435-3578.



At the ranch where my mother lived in her adolescence, sheep wandered through pastures of grass and shrubs. When it came time to gather them into the corral at night, the ranch hands would get the dogs out and set them to work running around and behind the sheep to keep them together while the hands drove them in the right direction. Occasionally a young lamb or an injured ewe would fall, and the man closest would pick the animal up with a tenderness that seemed out of character with callouses and sunburned, weathered skin. When we visited the ranch, I remember vividly the look and smell of the sheep and that the ranch hands thought they were dumb.

While the sheep may not have been the smartest of animals, they knew the men and the promise of a safe pen and water at the end of the hot day undoubtedly made the job easier. From my mother's stories, I remember most the way she described the shepherders. They did not lead the sheep so much as walk with or behind them. They became part of the procession, rather than the head of it. This kept the sheep calm and moved them faster. When Jesus looked at the crowd, he saw a people that needed someone to walk with them and show them the way to go. They needed someone occasionally to go behind them to pick up the strays and the wounded and carry them tenderly home. This is what Jesus does for us. In his compassion, he brings us to pasture and, at the end, he gathers all people into his one flock and guides them home.



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