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Are you new here? Welcome!
We welcome new parishioners and visitors.
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Please register at the Parish Office.

LORD'S DAY MASS
SATURDAY: 4PM
SUNDAY: 9AM & 11AM

WEEKDAY MASS
See Mass times inside

CONFESSIONS
Saturday 3:00PM until 3:45PM

BAPTISM
Parents seeking baptism for their children should approach the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE
Couples seeking the Sacrament of Marriage must meet Fr. Jerry at least one year prior to a desired date.

HOLY ANOINTING OF THE SICK
Contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?
Want to learn more about the Catholic Faith?
Interested in receiving the Sacraments?
Contact the Parish Office.

Pastor: Fr. Jerry Tavares
Administrative Assistant: Kristen Penfold

OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday - Friday 9AM - 12Noon
Parish Office is located behind the Church

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"Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord!"
- Psalm 119

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Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time ✕ February 12, 2023

Welcome to St. Peter the Apostle!

If this is your first time at church, or your first time in a long time, we're so glad you're here! We exist to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ; make disciples of all nations. If we can be of any assistance to you, please don't hesitate to call on us.

TODAYS READINGS

1st Reading: Sirach 15:15-20
 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10
 Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

MASS INTENTIONS

NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK
 FR. JERRY ON VACATION

LENT IS JUST 10 DAYS AWAY
 Ash Wednesday - February 22nd
 Mass: 12:10PM & 6PM

This is a great time to invite someone to Church

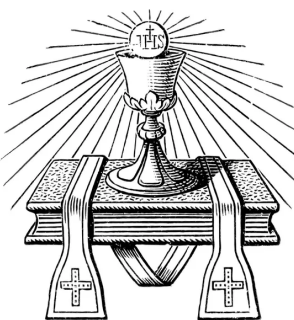
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, February 18
 4:00PM Intentions of Lou McLeod

Sunday, February 19
 9:00AM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)
 11:00AM Intentions of Skylar Penfold

PRAYER FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Almighty and eternal God, You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with His Church: look with kindness on them. Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of Your blessing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



OFFER THE GIFT OF A MASS

Did you know that you can have a Mass intention to honour a living or deceased relative or friend? It is a prayerful gift to be given and even more meaningful to receive. Mass intentions can be arranged at the Parish Office, simply call 705-746-5181 or stop by the Welcome Desk and we'll give you more information.

BLESSING OF THE THROATS - NEXT WEEKEND AFTER MASS!

LET US PRAY



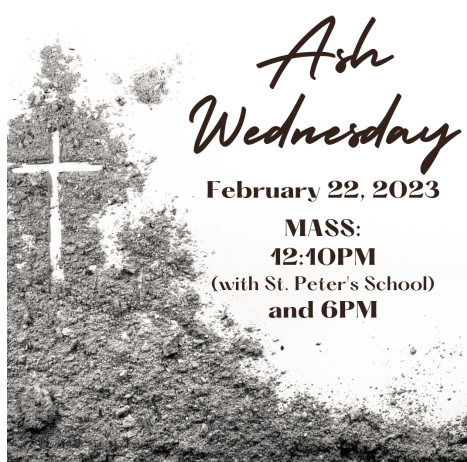
For the sick

Henri Aubin, **Bill Douglas**, John Boyer, Mark Dabek

► New prayer requests are in **bold type**. To have a person added to our prayer list, please contact the Parish Office. The person's name will remain on the prayer list for **four weeks**.

Pope's Intention

For Parishes: We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, unity and welcome towards those most in need.



Feb. 21 - Shrove Tuesday

- **5PM:** Burning of the Palms
 - We gather outside and burn the palms that were distributed last year to make ashes for Ash Wednesday.
- **6PM:** Pancake Supper
 - We will celebrate with a traditional pancake dinner on Shrove Tuesday - we'll feast before we begin the fast.

EVERY FRIDAY:

Just For Lent after Mass on Wed.
Adoration after 12:10PM Mass
Stations of the Cross at 5:30PM

COUNTDOWN TO LENT

With the Christmas season (just barely) in the rear-view, it's already time to start turning our attention to Lent. This year, our preparations for Easter will begin with Ash Wednesday Masses (12:10PM & 6PM) on February 22. The best Lenten observances — penances and devotional additions — are rooted in prayer. Start reflecting now on how you'd like to make the season special.

JUST FOR LENT

In our 6 week Lenten experience we will be looking at the power, grace and healing offered in forgiveness - and explore the depth and bounty of God's love. We will also explore the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. Join us for 6 Wednesday's in Lent (after Mass) in the Chapel. Everyone welcome! Come grow with us this Lent.

PARISH TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts for donations made to the parish in 2022 are now available for pickup at the Welcome Desk. If you have any questions, reach out to the Parish Office throughout the week. We'll leave them out for a few weeks before mailing what remains.

INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND

The next special collection for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund will take place next weekend. Your support for this Fund goes toward Indigenous peoples' initiated projects for healing and reconciliation for communities and families; culture and language revitalization; education and community building; and dialogues for promoting indigenous spirituality and culture. You can donate online through spta.church/give (and click on Indigenous Reconciliation Fund) alternatively, envelopes are available as you leave Church today.

PALMS PLEASE

It's that time of year - Ash Wednesday will be upon us soon (February 22nd). We are collecting palms to be burned for use on Ash Wednesday. Please place your palms in the box marked "Returned Palms" in the Narthex.

THE PASTOR IS AWAY

Fr. Jerry will be taking a short holiday the week of February 15th-17th, and returning for the weekend as normal.

EVER THOUGHT OF ELECTRONIC GIVING?

This is the easiest, most convenient and effective way to always support the parish community as we look to form faithful disciples proclaiming the Good News. You can learn more by contacting the parish office at 705-746-5181 or office@spta.church. Your investment reaps a rich harvest!

THROW THEM OUT

Please - if you have an old box of Sunday Envelopes, throw them out. Do not use them for offerings made to the parish in 2023. Your registered number could change, and gifts made under last year's number may be registered to another parishioner. So if you have unused envelopes from previous years - throw them out.

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HOT CHOCOLATE AFTER MASS

Thanks to the Finance Council for serving up Hot Chocolate after Masses this weekend.

A LEGACY GIFT

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Have a great week!

WORSHIP OFFERING

A summary of your financial stewardship for February 5, 2023

Offertory Envelopes	1,595.00
Offertory Loose	121.55
Electronic Giving	1,373.18
Total Offertory	\$ 3,089.73