

Some of these Romans looked into it and found this peace of Christ, and it was definitely not of this world! Having a conscience pure and undefiled and a soul filled with the indwelling of the Blessed Trinity: now that gives us comfort! And you can keep that peace in your soul even through the most intense sufferings and trials this world has to offer.

Fr. David Franco, FSSP

40 Days for Life Spring Campaign
 26 Feb. through 5 April. We are dedicating 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion with a peaceful prayer vigil held outside the Planned Parenthood at 201 N. Hamilton Street off Grove Avenue near the downtown expressway from 7 am to 7 pm each of these 40 Days. Please sign up to pray for an hour at the vigil. Spread the word to others about this important life-saving effort. For more information visit www.40DaysforLife.com or email lovethemboth.40@gmail.com

Crisis Pregnancy Help
 A 24-hour helpline offers peer counselling and referral to local recourses; operated by Heartbeat International. optionline.org or 800-712-HELP (4357)

Sunday Offertory for Feb. 9, 2020

	Collection	Budget	Surplus/(Deficit)
Operations			
In Pew	\$6,310	—	—
Online	\$1,940	—	—
Total	\$8,250	\$8,846	(\$596)
YTD	\$298,533	\$283,072	\$15,461
Capital Improvements			
In Pew	\$1,574	—	—
Online	\$993	—	—
Total	\$2,567	\$1,635	\$932
YTD	\$60,063	\$52,320	\$7,743

Thank you for your continued generosity!

COMMITTEES AND ACTIVITIES

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“...hearing the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit in patience.”

(Luke 8:15)



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Schedule for Holy Mass

Sunday 8:30 am (Low)
 11 am (High)
 4:30 pm (Low)
 Monday 7 am & 9 am
 Tuesday 7 am & 9 am
 Wednesday 7 am & 6 pm
 Thursday 7 am & 9 am
 Friday 7 am & 6 pm
 Saturday 9 am

Holy Days of Obligation: see calendar
Confession: ½ hour before all Masses,
 Saturdays - 10 am to 12 noon

Devotions:
 - 1st Sat. Rosary & Meditation after Mass
 - Miraculous Medal Novena after Wednesday evening Mass
 - Adoration: Wednesday 7 pm-9 pm
 1st Friday 8 am-5 pm
 Other Fridays 8 am-12 noon

MASS SCHEDULE — INTENTIONS — REQUESTED BY		
Sun. February 16 Sexagesima Sunday (2nd Cl.)	8:30 am In Honor of Our Lady 11 am Celebrant's Intention 4:30 pm Suki Simpson	PP — SS
Mon. February 17 Feria (4th Cl.)	9 am Morgan Wooten †	JS
Tues. February 18 Feria (4th Cl.)	9 am Mary Lou Fisher	KNZ
Wed. February 19 Feria (4th Cl.)	6 pm Billy Powell † <i>Adoration from 7 pm to 9 pm</i>	JP
Thurs. February 20 Feria (4th Cl.)	9 am Margaret Rose Stacy †	GCP
Fri. February 21 Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention <i>Adoration from 8 am to 12 pm</i> 6 pm Margaret Stacy †	— MA
Sat. February 22 Chair of St. Peter (1st Cl.)	9 am Betsy Critz †	NH
Sun. February 23 Quinquagesima Sunday (2nd Cl.)	8:30 am Mark & Loretta Mayer 11 am Margaret Stacy † 4:30 pm Pro Populo	MM CP —
Mon. February 24 Feria (4th Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am The Souls in Purgatory	— SL
Tues. February 25 St. Matthias (2nd Cl.)	7 am Celebrant's Intention 9 am Mary Jo Francisco †	— PT
Wed. February 26 Ash Wednesday (1st Cl.)	7 am Paul James Morrissey † 9 am Celebrant's Intention 6 pm FSSP <i>Adoration from 7 pm to 9 pm</i>	SJHC — TD
Thurs. February 27 Thurs. After Ash Wednesday (3rd Cl.)	7 am Poor Souls in Purgatory 9 am The Steszewski Family	AW KS
Fri. February 28 Fri. After Ash Wednesday (3rd Cl.)	7 am Private Intention <i>Adoration from 8 am to 12 pm</i> 6 pm Elena Palm †	EB GCP
Sat. February 29 Sat. After Ash Wednesday (3rd Cl.)	9 am Eileen Kaden	JC

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Ruth Zacharias, Diane Piffat, Linda L'Hommedieu, Charles & Sharon Curry, Ken Diman, Maximus P., Mary Claire Adams, Joan Murdaugh, Don Hipp, Ronald Barnes, William Diman, Sherry Crawford, Stivers Family, Tracie Waldo, Sam Sponeybarger, Boone Hichborn, Elizabeth Waters, Ed Horgan, Donna Beaven, Joyce Matte, Clarence Proffitt, The D'Aconti Family, Tom Osborne, Andrew Priddy, Joe Bush, Charles Furlough, Ed Peters, Angela Rhys-Sonnenschein, Bob Martin, Patricia Willard, Elizabeth Storm, Jeanette LaPaglia, Cathy Van Pelt, Barbara Reith, Gerard Lajoie, Julie Trexler, Theresa Trexler, Suki & Beau Simpson, Maryann McLaughlin.

In your charity, please remember the souls of all the faithful departed. Requiescant in pace.

Parish Office Closed Mon. 17 Feb.

Mass Schedule

One priest will be away this week. Please note the altered Mass schedule.

Ash Wednesday Schedule

7 am, 9 am, & 6 pm Low Masses. Ashes will be distributed at each Mass. Our usual Wednesday evening devotions & Adoration will take place as scheduled.

Epiphany Chalk & Water

These are available until supply runs out. First come, first serve. Chalk is still available in the parish office.

Palms for Burning

Please bring your palms from last year to the basket at the top of the vestibule stairs in preparation for Ash Wednesday.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 17—Parish Office Closed

Feb. 22—Feast of the Chair of St. Peter

Feb. 26—Ash Wednesday:

Low Masses 7 am, 9 am, & 6 pm.

Adoration 7 pm to 9 pm.

Feb. 29—Savvy Seniors Lenten Conference

Feast of the Chair of St. Peter

Sat. 22 Feb. This is a First Class feast in the FSSP (Holy See 7 July 2010). A plenary indulgence is granted (Ap. Penit. 7 June 2008) under the usual conditions to all members of the Confraternity of St. Peter on a) the day of their admission; b) the Chair of St. Peter, c) Sts. Peter and Paul.

Adoration Ministry for Parents

Childcare is now available from 10 am to 12 pm in the 1st Grade classroom during adoration on Fridays. Please come spend some much-needed quiet time with Jesus! Our only request is that you not bring sick children. Virtus-trained volunteers are needed; however, volunteering is not required for participation. Please contact Miesha Vargas if you'd like to volunteer: miesha.vargas@gmail.com

Savvy Seniors Lenten Conference

Sat. 29 Feb, 2:00-3:30 pm in the St. Scholastica Chapel. Fr. Franco will speak on The Four Last Things.

Diocesan Bicentennial Books On Sale

Commemorative books are available for purchase outside the parish office. Originally \$35 they are on sale now for \$20! These interactive books include vintage holy cards, the history of our diocese, and a brief history of each parish. Limited supply.

Clothes for the Homeless

We are still accepting donations of food and winter clothing for St. Peter's homeless ministry. Please no summer clothes and only bring items that are clean and in good condition. If you have more than one large bag of items to contribute, please call St. Peter's and arrange to drop it off directly. (804) 643-4315 Thank you for your generosity. For questions, contact Lisa Shaw writethinker@gmail.com

Pastor's Corner



Dear Parishioners:

As we put away the joyful decorations of Christmas and don the penitential violet of Septuagesima, we might be tempted to fall into those dreaded "winter blues." Few things bring more warmth to a frost-bitten soul than the smiling Babe sleeping peacefully in the manger. Now that Our Lord has liturgically "grown up" and lost that endearing childish charm which we sing about in that silent night, we might notice our devotion begin to cool towards Him. It is not that we love Him less, but let's face it: penance does not have the same appeal after the joys of Christmas.

But before we resign ourselves to a Lent bereft of our favorite bacon cheeseburgers and practice our "fasting face" in the mirror, we have to remind ourselves why we do penance. It is the same reason Christ came into this world in the first place: the salvation of our souls.

It might be hard to picture a suffering soul in purgatory rejoicing, yet who would not get excited knowing that those temporary sufferings are necessary before an eternity of happiness in Heaven?

Those purgatorial fires are no laughing matter. Throughout history, God has permitted certain souls in Purgatory to appear to saints and teach them just how intense those fires can get. One soul from Purgatory allowed a drop of sweat to touch the forehead of a saint: she promptly passed out from the pain! Theologians teach that the fires in Purgatory and the fires of Hell differ only in their duration but not in their intensity. Put another way: they both hurt like the Dickens but at least one of them is temporary!

If those souls in Purgatory are able to find a reason for joy, we can certainly keep a smile even though we are going through some great trials. Our Lord Himself tells us that He gives us a peace that the world cannot give. Many have tried to substitute this peace with other things: all to no success. This peace of Christ is most dramatically seen in the death of martyrs: men, women and children were happily singing songs and laughing as they were fed to the lions. If you were a Roman watching this spectacle, you might wonder, "What in the world is going on?"