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Parable of the Rich Fool

“Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions.”

– Luke 12:15 –

– Rembrandt 1627 –

Sunday, August 3, 2025
Eighteenth 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.

A Welcome Reception for Rev. Burt H. Absalon

Next Weekend

*Saturday, August 9th & Sunday, August 10th
in the Parish Hall after All Masses.*

Make Sure to stop by, say hello, and welcome
Father Burt
to our parish family

Our Call

Ours is the Catholic, or Universal, Church. All of us share the same calling to holiness. Thus, we share the same overarching mission: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind... You shall love your neighbor as yourself” (Matthew 22:37,29). If we pay attention, God gives us many opportunities each day to love those around us—family, friends, co-workers, strangers. We meet Jesus in each of them. We must be Christ’s disciples, witnesses of love to a culture grown cold and self absorbed. As Mother Teresa observed, a lack of love is the worst, most widespread poverty today. Many people think their worth is tied to their wealth or ability or independence. What people need to hear is that they have irrevocable dignity because God loves each of us as His children.



Live the Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus warns us that at any moment we can be called before God to face judgment. When we are, our life will be measured not in dollars or accomplishments, but in what matters to God.
What do we have to show for our time spent on earth?

Last Opportunity to PRE - REGISTER!



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

St. Peter's Annual Golf Outing

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Sunday, August 17th at Noon

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of the Church after all Masses
with registration forms*

*Forms can either be dropped off with your payment
at the Parish Office or dropped in the Offertory
Basket labeled, “Golf Outing”*

***Deadline for Registration forms
Wednesday, August 13th***

**“The Rosary is a long chain that links
Heaven and Earth.”**

— St. Therese of Lisieux



Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Recent studies suggest that millennials will be the first generation in America to be worse off than their parents in terms of financial earnings and job status. Many lament this. I propose that this week's Gospel provides a hopeful way to see the trend as good news.

The Lord Jesus says, **"Take care to guard against greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist in possessions" (Luke 12:15).** Greed damages us with the deception that we are what we possess. But to Jesus, this is simply not true. What makes us happy is who we are, who we become.

Does not the expectation that every generation should do better than their parents subtly mask the poison of greed? A similar attitude is mirrored in the man who demands that Jesus justly arrange his share of the family inheritance. Despite the injustice, Jesus will not play that game. In fact, he seems to prefer that the man have less than his parents.

What good would having more be to this man if he becomes enslaved and miserable by greed? What good would it be for us to have more if it means we become much less?

In allowing the man to have less, Jesus opens a space for him to become more: a man free to love. In that much more meaningful sense, perhaps he was better off than his parents. Maybe the millennials will be, too.

— Father John Muir



August 3rd

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable about the rich man who selfishly stored all his grain and goods only to die and not enjoy his abundance anyway. What we struggle all our lives to learn is that life does not consist of possessions nor our perceived security, but of being possessed by God.



This week, as you consider a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you are realizing that in giving you indeed receive.

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Attention all singers!

The Kids Choir would LOVE to have your child participate Sunday morning August 17th at the 10:00 a.m. Mass!

Our Next Practice and Choir Mass:

Practice:

Thursday, August 14th at 6:00 p.m.

Choir:

Sunday, August 17th at 10:00 a.m. Mass

Contact Person:

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(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC The Barn

Mini reflection: If I die tonight, the deadlines will go unmet, and no one will even notice. But God, when He meets me in the world to come, will surely ask me why I couldn't take 45 minutes to accept a gift He tried again and again to give me.

The Barn

It's 9:08 on a Saturday morning, and I am too darn busy for confession.

I've probably written before about how hard I find it to get to confession—I say 'probably' because I really can't remember. I whine about it so frequently that it's hard to tell if I've made it the subject of a written piece or if it is simply an oft-recited refrain from the Litany of Colleen's Perpetual Complaints.

During the week, it's tough to get to confession because I have little kids who are attached to me like Velcro, and I don't need them listening in on (and eventually repeating to everyone) my sins. On the weekend it's a little easier, but our parish doesn't offer it before or after Sunday Mass, just on Saturdays. Saturday is when I get most of my work done, so getting absolution usually comes at the expense of productivity.

And that, friends, right here, is my barn. Productivity. That's the proverbial storehouse of my earthly harvest. For the rich man in the parable, it's a literal barn, filled to bursting with sellable crops. For you it might be money or your job title or what your life looks like to other people on social media. For me, it's Getting Things Done. That's my barn, the repository that holds the whole of my worldly preoccupations.

And it's so full I want to tear it down and build a new one. A bigger one. One that can hold more worry, more time for work, more focus on output and crossing things off a to-do list. Vanity of vanities, indeed.

If I die tonight, the deadlines will go unmet, and no one will even notice. But God, when He meets me in the world to come, will surely ask me why I couldn't take 45 minutes to accept a gift He tried again and again to give me.

I have to burn the barn, friends. I don't want to, but I have to. I'm closing my laptop and going to church.

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



WEEKENDS
8/2/- 8/10/2025

The Mass			For
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M.			
ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Sat	4 pm	†	John & Christine Wiedemann
Sun	8 am	†	Earl Miller
	10 am	†	June Baumann
Tuesday - Friday, Rosary Prayed at 7:30 a.m.			
Tues	8 am	†	Mary Ellen Malloy
Wed	8 am	†	Deceased Members of the Kattner Family
Thur	8 am	†	Kathy Witek
Fri	8 am	†	Kathy Witek
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Sat	4 pm	†	June Baumann
Sun	8 am	†	Jeannette Walters & David Kornacki
	10 am		Tom & Margaret Boettjer (35th Wedding Anniversary)

Why Do We Do That?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Does watching Mass on TV fulfill my Sunday obligation?

Answer:

In the age of instant communication, email, voice mail and teleconferencing, many people wonder if these media of communication can be used for sacraments. Many priests, I am sure, have had people ask about going to Confession on the phone. While it may seem like a convenient way to do things, there are many reasons why we don't.

Watching the Mass on television can be a good thing, especially for those who are shut-in. But it really doesn't fulfill our obligation. The obligation to attend Mass is more than just simply listening to the Mass or following the prayers and the readings. Gathering together as a community of faith is important.

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	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 8/2 4:00 pm	Nettie Toms	Kathie Toms	Chad Franckowiak
Sunday 8/3 8:00 am	Bill Ledger	Deacon Mark	Dennis Wehrheim Paul Leali
10:00 am	Joanne Prato	Sharon Ellicson <i>Mike Gullifor</i> (Choir)	Mike Gordon Mike Wyatt
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 8/9 4:00 pm	Jerry Bodden	Deacon Mark	Denise Wahls Rich Wirsch
Sunday 8/10 8:00 am	Eleanor Murphy	DeAnne Besetzny	Sean Gosselin Vince Desecki
10:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Marge Ladner <i>Mary Seil</i> (Choir)	Dave Harms Kathleen Harms
Homebound Ministers August 3rd: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Kathleen Van Ella, Peggy Neuman, Bev Schmitt & Eddie Wells August 10th: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Maria Sullivan, Theresa Frer, Thomas Gough & Steve Besetzny			

continue:

Does watching Mass on TV fulfill my Sunday Obligation?

Sacraments are community events where we encounter God and one another. When we gather together, we are most visibly the Church, the Body of Christ. Besides, television is a one-way medium. It allows us to watch without really being able to give a response. In faith, our response is as important as anything that we hear. We need to take an active part in the religious expression of our community.

“With all the strength of my soul I urge you young people to approach the Communion table as often as you can. Feed on this bread of angels whence you will draw all the energy you need to fight inner battles. Because true happiness, dear friends, does not consist in the pleasures of the world or in earthly things, but in peace of conscience, which we have only if we are pure in heart and mind.”

— **Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati**



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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:

Marguerite Baranov
Deb Christian
Deacon Eugene Damian
Phyllis Ehlers
Robert Fenrich
Carol Flatley
Glenn Geske
Lynn Geske
Gina Gugala
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Patricia Hodnik
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Larry & LeeAnn Lord

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Larry Meyers
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Carole Nowicki
Jim Nowicki
Sandra Piskiewicz
Vinny Popelka
Debbie Schaff
Dorothy Scichowski
David Thomas
Robert Tolomeo
Grace Wesinger
Fred Zahn

The individuals who are on our prayers list will continue to be on our prayer list for six months.

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.**

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
IS OFFERED Every Saturday
from 3:00 until 3:45 p.m.

Or call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment.



Website: StPeterCatholicChurch.org

Email: SaintPetersChurch@gmail.com

Office Hours: Tue. - Thu. 8:30 a.m. - noon,
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Confessions: Sat. 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. (or by appointment)

Pastor: Rev. Msgr. Joseph Jarmoluk

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PARISH CALENDAR

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

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

Monday, August 4th - Parish Office Closed

- **SVdP Meeting - Parish Office 1st Floor Conference Rm - 7:00 pm**

Tuesday, August 5th

Wednesday, August 6th

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

Thursday, August 7th

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

Friday, August 8th - Parish Office Closed

Saturday, August 9th

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

Sunday, August 10th - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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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.

ANOIDTING 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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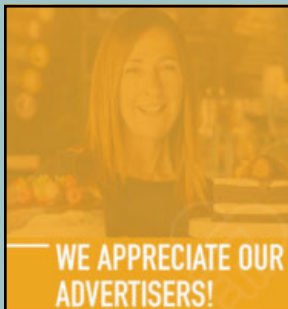
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