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Are you new here? Welcome!
We welcome new parishioners and visitors.
We'd love to see you again!
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
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OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday - Friday 9AM - 12Noon
Parish Office is located behind the Church

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"Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."
- Matthew 5:44

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Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time ☒ February 19, 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: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23
Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, February 22 ASH WEDNESDAY
// UNIVERSAL DAY OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE //
12:10PM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)
6:00PM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)

Thursday, February 23
The Gardens 10 AM + Joseph DeSommer

Friday, February 24
12:10PM + Phyllis Ertel
Adoration/Benediction following Mass

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday, February 25
4:00PM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)

Sunday, February 26
9:00AM Intentions of the Zoldy Family
11:00AM + Emile Lamothe

LET US PRAY

For the sick

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.

For the deceased

Henri Aubin

For our seminarians

Peter Bissonnette, Christian Parker

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.

God, may Your light guide my day, and your spirit bring me peace. Amen.

ASH WEDNESDAY IS A UNIVERSAL DAY OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

About Fasting:

Fasting among Christians is a penitential discipline intended to open our hearts to God and others, a meaning of purification and spiritual liberation, a witness of the depth of our Faith. The law of fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age.

About Abstinence:

The simple act of abstaining from meat joins us to the sacrificial heart of Jesus. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older.

ABOUT THE ASHES

The Ashes that are used to mark the beginning of Lent come from the branches blessed and distributed on Palm Sunday last year. We will be burning the Palms on February 21st at 5PM in the parking lot. **Everyone welcome to join in!**

LAST CALL FOR PALMS

It's that time of year - Ash Wednesday is coming up fast! Please place your palms in the box marked "Returned Palms" in the Narthex so we can burn them on Tuesday.

LENTEN PASTORAL VISITS

If you know of anyone, or are yourself, unable to leave your home to attend Mass, please call the parish office and leave your name. During Lent, Fr. Jerry would like to visit our shut-ins to offer anointing of the sick, Holy Communion or just a short visit with a cup of tea in the comfort of their home.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This is an ancient devotion in which we meditate upon the Passion and Death of Jesus Christ. You're invited to join us in this ancient prayer on Fridays at 5:30PM.

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!

SHROVE TUESDAY / FEBRUARY 21
5PM - Burning of the Palms (parking lot)
6PM - Pancake Supper (Knights Hall)

Just For **Lent** 2023
Faith Formation at St. Peter the Apostle



Wednesday Evenings following 6PM Mass

WEEKDAY MASS

Have you thought about coming to Mass throughout the week? If you're not used to coming to weekday Mass, start by coming just one day a week throughout Lent. Mass is celebrated Wednesday at 6PM, Thursday and Friday at 12:10PM (usually).

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.

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.

WORSHIP OFFERING

A summary of your financial stewardship for February 12, 2023

Offertory Envelopes	1,720.00
Offertory Loose	259.00
Electronic Giving	1,373.18
Total Offertory	\$ 3,352.18

Ash Wednesday



MASS WITH THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES

12:10PM

6PM

UNIVERSAL DAY OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

"Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return." (Gen 3:19)

22 FEBRUARY 2023

The Season of Lent

This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and so we begin the season of Lent. The season of Lent is a time of repentance, change of heart and prayer. We journey with our Lord to his ultimate betrayal and his passion on the Cross.

The three pillars of Lent are Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving. It is through the observance of these three Lenten practices that we hope to enter into Lent as one person and to step out into Easter as a better, more Christ-like version of ourselves.

Please take note of the insert in today's bulletin with our Lenten Schedule.