



ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

915 12TH STREET | GREELEY CO 80631 | 970-352-1060 X1 FOR SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES

SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2020

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." - Mt 13:44

	OBSERVANCES	READINGS	MASS INTENTIONS	CHURCH EVENTS
Sunday July 26	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time	1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 Psalm 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 Romans 8:28-30 Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46	7:00 AM +Francisco Galindo Sr. 9:00 AM Schaffer Family 11:00 AM +Virgil Landretti 6:00 PM People of St. Peter	Gift Shop Closed
Monday July 27		Jeremiah 13:1-11 Deuteronomy 32:18-19, 20, 21 Matthew 13:31-35	12:10 PM +Joe Corona	Gift Shop Closed
Tuesday July 28		Jeremiah 14:17-22 Psalm 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 Matthew 13:36-43	12:10 PM Matthew and Jennifer Johnson	Gift Shop Closed
Wednesday July 29	St. Martha	Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21 Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42	12:10 PM +Rose Pargas	Gift Shop Closed 11:30AM Confessions - Parish Hall
Thursday July 30	St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	Jeremiah 18:1-6 Psalm 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab Matthew 13:47-53	12:10 PM +Gemelle Stephens	11AM - 1PM Gift Shop
Friday July 31	St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest	Jeremiah 26:1-9 Psalm 69:5, 8-10, 14 Matthew 13:54-58	12:10 PM Sam Bellendir	
Saturday August 1	St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24 Psalm 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 Matthew 14:1-12	9:00 AM Victor Gonzales 4:00 PM +Anita Tijerina	2:00 PM Confessions - Main Church
Sunday August 2	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Isaiah 55:1-3 Psalm 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 Romans 8:35, 37-39 Matthew 14:13-21		

CHESTERTON ACADEMY OF ST. JOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL



Catholic high school education has arrived, and we're here to stay.

In the last few months, we have been going through a number of preparations as we ready ourselves for the upcoming 2020-2021 academic year, and we wanted to take a few moments to share some updates about what we have been up to:

We are currently **enrolling 9th and 10th grade for the new school year!**

This is, of course, the most exciting part of our work, and we are always looking for new applicants. If you know a student that would relish the enriching, Catholic education that we are offering, let us know!

We have brought on **an exceptional faculty**, all of whom are deeply enthused about the opportunities the new year will bring to lead our students into a more personal relationship with Jesus Christ and a greater pursuit of intellectual development. The dedication of our faculty and staff has been immense; from persons like our **headmaster, Blaise Hockel**, and our **executive director, Liz Yeh**, we have been working diligently and joyfully the beginning of this endeavor.

But the biggest news is this:

thanks to a group of anonymous founding donors, we are able to offer free tuition for all students this year!

For all inquiries, email the headmaster at bhockel@chestertonjp2.org.

To apply, visit our admissions page at www.chestertonjp2.org



St. Mary Catholic School
Serving Preschool - 8th Grade
970-353-8100

**REGISTER NOW FOR THE
2020 - 2021 SCHOOL YEAR!**

Openings in Preschool-8th grade
for 2020-2021 school year

The current plan is for in classroom instruction.

Please go to <https://www.stmarycs.net/> for a virtual tour
or call the office, look forward to hearing from you.

Tuition Assistance available for qualifying families.

ST. PETER'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**REGISTRATION WILL BEGIN
MONDAY, AUGUST 3RD**

You can register online www.StPeterGreeley.org
or pick up a registration packet in the office.

We are currently planning on having in person classes, although the duration will be shortened, and they will be complimented by an online component if classes need to be suspended or if you don't feel comfortable sending your children to class.

DENVER CATHOLIC
**BIBLICAL
SCHOOL**



7 MORE WEEKS UNTIL BIBLICAL SCHOOL CLASSES START!
Classes begin the week of Monday Sept 14th.

All classes this year are offered ONLINE.
Classes will be LIVE instruction offered at 8 different times during the week. The times are 9-11 AM or 7-9 PM Monday through Thursday. Students will be able to choose one of the 8 convenient times available.

St. Jerome tells us that ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ. So, if you want your knowledge of Christ to increase, come to the Biblical School to get to know the Scriptures better!

UPCOMING INFORMATION SESSIONS AT ST. PETER

August 3rd, Aug 17th, or Aug 31st at 9:30 AM

Come hear a sample lesson and learn more!

Those times not convenient? Call 303.715.3195 or visit biblicalschool.org to view a schedule of other local information sessions or find a time for an online session.



Thank you

I am grateful to Father Tomasz and Father Crispin, our deacons and staff, and all our beautiful, faithful Catholic parishioners who have befriended me during my tenure at St. Peter. You have brought me great joy and I will be forever grateful.

*Thank you!
Dorothy Peterson*



Angelic Accents Gift Shop

We are closed July 20th - 29th

The Gift Shop will reopen on Thursday, July 30th

ST. PETER FOOD PANTRY

We are in need of the following items

Mac & Cheese

Small Shampoos

Peanut Butter

Rice

Thank you for your continued generosity!

***We are open Monday and Wednesday, 1pm - 3pm
If you would like to volunteer please call the office.***

Eucharistic Adoration

*Wednesdays
in the Church
8am - 4pm*

*Please sign up
weekly*

StPeterGreeley.org



**NEW MINISTRY
STARTING
THIS FALL!**

**LOOKING FOR
FAITH
SERVICE
& FUN
FOR YOUR
DAUGHTER?**

Our troop will meet on the 1st and 3rd
Wednesday of each month.

First meeting:
Wednesday, September 16th at 7pm

Parent Information Meeting:
Wednesday, September 9th at 7pm

***Call the office or go to www.StPeterGreeley.org
and let us know if you are interested!***

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO
WWW.AMERICANHERITAGEGIRLS.ORG

PRAYER REQUESTS

Kathy Allen, Kathleen Alvarado, Kay Anderson, Chris Aughe, Sharon Aughe, Luke Barden, +Michael Barker, Staci Behne, Lisa Biem, Claudean Boatman, Leonora Bock, +Harold Bohm, Luce Bonar, Kathryn Bonar, Diane Brown, +Emma Brown, Mary Ellen and +Dick Budd, Ray Burns, Corrina Cantrell, +Maria del Carmen Rodriguez, Frani Castaneda, Roman Castaneda, Lydia Castillo, John Casynn, Lea Ciothe, Betty Clark, Jeremy Cruz, Chad Dunfee, Karen Eicher, Jackie J. and Family, Priscilla French, Heidi Gaiser, Steve Garcia, Victor Garcia, Merle Gaspers, Jeanette Gau-Moore, +Mark Gonsior, Rodriguez Gonzalez, Victor Gonzalez, Kelly Graybill, Aaron Greber, Gimena Gunderson, Denise Gustafson, Bryce Hares, Jean Hawkins, Henry Hernandez, Margaret Hernandez, Elliot Hitchcock, Marcella Holguin, Frank Holland, Judy Houston, Karen Johns, +Mary Margaret Kauffman, N. J. King, Geni Koenig, Rodney Kontz, Estson and Karen and Sherlene Kontz, Randy Koski, Carolyn Lafferty, +Virgil Landretti, Larue Lara, Laronda Leigh, Carla Martinez, Manuel Martinez, Cam McKenney, Kevin McKenzie, Rob Minner, Peter Mongan, Chrissy Moore, Barbara Morales, John Muniz, Carol Murphy, Nestia Nuanez, Luci and Salem O'Leary, Donna Olson, Carmen and Alvin Padilla, Carlos Pena, +Michael Prieto, Deloris Potterfield, Zachary Quick, Tony Quigley, Joel Redman, Junior Rodriguez, Virginia Rodriguez, Andrea Romero, Jackie Rowe, Ryan Ruppel, +Mike Ruzyla, Kendall Scheiderer, Tyson Schaffer, Fred Sieber, Debie Simonton, Mildred Skonksner, Henry Smith, Eleanor Sneddon, Neva Spencer, Wilmena Stahla, Bob and Lorene Steele, Jon Stoson, Judy Stryker, Sonny Subia, Mabel Tapia, Daniel Torres, +Josephine Valdez, Mary Frances Villarreal, Patricia Marie Villarreal, Justine Wahlert, Terry Walsh, Majorie Whittington, Tamara Wilkinson, Geraldine Williams, Joe Yates

Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

There is more to the story than just pure luck in case of both discoveries in the parable Jesus tells in today's Gospel. Both men were indeed lucky to find something of a great value, treasure or pearl, but also both had to sell everything they had in order to take the possession of that new-found value. Everything. They went all in. They accepted the risk, as they haven't left any safe sum of money on the side. There is some madness in it, it's brave and daring. Both cases show that building a life on God comes at a cost. Yes, we have to invest in God in a way. What do we invest? Our life, our time, our strength, abilities, and sometimes health or money. This disturbing word: *everything* haunts us here. Why is it so difficult for us to believe that by entrusting everything to God, we can in turn gain everything that matters? Maybe because it's not so obvious. Faith has always a hint of risk to it. It has nothing to do with calculation.

When we discover God in our lives, everything else loses its value. Both parables remind us about it. And it is not about the decisions that are made in a spontaneous act of trust, neither does it come from the experience, but rather it's about the result of a continued pursuit and desire for more, that God plants in our heart and wants us to discover. An interesting detail that might get overlooked is that one of the characters in the parable made his decision *out of joy*. This is an important detail. The discovery of God is always bringing us joy. And if there is joy in our faith, we are more likely to eagerly forfeit everything for the sake of it.

On the surface it may seem that there is a difference between the two parables, that the man who discovered the treasure in the field did it by accident, by pure luck, while that merchant was actively looking for pearls, perhaps for many years, until he finally found the most valuable one. The reality is that each conversion, the discovery of God, is ultimately allowed by an accompanying grace. God Himself chooses the time, place and way. What might be perceived as a lucky accident, may in fact be a result of many years of preparation that preceded the discovery, the time that is known only to God Himself.

The thing that depends on us, however, is to be attentive in order not to miss the right moment. The Greeks called it *Kairos* - a moment of happiness, enchantment, delight, as opposed to the time of ordinary monotony, routine, everyday life - *Chronos*. God forbid, if I had missed my *Kairos* due to my absent-mindedness, lack of attention or lack of diligence...

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 3RD GRADERS

who were confirmed
received the Holy Eucharist



On Saturday, July 25th



Adamaris Aguirre
Alana Forster
Finnian Fulks
Patrick Fulks
Keanan Gallegos
Micaela Juarez
Delainey Kindsfather
Adaline Rios
Julian Saavedra
Uriah Tapia
Tyler Urizar-Arce

Confirmed in Christ

Lenny Urizar-Arce

thank you

Fr. Tomasz, Fr. Crispin, and the entire staff of St. Peter's would like to wish Dorothy Peterson well as she retires. Thank you for all of your years of dedication to our priests, staff, and parishioners. You will be missed!

Welcome

We would like to welcome Annalyse Gerkin and Marjorie Seery to the staff of St. Peter's.

They will be sharing the front desk duties for the office. Email secretary@StPeterGreeley.org for assistance.

Please stop by and say hello.