

SUNDAY MASSES In Main Church

Saturday at 5 p.m. Sunday at 8 & 10 a.m. 10 am Mass is Livestreamed on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>YouTube</u> and <u>St. Peter's website</u> DAILY MASSES Historic 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.

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 5, 2021

SEPTEMBER 18-19

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CHURCH OF ST. PETER | MENDOTA, MN

MOVIE NIGHT! FOOD TRUCKS! GAMES! RAFFLE! SILENT AUCTION!

LOOK INSIDE FOR MORE INFORMATION!

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our religious education program will be starting up again soon! Liturgy of the Word for Children begins Sunday, September 26, at the 10 a.m. Mass. Our Wednesday evening programs begins September 19, at 6 p.m.

If you haven't yet registered, you may go to <u>www.stpetersmendota.org/faith-formation</u> to do so online.

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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**. For

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St. John Neumann * St. Peter's * St. Thomas Becket

EXPERIENCE VISITATION! JOIN US FOR OUR OPEN HOUSE

In grades 9-12, Visitation School offers an all-girls education



designed for girls just like you. We empower our students to become their best selves, to become leaders in and out of the classroom and to make a difference in our world. At our Open House, meet current students, learn about an all-girls education, see teachers in action and tour our beautiful campus.

Register for the September 28 or November 16 Open Houses at <u>visitation.net/openhouse21</u>

COMMUNITY NEWS

PARISH MISSION CONCERT

Daniel Oberreuter's music has been described as "inspiring," "life changing," and "a mission for parish and the whole community." Daniel is a Christian singer/ musician. He will be performing at St. Peter's Church on **Sunday**, **September 12, at 6 p.m.** in the Main Church. Free will offerings will be gratefully accepted. For more information, go to www.comeholdmyson.com.



2022 UGANDA MISSION TRIP



We are in the early stages of planning another mission trip to Uganda for June 5—17, of 2022. It is our hope that by then, things will be returning to normal. Space is limited to 12 people. If

you would like to learn more, or reserve a space on the trip, please contact Laurie Reding at <u>lreding1@aol.com</u> or (612) 419-1709.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Mark your calendars! The Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for **Thursday**, **September 2**, from 1 to 6 p.m. at St. Peter's Church in Heritage Center.



This drive is by APPOINTMENT ONLY. To schedule an appointment,

please email Keith or Nancy Stanton at <u>nanr1@yahoo.com</u> or call them at 651-686-9009. Please leave your full name, including spelling, your phone number, and your preferred time. You will be contacted to confirm your appointment. Only those with appointments will be allowed onsite and only at their scheduled time.

SANDWICH LUNCH MINISTRY

Our next collection of lunch items to be distributed to Sharing & Caring Hands in Minneapolis will be **Tuesday, September 21, 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 on the third Tuesday of each month. If you are interested in donating items for lunches, please contact Nancy Stanton at 651-686-9009 or nanr1@yahoo.com.

It is extremely helpful for us 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, two, or all of the following:

- 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)

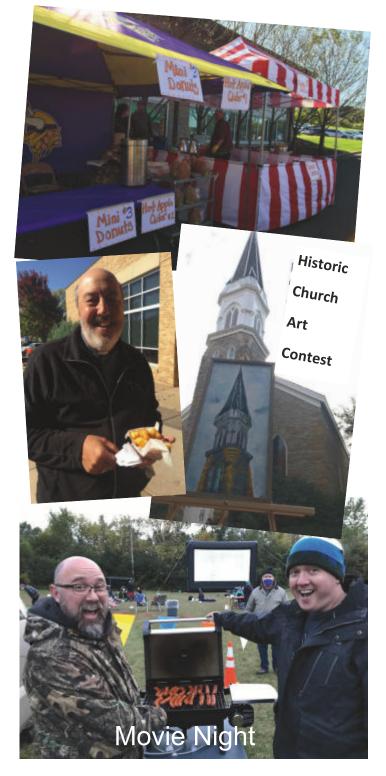
Please do NOT put items into paper lunch bags. Thank you!

FALL FESTIVAL

FALL FESTIVAL EVENTS!

St. Peter's Fall Festival is just around the corner! Look for more information in your email, Facebook, in the Gathering Space, and on our website at <u>www.stpetersmendota.org</u>. Events include:

Historic Church Art Contest Cheese Curds!!! Online Auction! Outdoor kids/teens game Bingo! Movie Night with UP! Pie and coffee Food Trucks Wine and cash raffle Country Store



INDIVIDUAL SPONSORSHIP FOR THE 2021 FALL FESTIVAL

This year's Fall Festival will be a 2-day event—September 18 and 19. Starting with our 5 p.m. Saturday Mass. Mass will be followed by an outdoor movie on the big screen. Sunday Mass times are 8 and 10 a.m. The festival will begin after the 10 a.m. Mass.

Each year our festival gets bigger and better, with more people attending from our parish and community. We would greatly appreciate any type of donation, whether it be items for the silent auction and the country store, prizes for the kids games, prayers, or a monetary donation to help make this Fall Festival successful. Thank you in advance from the Fall Festival Committee for helping to make this the most successful and fun fall festival yet!

If you have any questions, please contact Gail Barta at 651-454-9552. You can also email Anne O'Keefe at <u>aokeefe@stpetersmendota.org</u> or call her at 651-905-4308.

FOOD AT THE FESTIVAL

We are trying something new this year at the festival—food trucks! We have Smokin' On Site, which has pulled pork, ribs, and brats. We'll have The Corn Monkey, which has corn on the cob, potatoes, and all the fixings. The Boland Cheese Curd Booth and The Red Taco Truck will also be there. All of the food will be outside. Youll be able to get slices of pie, coffee, and tea in Heritage Center. There's something for everyone!

FALL FESTIVAL DONATIONS

We are now accepting Fall Festival silent auction items! We are looking for gift cards to restaurants, theater tickets, sports tickets, weekend getaways, theme baskets, wine baskets, like new items, good condition antiques, or any other creative idea/item you might think people will want! Our silent auction moved on-line last year with great success, so we are excited to offer it again this year. Thanks in advance for your donations. If you have any questions, please contactg Anne O'Keefe at 651-905-4308 or at aokeefe@stpetersmendota.org.

HISTORICAL CHURCH ART CONTEST

We are having an artwork/photo contest of the Historic Church—inside or out. Any art medium can be used. Perhaps it could be a diorama, painting, photo, drawing, Lego build, or cross stitch, we will accept anything! We will have three groups: adults (ages 18 and older), juniors (12-17 years old), and kids (11 and under). Each winner will receive \$25. We will announce the winners at our Fall Festival. As entries are submitted, we will have them displayed in our display cases in the Gathering Space, so everyone can enjoy them! Please submit your entry to the parish office by Monday, September 13. If you have questions, please contact Anne O'Keefe at 651-905-4308 or at aokeefe@stpetersmendota.org.

STEWARDSHIP * COMMUNITY NEWS

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

We have received over \$2.4 million in pledges! We have reduced this loan by \$1.32 million. Please continue to pray for the campaign as it continues. Please return your pledge card to the parish office through the mail, dropping it in the Sunday Collection boxes, or dropping it off at the office. We are following up with the those who have not returned a card. Working together we can eliminate the construction debt for the Church and Heritage Center. Thank you for your generosity. If you have questions about making a pledge please contact Peter Guzulaitis at 651-905-4307 or via e-mail at <u>directorofoperations@stpetersmendota.org</u>.

July 2021 COLLECTIONS	July 2021	July 2020	Year over Year	Fiscal Year to Date	Prior Year thru July	Year over Year
Sunday Envelope & Electronic Gifts	\$ 76,937.56	\$ 81,918.45	\$ (4,980.89)	\$ 76,937.56	\$ 81,918.45	\$ (4,980.89)
Sunday Plate	\$ 476.06	\$ 620.25	\$ (144.19)	\$ 476.06	\$ 620.25	\$ (144.19)
Total	\$ 77,413.62	\$ 82,538.70	\$ (5,125.08)	\$ 77,413.62	\$ 82,538.70	\$ (5,125.08)

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.



ST. PETER'S YOUNG ADULTS HAIL MARY, FULL OF GRACE



Have you ever wondered why we pray the Rosary? Why is it so important and why does it seem like everyone struggles to pray it? If you are one of the many young adults that have asked yourself one of these questions, then this event is for you!

Join us Thursday September 16, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Main Church to hear Sister Teresa from the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist speak on the history of the Rosary, as well as how the Rosary played a role in her vocation. Afterward, Sister has graciously offered to lead us in a group Rosary, following with refreshments in Heritage Center.

RESOURCE CENTER

You might be looking for good resources to encourage and help you grow in faith. Consider checking out the Resource Center located in the Gathering Space. You will find books, CD's and pamphlets about a variety of subjects. In addition, you will be able to choose spiritual reading that you can trust, recommended by Fr. Steven, Lisa Fontecha, and Elizabeth McCanna (yes—there are books for teens and young people!).

This center is self-funded. We would ask that those who are able to do so, please donate \$5/CD, \$1/pamphlet and the list price of the books you choose (usually listed on the back cover). Because we want everyone to be able to enjoy these resources, whether they can contribute or not, we welcome any additional donations, above these suggestions. There is a slot in the center to place your donation. If you are unable to donate, please take a resource anyway!

Thank you and may God bless your every effort to grow in faith and love.

PASTORAL MINISTRY

FOLLOWING JESUS



This weekend we hear that Jesus made the deaf hear and the mute speak. Let us ask our loving God to heal those areas of our hearts that are deaf to his Word and to open our mouths to proclaim his praise!

AN INVITATION TO HELP WITH SYNOD SMALL GROUPS

Archbishop Hebda is asking for each parish to make their voice heard as we prepare for the Synod on Pentecost 2022. The next step, parish small groups, is a very important one, and we are hoping for robust participation from our St. Peter's community. This will only be possible if



many of you are willing to help as facilitators for the groups. Training will be provided, and the amount of time outside of the small group sessions themselves is very minimal.

St. Peter's is offering small groups Monday evenings, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., September 20 to October 25; and on Thursday mornings, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., September 23 to October 28. At least 12 to 15 facilitators are needed at each session.

To learn more or to volunteer for this critical ministry on behalf of our parish and local church, please contact Lisa Fontecha at <u>lfontecha@stpetersmendota.org</u> or at 651-905-4304.

JOIN A SYNOD SMALL GROUP AT YOUR PARISH

In August of 2020, based on the information already gathered in the Prayer and Listening Events, as well as the information gathered for the Ad Limina visit with Pope Francis in January, and the results of the Disciple Marker Index, Archbishop Hebda has discerned the initial set of focus areas for the Archdiocesan Synod. Those areas will set the parameters for discussions at the deanery and parish levels:

- Forming parishes that are in the service of evangelization
- Forming missionary disciples who know Jesus's love and respond to his call
- Forming youth and young adults in and for a Church that is always young

This fall, your prayer, conversation, and feedback on priorities, within these focus areas will inform the topics selected for the Synod Assembly in June 2022.

How? Through Synod small groups, which will meet at parishes across the archdiocese this fall. Make plans now to join in this momentous process at your parish!

St. Peter's is offering small groups Monday evenings from 6 to 7:30 p.m., September 20 to October 25; and on Thursday mornings from 10 to 11:30 a.m., September 23 to October 28. There is no need to register; simply choose your preferred time of day and plan to join us.

CATECHISM CORNER BY DAVID DUNST



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The Catechism makes clear that we do and should pray to Jesus the Lord. Though prayer is ultimately directed to the Father, every liturgical form and tradition addresses prayers to Christ. If we have any wonder of this, the Psalms and the New Testament—so central and integral to the worship of the Church—are full of invocations of Christ, calling him: Son of God, Word of God, Lord, Savior, Lamb of God, King, Beloved Son, Good Shepherd,

and many more (CCC 2665).

One name sums up all the other titles we bestow upon him: Jesus. Though we do not, out of deepest respect and love, speak the divine name, the Incarnation brings to us the name of God that we may invoke it. "Jesus" means "YHWH saves," and so praying "Jesus" brings forward all the fullness of the story of salvation and contains the very presence it signifies. Thus whoever invokes the name of Jesus welcomes God the Son (CCC 2666).

Recall what we have heard about keeping holy (meaning "reserved or set apart for sacred or religious purpose") the Lord's name!

Praying the holy name is the simplest means to pray always, because invoking the name of Jesus strips away every other consideration and removes the need for composing further phrases. By his Name, we call truly on him and bring his presence into our midst, occupied only with loving God, unconcerned about forming beautiful words to frame our prayer. In this simple way, every action can be transfigured in Christ Jesus (CCC 2668).

Another devotion the Catechism singles out specifically is that of the Heart of Jesus, because it is so central to his Passion and death, and is therefore central to our salvation. I would be interested to see a rationale as to why this in particular is highlighted is the Church's continual devotion and worship of Jesus (CCC 2669), but that reason is not given explicitly in the Catechism, though there are manifold titles and devotions to Our Lord that have grown very great in the life of the Church.

Next week: prayer to the Holy Spirit

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

IS THE HONEYMOON OVER? It doesn't have to be! A Marriage Encounter Weekend can rekindle the excitement and romance in your relationship. This is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Oct. 8—10, and Feb. 11--13, both in Buffalo. Early registration is highly recommended.

For more information, visit our website at: <u>twincitieswwme.org</u> or contact Brent & Tracy at <u>applications@twincitieswwme.org</u> or call 612-756-8720.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

Sunday:	Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas
·	2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37
Monday:	Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9 [8]/Lk 6:6-
·	11
Tuesday:	Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 [9]/
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Wednesday:	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c
	[Is 61:10]/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
Thursday:	Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [6]/
	Lk 6:27-38
Friday:	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-
	8, 11 [cf. 5]/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:	1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and
	6-7 [2]/Lk 6:43-49
Next Sunday:	Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/
	Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
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MASS INTENTIONS

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

Mon, Sept 6	9 am		No Mass
Tues, Sept 7	9 am		Sr. Patricia Thalhuber
	5:45 pm	t	Joan & Orville Nouska
Wed, Sept 8	9 am	t	Chisue (Ann) Joung
Thur, Sept 9	9 am	t	Betty Hoey
Fri, Sept 10	9 am	†	Patricia Gill
Sat, Sept 11	5 pm	†	Michael Brose
Sun, Sept 12	8 am		Mass For The People
	10 am	t	Mary Ann Trask

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 an hour.

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

"Could you not watch one hour with me?" ~ Matthew 26:40

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: SEPT. 6, 2021

Monday, September 6

6 pm	AA Meeting, Classroom 1 & 2				
Tuesday, September 7					
	Loaves & Fishes, St. Paul				

- 8:30 am Rosary, Historic Church Daily Mass, Historic Church 9 am 5 pm **Reconciliation.** Main Church 5:45 pm **Daily Mass, Historic Church** 7 pm Rosary Makers, Classroom 9 Wednesday, September 8 8:30 am Rosary, Historic Church 9 am Daily Mass, Historic Church 7 pm Cantor Rehearsal, Music Room **Thursday, September 9**
 - 9 amDaily Mass, Historic Church7 pmAA Meeting, Classroom 5
- Friday, September 10

Wacipi	Pow	Wow,	St.	Peter	's Grounds

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

Saturday, September 11

	Wacipi Pow	Wow, St.	Peter's	Grounds
9 am &	10:30 am			

- AA Meeting, Classrooms
- 3:30 pm Reconciliation, Main Church
- 5 pm Mass, Main Church
- **6 pm** Fall Festival Raffle Ticket Sales, Gathering Space

Sunday, September 12

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		Wacipi Pow Wow, St. Peter's Grounds
	7:30 am	Rosary for St. Peter's, Main Church
	8 am	Mass, Main Church
9	9 am	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Open
		House, CGS Atrium
9	9 am	Fall Festival Raffle Ticket Sales, Gathering
		Space
-	10 am	Mass, Main Church—Livestreamed on
		YouTube, or on Facebook.
-	11 am	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Open
		House, CGS Atrium
-	11 am	Fall Festival Raffle Ticket Sales, Gathering
		Space
	6 pm	Parish Mission Concert: Daniel Oberreuter,
	_	Main Church

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ROSARY MAKERS



Rosary Makers Ministry will meet on Tuesday, September 7, in Classroom 9, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Come and learn about how to make rosaries, how to get supplies, and to turn in all your completed rosaries for chapels, missions, etc. If you have any

questions, please call Mary Ellen at 651-457-1764.

PARISH LEADERSHIP

ST. PETER'S 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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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Ann Hoey: Chair Mike Maslow: Vice Chair Margaret Wolters: Secretary Amylia Bult Andrew Elm

Andrew Elm Kevin Lovegreen Greg Montana Secretary Sam Claassen Anne Igo Sue Lovegreen Mary Stoick

The pastoral council can be reached at <u>parishpastoralcouncil@stpetersmendota.org</u> or by phoning Jennifer at 651-905-4305.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Phone: 651-452-4550

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Anne O'Keefe

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651-905-4304

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Email Lisa at <u>lfontecha@stpetersmendota.org</u> or call her at 651-905-4304 or call the parish office at 651-452-4550.

IN SINCERE SYMPATHY



St. Peter's Parish extends its sympathy to the family and friends of Darlene Olson.

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

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