

# THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

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# 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + SEPTEMBER 1, 2024



"Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." ~ *Mk* 7:15

## Weekend Mass Schedule

### <u>Sunday</u>

Saturday 4:00pm .....Ss. Peter & Paul 5:30pm .....St. Thomas

7:30am.....St. Thomas 9:00am.....Ss. Peter & Paul 10:30am ....St. Thomas

# "Temporary" Weekday Mass Schedule

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, & Sat - 8:30am @ St. Thomas

## Sacrament Guidelines

### **Baptisms:**

Make arrangements with the pastor. <u>Copy of Birth Certificate must</u> <u>be submitted, at the latest, one week before the baptism</u>.

### Marriages:

Make arrangements with the pastor 6-8 months in advance. Must be a registered parishioner at least six months prior to beginning marriage prep. Cohabiting couples will normally be required to separate before scheduling a wedding.

## "Temporary" Confession Schedule

Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri 7:45-8:15am @ St. Thomas Tue, Wed, Fri 3:30-4pm @ St. Thomas Wednesdays 6:15-7pm @ St. Thomas (w/Adoration) Saturdays 7:30-8:15am @ St. Thomas 3-3:45pm @ Ss. Peter & Paul

## Welcome Visitors!

To join our parish, please go to our website, contact the Parish Office, or scan the QR code to the right to be taken to our online registration form.



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## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



This is the 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. In our readings for this Sunday, we have the Lord expressing exasperation with the Pharisees over their picking on his disciples for not observing all of the numerous practices that had been developed by them over time to keep the law perfectly. Jesus quotes from the prophet Isaiah, "This people honors me with

their lips, but their hearts are from me."

All the readings for this Sunday point out that true religion demonstrates what is said in prayer by compassionate action to word those in need and in being just. Hypocrisy is not acceptable to the Lord. If we love God, then we must strive to love those whom God loves, those around us.

Summer is ending and the activities of the fall will soon be upon us. May we strive to develop our relationship with the Lord in prayer, worship and adoration. May this developing growth in faith lead to a genuine love for God, which finds increasing joy in loving and caring for others.

- This Monday, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>, is Labor Day. We will have mass at St. Thomas at 9:00AM. In these curious times, come to mass and pray for our nation so that their will be good jobs and a living wage available for all.
- We have a pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of *Guadalupe next month on Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. We have* details in the bulletin and sign up forms at the back of church.
- First Friday Intercessory Prayer for Our Children resumes this Friday and every First Friday throughout the school year.



## **INTERCESSORY** PRAYER FOR MASS ON ALL OF OUR **CHILDREN LABOR DAY**

9:00 AM @ **ST. THOMAS** 

### **COFFEE & ROLLS**

First Fridays @

9:00 AM beginning in

lower level of church

Thomas the Apostle

All are invited to the Parish Center Dining Hall for coffee, juice and rolls following the 9 AM Mass.



# MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to form and nurture disciples of Jesus Christ in union with the Roman Catholic Church.

### Ss. Peter & Paul **OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday - Friday 9am - 4pm

## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Glen Jenson, Pastor frjenson@saintsppta.org

**Rev. Sebastien Bakatu** Weekend Assistant

Rev. Mr. Tom Utecht Deacon

Sherry Elsen Parish Office Administrator selsen@saintsppta.org

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**Carrie Ferdinandt Music Coordinator** Ss. Peter & Paul Organist

**Greg Elsen** Volunteer Choir Director

**Trustees** Brad Jacobs, Lee Schlosser

**Parish Council** Bill Maurer-Chair, Lark Ahlstrom, Paul Gibson, Todd Johnson, Scott Ritter, Tim Spaulding, OPEN POSITION

**Finance Council** Rachel Polson-Chair, Dan Doboszenski, Randy Elsen, Bernadette Grenzer, **OPEN POSITION** 

# UPCOMING EVENTS



2024-2025 OCIA Classes ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Tuesdays, Sept. 17-April 29, 7-9pm, Location TBD Classes Will be taught by Deacon Tom Utech

### **Register by Friday, Sept. 13**

Contact the Parish Office to Register www.spap.org / www.churchofstthomas.org



First Saturday Devotion

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#### Our Lady's promise:

For those who fulfill five consecutive First Saturdays, Our Lady promises personal salvation. (December 10, 1925)

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St. Thomas the Apostle Church 20000 Co. Rd. 10, Corcoran

# **CONGRATULATIONS!**



Congratulations to

# Stephen & Erica (Pouliot) Fuchs

Joined in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony on Saturday, August 31, 2024.

May God bless your life with happiness, fill your home with joy and peace, and guide you through all your years together.



Congratulations and welcome to George Thomas McGuire who was baptized into the Catholic Church on Sunday, August 25, 2024, at Ss. Peter & Paul. George is the son of TJ & Meggie McGuire. Congratulations to the entire family!

# **OUR CATHOLIC FAITH**



### **Question**:

What are the Seven Sorrows of Mary, and why do we solemnly celebrate the Feast in September?

### **Answer:**

The Seven Sorrows of Mary are important for us to know and pray. They are all based on scripture and emphasize Mary's role in Salvation history.

The Seven Sorrows of Mary image is usually shown as Our Lady's Immaculate Heart pierced with seven swords. The actual Feast Day is September 15th.

The devotion dates back to the 12th century and was spread to monasteries by St. Anselm and St. Bernard. The Cistercians and the Order of the Servants of Mary then expanded the devotion so that it became widespread in the 14th and 15th centuries. Later, St. Pius X inserted it into the Roman calendar on the fixed date of September 15th significantly placing it the day after the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on September 14th. This Rosary became popular again following the Marian apparitions in Kibeho, Rwanda, in the 1980's, which have been approved by the Church. How to pray the Rosary of the Seven Sorrows of Mary can be found on the Hallow app.

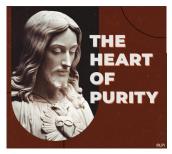
### The Seven Sorrows of Mary are:

- 1. The Prophesy of Simeon. Luke 2:34-35
- 2. The Escape and Flight into Egypt. Matthew 2:13
- 3. The Loss of the Child Jesus in the Temple of Jerusalem. Luke 2:43-45
- 4. The Meeting of Mary and Jesus on the Via Dolorosa (Way of the Cross).
- 5. The Crucifixion of Jesus on Mount Calvary. John 19:25
- 6. The Piercing of the Side of Jesus with a spear, and His Descent from the Cross. Matthew 27:57-59
- 7. The Burial of Jesus by Joseph of Arimathea. John 19:40-42

# **PRACTICING CATHOLIC**

## THE WORD

On November 28, 1981, Alphonsine Mumureke was in the dining room at her high school in Kibeho, a small village in southwestern Rwanda. She heard a voice. It was a woman, veiled and beautiful. Alphonsine



asked her who she was. "I am the Mother of the Word," answered the woman.

It was the first appearance of Our Lady of Kibeho, who would return to visit Alphonsine and two of her schoolmates over the course of the next eight years. She left with them an urgent call for repentance, along with a prophecy of the Rwandan genocide that would come to fruition in the next decade.

I have always found it compelling that Our Lady chose to identify herself in this way at Kibeho. *The Mother of the Word*. A title so simple and so concise, but so heavy with meaning.

"In the beginning was the Word..." says the Gospel of John in its opening lines.

But what is the Word? Is it spoken, or is it felt? Is it seen, written, heard? Is it shouted or whispered? Is it scribbled across pages that will one day dry and disappear? Is it carved into stone tablets, or on the nameplate above a cross? Is it poured over our foreheads? Is it set ablaze in a bush? Is it etched into our hearts?

It is all of these things, yes, but it is more, still. The Word is not something that is merely spoken. It is not merely written. The Word is something that is done. It is something that we must choose to do.

Our Lady of Kibeho lamented that this world "has neither love nor peace." "If you do not convert and heal your hearts, you will all fall into an abyss," she warned.

But how do we convert our hearts? What snatches us back from the brink?

It is the Word, spoken. It is the Word, carried out. Not just one, and not just the other, but both.

"Humbly welcome the Word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls." — James 1:21

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

# **SUPPORTING PARISH & COMMUNITY**

## FINANCIAL UPDATE (July 2024-June 2025 contributions)

Contributions toward our renovation project are not included.

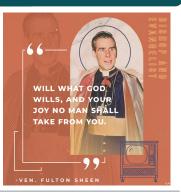
	<u>W/E 8-25</u>	<b>Fiscal YTD</b>	<u>2024-25 Budget</u>
Envelopes	\$5,216.00	\$45,640.00	\$385,000.00
Loose Plate	229.00	1,775.25	
Electronic Giving	<u>1,195.75</u>	<u>15,315.29</u>	<u>100,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$6,640.75	\$62,730.54	\$508,000.00

Thank you for your generosity!



**TO CONTRIBUTE ONLINE**, scan QR code or go to

sspap.org/online-giving.



## WATER & SODA NEEDED

The Parish office is collecting water and soda donations for Christkindlmarkt. All donations can be left in the Parish Center kitchen. With Labor Day just around the corner, many sales will begin to advertise, and it would be a great time to take advantage of these sales which will, in turn, benefit our Christkindlmarkt festival.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

**Catholic United Financial** would like to congratulate the three recipients from our council who received scholarships from our organization. They are Veronica Shafer, Valerie Shafer, and Aiden Cruz. Catholic United has given out over 3 million in post high school tuition scholarships. Recipients receive a \$500.00 scholarship if they are attending a Catholic college, university or institution and \$300.00 if they are attending a non-Catholic college, university or institution. We honored our recipients with a small gift at our free Ice Cream Social event held on August 11<sup>th</sup>.

Our Ice Cream Social was enjoyed by over 80 people. Everyone enjoyed creating their own special sundae with over a dozen toppings to choose from. This event was filled with many happy smiles, especially from the children.





# THIS WEEK

## LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

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### September 7, 4:00 PM

Priest......Fr. Jenson Sacristan ......Paul Elsen Rosary ......Jenny Elsen Ushers ......Lee Schlosser, Butch Peitz Lector.....Rachel Polson EMHC ......Rachel Polson

### September 8, 9:00 AM

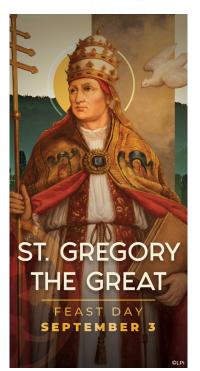
Priest......Fr. Jenson Sacristan ......JoAnn Schlosser Rosary ......Sandy Jordan Ushers ......Randy Arens, Steve Beal Lector ......Mary Elsen EMHC .....JoAnn Schlosser Hospitality....John & Bernie Grenzer

### **OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF** September 1, 2024

Sunday:...... 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: ..... Labor Day

- Tuesday: ...... St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday: ... 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Grandparent's Day



## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### September 2-8, 2024

Mon (Labor Day) †Fr. Lawrence R. "Larry" Johnson TuesJordan Bongaarts
Wed†Tom Schumacher (req. by Catholic United Financial)
ThurtLisa Scherer
Fri†Therese A. Siebenaler
Sat, 8:30am†Tom Schlangen
Sat, 4:00pm†Marion Haas
Sat, 5:30pmParish Cluster
Sun, 7:30am†Pat Fadgen
9:00am†Dennis Kerber
10:30am†Butch Bauer

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

#### September 2-8, 2024

Monday, SEPTEMBER 2 Ss. Peter & Paul Parish Office closed on Mondays

Labor Day

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3** 8:30am-4:30pm Veritas in Academia (SPP Parish Center)

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**

8:30am-12:30pm Veritas in Academia (SPP Parish Center)

> 6:30pm Parish Council mtg (SPP Conference Rm)

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

9am Family Intercessory Prayer (St. Thomas)

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

<u>First Saturda</u>	<u>ay @ St. Thomas</u>
7:30-8:15am	Confessions
7:50am	Rosary
8:30am	Mass

10:00am Christkindlmarkt Mgr. Mtg.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 10:00am Coffee & Rolls

(SPP Dining Hall)



#### Readings for the week of September 1, 2024 Sunday:

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a/ Jas 2:1-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/ Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

#### Monday:

1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/ Lk 4:16-30

#### **Tuesday:**

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1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/ Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/ Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/ Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/ Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1B)/ Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

### CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL Ss. Peter and Paul Parish Volunteer Team #056

Our Catholic United Financial Parish Volunteer Team promotes our faith and strengthens our community through various activities. We are committed



community through various activities. We are committed to the social, service, and religious needs of our parish community.

Join Catholic United Financial by contact-ing Team Director, Joyce H. at 763-498-7187, or Administrative Coordinator, Joanne at 763-479-2928.

### Bulletin Submissions

Bulletin articles are due by 9:00 AM on Mondays, unless indicated elsewhere in the bulletin. All articles must be completely written before submitting. Thank you.

# PRAYER

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### PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY

The Prayer Chain Ministry is made up of parishioners dedicated to praying for others. To place someone on a Prayer Chain, please contact Lynn Scholtes at 763-477-6359/ lynnscholtes@gmail.com. Thank you.

## WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Because of our need to respect the privacy of individuals/families, we must have a member of the family call us to have a name included here. <u>Unless we hear from the family, we will</u> take a name off after 3 months. Thank you!

Betsy Elsen (11/27) Marlys Kowalski (9/25) Baby Julia McGuire (9/9) Julie Windsperger (9/9)

# WE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

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Eric Alger—Army; Bryan Beal—Army National Guard w/34th Red Bulls; Patrick Eikmeier—Army National Guard; Dalton Pouliot—Army National Guard; Nickolas Sieg—Army; Peter Weber—Air Force.

If you would like a member of our U.S. Military listed or removed, please contact Sherry at the Ss. Peter & Paul Parish Office— 763-479-0535 orselsen@saintsppta.org.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEN DISCERNING THE DIACONATE

- Cory Plotts.....Diaconate Formation
- Todd Ziesmer.....Diaconate Formation



Catholic Link

# Area Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Area Perpetual Adoration is in Our Lady of Loretto Chapel, which is located in the old Convent building on the Ss. Peter & Paul Church grounds. To sign up for an hour, please contact Sherry in the Parish Office (763-479-0535) or one of the members of our Adoration Core Team listed below.

## Adoration Chapel Core Team

Head Coordinator	Joanne	
Assistant Coordinator	Diane	612.730.9386
Night Division Leader:	Diane	
Morning Division Leader:	Judy	763.331.5703
Afternoon Division Leaders:	Lill	612.600.2050
Evening Division Leader:	Connie	

Blessed Virgin's Rosary Ministry

Prayer Intention for September 2024

For the participants of the Blessed Virgin's Rosary Ministry and their families; and for voters as elections draw near. May our Lady help us to discern wisely who is best to lead us in government office.

Each member is assigned a mystery of the Rosary to pray each day. New members are always welcome. To join, contact Sherry in the Ss. Peter & Paul Parish Office or Joanne Schumacher at jmschu@live.com.

"When we go before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament we represent the one in the world who is in most need of God's Mercy. We stand on behalf of the one in the world who does not know Christ and who is farthest away from God and we bring down upon their soul the Precious Blood of The Lamb."



~ Pope St. John Paul II

# Adoration Open Hours

NIGHT TIME HOURS:	
Sunday	2 AM
Thursday	
Friday	I AM*
Saturday	I AM, 3 AM
MORNING HOURS: Saturday	9 AM*
AFTERNOON HOURS: Saturday	5 PM
EVENING HOURS:	
Friday	I0 PM*
Saturday	

#### \* New Open Hour \* 2nd person is needed for these hours.

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For questions, or to inquire about taking an hour, go to the website by scanning this QR

code or go to <u>sspap.org/</u> <u>eucharisticadoration</u>, or call the Ss. Peter & Paul Parish Office Administrator at 763-479-0535.

