



St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Church

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WEEKEND MASSES:
Saturday: 6:00 PM Sunday:
8:00&10:15AM 12:00 PM
and 6:00 PM

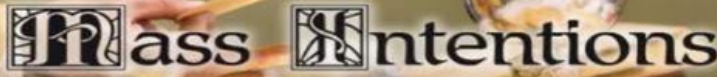
Confessions are heard on
Saturday from 4:30 - 5:30
PM and by appointment.

September 27, 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.



Mass Intentions

September 30, 2026 - October 4, 2026

Wednesday

6:30pm: †Jose G. Ramirez - By family
 †Jaime Longoria (Heavenly Birthday) By Michael & Jaime Betancourt
 Olga Betancourt (Birthday) By Michael & Jaime Betancourt
 Lois Sneddon (Healing) By Fredda Martin

Thursday

8:00am: †Evelyn Martini- By Wayne & Bertha Genzer
 †Anita Repka - By Fredda Martin
 Lois Sneddon (Healing) By Fredda Martin

Friday

8:00am: †Anita Repka - By Fredda Martin
 Noah Gonzalez (Health) - By Chano Rodriguez
 Anastacia Gonzalez (Health) - By Chano Rodriguez
 Lois Sneddon (Healing) - By Fredda Martin

Saturday

8:00 am: †Evelyn Martini - By Elvera Swetlick
6:00 pm: †Max Lopez - By Christi Perales
 †Anita Repka - By Fredda Martin
 George Martin, III (Birthday) By George & Fredda Martin
 Lois Sneddon (Healing) - By Fredda Martin

Sunday

8:00 am: †Margaret Mekush - By Chano Rodriguez
 †Evelyn Martini - By Chano Rodriguez
 †Armando Campos - By Campos Family
10:15 am: †Bertha, †Paul & †Joe Cantu-By Leon & Jeanie Bazar
 †Mary Thottankara - By Guadalupe Gomez
 †Pete Almendarez - By Steve & Judy Jaksik
 In Thanksgiving - By Chano Rodriguez
 Lois Sneddon (Healing) By Fredda Martin
12:00 pm: People of the Parish
6:00 pm: †Marylyn Webb - By Doug Webb
 Norma Longoria (Healing)- By Velia Garcia
 Chris Gravelle (Healing) - By Velia Garcia

Scripture Readings For the Week of September 27, 2026

Sunday Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Phil 2:1-11 or Phil 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32

Monday Job 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
 Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rev 12:7-12ab; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of Church
 Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15; Lk 9:57-62

Thursday Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
 Job 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14; Lk 10:1-12

Friday Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels
 Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Saturday Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24

Sunday Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

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SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL (1581-1660)

September 27

St. Vincent de Paul was born in the 16th century and lived on a small farm in Gascony, France. He worked herding his family's livestock as a child and entered seminary at age 15. He was ordained at age 19 but since he was too young to be a pastor, he continued his theological studies. Although he initially hoped priesthood would afford him a comfortable life, he had a change of heart while hearing the confession of a dying servant. From then on, he sought to fulfill the spiritual needs of the poor in France. He eventually became the leader of the Vincentian community, whose members devoted themselves to the service of the poor in small towns and villages. Throughout his life he established confraternities of charity, organized fundraisers for missionary projects, founded hospitals and seminaries, and ransomed slaves. He also had a particular passion for training priests by conducting retreats. Vincent started out as a hard and rough man but became tender and sensitive to others' needs. Let us be uplifted by the example of St. Vincent de Paul, who allowed himself to be transformed by Christ in both character and deeds. May we follow his example and seek to serve those in need in whatever capacity God may be calling us to.

—Tami Urcia



**The Sanctuary Candle
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 Happy Heavenly Birthday to
 our Mom
 By: Millie & Doodle Jarnagin**

Adult Religious Education

The video series will be on Tuesdays at 7pm in the Religious Ed Bldg.

The Lecture Series will be on October 1st at 7pm in the St. Williams Hall. Presented by Deacon Bobby Bourlon.

St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Parish 9/20/2026

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Remember your mercies, O Lord.



Today or Tomorrow?

Sometimes when we get home from work we are so tired that we don't feel like doing anything at all, yet there is so much to do around the house. We might find ourselves uttering the phrase, "I'll do it tomorrow." And as the days go by, we keep repeating, "Tomorrow, I'll do it tomorrow." Perhaps this was especially common back when we still lived with our parents. When they asked us to do our chores, some of us would obey and others wouldn't.

Today's Gospel reading tells the story of two sons and their father. "'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.' He said in reply, 'I will not,' but afterwards changed his mind and went. The man came to the other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, 'Yes, sir,' but did not go." Here, the second son lies to his father, claiming he will go work in the vineyard, whereas the first son, despite his initial reluctance to go, ultimately ends up going.

We may possess extensive knowledge of the Bible and the Commandments; we may attend Mass regularly and have read many books; yet we must always put what we know into practice, because our actions serve as an example to others. One illustration of this can be seen during political election campaigns. Some candidates are gifted orators who manage to sway the crowds, but once they have achieved their objective, they forget everything they promised.

There are moments in life when our actions fail to align with the lessons we have learned, and we commit acts of injustice. When this occurs, we must possess the humility to acknowledge our mistakes. We can take time each day to reflect upon our actions, and if someone tells us that we have hurt them, we must find the strength to offer an apology.

The first reading states that when a sinner "turns from the wickedness he has committed, and does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life; since he has turned away from all the sins that he has committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die." This offers us hope that we can be saved from sin and return to the path of righteousness. By going to Confession, our souls are cleansed of sin, our consciences are set at ease, and our communion with God is restored once again.

Despite our mistakes, we have a perfect Father that is always patient with us and always awaits us with open arms. Do not put off until tomorrow what you can do today.

By Felix Urcia

Pray the Holy Rosary Before Mass!

Would you like to meditate on the life, death and resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ?

If so, we invite you to come and pray the Holy Rosary 30 minutes before each weekend Mass.

Praying the Holy Rosary allows us to seek our Blessed Mother's intercession as she brings our needs and prayers directly to her Son.

As we face the daily challenges and struggles, praying the Holy Rosary will bring you peace and strength!



Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The sacrament of penance has a long and difficult history. The Church sometimes struggles with how best to be faithful to the image of an all-forgiving God. Once a very public rite with publicly visible participation on the part of the penitent, it became in time a very private matter. By the fourteenth century, when a prayer of absolution and a laying on of hands was still required in sacramental confession, theologians were saying that even that was too much liturgy. All that was required was confession itself, and the sacramental words *Ego te absolvo*, or "I absolve you."

In 1614 the Council of Florence tried to flesh out this bare skeleton, requiring that if possible the priest should wear a stole, that the confession should be in church, and that there be questions about the person's state in life, occupation, and last confession. This is the first time the Church recommended that the penitent and priest be separated by a grill, thereby eliminating the ritual laying on of hands once so central to the sacrament, substituting the priest's raised right hand in blessing. This is the rite that remained in force until the sacrament became the subject of very stormy debates at the Second Vatican Council, leading to a major reform in 1974 that is still only partially received.

—Rev. James Field

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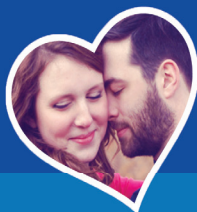
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