



SAINT PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Emergency – If someone is dying or there has been a death, please call: 804-402-1221

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:30 & 10:45 am Weekday: 12:05 pm

Holy Day: Call the Parish Office or See Notices

Confession: Mon. thru Fri., 11:45 am

Holy Trinity Sunday

May 22, 2016

Mass Intention: Ann Blexico

TODAY'S MUSIC

ENTRANCE #484

O God Almighty Father

PSALM #861

O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth.

OFFERTORY #487

Come, Now Almighty King

COMMUNION #735

I Received the Living God

RECESSIONAL #485

Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty

HOMEBOUND/HOSPITALIZED

Carolyn Alford, Anthony Arrighi, Rollo Brown, Steve Campbell, Stuart Cary, David Coffman, Bill Holzgreffe, Shirley Hudson, Camilla Hull (mother of Doyle Hull), Connie Klyver, (friend of Ginnie & Marilyn), Maria Konwerska, Emma Mednikov, Jim Melton, Jesse Oliver, Rachel Robinson, Marilyn Reilly, Nancy Severns, Beulah Taylor, Greg Stowers, Bob Webster, Flordeliza Ybanez. Thank you for your prayers.

If you know of anyone who is sick, hospitalized, homebound, or dying and desires a visit from a priest, please call or email us. Without your help, we have no way of knowing.

LECTOR & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

8:30 am: Maggie Wilkins Extraordinary Ministers:

Doug Dewing, Tom Fahed, Barbara Goode

FINANCE: Roger & Rose Mayer and Linda Shisler

10:45 am: Leslie Williams Extraordinary Ministers:

Joe Naman, Colin Schmidt, Mimi Schoof

FINANCE: Kathy Kelly and John Rogers

NEXT SUNDAY

8:30 am: Robert Wilkins Extraordinary Ministers:

Adriane Allen-Henderson, Bill Lipchak, Cathy Lipchak

FINANCE: Bill & Cathy Lipchak and Kris Mednikov

10:45 am: Leila Christenbury Extraordinary Ministers:

Jim Martinelli, Marie Martinelli, Joe Naman

FINANCE: Patty Talley and Chris Thomas

SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.: Mass Intention: Elsie Quinlan

Tues.: Mass Intention: Shannon Dailey

Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Wed.: Mass Intention: Winstead Reitzer

Thurs: Mass Intention: Herman LeBolo

Fri.: Mass Intention: Marian Stafford

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Hello everyone,

I have a piece of advice for you. You maybe have heard it before.

WHATEVER DOESN'T KILL YOU, WILL MAKE YOU STRONGER.

I guess it can be sort of crass at times. Especially if we say it at the wrong time, when a little kindness is what is best for the moment.

But nevertheless, it is a true statement.

And did you know it is not a new thought. As much as it might be touted as a modern proverb...it's not. It's actually quite old.

"We even boast of our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, and endurance, proven character, and proven character, hope, and hope does not disappoint"

That's what Saint Paul tells us in the second reading.

What he is basically saying is that, afflictions are a good thing because they produce a good effect in us...whatever doesn't kill us will make us stronger.

When we encounter some difficulty, and persevere through it, it produces even greater endurance in our being, and allows us to handle even harder challenges because we have gone through all the sadness and depression and frustrations of that challenge, and have the vision to know we can get through it again...even something worse.

I think sometimes when we look at the great things Saints have done, we can think they are impossible for us.

But it is important for us to remember they did not (usually) just all of a sudden start doing amazing and hard and courageous works for God. They started with a small little challenge, and persevered through it and then moved on to something harder that God brought to their life, then persevered through that, and the next and so on...and at the end of their lives, they were doing things that we cannot even imagine how human beings could do such challenging things.,

It because God trained them through all those challenges they had experienced up to that moment in their lives. It didn't kill them...yes it was not too fun at the time...but they got through it and were more courageous for the next challenge.

But there is one tweak we need to make to that phrase so it's fully true (tweak not tweet).

The phrase 'whatever doesn't kill us makes us stronger,' assumes that anything up to but not including something

that actually kills will in fact make us stronger. But for Christians, death does not negate the ability for us to grow. For the world, death is the end and thus does not benefit us...even though the world will concur with us that adversity does make us stronger...but not death...because for the world death is game over.

But not for us. We say even death makes us grow...going through death produces something beneficial within our being...even though it may not be too fun at the time...it's going to make us better off. We get better AFTER death...we get better after having to go through the difficulty of our own death. Remember Jesus could go through walls after he died?!? That is cool.

OK. That's enough talk about death. It's spring time. Go out and enjoy the weather.

Fr. Rossi

Outreach & Social Ministry – 113 lunches were served to the homeless on Tuesday, May 17, 2016. 55 dinners were served to the homeless on Wednesday, May 18, 2016. Thanks so much to all who help make this ministry possible.

MOVING DAY!!! – Dear all – we will be moving out of our wonderful church and into the basement for the months of June and July. The people who will be fixing the pews, sanding the floors, painting, etc., will be upstairs during those months. I know it will be inconvenient and a little less comfortable, but I promise it's going to be well worth it for just a short period of time. Our church is going to look even more wonderful when we move back upstairs. Also, it's nice and cool in the basement so it won't be too bad being down there during our hot summer months. Pray for the workers and the success of our building upkeep efforts. Daily and Sunday Mass schedules, including Confession, will remain the same. God Bless. Fr. Rossi

Budgeted Weekly Income	\$3,461.00
Collection	<u>2,706.00</u>
Loss	\$ 755.00
Budgeted income was determined during spring of 2015 budgeting process by Fr. Brownell and Finance Council.	

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