


Recognizable Offering..... \$6,065.00  
Loose Cash ..... \$613.30  
Total Weekly Offering..... \$6,678.30  
Mass Attendance July 9/10 340



July 18 - July 24  
Monday .....Mark Ibañez(+)  
Tuesday .....Christopher Hinton(+)  
Thursday .....David Jordan(liv)  
Friday .....Gregory Kerry(+)  
Saturday .....Balinda Muir(liv)  
**Sunday.....George & Mary Hardener(+)(8:00 a.m.)**  
**.....St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)**

 **In Loving Memory** and lasting peace for all who have died, especially **Harriett Warren**, sister of Kathy Moore. Pray for the consolation of their families as they mourn the loss of their loved one.



### Young Adults

The Diocesan Young Adult World Youth Day Celebration is Saturday, July 30th at Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Niceville. We will gather to watch a video from Bishop Parkes, have Praise and Worship, talks, small groups, Holy Hour, Mass, and connect with World Youth Day in Poland. Cost is only \$15 per person and includes lunch and dinner. Child Care available.  
Register on-line at [www.ptdiocese.com/WYD2016](http://www.ptdiocese.com/WYD2016).

### Living God's Word

We can pray that we find that balance between serving the Lord in our brothers and sisters and spending time in the presence of the Lord, both as members of the community of believers and as individuals whom Jesus loves very much.  
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### Weekly Calendar of Events

- 7/17 Blood Drive - 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Pancake Breakfast - 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- 7/18 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 7/19 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass  
Bunco - 9:30 a.m.
- 7/20 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.
- 7/21 St. Peter Olympics with EJJYC - 10:00 a.m.

### PRO-LIFE

Do you want to end abortion in our community but feel helpless? Does the thought of speaking to women outside the abortion facility make you uncomfortable? Ever worry about what to say (or what not to say) to a mother in crisis who thinks she has no choice but abortion? If you answered "YES" to any of these questions then this training is for YOU!



Sidewalk Advocates for Life training will be Saturday, July 30, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., at the Martha and Mary House at Our Lady of Victory Parish, 406 Adams Drive, Crestview. Lunch and workbook provided; donations appreciated. RSVP to [ernie@eccfl.org](mailto:ernie@eccfl.org) or call 850-889-1035 so they can get a count for food and workbooks.

### Movie Night

There will be 2 showings of the movie that Father John Cayer made with the pictures of the Myanmar and Laos trip that he and Fr. Paul took for their last vacation. The showings will be on: Monday, 7/18 in the parish center at 7:00 p.m. Friday, 7/22 in the pastoral life building at 7:00 p.m. Please sign up through Flocknote, at the hospitality cart or by calling the office so we know how many to expect each night. You are welcome to bring snacks and drinks. The movie lasts about 45 minutes and Father Paul will be happy provide additional details after the movie if anyone has questions.

### Liturgical Roles\*

Weekend of July 23/24  
5:00 p.m.  
Altar Servers: Paul Gagnon III  
Extraordinary Ministers: Alice Thompson, Shareen Ketchum, Ken Olson, Patty Shawbitz  
Lectors: Paul Gagnon II, Ron Berthelette  
Ushers: Bob Flanagan, Joni Flanagan, Mickey Shawbitz  
Greeter: Keith Lee  
Sacristan: Doug Hoover  
Elijah Cup: Alice Thompson  
8:00 a.m.  
Altar Servers: Joshua Soto  
Extraordinary Ministers: Maria Bridges, Paul Johansen, Susan Johansen, Gene Valentine  
Lectors: Kathy Moore, Michael Moore  
Ushers: Cathy McKnight, James Johansen, Eden Carter  
Greeter: Deidre Henderson  
Sacristan: Bobby Stockbridge  
Elijah Cup: Michael and Kathy Moore  
Coffee & Donuts: Steve Berthelette  
10:30 a.m.  
Altar Servers: Killian Casey, Kadi Casey, Gannon Casey  
Extraordinary Ministers: Therese Sweeney, Pat Casey, Jean Schlitt, Ray Schlitt  
Lectors: Carolyn Alaniz, Terri Turnbull  
Ushers: Brian Prescott, Donna Fetter, John Fails  
Greeter: Ana Fails  
Sacristan: Mike Brennan  
Elijah Cup: Duscha and Tim Ross  
Coffee & Donuts: Katherine and Micayla Colwell

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, contact Susi Evers at 664-9165 or email her at [saintpeterparishprayerchain@gmail.com](mailto: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\*

Sunday Theresa Fowler\*, Jeff Harp, Ann Hart, Cipriano Matiga\*, Bonita Long  
\*Indicates our parishioners.



**In Today's Gospel, Jesus and His Apostles are on their way to Jerusalem for Passover.** In other words He is journeying to His Crucifixion and Resurrection. It is important for us to keep that in mind. He stops in Bethany to visit Martha and Mary. Bethany is only two miles from Jerusalem, so there is a strong sense of foreboding if we keep that in mind. However, the focus of this reading is on many other issues and items usually. Nevertheless, as is always the case in Holy Scripture, there is a stewardship message for us here. We could cite hospitality as both Martha and Mary in their own ways welcome Jesus and make Him at ease. The first and main message for us is that the Lord was welcomed into their home. Each of us is a potential home for Jesus. Do we welcome Him? Or are we too busy with our own pursuits, our own distractions, to find a time each day to welcome the Lord into our homes, our very being? There are so many people who cannot seem to find time for the Lord. They are so busy that Jesus never even gets into their houses. Rather than debate whether Martha or Mary do the right thing, we should first make sure that our Savior is welcomed into our hearts each and every day.



# Ordinary Time

July 17, 2016 ♦ Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)  
Gn 18:1-10a ♦ Col 1:24-28 ♦ Lk 10:38-42

During the holidays, my husband and I invite relatives, friends, and students who can't return home to share our meal and find welcome in a special time. We enjoy cooking for a crowd, and our guests often bring something to share, adding to the bounty. Beforehand, we clean and dust, making sure the house is presentable. Our preparations are anything but relaxed. On the day itself, my husband usually cooks the meal while I

offer drinks and conversation. The event couldn't succeed without either of our roles.

In the first reading, Abraham put wife Sarah and the servants to work to provide the feast while he waited on the guests. To his (and his wife's) surprise, the strangers asked where Sarah was and promised her a son. In this moment, we see that Abraham isn't the only important person in the story. God's blessing came mainly to the one in the kitchen, in the background.

When Jesus visits the sisters of Bethany, Martha remains in the kitchen like Sarah. In her anxiety, did she believe God's favor would come only to those who toil? Jesus reminds her there also is blessing in sitting with the guest; he even calls this "the better part."

There is pride and vanity in assuming we can achieve favor and blessing through our works. When we start to think we know where, when, how, and to whom God will come, it's good to return to the word, which reminds us that favor and blessing come according to God's choosing and often to our surprise.

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**A Word From Pope Francis**  
"We're sure about what we can manage. But the Lord's visit, his surprises, we aren't able to manage them... [We] are all afraid [of] the joy the Lord brings, because we can't control it."  
—Morning Meditation, "The Fear of Surprise" November 14, 2014

July 17, 2016

# dear Padre

**Monday**  
JULY 18  
Weekday  
Mi 6:1-4, 6-8  
Mt 12:38-42

**Tuesday**  
JULY 19  
Weekday  
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20  
Mt 12:46-50

**Wednesday**  
JULY 20  
Weekday  
Jer 1:1, 4-10  
Mt 13:1-9

**Thursday**  
JULY 21  
Weekday  
Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13  
Mt 13:10-17

**Friday**  
JULY 22  
St. Mary Magdalene  
Jer 3:14-17  
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

**Saturday**  
JULY 23  
Weekday  
Jer 7:1-11  
Mt 13:24-30

**Sunday**  
JULY 24  
Seventeenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Gn 18:20-32  
Col 2:12-14  
Lk 11:1-13


**Is there a way to measure our relationship with God?**

**If I love according to the Lord's command (Leviticus 19:18), what feelings should I experience? Is there an "emotional yardstick" for evaluating my relationship with God?**

**No, there is no yardstick to measure the kind of love Jesus commanded.** Although honest, devout, and charitable actions can make us feel good, true love often takes real effort and forces us to forget ourselves. Experience demonstrates that loving others is sometimes easy, but it may also involve real sacrifice. The Gospel calls this unconditional love *agape*.

*Agape* is distinct from romantic love (*eros*) and from familial affection and friendship (*philia*), both of which expect the other to respond. Christian love is more a decision to be generous and selfless and less a good intention or positive feeling.

Jesus is the perfect illustration of *agape*. In his suffering and death, Jesus willingly endured betrayal, ridicule, rejection, and physical pain out of love for the Father and for us. At the Last Supper, knowing what would




happen, he told his disciples to feel good:  
"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you....Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid....If you loved me, you would rejoice..." (John 14:27-28). This was a difficult, perhaps impossible, challenge—even Mary experienced sorrow in her Son's life (see Luke 2:35). And so we cannot equate our emotions with God's peace, for it "surpasses all understanding" (Philippians 4:7).

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True hospitality begins with goodness of heart and overflows into all the other elements: food, drinks, decorations, music, and everything else. True hospitality welcomes another person by saying to them—sometimes with words, sometimes in other ways—"You really matter, and I'm glad you're here."

— From *Summer Meditations* by John Bartunek, LC, SThD (825620)  
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