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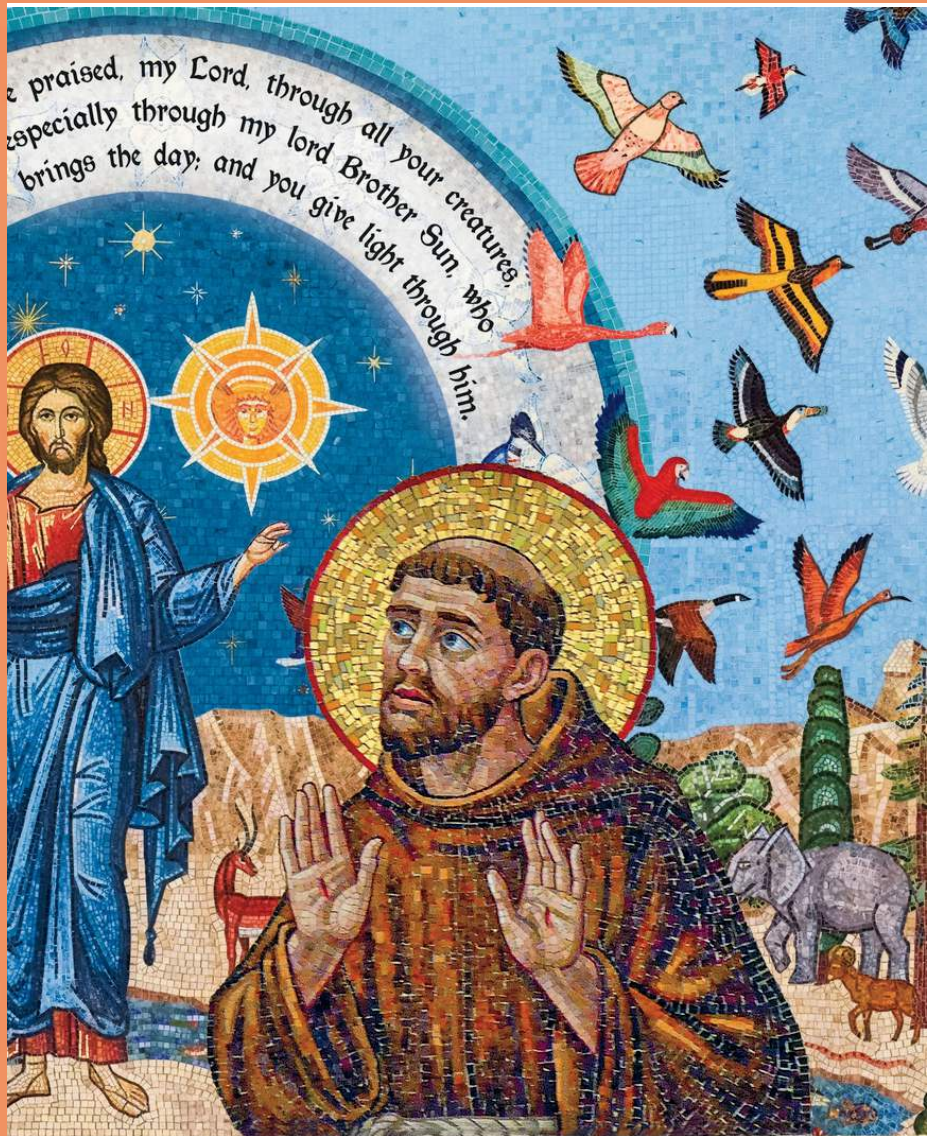
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RAJU D. THOTTANKARA

DEACONS:
Allen Cicora
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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.



ST. FRANCIS

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.



October 7, 2026- October 11, 2026

Wednesday

6:30pm: Hickey Family (Health) By Paul Hickey

Thursday

8:00am: †Anita Repka - By Fredda Martin
Norma Longoria (Healing) By Velia Garcia
Chris Gravelle (Healing) By Velia Garcia

Friday

8:00am: †Evelyn Martini - By Wayne & Bertha Genzer

Saturday

6:00 pm: †Johnny Zuniga & †Laura Ann Andrade - By
Yolanda Zuniga
Special Intention By Margaret Boerm

Sunday

8:00 am: †Richard Trevino - By Lekosky Family
†Dan Byerly - By Paul Hickey

10:15 am: †Johnny Cortez - By Gerald & Nancy Mooney
†Lucy Lekosky - By Bill Lekosky
†Evelyn Martini - By Bill Lekosky
†Bertha, †Paul & †Joe Cantu - By Leon &
Jeanie Bazar

In Thanksgiving

12:00 pm: Powell Family - By John Powell

6:00 pm: People of the Parish

Scripture Readings
For the Week of October 4, 2026

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
Monday	Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday	Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday	Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday	Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Lk 11:5-13
Friday	Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday	Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday	Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 or Mt 22:1-10

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SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI (1182-1226)
October 4

When Franco Zeffirelli's Brother Sun, Sister Moon was released (1972), people were shocked by the movie's graphic nudity in the dramatic conversion scene. Son of a wealthy merchant, Francis' aimless adolescence ended when a failed military expedition led to his imprisonment and complete breakdown. Once home, Francis rediscovered God in the beauty of nature and the ugliness of human suffering, caring for lepers, praying in the little church of San Damiano, whose crucified Jesus he heard calling, "Repair my house, Francis, which is falling into ruins." Francis sold his possessions—and his father's—to fulfill this command. When his father objected, Francis disobeyed: "I return the clothes, your name, and all you gave me: God alone is my Father now." Later, the pope would dream of a ragged friar stretching forth a single hand to prop up the crumbling papal Cathedral of Saint John Lateran. Francis indeed helped rebuild the universal Church, founding the Friars Minor (Franciscans), dying at a young forty-four, bearing the stigmata of the Christ whose living icon he remains—in the Church and far beyond it.

—Peter Scagnelli



The Sanctuary Candle
Is Burning For
Maynard Menn Sr.
By: JoElla & Menn Family

Adult Religious Education

The video series will be on Tuesdays at 7pm in the Religious Ed Bldg.
The Lecture Series will be on Thursday, October 8th at 7pm in the St. Williams Hall.
Fr. Pete Marsalek will present a lecture entitled "Hope."

St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Parish 9/26/2026

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Total.....\$11,735.85

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Knights of Columbus 7290 are honoring our Senior Citizens with an appreciation luncheon at the KC Hall on Sunday, October 11th at 12:00 pm. Please sign up at the back of the church so we can have an approximate count. You are all welcome to join us at the monthly bingo in St. Williams Hall at 2:00 pm.

ST. PETER PRINCE OF THE APOSTLES

BLOOD DRIVE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

8:45 AM - 1:45 PM

LOCATION: 3901 VIOLET ROAD




SCAN ME



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!



The Gift of the Mass

In the Gospel of Luke Jesus says, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see. For I say to you, many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it." (Luke 10:23-24) We do not live in Jesus' time. We have access to some incredible multimedia and visual representations of what life could have been like during Jesus' life and ministry. Having those visuals can be a light shining into a dark space. They offer a brief look at his time: the people, the clothing, the food, the homes, etc. God made us visual people as well as auditory people, so these visual opportunities can certainly enhance our faith experience. Not everyone has the opportunity to travel to the Holy Land. TV shows and documentaries are excellent resources which help to bring the time of Jesus alive in our imaginations.

Just as there is the temptation to romanticize the past in historical fiction novels, we might have the temptation to think that what Jesus said and did are things that happened, "back then." There is a very real and important difference between watching a show about Jesus and participating in Mass.

When we are at Mass, we aren't there to watch. The word "attend" is even problematic. The Mass isn't a concert or lecture. It's the real and true participation in the heavenly banquet we all hope to participate in for all eternity. We gather around an altar. Altars aren't for eating, they're for sacrifice. Jesus is our paschal lamb, He is the perfect sacrifice which restores us to right relationship with the Father. Since God operates outside of space and time, this perfect sacrifice of Jesus is continually offered for the redemption of humanity. We participate in this eternal sacrifice and communion with the Father when we gather to share the Eucharist.

During the Offertory prayers, though the priest is speaking, he is offering the bread and wine on behalf of the whole community. He asks the Holy Spirit to come transform the gifts we offer. This is one reason why the gifts are brought forward from within the community to the altar.

Many generations have desired to see what we see, to hear what we hear, every time we come to Mass. Many still today long to have free and easy access to regular liturgical practice and cannot. What Jesus said and did isn't just something that happened long ago. He lives in each baptized member of the Body of Christ. He is present to us, speaking to us, at every single Mass we partake in. There is nothing on earth that can replace Jesus' true Presence in the Eucharist.

By Kate Taliaferro

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The confessional is a familiar setting in literature and drama. Everyone from Dostoevsky and Shakespeare down the line to Seinfeld has used the sacrament to tragic or comic effect or to reveal aspects of character otherwise hidden. All of this theater, from world classics to slapstick, has had a numbing effect on our own expectations, and has skewed how the culture looks at us and our struggle with sin and forgiveness, hope and healing.

Yet the artists are on to something. The reconciliation chapel is a place where hearts are laid bare, where honesty is the watchword, and people confess their deepest needs. It is also a place of rebirth, or at least realignment. It is, like the baptismal font, a place where something dies, and where something else is born. Today, although literature has barely caught up, the place is usually not the dark and gloomy cabinet of old; rather it is a chapel that speaks of peace, serenity, and the comfort of a welcome home.

People in one parish were astonished recently to see their children skipping with delight as they left the place of their first confession. We have to wait a bit for world literature to catch up with this reality, but at least we can experience the joy of penance, the thrill of a new beginning, the assurance of God's love.

—Rev. James Field

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