

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022



“Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.”

Luke 14:33

970-352-1060

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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 September 4	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Wisdom 9:13-18b Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 Philemon 1:9-10, 12-17 Luke 14:25-33	7:00 AM +Marybeth Gerkin 9:00 AM Dorothy Peterson 11:00 AM Mia Koffler 6:00 PM People of St. Peter	8:00 AM-12:15 PM Gift Shop Open No Religious Ed Classes
Monday September 5	Labor Day	1 Corinthians 5:1-8 Psalm 5:5-6, 7, 12 Luke 6:6-11	9:00 AM Fr. Robert Wedow	Labor Day-Office Closed Gift Shop Closed No adoration Food Pantry Closed
Tuesday September 6		1 Corinthians 6:1-11 Psalm 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b Luke 6:12-19	12:10 PM Andy, Jason, and Bernia Cordova	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 pm Adoration begins
Wednesday September 7		1 Corinthians 7:25-31 Psalm 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17 Luke 6:20-26	12:10 PM +Virgil Marck	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 11:30 AM Confession 6:00 PM Adult Faith Formation 6:30-8:00 PM Youth Group
Thursday September 8	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Micah 5:1-4a Psalm 13:6ab, 6c Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23	12:10 PM Mary Blattner	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open
Friday September 9	Saint Peter Claver, priest	1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27 Psalm 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12 Luke 6:39-42	12:10 PM +Andrew Champeau	1:00 pm Quilter's Group-church basement
Saturday September 10		1 Corinthians 10:14-22 Psalm 116:12-13, 17-18 Luke 6:43-49	9:00 AM +Rita Brady Kiefer 4:00 PM +Michael Santeramos	2:00 PM Confession
Sunday September 11	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-32		

Bear Catholic Campus Ministry



Across from the Presidents' Row

info@BearCatholic.com

Students: Scan here to see this
week's upcoming events



www.bearcatholic.com



Find us on:
facebook



Quilters Group

Friday afternoons starting Sept 9th

1:00-3:00 PM

In the church basement

All ages and skill levels are welcome!

Contact Carol Gittlein 970-506-2873

Baptism Class

For Parents and Godparents

Monday September 12th 6:00 PM-8:00 PM

Please call the office to sign up.

Bearcatholic.com/golf-tournament

13th Annual Bear Catholic Golf Tournament



Last chance
to sign up!

NEXT SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 10TH!

At the Boomerang
Links in Greeley

8:00 AM start



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We will sing at the 11:00 AM Mass
on Sunday, September 11th

Practice will be Monday, September 6th 6:00-7:00 PM

Children's Choir is open to those in 4th grade and up (or who have completed sacramental preparation). We sing at the 11AM Mass once a month and also on Christmas Eve.

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO ADD SOMEONE TO THE PRAYER LIST

Baby Barrs, Lillian Beam, Eleazar, Jennie, and Hector Bermea, +Amy Burkholder, Kim Cecil, Patty Cline, +Preston Fiolkoski, Bernadette Gallegos, Penny Gutttersen, Norman Helleman, +John Hutcheson, Bev Jablonski, NJ King, Gini Koenig, +Angelica Lopez, Barb Martinez, Tom McMahan, Dani Minner, Samuel Nez, Al Padilla, Penelope Robinson, John S., Doug Swanson, Sonny Unrein, +Angie Vega, John Walsh, Becky Wyperd

ST. PETER FOOD PANTRY

We are in need of the following items:

Flour	Sugar	Cake mix
Corn meal	Rice	Pancake mix
Syrup	Spaghetti	Spaghetti sauce
Pasta	Tomato sauce	Canned fruit
Meal soups	Peanut butter	Saltines
Instant Mashed Potatoes	Juice	Snack Crackers

We are grateful for your continued generosity!



AMERICAN
HERITAGE GIRLS™
FAITH | SERVICE | FUN

Unfortunately, American Heritage Girls will not meet at our parish this year due to lack of interest. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Paul J. Kim Is Coming to UNC!

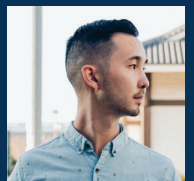
International Catholic speaker, musician, and comedian

Thursday, September 8th

7:00-9:00 PM

Lindou Auditorium

Michener Library on campus



Angelic Accents Gift Shop

SEPTEMBER SALE

25% off Willow Tree, Rosaries, and Medals

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Renouncing Our Possessions

At the conclusion of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus tell a "great crowd" that "anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." A few of Jesus' immediate disciples, such as Peter, John and James, did just that: They responded to Jesus' call, renouncing everything to follow him. How do modern disciples of Jesus respond when confronted with this apparently harsh command of Jesus? Surely the renunciation of possessions need not mean literally giving all one's possessions away, does it? Questions we might ponder this week though: Do our possessions keep us from encountering Christ at Mass? Do they distract us from our parish family? Do our possessions interfere with our relationships? Do they make us insensitive to those less fortunate?

St. Peter Prayer Line

We are starting a prayer line for support when urgent needs arise, i.e., a severe injury, surgery, court date, new health issue, end of life, etc.

There will be a special group that will receive these prayer requests. To sign up for this ministry, text 84576 with the word PRAYERLINE in the body of your message, or call the office.

When you have a prayer request, please call 970-939-5869 or email prayers@stpetergreeley.org. This line will be monitored daily. When leaving a prayer request, include as much or as little detail with which you are comfortable. Always leave your name and number. Someone will call you. You can call back to leave updates. It is wonderful to hear how prayers are answered!



AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE LECTIO™

"Eucharist : Discovering the Mass in the Bible"

This series explores how the Eucharist is revealed "in numerous books of both the Old and New Testaments."

Video lessons taught by Dr. Brant Pitre, Research Professor of Scripture at the Augustine Institute.

Beginning September 17th for 11 weeks
Saturday mornings 9:45-11:15 AM
in the office conference room

Cost is \$20 for the study guide.
Contact the office to register,
or learn more at the Time and Talent Fair.



2022 BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

St Peter donated \$7,276.91 to this year's Resource Center Baby Bottle Campaign, over \$1,500 more than last year.

Thank you for your generosity!



Help End Abortion in Greeley!

September 28th-November 6th

KICK-OFF EVENT

4:30 PM on Tuesday, September 27th
at the Greeley Planned Parenthood

Dinner and guest speaker Dr. Haywood Robinson to follow at St. Peter's at 5:30 PM.

Please RSVP for the kick-off by contacting Shirley Johnson, Dalas Mueller, or signing up at our Time and Talent Fair.

Shirley Johnson: 970-518-2156 or n.sjohnson@comcast.net

Dalas Mueller: greeley40daysforlife@gmail.com

More info at stpetergreeley.org

Is Jesus inviting you to serve at Mass?

WE NEED LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION. Training is provided and you can choose which Mass and dates work for you to serve.

NEW LECTOR TRAINING

Sunday, September 18th
4:00-5:00 PM in the church.

NEW EMOHC TRAINING

Saturday, October 8th 9:45 AM-12:00 PM
Light refreshments and inspirational video in the parish hall, followed by training in the church.

Youth Group
OLPI

Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in the youth center

Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

Just like not every love is virtuous, so also not every hatred is sinful. In our culture we have monopolized love as something exclusively good, in the same time reducing hatred to something entirely negative. However, when Jesus talks about the necessity of hating *father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even one's own life*, in order to be his disciple, He does not talk about hatred as a form of disgust, repugnance, condemnation or denunciation. He proclaims hatred which is a release from any attachment and appropriation which prevents from putting in other people such trust that only God is due. Jesus is fully aware that quite easily our closest people can become gods in our lives, and the things we have turn into idols, bringing us to the role of blind followers and transforming our relationships into idolatrous cults. The ideal love – according to Jesus – is only possible if we can refer to our loved ones with such freedom as if we hated them.

In conversations, I have heard many times from people who truly loved Christ, how by building this relationship they have exposed themselves to malice and mockery, primarily from their own family members. With sadness they often realize that if their family ties were the most important for them, they would have probably given up on their attachment to Christ, preferring to keep those relationships with loved ones and not expose themselves to the ridicule.

Jesus gives us today two challenging examples: the construction of the tower and the war with a stronger opponent. When beginning any construction project, one must be ready for expenses. When building a house, one has to reckon with the fact that it will cost them a lot, but the initiative is worth the expenditures. Interestingly, when someone's life is not going well, in Polish it is described as 'a collapse' while in English we say it's 'in ruin,' both of which are taken from the language pertaining to construction. Imagine building your family life for years, a perfectly ordered world, and then, in one moment finding out that a person who this life was built on declared their love to someone else and – in fact – has been secretly cheating on you for several years. If we build our happiness only on love for others, then when one day they start packing the suitcases, stating that they don't love us anymore, everything will collapse and only the ruins will remain. I am ready to lose everything and everyone only if I am built on love for Jesus. It's a reminder that total trust can only be given to God and no one else.

But what is this army that is coming with a twice more powerful force? The army Jesus is talking about symbolizes all that we encounter in our lives that is unpredictable, experiences that overwhelm us. Army of days, army of circumstances, army of feelings, army of people, army of words and army of events. If we think honestly about our future, we will be terrified, because everything and anything can happen. We don't have look far back to realize this is happening among us, in our own community...

Because we are unable to predict even the nearest future and events related to our closest family, it would be naive not to ask for peace terms with the real king: the Christ. If we make peace with Him, no experience will be our enemy, even the most dreadful one. However, if we won't enter the covenant with God, everything we encounter will stand in opposition to us. Peace with Jesus assures us that no earthly experience will overcome us.

VIRTUS Protecting God's Children Safe Environment Training

Friday, September 16th 5:00-8:00 PM at St. Peter.

Required for all who volunteer with youth and children.

Call the office to sign up.

Feed the Bears

**Sign up to make a Sunday night
meal for our college students
following the 6:00 PM Mass.**



Dinners are held from September-December for the fall semester.

We have an opening on **Sunday, September 18th**, and several other Sunday nights in October, November, and December.

To sign up, visit bearcatholic.com and click on the "Donate" tab, or call the office. Thank you for your generosity to our Bear Catholic students!

Time and Talent Fair

Next Weekend!

September 10th and 11th in the Parish Hall

**Explore the St. Peter's community
and all it has to offer!**

Come and see how you can volunteer and become involved here at our parish.



**Monday
September 5th** **LABOR DAY**

**The office will be closed
Mass is at 9:00 AM
Adoration begins on Tuesday at 1:00 PM**