

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2020

OUR OFFICE IS OPEN MONDAY - FRIDAY 8AM - 12 NOON

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



“Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.” - Jn 10:2-3

	OBSERVANCES	READINGS	MASS INTENTIONS
Sunday May 3	4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations	Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 1 Peter 2:20b-25 John 10:1-10	7:00 AM +Daniel and +Steven Pargas 8:30 AM +Teresa Hernandez, +Crus Hernandez 10:00 AM Lynn Obremski 11:30 AM +Cora and +Hernando Vigil 6:00 PM People of St. Peter
Monday May 4		Acts 11:1-18 Psalm 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 John 10:11-18	12:10 PM Theresa Rogakis
Tuesday May 5		Acts 11:19-26 Psalm 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 John 10:22-30	12:10 PM +Marce Aldrich
Wednesday May 6		Acts 12:24—13:5a Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 John 12:44-50	12:10 PM For Souls in Purgatory
Thursday May 7		Acts 13:13-25 Psalm 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27 John 13:16-20	12:10 PM +Kyle Dascher
Friday May 8		Acts 13:26-33 Psalm 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab John 14:1-6	12:10 PM +Ray Pierce
Saturday May 9		Acts 13:44-52 Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 John 14:7-14	9:00 AM Denise Gustafson 4:00 PM People of St. Peter
Sunday May 10	5th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day	Acts 6:1-7 Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 1 Peter 2:4-9 John 14:1-12	



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

PRAYER REQUESTS

Kathy Allen, Kathleen Alvarado, Kay Anderson, +Sue Asche, Luke Barden, Staci Behne, Lisa Biem, Claudean Boatman, Kathryne Bonar, Diane Brown, +Emma Brown, Mary Ellen and +Dick Budd, Ray Burns, Corrina Cantrell, Frani Castaneda, Roman Castaneda, Lydia Castillo, John Casynn, Lea Ciothe, Betty Clark, Mallory Cranwell, Jeremy Cruz, Chad Dunfee, Karen Eicher, Jackie J. and Family, Priscilla French, Heidi Gaiser, Merle Gaspers, Jeanette Gau-Moore, Rodriguez Gonzalez, Victor Gonzalez, Kelly Graybill, Aaron Greber, Gimena Gunderson, Denise Gustafson, Bryce Hares, Jean Hawkins, Margaret Hernandez, Sydney Hintz, Elliot Hitchcock, Marcella Holguin, Frank Holland, Judy Houston, Karen Johns, +Mary Margaret Kauffman, Louise Kessler, N. J. King, Geni Koenig, Rodney Kontz, Estson and Karen and Sherlene Kontz, Randy Koski, Carolyn Lafferty, Gavin Landwehr, Larue Lara, Laronda Leigh, Carla Martinez, Kevin McKenzie, +Art Milner, Peter Mongan, Chrissy Moore, Barbara Morales, John Muniz, Phyllis Murphy, Carol Murphy, Nestia Nuanez, Luci and Salem O'Leary, Donna Olson, Larry Overton, Carmen and Alvin Padilla, +Rose Pargas, Carlos Pena, +Ray Pierce, +Michael Prieto, Deloris Potterfield, Zachary Quick, Tony Quigley, Joel Redman, Virginia Rodriguez, Andrea Romero, Jackie Rowe, Cheryl Rubino, Kendall Scheiderer, Tyson Schaffer, Fred Sieber, Debie Simonton, Mildred Skonksner, Virginia Sorenson, Pauline Soto, Vic Smiley, Henry Smith, Eleanor Sneddon, Neva Spencer, Wilmena Stahla, Bob and Lorene Steele, Jon Stoson, Judy Stryker, Sonny Subia, Mabel Tapia, Joe Trujillo, Pauline Trujillo, Sonny Unrein, Mary Frances Villarreal, Patricia Marie Villarreal, Justine Wahlert, Terry Walsh, Majorie Whittington, Tamara Wilkinson, Joe Yates, Bonnie Youngman



FIRST READING

Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38)



PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Ps 23) or Alleluia.



SECOND READING

He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. (1 Pt 2:24)



GOSPEL

"I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture." (Jn 10:9)

YOUTH GROUP



Join us for a
online youth group
experience

WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30 PM

Email youth@stpetergreeley.org for info!

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Our parish is grateful for your continued support. Thank you!



LITURGICAL LIFE

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading

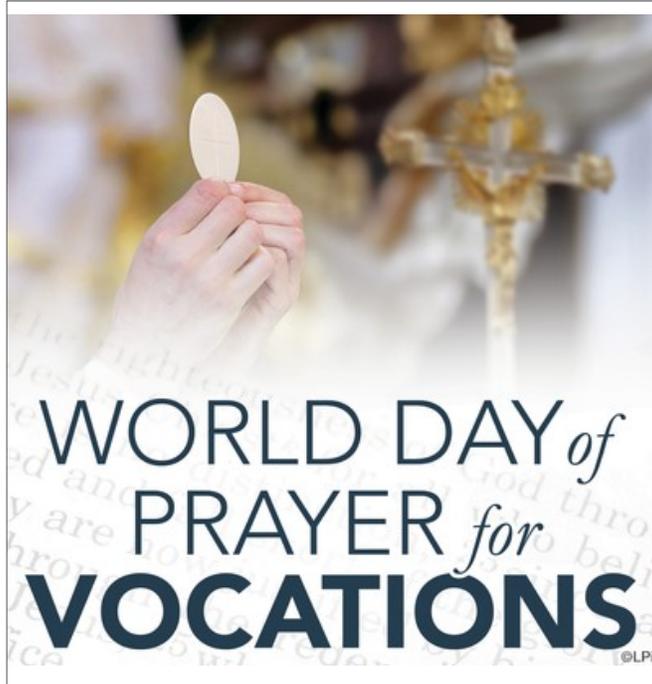
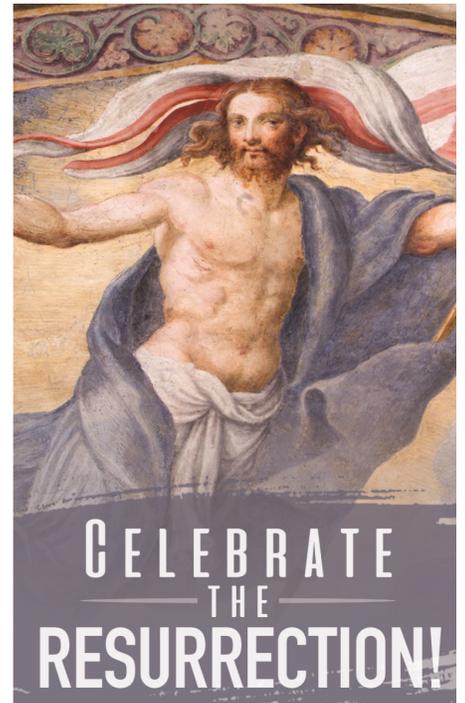
Luke tells us that Peter often testified: “Save yourself from this corrupt generation.” How is this passage still applicable today?

Second Reading

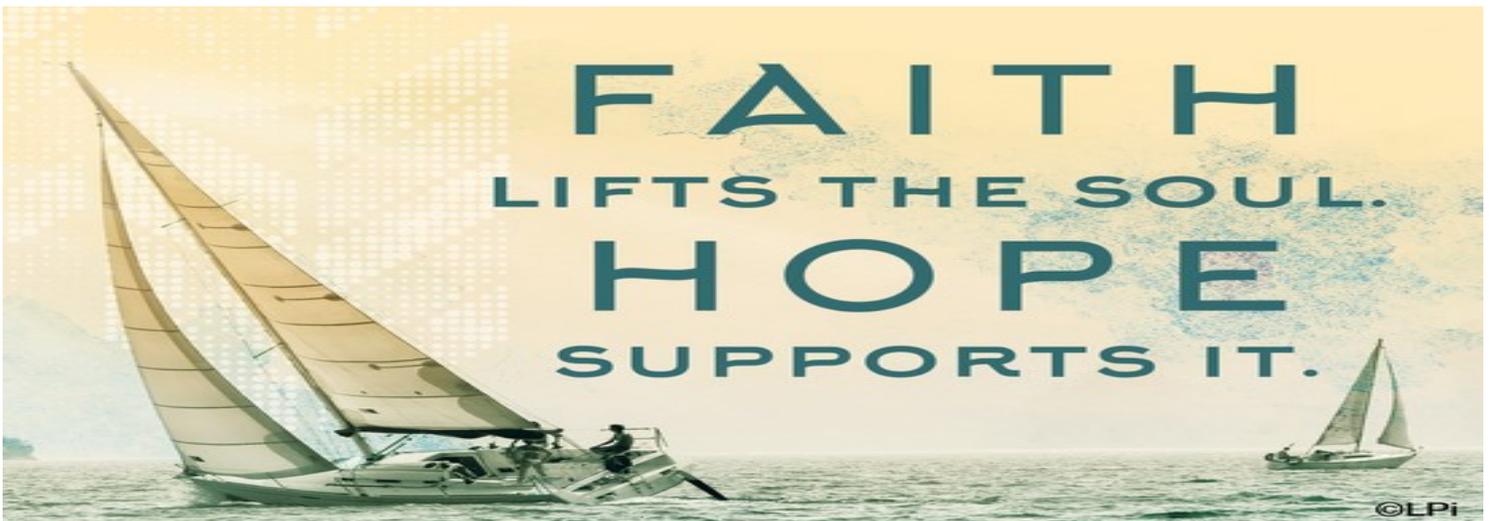
Peter asserts that the virtue of patience in one’s suffering is a grace from God because Jesus modeled patient suffering. How does this exercise of this spiritual disposition help bring peace of mind?

Gospel Reading

Using the metaphor of sheep and gatekeeper, Jesus teaches his disciples the importance of remaining focused on his voice. Why do you think people are so easily distracted from other voices?



Almighty and eternal God,
in your unfailing love you provide
ministers for your Church.
We pray for those whom you call
to serve St. Peter Catholic Church
as priests
Inspire in them a generous response.
Grant them courage and vision to
serve your people
May their lives and service call your
people to respond to the presence
of your Spirit among us
that, faithful to the Gospel and
hope of Jesus the Christ, we may:
announce glad tidings to the poor
proclaim liberty to captives,
set prisoners free
and renew the face of the earth.



Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

A gate or a gateway to a better world, paradise, is a long lasting theme in literature, art and film. We intuitively feel that there must be a different, better reality somewhere. We are looking for a gate to the garden of happiness, where it will be possible to finally forget about everything that is mean, bad, difficult, ugly, painful, fearful. Probably we inherit this longing from the first parents who were banished from paradise.

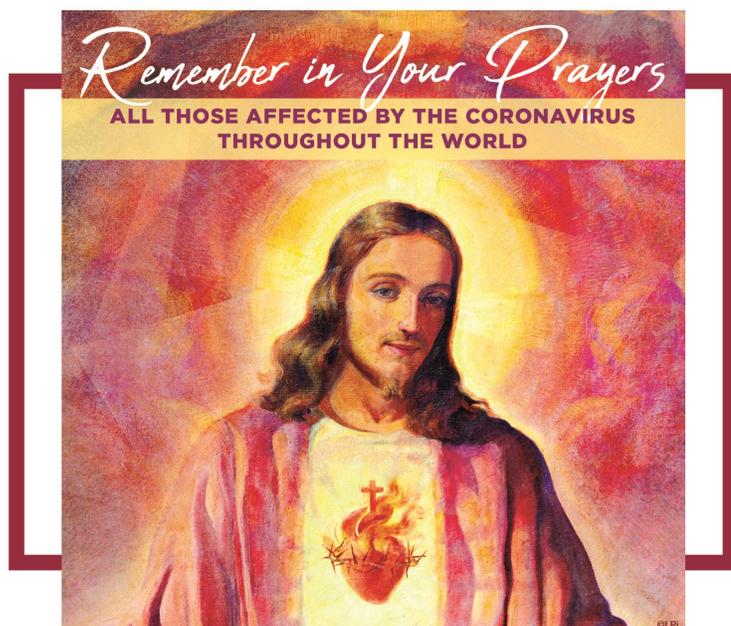
There are thousands of gates in the world. There are various solicitors who encourage us to enter and take advantage of the services provided. Just press the button on the remote control or click the mouse and you are transferred to a virtual garden. However, what is often advertised as a gateway to paradise usually turns out to be an entrance to the hell of slavery to sin, to addiction, even greater loneliness and confusion.

Because we have a very personal perception of God, it is quite difficult for us to realize that God is the homeland of man. Ultimately, we are looking for a way that leads to Him. This is the image Jesus presents in today's Gospel, He is the gate to the pastures of God's grace. In Him, man finds the most desirable connection that enables him to communicate with God himself. The Only Mediator - we read in the Bible. Through Him, God gives himself to people and because of Him people have access to God. That is why we hear the words "through Christ our Lord" so often in the prayers of the Church. By Baptism we get access to this saving connection, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, who is the perfect solicitor, encouraging us to enter through the right gate. Faith is what triggers this connection.

The problem is, we often don't want to consider ourselves a sheep. We don't want to be led. We reject the idea of anyone being our shepherd. Everyone wants to be a shepherd to himself today. The word "only" also raises objections. – "How come?! No! There are many roads, many gates, many possibilities. Who dare say about himself that He is the "Only Gate"? It's usurpation, intolerance and sounds almost like inquisition."

We have to withstand this pressure. Let them shout. A sheep led by another sheep, even intelligent ones, will not find the pasture. Let us not give in to the sheep's rush. The wise sheep knows that her fate is in the hands of a shepherd and agrees to this order of things. That's why they recognize the voice of a shepherd. They surrender to his wisdom, love and guidance. A good shepherd is a secret of closeness and authority.

The gate to heaven is closer than we think. The story goes that two monks read in a wise book about the existence of a place where earth meets with heaven. They decided to find this place. They left the monastery and set off on a journey. They traveled the whole world, overcame many dangers. They knew there would be a door in the place they were looking for. You just knock to have God open. Finally they reached the gate. They knocked with a trembling heart. The door opened. The monks came in and ... found themselves in their own cell, in their own monastery. The gate to paradise is not far away. Jesus, who is The Gate already dwells in me, waits for me within my life. We will recognize Him by His voice. The one!



Compassionate and Loving Father,
In the face of confusion and concern
impart to us the calm of Your presence.
In You allow us to find hope and healing.
Be with those who serve the sick and
give them Your caring hands.
Be with those who lead and give them
Your spirit of wisdom.
Be with those who have fallen ill and
give them Your comforting heart.
Wrap Your arms around our world
and hold us in Your love.
Allow us at this time of trial to then
serve as instruments of that love
to all we meet.

We ask this in Your Name.
Amen