



Recognizable Offering.....\$8,282.00
 Loose Cash.....\$591.00
 Total Weekly Offering.....\$8,873.00
 Mass Attendance Feb 10/11 358



Feb 19 - 25
 MondayThe Collin Family(liv)
 Wednesday.....Debra Stone(+)
 Thursday.....Lila Holzschuh(liv)
 Friday.....Mike Kutcher(liv)
 Saturday.....Bill Sykes(+)
 SundayJim Hand(+)(8:00 a.m.)
**St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)**

Join the Choir! Lend your voice to our Easter celebration. Practice begins this Sunday.

Sunday, Feb 18 12:15 p.m. Practice in Church
 Sunday, Feb 25 12:15 p.m. Practice in Church
 Sunday, Mar 4 12:15 p.m. Practice in Church
 Sunday, Mar 11 12:15 p.m. Practice in Church
 Sunday, Mar 18 12:15 p.m. Practice in Church
 Sunday, Mar 25 ***Mandatory*** Practice in Church 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Mar 27 6:30 p.m. Practice in Church

Holy Thursday, Mar 29 6:30 p.m.
(Optional-arrive by 5:45 p.m.)

Sunday, April 1 5:45 a.m. Practice-Church
 8:00 a.m. Mass
 Breakfast between Masses
 10:10 a.m. Prelude Music
 10:30 a.m. Mass




Congratulations to our most recent brother in faith: Mark S. Davis

The St. Peter Parish family welcomes you and is here to pray for you and support you on this life long journey of faith. May the gifts of the Holy Spirit inspire and guide you to bear much fruit!

Weekly Calendar of Events


- 2/18 No PREP Programs:K-5, Adult Faith, SPYRIT **K of C Valentino's Luncheon** - 11:30 a.m.
Easter Choir Practice - 12:15 p.m.
- 2/19 Rosary after morning Mass
- 2/21 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m.
- 2/22 Rosary after morning Mass
- 2/23 Fish Fry - 6:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross - 7:00 p.m.
- 2/25 K-5 Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.
Adult Faith Formation - 9:15 a.m.
Easter Choir Practice - 12:15 p.m.
MS/HS Youth Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

ENCOUNTER MAJD
 In Iraq, we encounter Majd and his family, people forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.



Attention 8th-12th grade youth
\$50 Deposit due by February 25th.
 July 6-8, 2018 we will attend the annual Steubenville Youth Conference in Atlanta, GA. This is an amazing experience in which 3,000+ youth gather to have an encounter with Jesus. **You don't want to miss it! Please see Ms. Susie or Ms. Melody** for paperwork and to turn in your \$50 to reserve your spot. \$150 balance will be due by April 15th.


IGNITE Middle School Retreat: March 10, 2018 from 1:00-8:30 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Niceville. Grades 6-8 are invited to attend and the *cost is only \$10!* See Ms. Susie for paperwork. Deadline is Feb. 25th.





OPPORTUNITY PLACE: Our parish supports this temporary residential shelter in our community by providing a dinner meal for the residents on the 4th Sunday of every month, consisting of a meat, vegetable and starch. The parish will reimburse up to \$70 of the cost. If you are willing to provide a meal on 2/25, 3/25, 5/27 or 6/24, please call or text our coordinator, Maryellen Hammock at 850-585-3980, or email mbjhammock@cox.net. Thank you.

Liturgical Roles*

Weekend of Feb 24/25
5:00 p.m.
 Altar Servers: Kevin Van Dorn
 Extraordinary Ministers: Mary Van Dorn, Louise Perreault, Joanna Farnum, Doug Hoover
 Lectors: Angela Zangerle, Ruth Sykes
 Ushers: Eric Van Dorn, Mickey Shawbitz, Cora Podrang
 Greeter: Al Perreault
 Sacristan: Patty Shawbitz
 Elijah Cup: Doug Hoover
8:00 a.m.
 Altar Servers: Emily Moore, Audrey Moore
 Extraordinary Ministers: James Johansen, Paul Johansen, Susan Johansen, Nanette Bell
 Lectors: Kathy Moore, Michael Moore
 Ushers: Maria Bridges, Cathy McKnight, Gary Jordan
 Greeter: Karlene Gentile
 Sacristan: Victoria Ballard
 Elijah Cup: Gary and Jean Jordan
 Coffee & Donuts: Tina Henderson
10:30 a.m.
 Altar Servers: Joseph Sweeney, Micayla Colwell, Celeste Clayton
 Extraordinary Ministers: Ray Schlitt, Jean Schlitt, Penny Sweeney, Pam Wall, Susie Rushlau
 Lectors: Cindy Day, Mark Day
 Ushers: Mike Sweeney, Cord Grogan, Stewart Grogan
 Greeter: Karen Clayton
 Sacristan: Therese Sweeney
 Elijah Cup: Mike and Penny Sweeney
 Coffee & Donuts: Donna Fetter, Tom Blossman

 Annual Grounds Mulching
 Saturday, March 10, 2018, at 8:00 a.m.
 Mark your calendars and join your fellow parishioners in lending a hand to get our church grounds ready for Easter.

 Lenten Fish Fry & Stations of the Cross
 February 23rd
 Join in fellowship at 6:00 p.m. for our first parish fish fry of the season. Fish, hush puppies, and drinks will be provided by the parish. Please bring a meatless side dish or a dessert to share. RSVP by Monday, Feb.19 at 12 noon through Flocknote, call the office, or sign up at the Hospitality cart so we know how many are coming.
Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:00 p.m.



Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, contact Angela Zangerle at (808)295-2587 or email her to 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*, Rick Zern*, 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.

 Against the odds!
 14 pints were donated at our latest drive in spite of the high flu season. We thank our blood donors for being up to the task of saving lives.

Congratulations to Kathy Zaleske, winner of the Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast 50/50 draw!

Adult Faith Dinner and Discussion
 Due to Ash Wednesday Mass Service our regularly scheduled Dinner and Discussion with Fr. Paul was moved to Wednesday, February 21st, 6:00-7:30 p.m. Sign up at the Hospitality cart or call the office no later than 12 noon on Monday the 19th. Everyone is invited to join!



February 18, 2018

First Sunday of Lent (B)

Gn 9:8-15

1 Pt 3:18-22

Mk 1:12-15

Navigating the Desert

Like Noah being prepared to navigate the Flood, so the Spirit sent Jesus into the desert. Why was he sent there? Did he need to learn something he didn't know? Did he lack something he needed? Jesus as God didn't lack anything, of course, but he needed time to pray, reflect, and prepare for his mission. He also wanted to set an example to follow. Another Scripture says he went into the desert to be tempted by the devil. That time of spiritual combat was helpful for him.

We also need to go through trials and crises to grow both in our spiritual lives and human maturity. We each have had our desert where we are challenged to our core and stretched beyond our limits. Perhaps it was a crisis such as a health, employment, or relational issue. But it doesn't always have to be such a dramatic event. It can be as simple and constant as the

prolonged embracing of daily challenges in a manner that leads to life. We probably look back and see these as some of our best times—if we truly encountered ourselves and our Lord.

The key is in peaceful acceptance, looking for what good can be learned from these inconveniences. In every cross there is a resurrection; in every storm a rainbow assures us of God's presence and victory. It tells us that clouds and storms will not lead to total death, but rather to a purified rebirth, growth, and newfound life and strength. He has promised us this.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

What important lessons have I learned from a challenge in my life? Maybe I can share that lesson with a friend or family member.



Piece: Noah and the Flood, 1508
Artist: Michelangelo
Location: Sistine Chapel

[God said,] "I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth."

(Genesis 9:13)

Calendar

Monday

February 19
Lenten Weekday
Lv 19:1-2, 11-18
Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday

February 20
Lenten Weekday
Is 55:10-11
Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday

February 21
Lenten Weekday
Jon 3:1-10
Lk 11:29-32

Thursday

February 22
Chair of St. Peter, Apostle
1 Pt 5:1-4
Mt 16:13-19

Friday

February 23
Lenten Weekday
Ez 18:21-28
Mt 5:20-26

Saturday

February 24
Lenten Weekday
Dt 26:16-19
Mt 5:43-48

Sunday

February 25
Second Sunday of Lent
Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-15, 15-18
Rom 8:31b-34
Mk 9:2-10

Dear Padre, Why won't the priest hear my confession right before Mass?

Theoretically, any time is a good time for penitents to reconcile and renew their relationship with the Lord! In practice, the priest's refusal to hear your confession immediately before presiding at Mass may be as much for your benefit as his. In his preoccupation with last-minute details of leading the assembly, he may think: "How can I be more attentive to this individual and



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to a worthy celebration of the sacrament of penance without delaying Mass?" He might also be reacting to a penitent's mechanical understanding of the sacrament that fosters a scrupulous practice of devotional confessions—that is, confessing only minor sins in preparation for Communion.

Anyone who is conscious of serious sin is not to "receive the body of the Lord without previous sacramental confession unless there is a grave reason and there is no opportunity to confess" (Code of Canon Law, 916). In this case, the person makes a sincere act of contrition, including a resolution to confess as soon as possible. "The Eucharist is not ordered to the

forgiveness of mortal sins—that is proper to the sacrament of Reconciliation" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1395). Nevertheless, "the Eucharist strengthens our charity...and this living charity wipes away venial sins [and] the Eucharist preserves us from future mortal sins" (CCC 1394-95).

Catholics in a state of grace show respect for the dignity of the Eucharist, but trying to confess grave sins to a priest right before Mass may lessen the dignity given to one sacrament over another if the celebration of the sacrament of penance is rushed or the celebration of Mass begins late.

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A Word From Pope Francis

In the face of tragedies which take the lives of so many migrants and refugees...expressions of empathy and compassion cannot help but spontaneously well up. "Where is your brother?" (Gen 4:9). This is not a question directed to others; it is a question directed to me, to you, to each of us.

—Forum on Migration and Peace, February 21, 2017



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