



# St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Church

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**VERY  
REVEREND  
RAJU D. THOTTANKARA  
PASTOR**

**DEACONS:**

Allen Cicora  
Eluterio Farias  
Brian Holden

**WEEKEND MASSES:**

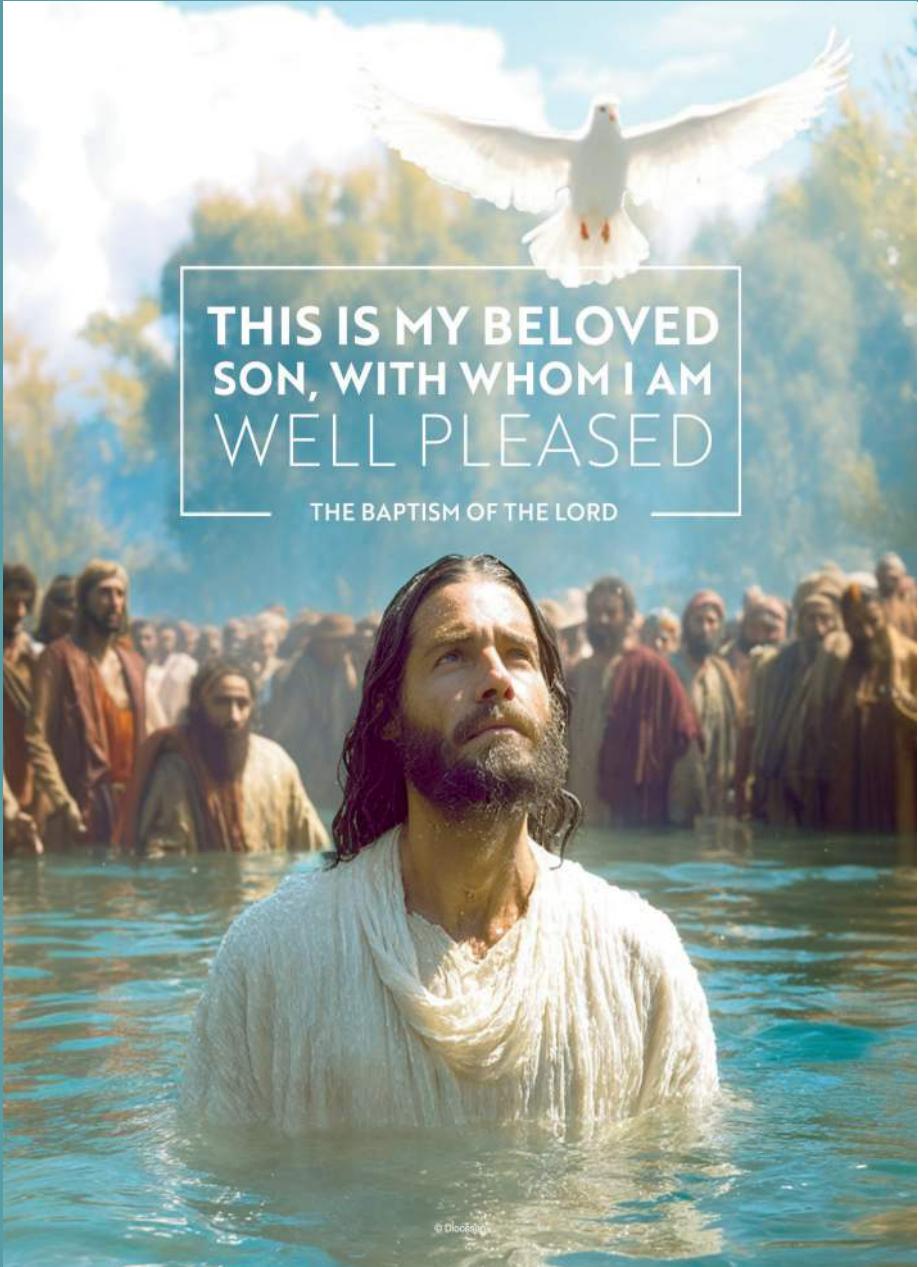
Saturday: 6:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 & 10:15 AM

12:00 PM and 6:00 PM

**Confessions** are heard on  
Saturday from 4:30 - 5:30 PM  
and by appointment.

January 11, 2026



## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Catholic Church  
is a welcoming community dedicated to promoting  
a devout life of prayer and teaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ  
through living the sacraments in a spirit of generous service.

### The Baptism of Jesus

As a mother of five children and an aunt to 26 more, I have attended my fair share of baptisms. They are always beautiful and joyful occasions, celebrations of a new member being added to God's family. But most of them have also had their mishaps, as tends to happen when little kids are involved. Whether it be a last minute dirty diaper, an older sibling running up to the baptismal font right in the middle of the ceremony, or the baby screaming during the whole affair, baptisms, like most moments in life, are not perfect.

What *is* perfect is the sacramental and sanctifying grace that is poured into the soul of the newly baptized. What *is* perfect is the great love that God has for us in granting us this palpable moment of unity with Him. What *is* perfect is this opportunity for family and friends to witness an indelible mark being placed on the baby's soul, sealing them for an eternity with God.

In today's Gospel, we read about the Baptism of Jesus. What a powerful witness that the Son of God Himself chose to be baptized by a human being. What a powerful manifestation of the Holy Trinity, both audibly and visibly present. What a powerful way to show us just how important baptism is.

I invite you to place yourself in this moment. Imagine the confusion of John the Baptist, being asked to baptize God. Imagine the awe of the others present upon seeing the heavens being opened. Imagine their fright when a voice boomed down from the heavens. Did the bystanders run away in fear? Did they kneel in adoration? Did they stand there frozen in shock? What would you do? What are you feeling called to do now, in this moment, as you reflect upon this passage?

By Tami Urcia

### Readings for the Week

**Sunday** Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Mt 3:13-17

**Monday** 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19; Mk 1:14-20

**Tuesday** 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Mk 1:21-28

**Wednesday** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday** 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45

**Friday** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19; Mk 2:1-12

**Saturday** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 2:13-17

**Sunday** Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

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January 14, 2026 - January 18, 2026

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| Wednesday<br>6:30 pm | † Julian Galloway - By Elena Carlow  |
| Thursday<br>8:00 am  | † Amado E. Salinas Jr. - By Chano Rodriguez<br>† Maria R. Rodriguez - By Chano Rodriguez<br>† Pedro C. Hernandez Sr. - By Sons & Daughters |
| Friday<br>8:00 am    | † Cynthia Silva - By Elena Carlow  |
| Saturday<br>6:00 pm  | CDA Members Living & Deceased  |
| Sunday<br>8:00 am    | † Dahlia Lewinski - By Steve & Judy Jaksik<br>† Richard Trevino - By Bill Lekosky  |
| 10:15 am             | People of the Parish   |
| 12:00 pm             | † Mary Thottankara - By Lil & Carol<br>† Dahlia Lewinski - By Janie C. Pena  |
| 6:00 pm              | † Anselmo Martinez III - By Chrissy, Felicity & Eliana Martinez  |



The Sanctuary Candle  
Is burning for  
Nancy Mooney  
Happy Birthday!

### Adult Religious Education

The Adult Video Series will resume on Tuesday, January 20, at 7pm in the Religious.

The Adult Lecture Series will resume on Thursday, January 22, at 7pm in St. Williams Hall.

### St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles 1/04/2026 1/01/2026

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| Envelopes..... | \$8,868.00  | Envelopes..... | \$2,684.00 |
| Loose.....     | \$640.50    | Loose.....     | \$333.00   |
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| Total.....     | \$13,945.50 | Total.....     | \$3,017.00 |

### St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Parish 12/28/2025

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| Envelopes..... | \$8,664.00  |
| Loose.....     | \$459.53    |
| Online.....    | \$3,250.00  |
| Total.....     | \$12,693.53 |

### Christmas Eve & Christmas Day - 12/25/2025

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| Loose.....     | \$1,276.99  |
| Total.....     | \$13,276.99 |



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The weekend is full physically, emotionally, and spiritually, so pilgrims should set aside outside responsibilities and come ready to be present.

The upcoming 2026 Weekend Schedule is:

**Mens**

March 19-22

June 18-21

September 17-20

**Womens**

April 23-26

July 30-August 2

October 15-18

Weekends are held at the OLCC Campus on Lantana and the Weekend Fees are \$225.00 (assistance is available for those with need). More information can be found at [www.journeytodamascus.org](http://www.journeytodamascus.org) or you may contact John Porche @ 361-533-0737 or Michelle Ochoa @ 361-400-5473.



## Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

Those blessed by celebrating 25 or 50 years of Sacramental Marriage are invited to attend a special Silver & Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael Mulvey on February 8, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. at Corpus Christi Cathedral (505 N. Upper Broadway). A light reception will follow in St. Joseph's Hall at the Cathedral.

**Join us for the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest on January 18 at 2:00 pm at the KC Hall parking lot! The contest is open to all students ages 9-14 as of January 1, 2026. Registration will be available at the CCD building as well as on site. Contact John Tierney @ (314)660-0282 for more information.**



## ADORATION

St. Peter's offers us the opportunity to worship the true presence of our Lord during Adoration every Thursday from 8:30am - 4pm. We currently need more people to come and spend one hour of their time in quiet prayer and meditation with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In Matthew 26:40 Jesus asked Peter, "so you could not keep watch with me for one hour?" If you are interested in participating in this spiritual enrichment experience, please call Deacon Teo Farias at 361-960-3127, to schedule a time that is convenient for you.





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