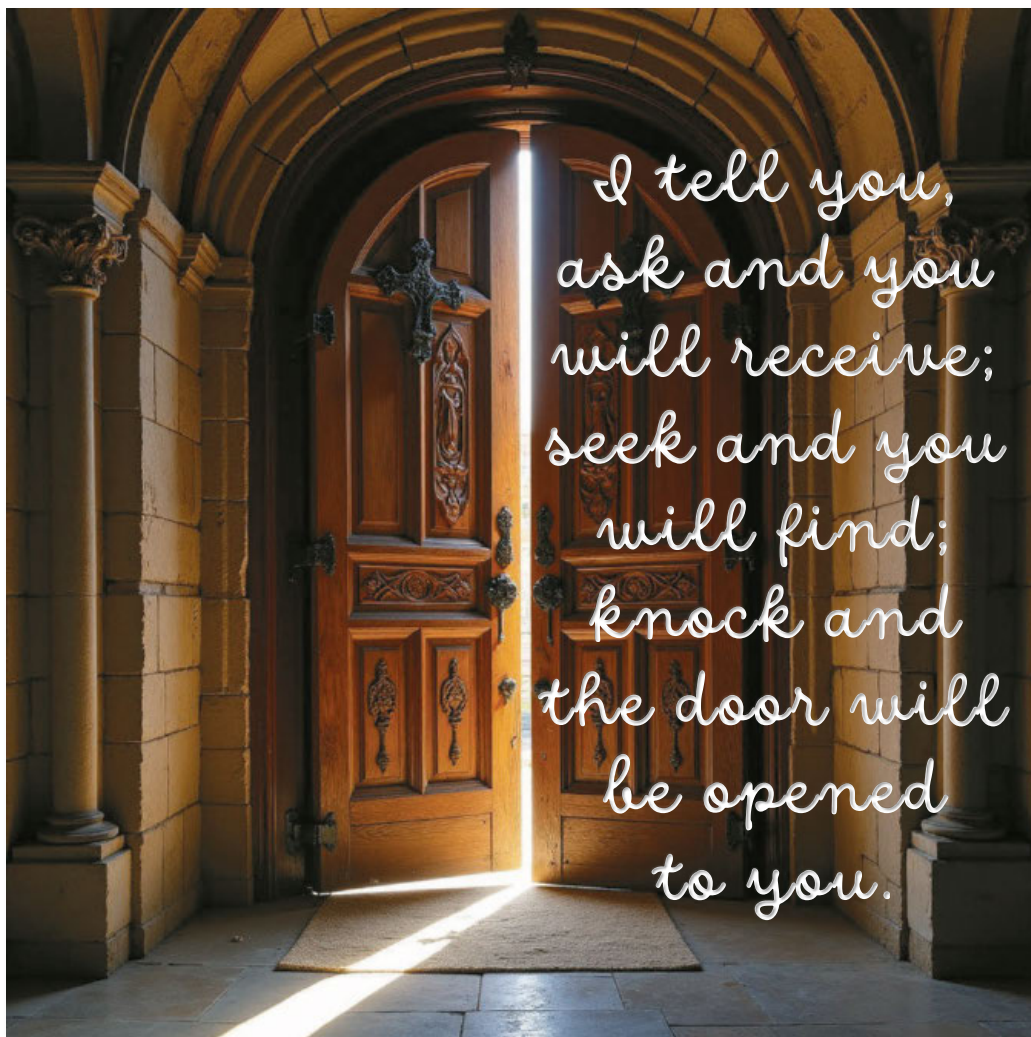


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Sunday, July 27, 2025
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. PETER'S MISSION STATEMENT

As parishioners of St. Peter's Catholic Church, we strive to imitate Jesus' example of prayer, fellowship, love and service.

Mass Schedule

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.

(10:00 a.m. Mass livestreamed)

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. - Sunday 7:45 a.m.

Can We Console Jesus?

If you saw a close friend in deep pain, you wouldn't walk by thinking, *"She will get over it—I'm busy."* You'd drop everything, run to her, and ask, *"What can I do?"* This is the logic—and the love—behind consoling the Heart of Jesus. It's not just a pious tradition; it reaches into the very core of our faith.



Jesus is fully human. He felt real emotions—joy, grief, betrayal, and sorrow. He understands our pain, and we can share in His since He is also fully God, He stands outside of time. In the Garden of Gethsemane, He saw not only every sin but also every act of love, repentance, and faith. That means your love today can truly console His Heart in His Passion.

Words like *"consolation"* or *"reparation"* might sound outdated, but they mean something simple and powerful: to love Jesus where He has been wounded, to bring gratitude where there was ingratitude, and to respond with compassion where He was abandoned. Even small acts of love—a kind word, a prayer, a moment of sincere repentance—touch Him deeply.

Our Sister in Christ,
Millie Shastal

was received into her Lord's hands on
Saturday, July 19th

*In Christian charity, pray
for her eternal rest
and for the consolation
for her family.*



Eternal rest grant unto
Millie, O Lord, and let your
perpetual light shine upon her.
May the souls of the faithful departed, through
the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen.*



Couples celebrating a milestone anniversary for their marriage in 2025 are invited to the **Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Mass** at **St. Mary Parish in Huntley on Sunday August 17 at 2:30 p.m., celebrated by Bishop David J. Malloy**

A reception with cake will immediately follow. Commemorative certificates to mark this special occasion will be available to those who pre-register by Monday, August 4.

Please register at rockforddiocese.org/life/marriage-family/silver-gold-wedding-anniversary-mass



The annual Diocesan Appeal is a very important one because our parish benefits so much from the ministries it supports!

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God who sees all, will surely reward you for your generosity.

Ramona Evans

Paul & Margaret Camellino



Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Once I went to a hospice facility to celebrate Last Rites for an elderly dying man. His family had told me that he had been uncommunicative for days. At the conclusion of the ritual, we began to recite the Our Father prayer. To everyone's surprise, his lips moved, clearly mouthing the words to the Lord's prayer. Stripped of most of his faculties, the man could still pray those precious God-given petitions. A lifetime of prayer had planted the words even deeper than his failing consciousness.

Do we want the Lord's prayer to be as deeply embedded in us? If we want to be people of hope, we should. Recall that our Lord immediately follows the prayer by saying: **"Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you"** (Luke 11:9). We only ask, search and knock because we hope that the request is not in vain. Everything we could possibly hope for is contained in the prayer. Praying the Our Father deepens our hope.

We should consciously pour all our hopes into the Lord's prayer; we should allow it to be an expression of hope, not simply rote words. Then, over time, it builds up our hope in God. It sinks deep into our souls and bodies. How blessed we are when these words of hope are on our lips, even when everything else seems to fail.

— Father John Muir

Live the Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Lord, teach us to pray." The disciples are asking how to approach God, how to communicate with Him. Jesus' answer? Have no fear, and have no embarrassment. God waits at the door. Knock. The conversation is yours to start.

July 27: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that God is our "Father" and just as a parent's love for their children is unlimited, so is God's love and care for us unlimited.

This week, say a special prayer for the poor and forgotten in our own community.



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Outsmart Temptation with Grace in Action

When temptation strikes, the first line of defense is often simple: say "NO" or avoid the situation entirely. But when that's not enough, there are deeper, proven strategies that can help us respond with grace and strength.

First, think of temptation as an opportunity for holiness:

God always gives us a choice, and when we say "YES" to Him and "NO" to sin, He responds with even more grace. If another person is involved, pray for him or her. That small act of charity not only pleases God but disarms the enemy. As Scripture says, **"Resist the devil, and he will flee from you"** (James 4:7).

Second, don't just resist temptation—replace it:

Trying not to think about sin often leads us right back to it. Instead follow the advice of Philippians 4:8 focus on what is true, honorable, and good.

For example, swap out gossip for words that build others up, or replace a bad habit with a holy one.

Finally, don't overlook small victories:

Faithfulness in little things strengthens us for bigger battles. Telling the truth in a pressure situation, showing patience in traffic, or keeping a promise all train the soul for harder moments. **"Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities"** (Matthew 25:23).

**Grace builds on effort.
Use every moment well.**

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC Ask and You Shall Receive

Mini reflection: Whatever is interrupting communication between your heart and the One who crafted it, it can be overcome. There is no door thick enough, no night dark enough, no sleep strong enough.

Ask and You Shall Receive

It's easy to look at today's Gospel reading and come away with a view of God as disinterested and irritated, reluctant to give us what we need unless we bang down his door, hound him to the furthest reaches of heaven, wrench him from his reverie and force him to answer just so we'll finally go away.

Well, that's not what Jesus means by the parable of the friend at midnight—but it's also not surprising that we would think that it is. The whole point of this Gospel is that communication between God and man has been broken. It's not as easy as it once was, as it should be, as it could be.

In this parable, there exists many barriers between the supplicant and his friend. The time of day is not ideal. The door is locked. Their dispositions are opposite—one is in the middle of a REM cycle and the other is deeply agitated. They appear to be two people who are not primed to communicate well. Everything is working against them.

The same could well be said of God and the human race. Here we are in a fallen world, surrounded by sin and pain and sickness and death to the extent that it infiltrates not just our bodies but our souls, our minds, our attitudes.

We are the friend caught unprepared in the dead of night. We don't always know how to talk to God (*That door is thick! Will he hear us if we knock?*). We don't always know if we should (*It's all my fault that I ran out of loaves, after all*). We don't even know if we want to (*It's nighttime! He might be angry!*).

Everything is working against us.

It doesn't matter, Jesus tells us. Whatever is interrupting communication between your heart and the One who crafted it, the One who desires its full and irrevocable attention, it can be overcome. There is no door thick enough, no night dark enough, no sleep strong enough.

So knock.

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



WEEKENDS
7/26/- 8/3/2025

The Mass			For
CONFESIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Sat	4 pm	†	Ted & Dee Trzaskowski
Sun	8 am	†	Richard Kattner
	10 am	†	June Baumann
Tuesday - Friday, Rosary Prayed at 7:30 a.m.			
Tues	8 am	†	Mark Mucek
Wed	8 am	†	Bill Scichowski
Thur	8 am	†	Ted & Mary Bednarz
Fri	8 am		Scholle - Sompel Family
18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
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Sun	8 am	†	Earl Miller
	10 am	†	June Baumann

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Deadline for Registration forms
Wednesday, August 13th.

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 7/26 4:00 pm	Darien Martinez	Marge Ladner	Chad Franckowiak Gary Miller
Sunday 7/27 8:00 am	Ardie Arnold	Deacon Mark	Jeff Miller Tom Fanella
10:00 am	Sandi Wesinger	Mike Rygiel <i>Carol Rygiel (Choir)</i>	Ron Hlavin John Ellicson
18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 8/2 4:00 pm	Nettie Toms	Kathie Toms	Chad Franckowiak Phil Webb
Sunday 8/3 8:00 am	Bill Ledger	Deacon Mark	Dennis Wehrheim Paul Leali
10:00 am	Joanne Prato	Sharon Ellicson <i>Mike Gullifor (Choir)</i>	Mike Gordon Mike Wyatt
Homebound Ministers July 27th: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Deacon Mark, Mary Seil, Theresa Frer & Steve Besetzny August 3rd: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Kathleen Van Ella, Peggy Neuman, Bev Schmitt & Eddie Wells			



"One of the most admirable effects of Holy Communion is to preserve the soul from sin, and to help those who fall through weakness to rise again. It is much more profitable, then, to approach this divine Sacrament with love, respect, and confidence, than to remain away through an excess of fear and scrupulosity."

— St. Ignatius of Loyola

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we place into your hands, all fellow parishioners we know and love, who are ill or injured and in need of Your healing touch. Jesus, be with them all, especially:

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 Phyllis Ehlers
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 Carol Flatley
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 David Thomas
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If you or a loved one wish to continue to be on the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office during regular business hours.
 815-675-2288

If you know someone who is sick and asking for prayer, but they are not registered members of our parish family, please allow us to solicit support for them by adding their names to our Prayer Chain Ministry. Just visit **StPeterCatholicChurch.org** and **after clicking where it reads CONTACT US, simply follow the directions under PRAYER REQUEST.**

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, July 27th - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**

Monday, July 28th - Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, July 29th

Wednesday, July 30th

- **Spiritual Warfare Rosary - Church - 6:00 pm**

Thursday, July 31st

- **Choir Rehearsal - 6:00 pm**

Friday, August 1st - Parish Office Closed

Saturday, August 2nd

- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all night until 7:45 am**

Sunday, August 3rd - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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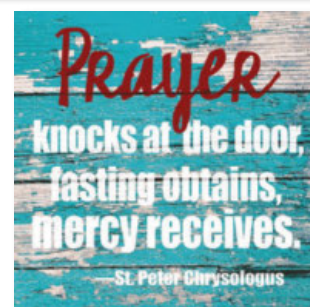
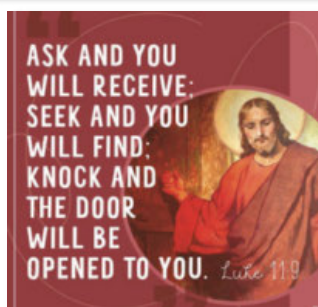
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MARRIAGES - Please contact Father before you set a date, at least six months in advance.

HOLY COMMUNION - Parishioners confined to their homes, for an indefinite length of time due to illness or advanced age, may call the Office and request that the Holy Eucharist be brought to them on Sunday mornings.

REGISTRATION - New members should register by either calling the Parish Office or visiting us online at StPeterCatholicChurch.org

HOSPITAL VISITS - If you wish Father to visit during your stay in the hospital, please call him at the Parish Office and he will be happy to do so. Likewise, if you wish to be added to our Prayer Chain, let us know by calling 815-675-2288

FUNERALS ARRANGEMENTS - are to be made in consultation with Father.

ANOIDING OF THE SICK - If you or someone you know is sick, injured or being admitted to a hospital and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick, call the Parish Office without delay.

Should there be an emergency after normal business hours, please call 815-675-2339

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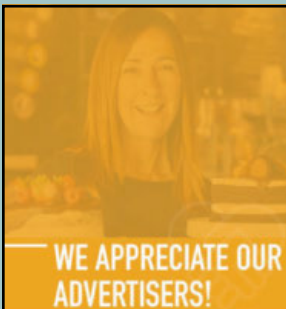
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