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SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2025

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES



"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:18-19

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PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office 408-296-1193 ext. 100

Our Second Collection for
the Building Fund was
\$3,347.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Upcoming Second Offerings
Your generosity is appreciated.
**Denotes Parish Second Collection.*

7/6

Peters Pence

The New Pope

Our Bishop Cantú told us a story about how he was recently filling out a form, and one of the requirements was a place where your supervisor would sign. So, he told the providers that his supervisor died, and a new one had not been

appointed. It was at that moment that I realized that the death of a person may hit many people differently.

The sadness that a pope died a week before the canonization of a teenage software developer, Blessed Carlo Acutis, is enough disappointment for the pilgrims who spent a lot to travel to Rome for his canonization. Many people were asking if they should continue to wait in Rome. I advised that they come home and wait for the new Pope to announce his plan for canonization. The mercy of God flew towards our direction and the Pope came from America. For the three weeks of no Pope, I was struggling to name the Pope in the canon of the Mass. Sometimes I would say “Francis, our Pope” and then auto-correct myself. Within the Mass, I have proclaimed four Popes since I was ordained in 2003: John Paul II, Benedict XVI, Francis I, and Leo XIV. Now we are going to help our pope with prayer and supplication.

I wish to visit Chicago, his birthplace, and Peru, the place where he did the apostolic work that elevated him, and finally visit him at Rome to receive



my papal blessing (papabilia). The assignment I will give you now is to look for Mr. Mark Lancaster who was Pope's elementary school classmate for six good years, and receive a handshake from him,

because the people who saw Christ were regarded as apostles and witnesses. In the same way, someone who knew the Pope from childhood carries with him the original papal blessing and heritage. So, look for Mr. Lancaster, the husband of Maria, and the father of Lauren. He always attends 5 p.m. Mass here in St. Justin parish. That having been said, we hope a date will be announced soon for the canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis.

Finally, as we wait for the visit of the new Pope, may we always treat everyone with profound respect and love because the next pope may be your son's friend, or who knows, one of your priests here from the Diocese of San José. May we be kind to all and may God continue to enrich his church always through Christ our Lord. Amen

Fr. Gerald

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

	Sunday	Fiscal Year To Date
	6/22/2025	7/01/24-6/22/2025
Goal	\$11,300	\$565,000.00
Collected	\$9,460	\$605,732.30
Over/(Short)	(\$1,840)	\$40,732.30

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Weekly Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS *Prayer REQUESTS*

June 30 – July 6, 2025

Monday 8:30am

Anthony Nguyen

Tuesday 8:30am

Cheryl Ramirez +

Wednesday 8:30am

No Intention

Thursday 8:30am

No Intention

Friday 8:30am

No Intention

Saturday 8:00am

Nilda Ilumin +

Saturday 5:00pm

Luca Thoa Luong +

Sunday 7:30am

Frank Caballero +

Sunday 9:00am

Manuel Escobar +

Hanh Huynh

Val T. Wilson +

Sunday 10:30am

Jose Brasil +

Virginia Brasil +

Sunday 12:15pm

For All Parishioners

Sunday 7:00pm

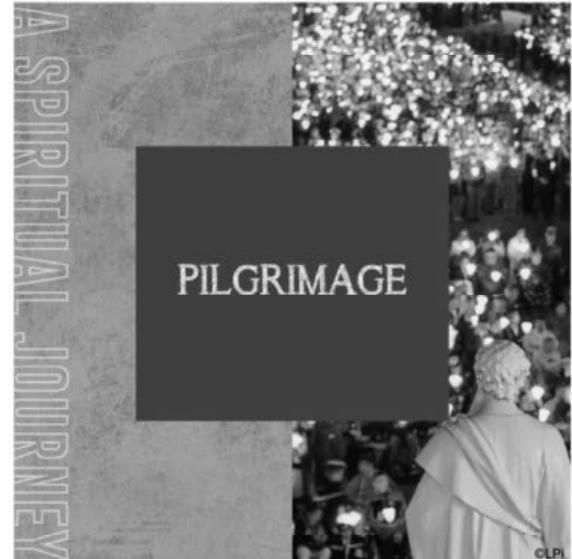
No Intention

We pray for those who are ill or suffering from loneliness, sadness, or depression. We pray for those who care for them. We pray for our deceased family and friends. We pray for our men and women who are serving in the military.

This week we pray especially for those who are ill or preparing for surgery:

Kevin Bartholet, Joanne Cabral, Kane David Carlin, Carmen Cordina, Diane Cribari, David Dietz, Ursula Duncan, Rodolfo Feliciano, Rose Gackstetter, Crystal Galvez, Curtis Hambrick, Sr., Hasan Hanusic, Michael Hastings, Clorinda Hite, Gabriella Ip, Balwant Khaira, Efrain Linares, Shirley McDonell, Mickey McKay, Angelina Medina, Fred Nyulassy, Noelle Ortiz, Janet Osbourne, George Perez, Elijah Presley, Dorothy Rosa, Tony Rosa, Otto Rosales, Norma Saporito, Ernest Souza, Deedee Uttley, Maria Vergano, Vincent Vergano

and for those who have died this week: Cheryl Ramirez



Devotions, Explained!

A pilgrimage is a journey to a place of spiritual significance undertaken by one who is seeking closeness to Heaven while still on Earth.

Prayer of Pastoral Care

O God,
Bless the souls You have entrusted to our care. As You hear every one of their prayers, help us to hear them, too. Answer their prayer intentions and personal needs through us and our ministry, as we all seek to do Your will.
Amen.

MINISTRY NEWS



Food Pantry Update

Thank you for your support during the most recent second Collection for Community Ministry.



Every single donation helps!

The state of the Food Pantry is that our shelves are nearly bare and our once-full dry goods bags are skimpy.

We continue to provide lunches to 50-55 individuals and grocery bags to ~ 25 families per day.

The Food Pantry's strength is in the 50 – 60 volunteers who regularly serve at the Food Pantry. It is in our clients' patience, trust, and generosity of spirit. It is in you, as God's workers, who fund the Food Pantry, donate clean grocery bags, backyard fruit and vegetables, and shelf-stable cans and dry goods.

Each week / month, year-round, we purchase the following items to assemble Lunch bags, so we are always in need of:

Assorted variety of chips
Vienna Sausage
Granola bars
Sliced deli meat
4 oz Fruit Cups
Sliced Cheese
16 oz bottles of water
Plastic Forks & Spoons (new)

Ziploc Sandwich Bags
Box of 200 Mayo Pkts
Box of 500 Mustard Pkts

Second Harvest Food Bank provides a generous amount of needed produce (fruit & vegetables) each week, but it is rare that we receive more than one canned good, dry beans, and maybe dry pasta to put in each Grocery bag. We regularly buy the following when needed, but are thankful for your donations of:

Kirkland toilet paper
Grocery Bags (Clean, lightly used, and either Brown paper bags or Plastic bags with handles)

We occasionally see donations of the following, but these days, they go fast and then our shelves are again empty.

Peanut Butter
Anything canned
Dry Pasta
Dry Rice

Please know that most Food Pantry clients appreciate the food given them, and though we give away less when we have less, they are understanding and thankful for what they receive. Thank you for continuing to provide this tangible symbol of God's hope to our neighbors in need.

God Bless You –
Joe Bauer & Nancy Uyeda



St. Justin Community Ministry



CLOTHES RACK NEWS

IMPORTANT INFO!

During the month of May we served 350 clients and gave out 1,100 items of clothing.

THANK YOU, St. Justin parishioners and friends for providing us with these items that are much appreciated by our neighbors in need!

DESPARATELY NEED

For Men and Women
Shoes (no heels)
Clean/New Underwear
Clean/New Socks

***we also need sturdy plastic grocery bags**

CLOTHING DROP-OFF HOURS:

Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday
10:00 - 12:00

Room 2, next to Pantry

CATECHETICAL MINISTRY NEWS

*Catechesis is more than just religious education.
It is a life long journey towards a deeper relationship with Christ.*



Ongoing Faith Formation Resumes in September

4yr olds and Kindergarten: Sunday, 9-10:00 a.m.

1st grade - Jr. High: Sunday, 10:15-11:30 a.m.

Registration forms will be available at st-justin.org or in the Parish Office in July. We will mail out registration forms for returning families in August.

Sacramental Preparation Program

First Reconciliation & First Eucharist

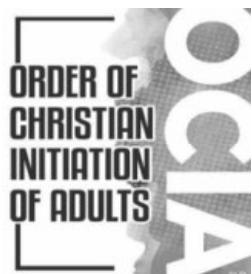
You may register for this program if your child has already completed one year of Ongoing Faith Formation or is enrolled in a Catholic school. This program is for baptized children in 2nd grade and higher. Registration begins in August and is supplemental to Ongoing Faith Formation.



High School Confirmation Program

This program begins in September and culminates with the Sacrament of Confirmation in May. The candidate sessions take place on Sundays. Registration begins in August.

Contact noel.balce@dsj.org for more information.



Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you are interested in joining OCIA, as a team member or as an inquirer, please contact the Parish ministry Office.



Infant Baptism

Our next infant baptism preparation class is
Wednesday, July 16th at 7 p.m.

Please email laura.ortiz@dsj.org to register.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of June 29, 2025

Sunday:

Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 *Day:* Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Monday:

Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday:

Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday:

Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34

Thursday:

Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Friday:

Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday:

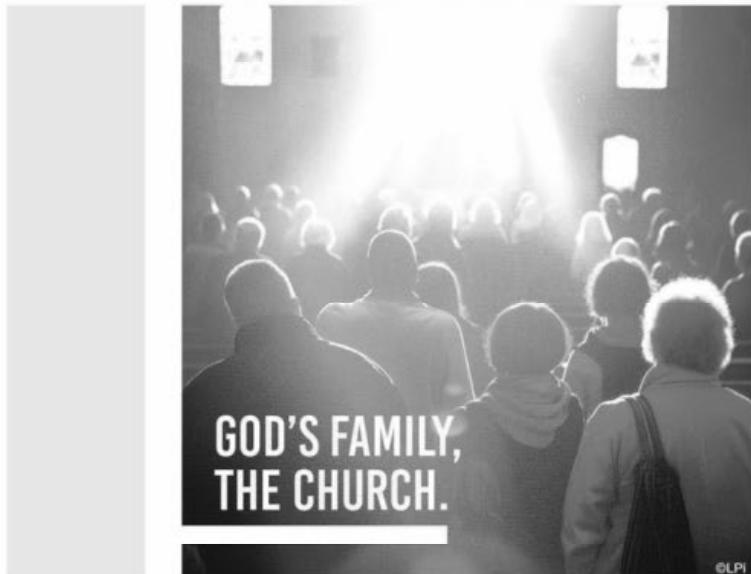
Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday:

Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

What do you call brothers who are born on the same day? Twins, of course. That is what we celebrate today in the inestimable saints, Peter and Paul. Wait: twins? Yes. The early Church believed that Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome on the same day. Since the day of martyrdom is celebrated as a saints' birth into eternal life, the result is striking: Peter and Paul are twins in God's family, the Church.

Who should care about this? Well, anyone who longs to live in a world marked by love and peace. Remember, the Romans believed that twins, Romulus and Remus, founded their city through an act of fratricide, the former murdering the latter. Sadly, the structures of this fallen world emerge through violence between those who should love each other. But in the Church, a new city has been founded upon this new set of twins, embodying the non-violent power of Jesus' cross and resurrection.

That's why traditional icons represent Peter and Paul in a fraternal and warm embrace. Contrasted with the violence of Rome's founders, it challenges us with a bold claim: do we believe that structures of merciful love are more powerful and lasting than those based on power, violence, and domination? Am I willing to see others in my life as my "twin," with whom I am called to give my life for Christ, or as my rival? Am I committed to living what is embodied in Romulus and Remus, or in Peter and Paul?

— Father John Muir

Dear St. Justin Parish Family,

It is with deep joy and heartfelt gratitude that we share this wonderful news: we have not only reached but exceeded our 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal (ADA) goal! Through your overwhelming generosity, we have raised **\$208,000**, surpassing our parish milestone of **\$200,000**.

This remarkable achievement is more than a financial accomplishment—it is a profound testament to our parish family's unwavering faith, unity, and commitment to the mission of Christ in the Diocese of San Jose and our Parish. Each prayer lifted, each offering made, and each act of support is a beautiful expression of your love for the Church and your desire to see St. Justin thrive.

Because we have exceeded the diocesan goal, every dollar above it will return directly to St. Justin Parish in the form of a rebate. These funds will greatly assist us in strengthening our ministries,

enhancing our parish facilities, and further enriching the spiritual life of our community.

We extend special thanks to our **Parish Stewardship Team**, whose dedication, leadership, and joyful encouragement inspired us all. Their tireless efforts have reminded us that stewardship is not merely a duty, but a grace-filled opportunity to participate in God's work among us.

Once again, together with the Stewardship Team, we thank each and every one of you. Thank you for your trust. Thank you for your vision. Thank you for walking together in faith, hope, and generosity.

May we continue to build together a Church that welcomes, heals, teaches, and serves. May the Lord abundantly bless you and your families for your continued love and support.

With sincere appreciation,
Fr. Gener and **Fr. Gerald**
Pastor and Parochial Vicar



WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday

8:30 a.m.

Saturday

8:00 a.m.

Livestream via YouTube

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

Livestream via YouTube

10:30 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays

3:30-4:15 p.m.

Or by appointment



The Parish Office will be closed on **Friday, July 4th** in Observance of the Holiday.

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2nd Prize - Our Lady of Guadalupe Framed Art genuine replica from Mexico City
3rd Prize - Statues of Diocesan Patrons of St. Joseph & St. Clare

SISTERS VS POSTULANTS
Game starts 4:30 PM

PRIESTS VS SEMINARIANS
Game starts 6:20 PM

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