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**SATURDAY  
4PM**

**SUNDAY  
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8th Sunday in Ordinary Time ✝ March 2nd, 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:** Sirach 27:4-7  
**2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 15:54-58  
**Gospel:** Luke 6:39-45



## OFFER THE GIFT OF THE MASS

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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## 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.

### SHROVE TUESDAY, MARCH 4TH

#### - BURNING OF THE PALMS 5:30PM

Bring your old palms from last year's Palm Sunday as we prepare the ashes for Ash Wednesday. It's a beautiful way to begin Lent, surrendering the past and making way for renewal.

#### - PANCAKE SUPPER

After the palms become ashes, come enjoy a delicious pancake supper with our parish family! This long-standing tradition is a wonderful way to gather in fellowship before Ash Wednesday.

### SOUP & STATIONS

During the Holy Season of Lent our Parish will be serving soup prior to Stations of the Cross. Soup will be served at 5:15PM in the KofC Hall for the Fridays of Lent. Immediately after our warm meal, we will gather in the Church to pray and reflect upon the Stations of the Cross for 6PM. We want to journey alongside you during Lent. Please bring your family and friends and join us!

### 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.

### FRIDAYS WITHOUT MEAT

Meatless Fridays are a timeless tradition in the Catholic Church. The simple act of abstaining from meat joins us to the sacrificial heart of Jesus. We encourage every parishioner to adopt this penitential practice on the Fridays during Lent.

### 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?

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!

### CONFESSIONS

Experience the healing power of unconditional forgiveness. Father is available to hear confessions on Saturdays between 3:00PM-3:45PM in the Confessional. If it's been a while or you don't know how to start - don't worry....Father will help you through it. Don't let the sins of the past weigh you down.

### 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.

### LENTEN LUNCHES

This ecumenical tradition begins next week, with our Parish hosting the first one on March 12th. Fr. Jerry will be preaching at St. Andrew's Presbyterian on March 19th. All are welcome!

### WILD GAME DINNER

The Knights of Columbus are hosting their 12th Annual Wild Game Dinner in the Hall on March 29th. Tickets are \$45. For tickets call Joe 705-342-1558; Kristen 705-746-5181; Theo 705-773-8081. Table arrangements - round tables of 8 and gluten free menu available. Tickets are on sale after all weekend Masses starting this weekend.

### CHARITABLE TAX RECEIPTS

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, March 5 ASH WEDNESDAY  
 // UNIVERSAL DAY OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE //  
 at St. Peter's School 9:00AM Missa Pro Populo

12:10PM Missa Pro Populo  
 6:00PM Missa Pro Populo

Thursday, March 6

12:10PM Intentions of Friends & Benefactors

Friday, March 7

12:10PM + Phyllis Ertel

Saturday, March 8 \*FIRST SATURDAY

9:00AM Intentions of Fr. Jerry Tavares

### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday, March 8

4:00PM +Teresa Agnello Adams

Sunday, March 9

9:00AM Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)

11:00AM Intentions Joe Galea

# ASH Wednesday

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

## 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.

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