

**PASTOR'S MESSAGE**

This Sunday readings remind us that Christians are called to live their lives in a different way than others around them. In other words, Christian discipleship demands honesty, willingness to suffer (“take up the cross”) generosity “to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice to God” and readiness to follow Jesus by obeying his commandment of love. Today’s readings explain how these things may be done. Jeremiah, in the first reading was certainly a prototype of the suffering Christ. Jeremiah was sent by God “to tear up and to knock down, to destroy and to overthrow”. He tried to keep the people faithful to God amidst an atmosphere of political intrigue and backstabbing. He was regarded as a traitor by his own people because, as God’s mouthpiece, he had to foretell the dire results that would follow their plan of revolt against the mighty power of Babylon. So he became depressed and he complained bitterly to God.

In the second reading, Paul advises the Roman Christians how to live their Christian lives in such a way that they differ both from the Jews and the pagans. St. Paul calls on Christians to adopt an attitude of sacrifice in their worship of God. In order to do this they must explicitly reject the behavior of the world around them. Paul tells them (Rom 12:1-2): “Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice” to God.

In today’s gospel, Jesus takes His disciples by surprise when, after Peter’s great confession of faith, he announces that “he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised.” After correcting Peter’s protest, Jesus announces the three conditions of Christian discipleship: “deny yourself, take up your cross and follow me.” Unless we constantly remind ourselves of this difficult vocation from God, we will fail to be the kind of disciples that Christ expects us to be.

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	<b>St. Peter</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>
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**Mass Schedule**

**Saturday ..... Sacred Heart 4:00 pm**

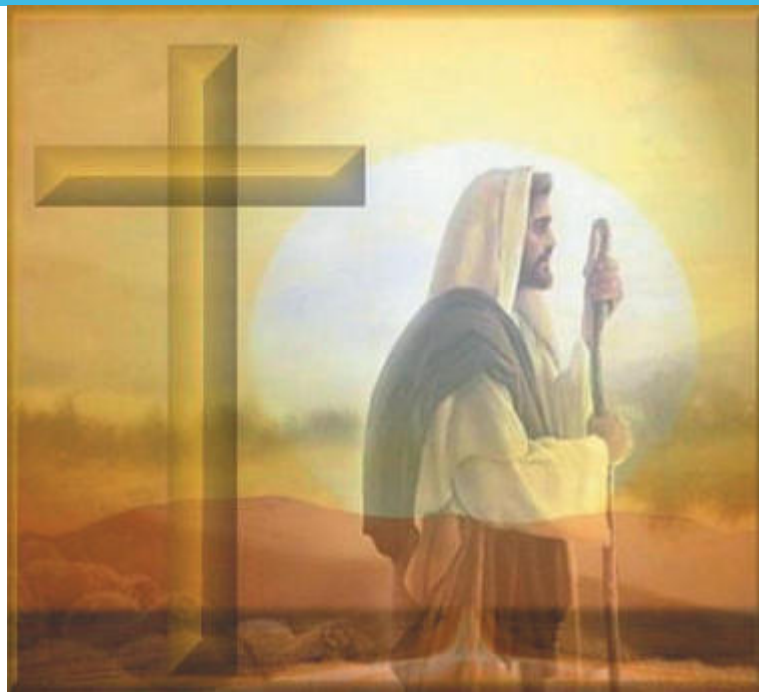
**Sunday..... Sacred Heart 9:00 am**  
St. Peter 10:30 am

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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**St. Peter's Sacred Heart**

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 30, 2020**

Sunday:	Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2b]/ Rom 12:1- 2/Mt 16:21-27	
Monday:	1 Cor 2:1-5/, Lk 4:16-30	
Tuesday:	1 Cor 2:10b-16/Lk 4:31-37	
Wednesday:	1 Cor 3:1-9/Lk 4:38-44	
Thursday:	1 Cor 3:18-23/Lk 5:1-11	
Friday:	1 Cor 4:1-5/Lk 5:33-39	
Saturday:	1 Cor 4:6b-15/Lk 6:1-5	
Next Sunday:	Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 13:8-10 Mt 18:15-20	

**Remember in your prayers:**



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