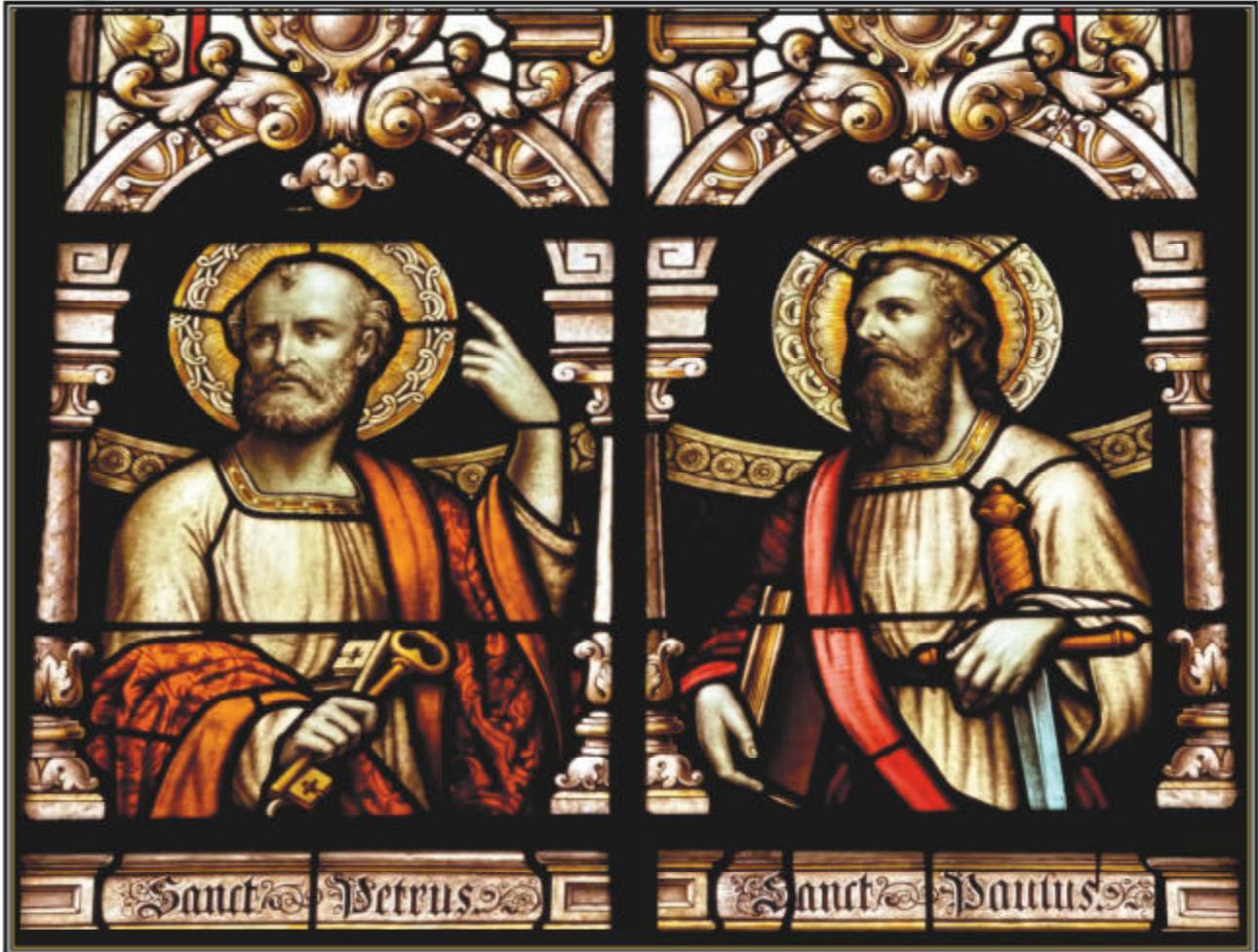




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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 pm - *Vigil*
Sunday 10:00 am - *Solemn Chant Mass*
1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday
12:05 pm *Main Church*

CONFESSIONS

Mon. - Fri. 11:00 am - 11:45 am
Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm
Sunday 9:00 am - 9:45 am
12:00 pm 12:45 pm
5:00 pm - 5:45 pm

Holy Day Masses as Listed in Bulletin

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 6

5:00 BARBARA J. NEGUS (deceased) by son Tom Negus (Month's Mind)

Sunday, February 7

10:00 FLORENT NORMANDIN (deceased) by wife & children (Month's Mind)

1:00 FOR THE UNBORN WHOSE LIVES ARE THREATENED BY ABORTION

6:00 FOR THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

Monday, February 8

12:05 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE WOODS FAMILY

Tuesday, February 9

12:05 THERESA ANN CUSACK (deceased) by Robert and Elizabeth Cusack

Wednesday, February 10

12:05 PASQUALE & PHYLLIS AIELLO (deceased) by family (Remembrance & Birthday)

Thursday, February 11

12:05 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE WOODS FAMILY

Friday, February 12

12:05 ANNA BAXTER (deceased) by family

Saturday, February 13

5:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE WOODS FAMILY

Sunday, February 14

10:00 WILLIAM F. KAVANAGH and JOHN & MARY MASON (deceased) by family

1:00 GEORGE ROBERT DUPRE (deceased) by mom and dad (Birthday Rem.)

6:00 ROBERT CUSACK, SR. (deceased) by Robert and Elizabeth Cusack

"Indeed, the Word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword ... and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart."

Hebrews 4:12

Bible Study

**Tuesday, February 9th from 7pm-8:30pm
Cathedral Hall**

For further information please contact Sister Elizabeth at: sister.elizabethmssw@gmail.com or call the office at 331-2434.



Classes for First Holy Communion & for children grades K-8 will be held on Sat., Feb. 13th from 10am —11:15am.

R.C.I.A. classes will be held on Wednesday, February 10th from 7pm-8:30pm in Cathedral Hall.

For more information you may contact Sister Elizabeth Castro at: sister.elizabethmssw@gmail.com

Registration Forms are available on our website: Religious_education@providencecathedral.org

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FROM THE RECTOR

My dear Brothers and Sisters:

I would like to share with you the following meditation:

How We Pursue Him and Find Him

I would like to end this letter by speaking of prayer. I am sometimes distracted, although distractions come and go without causing me any disturbance. I could almost say that I hardly advert to them. My will is united to God and no one can separate it from him. It is a fortress which no one can penetrate and Jesus is its master. I have given him the key and no one but he can enter. Formerly it was not so. When distractions came, I would be disturbed and annoyed and fear that I had not done all I could to reject them. In this way I lost that quietude of spirit which is so necessary for conversing with God.

I am a child and Jesus treats me that way. He wants me to see what I am and what I could be without him so that I will realize my incapacity for all things and will experience my own nothingness. At the same time, he makes me understand that he is within me and that I should be strong in faith and love. Love gives us courage to carry the yoke of the Lord. Yes, love makes everything easy, and more than anything else, the practice of prayer. Prayer is such an urgent need for anyone who loves God that he cannot find anything else to replace it. And if for any reasonable cause he has to leave it, he seeks God in everything he does and he finds him. How good the Lord is to souls that seek him and how he lets himself be found in all places!

I believe that for now I have told you enough about my practice of prayer. It is so simple that there is not very much to say. It is the prayer of little souls, because everything in me is little, except my love. I do not want my love to be little; I want it to be great, very great. When God takes me in his arms, I give myself to him at once, without thinking of my unworthiness or smallness.

VENERABLE MOTHER MARY MAGDALEN OF JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST, C.P.

Mother Mary Magdalen (+1960) was a Passionist nun from Spain and a spiritual writer.

Peace,
Monsignor Mancini

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Job asks, "Is not man's life on earth a drudgery?" We, too, often wonder if we will "see happiness again." Jesus responds, "Let us go to the nearby villages." The presence of Jesus is the antidote for our "months of misery." When "the night drags on" and we are filled with restlessness, Jesus Christ allows us to arise with hope. The gracious God "rebuilds Jerusalem" —and our lives. To the weak he became weak to win over the weak. As Christ preaches, "he calls each by name."

Lenten Fast and Abstinence Regulations

Abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent (for those 14 and older) is required by Church law. Also, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of **fasting**: those between the ages of 18 and 59 should eat less, meaning, take no solid food between meals and only one full meal that day. Serious health conditions excuse a person from these precepts.

Pastors and parents are encouraged by the law of the Church to ensure that minors who are not bound by the law of fast and abstinence are educated nonetheless in an authentic sense of penance.

Following the implementation of the revised *Code of Canon Law* on November 27, 1983, the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in the United States determined that the rules of fast and abstinence which have existed for the last several years in this country be maintained. Namely, that the faithful observe suitable penitential practices on all Fridays throughout the year. These penitential practices need not include abstaining from meat. However, as indicated above, the faithful must not eat meat on all the Fridays of Lent as well as on Ash Wednesday. They must also observe faithfully the fast regulations as they have been stated above in accord with the universal law of the Church (Cf. *Code of Canon Law*, Canons 1250-1252).



FEBRUARY 17

Masses: 12:05PM & 5:00PM

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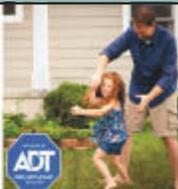
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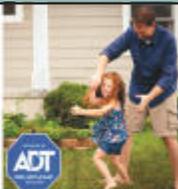
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