

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 20, 2022



“He said to the gardener, ‘For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down.’”

Luke 13:7a

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MASS TIMES

SATURDAY (ANTICIPATORY)

4:00 PM

SUNDAY

7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 6:00 PM

WEEKDAY

MON-FRI 12:10 PM

SATURDAY 9:00 AM

CONFESSION

SATURDAY 2:00 PM
WEDNESDAY 11:30 AM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

MONDAY 1PM
THROUGH
THURSDAY 5PM

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
FRIDAY 8:00 AM-12 NOON

ANGELIC ACCENTS GIFT SHOP

MONDAY-THURSDAY
10:00 AM-1:00 PM
SUNDAY 8:00 AM-12:15 PM

	OBSERVANCES	READINGS	MASS INTENTIONS	CHURCH EVENTS
Sunday March 20	3rd Sunday of Lent	Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15 Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 Luke 13:1-9	7:00 AM +Maynard Gerkin 9:00 AM +Mary Ellen Budd 11:00 AM +Merle Gaspers 6:00 PM People of St. Peter	7:00 AM-12:15 PM Gift Shop Open 10:00 AM AHG Meeting-School
Monday March 21		2 Kings 5:1-15ab Psalm 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 Luke 4:24-30	12:10 PM ++Jeanette and Francis Powers	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Begins 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open
Tuesday March 22		Daniel 3:25, 34-43 Psalm 25: 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 Matthew 18:21-35	12:10 PM +Marybeth Gerkin	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM The Art of Living book study 6:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday March 23	St Turibius of Mogrovejo	Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9 Psalm 147: 12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Matthew 5:17-19	12:10 PM +Judith Lynch	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 11:30 AM Confession 6:30-8:00 PM Youth Group 6:30 PM Adult Faith Formation
Thursday March 24		Jeremiah 7:23-28 Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Luke 11:14-23	12:10 PM Mary Blattner	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open
Friday March 25	Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord	Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10 Psalm 40: 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 Hebrews 10:4-10 Luke 1:26-38	12:10 PM ++Vittorio and Maria D'Angelo	1:00 PM Quilter's Group 6:00 PM Stations of the Cross 6:30 PM Soup Supper-Parish Hall
Saturday March 26		Hosea 6:1-6 Psalm 51: 3-4, 18-19, 20-21 ab Luke 18:9-14	9:00 AM +Walter Treacy 4:00 PM Marty and Lori Frank	2:00 PM Confession
Sunday March 27	4th Sunday of Lent	Joshua 5:9a, 10-12 Psalm 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32		

Bear Catholic Campus Ministry



Across from the Presidents' Row

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Upcoming Events

March 22-24 Sisters of Life in town

Sunday, March 20

6:00 PM Mass at St. Peter

NO Dinner After Mass

Tuesday, March 22nd

6:00-8:00 PM Food for the Feminine Heart-Campus Center

Wednesday, March 23

6:00-7:00 PM Dinner with the Sisters

7:00 PM Fully Alive-Campus Chapel

Thursday, March 24

4:45-5:15 PM Adoration and Confession-Campus Chapel

5:15 PM Mass-Campus Chapel

7:00 pm Speaker Series (Mother/Father)

Friday, March 25

4:45-5:15 PM Adoration and Confession-Campus Chapel

5:15 PM Mass-Campus Chapel

March 25-27

Senior Retreat in Winter Park

Sunday, March 27

6:00 PM Mass at St. Peter

Dinner After Mass

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Accompanying Videos Available

Find videos to accompany our Lent book, *The Art of Living*, on our website under Lenten Schedule



Angelic Accents Gift Shop

MARCH SALE

25% OFF JEWELRY AND MEDALS

Check out these items!

Scripture cards 5/\$1

Little Rose Shop Items

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO ADD SOMEONE TO THE PRAYER LIST

Baby Barrs, Ann Bruch, Brandon Bruner, Kim Cecil, Richard Felice, Mason Ferrari, John Morgan Gerkin, +Betty Gonzales, +Jose Gonzales, Dick Hamilton, Paul and Stephanie Hittle, NJ King, Robert Kirk, Gini Koenig, Garrett Mardesen, +Shirley Martin, Mary McDaniel, James Ortega, Dan Parker, Spencer Renfroe, Penelope Robinson, Gil Romero, Lisa Scott, Amy Smith, Sonny Unrein, Bill White

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We will sing at the 11:00 AM Mass on March 27

Practice will be March 22 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

For more information contact Tomoko
tomoko.creed@gmail.com



March 2 - April 10

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Please consider standing on the sidewalk on 35th Ave by Planned Parenthood (at any time) and praying for an end to abortion.
Signs will be available if you would like one.

Greeley Planned Parenthood Hours

Monday and Friday
9AM-5PM

Tuesday and Thursday
11AM-7PM

Wednesday 10 AM-5PM

Closed Sat and Sun

Contact Shirley Johnson 970-518-2156

YOUTH GROUP

Wednesday March 23rd 6:30-8:00 PM



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Our next meeting is TODAY at 10:00 AM

We will work on our Music Appreciation Patch

Our full schedule is available at
stpetergreeley.org/ministries/ahg

ST. PETER FOOD PANTRY

We are in need of the following items:

Small bags of sugar	Canned fruit
Crackers	Fruit juices
Fresh produce (bring to office)	Fruit cups
Individual cereal	Fruit

We are grateful for your continued generosity!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES UNDERWEAR NEEDED



Catholic Charities needs your help to provide clean, new underwear and bras to women who visit their shelters.

**Underwear Sizes Most Needed: M, L, XL
Bras of all sizes**

St. Peter will have a box in the gathering space where you can donate new underwear and bras. This is a great way to practice almsgiving this Lent!



St Mary Catholic Church is Hiring!

Full time Business Manager

Competitive pay and benefits
Accounting Degree Preferred
Send resume to St Mary Parish 2222 23rd Ave
Or email father.goggins@archden.org
(No calls please)

Tri-Parish Pinochle Club (St Mary, St Peter, Our Lady of Peace)

**Meets at 1:00 pm on April 9th and May 21st
at the Knights of Columbus Hall.**

**No experience necessary; we'll teach you how
to play! All are welcome!**

**For more information
call Jill Sauter at 970-673-2635
or Susan LaBonde at 970-353-3342**

Women's Morning of Recollection

9:00 am-11:30 am with Mass at 8:15 am

St. James Catholic Church, 1314 Newport St, Denver

**Go deeper in conversation with God.
The morning will include a meditation given by
a priest of Opus Dei, as well as confession and
adoration. All women are welcome.**

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Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

It's surprising how much in common has today's Gospel passage with the reading from the Book of Exodus, fruitless fig tree and the burning bush. Both trees represent God's desire to give each of us a chance, until the last moment of our lives. God hopes to restore life to every man, even if it has to start with a single green leaf of change showing up, heralding the most modest fruit of conversion.

There are many considering themselves atheists, who faced with misfortune, instinctively recited the words of the *Our Father* prayer, and – on the contrary – for many their comfort has become their last nail to the coffin of eternal death. Faith in man works miracles, but God's faith in man works miracles even more wonderful. God fully believes in every human being, in his awakening, turning to Him. When love dries up in us, He gives rivers of abundant water of life, and becomes a fire that doesn't consume, but illuminates the darkness of doubt. He gives us the ability of knowing our wickedness within us, and only then He digs in to get access to the rotten roots and heal them.

Moses' tree of life was not a fertile one. Certainly not. He lost everything: the comfort, prestige, respect of his kin, bond with the nation, protection of the pharaoh – his life simply collapsed. As he gazed up at the crown of the branches of the burning tree, he had the same discovery as when he looked back at the story of his royal life, now laying in ruins. And he asked himself the question: how is it possible that there's something still burning in him, if he has failed everyone and has wasted everything? There were only the rotten remains of his past still standing; he felt like a stranger, like a fruitless fig tree in a vineyard. Maybe sometimes we are in a similar mood. We think we have wasted it all. Perhaps we realize that the soil of our existence does not provide for us the necessary nutrients, and for years already we complain about the struggle to get to experience anything that would make our lives worthwhile. Many of us can recognize ourselves in the image of Moses, who has lost all hope and wonders how is it possible that God has not abandoned him yet.

Indeed, God is giving each of us one more chance this year, and he will not cut us off this planet, because there is someone who has interceded for us - the Gardener of Nazareth. Later this year, with care and love, He will *cultivate the ground around us and fertilize it* with the truth about ourselves. Maybe we will finally see what millions of people still cannot see in the barren Tree of the Cross. It is dead, leafless, rootless, without life, without value, and yet by the fact that one single Fruit is hanging on it, it has become the most meaningful sign of hope. That Fruit is Jesus Christ. He is a Living Fruit that will bring every dead tree back to life, even yours, as long as you do everything to be in communion with Him.

It's not too late to send in your Stewardship Pledge Cards!

You can mail them to us, drop them in the offertory basket, or bring them to the office.

Thank you to all those who have already made your commitment. We are grateful for your generosity!

STEWARDSHIP 

Children's Collection Resumes Easter Weekend (April 17th)

There was an error in previous bulletins about this. The collection will resume on Easter.

40 DAYS OF LENT

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays During Lent at 6:00 PM

CONFESSION AVAILABLE DURING STATIONS

This Friday's Stations will feature reflections by Pope St. John Paul II.

Soup Supper on March 25 & April 1

Fish Fry on April 8th

at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall

PENANCE SERVICE

Thursday, April 7th at 6:30 PM

PARISH MISSION

April 4th, 5th, & 6th at 6:30 PM

Presented by Fr. Tomasz

On the Traditions of the Church

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

One Last Chance

In today's Gospel Jesus offers his parable about last chances. The fig tree will have one last chance to bear fruit before it is cut down and destroyed. Good stewards realize that, like the fig tree, they are endowed with God-given gifts that are meant to "bear fruit" for God and neighbor. God has legitimate expectations of them. They also realize they do not know how much time they have left before the gardener returns for an accounting of their fruitfulness. How are we using our God-given gifts? How might we use our gifts to bear more fruit? The answer requires some urgency.