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	OBSERVANCES	READINGS	MASS INTENTIONS	CHURCH EVENTS
Sunday August 17	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 Psalm 40:2, 3, 4, 18 Hebrews 12:1-4 Luke 12:49-53	7:00 AM ++Dick & Mary Ellen Budd 9:00 AM +Olivia Brummer 11:00 AM The Villa Nueva Family 6:00 PM People of St. Peter	8:00 AM-12:30 PM Gift Shop Open
Monday August 18		Judges 2:11-19 Psalm 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab & 44 Matthew 19:16-22	12:10 PM +Mary Reis	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Begins 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open
Tuesday August 19	Saint John Eudes	Judges 6:11-24a Psalm 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 Matthew 19:23-30	12:10 PM +Ruby Guerrero	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open
Wednesday August 20	Saint Bernard of Clairvaux	Judges 9:6-15 Psalm 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Matthew 20:1-16	12:10 PM Mike & Amy Yates	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 11:30 AM Confession 1:00 PM Seniors 55+
Thursday August 21	Pope Saint Pius X	Judges 11:29-39a Psalm 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Matthew 22:1-14	12:10 PM +Isha Castro	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open
Friday August 22	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 Psalm 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 Matthew 22:34-40	12:10 PM Fr. Tomasz	
Saturday August 23	Saint Rose of Lima	Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 Psalm 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 Matthew 23:1-12	9:00 AM ++Al Gallegos, Ray & Dorothy Banks, Stephen & Ted Banks, Ray Longley, Fr. Roger Lascelle, Jean Koch, Miles Flagg, Arthur Morel 4:00 PM +Ron McKenzie	2:00 PM Confession
Sunday August 24	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	Isaiah 66:18-21 Psalm 117:1, 2 Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 Luke 13:22-30		

Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" These words from Jesus in today's Gospel can sound startling, even unsettling. We often imagine Christ as the Prince of Peace, the gentle Shepherd, the healer of wounds. And yet here He speaks of fire and division – of households torn apart, of conflict not peace. But this is not a contradiction. It is a revelation.

Jesus does not desire division. He does not wish for families to be fractured or hearts to be burdened. Rather, He is naming the inevitable consequence of truth entering a world that has grown comfortable with compromise. The fire He brings is the fire of divine love, of purification, of truth that cannot coexist with falsehood. And in a world that often prefers shadows to light, truth will always provoke a reaction. We live in a dualistic world – a world where good and evil are not abstract ideas but daily realities. We know kindness because cruelty exists. We know peace because we have tasted conflict. And we know the beauty of Christ because we have seen what life looks like without Him.

Jeremiah, in our first reading, is thrown into a cistern for speaking the truth. He is not hated because he is wrong, but because he is right. His fidelity to God's word makes him a threat to those who would rather silence the voice of conscience than change their hearts. This is the pattern of the prophets. And it is the pattern of Christ. When Jesus says He came to bring fire, He is speaking of the fire that refines, not destroys. It is the fire of the Holy Spirit, the fire of conviction, the fire that burns away complacency and awakens courage. And yes, it divides – not because Christ is divisive, but because truth demands a response. Some will embrace it. Others will resist it. Even within families, this tension can arise. Faith is not inherited like a surname. It is chosen, lived, and sometimes suffered for.

The Letter to the Hebrews encourages us to run the race with perseverance, keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus. He endured opposition from sinners, not because He failed, but because He was faithful. And we, too, are called to endure – not with bitterness, but with hope. Opposition is not necessarily a sign that we are on the wrong path. It is often the clearest sign that we are walking with Christ. The world resisted Him. It will resist us. But we do not walk alone.

So, what do we do when we feel the sting of rejection, the loneliness of standing for truth, the ache of division even among those we love? We remember this: Christ has gone before us. He knows the pain. He knows the cost. And He promises that it is not in vain. The fire we endure now is not the fire of destruction – it is the fire that leads to eternal life. It is the fire that purifies our hearts, strengthens our resolve, and prepares us for the joy that no opposition can steal.



FAITH FORMATION Classes

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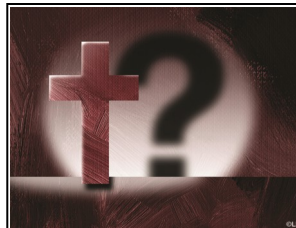
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**Remember: God doesn't call the qualified,
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**Have Questions
About the Faith?
We want to hear
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Each fall our priests present a preaching series 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.



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Youth Group

Fall Kick-Off

Thursday, September 11th | 6:30 PM-8:00 PM

At the rectory

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

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

Moms Group

September Meetings

Wednesday, September 10th at 10:00 AM

In the church basement

Confession available at 11:00 AM

Thursday, September 18th at 6:30 PM

In the parish hall

**Text STPETERMOMS to 84576
to join our contact list**



Corporate Communion

August 31st at 11:00 AM Mass
St. Mary Catholic Church
Rosary at 10:30 AM

We will attend the going-away reception
for Fr. Crispin after Mass
(no brunch at the Eaton Country Club)

Sunday, August 24th

**There will be no 6:00 PM Mass at St. Peter.
Mass will be at the Garden Theater on
UNC's Campus**



Bear Catholic Golf Tournament

Saturday, September 13

Register at
[bearcatholic.com/
golf-tournament](http://bearcatholic.com/golf-tournament)

ST. PETER FOOD PANTRY

We are in need of the following items:

Spaghetti

Spaghetti Sauce

Fruit Cups

Apple Cups

Cooking Beans

Canned Vegetables

Instant Oatmeal (Single Packets)

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Feed the Bears

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

During the fall semester (September-December)

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



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

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

In today's second reading, we hear the author of the letter to the Hebrews liken the daily life of the Christian steward to a race, a long-distance race perhaps, certainly not a sprint; requiring endurance and a single-minded focus on Jesus at the finish line. Good stewards are firmly committed to running the race, to live the Christian life to the fullest, to keep their eyes focused on Jesus. They don't grow weary. They don't lose heart. They know there is immense joy waiting for them at the finish line. Are you fully committed to living each day for Christ? Are you running the race, or are you simply jogging? Just walking? Sitting? Going backwards? Going nowhere? Some of us may want to reflect on what we can do to run the race with even more conviction. Others may want to reflect on how to simply enter the race and start running.

Young Adult Group

Co-Ed Bible Study

Mondays at 7:30 PM at the youth center

Praise and Worship at St. Peter

Thursday, August 28 at 7:00 PM

Contact Katelyn Mendoza

970-691-1449

katelyn.mendozaweiss@outlook.com

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

Bear Catholic Campus Ministry For UNC and Aims Students

Mass on the Grass

Sunday, August 24th at 6:00 PM
at Garden Theater on UNC's Campus

After Mass we will have a procession back to the campus center where dinner will be provided by the Knights of Columbus.

**There will be no 6:00 PM Mass
at St. Peter on this day.**

Continued Support for Billie Martinez Elementary School

Ways You Can Help:

- Pick up a backpack at the gift shop and fill it with the listed school supplies
- Donate socks and/or underwear
- Donate to the school's food pantry
- Bring a monetary donation to the gift shop

Contact Cathie for more information or questions. 970-412-8621



Around the Area



Mass, Breakfast, & Networking

Monday, August 25th

Mass at 7:00 AM
at St. Joseph Catholic Church
in Ft. Collins

Breakfast at Mountain Café after Mass
(226 W. Mountain Ave)



10th Annual Retreat for Married Couples

Saturday, September 13, 2025
8:00AM – 3:30PM

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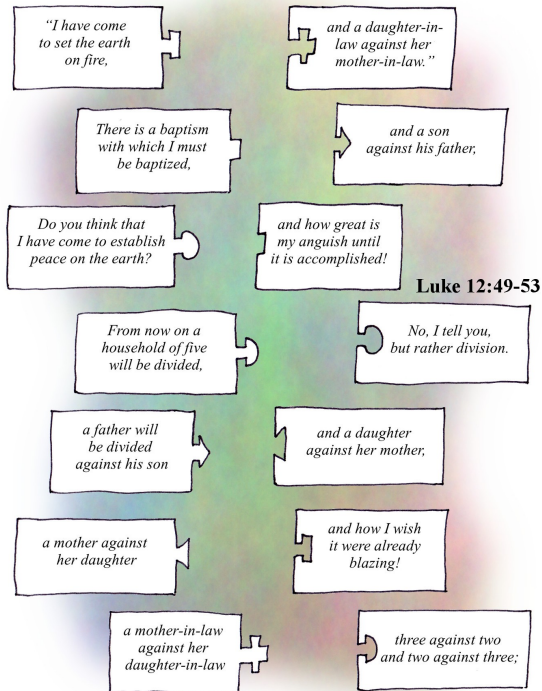
The cost, including lunch, is only \$50 per couple.

Children's retreat and childcare is available but limited, so please register early.

We also need volunteers to help with childcare; you can sign up by scanning the QR code.



Young Saints-in-Training



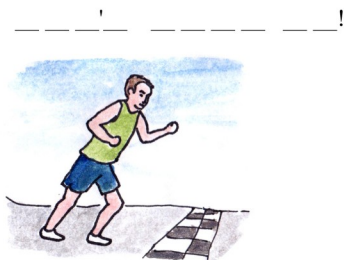
What did Jesus say in today's Gospel reading?
Match the parts to find out!

Follow the Leader Fill-in-the-Blanks

Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks and unscramble the letters from the boxes to fill in the spaces at the end!

Brothers and sisters:

Since we are surrounded by so _____ a cloud of witnesses,
let us rid _____ of every burden and sin that clings to us
and persevere in _____ the race that lies before us
while _____ our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and _____ of faith.
For the sake of the joy that lay before _____ he endured the cross, _____ its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the _____ of God.
Consider how he _____ such opposition from sinners,
in order that you may not grow _____ and lose heart.



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Modern Church History part 1 (Last Week)

Modern Church History part 2

Modern Church History part 3 (Next Week)

- Popes Gregory XVI and Pius IX were in general opposed to most of the ideas of modernity; they thought "that it was more important to play good defense against these intellectual assaults on Catholicism than to go on offense and propose Catholic answers to the quandaries of the age."
- However, there were those who wanted to build bridges between Catholicism and modernity: "to replace a Catholicism bent on rejecting modernity root and branch with a Church exploring modernity in the hope of converting it." One of these was St. John Henry Newman.
- "Catholicism in America in the mid-nineteenth century was demonstrating that the Church could flourish under the conditions of modernity while remaining loyal to Catholicism's center of authority in Rome."
- Pope Leo XIII "was the pivotal figure...who would set the Church on the road to [an] exploration of modernity...[which would] accelerate the process by which the Catholic Church rediscovered its evangelical essence while becoming an intellectual force capable of engaging in a serious, critical, and history-changing conversation with modernity."
- Leo XIII wanted to help the Catholic Church to engage with the modern world in the hopes of transforming it. He also embraced the ideas of St. Thomas Aquinas, whose philosophy he thought was ideal for engaging with the modern world.
- Leo XIII believed that for a society to flourish and meet the needs of human beings, society, politics, and economics must be rooted in "the deep truths of the human condition." He said that these truths are revealed in the natural law which anyone had the ability to access. He also said that "freedom is the human capacity to know what is truly good, to choose it freely, and to do so as a matter of habit or virtue." The goal of societies should be to protect that freedom; society comprised of many communities, from the family to the state.
- Leo's encyclical *Rerum Novarum* laid out the foundations of Catholic social theory. 1. The inherent dignity of each individual person should guide the decisions and actions of society. 2. Individual rights should be exercised in such a way that all are free to contribute to the well-being of society.

—source: *The Irony of Modern Catholic History*
by George Weigel

Saint Rose of Lima

Feast: August 23

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Quick Facts

- Born in 1586 in Peru, birth name was Isabel. She was nicknamed Rose because of her beauty.
- Rose wanted to become a nun, so she rejected suitors by marring her face and cutting her hair.
- She often undertook severe physical penances, including wearing a silver crown with spikes.
- A story says that she accurately predicted the date of her death.
- Died at age 31 and was canonized in 1671

Saint Bernard

Feast: August 20



Quick Facts

- Born to noble parents in France
- Studied theology and Scripture at a college in Chatillon, and was known for his piety.
- Joined the new Cistercian Order after the death of his mother.
- Sent with 12 monks to establish the Abbey of Clairvaux and served as its abbot.
- Founded other monasteries and took many journeys
- Was called upon by Pope Eugene III to preach about the Second Crusade.
- Died in 1153 and is a Doctor of the Church.

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