



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

FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY

June 16, 2019

Mass Intention: For All Fathers, Living and Dead

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 #737

Alleluia Sing to Jesus

RECESSIONAL #485

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy Communion – This is a reminder that Holy Communion, in the Catholic Church, is reserved to actively practicing Catholics. If you are not Catholic or have not been actively practicing your faith, then please refrain from receiving Communion. If you would like to learn how to be welcomed to full Communion, we

would love to help. All you need to do is contact a priest. Our contact info is in this bulletin.

PRAYER LIST

David Adams, Joseph Birchette, Judy Burneston, Steve Campbell, Barbara Cosby, Mary Davidson, Marta Fritzne (Gabi Wolz’s Mother), Jim Melton, Erin Moores, Jesse Oliver, Diane Lindenfesler Ouellette, Sarah Riegel, Marilyn Reilly, David Simons, Beulah Taylor, Bob Wilkins. 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.

SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.: Mass Intention: Lee Patasmit
Tues.: Mass Intention: Special Intention
Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30am – 12:30pm
Wed.: Mass Intention: Robert McCleary
Thurs: Mass Intention: Joseph McLaughlin
Fri: Mass Intention: Adeline R. Murray (Birthday)

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Happy Feast of the Holy Trinity and Happy Father’s Day!!!

The Feast of the Holy Trinity is the central doctrine of our faith. All other teachings of the entire Catholic Church flow out of the doctrine of the Holy Trinity. Remember, we worship One God that is 3 Persons. They are not three separate gods (polytheism). And they are not simply three modes of being of the same God (like ice/water/vapor...that is modalism and is the wrong way to think about it). Three distinct persons and One God. I know it is hard to understand but that is because it is God, and if you cannot understand astrophysics, you certainly aren’t going to be able to fully understand something infinitely more complicated, the inner workings of God. We can understand some about it, but we cannot understand it all, He is just too complex and our minds are too simple. It is like trying to pour an ocean of water into a single cup (we are the cup)...you just cannot understand it all. Secondly today is Father’s day. So allow me to say a few things about being a dad.

Being a dad today is not easy. I hear that back in the day maybe 75-100 years ago men were treated with respect and fathers were honored in the household. Well that has largely gone out the window these days.

Every single sitcom I watch (I must admit I do not watch many...actually none, because they are a lot of trash...but I do flip through them or can tell a lot just by reading the title of the sitcom or movie) the man or father is portrayed as an absolute idiot. Remember “Leave It To Beaver?” Remember the dad, how honorable and decent he was. He knew the right answers and told

the kids what to do. He and his wife had a loving and respectful relationship.

From what I can tell, when men and fathers are portrayed in a sitcom these days the dad is portrayed as an idiot. He is usually wrong about everything. The kids have to correct him on everything. Or his wife has to direct and drive his life like she is his commanding officer. It is ridiculous.

You may think this is simply a goofy sitcom, who cares. But remember art reflects culture. Sitcoms and tv are a form of artistic portrayal and what they portray are the prevailing opinions and thinking in culture.

So just like I did on Mother's day, when I advised men/fathers and children how to honor moms in their life, so now on Father's day let me give a little advise to women/mom's and children on how to honor fathers/dads.

1. Women/wives – do not nag your husbands!!! This is a common trope but it is true. Men and women have different priorities in life. This not a bad thing. It actually helps balance things in family life. Wives should encourage their husbands and help them in their role as they lead their families and attempt the task that God has set before them, which is to die for their families. Yes, that's right. Men/husbands are called to die for their families, and wives are supposed to help them with that, not always tell them how they are failing at that. So mothers/women - pick your battles. Not everything needs to be a 10 in regards to importance. And remember that your children will never honor their father unless they first see their mother honor their father.

2. Children – obey your father!!!! It is not a democracy!!!! You have to do what he says!!! If you do not like it then you are welcome to move out the day you turn 18 years old. Your father is not obliged to cater to your every wish and feeling. He is a provider and a leader and shows you how to lay down your life for your family. But he is not responsible to get you whatever you want whenever you want, and when he tells you to do chores or whatever he tells you, you HAVE TO DO IT!!! There is no point in arguing as you have no leverage. He and your mother pay all the bills and provide everything for you. All you do is consume. They go to work and get up very early and put up with all kind of crosses at work and in daily life and everything they do is to provide for you. So BE GRATEFUL!!! THANK THEM AND GET OFF YOUR BACKSIDE AND HELP THEM IN ANY WAY YOU CAN TO MAKE THEIR LIFE EASIER. One day you will likely be a parent and will see how just of advice this is. But for now if you don't feel it, just do it!

3. Grandchildren – sit at the feet of your grandfathers and inscribe what they say into your heart. We as Americans are quickly losing the “greatest generation.” We just celebrated the 75th anniversary of DDay. This generation as well as those shortly thereafter can teach young people today soooooo muuuucccccchhhh about perseverance, hard word, sacrifice, courage and being tough in face of challenge. They were tough. They sacrificed in face of threat and challenges. And they did it without hesitation or complaining. My grandfather had 4 jobs at one time. Four!!! Young people today complain because they cannot afford a 3000sqft house when they graduate college...these guys worked like dogs just to provide food for their families. Learn from them and have your perspective changed. You will be more grateful for what you have and will be happier in your life.

Thank you dad for all your sacrifices. Every single cross you have carried for your family has directly translated into increasing the character and opportunities of your children and family. You sacrifice in hidden ways and demonstrate what it means to be a man and especially a Christian man. May God reward your sacrifices with a glorious recompense when you see Him in Heaven. Amen!

Fr Rossi

Budgeted	\$3,288.00
Collected	4,702.00
Gain	\$1,414.00

OUTREACH & SOCIAL MINISTRY

142 lunches were served on Tuesday, June 10, 2019. 126 dinners were served on Wednesday, June 11, 2019. Thank you for your generous help in serving God's people.

ATTENTION: I am looking for a volunteer to coordinate our new shower outreach to the poor at St. Peter. You do not have to be a St. Peter parishioner. I am looking for a coordinator. We are going to be beginning our shower outreach soon (we recently completed our showers downstairs at St. Peter) and I need someone to volunteer to be our head coordinator of our program. We will start slow (time commitment being a few hours per week total...approximately 3). Please pray about if God is asking you to do this for Him. There is someone God wants to do this. Is it you? Please email me if you are interested or have questions --- Fr. Rossi

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