

 <p>Recognizable Offering.....\$7,281.38 Loose Cash.....\$785.25 Total Weekly Offering.....\$8,066.63 Church in Latin America.....\$413.00 Mass Attendance Aug 8/9 356</p>	<p>Weekly Calendar of Events</p> <p>8/17 Rosary - After Morning Mass 8/18 Demystifying the Book of Revelation - 9:30 a.m. Bunco - 9:30 a.m. 8/19 Legion of Mary - 8:30 a.m. 8/20 Adoration 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet - 3:00 p.m.</p>
 <p>Aug 17 - 23 Monday.....Mary Guastella(liv) Tuesday.....Mary Griewisch(liv) Wednesday.....Jean Reid Clements(+) Thursday.....Barbara Kirschten(liv) Friday.....Willis Henderson(+) <b>Saturday.....Tony &amp; Marina Vitale(+)(5:00 p.m.)</b> Sunday.....Bill McDougale(+)(8:00 a.m.) .....<b>St. Peter Parishioners(10:30 a.m.)</b></p>	 <p>Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or becoming a member of the Catholic Church? If so, come to the inquiry and introductory session classes which will be held August 24th and August 31st at 6:30 p.m. in the Administration Building. Then on Monday, September 14th and every week after that we will meet from 6:30 pm until 8:00 pm. Please call the Parish Office at 850-581-2556, or email <a href="mailto:pastor@stpeter.ptdiocese.org">pastor@stpeter.ptdiocese.org</a>.</p>
<p>Burse Club membership and donations will continue to be collected in the drop boxes at the Hospitality Cart, by the north exit door or in the offertory collection baskets through August 23rd.</p>	<p><b>Discover Small Group Ministry</b> Since May of 2014, small groups of women have been meeting in homes to reflect on their faith and discuss what God's Word says on a topic based on the weekend Scripture readings and approach it through the issues and challenges of their daily lives. People are challenged to become authentic and accountable about what's really going on in their lives in a safe and supportive place. Members pray for one another, care for one another, and develop friendships with other growing disciples. God has blessed the members of this ministry in so many ways. The ministry would like to open wide the doors to get more diverse groups started – men only groups, singles, couples and <b>even more women only groups. We'd like to invite each of you</b> to consider joining a small group. You are invited to discover what small groups are all about on Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center. Refreshments will be provided. We do ask that you sign up at the Hospitality Cart or call the office to let us know if you will be attending by August 23<sup>rd</sup> at the latest. Babysitting will be provided if needed.</p>
 <p><b>HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH</b> September 11-13 at Laguna Beach Christian Retreat in Panama City Beach! This diocesan retreat is for youth in grades 9-12 who want to spend time discussing, reflecting and learning more about their faith. Registration fee is \$80 and includes meals, lodging and materials. Scholarships are available. Sign up today at <a href="http://www.ptdiocese.org">www.ptdiocese.org</a> - Ministries/Offices&gt;Youth Ministry&gt;Upcoming Events Deadline to register is September 4</p>	<p><b>Women's Study Group</b> will start the fall semester on September 10, 2015. Meetings are on Thursdays from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. and this semester the women will be studying <i>The Joy of the Gospel</i> by Pope Francis. For more information and to order a book, call Nanette Bell (850)543-0901.</p>
<p><b>Young Adults Reflection Day:</b> <i>Every Day Sainthood</i> will be Saturday, August 29 at Our Lady of the Assumption on Pensacola Beach from 8:00 am to 1:30 pm. Speakers: Father Matthew Worthen and Father James Grebe. Cost of \$15 includes breakfast and lunch. Afternoon at the beach for those interested. Contact <a href="mailto:pcolacatholic@gmail.com">pcolacatholic@gmail.com</a> for more information. Reserve your spot by registering at: <a href="http://ptdiocese.org">http://ptdiocese.org</a> under "Event Registration"</p>	



**Monday**  
AUGUST 17  
Weekday  
Jgs 2:11-19  
Mt 19:16-22

**Tuesday**  
AUGUST 18  
Weekday  
Jgs 6:11-24a  
Mt 19:23-30

**Wednesday**  
AUGUST 19  
Weekday  
Jgs 9:6-15  
Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday**  
AUGUST 20  
*St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church*  
Jgs 11:29-39a  
Mt 22:1-14

**Friday**  
AUGUST 21  
*St. Pius X, Pope*  
Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22  
Mt 22:34-40

**Saturday**  
AUGUST 22  
*The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17  
Mt 23:1-12

**Sunday**  
AUGUST 23  
*Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b  
Eph 5:21-32  
or 5:2a, 25-32  
Jn 6:60-69

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# August 16, 2015

# dear Padre

## Should we baptize baby in intensive care?

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 Our grandchild was born prematurely and has been in intensive care for two months. Shouldn't someone baptize the baby? The priest and deacon won't do it. I feel as though they're playing with the baby's soul.

**Anytime a child** is born in imminent danger of death, it is permissible to get the child baptized. First of all, I must presume that the child's health is not so delicate that performing the rite might endanger his or her condition. If so, this might explain the hesitancy. Second, I am presuming that the child's parents want baptism for their child. If so, they may express their desire to their parish at this time. Sometimes it is better if the parents initiate the conversation, as they largely bear the responsibility for the child's ongoing faith formation. If the child is eventually baptized at the hospital, stop by the pastoral care department or chaplains' office and ask for a certificate. This will serve as testimony to the parish and facilitate any necessary paperwork and preparations for a more communal celebration.

As far as the baby's soul is concerned, fear not. The Church maintains that innocents who, through no fault of their own, die without baptism are by no means separated from God or his kingdom. There are times and circumstances in which baptism is simply not possible, and a merciful, loving God would never separate these souls from himself or the possibility of eternal life.

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"It can be unnerving to step outside of your comfort zone into campus life. On the feast of the Assumption of Mary, recall the difficulties she experienced with transitions. God watched over her just as he will safeguard you, guiding and protecting you as you begin school."  
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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time B 1  
*Proverbs 9:1-6*

## You Are What You Eat

You are what you eat. People who reflect on their diet learn a lot about themselves. They discover their passions and temptations. They learn what they will not tolerate and what they cannot avoid. They discover the effect their choice of food has on others. It may hurt the family farmer and help global distributors.

People who do not eat healthy food pay a price more dear than the grocery bill. You are what you eat.

The Book of Proverbs envisions divine Wisdom as a woman who has prepared a lavish meal. She has built a house and spread a table within it. She invites to this table not those who are hungry for physical food, but those who are simple. Those who lack understanding may come to this meal.

**Those who dine at Wisdom's table nourish their mind, not their belly.**

The meal we share at church is small: a bit of bread, a sip of wine. But this food and drink is much more. It is the Body and Blood of Christ, the source of all wisdom.

When we make the Eucharist a part of our lives, we grow in wisdom. We make room for God.

When we eat the bread of life, we become what we eat. We are the Body of Christ.

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time B 2  
*Ephesians 5:15-20*

## Wise Up

There are always ways to improve your skills. If you play bridge, you learn by joining a club. If you play music, you learn with a good teacher. If you play sports, you learn by watching the pros and practicing under the tutelage of a good coach.

If you want to improve your life as a Christian, there are many ways to learn. Books, newspapers, and journals abound for those who learn by reading. Prayer groups are helpful for those who learn by devotion and conversation. Lectures are available for those who like to hear the personal testimony of a gifted speaker. We have lots of opportunities to learn about our faith.

Without more understanding, we stagnate in misperceptions, and we become susceptible to false teachings.

The Letter to the Ephesians expressed concern that **its Christian readers were not learning enough. "Watch carefully how you live," it says, "not as foolish persons but as wise." We all have opportunities to learn, but not everyone seizes them. "Do not continue in ignorance," the letter says, "but try to understand what is the will of the Lord."**

God loves us and desires our friendship. We can develop our relationship with God and the church in the same way we do any other interest. We read, we listen, we converse, and we make time to unfold the gift of faith we have received.

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## Liturgical Roles\*

Weekend of Aug 22/23

### 5:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Aidan Murray, \_\_\_\_\_  
Extraordinary Ministers: Shareen Ketchem, Patty Shawbitz, Joanna Farnum, Barbara Kirschten, Alice Thompson  
Lectors: Mary Pinsoneault, Ana Fails  
Ushers: John Fails, Bob Flanagan, Eric Van Dorn  
Greeter: Lynn Brenton  
Sacristan: Dan Brenton  
Elijah Cup: Alice Thompson

### 8:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Audrey Moore, Matthew Flores  
Extraordinary Ministers: \_\_\_\_\_, Patsy Soto, Susan Johansen, Paul Johansen  
Lectors: Joshua Soto, Eric Miller  
Ushers: Eden Carter, Gary Jordan, Cathy McKnight, Kathy Cauley  
Greeter: Deidre Henderson  
Sacristan: Maria Bridges  
Elijah Cup: Arnold and Patsy Soto  
Coffee & Donuts: L.P. Henley, Steve Berthelette

### 10:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Killian Casey, Gannon Casey, Karly Casey  
Extraordinary Ministers: Katherine Colwell, Rick Grecco, Alicia Grecco, \_\_\_\_\_  
Lectors: Dawn Ciccarello, John Fay  
Ushers: Ron Fetter, Donna Fetter, Jim Wise, Mike Sweeney  
Greeter: Terri Turnbull  
Sacristan: Bill Roth  
Elijah Cup: Barbara Russo  
Coffee & Donuts: Tom Blossman, Karen Clayton

**Young Adults at NWFS:** A group is starting to be recognized as Catholic Student Union for Faith, Fellowship, Food and Fun. Stop by our table on the Club Activity Sign-up days on September 1-2 from 10am-2pm at the Niceville Campus. If you can't come by then, but are interested, text Mary at 850-685-7464.

Saint Peter Parish Prayer Chain: For prayer needs, please contact Susi Evers at saintpeterparishprayer-chain@gmail.com or call her at 664-9165.

Hospitalized Parishioners: If you or a family member are hospitalized, please call the Parish Office, otherwise we have no way of knowing who in our parish is there.

*In Your Daily Prayers, Please Remember our parishioners who are deployed and:*

Monday Johanna Adam\*, Charles Cummings\*, Peter Cleary, Steve Lange, Mike and Jeanne Trueting, Steve Heidbreder

Tuesday Lynn Graham\*, Anthony Michael Merriquer, Bobby Stockbridge\*, Ashley Marie Code, Mary Guastella

Wednesday Gordon Pritchard\*, James Smith\*, Steve Powell\*, Ken and Bette Dellner\*, Caroline Frederick, Pam Holt, Barbara Kirschten\*

Thursday Gene and Pam Bauchwitz\*, Robert Welniak, Frank Crowder\*, Theresa Stegall, Connie Jordan, Lucille Kesler, Clare Van Zelfden,

Friday Lloyd Biehl\*, Doug Babiak\*, Sharon Lewis, Shannon Anderson, Betty Keever, Vera Thornburg\*

Saturday Peter Adam\*, Mary Anyel\*, Joel Grieves\*, Dan Brenton\*, Skye Mahosky\*, Gene Valentine\*, Mary Valentine

Sunday **Maureen O'Neil\*, Michael Adam\*, Theresa Fowler\***, Mary Beth Downer, Greg Babiak, Tony Kelly, Jeff Harp

\*Indicates our parishioners.

Please call the church office if you or a family member can be removed from this prayer list.

**Save the Date:** Bishop Ricard Conference: Sacred Scripture: Strengthening and Enriching Our Faith Journey will be Saturday, October 3 at St. Sylvester Parish. [www.ptdiocese.org](http://www.ptdiocese.org) for more information and to register or call 850-435-3523.

## Prayers for Vocations

A Holy Hour to pray with the religious of the diocese during this Year of Consecrated Life will be Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm at St. Mary Parish, Fort Walton Beach. Join Bishop Parkes and the religious of the area to pray for those in religious life and for vocations to the religious life.

Have you ever been hungry? Really hungry? People who have experienced intense hunger may appreciate Jesus' words that He is the "Bread of Life" to a greater extent than others. We are aware that the world is filled with people who hunger and thirst, but most of us have never experienced the true pain of that experience.

While most of us are fortunate enough to avoid the pains of physical hunger, in our modern world and society, spiritual hunger runs rampant.

When the Lord says in today's Gospel "This is the bread that came down from Heaven... whoever eats this bread will live forever," He is addressing a need we have that is much deeper than physical hunger. He is also telling us that the reward for eating this bread — for taking it into our inner being, for changing our mind and heart because of it — is eternal life. Blessed Mother Teresa said, "The hunger for love is much more difficult to remove than the hunger for bread." This is the hunger we need to deal with in our faith lives, for when we love, we are beginning to satisfy that spiritual hunger to which the Lord refers.



### Living Stewardship Now

Saint Paul tells us in today's second reading, "Watch carefully how you live" (Ephesians 5:15). Does your public conduct match your beliefs? Do you leave your Christian behavior on the church doorstep?

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ST. PETER PARISH PRESENTS: MATT MAHER—THE SAINTS AND SINNERS TOUR On Sunday, December 13 @ 6:00 p.m., we are sponsoring a *Premier* Contemporary Christian Music Concert at Village Church in Destin. Headlining the event is the five-time GRAMMY® nominee *Matt Maher*, with performances by *I Am They*, *Jon Guerra*, and *Hannah Kerr*. This will be an excellent opportunity of exposure for our parish and a great way to reach out to the community. Please contact Joey if you would be willing to volunteer for the concert. We will need help placing flyers around the area and getting the word out. We will also be looking for volunteers the day of the concert. Check out the tour website at [www.matt1213.com](http://www.matt1213.com) and like us on facebook: [facebook.com/mattmaher1213](https://www.facebook.com/mattmaher1213). For questions or more info: Call/text Joey (850) 483-0714 or email [mattmaher1213@gmail.com](mailto:mattmaher1213@gmail.com).

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2015 6:00 P.M.  
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My daughters had different approaches to food. One daughter, who would eat almost anything, could look in a cabinet or refrigerator full of food and declare, "There's nothing to eat," because nothing in them was exactly what she wanted at the time. My other daughter, who was a somewhat finicky eater, could usually find something to eat no matter how meager the offerings, simply because she wasn't that particular—it just had to satisfy her hunger. We used to tease that in a famine the younger would outlast the elder because her foraging skills were better.

In today's discourse about the Bread of Life, Jesus is trying to get the crowd to let go of the idea that only one particular spiritual food could nourish them. As he continues to identify himself as the true bread, the people become more agitated and confused. How could the food Jesus offered be better than the food God gave their ancestors in the desert? Jesus answers them: manna was food for bodily nourishment only—it could not give someone eternal life. Everyone was still subject to famine, starvation, and death. By contrast, the spiritual food that is Christ brings eternal life forever to those who eat and drink it. No famine, sword, or persecution can touch that life. For John the evangelist, the believers in Christ had eternal life already, and those who did not believe were perishing. Eternal life is the gift of baptism. What kind of food is in you today?

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