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7th Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ February 23rd, 2025

Welcome to St. Peter the Apostle!

May you encounter Jesus Christ in His church and in His sacraments through your participation in our Parish community. Visit our Welcome Desk before or after our weekend Masses for any information on our parish, it's ministries and it's community. **We sincerely welcome you and are so glad you're here!**

TODAYS READINGS

1st Reading: 1 Sam 26:2, 7-13, 22-25
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49
Gospel: Luke 6:27-38



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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.

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THE POWER OF AN INVITATION

If you think about it, life can be viewed as a series of invitations. Invitations are powerful because a single invitation can change someone's life. We have all been given the opportunity to invite others to know God and be part of God's family. Inviting others is not just a nice thing to do; it's a critical part of following Jesus. We have no idea how our invitation might change someone's life! Who can you invite to Church this Lent? Be on the lookout!

PALMS PLEASE

It's that time of year - Ash Wednesday will be upon us soon (March 5th). 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.

ABOUT THE ASHES

The Ashes that are used to mark the beginning of Lent come from the branches blessed and distributed on Palm Sunday. We will be burning the Palms on March 4th at 5:30PM in the parking lot. Everyone is welcome to join in!

SOUP & STATIONS

As we journey through this holy season of Lent, we invite you to join us for Soup & Stations—a time of simple fellowship and prayer.

Each Friday of Lent, come share a warm bowl of soup and good company at 5:15PM in the Knights of Columbus Hall. Then, at 6PM, we will gather in the Church to pray the Stations of the Cross, reflecting on Christ's love and sacrifice for us.

Lent is a time to grow closer to Jesus and to one another. Whether you come alone, with family, or bring a friend, we would love to journey with you. Let's set aside this time to nourish both body and soul as we prepare our hearts for Easter.

24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

As part of the Jubilee of Hope, we invite you to 24 Hours for the Lord, a time of grace and prayer through 24 consecutive hours of Eucharistic Adoration on March 7-8th. Encounter Jesus, seek His mercy, and pray for our parish and the world. Adoration begins Friday, March 7th, at 12Noon and concludes Saturday, March 8th, at 12Noon. Sign up for an hour or come as you are able.

SOCIAL SUNDAY

Refreshments after Mass this weekend are brought to you by our Altar Servers.

JUST FOR LENT - FEARLESS

Does fear have a stronghold in your life? Would you like to turn it over to the Lord? Would you like to allow Him to give you life to the full?

Fearless is a video series to accompany you on your Lenten journey. Time and again, the people of God are called to 'be courageous' and 'be not afraid.' Yet, we live in a time where fear seems to guide our very existence. Don't miss this exciting series with a special guest each week as we seek to follow Jesus into the wilderness this Lent.

Join us Thursday evenings beginning March 6th at 6PM. To register for this 6 week program, contact the office. Registration is FREE and everyone is welcome!

SHROVE TUESDAY - PANCAKE SUPPER

Join us on Tuesday, March 4th, for our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper! We'll begin with the Burning of the Palms at 5:30PM, preparing ashes for Ash Wednesday, followed by a delicious pancake supper at 6PM at the KofC Hall. Let's feast before the fast and enjoy food, fellowship, and an SPTA tradition as we prepare for Lent. All are welcome!

LENTEN LUNCHES

The clergy from the area are happy to present the return of the Lenten Lunches. This Ecumenical endeavour is a wonderful opportunity to pray together and share a meal. Our Parish will host on March 12th; and Fr. Jerry will be preaching at St. Andrew's Presbyterian on March 19th.

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MASS INTENTIONS

THE PASTOR IS AWAY

Fr. Jerry will be taking a short holiday the week of February 24th-March 3rd, which means there will be no weekday Masses this week. Fr. Joe Moran will be covering the weekend Masses - please warmly welcome him.

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, March 2

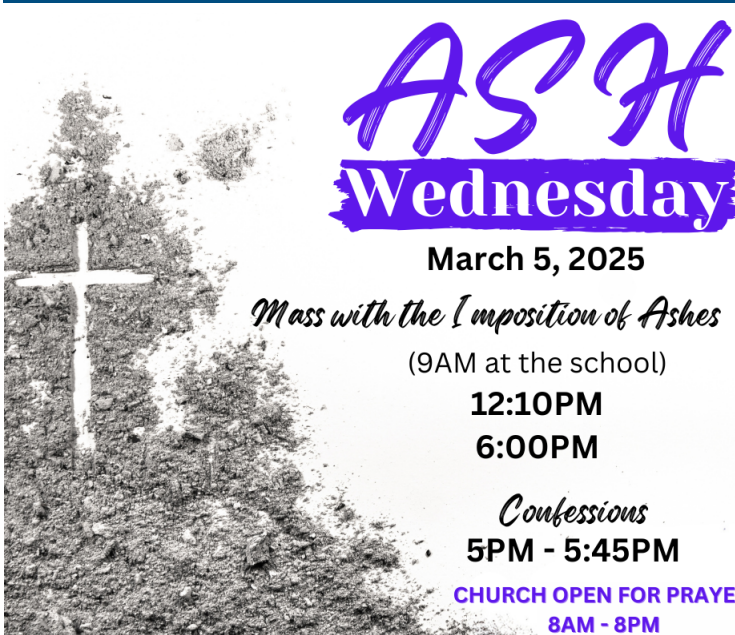
4:00PM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)

Sunday, March 3

9:00AM + Hubert O'Neill

11:00AM + Cathy Pearsell

ASH WEDNESDAY The Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5th. **Masses with the imposition of ashes will take place at 9AM (at the school), 12:10PM & 6PM. (Ash Wednesday is a day of Fasting & Abstinence). Everyone is welcome!**



March 5, 2025

Mass with the Imposition of Ashes

(9AM at the school)

12:10PM

6:00PM

Confessions

5PM - 5:45PM

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER

8AM - 8PM

COUNTDOWN TO LENT

Ash Wednesday is coming! Lent begins on March 5th. 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.

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.

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!