

Recognizable Offering..... \$7,840.00
 Loose Cash \$341.05
 Total Weekly Offering..... \$8,181.05
 Mass Attendance May 7/8 295



May 16 - 22
 Monday Mary Griewisch(+)
 Tuesday Gary Jordan Jr. (Iiv)
 Thursday Mary Clawson (Iiv)
 Friday Valerie (Iiv)
 Saturday Edna Barnard(+)
Sunday Jim & Laura Smith(+)(8:00 a.m.)
..... St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)

In Loving Memory
 and lasting peace for all who have died, especially **Mary Griewisch**, sister of Teresa McClure. Pray for the consolation of their families as they mourn the loss of their loved one.

Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Drive
Between Mother's Day and Father's Day, the Knights of Columbus Council #8910 will have baby bottles available at the Hospitality cart and encourage you to take one home to collect loose change. The donations they collect will assist the programs run by Family Life Ministries (FLM) at the Ronda Coon Women's Home, an organization dedicated to provide physical and spiritual support to women who are faced with crisis pregnancy and/or critical homeless situations.

Weekly Calendar of Events

- 5/15 Pentecost Sunday
- 5/16 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 5/17 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 5/18 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.

EJJYC June 6 – August 11
 Around Town Ministry will be working with Eleanor J. Johnson Youth Center this summer, providing hot lunches Monday through Thursday. This will be our 5th summer with **the youth. It's fun working in the kitchen, getting to know** other parishioners and serving the youth a balanced meal each day. We are currently scheduling volunteers. It takes 2-3 people per day to cook in the parish center, transport the meal and serve at the center, and come back to do dishes. If you would like to get involved by offering your time a few days during the summer or want additional information please contact, Joni, at 830-2875.

SALT & LIGHT 2016 MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP
 July 14-17 at Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Niceville.
 (Open to youth currently in grades 6 through 8.)

Thursday begins with group check-in at 3:00 p.m. and dinner as the first meal. The youth will participate in small group and large group activities with a team of college students. They will also have daily prayer, reflection, Mass, Adoration and Reconciliation. Sunday the camp ends after 11:00 a.m. Mass. Registration forms are available at the Hospitality Cart and on our parish website. Registration deadline is June 5. Cost to St. Peter youth is \$80.00. Contact Paul Johansen for more information.

Living God's Word
 As we go through life, we need to find out where the **Spirit wants us to be. Often, however, it's not the same as** where we would like to be, or think we should be. It may **be that at such times we're wrestling with the very Spirit of God.**

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Weekend of May 21/22

5:00 p.m.
 Altar Servers: Paul Gagnon III, Aidan Murray
 Extraordinary Ministers: Ron Berthelette, Susan Johansen, Alice Thompson, Paul Johansen, Carrie Gagnon
 Lectors: Paul Gagnon II, Mary Pinsoneault
 Ushers: Rachel Metruck, Heather Metruck, Bob Flanagan
 Greeter: Keith Lee
 Sacristan: Joe Davison
 Elijah Cup: Fred and Shareen Ketchem

8:00 a.m.
 Altar Servers: Alina Schorzman, Audrey Moore
 Extraordinary Ministers: Kathy Stockbridge, James Johansen, Bobby Stockbridge, Gene Valentine, Nancy McCreary
 Lectors: Michael Moore, Patty Dominitz
 Ushers: Eden Carter, Gary Jordan, Cathy McKnight
 Greeter: Alma Battaglio
 Sacristan: Jean Jordan
 Elijah Cup: Pete and Sylvia Wagner
 Coffee and Donuts: Don Dineen

10:30 a.m.
 Altar Servers: Devony Ross, Kadi Casey, Gannon Casey
 Extraordinary Ministers: Penny Sweeney, Rick Grecco, Alicia Grecco, Kathleen Garcia
 Lectors: Cindy Day, Mark Day
 Ushers: Mike Sweeney, John Fails, Stewart Grogan, Cord Grogan
 Greeter: Ana Fails
 Sacristan: Petey Brennan
 Elijah Cup: Tim and Duscha Ross
 Coffee and Donuts: Ron and Donna Fetter

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

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, Gloria Sanders*

*Indicates our parishioners.
[Please call the church office if you or a family member can be removed from this prayer list.](#)

Today is the Solemnity of Pentecost. One of the most ancient feasts of the Church, Pentecost is **mentioned and explained in both the Acts of the Apostles (today's First Reading) and in St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.** The name comes quite simply from the Greek word, Pentekoste, which meant "the 50th day" as Pentecost is 50 days after Easter Sunday (counting Easter).

Pentecost is often called the "birthday of the Church" as it was on this day — with the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and about 120 followers of Christ, including our Blessed Mother Mary and other men and women — that Christ's mission on earth is completed.

However, that mission continues with us. We, too, have received the power of the Holy Spirit through Baptism, **Confirmation, the Eucharist, and other sacraments. It is this Holy Spirit that allows us to be the Lord's Disciples actively working in today's Church and today's society. Nevertheless, we must accept and recognize that fact.**

In a homily given on Pentecost Sunday 20 years ago Pope St. John Paul II said, "In the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke describes the extraordinary manifestation of the Holy Spirit. This divine gift is light and power, light to proclaim the Gospel truth and power to infuse each of us with the courage of witnessing to the faith." Living out this call is the essence of stewardship.



Pentecost

♦ May 15, 2016 ♦
 Acts 2:1-11 ♦ 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17 ♦ Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Our daughter married into a large Italian family whose get-togethers include dozens of people. (More than fifty were there for Christmas dinner, and not everyone could make it.) Ours is a small and often-quiet family, so Katy had to get used to more noise and activity than she had growing up. It was like learning a new language. It's often that way when couples wed. Over time, we come to know the inside jokes, the way the in-laws mark occasions, who we can joke with and who prefers a more serious interaction. Just as with growing up in our own families, we become a part of them, and they become a part of us.

When the Holy Spirit descended on those gathered in the upper room, it was like a wedding. They had to learn the language of

God's family—one that included proclamation, sharing, repentance, and mercy. They had to learn what it meant to be part of one body, using their unique gifts to build on what Christ had already started. With the Holy Spirit as inspiration and source of grace, the disciples and apostles were sent to testify and invite the world to the eternal life that Christ offers.

In any relationship it takes time to get to know the other. God has the advantage in his relationship with us—he already knows us fully and intimately. In getting to know him and learning his language, we may feel awkward or out-of-place. But he constantly welcomes and invites us to be a part of his life and Church, knowing we might eventually come to live with him forever.

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A Word From Pope Francis

"Living together is an art, a patient, beautiful, fascinating journey. It does not end once you have won each other's love... Rather, it is precisely there where it begins!"

—Address to engaged couples, February 14, 2014

dear Padre

May 15, 2016



The Bible on life on other planets



What does the Bible say about life outside our solar system?



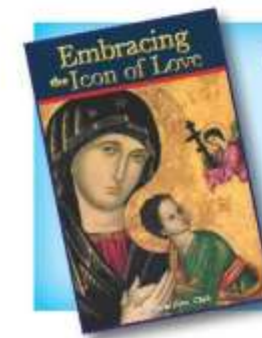
The simple answer to this question is that the Bible doesn't specifically mention life on other planets. However, there are some important biblical principles that would speak to the possibility of such a discovery.

Begin with the account of creation in Genesis: "In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth..." (1:1). We believe that everything that exists was created by God. All stars, planets, minerals, plants, and animals flow from the creative activity of the Holy Trinity. If there is any type of life anywhere in the universe, it owes its existence to the God we worship. So if we discover plants, animals, or even ameba on some distant planet, we should

praise our Creator for that life as we do our own.

Implicit in this question is the possibility of intelligent life, and not simply lower organisms. Are there possibly societies, technologies, or even churches on other planets? Again, the Bible does not really say. If we find intelligent life, it will not be any threat to our faith. Remember: we understand that we are created in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:26-27). If there are intelligent species out there, they in no way would challenge that unique relationship. After all, the Son of God came to the earth as one of us.

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Mary in the midst of the Church is the Mother of the Church. She sits amidst the apostles, the teachers who would bring the Good News of salvation to the world. She teaches the inner meaning of the Pentecost story. She teaches us devoted prayer and, by her body language, a pondering kind of silence.

—From *Embracing the Icon of Love* by Br. Daniel Korn

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Monday

MAY 16
 Weekday
 Jas 3:13-18
 Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday

MAY 17
 Weekday
 Jas 4:1-10
 Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday

MAY 18
 Weekday
 Jas 4:13-17
 Mk 9:38-40

Thursday

MAY 19
 Weekday
 Jas 5:1-6
 Mk 9:41-50

Friday

MAY 20
 Weekday
 Jas 5:9-12
 Mk 10:1-12

Saturday

MAY 21
 Weekday
 Jas 5:13-20
 Mk 10:13-16

Sunday

MAY 22
 The Most Holy Trinity
 Prv 8:22-31
 Rom 5:1-5
 Jn 16:12-15