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WORSHIP & PRAYER

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2, 2020 Sunday:ls 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

Monday:Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102 [68b]/Mt 14:22-36 Tuesday:Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/ Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14 Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11 -12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 15:21-28 Thursday:Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a, 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9 Friday:Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41 [39c]/Mt 16:24-28 Saturday:Hb 1:12—2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-

11, 12-13 [11b]/Mt 17:14-20 Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Rom 9:1-5/ Mt 14:22-33

GREETERS

Saturday, August 8th, 5:00p.m. Jackie Masaveg, Bob Frank Sunday, August 9th, 8:00a.m. Lisa Roth, Aimee Reitz 10:00a.m. Kevin Byrne, Andrea Byrne 12:00p.m. Jackie Madisen, Keith Bak

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 1st, St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 8:15 a.m. Dale Koberna

5:00 p.m. Paul Miller Jr.

Sunday, August 2nd, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 6:00 a.m. For the People of Saint Peter Parish
- 8:00 a.m. Holy Name Society
- 10:00 a.m. Andrea Daw
- 12:00 p.m. Carol Klear
- Monday, August 3rd,
- 8:15 a.m. Kelly Kramer
- Tuesday, August 4th, St. John Vianney, Priest
- 8:15 a.m. David Narolewski
- Wednesday, August 5th, The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major 8:15 a.m. Father Stephen Kaminski
- **Thursday, August 6th, The Transfiguration of the Lord** 8:15 a.m. The Croyle & McCall Families
- **Friday, August 7th, St. Sixtus II, Pope and Companions, Martyrs, St. Cajetan, Priest** 8:15 a.m. Father Thomas Pjak
- Saturday, August 8th, St. Dominic, Priest
 - 8:15 a.m. Michael Edgell
 - 5:00 p.m. Donald Frank & Cyndi Buterbaugh
- Sunday, August 9th, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 - 6:00 a.m. For the People of Saint Peter Parish
 - 8:00 a.m. Carmen Gallo
 - 10:00 a.m. Harold & Kathy Bogner
 - 12:00 p.m. Miriam Mekus

READER OF SCRIPTURE

	Saturday, August 8th,	
,	5:00p.m.	Chris Nagel
<i>`</i>	Sunday, August 9th,	
	6:00a.m.	Bob Topoly
	8:00a.m.	Ken Williams
		Dorothy Prokay
	12:00p.m.	Jane Davin
	EUCHARIS	TIC MINISTERS
5	Saturday, August 8th,	
		Tom Fumich
	Sunday, August 9th,	
	6:00a.m.	Christine Stefanek
		Max Fingerhut
	10:00a.m.	Del Sherman
		Mike Masaveg
	ALTAR SERVERS	
	Saturday, August 8th,	
		Liam Franke
	Sunday, August 9th,	
	8:00a.m.	Aviana Partin
	10:00a.m.	Olivia Sherman

12:00p.m. Alyssa Hlavacs

SHEPHERDS' SIGHTINGS



Dear Parishioners,

People have been asking me how I am doing and what it is like as I prepare for my new assignment. It isn't quite as dramatic as this, but transferring to a new parish as a priest bears a resemblance to getting a new family, new job, and new home all in the same day. There is stress to it and it isn't easy. St. Peter's is really where I learned how to be a priest. I think the seminary prepares you for priesthood, but you really don't learn how to be a priest until you begin to serve as one. That ministry and learning happened in both the mundane and the most significant moments of so many of your lives, and that is difficult to walk away from. I have jokingly said to some, "Give Fr. Joe Robinson two weeks, and you'll forget about me!" On the one hand, there may be an element of truth to this. On the other hand, by some of your reactions to this statement, I recognize that nothing could be further from the truth. You have named the things about my time here that will not allow you to forget me. You have spoken of the times that I have been Christ to you in a particular way; when I have been a father to you. Your gratitude has given me a clearer perspective on the impact a priest has on the lives of his people. It reminds me of the many ways that you welcomed me when I came here, the ways you opened your hearts to me as I served here, and opened your homes and families to me along the way. You have proven to me the importance of a priest's presence in simple everyday moments, and in the milestones of life and death. I, too, cannot forget the many graced moments we shared, whether joyfilled or sorrowful. I have so appreciated being with you and ministering to you in the Sacraments, in the school or PSR, on the golf course, and even in the difficult moments of crisis, illness or death; and that is what makes a transition so difficult.

But I am reminded of something that Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati once wrote to his sister in a letter: "As long as faith gives me strength I will always be joyful; every Catholic cannot but be joyful: sadness ought to be banished from Catholic souls. Now, sorrow is not sadness, Sadness is a worse illness than others. This illness nearly always is caused by atheism. But the purpose for which we have been created shows us the path; even if strewn with many thorns, it is not a sad path. It is joyful even in the face of sorrow."

There is definitely sorrow in my heart as I move forward. But there is joy in gratitude for the events and the graces we have shared together. There is joy in the opportunity for me to meet and serve another parish, and the benefit of learning how another parish runs. There is a benefit to "starting fresh" - doing things better from the starting point. And for you, there is joy in that you get to love another new priest into his priesthood. You get to receive the love and ministry of another newly ordained priest who is eager to learn and eager to serve you. You get to witness the growth of another priest, and by your fidelity to the Lord, encourage his own life of faith and ministry. There is joy for both of us in the steady presence of Jesus Christ, and in our worship of him.

A few weeks ago, I was out at St. Ambrose for the funeral of the priest who was to be a fellow vicar with me there. The former vicar whose place I am taking gave the homily. I sat and reflected on all the many priests who have served there in just the past six years. While Fr. Stec has remained constant as the pastor, I think they have had about six priests in six years. As I looked up at the massive crucifix in the sanctuary, I was reminded of two things. It doesn't matter who the priest is. It is Jesus whose presence is constant and never changing, who always makes himself present in the Sacraments, in his Word, and in the people. At the same time, it matters completely who the priest is, because it is through him that Jesus is encountered in a particular way.

As we make this transition from one place to another and from one vicar to another, we hold these things in common. Grateful for our time, shared life, and encounter with the Lord through particular people at particular times, we also know that "Jesus Christ is the same; yesterday, today, and forever" (Hebrews 13:8). He is always present to us no matter in whom we meet him. If we long to remain in a place that is familiar, with those whom we love, we have an invitation to expand our hearts to long for Jesus wherever he is in this life, and ultimately where he is in eternity.

I will be forever grateful for the ways that you love(d) me, and all your priests. Fr. Joe is in good hands, with Fr. Franco and this parish community. As I have said many times already, whether in the Eucharist, in heaven, or in person along the way, I'll see you soon!

~Fr. Andrew Hoover

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PARISH & SCHOOL NEWS



Ellene B. Sharon F. Jerry, Cindy, Larry H., Carolyn & Mel Yanik, Sam Fekete, Danny, Richard Niery, Gil, Ellie, Patrick, Therese Olavsky, Toni Lachowiz, Patrick, Brenda, Wendy, Rose, Maryann, LuAnn *If you wish to add a name, the name will remain for one month. Call the Parish Office at 440-327-2201 to renew or add a name to the Prayer Chain.*



CATHOLIC CHURCH

Ways to give Your generosity is much appreciated. May God abundantly bless you.

<u>ENVELOPES</u> Mail in to the parish office

<u>ELECTRONIC BILL PAY</u> You can use your bank's electronic bill pay program

"NEW" <u>FAITH DIRECT</u> On-Line Giving Available on our parish website www.stpeternr.org

SAINT PETER SCHOOL

The doors to the school will be opening soon! The teachers will be back working on classrooms and getting them ready for the students to arrive on August 20, 2020. Throughout the summer we have been working hard to bring our students and staff, back into the building the safest way possible and we are ready. Our students will be in the classrooms five days a week, socially connecting with staff and friends, while following the guidelines of The State of Ohio and the Lorain County Board of Health. They will be learning and studying a little differently, but still receiving the knowledge and instruction they deserve to move forward in their education and show that They Are The Difference. We will "Stay Saint Strong!"

St. Peter School is now accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Many classes are filling quickly. If you would like your child to became a St. Peter Saint and learn why we are the difference, contact us for a tour of the school. (440) 327-3212 or www.stpeterschoolnr.org

SAY GOOD-BYE TO FR. ANDREW

This is Fr. Andrew's last weekend with our parish. If you would like to wish him well, he will be available in the gym after all of the Masses that weekend. Please stop by (but only once please) to say good-bye. Masks are required and social distancing must be maintained. There will be some pictorial displays of Fr. Andrew's time at our parish that you can view as you wait in line to greet him. And though there will be no food or drink in the gym, there will be an edible goodie for you as you leave the gym.

SAINTS CLUB AFTERCARE-EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

St. Peter School's aftercare program, Saints Club, is seeking part time help for the 2020-2021 school year beginning August 20th. Saints Club provides after school care in a safe and enriching environment for PreK-Eighth grade students. The position will require engaging in activities/homework help with the students enrolled in the program. We are seeking individuals who are willing to commit to a schedule with shifts between the hours of 2:30-6:00p.m. If interested, please contact Nicole Pozega at nicolepozega@stpeterschoolnr.org.

SAINT PETER VINCENTIANS BACK TO SCHOOL COLLECTION

This is the time of the year when the St. Peter Vincentians normally oversee their Back to School collection of school supplies. The Vincentians will be conducting this collection differently this year. Instead of asking for specific school supplies, the Vincentians will be accepting monetary donations for School Supplies. The money that they collect that has been earmarked "School Supplies" will be given to Sr. Sean Groh, our Parish Catechetical Leader and Assistant Principal, who will purchase and oversee the distribution of the school supplies.

To support the collection for school supplies, please place your gift in an envelope with the words "School Supplies" (Please make checks out to Saint Peter Parish.) and place it in the baskets as you enter the church on the weekends of August 1 & 2 or August 8 & 9. The Vincentians and Sr. Sean will take it from there. Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Thank you for your nominations for Parish Council. Those nominated are being contacted and those willing to run for a council seat will be completing their profiles. Watch next week's bulletin for the profiles.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



"There is a Season for everything... Ecclesiastes #: 1-8"

We often hear this scripture read at funerals, or weddings, Time is one of the most precious gifts we have to offer others. It is personal, special, and doesn't cost money to give of it freely. When given, it returns a hundredfold blessings for those whose lives you have impacted. Change can and will happen because you cared enough to give of your time. So, here is my question to you; have you ever thought of teaching PSR and sharing the gift of faith? Have you ever thought about the change you could make in a child's life? Please think about these questions, and if you want to know more, or are even willing to be an aide! Please call Sister Sean at the Parish Office 327-2201 ext. 130. Take the time in prayer to ask God what He would like you to do! Be generous as God is.

Thought for the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time If we wonder how generous our God is- the first reading from Isaiah speaks to this question. "If you are thirsty, come drink- you do not need money, paying is not necessary. Drink wine and milk, why spend your money on what is not bread. " Our second reading from St. Paul is one that should be memorized and prayed every morning! "What will separate us from the love of Christ?" Look at the list- anguish, distress, persecution, famine, nakedness, peril, sword! St. Paul's response is a jumpstart to our faith and hope- "No! in all things we conquer overwhelmingly through Him who loves us." We are a too quick to respond generation, and most questions or dilemmas need but a few minutes of quiet reflection and then sometimes no response! Our mantra I am for God and God is for me conquers just about everything. Matthew's account of the feeding of the five thousand people is one that we need to read and reread. It is a foundational gospel for discipleship. The apostles were on the right track when they 'noticed' the need of the people to get something to eat. But Jesus clarifies the "how to do this" in telling them don't send them away— You Feed Them. And we, just like the apostles— literally were taking stock of the food available. Jesus says to them, give Me what you have. Jesus blesses what we give Him. Jesus gives back to us what we have given and tells us to go feed the people. Jesus does not feed the people Himself. Interestingly enoughwhen everyone has brought forth their gifts for blessing, all are fed! What a miracle. Others around us are starving for the truth, for genuine care, for direction with their lives, for help in finding God! We all have something special to give, and yet sometimes, we just don't. Others will do it.. But the needed gift of your life will never be given unless you choose to do for God.

Today, as we say to Father Andrew, " until we meet again!" We become a grace that encourages him to go where God says He is needed now. We are grateful for all of the times he has fed us in his liturgies, for the many smiles given and especially his presence- so truly himself. It is only now that we can sing- "we remember how you loved us..." Memories are seeds planted of a person, or experiences we want to remember. And in the remembering- we take up the challenge that Father Andrew has given- be the best you for God!

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

MASS TIMES AT ST. PETER PARISH

Weekend Mass times at St. Peter remain the same. However, even with social distancing, we are prepared to handle overflow crowds. Masses are at:

5:00 PM Saturday/8:00 AM Sunday The overflow crowd will be in the gym with a livestream Mass and Holy Communion.

10:00 AM & Noon Mass on Sunday The overflow crowd will be in the gym with its own priest and a Mass.

The gym is set up for both livestreaming and for a live Mass. Chairs are set up in a socially distant manner. Masks, sanitizer and a no touch offertory system is in place. The gym, like the church, is sanitized after each Mass/livestream.



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

WAYS TO PRAY WITH THE PARISH DUE TO THE CORONA VIRUS:

LIVE STREAMED EVENTS – can now be viewed directly from our website at https://www.stpeternr.org/broadcastevents or from our Saint Peter Catholic Church Facebook page. They will be maintained on this web page for future viewing.

MASS – Mass has resumed in our church. The weekend masses will be held at our regularly scheduled mass times (Saturday 5pm and Sunday 6am, 8am, 10am and 12 noon). Daily Mass is at 8:15 am. You may also watch live (Daily 8:15a.m. Monday-Saturday & Sunday 10am) from Facebook or directly from our website at https://www.stpeternr.org/broadcast-events.

PRAY THE ROSARY –Our next Rosary to be live streamed will be on Saturday, August 8th at 10:00 a.m. You are also encouraged to pray the rosary daily at 9:00 a.m. wherever you are.

PANDEMIC HOLY HOUR – Parishioners are praying every hour of every day for an end to COVID-19. If you would like to sign up for an hour to pray daily, visit our website and click on the link to claim your hour.

CONFESSIONS – Will be heard on Saturdays from 3:30 - 4:30pm in the parish center. Please enter through the back door. Confidentiality and Social Distancing will be maintained. God's love and forgiveness cannot be quarantined.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY of the Word – A weekly video will be posted to Facebook and our website on Sundays for your children.

FORMED – A free gift from our parish – This site, FORMED.ORG, contains some of the best Catholic offerings available. You can view movies, pray with Sacred Scripture, listen to audio books, participate in study programs, and much more, all at no cost to you. To register, go to www.stpeternr.formed.org, create your login and submit. Recommended offerings are provided weekly in the bulletin.

ADORATION - Takes place on Tuesdays, until 3:00 p.m. Daytime Prayer and Benediction will be at 2:45 p.m.

CHURCH IS OPEN – for Private Prayer until 3:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Please maintain social distancing.

PASTOR'S REPORT - Stay informed on the state of the Parish every Friday with Fr. Bob at 4:00 p.m.



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SAINT PETER PARISH • NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO ST. PETER SPY YOUTH GROUP NEWS



SPY and Junior High SPY thank Fr. Andrew for all that he has done in ministering to and supporting the youth of St. Peter Parish. He will be greatly missed by our young people!

HIGH SCHOOL SPY

-Next meeting: Monday, August 3rd, 7:30-9 p.m. behind the parish center

JUNIOR HIGH SPY

-Next meeting: Thursday, August 6th, 7-8:30 p.m. behind the parish center

CONFIRMATION

-Parents of 2020 Confirmation candidates: if you did not RSVP for your assigned Mass, please do so ASAP at this link: <u>https://stpeternr.org/rsvp-confirmation</u>

-Registration remains open for 2020-2021 Confirmation preparation for those entering 8th grade this fall on our website.





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