



SUNDAY MASSES
In Main Church
 Saturday at 5 p.m.
 Sunday at 8, 10 & 12 noon
 Register at [SignUpGenius](#)
 10 am Mass is Livestreamed on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) and [St. Peter's website](#)

DAILY MASSES
In Main Church
 Tuesday: 9 am & 5:45 pm
 Wednesday: 9 am
 Thursday: 7 am & 9 am
 Friday: 9 am
PERPETUAL ADORATION
 Chapel of the Nativity

RECONCILIATION
In Main Church
 Tuesday 5-5:40 pm
 Friday 8-8:50 a.m.
 Saturday 3:30-4:45 p.m.
 Other times by appointment.

Third Sunday of Easter *April 18, 2021*

In today's Gospel, we continue to hear of Jesus' encounters with His disciples, following His Resurrection. Having met some on the road to Emmaus, Jesus now visits the rest, finding them gathered together in the famous upper room. They are mourning, downcast, saddened, and confused following His death on the cross. So stricken, they don't even recognize that He isn't a ghost, until they are able to touch Him, and He asks them for food.

This encounter has profound meaning for us. It shows us that Jesus wants to meet us *as we are*. He isn't waiting for us to already be perfect, to already know and act upon what it means to be a disciple. In fact, He loves us so much, that He is even unwilling to wait to draw closer to us.

When I think about the most precious relationships in my life, I realize that these are the people who think the most of me, despite the fact that they've seen the worst of me. They've seen me make poor choices, lose my temper, become discouraged. These are the loved ones who've held me close while I've cried, and laughed the hardest with me, when I've made a fool of myself. They are also the friends and family who aren't afraid to call me out when I need it. They're the people who've allowed me to see them at their lowest and least perfect, and have invited me to be part of the most sacred moments of their own lives, however dark and less than pretty they may be.

Those moments are all encounters with another person that create deep relationships. We can be physically near another person, but without encountering them as they truly are, the contact is fleeting and shallow. I think most of us understand that, and we, wisely, choose to allow the ones we truly love to see us as we are.

This, too, is how we can deepen our relationship with Jesus. Do we allow Him to see us only when we're "being good?" Do we only start conversations with Him in the places and moments we feel that we are at our best? I know it's very comfortable for me to show myself to Him at Mass, in our adoration chapel, and even sitting in my office at this moment writing this article.

What can be uncomfortable, and where He most likely would want me to let Him find me, is when I'm losing my patience with my kids, when that driver cut me off at the light on my way to work today, when the dishes have piled up and the laundry needs to be folded, and I feel frustrated that there always seems to be so much work to be done. Do I let Him see me when I'm angry and forgiveness is hard to

come by? Do I recognize His presence when I look away from injustice, because it's easier than acknowledging how my silence contributes to the suffering of others?

*Let yourself receive the one
 who is opening to you so deeply.
 For if we genuinely love him,*

*we wake up inside Christ's body.
 where all our body, all over,
 every most hidden part of it,
 is realized in joy as Him,
 and He makes us utterly real,*

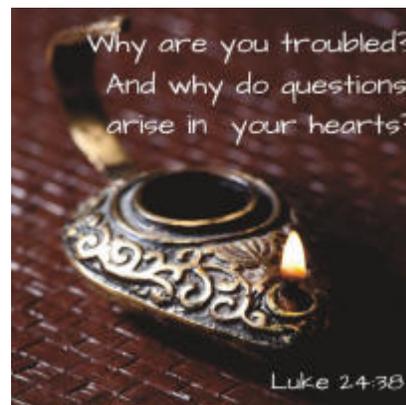
*and everything that is hurt, everything
 that seemed to us dark, harsh, shameful,
 maimed, ugly, irreparably damaged,
 is in Him transformed*

*and recognized as whole, as lovelly,
 and radiant in His light.
 We awaken as the Beloved
 in every last part of our body.*

*~ Saint Symeon
 Byzantine monk, 945-1022 AD)*

It is in those less-than-perfect times that He wants to find us most. Just as our family and friends will rally around us when we most need them, He draws near. We can all strive to let Him see us just as we really are—at our best, and especially at our worst, and our relationship with Him will deepen and grow.

Lisa Fontecha
 Director of Mission and Ministry



YOUTH NEWS AND FAITH FORMATION

ST PETER'S RE/FF TEAM

To learn more about Faith Formation at St. Peter's, click this link: www.stpetersmendota.org/faith-formation

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FAITHFUL SHEPHERD GALA FOR GIVING



Join us for the Faithful Shepherd Gala for Giving. This virtual event will be held Saturday, May 1, at 7 p.m. and will feature a Dancing With Our FS Stars competition with seven

teachers. This will be a night you will not want to miss. The evening will feature an incredible silent auction and our Electric Moment. Our fundraising push at the end of the evening will be to upgrade the school's IT Network and wireless connectivity. We are so fortunate to have a supportive church community. Continue your support by tuning in for a great night. Register at fscsgala.com.



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BAPTISMS - NEW PARISHIONERS - WEDDINGS
Call the parish office for more information.

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Email Lisa Fontecha at lfontecha@stpetersmendota.org or call her at 651-905-4304 or call the parish office.

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Academic excellence, a faith-based education and a supportive community that engages the whole family are just a few reasons why our families love Faithful Shepherd. **Financial aid is available.** To arrange a private tour, please call Molly Altermatt at 651-262-2898. We look forward to meeting and sharing our school with you!

VISITATION SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Visitation School, located in Mendota Heights, will host an Open House for prospective Middle School (grades 6-8) families on Wednesday, April 28. Join us to see middle school spaces, meet teachers and students, and participate in hands-on activities. The evening begins at 6 p.m. We are asking families to sign up for staggered arrival times. Please register online prior to arriving on-campus at visitation.net/openhouse. Visitation is an independent Catholic school educating girls in grades six to twelve and boys and girls from Montessori preschool through grade five. For more information, call 651-683-1706 or email enrollment@vischool.org.



ADMINISTRATIVE NEWS * STEWARDSHIP * COMMUNITY NEWS

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

The following are additions to our Easter flower donations.

- In Memory Of Neil & Mary Kane, Albert & Lorraine Hartman, and Stephen Hartman
By Mark & Mary Hartman
- In Memory Of: Katie Otto
In Honor Of: George Otto
By Marilyn Kummer
- Donation by Abel and Catherine Pineiro

PARISH OFFICE REMAINS CLOSED

The office at St. Peter's remains closed to walk-ins during this time of COVID-19. Some staff is always present, during our office hours of Monday through Friday, 8 to 4 p.m. We will be answering phone calls, voicemails, and emails. Please feel free to contact us at 651-452-4550, with questions or concerns.

ROSARY MAKERS



Our next Rosary Makers ministry will meet on Tuesday, May 4, in Classroom 9, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Come and learn about our group, how to make the rosaries, and where we send them. If you have questions, please call Mary Ellen at 651-457-1764.

MILITARY PRAYER BOARD

It is time to update the St. Peter's Military Prayer board. If your family member is already posted, please forward an update. If you have a new family member serving in one of the branches that you would like remembered in prayers, please contact Jackie Dimmen by phone at 651-681-9851, or email her at jdimmen@comcast.net. She will provide you with instructions for submitting a brief profile and photo to be posted. We are forever grateful for the selfless acts of these family members.



MINNESOTA FOODSHARE MARCH CAMPAIGN



Thank you to everyone who helped us exceed our goal for Minnesota FoodShare this year. Our final total will be announced in next week's bulletin. As of today, we have already surpassed our goal, with several donations yet to be tallied. Your generosity will feed countless people now and into the rest of the year.

Our collection bins will be available all year, and your donations of food are always valuable and appreciated.

HELP WANTED

The Church of St. Peter is looking for a part-time custodian to support evening and weekend activities here at the parish. Duties would include cleaning, vacuuming, trash removal, setup and take down for rental groups. The parish pays a competitive wage. Evening and weekend work is required. On average the position will take 10 to 15 hours per week.

The successful candidate will need to be able to work independently, with specific directions and take initiative when necessary. Additionally, the hire is contingent on passing a physical and criminal background check, along with other safe environment protocols. To apply please contact Peter Guzulaitis at 651-905-4307 or via e-mail at DirectorofOperations@stpetersmendota.org.

PLEASE REGISTER FOR WEEKEND AND HOLY DAY MASSES

Please continue to register for weekend Masses. We are no longer taking registration for weekday Masses. Use this link to register: www.signupgenius.com/go/saintpeters.

All weekend and Holy Day Masses that are currently available will be included on this online form. Please follow the guidelines on the signup page. If you are not able to sign up online or if you have questions, call the parish office at 651-452-4550. Someone will help you get registered.

Thank you for your cooperation.

FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Check out St. Peter's website at www.stpetersmendota.org, our Facebook page at [facebook.com/stpetersmendota](https://www.facebook.com/stpetersmendota) and Twitter @StPetersMendota and on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com).



ADMINISTRATIVE NEWS * STEWARDSHIP * COMMUNITY NEWS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FUNDRAISER

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a fundraising drive to benefit people with intellectual disabilities, after each Mass the weekend of April 24/25.

As a token of appreciation, Tootsie rolls will be available to all. You don't have to donate to enjoy a Tootsie Roll!

CLASS OF ST. JOSEPH CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE

Ever wonder what God has planned for your life?

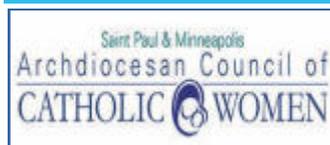
Discover God's plan of sheer goodness in the Class of St. Joseph!

This fall, the Catechetical Institute will offer the two-year Pillars Program in-person at Transfiguration in Oakdale and via livestream at various satellite sites around the Archdiocese. Classes will be held on Monday evenings, from 7 to 9 p.m. The classes are divided into four eleven-week modules, with two Saturday morning formative sessions per module.

Applications are being accepted through August 1 2021.

Go here for more information: www.cistudent.com/pillars/.

2021 ACCW ANNUAL CONVENTION



The St. Paul and Minneapolis Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women will hold their annual convention on **Friday, April 30**, at St. Patrick

of Shieldsville, 7525 Dodd Road in Faribault. Join us on site for Celebrating Life's Challenges. Doors will open at 7:30 a.m.

- 8:45 a.m. Celebrating our Successes: Looking Back—Looking Ahead
- 12 noon Mass with Archbishop Hebda
- 2 p.m. How the Pandemic Has Changed Us, with Kate Souchery

More information will be coming in future bulletins.

HELP SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS



Join with us to financially support the out-of-pocket educational expenses of our fourth-year seminarians in the Archdiocese. Order spring plants from Gerten's or make a monetary donation here: kc7604.mnknight.org/vocation-support-2021/.

The deadline to place orders is **Thursday, April 22**. Orders can be picked up at St. Peter's Church in Mendota on **Saturday, May 15**, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Last year we reached our goal and provided funds to all four selected seminarians in their last year of studies. They will be ordained as deacons in 2021. We are very grateful for your ongoing generosity, and we encourage your continued prayers for an increase in vocations to the priesthood.

SYNOD AT HOME TIPS AND TOOLS FOR GROWING IN FAITH

In the Synod process, the Church is taking time to listen to one another, pray, and discuss in order to determine priorities. These steps are important for every household, too, that wants to thrive.



The **Synod at Home** series takes helpful videos, tips, and tools for growing in faith and pairs them with family-friendly activities based on four pillars: Prayer & Sacraments, Lifelong Learning, Generosity & Service, and Traditions & Fun.

Individuals, couples, and families will find their faith and relationships strengthened by Synod at Home.

- Find weekly videos and materials posted on the [Archdiocesan Synod web page](#).
- Text APP to 88202 or [click to download MyParish App](#) and within the app, search for "Archdiocesan Synod."
- [Sign up](#) to receive weekly emails during the Synod at Home and other Synod updates.



March 2021 COLLECTIONS	March 2021	March 2020	Year over Year	Fiscal Year to Date	Prior Year thru Dec	Year over Year
Sunday Envelope & Electronic Gifts	\$ 93,702.73	\$ 88,460.29	\$ 5,242.44	\$ 824,616.60	\$ 773,102.92	\$ 51,513.68
Sunday Plate	\$ 159.33	\$ 762.97	\$ (603.64)	\$ 2,183.71	\$ 16,382.26	\$ (14,198.55)
Total	\$ 93,862.06	\$ 89,223.26	\$ 4,638.80	\$ 826,800.31	\$ 789,485.18	\$ 37,315.13

*Sunday giving keeps the lights on, pays for repairs, and funds all ministries and operations.
Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish community.*

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Peter's is here to bring the good news of the Gospel to all, so that every person can have a personal, life changing, life giving relationship with Jesus Christ.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 18, 2021

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

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MASS INTENTIONS

The following are the intentions offered by the priest at Mass.

Mon, April 19	9 am		No Mass
Tues, April 20	9 am	†	Joan & Orville Nouska
	5:45 pm	†	Joseph Brickweg
Wed, April 21	9 am	†	Dave Peterson
Thurs, April 22	9 am	†	Marie Schloegel
Fri, April 23	9 am		Jeanne Backman
Sat, April 24	5 pm	†	Ronald Gamiao
Sun, April 25	8 am	†	Jeffrey Weiss
	10 am		Mass For The People

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: APRIL 19, 2021

Monday, April 19

Tuesday, April 20

9 am Daily Mass, Main Church
12 pm Sandwich Lunch Ministry Drop Off, St. Peter's Parking Lot
5 pm Reconciliation, Main Church
5:45 pm Daily Mass, Main Church

Wednesday, April 21

9 am Daily Mass, Main Church
6 pm Perissos, Virtual

Thursday, April 22

9 am Daily Mass, Main Church
7 pm Fall Festival Meeting, Heritage Center
7 pm AA Meeting, Classroom 5

Friday, April 23

8 am Reconciliation, Main Church
9 am Mass, Main Church

Saturday, April 24

9 am & 10:30 am
 AA Meeting, Classrooms
3:30 pm Reconciliation, Main Church
5 pm Mass, Main Church. Register on [Sign Up Genius](#)
6 pm K of C Tootsie Roll Fundraiser, outside after Mass

Sunday, April 25

7:30 am Rosary for St. Peter's, Main Church
8 am Mass, Main Church. Register on [Sign Up Genius](#)
9 am K of C Tootsie Roll Fundraiser, outside after Mass
10 am Mass, Main Church. Livestreamed on [YouTube](#), or on [Facebook](#). Register on [Sign Up Genius](#)
11 am K of C Tootsie Roll Fundraiser, outside after Mass
12 noon Mass, Main Church. Register on [Sign Up Genius](#)
1 pm K of C Tootsie Roll Fundraiser, outside after Mass



PASTORAL MINISTRY

THEOLOGY DAY: WHAT MASS MEANS

What Mass Means:

How Sacrifice and Real Presence Are Life-Changing

We tend to think of “sacrifice” and “real presence” as doctrines to believe in—perhaps with some vague awareness of complicated medieval terms, such as “transubstantiation.” But the logic of the liturgies of the various Christian traditions, and the whole point of the Vatican II renewal, is that our liturgical sharing in Christ’s dying and rising is meant to transform us individually and communally. The implications are huge!

Join us on **Friday, April 23**, for a webinar presentation, from 9 to 11 a.m. The event is free. Registration is required (register at least five days in advance of the event); please visit www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday, call 320-363-3560, or email theologyday@csbsju.edu to register.

HOLY COMMUNION



If you are unable to attend one of the Masses and desire to come in to church to receive Holy Communion, please contact Jennifer at 651-905-4305 to set up an appointment. If you wish to receive Holy Communion at your home, please call Lisa Fontecha at 651-905-4304.

SANDWICH LUNCH MINISTRY

Our next collection of lunch items to be distributed to Sharing & Caring Hands in Minneapolis will be **Tuesday, April 20, from 12 to 1pm**. Please pull up to the north Main Church doors, and we will come out to your car. We will continue to collect one Tuesday each month. If you are interested in donating items for lunches, please contact Nancy Stanton at 651-686-9009 or nanrr1@yahoo.com.

It is extremely helpful to know how much food to expect, so please be sure to sign up in advance. Each donor is asked to bring 20 to 40 of one or more of the following (you may bring everything, or just one or two items from this list):

- Sandwiches: Choose turkey, ham, or bologna and cheese. No condiments on sandwiches, please. Place each sandwich in an individual bag. Sandwiches are easiest to store and transport if you stack bagged sandwiches inside your empty bread bags!
- Individual serving bags of chips
- Individually wrapped cookies
- Bananas, oranges or cuties, or individual fruit cups

Please do NOT put items into paper lunch bags.

Thank you!

CHAPEL OF THE NATIVITY PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL



"The Eucharist is the secret of my day. It gives strength and meaning to all of my activities of service to the Church and to the whole world."

~ St. John Paul II

We are in need of adorers in the Chapel of the Nativity. Please prayerfully consider committing to one of the hours listed here that is still empty. White spaces indicate where we have the most urgent need.

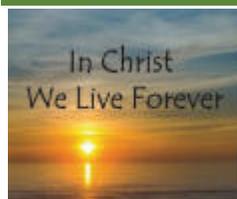
"Could you not watch one hour with me?"

~ Matthew 26:40

To sign up for a regular Hour of Adoration, please call Lisa Fontecha at 651-905-4304 or email her at lfontecha@stpetersmendota.org.

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IN SINCERE SYMPATHY



St. Peter’s Parish extends its sympathy to the family and friends of Daniel Luck.

We invite all to join us in praying that God may make him a sharer in eternal salvation.

PASTORAL MINISTRY

FOLLOWING JESUS



“Why are you troubled? What questions arise in your hearts?” These are Jesus’ words to his disciples, after his resurrection. Let us come to the Lord with our worries, fears, and questions, knowing that the answer to everything in this life may be found in Jesus.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

We are very pleased to see events and ministries beginning to be active again here at St. Peter’s! We have many exciting ways for you to be involved. At this time, we do have a few specific needs. Please contact Lisa Fontecha at 651-905-4304 or lfontecha@stpetersmendota.org, if any of these are of interest to you.

Wedding Coordinator

Once the marriage prep is completed and the blessed day approaches, our engaged couples are guided through the rehearsal and wedding day by one of our St. Peter’s wedding coordinators. Responsibilities include leading the wedding rehearsal, opening the church for the wedding party, supporting them during their preparation time, and serving as sacristan/server for their marriage ceremony on the day of the wedding. Training and materials are provided. This ministry does require availability that includes Thursday and Friday evenings, and Saturday mornings and afternoons.

Giving Tree Co-coordinator

The Giving Tree provides help for almost 50 families every Christmas. Our team, comprised of two co-coordinators working closely with Lisa, works hard to gather gift requests, collect donations to meet those needs, and facilitates the sorting and distribution of donations to families in both our own St. Peter’s family and the community we serve. This ministry is active from October through December. Good communication and organization skills are a must for this ministry, as well as a deep desire to help and maintain confidentiality.

Blood Drive Coordinator

In general, St. Peter’s hosts a Red Cross Blood Drive twice a year. The coordinator’s responsibilities include liaising with our Red Cross representative and Lisa to schedule drives, oversee sign ups, recruit volunteers for the drive day, and be onsite for each drive, typically in May and September. This is a great ministry for someone whose schedule makes weekly commitments difficult, but who can give up two full days a year. Computer access is helpful for working with the Red Cross and facilitating sign ups.

CATECHISM CORNER BY DAVID DUNST



Catechism
Corner

In the Catechism, we are now moving into Article One (prayer in the Old Testament) of Chapter One (“The Revelation of Prayer”) of Section One (“Prayer in the Christian Life”) of Part Four (“Christian Prayer”) of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. By this, I mean we have not even begun to talk about prayer in the Catechism in a way that is practical or really applicable. So far, we’ve covered the very earliest of introductions to what prayer is. Now, the Catechism walks us briskly through a survey of the history of Judeo-Christian

prayer.

The odyssey of prayer begins after the fall, when God calls it in the garden of Eden, “Where are you? What is this you have done?” Prayer is integral to human history in a primordial sense, because it is the relationship with God in the context of historical events (CCC 2568).

In the early parts of the book of Genesis in the Bible, prayer is described in many ways, such as “walking with God.” For Adam and Eve, this would have been more of a tangible reality. But theirs was, of course, the most specific of special cases, for there was no rupture, no obstacle at all, between them and God before sin. Afterward, however, prayer is masked in offering of ritual sacrifice and marked by a kind of very personal intimacy with God that is also described as “walking with God.” The beginnings of Christian Prayer, though, is more traceable to Abraham (CCC 2569).

Abraham is an illustration of what prayer, this interaction with God, can be like—even if only analogously. At God’s call, Abraham goes in obedience, according to God’s direction. Abraham is exemplary of an attentive heart and a desire to obey God’s will. At first this devotion is expressed only in actions—setting up altars to God, marking the points of his journey. Later on, however, we see Abraham complain in words to God. The theme of Abraham’s life of prayer seems to be, as the Catechism puts it, “the test of faith in the fidelity of God (CCC 2570).”

Later on, as we recall, Abraham’s prayer became very much more tangible, as he receives the angels of the Lord as guests. Then, Abraham is asked to wager the life of his beloved son. This episode encapsulates Abraham’s walk of faith, and at the same time prefigures the sacrifice of Christ, which would redeem and heal the death and suffering of the vast nation promised to Abraham as his posterity (CCC 2572).

Before moving on to Moses, who himself spoke with God often, and led his whole nation into freedom, we are reminded also of Jacob, who wrestled with the angel of the Lord, receiving from him at dawn the blessing of God. For us, Jacob is an example of the triumph of persevering prayer (CCC 2573).

Next week: the prayer of Moses

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