

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:18-19

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POPE'S INTENTION FOR JUNE

That the World Might Grow in Compassion

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from His Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

Pray the Rosary everyday to obtain peace for the world. Join us at St. Joseph Church each Tuesday at 6pm

Baptismal Training Sessions 2025

August 7th 7:00 pm St. Joseph Church 814-787-4151 August 28th 6:30 pm St. Mark, Emporium 814-486-0569

THANK YOU! Fr. Shaiju Mulayinkal and all the Vincentian Missionaries thank you for your prayers and generous mission offering last weekend. Your offering will help them to carry out their many missionary, educational, and charitable activities in their missions and will help them educate young men studying for priesthood. If you did not have an opportunity to make an offering or would like to make an additional offering, you may make your offering through the parish collection in a seperate envelope marked "Mission". Thank you very much for your generous support. If you would like to sponsor a seminarian and help him to become a priest, you may write: Fr. Francis Cheruparampil V.C, Mission Procurator, PO Box 45, Hazlet, NJ 07730 Email: Fcheru@aol.com. The Vincentian Missionaries keep you and St. Joseph Church in their prayers and Masses.

This weekend, June 28/29, is the **Peter's Pence Collection**, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Leo XIV, as he responds to some of the most urgent needs of people throughout the world. Thank you for your support.

Thank you! to the women of St. Joseph Church for the delicious breakfast that was prepared and served on Father's Day. The men enjoyed scrambled eggs, sausage, home fries, rolls, donuts, and a variety of beverages.

Marriage Moment #1151

Research suggests that communication is about 50% non-verbal, 40% tone of voice, 10% words. Have you ever been off base in reading your spouse's non-verbal's? It's not precise language but don't just guess. Check it out verbally.

A Family Perspective

In this story, Jesus asks His Friends who they think He is. Peter says that Jesus is God's Son. Jesus is very happy with Peter's answer and tells him that his strong faith will help build a strong Church. This teaches us that knowing who Jesus is and having faith is very important. What would YOUR answer be?

Saints Peter and Paul (We know them!)

As we celebrate this weekend, Saint Peter and Saint Paul, they are two people we know fairly well. We at the same time celebrate who they are for us today.

Simon Peter, we know, along with his brother Andrew, were professional fishermen. We also know that when Jesus walked along the shore of the Sea of Galilee, these brothers were casting their nets into the sea. Jesus then called them to follow Him. They dropped their nets and started to follow Jesus. Their lives were completely changed that day. (refer to Matthew 4: 18-20)

As Jesus continued to call other Apostles to follow Him, He saw that there was great leadership ability in Simon. It was then that Jesus called Simon by his new name: Peter. His name means rock. We know what happened as Peter's new life with Jesus developed. The following list is impressive.

- 1. Peter's mother-in-law was healed of a dying fever.
- 2. Peter walks out on the water toward Jesus.
- 3. Peter leads the other Apostles.
- 4. Jesus scolds Peter and says, "get behind Me Satan."
- 5. Peter denies Jesus three times during Jesus' Passion.
- 6. Peter runs to the tomb after Jesus is raised from the dead.
- 7. Jesus and Peter's relationship is restored after the resurrection as we hear in John's Gospel at this Saturday's Vigil Mass.

For us today, Peter shows that he has a consistent faith. A faith like a rock. Pray that each of us can have a faith, consistent and strong, like Peter. Peter was the first pope. Also, pray for Pope Leo XIV, who is in the ministry of being Peter's successor.

St. Paul is another person we celebrate today, along with St. Peter. Before St. Paul's conversion, we know his name was Saul. Saul was a very strict Jewish pharisee. He defended every "letter of the law" (the Torah). In our Second Reading today from Paul's letter to the Galatians, Paul says of himself "for you heard of my former way of life in Judaism how I persecuted the Church of God beyond measure..." (Galatians 1: 13)

After Saul's conversion, when his name was changed to Paul, he became the greatest follower and evangelist for Christ that the early Church had ever witnessed. St. Paul is the author of the following Epistles: Romans, Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, Thessalonians, Timothy, Titus, and Philemon. Get to know St. Paul by reading these Epistles.

God Bless, Father Mark We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

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Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scriptures
Monday, June 30, 2025 8:30 a.m. Mass	Eddie Levenduski 3rd anniversary	wife-Janice	Weekday The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church	Gn 18: 16-33 Mt 8: 18-22 (377)
Tuesday, July 01, 2025 No Mass			Weekday Saint Junipero Serra, Priest	Gn 19: 15-29 Mt 8: 23-27 (378)
Wednesday, July 02, 2025 No Mass			Weekday	Gn 21: 5, 8-20a Mt 8: 28-34 (379)
Thursday, July 03, 2025 8:30 a.m. Mass	Victor & Mary (Casaro) Rollick Godparents	Dennis & Deborah Bonanno	St. Thomas, Apostle	Eph 2: 19-22 Jn 20: 24-29 (593)
Friday, July 04, 2025 No Mass			Weekday INDEPENDENCE DAY	Gn 23: 1-4, 19; 24: 1-8, 62-67 Mt 9: 9-13 (381)
Saturday, July 05, 2025 No Mass			Weekday Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; Saint Elizabeth of Portugal; BVM	Gn 27: 1-5, 15-29 Mt 9: 14-17 (382)
Saturday, July 05, 2025 5:30 p.m. Mass	Deceased members of the Winkler Family	Family	Vigil of the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	(see below)
Sunday, July 06, 2025 9:15 a.m. Mass	Living & Deceased Members of St. Joseph Church		FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Is 66: 10-14c Gal 6: 14-18 Lk 10: 1-12, 17-20 or 10: 1-9 (102)

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PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

On the weekend of July 12/13, we will start praying the St. Michael the Archangel prayer after the closing blessing at each Mass. We can find this prayer on the back cover of our Breaking Bread books. The prayer is as follows:

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

(Pope Leo XIII wrote this prayer in the 1890's)



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