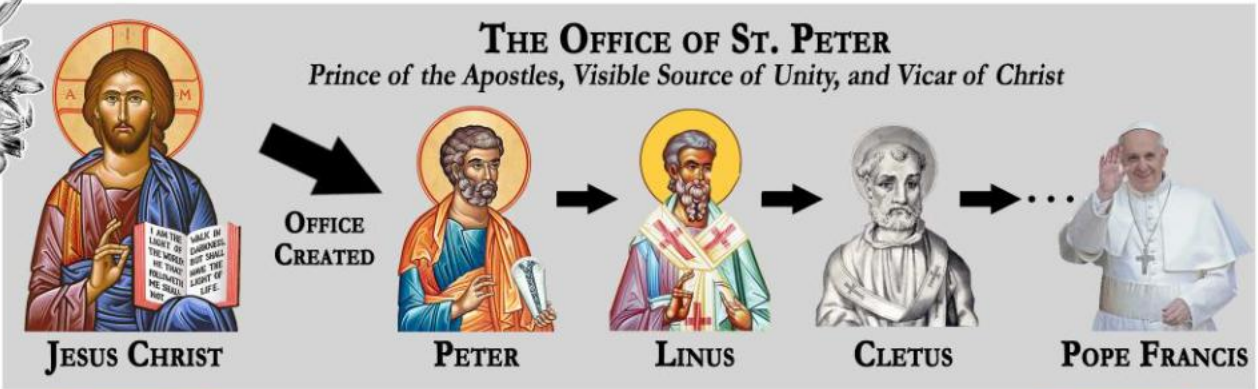


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ISAIAH
Ch. 22

JESUS MAKES PETER A STEWARD
as the Lord made Eliakim a Steward

MATT
Ch. 16

GIVEN KEYS TO THE KINGDOM


ISAIAH 22:22
“I will place on his shoulder the key to the house of David...”



MATTHEW 16:19
“I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven...”

GIVEN AUTHORITY OVER THE KINGDOM

ISAIAH 22:22
“...What he opens, no one can shut, and what he shuts, no one can open.”




MATTHEW 16:19
“...Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

IMPLICATIONS OF STEWARDSHIP

ISAIAH 22:15	Custody over the King’s assets	➔	Custody over the Church on earth
ISAIAH 22:19-21	Holds office with Successors	➔	Holds office with Successors (cf. Acts 1:20)
ISAIAH 22:21	Father over the Nation	➔	Pope = “Father” in Greek / Latin
ISAIAH 22:22	Serves the Davidic King	➔	Serves the Davidic King, Jesus Christ

WHAT DID THE EARLY CHURCH BELIEVE?



“Pointing out here the successions of the bishops of the greatest and most ancient church known to all, founded and organized at Rome by the two most glorious apostles, Peter and Paul, that church which has the tradition and the faith which comes down to us after having been announced to men by the apostles. With that church, because of its superior origin, all the churches must agree, that is, all the faithful in the whole world, and it is in her that the faithful everywhere have maintained the apostolic tradition.”

ST. IRENAEUS, BISHOP OF LYONS - *Against Heresies* Bk. 3, Ch. 3 [A.D. 189]

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 5

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Andrea Grover +

Sunday, February 6

- Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Doug & Nicole Miller
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Parish Family

Monday, February 7

No Public Mass

Tuesday, February 8

Adoration 7:00-8:00 a.m.
8:00 a.m. George O. Witwer +
8:30 a.m. Confessions

Wednesday, February 9

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration
6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Nancy Kreutzer +

Thursday, February 10

8:00 a.m. Greg Mayer +

Friday, February 11

8:30 a.m. Bessie & George Harvey +

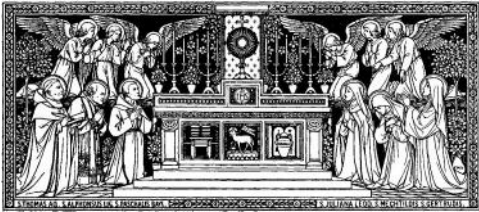
Saturday, February 12

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, February 13

- Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Greg Mayer +
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Mary Ann & Terry Flowers +



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, February 7 - Fifth Week in Ordinary Time - 1 Kgs 8:1-7,9-13/ Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday, February 8 - St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin - 1 Kgs 8:22-23,27-30/ Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday, February 9 - 1 Kgs 10:1-10/ Mk 7:14-23

Thursday, February 10 - St. Scholastica, Virgin - 1 Kgs 11:4-13/ Mk 7:24-30

Friday, February 11 - Our Lady of Lourdes - 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/ Mk 7:31-37

Saturday, February 12 - 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/ Mk 8:1-10

Sunday, February 13 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Jer 17:5-8/ 1 Cor 15:12,16-20/ Lk 6:17,20-26

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – FEBRUARY 6, 2022

This weekend (Feb. 5th/6th), the Church celebrates the **Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. Having celebrated the **Memorial of St. Blaise** this past week (Feb. 3rd), we will offer the **Blessing of Throats** after all Masses this weekend. In this blessing, we ask St. Blaise, who is the Patron Saint of all those suffering from throat illnesses, to intercede before the Lord to protect us from all such illnesses (*if doing so would aid our eternal salvation*).

St. Blaise was the 4th Century Bishop of Sebaste (in Turkey). As recorded in the “*Acts of St. Blaise*,” St. Blaise was arrested in 316 AD for being a Christian. While being transported to jail, a woman brought her son, choking on a fish bone, to St. Blaise, who cured the child. When imprisoned, he was gifted two candles by a woman that he aided so that he might have light in his cell. Refusing to deny Jesus Christ, St. Blaise was beaten, tortured, and beheaded by Agricola, the Roman governor of Cappadocia.

It is customary that the **Blessing of Throats** is performed by placing two candles upon the neck of the Faithful while the prayer of blessing is being prayed. The two candles recall the two candles gifted to St. Blaise in his prison cell. Placing the candles upon the neck recalls the manner in which St. Blaise gave his life to glorify God. The prayer of blessing invokes St. Blaise’s intercession, recognizing that he is now before the throne of Jesus Christ, interceding on our behalf.

DID YOU KNOW? ST. PETER WAS THE FIRST POPE

Both before and after the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, St. Peter stood as the leader among the Twelve Apostles (cf. *Matthew 10; 14–17; 19; Mark 3; 8; Luke 6; 8–9; 12; John 6:68–71; Acts 1–5; 8–12; 15; Gal. 1:18; 2:11–14*). Throughout the Gospels, he is uniquely commanded by our Lord to feed His sheep (*John 21:15–17*). Jesus even prays for St. Peter’s faith, that he might be prepared to strengthen his brothers (*Luke 22:31–32*).

All of this centers upon Matthew 16:13-19, in which St. Peter is named as the “Rock.” And, just as the servant of King David was given the keys to open or shut (Isaiah 22), St. Peter, servant to the King of Kings, also is given the keys to “bind and loose.” The Lord made St. Peter the visible foundation of his Church. He entrusted the keys of the Church to him. And, with the ongoing call of the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20), this authority continues to be passed down even to our own day.

We believe that the authority given to St. Peter did not end with his life, but was handed on to his successors. This belief is based both in the Sacred Scriptures, where a successor is named for Judas (Acts 1:15-26), and in the writings of the Early Church Fathers. In the 2nd and 3rd Century, St. Irenaeus of Lyons, St. Cyprian of Carthage, Tertullian, and Hegesippus each trace the lineage of the Church in Rome from St. Peter to St. Linus, St. Cletus, and so through successors to the Pope of their own present days.

The bishop of the Church of Rome, successor to St. Peter, acts as the head of the college of bishops, is the Vicar of Christ, and serves as the Pastor of the universal Church on earth until the Lord Himself returns.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY - LISTENING SESSION

As a reminder, next **Saturday, February 12th**, all are invited to **Sts. Peter and Paul in Huntington** for our diocesan-sponsored **Listening Session** for the upcoming **Synod on Synodality**. The day begins with **Mass and a Holy Hour at 8 AM** and culminates with the **Listening Session at 9:30 AM**. Representatives for the diocese will be present to hear from all those who would like to share how the Holy Spirit is working in their lives.

Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David

I will be traveling this week to San Antonio, Texas, to visit with several of my seminary classmates. A special thanks to Fr. Bill Sullivan for offering our daily Masses this week.



Becky Biberstein, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Bobbie and Cheryl Jackson, Sandy Arnold, Andrea Holte, Jen Coyne, Bonnie Burns, John Houlihan, Nora LaVine, Kimberly Abney, Sydnee Bradburn, Leanne Lee, Matt McFarren, Ryan Feedback, Dr. Doug Phillips, and Gene Keys

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Monthly Meeting Tuesday, February 8 - 7:00 p.m.
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PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., February 5 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., February 6 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., February 6 - Religious Education Class - 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
- Tues., February 8 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Tues., February 8 - Children's Choir Practice - 5:30 p.m.
- Wed., February 9 - Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., February 10 - RCIA - 6:30 p.m.
- Sat., February 12 - Abraham Herr and McKenna Eltzroth wedding - 2:00 p.m.
- Sat., February 12 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., February 13 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., February 13 - Religious Education Class - 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
- Tues., February 15 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Tues., February 15 - Children's Choir Practice - 5:30 p.m.
- Tues., February 15 - G.I.R.L.'s Night Out - 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room
- Wed., February 16 - Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., February 16 - Parish Council Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs., February 17 - RCIA - 6:30 p.m.
- Sat., February 19 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., February 20 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., February 20 - Religious Education Class - 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

WEEKEND OF February 12/13, 2022



5:00 Teresa Smith
7:30 Donna Geisel
10:00 Nancy Leitz



5:00 George Witwer
7:30 Ben Wagner
10:00 Patti Clark-Johnson



5:00 Volunteers
7:30 Dale/Sarah McCorkle
10:00 Chris/Laurie Reifsteck & Todd/Anjie Hartman Families



5:00 Alex &/or Audrey Mechling, Isaiah/Kari Bedwell
7:30 Beth Geisel, Abby/Adrienne Wagner
10:00 Ellie Coyne, Gracie Haiflich, Gabby Hoffacker

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report Our weekly budget is \$5,111

January 29/30 Weekend We are \$3,499.36 ahead of our budget for the month of January

Adult Envelopes- \$2,117.00	St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$195.00
Child Envelopes- \$3.00	
Loose- \$249.12	
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$810.35	
Religious Ed. Fund- \$0	
Votive Candles- \$326.00	
Playground Equipment Donation- \$100.00	
Paper Gator- \$38.30	
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WELCOME, CHILD OF GOD

Through water and the word, Emelia Rausch, daughter of Doug and Brittany Rausch became a child of God and was sealed as Christ's own forever through Baptism on Sunday, January 30, 2022 by Fr. David Violi.



Knight of Columbus will host a blood drive Sunday, March 13 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Register to donate at redcrossblood.org.

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