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SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 2021

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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St. Peter's Parish

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Father Ajith Wellington
Administrator

Mass Schedule

Sunday

Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel
9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

Saturday (Vigil)

School Auditorium
4:00pm

Weekday Masses

Monday-Thursday (Chapel)
8:30am

First Friday (Chapel)
12:00 noon

First Saturday (Mausoleum)
12:00 noon

Confession (School Chapel)
Saturday: 3:00pm-3:45pm

August 29, 2021 - Church Announcements

1. The St. Peter's Parish Prayer Group meets every Thursday at 6:00pm at the Chapel of Our Lady of the Rosary. If you have special prayer intentions, please call Carol or Gary Speier at (845) 635-8191.
2. You can now register for the Religious Education Program (CCD). Contact Maureen Babiarz, our director of Religious Education. She is at the Parish office at St. Peter's Cemetery on Tuesdays from 12:00pm-4:00pm.
3. Lectors, Acolytes and Ushers - If you have been helping the Church in these capacities and if you wish to continue to help, please contact Fr. Wellington or the Office.
4. Fr. Wellington will be available on Thursdays from 1:00pm-5:00pm at the Parish Office at St. Peter's Cemetery. Appointments are not needed to meet him on Thursdays.

ATTENTION PLEASE!

Commencing **MONDAY, THE 13TH OF SEPTEMBER**, all Holy Masses, both weekdays and weekends, will be celebrated at the School gym due to the repair work at the Chapel of Our Lady of the Rosary.

CHAPEL REPAIR PROJECT

Repair Work of the Chapel of Our Lady of the Rosary will be carried out by Billman & Ross Associates who work for the Archdiocese of New York and it will cost US \$ 71,856. **If you wish to contribute towards the Chapel repair work, you can contact me or the office from Monday to Friday from 9.00 am to 1.00 pm or you can hand your donations over to me or to Margaret Ferrara after Sunday Masses.** Checks can be made payable to "St. Peter's Parish". May God bless you for your generosity!

Fr. Ajith Wellington, OMI

Our sincere thanks to **FR. PATRICK CURLEY** for his visit. We also express our gratitude for his commitment as Pastor of St. Peter's Parish to help our people grow in their faith and remain close to God. While we thank him for being our Shepherd and friend, we assure him of our prayers. May God bless him and continue to be with him as he goes through these difficult times. May our Blessed Mother whom we invoke as Our Lady of the Holy Rosary intercede for him before God!

We also thank **FR. RICHARD LAMORTE** for the enthusiasm and religious vigor he brought to our church through his ministry. We wish him well and assure him of our prayers. May our Blessed Mother whom we invoke as Our Lady of the Holy Rosary intercede on his behalf before God!

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – August 29, 2021 – Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

My Dear brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ,

Our readings today draw our attention to an important question, namely, which is more important to God - clean hands or a clean mind and heart? The First Reading explains that religion is a Covenant relationship with a caring, providing, and protecting God, fostered by keeping His Commandments given through Moses. The Second Reading defines true religion as keeping the word of God and doing His will by helping the needy, the poor, and the weak in the community. In today's Gospel, Jesus describes true religion as serving God and all His children with a pure and holy heart. The occasion is a debate between Jesus and the Pharisees on the subject of "Tradition." Jesus warns the Pharisees against their tendency to equate traditional "human precepts" with God's will. He blames the scribes and the Pharisees for giving undue importance to external observances in the name of "tradition," while ignoring the Law's real spirit.

The Scribes and Pharisees were upset with Jesus because he allowed his disciples to break with their ritual traditions by eating with unclean hands. They sent a delegation all the way from Jerusalem to Galilee to bring their accusation in a face-to-face confrontation with Jesus. Jesus dealt with their accusation by going to the heart of the matter - by looking at God's intention and purpose for the commandments. Jesus accuses them specifically of two things. Firstly, accuses them of hypocrisy. Like actors, who put on a show, they appear to obey God's word in their external practices while they inwardly harbor evil desires and intentions. Secondly, he accuses them of abandoning God's word by substituting their own arguments and ingenious interpretations for what God requires. Jesus refers them to the prophecy of Isaiah, "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me" (Is. 29:13)

Jesus points his listeners to the source of true defilement - evil desires which come from inside a person's innermost being. Sin does not happen. It first springs from the innermost recesses of our thoughts and intentions, from the secret desires which only the individual soul can conceive. The observance of traditions and of washing rituals does not correct the internal motivations and inclinations that really defile people. External piety without internal holiness is hypocrisy. Today's readings explain what true religion is. It is not simply the scrupulous external observance of rules, laws, traditions and rituals. It is a loving, obedient relationship with God expressed in recognizing His presence in other human beings and rendering them loving and humble service. Prayers, rituals, Sacraments and religious practices only help us to practice this true religion in our daily lives.

"Nothing that enters a man from outside can make him impure; that which comes out of him, and only that, constitutes impurity."(Mk. 7:15) The point is clear. Righteousness is not what we do on the outside, but who we are on the inside. Righteousness is not about the hand; it is about the heart. Acts of adultery, murder and unkindness come from within, from hearts that are adulterous, murderous and unkind. Outward appearances can be deceptive. Isaiah prophesied that the Messiah would "not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth" (Is. 11:3-4). The heart reveals the true intentions and attitudes that form the way we think of others and treat them. Jesus used strong language to warn the religious leaders about the vanity of outward appearance and pretense. Jesus equates true beauty and goodness with a clean heart and mind that is set on God and his way of love and goodness and sin with a corrupt mind and heart that is set on doing what is wrong and evil. The scribes and Pharisees were intensely religious in their outward observances, but their outward show didn't match the inner reality of the state of their minds and hearts. True beauty, goodness, and piety come from within - from a heart that is set on pleasing God and a mind that is set on hearing and obeying God's word.

Fr. Wellington, OMI

Hymns

Entrance

Praise to the Lord

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and
salvation!

All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and
defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises
before Him;
Let the Amen sound from His people again,
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

Offertory

The King of Love

The king of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness fails never;
I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul he leading,
And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feeding.

Confused and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home rejoicing brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With you, dear Lord, beside me;
Your rod and staff my comfort still,
Your cross before to guide me.

Communion

Gift of Finest Wheat

Refrain

You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat,
come give to us o saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and
heed his voice; so when You call your family Lord,
we follow and rejoice.

(refrain)

With joyful lips we sing to You, our praise and gratitude
that You should count us worthy Lord, to share this
heavenly food.

(refrain)

The mystery of your presence Lord, no mortal tongue
can tell; whom all the world cannot contain comes in
our hearts to dwell.

(refrain)

Meditation
O Sanctissima

Concluding

Lift High the Cross

Refrain

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore His sacred Name.*

Come Christians, follow where our Savior trod,
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Refrain

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.

Refrain

All newborn followers of the Crucified
Bears on their brows the seal of Him Who died.

Refrain

August 29, 2021 - Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King. O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy (Dt 4:1-2, 6-8)

Moses said to the people: "Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees which I am teaching you to observe, that you may live, and may enter in and take possession of the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. In your observance of the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I enjoin upon you, you shall not add to what I command you nor subtract from it. Observe them carefully, for thus will you give evidence of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations, who will hear of all these statutes and say, 'This great nation is truly a wise and intelligent people.' For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us whenever we call upon him? Or what great nation has statutes and decrees that are as just as this whole law which I am setting before you today?"

The Responsorial: The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. (Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5)

A Reading from the Letter of St. James (Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27)

Dearest brothers and sisters: All good giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused by change. He willed to give us birth by the word of truth that we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (Mk 7:8, 14-15, 21-23)

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands. —For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands, keeping the tradition of the elders. And on coming from the marketplace they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and beds. — So the Pharisees and scribes questioned him, "Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?" He responded, "Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts. You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition." He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile. "From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile."

Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was Incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became Man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer for the Intercession of Venerable Fulton Sheen for a miraculous cure for Fr. Patrick Curley

Venerable Fulton Sheen, ask God the Almighty Father to guard and protect His adopted son, Fr. Patrick Curley. Venerable Fulton Sheen, ask the Lord Jesus Christ, the Divine Physician, to heal this priest, conformed to His Most Sacred Heart through the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Venerable Fulton Sheen, ask the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, to fortify His faithful servant in this moment of trial. Venerable Fulton Sheen, if it be for God's greater glory, may Fr. Patrick Curley be cured through your powerful intercessions. Amen.



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Sunday, August 29 - Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Andrew Imperati by Bruno & Marie Imperati
10:30am Frances Mortorano by the Family
12:00pm Willy & Catherine Vowinkel by the Family



Monday, August 30 - Memorial Mass & Novena of the Miraculous Medal

8:30am † The Puzewski, Kelly, and Schraff Families by the Family † Raquel Gutierrez-Builes by Teresa Builes
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† Dennis Shannon by Stanley & Michael Hornak

Tuesday, August 31 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Joyce Rose by Marlene Bauer

Wednesday, September 1 - Benefactor's Mass

8:30am † Marguerite Campbell † Martin Naughton † Margaret Mary Russell † Margaret Mary Walsh † John Francis Fitzpatrick
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Thursday, September 2 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30am The Patrick Eramo Family by Florence Zotyak

First Friday, September 3 - St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

12:00noon Tanya Pirro by the Thibault Family

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Salve, Regina (Latin)

Salve, Regina, Mater misericordiae;
Vita, dulcedo et spes nostra, salve.
Ad te clamamus exsules filii Hevae.
Ad te suspiramus gementes et flentes
in hac lacrimarum valle
Eia ergo, advocata nostra,
illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte.
(brief bow)
Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis post hoc exsilium ostende.
O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

Salve, Regina (English)

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy:
our life, sweetness, and hope, hail.
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.
To thee do we sigh, mourning and weeping
in this valley of tears.
Turn then, our advocate,
those merciful eyes toward us.
(brief bow)
And Jesus, the blessed fruit of thy womb,
after our exile, show us.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary

The total offering
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