

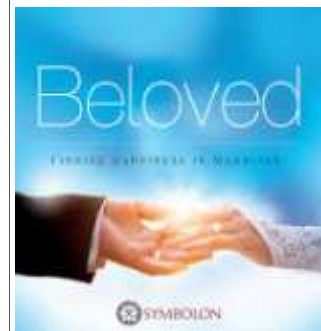
Recognizable Offering..... \$6,483.00
Loose Cash \$523.51
Total Weekly Offering..... \$7,006.51
Mass Attendance July 30/31 343



Aug 8 - 14
MondayChristopher M. Hinton(+)
TuesdaySally Robinson(+)
ThursdayChristopher Hinton(+)
FridayChristopher Hinton(+)
SaturdayStephen Fowler(+)
SundaySt. Peter Parishioners(8:00 a.m.)
.....**Thomas Gallagher(+)(10:30 a.m.)**

THE LORD HEARS THE CRY OF THE POOR
For the month of July 2016
Sharing and Caring: \$220.00
Alms Dispensed: \$1,069.31

Attention Parents!



Don't just "kill" time during Religious Education classes - "fill" time with faith enrichment and fellowship with other parents.
Introducing "Beloved": A Marriage Enrichment Series, which will run from 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. in

classroom 1 (Youth Room). If interested, there is a sign-up sheet at the Religious Education registration table.

Religious Education Registration continues



Faith Formation will be held on Sundays, beginning September 11, 2016. We offer classes for K-5, Middle School, High School, and Confirmation. We look forward to seeing you!

Weekly Calendar of Events

- 8/7 Catechists/Helpers Meet & Greet - 9:15 a.m.
- 8/8 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 8/9 Rosary - after 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 8/10 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.

Do you know anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or becoming a member of the Catholic Church? If so, please contact Fr. Paul by Sunday, September 11th, at 850-581-2556, or email pastor@stpeter.ptdiocese.org. He would like to meet individually with those who are interested before the sessions begin. We will begin meeting on Monday, October 3rd, and every Monday after that in the Administration Building from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Church in Latin America Collection

In Peru, the 14 villages of Chazuta, in Moyobamba, are all located away from the city center, with the most remote only accessible by boat. The faithful in these communities do not have access to catechetical formation, and members often feel separated from the life of the universal Church. Through a grant from the Collection for the Church in Latin America, the religious congregation of the Missionaries of Jesus was able to provide faith formation, spiritual retreats, and workshops to nearly 250 people. Upon completion, participants were better equipped to help others deepen their faith and answer questions. The program also renewed their sense of commitment to their parishes and created stronger bonds within their own families. Through this program, members of the Chazuta villages felt the love and support of the universal Church. Please support programs like these and give generously in next week's collection.

Parishioners who do not receive offertory envelopes and wish to contribute can use an envelope in the pew. If you are using electronic giving you can log on to your account and make a onetime gift or use an envelope in the pew, if you prefer. Please drop your envelope in the regular offertory.

Personal Care Items

Throughout the month of August, Sharing & Caring of Ft. Walton Beach will be collecting soap, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, personal hygiene items, razors, shaving cream, etc. Both family size and travel size are welcome. You may drop them off at the Sharing and Caring wagon this month.



Liturgical Roles*

Weekend of Aug 13/14
5:00 p.m.
Altar Servers: Paul Gagnon III
Extraordinary Ministers: Carrie Gagnon, Ken Olson, Anni Labatte, Louise Perreault
Lectors: Ruth Sykes, Paul Gagnon II
Ushers: John Fails, Bob Flanagan, Eric Van Dorn
Greeter: Pat Gossage
Sacristan: Joe Davison
Elijah Cup: Paul and Carrie Gagnon
8:00 a.m.
Altar Servers: Alina Schorzman, Audrey Moore
Extraordinary Ministers: Susan Johansen, Paul Johansen, Bruce Brandewie, Nancy Brandewie
Lectors: Lynn Griggs, Don Dineen
Ushers: Kathy Cauley, Dan Cauley, Gary Jordan
Greeter: Cathy McKnight
Sacristan: Stan Griggs
Elijah Cup: Paul and Susan Johansen
Coffee & Donuts: Maria Bridges
10:30 a.m.
Altar Servers: Killian Casey, Kadi Casey, Gannon Casey
Extraordinary Ministers: Luisa Martinez, Pat Casey, Judy Robinson, Melody Grogan
Lectors: Carolyn Alaniz, John Fay
Ushers: Brian Prescott, Stewart Grogan, Cord Grogan
Greeter: Terri Turnbull
Sacristan: Petey Brennan
Elijah Cup: Ron and Donna Fetter
Coffee & Donuts: Karen Clayton, 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

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.

At the close of today's Gospel Reading from St. Luke, Jesus makes a statement that will echo forever to those who seek to practice stewardship: "Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more." Jesus is speaking of His expectations of us and His faith in us.

We often speak about how important faith in the Lord is, but we also need to understand that He has a strong element of faith and trust in us as well. It may not seem fair that expectations are connected to the gifts we have received, but that is in fact reality. A popular stewardship saying is "not equal giving but equal sacrifice."

That goes hand in hand with what the Lord is trying to teach us in the Parable of the Faithful Servant in today's Gospel. First, of course, we must recognize our gifts and that we are gifted. Then God's expectations of us are tied to how we use our gifts. If we receive more, we need to share more and give more of our time, our talent, and our treasure.

Also in the Gospel of Luke in an earlier chapter we learn from the Lord what the rewards are for using God's plentiful gifts as good stewards. Jesus says in Luke 6:38 "Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."

Ordinary Time

August 7, 2016 ♦ Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Wis 18:6-9 ♦ Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12 ♦ Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Every week at Mass we remind ourselves of the mystery of our faith—that by his death and resurrection Jesus set us free, and he will come again in glory. How do we know this? Could we convince someone else that this is true? If what we mean by “true” is factual evidence backed up by science, we will not be able to “prove” this to anyone. But God provides us with a different way of knowing. It comes from the revelation of God in creation, Scripture, and Christ. Our faith is a gift from God, the ability to recognize the truth of the mysteries we proclaim.

In the reading from Hebrews, the author praises Abraham’s faith, which led him to obey the God he did not know and the tradition he handed on. Abraham wasn’t worried about proving that God spoke to him; he lived it.

In the same way, Jesus calls his disciples to be ready and waiting for the Lord’s return.

We can’t convince everyone that the resurrection and baptism affect salvation, that the consecration is real, or that Jesus will come again. We can, however, point to the life and witness of the Church and show the difference our faith makes in our own lives as we encounter others, work for justice, and spread the gospel. Our obedience, virtue, and good works manifest our faith and reveal the truths entrusted to us. Nowhere is this truer than at the eucharistic table, where we celebrate the mysteries in union with and joyful expectation of the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

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A Word From Pope Francis

“Truth leads to humility, since believers know that, rather than ourselves possessing truth, it is truth which embraces and possesses us. Far from making us inflexible...it enables witness and dialogue with all.”
—Lumen Fidei, 34



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dear Padre

The Church on evolution

Christians teach that Adam and Eve were the first man and woman and were created by God. How does the Catholic Church reconcile this belief with the theory of evolution?

Genesis Chapter 1 contains the seven-day account of creation that we usually refer to when we reflect on the beginning of our world. The very next chapter contains a second account. The editors of the Bible were not distraught over the two differing accounts; they left them side by side because they weren’t interested in giving either a historical or scientific explanation for the world’s origin. Rather, they were emphasizing deeper truths such as the goodness of the earth as created by a loving and caring God. Scripture tells us that the Creator held human beings as especially precious.

Cannot these same values be maintained if we believe creation (or evolution) took longer than seven days? Perhaps God spent seventy billion years bringing forth the world’s beauty. Details and numbers don’t change the message of Genesis: God is good; God created the cosmos, heaven and earth—“all things visible and invisible”; and all of creation is good (Nicene Creed). Furthermore, scientific discoveries surrounding space, matter, and all forms of life “invite us to even greater admiration for the greatness of the Creator, prompting us to give him thanks for all his works and for the understanding and wisdom he gives to scholars and researchers” (CCC 283).

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Our eagerness to do good and to develop our soul and the world around us flows from the joy of being alive and being given the power of creativity by God. We are made to be builders of great things, from cultures to relationships. When we do what we are created to do with excellence, we help fill the world with light, happiness, and beauty.

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

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Monday AUGUST 8 St. Dominic, Priest Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday AUGUST 9 Weekday Ez 2:8-3:4 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday AUGUST 10 St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr 2 Cor 9:6-10 Jn 12:24-26
Thursday AUGUST 11 St. Clare, Virgin Ez 12:1-12 Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday AUGUST 12 Weekday Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63 Mt 19:3-12
Saturday AUGUST 13 Weekday Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32 Mt 19:13-15
Sunday AUGUST 14 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53

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