

SS. PETER AND PAUL

June 28/29, 2025

You are Peter, and upon this rock
I will build my Church.

Matthew 16:18



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon Gen 18:16-33 Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11
Mt 8:18-22

Tue Gen 19:15-29 Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12
Mt 8:23-27

Wed Gen 21:5, 8-20a Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13
Mt 8:28-34

Thu Eph 2:19-22 Ps 117:1bc-2 Jn 20:24-29

Fri Gen 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67
Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5 Mt 9:9-13

Sat Gen 27:1-5, 15-29 Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6
Mt 9:14-17

Sun Is 66:10-14c Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20
Gal 6:14-18 Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

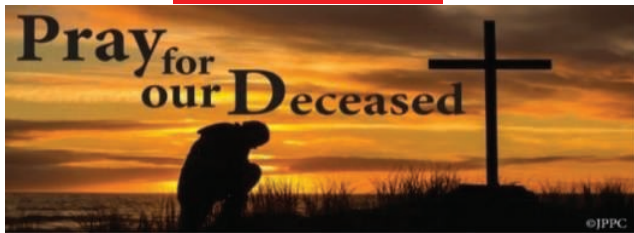


MASS INTENTIONS/ OFFERTORY GIFTS

When more than one family has an intention for a single Mass, we suggest that a member of each family present the gifts (hosts and wine) to

the Celebrant. Please notify an Usher before Mass if you are in attendance and wish to bring the gifts to the altar and whether you would like the gifts to be placed in front of the first pew (if you are unable to walk the entire length of the center aisle)

Bereavement



St. Joseph Parish community mourns the passing of our loved ones. Please continue praying for them and be assured that Our Lord is always listening. God bless you and keep you safe!

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE
CLOSED ON FRIDAY, JULY 4 DUE TO
THE HOLIDAY, PLEASE BE SAFE!!!**

FINANCIAL UPDATE

		6/21/25
Weekly		\$969.00
Fuel		\$20.00
Sanctuary Candle		\$25.00
Father's Day		\$10.00
Total Operating		\$1069.00
Ascension		\$17.00

REFLECTIONS

Our experience is rife with "Top Ten" lists of all kinds. Today our Church asks us to focus instead on the "Top Two" of the "Top Twelve" male saints, namely Peter and Paul. The two men have been linked together for some time, as this feast was established way back in the year 258 A.D.

One of them, Peter, is the greatest Prince of the Apostles and our first pope. The other, Paul, is our greatest Preacher and consequently the Apostle to the Gentiles. So, we celebrate both men. (Of course, Blessed Mary, Our Lady, tops the list of both genders of saints.)

For our appreciation of both men, it is helpful to know that neither one was perfect. Peter had not only argued with Jesus on two occasions, forcing Him to call Peter in one instance as "Satan." Add to that a bitter denial of Jesus on the very night Jesus most needed Peter's loyalty.

Paul, on the other hand, had been a dedicated Pharisee persecutor of the early Church. So much so that, as Bishop Sheen once remarked: "If the early Church had a novena, it would have been to ask the Lord to stop Saul. And God answered, 'All right I shall send Paul!'"

We know that Paul was literally knocked to the ground, only to rise later to become our greatest missionary. He suffered all kinds of setbacks for his efforts but never yielded until he had "run the race." as he himself described it. Both men were martyred in Rome somewhere in the 60s A.D. before the fall of the Temple by Rome in 70 A.D.

The main message of both their lives is that awesome power of God to change sinners into saints. Do we believe that God can do that with us? It seems like all we must do for that to happen is for us to get out of His way and let Him. That means stepping aside from ego, pride and sin.

Saints Peter and Paul, pray for us.

source: Rev. Leonard N. Peterson



The **MISSION** of the parish community of Saint Joseph is to “Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel.”

Our **VISION**: As a Catholic faith community, we invite all to experience the saving grace of Jesus Christ. We strive to grow and sustain by offering ministries that meet and nurture the Sacramental, spiritual, material, and emotional needs of our greater community.

MASS INTENTIONS

June 28 **SS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES**
Sat 4:00pm +In Memory of Robert St. Jean
 (B'day Rem) by Joyce Hill

July 1 **Puopolo Mass for the living and**
Tue 7:45am **deceased members of St. Joseph**
Church

July 2 +In Memory of Vincent & Arline
Wed 7:45am O'Rourke by their Family

July 5 +In Memory of William Gonyea,
Sat 4:00pm Frank Rambone and Robert
 Rambone by their Family



SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week **for all our men and women serving in the Armed Forces.**



Do you, or someone you know, need a prayer? **Call Pauline Prew 568-5644** and have our “Prayer Warriors” pray for your intentions.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

July 5	Monthly
July 26	Mission Co-Op
Aug 2	Peter's Pence
Aug 9	Monthly
Aug 15	Assumption

ON-LINE GIVING

Thank you to those parishioners who utilize Parish Giving. If you have not done so already, please visit our website-stjosephri.org to enroll in on-line giving. (See “Parish Giving” icon-bulletins lower left corner of the home page.)



PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW BISHOP:

Bishop Bruce A. Lewandowski, C.Ss.R. installed as the 10th Bishop of Providence

Appointment: Pope Francis announced Bishop Lewandowski's appointment on April 8, 2025.

Previous Role: Before becoming the Bishop of Providence, Bishop Lewandowski served as an auxiliary bishop in Baltimore since 2020.

Installation: He was installed as the Bishop of Providence on May 20, 2025.

Successor: Bishop Lewandowski succeeds Archbishop Richard G. Henning, who was appointed as the Archbishop of Boston in October 2024.

TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

Mark your calendars: More information to follow after this meeting:

Informational Activities Committee Meeting:

Wednesday, July 2, 2025 at 3:00pm in the church basement Any questions or concerns, Tammy Parkhurst at (401) 309-6472

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