

**St. Peter RC Parish
Niagara Frontier Catholic Community
Prayer Group**

August 2025

Month of
**The Immaculate Heart
of Mary**

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**In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.**



Leader:

Don't lose heart.
I will never forsake you.
My Immaculate Heart will be
your refuge and the way
that will lead you to
God.

-Fr. Andrew Apostolic, CFR

All:

Let us always offer to God
our sacrifice of praise.

-Hebrews 13:15

Leader:

We come before You, Lord, to express our gratitude for the many ways that You protect and guide us, every day throughout our lives.

R (All): We give our thanks and praise.

....For the Light of God which surrounds us. ***R***

....For the Love of God that enfolds us. ***R***

....For the Power of God that protects us. ***R***

....For the Presence of God that watches over us. ***R***

....For the Mind of God that guides us. ***R***

....For the Life of God that flows through us. ***R***

....For the Laws of God that direct us. ***R***

....For the Joy of God that uplifts us. ***R***

....For the Strength of God that renews us. ***R***

....For the Beauty of God that inspires us. ***R***

.... For the Faithfulness of God who is ever by our sides. ***R***

***Our Father
Hail Mary
Glory Be***



**The month of August
honors
The Immaculate Heart of Mary**



Leader:

“ Prayer is
powerful beyond limits
when we turn to the
Immaculata
who is queen even
of God’s Heart.”

-St. Maximilian Kolby

All:

O Mary, Give Us A Heart Like Yours

O Holy Mary,
give us a heart as beautiful,
pure, and spotless as yours.
A heart like yours so full
of love and humility.
May we be able
to receive Jesus as
the bread of life, to love Him
as you loved Him,
to serve Him under the mistreated
faces of the poor.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

-Blessed Mother Teresa

Leader:

“Like Mary, great are the graces we have received. Like her, let us always accept the cross in whatever way it comes. Like her, let us, with grace and delicacy, touch the lonely and unwanted. Like her, let us not be ashamed or slow to do humble works.”

- Blessed Mother Teresa

All:

Hail, Holy Queen,
Mother of Mercy,
our life, our sweetness,
and our hope.
To Thee do we cry,
poor banished children of Eve.
To Thee do we send up
our sighs mourning and weeping
in this valley of tears. Turn then,

most gracious Advocate, Thine eyes
of Mercy toward us, and after this our
exile show unto us the Blessed Fruit
of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving,
O sweet Virgin Mary.
Pray for us O Mother of God;
That we maybe made worthy of
the promises of Christ.
Amen

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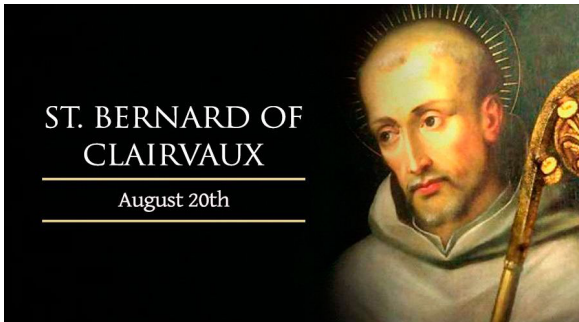
**Prayer to St. Bernard
Doctor of the Church
1090 - 1153**

Memorial August 20th

Leader:

The Church calls Mary the
“Queen of Mercy”
because we believe that she
opens the abyss of God’s Mercy
to whomever she wills,
when she wills, and as she wills.
No sinner - no matter how great -
who has Mary as a protector, is ever lost.

- Saint Bernard of Clairvaux



All:

Mary was a martyr,
not by the sword of the executioner,
but by the bitter sorrow
of the heart.

- Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

Leader:

Beloved St. Bernard, through your great love and devotion to our Lord, and his Blessed Mother, we ask for your prayers of intercession on our behalf.

R (All): St. Bernard, pray for us.

Leader:

....Let us take a moment to recall all the priests and religious who have touched our lives in a positive way.

.....5 second pause.....

Pray for heavenly intercession in granting such gifts to Father Luke, Father Alphonse, and all your earthly priests that they may truly serve as Christ's apostles did. **R**

....We call to mind those in our lives who have left the Church because of hurt, disillusionment, lack of faith formation, or who are enamored with the distractions of the world.

.....5 second pause.....

Pray with us that they may hear the Lord's call, to accept His grace of eternal life and healing, and bring them back to His Church. Allow us to be sensitive to those around us who are facing these struggles, and prompt us to provide guidance and a helping hand. **R**

....Consider for a moment, those in our lives who are floundering, filled with hopelessness and despair. Perhaps, even those who have no real understanding of who God is.

.....5 second pause.....

Join our prayers in asking for God's Graces of healing, love, and hope to fill them and bring them firmly into His Holy Presence. **R**

....We pray for those living through war, natural disasters, injustice, and unsafe conditions throughout the world. Call to mind those that are most prominent in your hearts.

.....*5 second pause*.....

Pray with our Blessed Mother to gather them all to her Son's Holy attention, and grant them His most Divine protection. Open our hearts to help in whatever ways we can. **R**

....We recall all those things that worry us, anger us, and those burdens that are weighing us down.

.....*5 second pause*.....

We ask for your prayers of guidance in handing them over to the capable hands of our Holy Father. May we be filled with His all encompassing love, strength, and patience. **R**

....Help us all to stay strong in faith, passionate for justice, and tender in mercy. **R**

*Our Father
Hail Mary
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All:

Lastly, Most Loving Father, we turn to You with these personal intentions, knowing that through You all things are possible. We ask, not with the intention of changing Your will, but to secure blessings for Your people and Church throughout the world.

R (All): Lord of Mercy, hear our prayers.

Leader:

....We pray for strength and spiritual guidance for our Church leaders as our Diocese moves forward in our next phase of renewal. May all Catholics realize that we are one Church united under God, and not defined by our individual worship sites. **R**

....Holy Spirit, help us to be mindful of those suffering the heart ache of saying goodbye to their long time family parishes. May the rest of us make a concerted effort to reach out and welcome any displaced members of Christ's Church. **R**

.... As ever, we ask for Your guidance in working together to grow into a stronger and more unified Body of Christ on earth. **R**

....Please continue to keep our St. Peter Parish of Lewiston and Youngstown under Your loving care. We ask the same for our family members from Immaculate Conception. Walk closely with us all, and help us to keep the Spirit of Christ alive in our homes and communities. **R**

....We pray for the protection and continued spiritual growth of our children of all ages. Please keep our St. Peter's School and Parish family strong, and continue to bring the light of Your love to all who travel its halls and classrooms. **R**

....We pray for the Holy Spirit to ignite the souls of our young. May they be filled with the fire of Your Grace, and love of Your Holy word. Please direct them to care for Your people through ministries, the vocation of priesthood, and all holy orders. **R**

....We pray that all people come to realize the value and dignity that has been granted human life, from conception to natural death. May they also realize that life is a sacred gift, created with love and purpose by You. **R**

.... By the power and gifts bestowed upon our Blessed Mother by You, may all unbelievers throughout the world come to know Your Son, Jesus, through her Most Loving and Immaculate Heart. **R**

....May we ever be aware of social injustice throughout the world. Solidify our resolve to right the wrongs, and to give aid to those in need. **R**

....We continue to pray most earnestly for a return of peace, respect, and patience in our world. May we all be living examples of such Grace to all who encounter us. **R**

....Keep close to You, all who are suffering, especially those separated from loved ones, and those who are facing death alone. **R**

....We pray for those in most need of Your mercy, particularly those on our parish prayer list. **R**

....We pray for the salvation of all our brothers and sisters who have passed from this life into the next. We offer special prayers for those who no longer have anyone left on earth to pray for them. **R**

****** Take this time to offer up our intentions for August ******

....We would like to share with each other, those things that, through Your Divine Grace and intercession, we are most grateful for. **R**

R: God is good.


All:

We ask You, Heavenly Father, who is gracious and merciful, to hear these prayers brought before You, in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

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**In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.**

Amen



You are cordially invited to join our
St. Peter Parish Prayer Group.
We meet every Monday.
We offer two times,
Immediately following our 7:45am Mass
or at 6:30pm at our St. Peter Worship Site.
All Are Welcome