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AUGUST 23, 2026

Parish Office Summer Hours

Monday-Thursday
9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Friday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:30, 10:00 &
11:30 AM

Daily: Monday thru Saturday
9:00 AM

Holy Day Masses

Vigil 7:00 PM
Holy Day 9:00 AM, 12:15
and 7:00 PM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Following the
9:00 AM Mass Thursday,
concluding at 6:30 PM

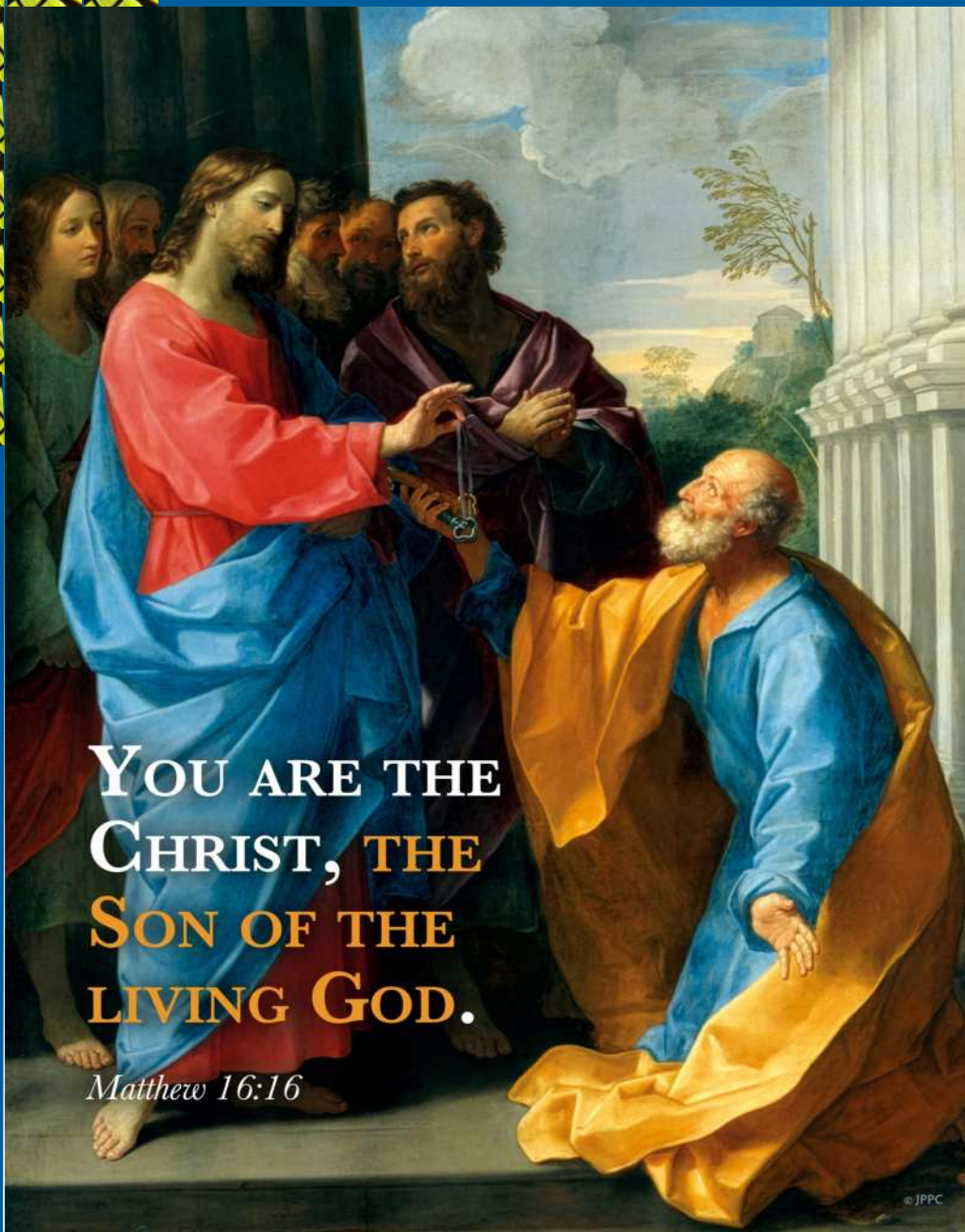
Miraculous Medal Devotions

Following the 9:00 AM Mass
on Saturday

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 3:00-3:30 PM

Monday-Saturday after the
9:00 AM Mass



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Phone: 856-227-4442

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St. Jude Church

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

BAPTISM may be celebrated on **SUNDAY - 11:30** Mass with Baptism immediately following. **PARENTS** are asked to register and attend Baptism Preparation Class before the Baptism. Godparents are encouraged to attend this class.



TO REGISTER FOR THE CLASS, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE OR EMAIL

Office@ChurchofStsPeterandPaul.org

The next class will be held on **Monday, August 31, 2026 at 7:00 PM** in the Church. The class will last about an hour.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 22ND

4:00 PM Gary McCarren req. by Ruth Rohach & Joe Cavilla
Intentions of Anthony & Phyl Cioe in Thanksgiving req. by Joe & Mona Panepinto

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM Anna Tran Ut, Anniversary req. by daughter Agnes
10:00 AM Dante DeSimone req. by his father Ralph
Susanne Tschida req. by Marty
Intentions of Alexander James Wristbridge Family (B) req. by Clergy and Staff of Saints Peter & Paul Parish
Joseph Miozzi, 80th Birthday req. by Anthony, Phyl & Family
Intentions of Mila Summer Flara Family (B) req. by Clergy and Staff of Saints Peter & Paul Parish
11:30 AM Marie Germiné & Anathalie Mathieu req. by Fleurette Mathieu

MONDAY, AUGUST 24TH Saint Bartholomew

9:00 AM All the People of the Parish
Anna Geraghty req. by Marty

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25TH

9:00 AM AnneMarie Sherlock req. by Maggie & John Sarin

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26TH

9:00 AM William Langi req. by his Wife, Children & Grandchildren

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27TH Saint Monica

9:00 AM Thomas C. Jones, Jr. req. by Anne Marie Gavin

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28TH Saint Augustine

9:00 AM Irene A. Mason req. by Anne Marie Gavin

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29TH

9:00 AM Dan & Sarah Laun req. by Laun Family
4:00 PM Louis Pantalone req. by Deana Shreffler
Matthew Navea req. by Margie & Tom Walsh

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM Jim Kisel req. by Sharon Gardner
10:00 AM Dean Gravinese req. by Tom & Edie Hamer
Johanna Rue req. by Gerber Family
Vicki Herbert req. by West Family
Joseph Pauline req. by Sandy DiTullio & Doug Traher
Gerald DiSanto req. by Terry Della Polla
11:30 AM Roxanne Kester req. by Steve & Lauren Kester

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Spirituality and Prayer

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Gregory Bailiff
Pamela Bennett
Bill Bradley
Emily Bradley
Kathleen Brown
John Buseman
Ronald Cammisa
Anthony Campanella
Anthony Caragliano
Florence Cirillo
Marie DeSanto
Nicole DiBona
Karen DiLossi
Christopher Eulo
Sean F.

Evelyn Fairbanks
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Carole Finacaro
Toni Giacinto
Jennifer Giordano
Sue Glaze
Joanne Gonzalez
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Frank Guest
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Albert Iannacone
Don J.
Floss Kelley
Peter Kelly Sr.
Evan Kenderdine
Christopher Kulikowski
Annetta Lane

Frankie Lane
Lisa Lang
Chuck Lappe
Len Massa
Gerard Mastrianni
Bill McCarron
Joanne McFadden
Emmalyn Michelet
Joelle Monti
Paige P.
Easton Perrine
Helene Pircola
Jim Planamente
Grace Reitano
Carol Ricciardi
Louis Rota
Kristina S.

Bernadette Sims
Harvey & Caroline Smith
Joel Snyder
Samantha Spina
Jeff Stephan
Renee Weiner Stevens
Susan, Christie, Paul
James Wakemen
Sharon Waters
Kathleen Welch
Lela Rae Wilkinson
Mike Yoachum



Sanctuary Lamp

Burns in Memory of
Gayle Roccia
Requested by Dan & Claire Pepe

Please remember in your prayers the
Souls of the Faithful Departed that
they may find eternal peace
with God our Father

Michael J. Walylko



are in Memory of
Dan & Sarah Laun
requested by Laun Family

Prayers for Those in the Military

US Army

RJ Butic
Kevin Cassidy
Ron Dizon
Brett Dolgos
Joseph Koltonuk, Jr.
Cayden Martin
Patrick Nelson
Blaise Matthew Pierce
Lauren Ridinger
Gianni Sacca
Bailey Tschida
Caitlyn Tschida
Matthew Tschida
Michael Willhide

US Army Ntl Guard

Christian Irwin
William Mitchell

US Army Reserve

Matthew Farley

US Air Force

Billy Catanzariti, Jr.
Richard Gonzalez
Tyler Joshua Nicolella
Michael Parker
Jamie Redmond

USMC

Michael Dressner
Nicholas Gilpin
Matthew Piotrowicz
TJ Tschida
Jonathan Tschida

US Navy

Ryan Blachewicz
Kyle Patrick Bunting
Carlos Gonzalez
Anthony Hargrave
Kyle Irwin
J. Michael Hanling
Cody Joseph Sullivan

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Faith Formation News

UPCOMING FAITH FORMATION EVENTS:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 @ 6:30PM - PARISH HALL
FIRST FRIDAY DESSERTS AND DIVINE MERCY
BRING A ROSARY AND A DESSERT TO SHARE!
** COUNTS TOWARDS FAMILY CATECHESIS EVENTS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 @ 6:00PM - PARISH HALL
BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR MARY TO CELEBRATE THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
JOIN US FOR A MARIAN ACTIVITY AND LESSON, FOLLOWED BY CAKE AND ICE CREAM!
** COUNTS TOWARDS FAMILY CATECHESIS EVENTS



TRADITIONAL YEAR FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Meets Weekly on Tuesdays
September 22, 2026 - May 11, 2027
4:30 - 5:30pm
Parish Center Hall and Classrooms

Online Registration:
<https://forms.gle/9FQsvrAa1JfGs2Kh8>

OCTOGENARIAN CELEBRATION

All parishioners ages 80 years and up are welcome to join us on Sunday, September 13th, for the 11:30 AM Mass and a luncheon following at 12:30 PM in the Parish Center.

Everyone is invited to join us at Mass to celebrate these special members of our Parish family!

Parishioners ages 80+ and 2 members of the family / caregivers are invited to the luncheon.

Due to limited space, ***please call the Parish Office at 856-589-3366 to RSVP by September 9th.***



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"Becoming Laborers for God's Harvest"

Saturday November 14, 2026

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Paul VI High School Conference Center in Haddon Heights, NJ.

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Medicare 101: Understanding Your Benefits

Approaching Medicare can feel overwhelming, but it doesn't have to be. Join us for a clear, empowering introduction to Medicare that will help you understand your options, make informed decisions, and gain confidence in planning for your health care future. You'll leave with practical resources and trusted tools to help you navigate the journey with greater peace of mind.

📅 Thursday
September 10

🕒 1:00 p.m.

STS PETER and PAUL PARISH NURSES will sponsor this highly informative session on Thursday, Sept. 10, 2026 1 pm - 2pm in the parish center. ALL ARE WELCOME Please register with the parish office 856-589-3366 or 856-404-3311 and leave a message.

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August 15-16

Ordinary Offertory: \$10,548.00
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Weekly Total: **\$12,257.05**

Budget: \$13,400.00

Shortfall \$ 1,142.95

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is held on Thursdays after the 9:00 AM Mass and closes with Benediction at 6:30 PM.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

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The Pastor's Corner

On this 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A, the readings connect beautifully the story of Eliakim in Isaiah with the Gospel account of Peter receiving the keys of the Kingdom. Both passages speak about authority, responsibility, and service.

In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah speaks about Eliakim, son of Hilkiah, whom God appoints to an important position in the royal household of King Hezekiah. The Lord says: "I will place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; what he opens, no one shall shut, and what he shuts, no one shall open." (*Isaiah 22:22*)

The key mentioned here is not a literal key to a city as we might imagine today. It is a symbol of authority and responsibility. Eliakim is entrusted with authority over the royal household. He has responsibility for decisions concerning access to the king and for carrying out his duties on behalf of the king. The fact that the key is placed on his shoulder is also significant. It suggests that authority is something that must be carried as a responsibility. Eliakim is not given this position for personal prestige or power. He is entrusted with an office for the good of the people and the proper service of the king.

This ancient image helps us understand the meaning of a ceremonial key today. When a city gives someone a "key to the city," the person does not receive an actual power to open the city gates or control who enters the city. Rather, the key is a symbol of honor, trust, friendship, and recognition of service. It says, in effect, "You are welcomed here, and we recognize the good you have done for this community."

This background helps us understand the Gospel today. In Matthew 16, Jesus deliberately uses similar imagery when He says to Peter: "I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven." (*Matthew 16:19*) Jesus is not handing Peter a physical key. He is entrusting him with a mission, responsibility, and authority within the community of faith. The connection between Isaiah 22 and Matthew 16 is particularly important in Catholic tradition. Just as Eliakim receives the key of the House of David as an office of responsibility, Peter receives the keys of the Kingdom from Christ.

But notice something very important: before Jesus gives Peter the keys, He asks him a question. "Who do you say that I am?" Peter answers: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Only after Peter professes his faith in Jesus does Christ entrust him with this special responsibility. Peter's authority, therefore, does not begin with power. It begins with faith in Jesus Christ. Jesus also reminds Peter that this understanding did not come merely from human wisdom: "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father."

This is an important lesson for all of us. Christian authority is never about personal prestige, control, or making ourselves important. It is about service. Whenever God entrusts us with responsibility whether in the Church, in our families, in our workplaces, or in our communities. He gives it to us so that we may help others, build up the community, and lead people closer to Him.

Parents have authority over their children, but that authority is meant to form, protect, guide, and love. Pastors and Church leaders are entrusted with authority, but that authority is meant to serve God's people. Parish ministries and organizations have responsibilities, but their purpose is to open doors for people to encounter Christ.

This brings us back to the question Jesus asks each one of us today: "Who do you say that I am?" Our answer cannot remain merely words. If Jesus truly is the Christ, the Son of the living God, then He must be at the center of our lives, our families, and our parish community. The keys entrusted to Peter remind us that whatever responsibility God gives us is meant to open doors to Christ, not to ourselves. We are called to open doors of welcome, forgiveness, mercy, faith, hope, and love. We are called to help people encounter Christ rather than becoming obstacles that keep them away from Him.

The readings this Sunday therefore teach us that Christian authority is not a power to possess; it is a responsibility to carry. Like Eliakim, Peter, and every person entrusted with leadership, we are called to carry our responsibilities with humility and faith. Everything we have is ultimately a gift from God. Whatever authority we possess is entrusted to us for a time and for a purpose. The question is not, "How much power do I have?" but rather, "How can I use what God has entrusted to me to serve others and bring them closer to Christ?"

May the Lord give us the faith of Peter, the humility of a servant, and the courage to use every responsibility entrusted to us to open doors that lead to Christ. To Him be glory forever.

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