

**SUNDAY MASSES  
In Main Church**

Saturday at 5 p.m.  
Sunday at 8, 10 & 12 noon  
10 am Mass is Livestreamed  
on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) and  
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**DAILY MASSES  
In Main Church**

Tuesday: 9 am & 5:45 pm  
Wednesday: 9 am  
Thursday: 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.

**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time****June 20, 2021**

I have a saying in my ministry—teens who have been with me on retreats and Workcamp know it well. “I value my sleep.” This line—usually pulled out when recapping evening rules about quiet time and lights out—is typically followed by “You don’t want to see angry Elizabeth, if I have to get woken up because you were doing something you weren’t supposed to be doing.”

My love of sleep is so well known by my teens, friends, and family that for my birthday a couple years ago I got a shirt that says “Jesus took naps. Be like Jesus.” and references the scripture verse from today’s Gospel.

Jesus took naps. Be like Jesus. Although sleep is great—and Jesus in his full humanity probably valued his sleep, too—it’s not really about the sleep. It’s about the disposition of trust.

Jesus trusted the Father, he knew that they were safe. A storm raged and Jesus calmly took a nap. He was probably exhausted from his ministry and needed the rest. The disciples on the other hand saw the storm rage and jumped to the worst possible scenario—we’re perishing!

I’m sure we’ve all jumped to worst case scenarios before. But beyond just jumping to the worst case scenario, they also doubted God’s love for them. When they wake Jesus up, they ask “Do you not care that we are perishing?”

Do you not care? These are people whose lives have already been radically changed, by their encounter with Christ. They have left everything to follow him; they have witnessed miracles and healings and have experienced first hand Jesus’ love, and yet they still doubt his care. I don’t know about you, but that makes me feel a little better about the times I’ve jumped to the worst case scenario.

When the storms rage in our lives, what should we do? Trust in God’s love. Trust in his power. Trust in his mercy. The God who calmed the seas for the disciples will calm the storms in your life, too. And even in the midst of waves and wind, God never stops caring. And this intimate understanding of God’s love is what allows Jesus to find a cushion, curl up, and get the rest He needed.

Jesus took naps. Be like Jesus.

Praying for you!

*Elizabeth*  
Elizabeth  
Youth Minister

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## 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](http://www.stpetersmendota.org/faith-formation)

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Mon-Fri: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Phone: 651-452-4550

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

### PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Email Lisa Fontecha at [lfontecha@stpetersmendota.org](mailto:lfontecha@stpetersmendota.org) or call her at 651-905-4304 or call the parish office.

### ROCKY RAILWAY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2021



#### ALL ABOARD!

It's time to register for VBS 2021!

VBS is being hosted by St. Peter's and St. John Neumann Churches. It will take place at St. John Neumann, 4030 Pilot Knob Road, in Eagan.

Dates and times are as follows:

**August 2-4 (Monday thru Wednesday), 6 to 8 p.m.**

OR

**August 4-6 (Wednesday thru Friday), 9 to 11 a.m.**

The cost is \$20 per person. This year we are having a family-based VBS program—parents and children together! Although geared toward children entering grades K through 6 in the 2021-2022 school year, it will be fine if younger or older siblings attend, too. However, each child and parent needs to be signed up to receive a shirt, snacks, and activity materials. If you want a CD, you can order it on the same form for \$10.

Registration is online at [tinyurl.com/VBS2021StPeterSJN](http://tinyurl.com/VBS2021StPeterSJN).



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If you or a loved one wish to be able to join us for Mass but are unable to do so, please contact us to learn of the many ways we can help. Often, many go without simply because we are not made aware of their needs. .

To add yourself or someone you love to our outreach ministry or for information on volunteering, call Lisa Fontecha at 651-905-4304 or you can email her at [lfontecha@stpetersmendota.org](mailto:lfontecha@stpetersmendota.org).

# ADMINISTRATIVE NEWS \* STEWARDSHIP \* COMMUNITY NEWS

## FEAST OF ST. PETER SUNDAY, JUNE 27



Join us for the Feast of St. Peter Mass and box lunch picnic on Sunday, June 27. This year, St. Peter's will be handing out box lunches, after the 10 a.m. Mass. You will be able to eat in Heritage Center, or you could bring your own blankets and lawn chairs and have a picnic on our beautiful grounds. We are encouraging people to RSVP for the box lunches, so we know how many to order. You can sign up for a lunch via the slider on our website at [www.stpetersmendota.org](http://www.stpetersmendota.org).

If you would like to volunteer to help at this event, please contact Anne O'Keefe at [aokeefe@stpetersemendota.org](mailto:aokeefe@stpetersemendota.org) or at 651-905-4308. We hope to see you all there!

**\*\*Please note that we will only have the 8 and 10 a.m. Masses on Sunday morning.  
Starting June 27, we will no longer offer a 12 Noon Mass.**

## NEW MINISTRY SCHEDULE

For the first time in a year, the ministry schedule is live and available to ministers online. Those who have volunteered to serve in the various liturgical ministries can manage their scheduled dates, seek substitutes, and indicate preferred service times. Please sign in and check for your scheduled dates.

## SANDWICH LUNCH MINISTRY

Our next collection of lunch items to be distributed to Sharing & Caring Hands in Minneapolis will be **Tuesday, July 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](mailto: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
- Oranges, Cuties, or individual fruit cups (**PLEASE, NO BANANAS**)

**Please do NOT put items into paper lunch bags.**

Thank you!

## 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.

## SYNOD AT HOME TIPS AND TOOLS FOR GROWING IN FAITH



SYNOD 2021

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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.

PEACE PEACE PEACE PEACE PEACE PEACE

# ADMINISTRATIVE NEWS \* STEWARDSHIP \* COMMUNITY NEWS

## NEW MASS TIMES

Beginning July 4, we will no longer offer a noon Mass on Sundays. Our new schedule will be Saturday evenings at 5 p.m. and Sunday mornings at 8 and 10 a.m.

There will be no noon Mass on Sunday, June 27, due to our Feast of St. Peter celebration.

Also, you are no longer required to register for Mass.

## HISTORIC CHURCH OPEN HOUSE AND TOURS



Our Historic Church open house tours are taking place Sundays, through the summer. Stop in and visit our beautiful church and learn about the history of St. Peter's. The Historic Church will be open every Sunday this summer, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., **except June 20 and July 4**. We hope to see you there! Tell your family and friends, too!

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MAY 2021 COLLECTIONS	May 2021	May 2020	Year over Year	Fiscal Year to Date	Prior Year thru May	Year over Year
Sunday Envelope & Electronic Gifts	\$ 78,645.01	\$ 70,862.47	\$ 7,782.54	\$ 986,476.96	\$ 969,861.26	\$ 16,615.70
Sunday Plate	\$ 308.00	\$ 20.03	\$ 287.97	\$ 2,668.14	\$ 16,482.29	\$ (13,814.15)
Total	\$ 78,953.01	\$ 70,882.50	\$ 8,070.51	\$ 989,145.10	\$ 986,343.55	\$ 2,801.55

*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.*



## JESUS OUR HOPE, YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND FOREVER. . .

Our goal is to eliminate this debt over the next three years. This week we have passed over \$2.2 million in pledges! We have received over \$1.15 million, since the campaign began and reduced this loan by 30%. Please continue to pray for the campaign as it continues. Each registered family was mailed a pledge card, as you are ready, please return it to the parish office through the mail, by dropping it in the Sunday Collection boxes, or dropping it off at the office. We will begin following up with those who have not returned a card in the coming weeks. Working together we can eliminate the construction debt for the Church and Heritage Center. As you consider making a pledge remember no amount is too small or too large and with God's blessing and working together, we can eliminate this debt. If you have questions about making a pledge please contact Peter Guzulaitis at 651905-4307 or via e-mail at [directorofoperations@stpetersmendota.org](mailto:directorofoperations@stpetersmendota.org).

Report on Debt for Church and Heritage Center Construction		Jesus Our Hope Capital Campaign	
Debt on Church and Heritage Center as of 9/30/2020	\$3,591,160.00	Pledges as of 6/15/2021	\$2,206,296.00
Less proceeds from the Rectory Sale in October of 2020	-\$241,532.00		
Less principal payments from proceeds from Jesus Our Hope Capital Campaign	-\$1,019,600.00	Pledged Money Received	\$1,151,768.00
Less other principal payments	-\$15,954.61		
Total Principal Due on the Loan as of 6/15/21	\$2,314,073.39	Total Income from Campaign	\$1,151,768.00
Total Reduction in Principal since October 1, 2020	\$1,277,086.61	Balance Due on Pledges	\$1,054,528.00

## 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.

### Trustees:

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 20, 2021

<b>Sunday:</b>	Jb 38:1, 8-11/ Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 [1b]/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41
<b>Monday:</b>	Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22 [12]/Mt 7:1-5
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1b]/Mt 7:6, 12-14
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 7:15-20
<b>Thursday:</b>	<u>Vigil:</u> Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17 <u>Day:</u> Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
<b>Friday:</b>	Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [4]/Mt 8:1-4
<b>Saturday:</b>	Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55 [cf. 54b]/Mt 8:5-17
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

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## MASS INTENTIONS

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

<b>Mon, June 21</b>	9 am	†	No Mass
<b>Tues, June 22</b>	9 am	†	Gayle Metz
	5:45 pm	†	Tricia Olson
<b>Wed, June 23</b>	9 am	†	E. & Gertrude LeMay
<b>Thurs, June 24</b>	9 am	†	Ronald Larson
<b>Fri, June 25</b>	9 am	†	Robert Berger
<b>Sat, June 26</b>	5 pm		Mass For The People
<b>Sun, June 27</b>	8 am		Christian, Teresa, and Eliza Bartholomew
	10 am	†	Ed Lunzer

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: JUNE 21, 2021

### Monday, June 21

### Tuesday, June 22

<b>8:30 am</b>	Rosary, Main Church
<b>9 am</b>	<b>Daily Mass, Main Church</b>
<b>10 am</b>	Women's Bible Study, Ravoux Room
<b>5 pm</b>	<b>Reconciliation, Main Church</b>
<b>5:45 pm</b>	<b>Daily Mass, Main Church</b>

### Wednesday, June 23

<b>8:30 am</b>	Rosary, Main Church
<b>9 am</b>	<b>Daily Mass, Main Church</b>
<b>7 pm</b>	Choir/Music Rehearsal, Music Room

### Thursday, June 24

<b>9 am</b>	<b>Daily Mass, Main Church</b>
<b>7 pm</b>	Uganda Mission Team Meeting, Heritage Center
<b>7 pm</b>	AA Meeting, Classroom 5

### Friday, June 25

<b>8 am</b>	<b>Reconciliation, Main Church</b>
<b>9 am</b>	<b>Mass, Main Church</b>

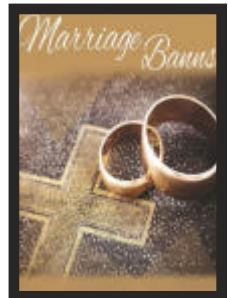
### Saturday, June 26

<b>9 am &amp; 10:30 am</b>	AA Meeting, Classrooms
<b>3:30 pm</b>	<b>Reconciliation, Main Church</b>
<b>5 pm</b>	<b>Mass, Main Church.</b>
<b>Sunday, June 27</b>	
<b>7:30 am</b>	Rosary for St. Peter's, Main Church
<b>8 am</b>	<b>Mass, Main Church.</b>
<b>10 am</b>	<b>Feast of St. Peter Mass, Main Church.</b> Livestreamed on <a href="#">YouTube</a> , or on <a href="#">Facebook</a> .
<b>11 am</b>	Feast of St. Peter Picnic, St. Peter's Campus



## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

**Third Proclamation**  
Zachary Pivec & Sara Braden



## PASTORAL MINISTRY

### ST. PETER'S YOUNG ADULTS

We are excited to announce that the SPYA Praise & Worship evenings are again taking place at 6 p.m. in the Historic Church. This month it will take place on July 11, and beginning in August, we will return to holding this event on the first Sunday of the month. All are welcome!

### ARCHBISHOP FLYNN CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE

#### Class of St. Joseph—Fall Session 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. One of the satellite sites is St. John Neumann in Eagan. 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. The first session begins Monday, September 21, 2021.

Applications are being accepted through August 1 2021. Go here for more information: [www.cistudent.com/pillars/](http://www.cistudent.com/pillars/).

### WHY ARE WE NOT SINGING AT MASS?

As we prepare to reintroduce singing of the Mass parts and inviting everyone to sing once again—and at long, long last—just a quick note about our own delay of this happy return to a greater sense of normal. The guidelines regarding singing safety remain pretty clear, as far as they make clear some boundaries for singing to an audience. Singers are to remain 6 feet apart and 12 feet from the “audience.” The difficulty in liturgy is that there is no distinction between singer and audience. There is no audience—only participants. On this point, the recommendations from the archdiocese have been at odds, to a degree, with those of the CDC. Therefore, while many other parishes have been singing for several weeks now, we have maintained a certain caution in this respect, as guidelines unfortunately have not addressed this specific, Catholic reality.

We are all eager to be in full churches, with full song. So, as we have stepped away from the physical distancing rules and the mask recommendations, it has not seemed prudent to simply end all restrictions—singing immediately next to all our unmasked friends and neighbors. That's been the reason for our lagging behind on this. However, it's been growing increasingly awkward to hold back. Therefore, with joy and gratitude, we return to full song on the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul, celebrating our patron saint.

### 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](mailto:lfontecha@stpetersmendota.org).

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### DAILY MASS WILL CHANGE TO HISTORIC CHURCH

As we continue to bring things back to normal, daily Mass will no longer take place in the Main Church. Beginning Thursday, July 1, daily Mass will change from the Main Church back to the Historic Church.

## PASTORAL MINISTRY

### FOLLOWING JESUS



This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Peter and Paul as we reflect on their powerful ministry in the early church. Both were afraid to step out in faith, until the Holy Spirit dwelled in their hearts and made them great evangelists! Let us open our hearts to the ways in which we can bring forth the Kingdom here in our world.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO DEACON ROBERT FOERTSCH

Heartfelt congratulations to our teaching parish seminarian, Deacon Robert Foertsch. Deacon Robert was ordained to the Transitional Diaconate for the Diocese of Fargo on June 4, at the Cathedral of St. Mary in Fargo. In September, after his summer in ministry assignment, he will again join us one weekend a month, as he continues his preparation for Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood. Please keep him and all seminarians in your prayers.



### HAITI COLLECTION

We continue to collect sheets for the people in Haiti. There is a great need for these items. White (or nearly white) sheets and pillow cases are needed for the burial of babies, children, and adults. How easy for us to be part of this corporal work of mercy!

People also have a need for empty pill bottles. Please remove the labels from the bottles. It is easy to remove them; simply fill the containers with HOT water. The heat will loosen the label, and it will peal off easily.

We also continue to collect canvas bags and totes. Please make sure they are washable, as they will be used to carry food.

You may drop your contributions on the table outside the office, by the Adoration chapel. Thank you for your contributions.



*Come as a Guest  
Leave as a Friend*

### CATECHISM CORNER BY DAVID DUNST



#### Catechism Corner

Prayer is referred to as a battle, at times, because we must content with ourselves and our surroundings in order to commit to engaging in prayer. The other obstacle, of course, is “the Tempter,” who is always actively opposing our movement to prayer, or toward God in any respect. However, engaging in the battle to pray coincides with progress in the spiritual life (CCC 2725).

Some of the things that deter us from prayer are obstacles of our own making. We tell ourselves that we don't have time or that praying is useless. We become easily discouraged if we fail in an attempt to pray, or we think that we haven't succeeded in praying. The Catechism exhorts us to humility, trust, and perseverance in confronting these (CCC 2726-2728, 2752-2753).

There are also difficulties we face in the midst of prayer (the following are taken from CCC 2729-2733, 2754-2755):

Distraction is something perhaps most of us are familiar with, in struggling to pray. While it takes our attention away from God, it can also reveal our own vices and attachments.

Dryness is the sense that our prayer is not truly connecting with God, but this is also the proving out of faith, even in the absence of consolation (the sense of spiritual satisfaction we may receive when pursuing God).

Acedia is the laziness of heart that can make our prayer unfocused, or prevent us from even attempting prayer, because it may seem a difficult task or undertaking. Again, this reveals to us that our hearts are not on the Lord, and that we have become relaxed in our vigilance against the snares of the world.

We would do well to nourish our trust in God. We may have our trust in God tested when we feel we are not heard. In these instances, the Catechism challenges us to ask ourselves if we seek God as a Father or merely as a means to getting what we want. On the other hand, if we pray like Jesus, we will receive instead the Holy Spirit who transforms us and our desires to conform to the divine image (CCC 2734-2741, 2756).

The last notes in this section on the battle of prayer concern times. First that prayer is always possible, and every moment is available to the Christian to turn to God (CCC 2742-2745, 2757). Secondly, we are invited to share in the priestly prayer of Jesus, by offering every hour to the Father, but in particular, offering the most difficult hours we face, like Jesus who spoke of his “hour” to his disciples at the Last Supper (CCC 2604, 2746-2751, 2758).

Next week: section two on Christian prayer begins as the Catechism breaks open “The Lord’s Prayer,” the “Our Father”.

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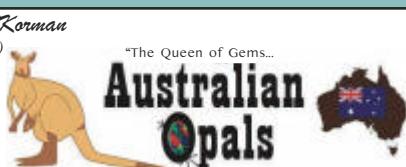
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