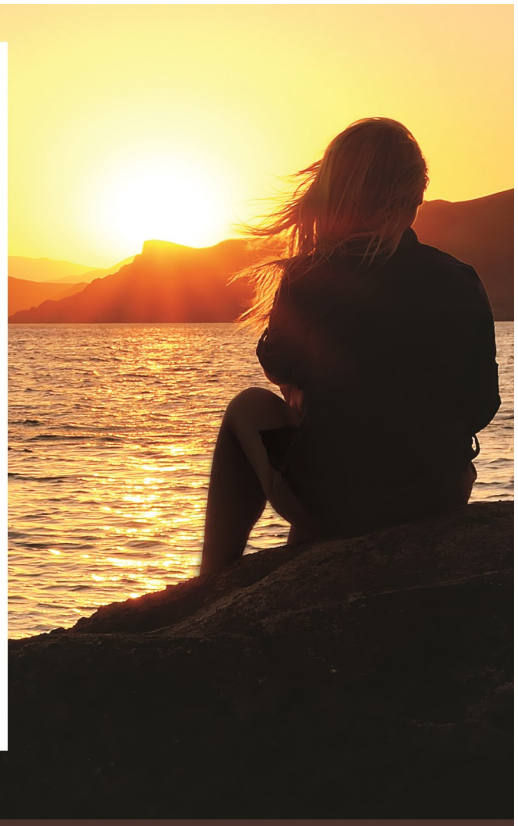
APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

WELCOME AND BLESSINGS TO ALL WHO ENTER OUR CHURCHES!

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HOMAGE

He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." - Mt 15:24-25



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BULLETIN DEADLINE

St. Peter - Monday 4pm
St. Paul - Tuesday 9:30am

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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms (Mary) .....507-931-1628 X 144
Marriages .....Contact Pastor as soon as Engaged
Reconciliation .....See Schedule or Contact for individual appointments

MISSION STATEMENT:
United and inspired by the Holy Trinity, we are disciples guiding disciples.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE AUGUST 20—AUGUST 27

Sunday, August 20 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 / Matthew 15:21-28
8:00 am ..... Mass, St. Paul
10:00 am .....Mass (Parish Family), St. Peter

Monday, August 21
Judges 2:11-19 / Matthew 19:16-22
7:30 am .....Confession, St. Peter
8:00 am ..... Mass (+Bonnie Luskey), St. Peter

Tuesday, August 22
Judges 6:11-24 / Matthew 19:23-30
7:30 am .....Confession, St. Peter
8:00 am .....Mass (+Elle Willaert), St. Peter
6:00 pm .....St. Peter Administrative Council

Wednesday, August 23
Judges 9:6-15 / Matthew 20:1-16
7:30 am .....Confession, St. Paul
8:00 am ..... Mass, St. Paul

Thursday, August 24
Revelation 21:9-14 / John 1:45-51
7:30 am .....Confession, St. Peter
8:00 am ..... Mass (+Clarence Rehome), St. Peter
1:00 pm—10:00 pm.....Adoration
3:30 pm .....Confession, St. Peter

Friday, August 25
Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14-16, 22 / Matthew 22:34-40
7:30 am .....Confession, St. Peter
8:00 am .....Mass (+Mark & Kathie Schaus), St. Peter

Saturday, August 26
Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 / Matthew 23:1-12
4:00 pm .....Confession, St. Peter
5:00 pm Mass (+Charlotte & Bucky Walter), St. Peter

Sunday, August 27 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 22:19-23 / Matthew 16:13-20
8:00 am ..... Mass, St. Paul
10:00 am .....Mass (Parish Family), St. Peter

MINISTRY OF LITURGY SCHEDULE AUGUST 26/27

August 26 - 5:00 pm
SERVERS: Emma Steffen, Michael Thompson

EME: Denise Attenberger, Eileen Attenberger, Mary Ann Enz, Mary Ann Harty, Bill Leonard

GIFTS: Don & Sue Wolfe

LECTOR: Shawn Schloesser

USHERS: Bob Genelin, Carol & Maurice Ritz

August 27 - 10:00 am
SERVERS: Gavin Bohmer, Lexi Johnson

EME: Sue Connor, Joe & Teresa Kienlen, LeAnn Miller, Kathy Schmidt, Mark Siebels, John Thoemke

GIFTS: Keith & Kathy Keogh

LECTOR: Mandy Salfer

USHERS: Sonny Meyer, Ken Meixner

USHERS NEEDED

We are in dire need of ushers in September for both mass times. Please contact Sarah 931-1628 or sarah.denn@johnirelandschool.org if able to help.

Do you have a prayer request or would like to be part of the prayer chain?

Phone Prayer Chain: Marie Miller 931-1936
Email Prayer Chain: office@churchofstpeter.org

ST. PETER PUBLIC ACCESS TV

Channel 7
Church of St. Peter Sunday Mass:
Mondays – 7 pm Tuesday - 9 am

FINDING GOD THROUGH FAITH & REASON – EPISODE 14

Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D., lends insight into new evidence gathered from the fields of contemporary philosophy and physics, which supports proof for the existence of God. The universe itself connotes the existence of a Creator, and the principle of intelligent design leads to a logical conclusion about the nature of God.

Wednesday, August 23 @ 9 pm
Thursday, August 24 @ 10 am

A Note From Father

Dear Parishioners,

Our deepest sympathy to Sarah Denn and Kasandra Denn on the death of their aunt Laura. May she rest in peace.

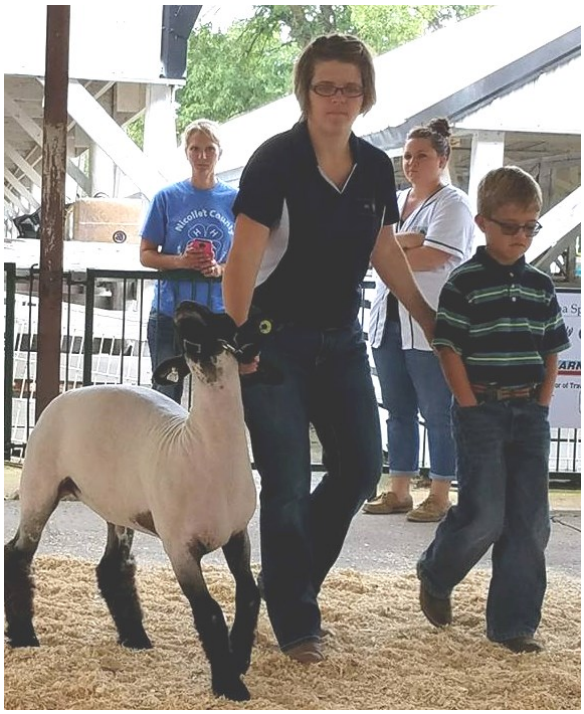
Last week, we witnessed acts of racism in Charlottesville. I did not speak to it directly last week not out of cowardice but because I do not think that we, as a community, are unaware of where truth lies. It certainly does not lie in the thought that somehow our skin color makes us inferior or superior to others. Every act of racism, sexism, and violence is an offense against the Lord, who created us all as expressions of His love. As citizens of this country, we need to stop the polarization along false divisions. Being of a different race is not being of a different species. In fact, some time ago, a biologist pointed out that there is more genes in common between races that sometimes between people of the same race! Think about that! Martin Luther King, in his famous "I have a Dream" Speech put it best when he stated that he was working for a time when people "will not be judged on the color of their skin but by the content of their character." Those that would perpetuate racism, those that would pursue violence, those that would separate 'us' from 'them' display the content of their character, which is far more inhuman. Please pray for healing of these racial tensions, which can only be done through person-to-person contact, one soul at a time.

In Christ, Fr. Todd

John Ireland News

John Ireland
Catholic School
www.churchofstpeter.org/ji

We are a Catholic community welcoming students of all faiths, devoted to Gospel Values, Academic Excellence, and Christian Service.



Congrats

to all our fair participants!

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL SUNDAY COLLECTION

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Sunday, 8/13/17 — Adult - $1,636.00 / Plate - $38.00
Feast of the Assumption — $10.0 / Vacation Bible School — $110.00

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS
Wednesday, 8/23 - 8:00 am — †Ray Furst
Sunday, 8/27 – 8:00 am — †Wendell Z and Anna Wenner

MINISTRY OF LITURGY—Sunday, August 27
USHERS: Randy Dorn, Mark Zins, Paul Zins
LECTOR: Dale Mack
EME: Dale Mack, Dcn Steve, Colette Thorson, Cyndi Zins, Donna Zins
SACRISTAN: Dcn Steve
SERVERS: John Hiniker
GIFTS: Keith Rosin Family
GREETERS: Paul and Donna Zins

The sick and/or homebound: ***God is taking care of you.*** Pat Anton, Sister Miriam Ardolf, Pam Bernal, LeAnna Brown, Millie Dorn, Charlie and Dianne Epper, Heather Giefer, Lisa Hackett Family, Sarah Iverson, Helyna Mack, Herman Mettler, Shirley Michels, Daniel Podol, Matt Reichard, Stacy Schultz, Pat Zins, Bethany, Richard, Rob, Scott, Troy. **We pray for all who are ill or hospitalized.**

Nursing Home Residents: Rose Marie Zins, Oak Hills, New Ulm. Betty Wenner, Benedictine, St. Peter.

Group Homes: Nadine Brown, James Weber, Mary Jo Weber.

Assisted Living: Mary Ann Mans, Benedictine Living Community, St. Peter. Fran Renne, Monarch Meadows, North Mankato.

PARISH NOTES:

1. Church of St. John, Searles, Fall Festival, Sunday, August 27. A family-style ham and chicken dinner will be served 10:15 to 1:30 pm. Tickets: Adults - $12 / Children 12 and Under - $4 / Preschool - $1.50. There will be bingo, Country Store, crafts, horse-drawn trolley rides, games for all ages, music, and a lunch stand on the grounds. The Big Ticket drawing will be at 4:00 with over $10,000 worth of prizes.

2. School Sisters of the Notre Dame, Good Counsel, Mankato, 12th Annual *NoFest Octoberfest* is underway. This year, our *NoFest Octoberfest* focus is on the many ways the sisters minister through education within the state of Minnesota. There are many ways to get a *NoFest Octoberfest* form to purchase a $10 chance such as: from an SSND, at the parish office, at the church entrances or by calling Sister Monica Wagner at 507-389-4231. Each $10 gives you 31 opportunities to in up to $2017! **All entries must be returned by September 28, 2017, for the drawing.** To learn more about this event visit: www.ssndcp.org/nofest. To learn more about the sisters many ministries visit: www.ssndcp.org. If you have questions, please contact Sister Monica Wagner at 389-4231 or mlwagner@ssndcp.org. We appreciate your support.

"For all that has been, thanks, Lord thanks;
To all that will be, yes, Lord, yes!"
—Dag Hammerskjold

VIRTUS Training

If you are in need of VIRTUS Training we will be having a session on Thursday, August 31, 2017 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the Church of St. Peter. Register by visiting virtusonline.org.

Volunteers Needed

Coffee and donuts after Sunday Mass will resume September 10. We need more volunteers to help serve. If you would like to help with this please call Joan Werner 931-2721 or the parish office 931-1628 by August 23.

RCIA Classes Beginning Soon

Are you thinking about joining the Catholic Church or do you know someone who is? Contact Mary Grack (mary.grack@churchofstpeter.org) to sign up. Classes will begin in late September.

Church of St. Peter Thrift & Consignment Store

(507) 931-9150

This weeks sale: 1/2 off pictures, frames, games, and shoes

Store Hours: M-F 9-5 and Saturday 9-4.

Catholic Daughters

CDA members please pick up your activity booklet at the table in the narthex. We invite all ladies 18 or older to become a CDA member. Stop at the table for more information and visit with a CDA member.

Our meeting for the new season is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 12th at 6:30 pm in the Social Hall. Entertainment is a report by Heidi Wenner of the Haiti trip that 22 members of our congregation took .

Next Regents outing is Sept. 17th

CDA "Secret Sisters"

Hope that you are being diligent in remembering your secret sister. Leave a note, trinket or treat (anonymously of course). Be sure to check the box periodically as there may be something there for you. Thank you for sharing in this event.

Adoration Family Hour

How can families of young children teach their children about adoring our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament? To help our families with young children expose their children to our Lord, we are reserving the hour from 6-7 pm on Thursdays for families. We hope that this will be a great way to help our children become comfortable praying before the Eucharist and allow time for families to pray together. We encourage families of young children to stop in during this hour to begin teaching your children to pray in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Begin with 5 minutes or as long as your children are able. Adults without young children are still welcome at this time. And families are also welcome at any time during Adoration.

Thank You

Thank you to all who donated for the special collection last weekend that went towards the support of Vacation Bible School. So far collected is $542. If you would like to donate there is still time. Drop off at the parish office or in the Sunday collection marked Vacation Bible School.

Baptism Class

Are about to have your first child? Now is the time to start thinking about taking Baptism preparation class. Next Class is Thursday, August 31 starting at 7pm. Contact Mary to register. 931-1628 or email mary.grack@johnirelandschool.org.

Good Counsel Learning Center's 50th Anniversary

All are invited to a *Celebration of Thanks* for the Good Counsel Learning Center's 50th anniversary Sunday, August 20th, from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. We are honoring Sr. Mary Donald Miller who founded the Learning Center in 1967 with a short program followed by ice cream and cookies. Enjoy visiting past and present students, families and friends in the Conference Center at 170 Good Counsel Drive. Everyone is welcome!

NoFest October Fundraiser

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Make plans for a fall get-away with the one you love before your calendar fills up!! A Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next available Weekends are Nov 17-19, 2017 in Windom, MN and Feb 16-18, 2018 in Windom, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: southmnwwme.org.

New Ulm Catholic High School

Cathedral High School in New Ulm is currently enrolling students in grades 7-12 for the 2017-2018 school year. Cathedral provides spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional and social growth for all students in partnership with parents, the church and community. For more information or to schedule a tour, please call 507-354-2719 or visit www.nuacs.com.

Widows of all Ages!

A new Widow Connect Group is starting up in the St. Peter area. Your encouraged to join an informal group gathering to gain support, healing and friendships. Contact the coordinator at www.widowmight.org/suggest-an-event scroll down to the St. Peter link where you can provide your contact information and the coordinator will get in touch with you regarding the dates and times they meet.

Grief and Loss Support Group

This group is for anyone suffering a loss of spouse or significant other. Sharing experiences with others can often help us manage the pain that is a natural part of grieving. Facilitated by a VINE Community Living Coach and Saint Peter Senior Center. Next group meetings are August 23, September 13 & 27 and October 11, 10am – 11:30 a.m. Saint Peter Community Center Room 215. Please call Gabriela at the Senior Center with any questions, 934-0667.

Register Now

For Youth Faith Formation

Forms are available on the table in the Narthex or online. Forms can be placed in the collection basket or turned into the parish office.

Stewardship of Diciples

Treasure: Fiscal Year July 2017 - June 2018 Week ending: August 6, 2017 (current fiscal year)	Actual	Weekly Budget
Giving Envelopes	$ 4,230.00	
WeShare & Electronic Giving (ACH)	$ 2,329.68	
Total	$ 6,559.68	$10,096.15
Loose Plate / Offertory	$ 386.35	$ 288.46
Children's Offertory	$ 17.49	$ 28.85
Total Weekly Offertory	$ 6,962.52	$10,413.46

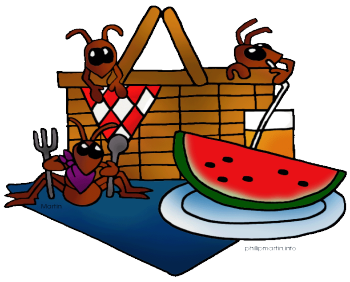
Year to Date Contributions	Year to Date Budget
$ 49,033.85	$72,894.22

Online Giving

Want a quick, easy, and safe way to donate to the church online? We now have an option for online giving. Contact the parish if you wish to stop receiving envelopes if you are giving electronically.

Peek and Picnic

Tuesday, September 5, 2017
5:30-7 pm
John Ireland School and Playground



Feel free to come and go! Drop off supplies, say hello to teachers and friends, meet new teachers and families, and play with friends!

Bring beverages and picnic lunch OR pizza, water, fruit, and cookies provided - if interested in pizza please RSVP to Colleen at colleen.wenner@johnirelandschool.org by Monday, August 28th so we can plan accordingly.
Please also bring yard games and blankets to sit on. See you there!