

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

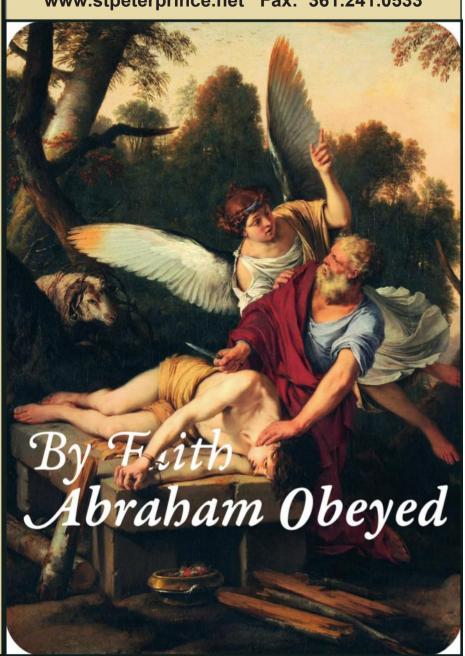
Confessions are heard on Saturday from 4:30 - 5:30 PM and by appointment.

August 10, 2025

St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Church

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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.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Are You Talking to Me?

In today's Gospel Jesus talks about being prepared, using the parable of the servants waiting for their master's return from a wedding. Parables usually have a surprise twist and this one is no exception. Jesus pictures the master coming back at a late hour and finding the servants ready for him. The master is so pleased that he begins to wait on the servants—he serves them a meal. (I can almost hear the disciples saying, "No way!")

Peter is a man who is not afraid to speak up or ask a question. That may be one of the reasons Jesus made him the head of the apostles. Perhaps Peter was thinking, "Surely we will be prepared when Jesus comes again. He must be talking about the rest of the people." When he asks Jesus whom the parable is meant for, Jesus ignores him! At least it seems that way at first. Jesus expands on the theme of readiness by describing the servant who took advantage of the master's absence—he will be punished severely. To answer Peter's question, Jesus warns that the servant who knew his duties would be punished more than one who was ignorant of those expectations. Peter and the disciples should have seen themselves as the servants who knew what was expected.

That warning is one for us to hear also. We may look down on non-Christians or wonder if they will get to heaven. But the Lord doesn't expect as much from those who don't know God. Instead of judging them, we would be better off looking at ourselves. Am I serious about my faith, serious enough to show it in my actions? Has my good example ever brought a non-believer to the Church? If I can see Jesus in someone who doesn't know the Lord, the respect I show that person could draw them to believe.

There are examples of this even in your own parish. If you have been in the parish for many years, you could be expected to notice a newcomer more readily. How do you welcome them? Do you get so comfortable with your friends that you don't think about reaching out to a visitor? I think Jesus would expect those of us who feel at home in our church to make an effort to bring new members into our circle. "So how much does Jesus expect of me?" The answer could be in how well vou know Jesus.

Tom Schmidt



The Sanctuary Candle Is burning for Daniel Faragoza (Birthday) By: Susie Faragoza

St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Parish 8/03/2025

Envelopes......\$10,554.00 Loose.....\$912.92 Online.....\$3,915.00

Total.....\$15,381.92



August 13 - August 17, 2025

Wednesday

6:30 pm †Manuel Cantu - By Mary Lou Cantu

Dominic Feliciano (Birthday) - By Chano

Rodriguez

Thursday 8:00 am

†Ernestina Barrera - By Ricardo & Elma

Rodriguez Rey & Irma Saenz & Family (Blessings) - By

Parents

Friday

8:00 am Olivia, Reynaldo Jr & Alonzo Saenz

(Blessings) - By Saenz Family

Saturday 6:00 pm

†Robert Pena Jr. - By Janie C. Pena

†Michael Barrera - By Rosie Barrera †Guadalupe Martinez - By Maria Hernandez Gerry Smith (Healing) - By Millie & Doodle

Jarnagin

Sunday 8:00 am

†Oralia Herrera & †Armando Campos - By

Yolanda Campos †Don Klock - By Connie Pilarczyk

10:15 am

†Maria Sandroussi - By Michael Sandroussi †Barbara Sherman - By Evelyn Martini

†Dora Gonzalez - By Gerald & Nancy Mooney

12:00 pm People of the Parish

6:00 pm Sr. Maria Elva Reyes (Health) - By Dominican Srs

Persecuted Christians of Faith

SAINT'S AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday Memorial of Saint Clare, Virgin

Thursday Memorial of Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr Friday Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings for the Week

Sunday Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22; Heb 11:1-2,

8-19 or Heb 11:1-2, 8-12; Lk 12:32-48 or Lk 12:35-40

Monday Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12;

Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17,

Mt 18:15-20

Thursday Jos 3: 7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6;

Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16;

1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Saturday Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11, Mt 19:13-15

Sunday Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1-4;

Lk 12:49-53

Online Cityof.com/goodnews



OCIA weekly meetings will begin Sunday, August 24th in St. Williams Hall at 10:00am - 11:30am for adults age 18 years or older.

Anyone seeking to become a Catholic or in need to complete your sacraments of initiation is welcomed to join.

Please call the Parish Office, 361-241-3249 or call Paul Hickey at 361-241-4576.



Knight's Corner

The KC's Annual \$100 Dinner, Dance & Raffle is set for Saturday, August 23, 2025 at the High Chaparral from 7pm to Midnight. Each ticket gets you + 1 in to the BBQ dinner & dance.

Raffle Prizes are:

1-\$5,000 winner, 1-\$1,000 winner, 1-\$500 winner and 20 -\$100 winners. Only 300 tickets are sold. There will also be a silent auction, a 50/50 raffle and other on - site raffle opportunities the night of the event. Tickets are available from any KC member.

The KC's are also looking for silent auction items for the event. If you would like to help out and donate an item, please call John Porche @361-533-0737 or (fsec7290@gmail.com).

Money raised from this event goes towards helping the KC's carry out it's mission of Charity, Unity and Fraternity at St. Peter's.



Junior Catholic Daughters

The Junior CDA will be holding a meeting Sunday, August 10th @ 1:15 pm. in the Religious Ed. Building. Please contact Jessica Buentello for more information. (361) 726-9398



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The Journey to Damascus is not just a retreat—it is an invitation to transformation. Held over a weekend, typically in a quiet, reflective setting, the retreat brings together Christians of all denominations in a spirit of love, unity, and renewal

Participants come with open hearts—or sometimes searching hearts—and are greet with hospitality, prayer, and fellowship. Through a series of talks given by clergy and laypeople, personal testimonies, worship, small group sharing, and moments of quiet reflection, attendees are invited to examine their lives, encounter God's grace, and rediscover purpose and healing.

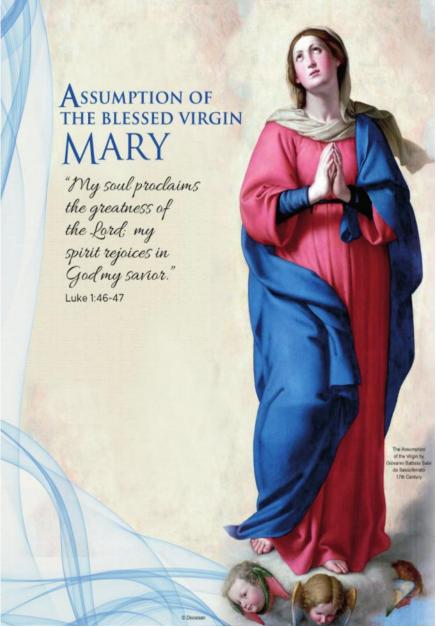
nes often include:

- God's unconditional love and forgiveness
- The power of grace and reconciliation
 The role of community faith
 The call to live out Christian discipleship

Like Paul on the road to Damascus, many retreatants leave with a clearer sense of identity, renewed faith, and a desire to live more fully for Christ. It's a weekend marked by tears, laughter, powerful spiritual moments, and a deep sense of belonging.

For more information: https://www.journeytodamascus.org/
or call or text Michelle Ochoa 361.400,5473,

Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.



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