

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY (ANTICIPATORY)

4:00 pm

SUNDAY

7:00 AM

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WEEKDAY

Mon-Fri 12:10 pm Saturday 9:00 am

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am-4:00 pm Friday 8:00 am-12 noon

CONFESSION

Saturday 2:00 pm Wednesday 11:30 am

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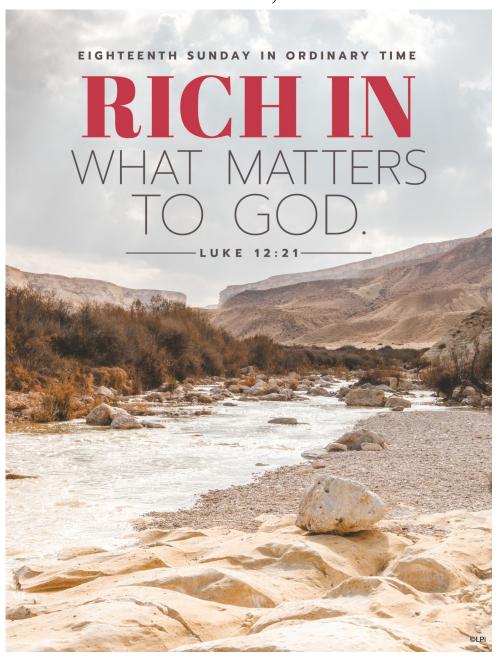


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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 3, 2025



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	OBSERVANCES	READINGS	MASS INTENTIONS	CHURCH EVENTS
Sunday August 3	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23 Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 Luke 12:13-21	7:00 AM +Tera Borey 9:00 AM +Louise Schaefer 11:00 AM People of St. Peter 6:00 PM +Olivia Brummer	8:00 AM-12:30 PM Gift Shop Open
Monday August 4	Saint John Vianney	Numbers 11:4b-15 Psalm 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Matthew 14:13-21	12:10 РМ Tom and Loretta Primozich	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Begins 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open
Tuesday August 5		Numbers 12:1-13 Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13 Matthew 14:22-36	12:10 рм +Rosemary Henry	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open
Wednesday August 6	The Transfiguration of the Lord	Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 2 Peter 1:16-19 Luke 9:28b-36	12:10 PM Father's Day Novena	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 11:30 AM Confession
Thursday August 7	Saint Cajetan Pope Saint Sixtus II and companions	Numbers 20:1-13 Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Matthew 16:13-23	12:10 PM Miguel And Rosalba Anniversary	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open
Friday August 8	Saint Dominic	Deuteronomy 4:32-40 Psalm 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21 Matthew 16:24-28	12:10 PM Christopher Cervantes	
Saturday August 9	Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein)	Deuteronomy 6:4-13 Psalm 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51 Matthew 17:14-20	9:00 AM ++Patrick, Sophia, Owen Domisch; Bev Jablonski; Jean Koch; Mike Servy; Monsie Thomas Barry; Michael Guttersen Jr; Michael Guttersen Sr; Miles Flagg 4:00 PM Salina Yates	2:00 PM Confession
Sunday August 10	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Wisdom 18:6-9 Psalm 33:1,	12, 18-19, 20-22 Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19	Luke 12:32-48

Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

Today's readings continue the invitation to prayer – but with a deeper challenge: What are we praying for? Are our petitions aligned with the heart of God, or are they shaped by the fleeting desires of the world? Scripture reminds us that not all prayers are equal – not because God is selective, but because we are often distracted. We are called to lift our eyes beyond the temporary and pray for what endures.

The voice of Ecclesiastes is sobering: "Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity." The author laments the toil and anxiety of life under the sun, especially when all that is gained must be left behind. It's a reminder that even our most diligent efforts, if disconnected from eternal purpose, leave us restless. If our prayers are only for success, comfort, or control, we risk chasing wind. God is not indifferent to our needs – but He invites us to seek more than what fades.

In the Gospel, a man asks Jesus to settle a financial dispute. But Jesus refuses to be drawn into the drama of possessions. Instead, He tells a parable of a rich man who stores up wealth, only to die that very night. "This night your life will be demanded of you." The tragedy is not the man's wealth, but his isolation – his failure to be "rich in what matters to God." His prayer, if he had one, was likely centered on barns and grain, not on gratitude or generosity. Jesus is urging us to examine our hearts: Are we praying for what will last beyond this life?

Saint Paul offers the antidote: "Seek what is above, where Christ is." He calls us to put to death earthly desires - greed, impurity, falsehood - and to clothe ourselves in the new self, renewed in the image of the Creator. This is not a rejection of the world, but a reorientation. should reflect Our prayers transformation. Instead of asking only for what we want, we begin to ask for what God wants – for holiness, for wisdom, for love that builds up the Body of Christ.

So how do we pray rightly? We begin by asking God to shape our desires. We pray for clarity, for detachment, for the grace to see what truly matters. We pray for the poor, the lonely, the lost. We pray for courage to forgive, for strength to serve, for humility to listen. We pray not just for blessings, but for the ability to be a blessing. And yes, we can pray for the same things again and again because God never tires of hearing us. But let us make sure that what we ask for is worthy of the One to whom we pray.

Prayer is not a transaction – it is a relationship. And in that relationship, God invites us to lift our eyes, to seek what is above, to be rich in what matters to Him. Let us not waste our breath on what cannot save. Let us pray for what endures: faith, hope, love, and the grace to live each day in light of eternity.



Registration for Parishioners Is Now Open!

Come to the office to register.

Non-parishioners can register on August 11th Registration ends August 22nd Classes begin the week of September 7th

We have groups available for children, adults, baptized, and non-baptized. No matter where you are at in your faith journey, we have something for you!





Prayerfully consider how God might be calling you to help guide children, teens, and adults on their faith journey.

Remember: God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.

There are many volunteer opportunities for your time and talent.

We need:

- Lead catechists for adults and children
- Catechist assistants
- Teen classroom aides
- Substitute catechists
- Retreat volunteers
- Companions for those in the process of becoming Catholic



Visit stpetergreeley.org/volunteer or call Justyna at 970-939-5872



Bear Catholic Golf Tournament

Saturday, September 13

Register at bearcatholic.com/ golf-tournament

Parish Ministries

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO ADD SOMEONE TO THE PRAYER LIST

Jorge Alanis, Brian and Matthew Berning, Cathy Gigliotti, Kevin Keberlein, NJ King, Arthur and Charice Morel, Michael Morel, Chris Schneller, Ruben Sendejo, Luis Temblador, +Mia Torrez, Karen Trainer

of the blessed virgin Mary

Thursday, August 14th Anticipatory Mass at 6:00 PM

Friday, August 15th 7:00 AM, 12:10 PM, 6:00 PM

Feed the Bears

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



Dinners are held September-December for the fall semester

To sign up, visit <u>bearcatholic.com</u> and click on the "Give" tab. Thank you for your generosity!

We want to hear from you!





Each fall our priests present a preaching series during the homily at Mass. This year's teaching (beginning the weekend of September 6-7) will be based on your questions.

What would you like to know about the faith or the Church? Have you ever wondered "Why do we do that?" or "Why do we believe that?" Submit your questions online or write them on paper and drop them in the question box in the foyer.

St. Peter Food Pantry

We are in need of the following items:

Canned fruit Rice Peanut butter
Canned chicken Syrup Canned pasta meals
Individual cereals Sugar Pancake Mix
Mac & Cheese cups Beans Baking Mixes
Ramen noodles Crackers Granola bars/snacks

We are grateful for your continued generosity!

Moms Group

Confession for Moms

Wednesday, August 13th at 11:00 AM In the office (baby-sitting available)

Monthly Meetings during the School Year

2nd Wednesday of the month at 10:00 AM (confession is available at 11:00 AM)
1st Meeting: Wednesday, September 10th
In the church basement

3rd Thursday of the month during youth group (6:30 PM-8:00 PM) 1st Meeting: Thursday, September 18th In the parish hall

Moms are welcome to come to one or both meetings. Children are always welcome!

Text STPETERMOMS to 84576 to join our contact list on flocknote



Next weekend is the Annual Collection for Retired and Infirm Priests, which helps provide them with

housing, healthcare, and other essential needs.

As a stewardship parish, St. Peter will be donating \$5,000 to the collection. If you wish to give more, you can donate at archden.org/retiredpriests or write a check to St. Peter and put second collection in the memo and drop it in the offertory basket. Thank you for your generosity!



Coffee and Donuts

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Today after the morning Masses Join us for food and fellowship!

Young Adult Group

Co-Ed Bible Study
Mondays at 7:30 PM at the youth center

Contact Katelyn Mendoza 970-691-1449 katelyn.mendozaweiss@outlook.com

Text STPETERYA to 84576 to join our contact list on Flocknote.

Baptism Class



If you are a parent or godparent of a child to be baptized, our next class is

Monday, August 11 at 6:00 PM The class is offered for fluent English speakers.

Spanish classes are offered at Our Lady of Peace.
Call the office to sign up 970-352-1060

Youth Group

Fall Kick-off
Thursday, September 11th at the rectory
6:30 pm-8:00 pm

All 6th-12th graders are invited to join us!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers a warning to those who pursue leisure and pleasure as their goal in life without concern for the poor and less fortunate. He tells the parable of the wealthy landowner who, upon yielding an exceptionally profitable harvest one year, determines that he will live the rest of his days in relaxation; to eat, drink and be merry. God calls the miser a "fool" and lets him know that his greed and self-indulgence will not bring him the security he seeks. Good stewards acknowledge that the money and possessions entrusted to them are to be used to further the mission of Jesus Christ. This week let us reflect on our own daily consumption habits. Do we spend money on articles that make us better ambassadors of Christ? Does our personal lifestyle bring "good news to the poor" (Luke 4:18)?

St. Peter's Seniors

Our next meeting is Wednesday August 20 1:00 PM in the church basement

Call Cathie 970-412-8621 for more information

Public Announcement of Upcoming Marriage

I publish the Banns of Marriage between Jose Luis Zapata Orozco and Eva Nohemi Rodriguez Olivas, and I bid your prayers on their behalf.

If you know of any just cause or impediment why these two persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, please report it to the parish office: 970-939-5872

Around the Area

CHANGING HEARTS AND MINDS ON ABORTION

A FREE Interactive Workshop Sunday, August 10 1:30 PM-4:30 PM At the Resource Center 822 14th St, Greeley





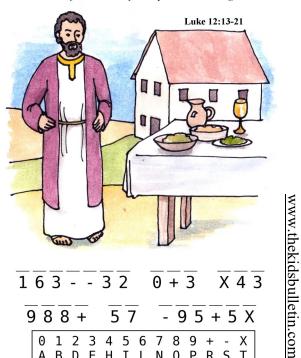




Faith Formation

Young Saints-in-Training

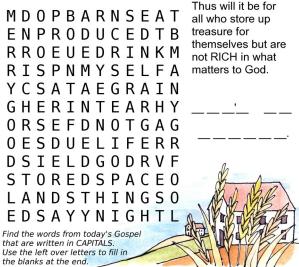
Use the code at the bottom to find out what the rich farmer in today's Gospel wasn't thinking about.



The Rich Farmer Word-Find

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"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does NOT consist of POSSESSIONS." There was a rich man whose LANDS PRODUCED a BOUNTIFUL HARVEST. He asked himself, 'What shall I do, for I do not have SPACE to store my harvest?' And he said, 'This is what I shall do: I shall TEAR down my BARNS and build LARGER ones. There I shall store all my GRAIN and other GOODS and I shall SAY to MYSELF, "Now as for you, you have so MANY good things STORED up for many years, REST, EAT, DRINK, be MERRY!" But GOD said to him, 'You FOOL, this NIGHT your LIFE will be DEMANDED of you; and the THINGS you have PREPARED, to whom will they belong?



The Protestant Reformation (Last Week) **Protestant vs Catholic Salvation and Justification** Modern Catholic History part 1 (Next Week)

What Protestants Believe

- Justification says that "God doesn't actually wipe away our sins. Our souls don't become spotless and holy in themselves. Instead, they remain corrupted, sinful, full of sin. God merely throws a cloak over them and treats them as if they were spotless, knowing all the while that they're not."
- Justification is a "purely legal declaration;" our souls don't actually transform or change. "If you 'accept Christ as your personal Lord and Savior,' then he declares you justified, though he doesn't really make you justified or sanctified. Your soul is in the same state as before, but you're eligible for heaven."

What the Church Teaches

- "Souls really are cleansed by an infusion of the supernatural life...We're still subject to temptations to sin; we still suffer the effects of Adam's fall in that sense [concupiscence] but God removes the guilt from our souls."
- "Our intellects are given the new power of faith, something they don't have at the merely natural level. Our wills are given the new powers of hope and charity, things also absent at the merely natural level."
- "There is a real transformation that occurs in justification and that is not just a change in legal status."
- Justification and sanctification (the process of being made holy) are both ongoing processes.

What Protestants Believe

- You can't lose your justification through sin. If you reject Christ, then you weren't saved in the first place.
- Sanctification (becoming holy) is important, but it doesn't affect your justification or therefore your salvation.

What the Church Teaches

- "If you sin grievously, then the supernatural life in your soul disappears, since it can't coexist with serious sin. You then cease to be justified...But you can become re-justified by having the supernatural life renewed in your soul, and you can do that by responding to the actual graces God sends you."
- If you lose supernatural life from mortal sin, you can't gain it back on your own; you need help from actual graces from God, like your conscience telling you to go to confession. The Sacrament then helps you to regain supernatural life.
- Our good works increase our sanctifying grace, which helps us to turn away from temptations. Our initial grace is a gift from God that we can't earn, but we can increase it through good works and prayers.

-source: The Essential Catholic Survival Guide by Catholic Answers

Eucharistic Miracle Spotlight

Krakow, Poland 1345

In 1345 some thieves broke into a little church in the village of Wawal, near Krakow, and stole the monstrance containing consecrated Hosts.

When the thieves discovered that the monstrance was not made of real gold, they threw it and the Hosts into a muddy marsh. Searches for the monstrance were unsuccessful until nightfall, when mysterious lights emanated from the place where the monstrance had been dropped.

After 3 days of fasting and prayer, the bishop led a procession to the source of the lights, where they found the monstrance and all the Hosts intact.

A church called Corpus Christi was built in honor of the miracle, and the miracle is celebrated annually on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi.



Source: <u>miracolieucaristici.org</u>
List of miracles compiled by Blessed Carlo Acutis

Saint Dominic

Feast: August 8th
Patron of astronomers,
astronomy, the Dominican
Republic, falsely accused

Quick Facts

- Born in Spain in 1170. His parents were part of the Spanish nobility
- Studied theology and the arts in Palencia
- Sold everything he had, including his manuscripts, to help those affected by a famine in 1191.
- Joined a Benedictine order in 1194
- He and his bishop, Diego de Acebo, were sent to France to combat the Albigensian heresy.
- Established a convent in Southern France for those who needed refuge from the heretics.
- In 1215 he established his own religious order dedicated to morality and expelling heresy, became known as the Dominicans
- Was known for having few possessions, refusing to sleep in a bed, and often going barefoot. Many were attracted to his humility.
- Fell ill in 1221 and died a few weeks later
- Canonized in 1234



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