

# APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

WELCOME AND BLESSINGS TO ALL WHO ENTER OUR CHURCHES!

5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

# TRUTH

Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." - Jn 14:6



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Reconciliation .....See Schedule or Contact  
for individual appointments

## MISSION STATEMENT:

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

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE MAY 14 – MAY 21, 2017**

**Sunday, May 14 Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 6:1-7/1 Peter 2:4-9/John 14:1-12

Mother's Day

8:00 am ..... Mass, St. Paul  
 10:00 am ..... Mass (+Charlotte Walter), St. Peter  
 11:00 am ..... Coffee & Donuts

**Monday, May 15—Acts 14:5-18 / John 14:21-26**

7:30 am ..... Confession, St. Peter  
 8:00 am ..... (+Gerald Willaert), St. Peter  
 9:00 am ..... Adult Bible Study  
 6:30 pm ..... (6th Grade ), 6th Grade Recognition Mass

**Tuesday, May 16—Acts 14:19-28 / John 14:27-31**

7:30 am ..... Confession, St. Peter  
 8:15 am ..... JI Mass(+Jim & Nancy Vetter), St. Peter

**Wednesday, May 17—Acts 15:1-6 / John 15:1-8**

7:30 am ..... Confession, St. Paul  
 8:00 am ..... Mass, St. Paul  
 6:30 pm ..... Sanctuary Choir Practice

**Thursday, May 18—Acts 15:7-21 / John 15:9-11**

7:30 am ..... Confession, St. Peter  
 8:00 am ..... (+Elenora Thuer), St. Peter  
 1:00 pm—10:00 pm ..... Adoration  
 7:30 pm ..... 4th Degree KCs

**Friday, May 19—Acts 15:22-31 / John 15:12-17**

7:30 am ..... Confession, St. Peter  
 8:00 am ..... (+Pat Bidwell), St. Peter

**Saturday, May 20—Acts 16:1-10 / John 15:18-21**

4:00 pm ..... Confession, St. Peter  
 5:00 pm ..... Mass (Parish Family), St. Peter

**Sunday, May 21 Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 / 1 Peter 3:15-18 / John 14:15-21

8:00 am ..... Mass, St. Paul  
 10:00 am ..... Mass (+Don & Ruth Wenner), St. Peter  
 10:00 am ..... Senior Recognition  
 11:00 am ..... Coffee and Donuts  
 6:30 pm ..... XLT—Heather's Farewell

**COFFEE AND DONUTS**

This Sunday will be the last Sunday until fall for Coffee and Donuts.

**MINISTRY OF LITURGY SCHEDULE MAY 13/14**

**May 20—5:00 pm**

SERVERS: Sky Gassman, Liam Schloesser  
 EME: Marlaine Smisek, Bob Genelín, Denise Attenberger, Eileen Attenberger, Bert Connor

GIFTS: Skip & Dorothy Keller

LECTOR: Lorna Bungum

USHERS: Mary Ann Harty, Geri Pehrson, Lisa Cummiskey

**May 21—10:00 am**

SERVERS: Cole Junso, Katie Frey  
 EME: Mark Siebels, Kathy Steiner, John Thoenke, Heidi Wenner, Terry Guillemette, Sue Connor, Tony Grack

GIFTS: Jim & Sue Kollmann

LECTOR: Mike Miner

USHERS: Warren Michels, Pat Kienlen, Michael Leeb, Larry Venjohn

**ATTENTION ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

Please email or call Sarah in the parish office to give both your phone and email address—Even if it's on file please still do this as we will update the current schedules. The 3 month schedule will be emailed to you unless you indicate that you want it mailed.

Let us know if you are planning to discontinue a ministry or have vacation dates planned in July, August, and September.

We are short ushers in June at the 10am Mass. Please let us know if you are able to help out or if you are new to the parish and would like to get involved in a Liturgical Ministry. Sarah.denn@johnirelandschool.org or 507-931-1628.

**ST. PETER PUBLIC ACCESS TV**

**Channel 7**

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

**REASONS TO BELIEVE – EPISODE 13**

“Reasons to Believe” is a clear-sighted contemporary defense of the Catholic faith, providing an in-depth look at the “how's” and “whys” of Catholicism. Dr. Scott Hahn and co-host Mike Aquilina confront the current crisis of faith head on, showing why it is perfectly reasonable to believe in Christ and the Church.

Wednesday, May 17 @ 9 pm

Thursday, May 18 @ 10 am

## A NOTE FROM FATHER

### Dear Parishioners,

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Jerry Lager. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

This weekend we celebrate Mother's Day. I hope it is a day of rest and respect for all mothers, grandmothers, and motherly women of our parishes.

Last week, it was announced that on the 13th day of the months of May through October of this year, faithful can receive a plenary indulgence (a full release from the temporal punishments of their sins) on the normal conditions (prayer for the Pope, Reception of the Eucharist, and Confession), by visiting an image of Our Lady of Fatima and praying an Our Father, the Creed, and invoking Our Lady of Fatima. This is because it is the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of the Blessed Mother to three children Jacinta and Francisco Marto and Lucia Santos in Fatima, Portugal. Our Lady begged for them to pray the rosary everyday for world peace (World War I had just broken out), wear the brown Scapular, and seek to have Russia converted to the Immaculate Heart. The final Apparition on October 13, 1917, a profound miracle occurred in which thousands of people witnessed a miracle of the sun 'dancing' in the sky, changing colors. This was witnessed miles away and reported in secular (and atheistic) papers. Both Jacinta and Francisco died before 1920, while Lucia entered the Dorothean order and later the Carmelites and died February 13, 2005 (just a few months before St. John Paul II). The story of Fatima and the apparitions is fascinating, but for a quick primer, I can think of anything better than recommending the movie, "The 13th Day". It just focuses on the apparitions, without mentioning the preliminary apparitions of an angel tasked with preparing the children.

During these next 6 months, I encourage you to pray the Rosary, invoking Our Lady of Fatima, reading of the apparitions, and seeking holiness. EWTN has a great site for more information at <https://www.ewtn.com/fatima>, and also <https://wafusa.org> (the World Apostolate of Fatima USA). For what it is worth, I cannot recommend [Fatima.org](http://Fatima.org) or [FatimaCrusader.com](http://FatimaCrusader.com), however, as there are a few statements that directly contradict Sr. Lucia and St. John Paul II. ~In Christ, **Fr. Todd**

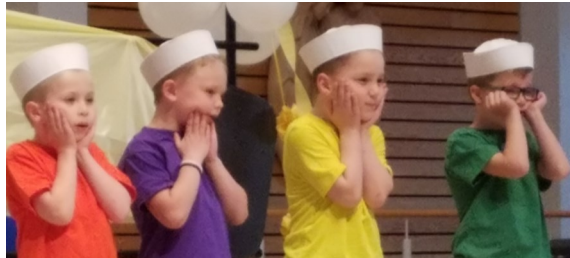
## JOHN IRELAND NEWS



**John Ireland**  
Catholic School

[www.churchofstpeter.org/ji](http://www.churchofstpeter.org/ji)

**Thank you for coming  
to our Spring Program!  
Hope you enjoyed it!**



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

**CHURCH OF ST. PAUL SUNDAY COLLECTION**

Sunday, 5/7/17 — Adult - \$2,057.00 / Plate - \$54.00  
Steubenville - \$77.75 / Votive Candles - \$91.00

**NEXT SUNDAY (MAY 21):**

8:00 a.m. Baccalaureate Mass in honor of our 2017 Graduates followed by coffee and rolls.

**MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS**

Wednesday, 5/17 – †Hub Zins

Sunday, 5/21 – 8:00 am — †Jim Anton

**MINISTRY OF LITURGY—SUNDAY, MAY 21, BACCALAUREATE MASS**

USHERS: Bernie and Justin Laven, Paul Zins  
LECTOR: Kristy Zajac  
EME: Barb Blashack, Jay Dorn, Colette Thorson, Jeff Zajac, Donna Zins  
SACRISTAN: Phyllis Wenner  
SERVERS: Dominic and Theresa Rosin  
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, Mary Deneffe, Millie Dorn, Kevin Ellsworth, Charlie and Dianne Epper, Heather Giefer, Lisa Hackett Family, Sarah Iverson, Helyna Mack, Herman Mettler, Shirley Michels, Matt Reichard, Stacy Schultz, Pat Zins, Autumn, Rob, Scott.

**We pray for all who are ill or hospitalized.**

**Nursing Home Residents:** Rose Marie Zins, Oak Hills Living Center, New Ulm.

**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. **COMING UP:**

Sunday, June 11 — St. Paul's Parish Festival 2017!! Don't forget to sign up for your choice time to help out with the day! Sign-up in main entry.

*I am thankful to You,  
O God, for the joy that is in my life.  
For friendship and laughter, for the mere joy of  
living, I am truly grateful.  
Amen.*



**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.

**As the Father has sent me...  
... so I send you.**

Please join in celebrating the  
**40TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF ORDINATION**



**FATHER PHILIP SCHOTZKO**  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2017  
ST. RAPHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH  
20 West Van Dusen Ave • Springfield, MN 56087

**5:30 P.M. MASS WITH  
BISHOP JOHN M. LEVOIR**



Reception immediately following  
Springfield Community Center  
33 South Cass Avenue • Springfield, MN  
Program • Food • Music • Dancing  
**PLEASE RSVP BY JUNE 1, 2017**  
www.vineandbranchesafc.org  
St. Raphael Parish Office - 507-723-4137  
Church.of.St.Raphael@gmail.com

*Fr. Phil prefers that your presence be your gift.  
However, any monetary offerings will be  
directed to the School in San Lucas, Guatemala  
for purchasing text books. Please make checks  
payable to "Friends of San Lucas." Thank you!*

**AN INVESTMENT WITH ETERNAL REWARDS**

This summer we will be sending 5 teens from our parish to attend Franciscan LEAD prior to the Steubenville North Conference. LEAD is a five-day, Christ-centered, sacrament-soaked, prayer-fueled immersion in Catholic teachings on leadership, evangelization, and discipleship. Participants are given practical tools for developing their faith and evangelizing their friends. Many of our teens that have attended this training have come home to be EDGE core members, Eucharistic ministers, daily mass attendees and others have even become full-time missionaries! I am looking for a few generous people, with a heart for our youth, that would be willing to invest in and financially support this wonderful group of teens. Each of these teens will need to raise \$350 for the entire week.

Please contact me if you are interested in supporting this worthy cause!  
heather76may@yahoo.com or 507.317.1882  
God's Peace, Heather Gilbertson

**CHURCH OF ST. PETER  
THRIFT & CONSIGNMENT STORE**

**(507) 931-9150**

Are you spring cleaning? Remember the Thrift Store. We are always looking for clean quality items! We are in need of furniture!



Come check out this week's sales at the store.

### **REALIFE COOPERATIVE**

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Spring into your new home and discover all of the benefits of Cooperative Living. Open House Sunday, May 21st from 2-7pm ~ 500 West Jackson Street, St. Peter.

### **VINE ADULT RESPITE CENTER OPEN HOUSE**

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Everyone is invited to join us for a tour and refreshments. Wednesday, May 17, 3-5pm. VINE's Adult Respite Center is open from 8 am – 5 pm, 421 E. Hickory Street, Mankato. We provide enriching activities and supervised care for aging adults who have progressive illnesses like Parkinson's disease or dementia as well as individuals who can benefit from organized activities and intellectual stimulation. Family caregivers enjoy a much-deserved break while their loved ones enjoy playing games, socializing, having visits from therapy pets, singing, and other fun activities. VINE's affordable adult day program is licensed by the State of Minnesota. Long-term care insurance, county waivers, veteran benefits, and private payment accepted. Call Mary Wichtendahl or Carol Ries at (507) 387-1666 for more information.

### **SENIOR SUMMER SAFETY**

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Officers Travis Sandland and Dave Arpin will present a short program on scam prevention, general safety and being vigilant over the long summer months. Don't forget that school-age children will have a whole extra month off this summer! Light refreshments will be served. Wednesday, May 17 from 11:15 a.m. -12:15 p.m., SPCC 219. Free.

### **GRIEF GROUP**

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Join VINE and the Church of St. Peter for a grief group for widowers. Starting Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 10am. Apartment Meeting Room at The St. Peter Senior Center on South Washington in St. Peter.

For additional information or questions call Deacon John Reed at 507-519-1507 or cell 218-820-9117 or Email [Deaconjohnreed@gmail.com](mailto:Deaconjohnreed@gmail.com). Have a blessed day.

### **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

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A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** renews the promises you made to each other on your wedding day. Experience an enrichment for your marriage that will make your good marriage great! The next available Weekends are Nov 17-19, 2017 in Windom, MN and Jul 14-16, 2017 in Buffalo, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For information visit: [southmnwwme.org](http://southmnwwme.org) or contact Miki at [applications@southmnwwme.org](mailto:applications@southmnwwme.org) or 507-227-8229.

### **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

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Join us for our 10th Anniversary June 10th from 10am -4:30pm. There will be storewide discounts, food, and refreshments. 1730 Bassett Drive, Mankato  
\*Directly across street from old building\*

### **HARKIN STORE**

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The store is open in May on Saturdays and Sundays with programs on Sunday afternoons. The gift shop is again restocked with lots of wonderfully different and unique items such as hand crafted items, toys, books and 10 cent candy.

Throughout the season the store will have many programs of various kinds on Sunday afternoons from 1 to 4pm. The store is operated by the Nicollet County Historical Society for more information and large tour group scheduling contact the Harkin on week ends at 1-507-354-8666 or Nicollet County Historical Society at 1-507-934-2160.

Upcoming Events:

May 14: Mother's Day—Apron Display

May 21: Minnesota Riverboats

May 28: Music by Bob Bovee

### **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS**

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CDA Fun Night was held on Tuesday, May 9th. Thanks to Jacie Derner for planning the evening and to Marlaine Smisek for decorating. A short meeting was held after the group was entertained by Amy Korteum on the harp. REMEMBER, ladies, if anyone would like to join CDA just contact a current member for more information.

Next Meeting is June 13th at 6:30 pm

Next Regent outing is June 11th—meet at the CC

## STEWARDSHIP

### Treasure: Fiscal Year July 2016 - June 2017

Week ending: May 7, 2017 (current fiscal year)

|                             |                |
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| Offertory Envelopes         | \$ 5,569.10    |
| Electronic Giving-Offertory | \$ 4,995.00    |
| Loose Plate                 | \$ 270.02      |
| Total Weekly Offertory      | \$ 10,834.12   |
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| Year to Date Contributions  | \$ 397,439.39  |
| Year to Date Budget         | \$ 495,000.00  |
| Year to Date Difference     | \$ (97,560.61) |

**Please note:** To meet budget expenses, we need \$10,587.00/week in adult envelopes. Please help as you can. Your support is greatly appreciated.



### 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.

<http://churchofstpeter.weshareonline.org>

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**Aug 6th - 9th**  
**Sun. - Thur.**  
**6:00 - 8:30 P.M.**



Ages: Age 4 - Entering 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
\$13 per child  
Registrations Due: July 18<sup>th</sup>  
(T-shirt Guaranteed if Registered by June 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Register today online at [churchofstpeter.org](http://churchofstpeter.org)!