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# 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time ✝ September 29, 2024

*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:** Numbers 11:25-29  
**2nd Reading:** James 5:1-6  
**Gospel:** Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



## OFFER THE GIFT OF THE MASS

The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition.

To arrange for a Mass to be offered, stop by the Welcome Desk on the weekend, contact the Parish Office or fill out one of the Envelopes located in the Church.

It is a prayerful gift to be given and even more meaningful to receive.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, October 2  
 6:00PM + Joan Demick

Thursday, October 3  
 12:10PM Intentions of Friends & Benefactors

Friday, October 4  
 12:10PM + Bini Mersch  
 12:30PM Adoration for Truth and Reconciliation

### TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, October 5  
 4:00PM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)

Sunday, October 6  
 9:00AM + Patrick Potvin  
 11:00AM + Anne Keenan & Deceased Clifton Family

## MINISTRY APPRECIATION DAY is OCTOBER 9th

*An opportunity to honour and thank all our volunteers!*

### NEXT STEPS ► SERVE

This week we discuss the important step of serving others through Ministry and/or Missions. In the Gospel, John is concerned that other people who are not his followers are doing acts of service. Jesus tells John that is His will. He says that whoever does the simplest of service - even giving a cup of cold water to a follower of Christ - will not lose his reward.

God calls us to serve in the simplest of tasks. Responding to that call is absolutely necessary to receive and experience the grace and blessings God desires for us. In this message we will look at service as a vital step when it comes to growing in faith.

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE AT SPTA:** Lector, Altar Servers, Hospitality, Communion, Music, Liturgical Environment, Sacristy Support. Checkout the Mass+1 cards today for more details.

### HOUR OF PRAYER FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

September 30th marks the National Day for Truth & Reconciliation.

We will be offering an Hour of Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, October 4th following the 12:10PM Mass.



### NEXT STEPS

Our faith is a journey that we will not complete in this life. It is a journey that requires us to keeping taking our "next step." In this series, we will look at the five major **STEPS** we believe are necessary to grow as a follower of Jesus Christ:

- Sharing faith through Evangelization
- Tithing & Giving
- Engaging in a Small Group
- Practicing Prayer & Sacraments, and
- Serving in Ministry & Missions.

### MINISTRY APPRECIATION DAY

If you're serving in Ministry here at SPTA, this is an opportunity to honour and thank all our volunteers! Make sure to stop at the Welcome Desk at any of the weekend Masses and speak with Kristen. Please RSVP to the Office by October 4th.

### CWG FALL MARKET

The Women's Group is hosting the the Fall Market on Saturday, October 5th from 10am-2pm. We are asking the Parish's help in providing new items or gift cards for baskets we are creating to raffle off. If you could help, please drop off to Kristen at the Welcome Desk or Parish Office.

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

Gentleman, we want to invite you to join us for a Men's Breakfast on October 12th! This morning will kick off at 7:30AM at the KofC Parish Hall. This time is dedicated to building community with other men, raising our faith and encouraging one another to be all God has called us to be as men, all while enjoying some good food!

### BLESSING OF PETS

Friday, October 4th is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Because of his love for animals and creation, it is a tradition to offer the blessing of animals on this day. If you'd like, bring your pets to church with you at 6PM and Father will bless them.

### ALTAR SERVER ROLL CALL

Altar Servers assist the priest at the altar. This important ministry is open to any boy or girl who is in at least grade 5 and has already celebrated their First Communion. Training is provided and joining is simple. Speak to Fr. Jerry and we'll get you started.

### SOCIAL SUNDAY

Join us for warm refreshments and treats next weekend - hosted by our Finance Committee.

### SIGNUP FOR SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Registration is **OPEN** for students in grades 2 and up who wish to receive First Holy Communion. Visit our website today to register!

### CELEBRATING OUR CATHOLIC LITURGY

A ministry day is being offered for the Parishes of the Northern Deanery at St. Mary's in Huntsville on Saturday, October 19th from 10AM - 2PM. Workshops will be offered for Readers, Musicians, Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Ushers. Lunch will be provided. Reserve your spot by registering at the Parish Office by October 11th.

### FINALIZING THE DETAILS

There's no escaping it, our days are numbered. But we can get ready and be prepared. Across five weeks, guest speakers will lead discussions about how each person can finalize the details needed to ensure they are cared for, their wishes are respected and our faith in the resurrection revealed. Join us Thursday evenings, **starting November 7th** in the Knights of Columbus Parish Hall at St. Peter the Apostle Church. Presentation begins at 7PM with light refreshments being served.

### THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Next weekend we are collecting donations of nonperishable food items. Please bring them with you when you attend Mass. Your donations will be forwarded to Harvest Share and Salvation Army. Help us to give back to the community as a thank you for all the blessings we have received. Thanks for your support!

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