

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 31, 2025

St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Church

3901 Violet Road, Corpus Christi, TX 78410 Parish Office: 361.241.3249 Religious Education Office: 361.241.3249 www.stpeterprince.net Fax: 361.241.0533

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Luke 14:11



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.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Partying with Angels

While the first reading from Sirach and the Gospel focus on humility ("Humble yourself . . . and you will find favor with God" [Sirach 3:18] and "go and take the lowest place" [Luke 14:10], with a surprise reversal of the humble being exalted), the reading from Hebrews surprises us in a different way. The author uses apocalyptic imagery to show how much the relationship between God and humanity has changed. He starts with images of fire, storms, and trumpet blasts—images that may remind you of an erupting volcano: something you want to view from very far away. Even God's words brought fear and trembling.

It may not be surprising that God is beyond human comprehension, but Hebrews says no. God doesn't want to be so far beyond us that we only approach in fear. Using more images from the end-time, the author gives us a picture of the baptized partying with angels and all the just who have died. And of course God is the host. Let's look at some of those images to see how our relationship with the Lord has grown.

The heavenly Jerusalem reminds us that the Church is our home—not just our parish church building but the whole community of faith. How "at home" are you with your fellow parishioners? Do you regularly gather with that family for prayer? A church community can be a place to support those who are sick or jobless or depressed. It is also a place to be supported, to see God's love in action. The angels in Hebrews may be a symbol of that support.

The "firstborn" and "spirits of the just" could remind us of those who went before us and now rest in the Lord. They had their own struggles in life, and now live in glory. They help us to keep our true goal in mind, to remember the real meaning of life, and to look forward to eternal life with hope.

Jesus came to show us how much God loves us and how close God can be. When he shed his blood on the cross (the final sign in our reading), he renewed the covenant with God's people. So we no longer have to accomplish our salvation; it has already been offered to us by Jesus' death and resurrection. We accept that gift not just by a verbal statement of faith, but by a life lived as Jesus showed us, in love of God and our neighbor. Tom Schmidt

Adult Religious Class

The Adult video series will resume on Tuesday, September 16 at 7 pm. There will be 20 half hour videos followed by discussion. It is a Cathecism Study that goes to 40 places around the world where the Cathecism originated. The series will be presented by Fr. Mike Schmitz, Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Dr. Edward Sri and Jeff Cavins. It is designed to help us better understand the Cathecism from beginning to end. A book will accompany the series and an anonymous donor has made the \$40 dollar books available to everyone who attends the series and wants one.

The Adult Lecture Series will also resume on Sept. 18 on Thursdays at 7pm.

We look forward to seeing you there!



September 3 - September 7, 2025

Wednesday

6:30 pm †Manuel Cantu - By Judy & Steve Jaksik

Thursday

8:00 am Rodriguez Grandchildren - Blessings

(School Year 2025-2026) - By Chano Rodriguez

Friday

†Manuel Cantu - By Sam & Diana Gonzalez 8:00 am Michael & Ashley (Wedding Anniversary) -

By Chano Rodriguez

Saturday

8:00 am †Aida Deases - By Chano Rodriguez

6:00 pm †Esteban Hernandez - By Maria Hernandez

†Robert Pena Jr. - By Janie C. Pena

Parker Martin (Birthday) - By George & Fredda

Martin

Sunday 8:00 am

†Ricardo Trevino - By Beatrice & Erica Trevino

†Lucy Lekosky - By Delia Villarreal

Navis Medrano (Birthday) - By Navis Medrano

10:15 am People of the Parish

12:00 pm †Ottie Zieger & Don Coc- By Lil & Carol

†Maria Sandroussi - Michael Sandroussi †Laura Ann Andrade - By Yolanda Zuniga

†Kathy Garza - By Janie C. Pena

6:00 pm †Robert Pena Jr. - Judy & Steve Jaksik

†Manuel Cantu - Judy & Steve Jaksik

St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles Parish 8/24/2025

Envelopes	\$8,352.00
Loose	\$662.00
Online	\$3.045.00
Other	

Total.....\$12,079.00



The Sanctuary Candle Is burning for **†Jimmy Smith** We Love You & Miss You Jimmy By: Millie & Doodle Jarnagin

Second Collection September 6 & 7

We will have a second collection for the people in Gaza.







SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wednesday Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church Thursday Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Sunday Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings for the Week

Sunday Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11;

Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

Monday 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13; Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday Col 1: 1-8; Ps 52: 10, 11; Lk 4:38-44

ThursdayCol 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11FridayCol 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 5:33-39SaturdayCol 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8; Lk 6:1-5SundayWis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17;

Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Online Cityof.com/goodnews

Join us at



GALA

6 p.m. Sept. 18, 2025 Richard M. Borchard Regional Fairgrounds

1213 Terry Shamsie Blvd., Robstown Info: (361) 241-6566 or dtrejo@ark4kids.com

- . Silent and live auctions
 - . Dinner and dessert
 - Guest speaker
 - Entertainment
- Sponsorship tables and single seats available

Celebrating the 25th anniversary of the first child admitted to the shelter

Benefiting abused and neglected children

This building located between The Ark and the Mount Thabor Convent began sheltering the nonprofit's first child — a 16-year-old girl — on April 7, 2000.





Diocesan is proud to be printing



St. Peter's Sunday Bulletin

You are invited to help support our Parish!

For opportunities to advertise, please call 800-994-9817





The Businesses listed above make this bulletin possible. Please support them when you can.

(361) 688-9186

RTAPIA.ICYAC@GMAIL.COM

SALES - INSTALLATIONS - SERVICE

TACLB021588E

Sign up to get our bulletin in your email each week. Go to DiscoverMass.com/subscribe

ADVERTISE HERE

Promote your Business AND support your Parish. Krystal Sookdeo ~ 281-692-4011

ksookdeo@diocesan.com