

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

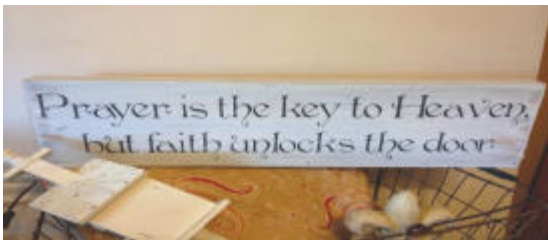
It is obvious that keys are for doors or gates. But the keys and the gates we hear about in this Sunday's liturgy are special. These are not ordinary keys; and the doorways and gates they close and open are not your everyday ones. The keys and gates today have to do with heaven and earth, with life and death and what is between them.

There is a feeling of a struggle over the key and the gates or doors. If the gate is open, this means there is only one world. But if the gate is closed, it means there are two worlds: heaven and earth or, in another way of seeing reality, the world of death, the nether world, and the world of life. The key is important. Whoever holds the key has a power over these two worlds. Whoever has the key has an authority.

Jesus gives the keys to the kingdom of heaven to Peter. What moves Jesus to give keys to this disciple? We already know him as someone who is rather quick and rash in his judgements. We know him to be of little faith. And after this handover when Jesus calls him Peter, we will hear how Jesus will call Peter a 'Satan,' a tempter, "Get behind me Satan." You do not understand what being Messiah, being the Christ, really means. But Jesus gives him the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

Peter has recognized that Jesus is Son of God. Peter is seeing in this man Jesus that the Kingdom of heaven has now entered human history in the best and clearest way possible. That is why Peter is given keys of the Kingdom of heaven. Since he has recognized in Jesus the image of the living God, his very son, the deepest possible relationship there can be with God. This opens up the whole storehouse, so to speak, of what the Kingdom is. In Peter, Jesus can be confident that his own message and work will continue. The community that gathers around the new world of heaven and earth together has a future in time.

The keys Jesus gives are special keys. They are keys to open the gates of life. Life is the power and authority they serve. We stand in that authority each time we build up life in another, each time we offer hope, each time we say we are with you, each time we open our mouths and confess a word that lifts up another. When we do that, we are a rock in the community called Church.



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Mass Schedule

Saturday Sacred Heart 4:00 pm
Sunday..... Sacred Heart 9:00 am
 St. Peter 10:30 am

Monday.....No Service

Tuesday.....Sacred Heart 5:00 pm

Wednesday & Thursday....St. Peter 9:00 am

Friday Sacred Heart 9:00 am

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The goal for Sacred Heart is \$11,397.00

Left alone to face the difficult challenges of life today, you feel conscious of your inadequacy and afraid of what the future may hold for you. But what I say to you is this: place your lives in the hands of Jesus. He will accept you, and bless you, and he will make such use of your lives as will be beyond your greatest expectations! In other words: surrender yourselves, like so many loaves and fishes, into the all-powerful, sustaining hands of God and you will find yourselves transformed with "newness of life", with fullness of life. "Unload your burden on the Lord, and he will support you."
 — St. Pope John Paul II

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St. Peter's Sacred Heart

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 23, 2020

Sunday:	Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20	
Monday:	Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51	
Tuesday:	2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Mt 23:23-26	
Wednesday:	2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Mt 23:27-32	
Thursday:	1 Cor 1:1-9/Mt 24:42-51	
Friday:	1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13	
Saturday:	1 Cor 1:26-31/Mk 6:17-29	
Next Sunday:	Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2b]/ Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27	

Remember in your prayers:



Don Ackerson, Cheryl Adler, Emily, Marsha Anderson, Sandy Anderson, Kyle Asmus, Trudi Balczewski, Evelyn Baldridge, Richard Bartoh, Naomi Bauman, Scott Betthausen, Mitzi Boss, Cole Carlson, Jean Carryl, Veronica Caturia, Pam Chlebeck, Michael Damros, Kayleah Yager Dantzman, Collin Duffy, Dave Dupey, Cavin Edward, Marie Ellickson, JoAnn Frederick, Diane Gago, Vickie Gago, Lupe Goin, Betty Granica, Robyn Granica, Patricia Herrmann, Judy Jones, Mary Joslin, Bob Kessler, Rich Kutak, Jr., Erica Ladenthin, Roger Lee, Noah Lifka, Mark Marlowe, Aimee McCaugheys, Helen McClaine, Dave Miller, Sarah Miller, Randy Mizer, Jill Nyhus, Richard Orth, Sheldon Petit, Barbara Quade, Jennifer Rae, Katie Ringer, Ed Rudnicki, Irene Sajdera, Terre Sander, Debbie Sands, Ila Senn, Kay Senn, Debbie Sillman, Hank Simon, Susan Smith, Marilyn Stearns, Wendi Strop, Anne Susan, Dennis Suzan, Mary Beth Tomsyck, Tom Tindell, Richard Truskolaski, Adeline Villiard, Gregory Wagner, Chet Walczak, Loraine Wenman, Brandon Wickersham and Jodi Zellmer.

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