

**SUNDAY MASSES**
(All in Main Church)

Saturday at 5 p.m.

Sunday at 9 & 11 a.m.

Holy Days as announced.

WEEKDAY MASSES
(All in Historic Church)

Monday-Friday at 9 a.m.

ADORATION

(In Historic Church)

Tuesday 9:30-6 p.m.

RECONCILIATION
(In Main Church)

Friday 8-8:45 a.m.

Saturday 3:30-4:45 p.m.

Any time by appointment.

Pentecost Sunday**JUNE 4, 2017**

This Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost. As we conclude our fifty days of Easter rejoicing, we acknowledge Jesus's parting gift to us: the gift of the Holy Spirit and the power of this Spirit in the church. This is not a soft-serve message. This is a challenge. The readings remind us that the Spirit is meant to inspire us to solidarity with each other, the whole world and all its people. At its very core, the Holy Spirit is transformative. It seeks to change behavior and commissions us to reach beyond ourselves and our own narrow thinking. The Spirit calls us into action.

The coming of the Spirit transformed the Christian community in its earliest days. It ought to be transforming us still. Locked doors must be opened. Fear must be replaced by courage. Peace must be a priority. Because of the Pentecost, the power to forgive sins is present, so that we may continue to walk in the grace of Jesus Christ.

The Pentecost challenges us to discover and rediscover our gifts in terms of how they are used for the good of everyone, particularly the poor and disadvantaged. First, we must discover our gifts. Let us ask ourselves what those strengths and skills are. What do you do well? What do you enjoy doing most? And when you list your strengths, is your faith in Jesus Christ and your identity as the baptized daughter or son of God one of them? Secondly, once our gifts are identified, we must rediscover them in the context of Who has given them to us, and for what purpose they have been given. How, today and every day, have you used your gifts to care for the poor, the marginalized and the weak? How have you used your gifts to reach out to those who need to hear the message of Christ's Good News?

This is no easy commission. It is made ever more difficult, because the culture of our times encourages us, even defines us, according to our accumulation of things like power, control and tax bracket. *Who we are* is in danger of becoming *what we have*, instead of *who we belong to*. We belong to Jesus Christ, who by the power of the very same Holy Spirit we read about today, was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became one of us.

The Holy Spirit pursues unity. We have become very good at isolating ourselves from anyone who isn't like us, whether it's because they don't look like us, or speak the same language or worship the same tradition. Now we even

divide ourselves according to how we think. Our news sources, our Facebook feeds and even the parishes we belong to are increasingly defined and subsequently chosen according to labels like "conservative" and "liberal." We increasingly pad our lives with only those that affirm our own opinions and life choices. In a homily in January of 2015, Pope Francis said, *"To plumb the depths of the mystery of God, we need one another, we need to encounter one another and to challenge one another under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, who harmonizes diversities, overcomes conflicts, reconciles differences."*

The commission of the Spirit at Pentecost needs to be made real in our daily lives. In a world of anger, doubt, fear and division, the Spirit must inspire us to tear down the barriers between us and to speak out especially about issues of justice and peace. In a world of selfishness, competition and control, the Spirit gives out gifts that must be shared for the benefit of every person, especially those who are poor or in need. In a world with war, violence and terrorism, the Spirit demands that we proclaim a message of peace and reconciliation. While the world preaches economic systems based on scarcity, the Spirit reminds us that if the things of the world are shared by all, there is plenty. In a world where the environment is abused and over-used, the Spirit calls us to evaluate how we live and to use the earth with care and love, rather than waste.

I know, just as you all do, that it's not easy to defend our faith and the importance of it in our lives. It's difficult to stand your ground when the waves of popular opinion wash over us. Those who don't recognize that they are beloved by God and that Eternal Life has been purchased for them by the blood of Jesus can be downright hostile in response to us at times. This only makes Jesus's parting gift to us more important and more valuable. It resides within us, giving us strength and making possible what we would never be able to accomplish on our own. May the power of the Holy Spirit burn within you, today and always.

Lisa Amos
Pastoral Associate

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YOUTH NEWS

REGISTRATION FOR 2017-2018

Please remember to *Register for* **CLASSES** register for the 2017 - 2018 year, if you have not yet done so. Please register online by going to St. Peter's website at www.stpetersmendota.org, and clicking on the Faith Formation tab. In the drop down box, click on RE/FF Registration for 2017 - 2018 and follow the directions located there. **The registration deadline was May 15. Registrations will now be charged a late fee.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



Thank you for your generous support of our teens and their trip to Tennessee this past weekend at our Sponsor A Workcamper Fundraiser.

Were you hoping to make a donation and didn't have your checkbook? We are still gratefully accepting donations. Simply put "Workcamp" in the memo line on your check and either drop it off at the office or put it in the collection basket on Sunday.

CAR WASH TODAY!

Today our Workcamp Team will be washing cars in the lower parking lot during the 9 and 11 a.m. Masses to help raise funds for our trip to Covington, Tennessee. Just follow the signs and park your car in the designated portion of the parking lot. Your car will be washed for you while you pray! Free will donations will be gratefully accepted.



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OFFICE INFORMATION

- ♦ Father Steven Hoffman: 651-452-4550
- ♦ Deacon Tim Hennessey: 651-905-4301

Parish Office Hours: Mon - Thurs, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Fri, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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BAPTISMS, NEW PARISHIONERS, WEDDINGS

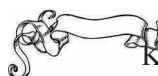
Call the parish office for more information.

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Submit via website, to Mary LeClair
(maryleclair62@gmail.com) or call the parish office.



WEDDING BANNERS



First Proclamation

Kevin Stevenson and Kelsey Sorenson



STEUBENVILLE ST. PAUL YOUTH CONFERENCE

New to St. Peter's Parish!

Calling all high school youth! Join us this summer at the Steubenville St. Paul conference! This life-changing weekend includes praise and worship, adoration, internationally known speakers, Mass and more! Encounter Jesus in a new and personal way - your life will never be the same. The conference is July 28-30. Registration material is available on the information counter. For more information and to sign-up, call Elizabeth at 651-905-4312, or you can email her at emccanna@stpetersmendota.org.



SUMMER STRETCH

All middle school and high school youth are welcome to join us Thursdays, during July for Summer Stretch! Spend the mornings serving others and the afternoons out on an adventure! The fun starts on Thursday, July 6, and runs each Thursday through August 3. For more information, and to sign up, check the information counter or contact Elizabeth McCanna.



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS



The parish office will be adjusting their hours for the summer months. Beginning June 2 and going through September 1, the office will close on Fridays at noon. Our summer hours are now Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

"IT TAKES A VILLAGE" TO BUILD A CHAPEL

We received a donation of Dept. 56 Christmas Villages and have decided to host another sale of these beautiful items. All proceeds will go toward the Adoration Chapel project. If you are doing your spring cleaning and find you have too many Dept. 56 Christmas Villages, please feel free to donate them to St. Peter's. Bring your Christmas Villages to the parish office by June 22, and we will sell them on June 25, during the Feast of St. Peter celebration. Please contact Anne O'Keefe at 651-905-4308 or aokeefe@stpetersmendota.org with questions.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Faithful Shepherd Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids program took second place at their recent Minnesota Convention in the Community Activities category. Thanks to your support, the Faithful Shepherd Knights were able to help over 100 children last winter. This effort was recognized statewide. In addition, the Faithful Shepherd Knights were recognized as the number two financial supporter of seminarians in the state. Learn more at eaganknights.com.

HISTORIC CHURCH TOURS



Have you ever wanted to learn more about the history of our parish? Our Historic Church will be open for FREE tours every Sunday through Labor Day, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Feel free to stop in and learn about your community's very own historic site!

IT'S SPRING CLEANING TIME

It's spring cleaning time! Volunteers are needed to help clean the kitchen in Heritage Center on Tuesday, June 6, at 10 a.m. Lunch will be provided. Thank you!



SINCERE SYMPATHY

St. Peter's Parish extends its sympathy to the family and friends of Vern Richgels. We invite all to join us in praying that God may make him a sharer in eternal salvation.



SAVE THE DATE FEAST OF ST. PETER

Come enjoy a Sunday morning with us as we celebrate the Feast of St. Peter. We will have **ONE Mass on Sunday, June 25, at 10 a.m.**, followed by a potluck lunch. St. Peter's will supply hotdogs, beans, chips, condiments and drinks. If parishioners wish to bring an item to share, please do! Those with the last names starting with A-J please bring salads, K-R please bring desserts, S-Z please bring fruits or vegetables. If you are unable to bring an item to share, please come anyway. We will have plenty of food!

If the weather is nice, we will take the picnic outdoors and play some yard games. Bring your lawn chairs, footballs, Frisbees, bean bag toss or whatever you like! If you plan to bring a crockpot or something that needs to be plugged in, you will be able to drop it off before the 10 a.m. Mass.

We will also be selling our Dept. 56 Christmas Village items that day. All proceeds will go to the Adoration Chapel Project.

If you have a questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Anne O'Keefe at aokeefe@stpetersmendota.org or 651-905-4308.

ST. PETER'S PHOTO DIRECTORY

It's not too late to sign up for our upcoming photography event! Photography session times are still available. Head to our website at www.stpetersmendota.org and follow the sign-up link. Plan on arriving just a couple minutes before your appointment time.



We are still looking for people who would be willing to take a shift with the photo directory check-in. We need to have someone at the church on June 1 through 10. The weekday time slots to choose from are from 2 to 9 p.m. and the weekends are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Even if you can only help for 1 hour, it would be greatly appreciated. We need only one person for each shift. Please call Anne O'Keefe at 651-905-4308 or email her at aokeefe@stpetersmendota.org.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Peter's is here to bring the good news of the Gospel to all, so that every person can have a personal, life changing, life giving relationship with Jesus Christ.

Parish Pastoral Council Email:

ParishPastoralCouncil@stpetersmendota.org

Trustees:

Jim Oricchio.....651-452-3587

Helen Wilkie.....651-365-1334

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 4

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8/Ps 112:1b-2, 3b-6/Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-9/Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-5ab, 6, 7bc-9/Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps 128:1-5/Mk 12:28-34

Friday: Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-10/Mk 12:35-37

Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh-8/Mk 12:38-44

Next Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52-56/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

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MASS INTENTIONS

The following are the intentions offered by the priest at Mass:

Monday, June 5	† Joseph Guild
Tuesday, June 6	† Leo Reding
Wednesday, June 7	† Joe Schuster
Thursday, June 8	John Rynders
Friday, June 9	† St. Joseph's Hosp. 2016 deceased
Saturday, June 10	Mass For The People
Sunday, June 11, 9 a.m.	† Mike Miotti
11 a.m.	† Mike Cucchiarella



'As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.

Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.'"



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR: JUNE 5

Monday, June 5

9 am Mass, Historic Church (8:30 Rosary)
2 pm Life Touch Photo Sessions, Ravoux Room
6 pm Cub Scout Den Meeting, Classroom 4
6:30 pm Boy Scout Committee Meeting, Conference Room 1
7 pm Boy Scout Meeting, Heritage Center

Tuesday, June 6

9 am Mass, Historic Church (8:30 Rosary)
9:30 am Adoration Before the Blessed Sacrament until 6 pm, Historic Church
10 am Kitchen Cleaning, Heritage Center
10:30 am Mobile Meals, Off Campus
2 pm Life Touch Photo Sessions, Ravoux Room

Wednesday, June 7

9 am Mass, Historic Church (8:30 Rosary)
9:30 am CCW Board Meeting, Conference Room 1
2 pm Life Touch Photo Sessions, Ravoux Room
6 pm Annual CCW Meeting, Heritage Center

Thursday, June 8

9 am Mass, Historic Church (8:30 Rosary)
2 pm Life Touch Photo Sessions, Ravoux Room
7 pm AA Meeting, Classroom 5

Friday, June 9

8 am Confession, Main Church
9 am Mass, Historic Church (8:30 Rosary)
2 pm Life Touch Photo Sessions, Ravoux Room

Saturday, June 10

9 am & 10:30 am AA Meeting, Classrooms
10 am Life Touch Photo Sessions, Ravoux Room
3:30 pm Confession, Main Church
4:30 pm Choir Rehearsal, Music Room
5 pm Mass, Main Church

Sunday, June 11

8:30 & 10:30 am Choir Rehearsal, Music Room
9 & 11 am Mass, Main Church
12 pm Historic Church Tours, Historic Church
12 pm Baptism, Main Church
12:30 pm Baptism Class, Religious Ed Office



*Come as a Guest
Leave as a Friend*

PASTORAL MINISTRY

FOLLOWING JESUS



God is always present with his people today, by his Holy Spirit. The amazing truth is that, through Jesus, we can know the presence of God in and among us, his people, wherever we are. He dwells in you

by his Spirit. When you pray, "Come, Holy Spirit," you are asking for an increased sense of the presence of God.

7TH ANNUAL WIDOWS' DAY OF REFLECTION

Please join us for our 7th Annual Widows' Day of Reflection at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 5071 Eden Avenue, in Edina. It takes place on Saturday, June 17, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Bishop Andrew Cozzens and Michele Denise Michaels will be the guest speakers. Bishop Cozzens is the auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. Michele Michaels is a professional singer and inspirational speaker.

Pre-registration is required. To register, visit www.olgparish.org/our-lady-of-grace-blog/2017/5/5/7th-annual-widows-day-of-reflection-a-widows-walk and click "Register" to download an event brochure.

Please call Jason Godin at 952-929-3317, extension 110, if you have any questions.

ST. PETER'S SPRING GROUP PILGRIMAGE

Join Fr. Steven and Lisa Amos on Friday, June 30, in making a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse, Wisconsin. We will travel together to this beautiful and sacred place, dedicated to the Blessed Mother and her intercession for the unborn and the poor. We will depart at 7 a.m. and return by 7:30 p.m.

While there, we will enjoy a guided tour, Mass at the Shrine Church, a delicious lunch at Culina Mariana Cafe, and ample time on our own for exploration and prayer at the many devotional areas available. Before heading back to Minnesota, we'll stop nearby to visit the Mary of the Angels Chapel at St. Rose of Viterbo Convent, where the Franciscan sisters have maintained 130 years of Perpetual Adoration. A boxed meal dinner will be provided.



Reservations are limited; call Lisa Amos at 651-905-4304 or email her at lamos@stpetersmendota.org. The cost is \$65/person. The registration deadline is Friday, June 9.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Work continues in the 1956 building. We continue to make ready the Perpetual Adoration Chapel and the facilities related to the transformation of one of our conference rooms. We will all soon have the opportunity for adoration in St. Peter's Adoration Chapel. What a gift! Thank you, Jesus! All are welcome! **To schedule your time to participate in the Perpetual Adoration program, please contact Lisa Amos at 651-905-4304 or Mark Mischke at 651-481-6900.**

FROM GRIEF TO GRACE



HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABUSE

Grief to Grace is a five-day retreat fully centered upon the healing love of Jesus Christ. It is for anyone who has suffered physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. This effective model of care provides a powerful therapy for the soul. Our next local G2G Retreat is scheduled for August 20 - 25. For more information or to answer your questions, please visit www.griegtograce.org or contact Diane at diane@griegtograce.org or 612-440-7247.

A past attendee commented, "*I was fascinated by the retreat and speechless at the depth of the growth and healing it facilitated.*" "*He walks with me and my wounds are sacred to Him. He weeps with me and for me.*"

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

St. Peter's Prayer Shawl Ministry will have a gathering on Thursday, June 22, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Family Room. Those who knit and crochet are always welcome to join us for fellowship, prayer and shared work.



For more information about this meeting, please contact Laura Elm at lblynam@yahoo.com or 612-578-0377.

DOROTHY DAY FUNDING UPDATE

Thanks to the thousands of grassroots advocates—including the 111 postcards we were able to gather from St. Peter's—the remaining funds for Dorothy Day Place were included in a bonding bill that passed this legislative session. With the approval and signature of Governor Dayton, Catholic Charities' Phase 2 of Dorothy Day Place can now become a reality. THANK YOU, St. Peter's, for helping to make this happen!

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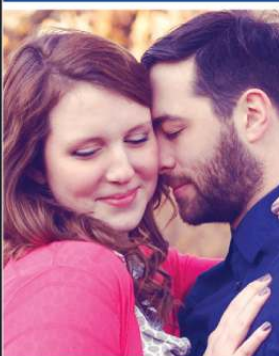
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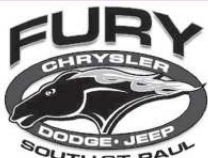


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