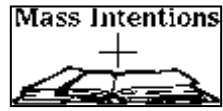




Recognizable Offering..... \$10,828.35  
 Loose Cash ..... \$500.00  
 Total Weekly Offering..... \$11,328.35  
 Mass Attendance Jan 27/28 328



Feb 5 - 11  
 Monday .....Bill Sykes(+)  
 Wednesday.....Barbara Kirschten(+)  
 Thursday .....Jerry & Agnes Hand(liv)  
 Friday.....Barbara Kirschten(+)  
 Saturday.....Phyllis Barco(+)  
 Sunday .....Donna Mollet(liv)(8:00 a.m.)  
 .....**St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)**

Praise & Worship Adoration @ St Peter Catholic Church on Feb. 11th  
 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.  
 hosted by St Peter Catholic Youth.  
 ALL are welcome.



Youth (grades 6-12) will meet as usual for dinner in the Parish Center at 6 p.m.  
 Young Adults (ages 18-35+) will have a separate meet and greet dinner from 6-7 p.m. in the Pastoral Center. Call Susie Rushlau to RSVP or for more information at 581-7263.



**THANK YOU!**  
 Our parishioner, Shirley Simmons, would like to convey her most heartfelt appreciation to all of the members in our parish who in one way or another contributed to transforming her life in the last few months. She cannot thank everyone enough.

Adult Faith  
 P.R.E.P.  
 Sundays  
 9:15-10:15 a.m.  
 in Classroom 1



A new series for discussion began last weekend. You can still grab a coffee and come join us as we learn more about Our Mother Mary. Childcare is provided in the nursery.

### Weekly Calendar of Events

- 2/04 K-5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.  
 Adult Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.  
 Confirmation - 10:30 a.m.  
 NO HS/MS Meeting
- 2/05 Rosary after morning Mass  
 Memorial for Bill Sykes - 12 noon
- 2/06 Bunco - 9:30 a.m.
- 2/07 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.
- 2/08 Rosary after morning Mass
- 2/11 Blood Drive & Pancake Breakfast - 8:30 a.m.  
 K-5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.  
 Adult Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.  
 MS/HS Meeting - 6:00 p.m.  
 Praise & Worship Adoration - 7:00 p.m.

*"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."*  
 Jn 15:12-13



**Blood Drive!**  
 Pancake Breakfast  
 Sunday,  
 February 11

The **Big Red Bus** will be here next Sunday, from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Spread the word and invite friends and neighbors to give the gift of life to those in need. Afterwards gath-

er up your strength with a hearty pancake breakfast cooked by the Knights of Columbus and served in our Parish Center for all to enjoy!

### Valentino's Luncheon

The fabulous K of C Valentino Luncheon will be served at noon on Sunday, February 18, 2018. Come and enjoy an authentic Italian dinner prepared by Master Italian Chef Ciccarello. There will be a sign-up sheet after all the masses for the next 2 weeks to make sure they have enough pasta on hand. There is no cost and entertainment will be provided.

The women of our parish are cordially invited to a Lenten Day of Reflection to begin at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at Christ Our Redeemer Church in Niceville. The day includes coffee & fellowship, a spiritual talk by guest speaker Fr. Stephen Voyt (Pastor of Holy Name of Jesus), the opportunity for Confession, Celebration of the Mass and lunch. Kindly RSVP to Rose Marie at 850.598.3465 by 2/19. This event is sponsored by the West Central Deanery Council of Catholic Women.

### Liturgical Roles\*

Weekend of Feb 10/11

**5:00 p.m.**  
 Altar Servers: Reese Armstrong  
 Extraordinary Ministers: Anni Labatte, Michael Klickovich, Joyce Klickovich, Alice Thompson  
 Lectors: Mary Pinsoneault, Ron Berthelette  
 Ushers: Cora Podrang, Eric Van Dorn, \_\_\_\_\_  
 Greeter: Lynn Brenton  
 Sacristan: Dan Brenton  
 Elijah Cup: Gloria Mulligan  
**8:00 a.m.**  
 Altar Servers: Katherine Ballard, Mary Ballard  
 Extraordinary Ministers: Jean Jordan, Nancy McCreary, Maria Bridges, Paul Johansen  
 Lectors: Sarah Pierce, Paul Landry  
 Ushers: Gary Jordan, Dan Cauley, Kathy Cauley  
 Greeter: Karleen Gentile  
 Sacristan: Victoria Ballard  
 Elijah Cup: Maria Bridges  
 K of C Pancake Breakfast  
**10:30 a.m.**  
 Altar Servers: Austin Wise, Killian Casey, Kadi Casey  
 Extraordinary Ministers: Mike Brennan, Bill Roth, Teresa McClure, Melody Grogan, Becky Bittakis  
 Lectors: Carolyn Alaniz, Ana Livoti  
 Ushers: Jim Wise, Brian Prescott, John Fails  
 Greeter: Judy Holzschuh  
 Sacristan: Petey Brennan  
 Elijah Cup: Jim and Mery Wise  
 K of C Pancake Breakfast

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, contact Angela Zangerle at (808)295-2587 or email her to [stpeter.prayerchain@gmail.com](mailto:stpeter.prayerchain@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\*, Steve Lange, Carlos López, Brian Williams

Tuesday Mary Eichler, Hiram Alaniz, Danny Labatte, Mike Kutcher, John Osborn\*

Wednesday Gordon Pritchard\*, Bette Dellner\*, Aurora Beard, Christian Irwin\*

Thursday Gene and Pam Bauchwitz\*, Connie Jordan, Lucille Kesler, Connie Batten

Friday Lloyd Biehl\*, Doug Babiak\*, Robert Welniak, Carleen Parker

Saturday Peter Adam\*, Mary Anyel\*, Harper Spear, Diane Parker

Sunday Ann Hart, Samara Gillespie, Jennifer Draper, Donnie Simmons\*

\*Indicates our parishioners.

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

The fact that today's Gospel from Mark makes reference to Jesus curing Peter's mother-in-law would seem to point to the fact that Peter was married. However, the majority of scholars are of the opinion that the wife may have died before Peter was called by Jesus as an Apostle. In fact, there are many misconceptions about St. Peter. For one, although often portrayed as much older, he was probably younger than Jesus. In fact all 12 Apostles were most likely younger than Jesus.

Also, Peter is often presented in paintings and movies and books as being a very old man, but historians have also concluded that Peter was martyred in Rome when he was about 66 years old.

**He was never the old, old man in his 80's we see quite often.**

**All of that is secondary to a simple statement in today's Gospel about the mother-in-law.** Specifically, St. Mark writes, "He (Jesus) approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them." St. Matthew reveals this same fact in his Gospel (Matthew 8:15), and he writes, "He (Jesus) touched her hand and the fever left her, and she got up and began to serve him."

**The message for us is very basic. Peter's mother-in-law** responded to Jesus the same way we should when Jesus blesses us. She responded to the Lord and immediately served Him out of gratitude. That should be our motivation, and action, as well.





# Our Parish COMMUNITY

**February 4, 2018**

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)*

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23

Mk 1:29-39

## Offering the Gospel to All

If you asked Jesus what he did while on earth, I believe he would say, "preached and healed." Those were his missions. He had good news to share and a longing to convince his listeners of the truth of this gospel of love and freedom. He was moved because he saw them like sheep without a shepherd. The gospels are nothing other than documentation of Jesus' efforts to preach the gospel!

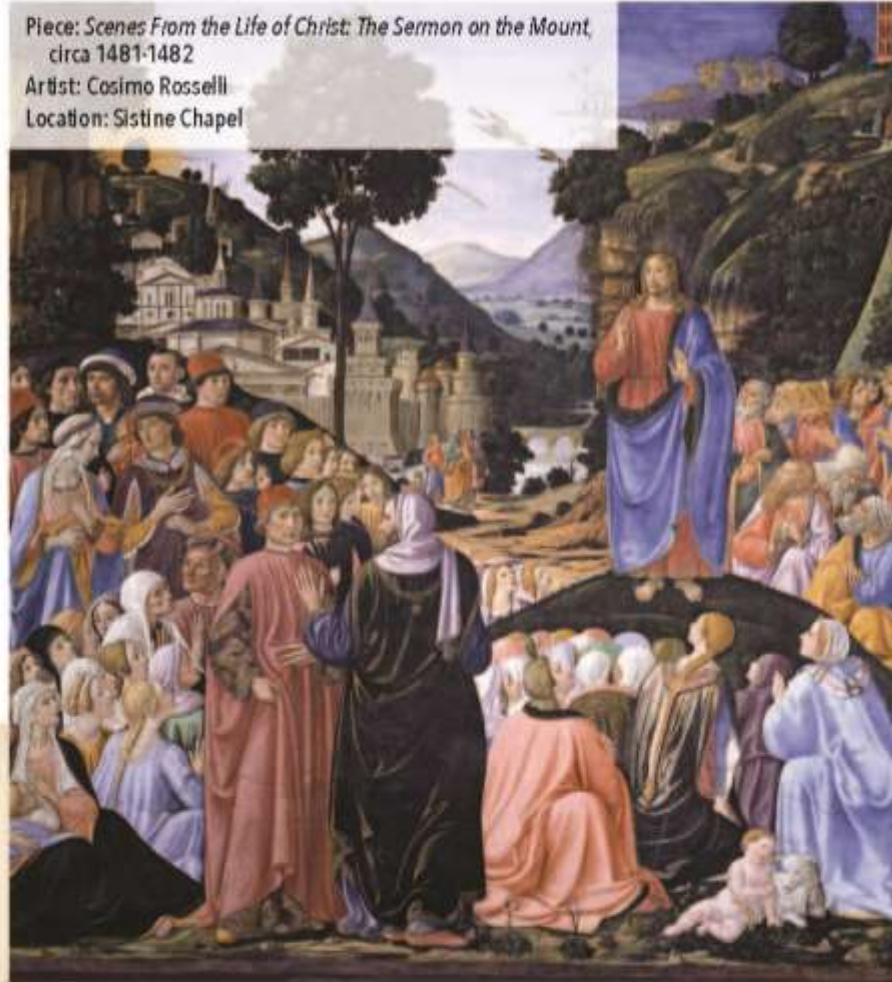
Paul shared Christ's ardor. He was entrusted with preaching to the Gentiles the truth of the Gospel, and he did all he could to convince them of his message. He says he became all things to all, to save at least some. He worked hard during the day so he could pay his own way and offer his message for free. He adapted himself to his audience—their customs and ways of thinking—so they wouldn't take offense at him, closing their hearts to his message.

How many missionaries have used this same approach? Just think of the French Jesuits Sts. Jean de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues of the Great Lakes region, St. Junípero Serra in the West, or Mother Cabrini serving European

immigrants on the East Coast. They learned new languages, ate new foods, and adopted new traditions to insert themselves into these cultures and share the gospel. They took a page out of Paul's book, becoming all things to all to save at least some.

We are modern-day apostles and missionaries. Let's take a page out of Paul's book, and offer this gospel of hope and love to so many souls in need.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *Scenes From the Life of Christ: The Sermon on the Mount*, circa 1481-1482  
Artist: Cosimo Rosselli  
Location: Sistine Chapel

### For Reflection

When you look around, what needs for the gospel of love do you see? Which of these needs can you fill as Jesus' apostle?

*[Jesus said,] "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come."*

*(Mark 1:38)*

### Calendar

**Monday**

February 5

St. Agatha,

Virgin and Martyr

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13

Mk 6:53-56

**Tuesday**

February 6

St. Paul Miki and

Companions, Martyrs

1 Kgs 8:22-25, 27-30

Mk 7:1-13

**Wednesday**

February 7

Weekday

1 Kgs 10:1-10

Mk 7:14-23

**Thursday**

February 8

Weekday

1 Kgs 11:4-15

Mk 7:24-30

**Friday**

February 9

Weekday

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19

Mk 7:31-37

**Saturday**

February 10

St. Scholastica,

Virgin

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34

Mk 8:1-10

**Sunday**

February 11

Sixth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Lv 15:1-2, 44-46

1 Cor 10:31-11:1

Mk 1:40-45

## Dear Padre,

### How can I ask my priest for better homilies?

First, let me commend you for not just accepting bad preaching as a necessary evil. Priests are just like anyone else: Each has his gifts, and not everyone is a gifted preacher.

One of the best things parishioners can do for their priest is to give him



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some honest, specific, helpful feedback instead of the generic, "Nice homily, Father." Many people say that so automatically that it's been said to me even when I wasn't the priest who delivered the homily!

Most priests don't get a lot of quality feedback on their preaching.

Some may find it hard to hear a critique, but most would welcome sincere, constructive criticism as long as it comes from the heart and the goal is to make them better preachers. You can even do this in a letter. Just be sure to sign it so he will take it seriously and be able to contact you for further feedback.

Keep in mind that a homily is not the same as a sermon. Whereas a sermon often includes a lot of moralizing, a homily must artfully draw the listener into questions of the human heart and bring that day's Scripture reading to bear on those questions. In that homily we hear in faith how hope, love, sacrifice, and belief in God guide us on our life journey.

Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR  
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



### A Word From Pope Francis

*Jesus sends his disciples out to all nations...We too were part of all those people of two thousand years ago. Jesus did not provide a short list of who is, or is not, worthy of receiving his message and his presence. Instead, he always embraced life as he saw it.*

—Canonization of Fr. Junípero Serra, September 23, 2015



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