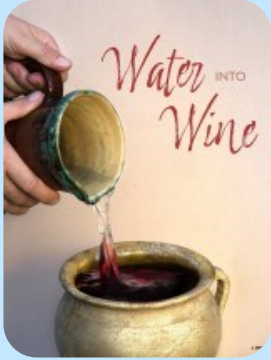
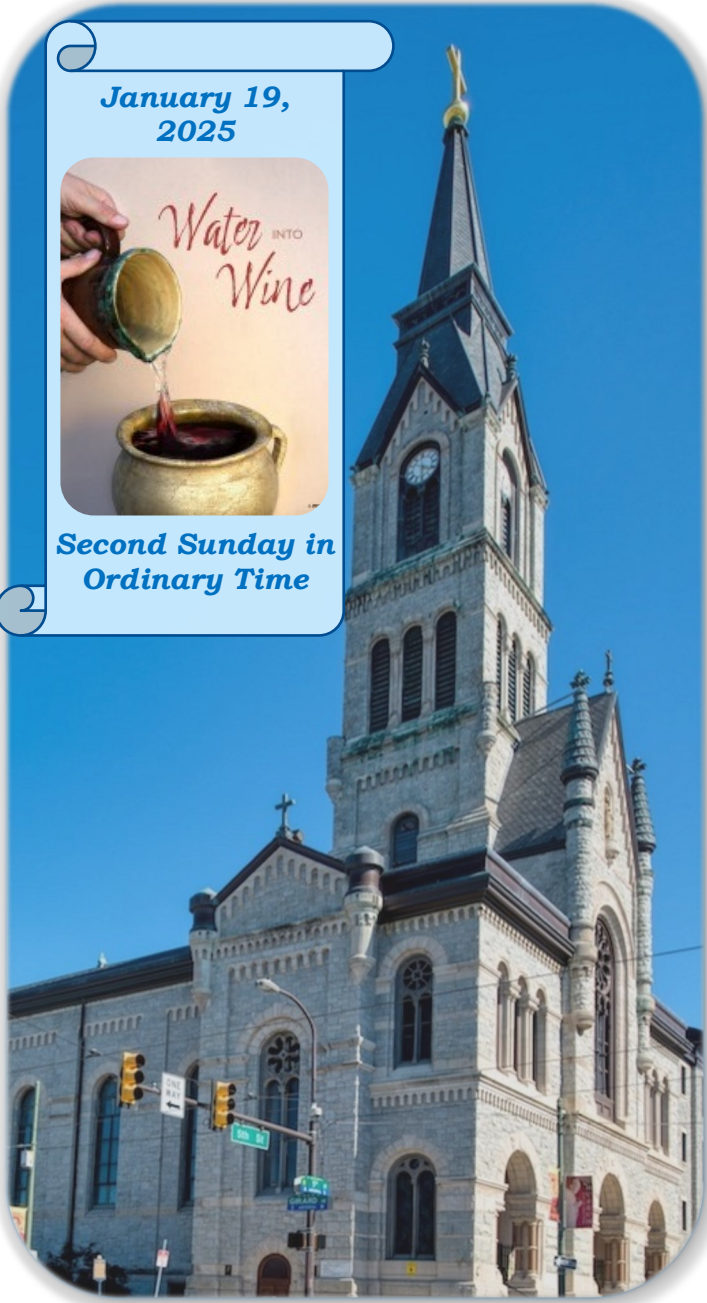


January 19,  
2025



Second Sunday in  
Ordinary Time



## St. Peter the Apostle National Shrine of St. John Neumann

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### MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday:** 12:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. (Vigil).  
**Sunday:** 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. (Spanish),  
12:30 pm  
**Weekdays:** 7:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 5:30 p.m.  
**O.L.P.H. Novena:** 7:00 p.m. (Shrine) Filipino Sponsored

### CONFESSIONS

**Mon - Sat:** 11:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 10:30 a.m. (Spanish)

### RECTORY OFFICE

**Monday - Saturday:** 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
**Sunday** 9 a.m. - 12 noon.

### GIFT SHOP SCHEDULE

**Monday - Sunday:** 10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**APPOINTMENTS:** You are asked to arrange an appointment in advance by telephone with the Priest you wish to see.

**SICK CALLS:** Emergencies & Hospital Visitation: Please contact the Rectory office.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** The Sacrament of Baptism is administered monthly. Arrangements are made in advance at the Rectory. Sponsors must provide proof of eligibility by a letter from their respective pastors, and must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation. Parents attend a Pre-Jordan meeting prior to Baptism, which is arranged at a mutually convenient time.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** Arrangements must be made with the pastor at least six months before the date of the wedding. Pre-Cana instructions are required. Couples rather than parents or wedding coordinators should contact the church. If either party was previously married, an annulment must be granted prior to the selection of a future wedding date.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

5:30 PM Staff of St. Peter the Apostle Parish, School, and Shrine of St John Neumann -  
rb: The Redemptorist Fathers

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

7:30 AM Purgatorian Society  
9:30 AM † Edwin Zawacki - rb: Eileen & Children  
11:00 AM Parish Family and † Eva Olmo Castro – rb: Luz Cartajena  
12:30 PM † Denise Marie Byran - rb: Geri Kotch

### MONDAY, JANUARY 20 - *Martin Luther King, Jr.*

9:30 AM † Steven Mumber - rb: Rossana & Dejah Davila

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society  
12:15 PM † Antoinette A. Giannini – rb: Annette Giannini  
5:30 PM † Steven Buchert - rb: Karl Buchert

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society  
12:15 PM OLPH MASS LEAGE  
5:30 PM † Denise Marie Bryan - rb: Geri Kotch

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society  
12:15 PM † Francis J. Kearney - rb: Susan & Christine Kearney  
5:30 PM † Dominic & Maria Nguyen - rb: Le Nguyen

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society  
12:15 PM Neumann Guild  
5:30 PM † Mary Rusek Sukany - rb: Mary Giampietro

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

12:15 PM OLPH MASS LEAGE

## REMEMBER THE SICK OF THE PARISH

In your prayers, please keep in mind our sick, homebound, and those in healthcare facilities including: Fr. Gerard Brinkmann CSSR, Jennifer Woods, Aelya Farrell, Leonor Alfonso, William Santos, Mia Cassoli, Gail Warren, Matthew Lee, Robert Federico, Shawn Wojciechowicz, Clara Torres, Ada Olivo, John Fairey, Wayne Shaak, Jacob Rivera, Grazyna Kolondra, Michaela Breslin, Jose Dorotan M.D., Rodolfo Suarez, June Ambrose, Minerva and Saulo Pena, Michael Miccilo, Marcelino Casiano, Luz Martines, Juana Ortiz, Collette Berg, Mary Zajac, King Phoenix Santiago Cruz and Charles Ambrose. *Please call the rectory office to add a name.*



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

### Dreams that lead to action *Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

During his recent speech to Congress on September 24 (2015), Pope Francis paid special tribute to the contributions of four great Americans – two Catholics, Dorothy Day and Thomas Merton, and two nonCatholics, Abraham Lincoln and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In this final installment, we examine the life and legacy of the great civil rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is one of the most important African-American leaders in U.S. history and one of the iconic figures of the civil rights movement in the United States during the 1950s and 1960s. King's fight against discrimination and segregation changed American history and gave hope to millions of a future of equality.

One of the most inspiring moments of King's life was the August 28, 1963, March on Washington, and his "I Have a Dream" speech, where he stated, "I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character."

Pope Francis noted the importance of King's dream, one that continues to inspire Americans and people from around the world to this day:

"Here too I think of the march which Martin Luther King led from Selma to Montgomery fifty years ago as part of the campaign to fulfill his "dream" of full civil and political rights for African Americans. That dream continues to inspire us all. I am happy that America continues to be, for many, a land of "dreams". Dreams which lead to action, to participation, to commitment. Dreams which awaken what is deepest and truest in the life of a people."

King's call for racial equality is echoed in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. "Created in the image of the one God and equally endowed with rational souls, all men have the same nature and the same origin. Redeemed by the sacrifice of Christ, all are called to participate in the same divine beatitude: all therefore enjoy an equal dignity." (CCC 1934).

In his remarks, Pope Francis noted that King's message of equality is rooted in the Gospel passage of the Golden Rule. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" (Mt 7:12).

Yet, while the struggle began by Dr. Martin Luther King and others continues, Pope Francis reminds us not to lose hope: "Building a nation calls us to

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recognize that we must constantly relate to others, rejecting a mindset of hostility in order to adopt one of reciprocal subsidiarity, in a constant effort to do our best. I am confident that we can do this.”

Excerpt taken from California Catholic Conference November 9, 2015

Blessings,  
Fr Mike



**SANCTUARY CANDLES**

This week, the candles in the sanctuaries will burn for the following intentions:

*Blessed Sacrament Altar (Lower Church)*  
*Nguyen Family - rb: Le Nguyen*

*OLPH Shrine (Upper Church)*  
*Little Family - rb: Nora Little*

*St. John Neumann Altar*  
*Nguyen Family - rb: Le Nguyen*

*Blessed Sacrament Altar (Upper Church)*

*Available*

*Redemptorist Chapel*

*Available*

**WEEKEND COLLECTION - 1/12/2025**

Saturday 5:30 pm -	\$290.00
Sunday 7:30 am -	\$734.00
Sunday 9:30 am -	\$1,047.00
Sunday 11:00 am -	\$851.00
Sunday 12:30 pm -	\$719.03
Envelopes Mailed - Offerings	\$549.00
Electronic Giving -	\$2,017.00

<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$6,207.03</b>
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The Announced Mass book is now open for 2025. Please bring your intention and donation to the Parish Office.

**Each intention is \$10.**

**THE ROSARY**

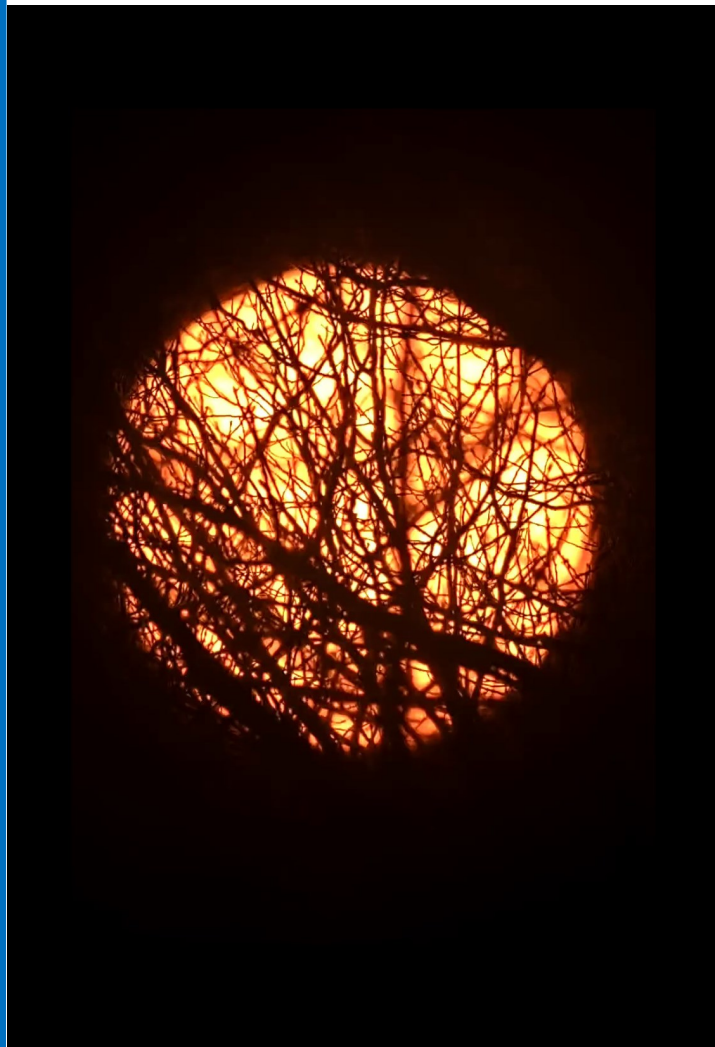
We invite you to join us each day at 11:55 a.m. in the Shrine as we pray the Rosary for peace. Please come and pray with us.



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**Celestial Wonders: A Glimpse into God's Creation**

**Sunlight filters through the branches, much like God's light shines into the areas of darkness.**



### LA MISA DE HOY

11:00 AM Familia Parroquial y † Eva Olmo Castro –  
sp: Luz Cartajena

### CONFESIONES EN ESPAÑOL

10:30 AM

### DONACIONES DE UNITED WAY

Si usted contribuye a United Way a través de su trabajo, favor considere designar a la **Escuela San Pedro, United Way #52989**, para que su donación ayude a nuestra escuela.

### VELA DEL SANTUARIO

Esta semana, las velas de los santuarios se encenderán por las siguientes intenciones:

Altar del Santísimo Sacramento (Iglesia de Abajo)  
Familia Nguyen - sp: Le Nguyen  
Santuario de Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro  
(Iglesia de Arriba)

Familia Little - sp: Nora Little  
Altar de San Juan Neumann

Familia Nguyen - sp: Le Nguyen  
Altar del Santísimo Sacramento (Iglesia de Arriba)

Disponible  
Capilla de los Redentoristas  
Disponible

### RECORDEMOS A LOS ENFERMOS DE LA PARROQUIA

En sus oraciones, por favor, tenga en cuenta a nuestros enfermos, confinados en casa, y aquellos en los centros de salud, incluyendo: Fr. Gerard Brinkmann CSsR, Jennifer Woods, Aelya Farrell, Leonor Alfonso, William Santos, Mia Cassoli, Gail Warren, Matthew Lee, Robert Federico, Shawn Wojciechowicz, Clara Torres, Ada Olivo, John Fairey, Wayne Shaak, Jacob Rivera, Grazyna Kolondra, Michaela Breslin, Jose Dorotan M.D., Rodolfo Suarez, June Ambrose, Minerva and Saulo Pena, Michael Miccilo, Marcelino Casiano, Luz Martines, Juana Ortiz, Collette Berg, Mary Zajac, King Phoenix Santiago Cruz, y Charles Ambrose. Favor de llamar a la rectoría para incluir un nombre en la lista.

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## DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PASTOR

Queridos Feligreses,

**Sueños que llevan a la acción -  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Durante su discurso ante el Congreso el 24 de septiembre (2015), el Papa Francisco rindió homenaje especial a las contribuciones de cuatro grandes estadounidenses: dos católicos, Dorothy Day y Thomas Merton, y dos no católicos, Abraham Lincoln y el Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. .

En esta última entrega, examinamos la vida y el legado del gran líder de los derechos civiles, el Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

El Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. es uno de los líderes afroamericanos más importantes en la historia de Estados Unidos y una de las figuras icónicas del movimiento de derechos civiles en Estados Unidos durante las décadas de 1950 y 1960. La lucha de King contra la discriminación y la segregación cambió la historia de Estados Unidos y dio a millones de personas la esperanza de un futuro de igualdad.

Uno de los momentos más inspiradores de la vida de King fue la Marcha sobre Washington del 28 de agosto de 1963 y su discurso "Tengo un sueño", donde afirmó: "Tengo el sueño de que mis cuatro hijos algún día vivan en una nación". donde no serán juzgados por el color de su piel sino por el contenido de su carácter".

El Papa Francisco destacó la importancia del sueño de King, uno que continúa inspirando a los estadounidenses y a personas de todo el mundo hasta el día de hoy:

“Aquí también pienso en la marcha que Martin Luther King encabezó desde Selma a Montgomery hace cincuenta años como parte de la campaña para cumplir su “sueño” de plenos derechos civiles y políticos para los afroamericanos. Ese sueño continúa inspirándonos a todos. Me alegra que Estados Unidos siga siendo, para muchos, una tierra de “sueños”. Sueños que llevan a la acción, a la participación, al compromiso. Sueños que despiertan lo más profundo y verdadero en la vida de un pueblo”.

El llamado de King a la igualdad racial tiene eco en el Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica. “Creados a imagen del único Dios e igualmente dotados de alma racional, todos los hombres tienen la misma naturaleza y el mismo origen. Redimidos por el sacrificio de Cristo, todos están llamados a participar de la misma bienaventuranza divina: todos gozan, por tanto, de igual dignidad”. (CCC 1934).

En sus comentarios, el Papa Francisco señaló que el mensaje de igualdad de King tiene sus raíces en el pasaje evangélico de la Regla de Oro. “Haz a los demás como te gustaría que te hicieran a ti” (Mt 7,12).

Sin embargo, mientras continúa la lucha iniciada

~ Noticias de la Parroquia ~

por el Dr. Martin Luther King y otros, el Papa Francisco nos recuerda que no perdamos la esperanza: “Construir una nación nos llama a reconocer que debemos relacionarnos constantemente con los demás, rechazando una mentalidad de hostilidad para adoptar uno de subsidiariedad recíproca, en un esfuerzo constante por dar lo mejor de nosotros. Estoy seguro de que podemos lograrlo”.

Extracto tomado de la Conferencia Católica de California 9 de noviembre de 2015

Bendiciones,  
Padre Mike

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**EL ROSARIO**

Les invitamos a unirse a nosotros todos los días a las 11:55AM en el Santuario a rezar el Rosario por la paz. Venga y únase a nosotros con el arma espiritual.



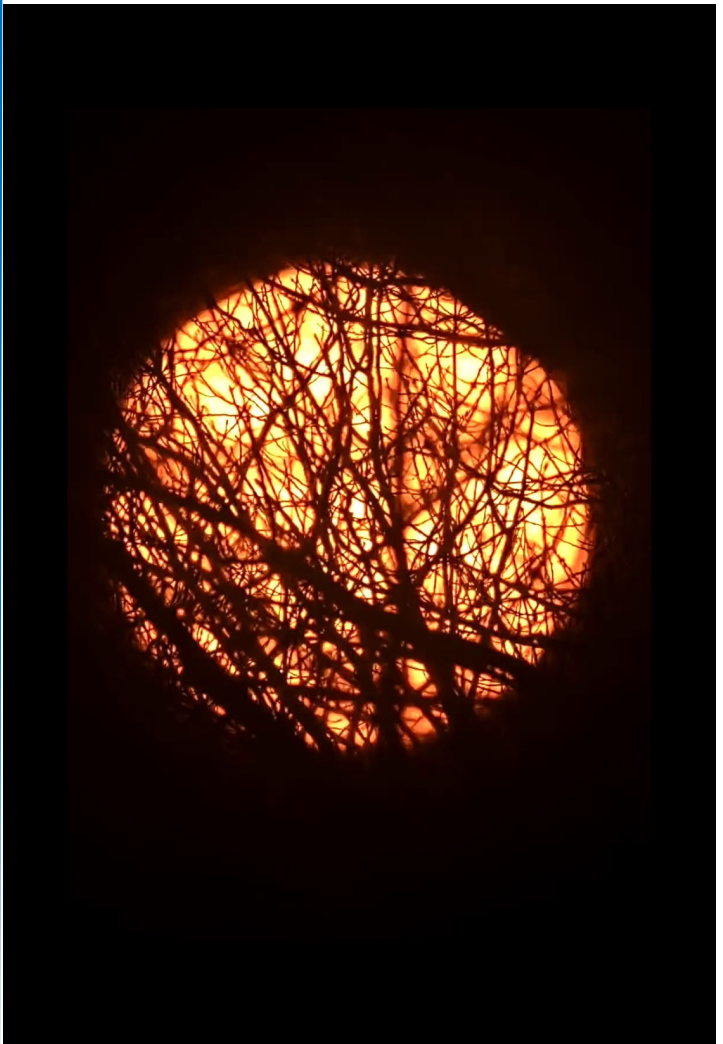
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**Maravillas celestiales: una mirada a la creación de Dios**

**La luz del sol se filtra a través de las ramas, de manera muy similar a como la luz de Dios brilla en las áreas de oscuridad.**



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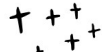


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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF OUR "UNITED IN FAITH AND LOVE" PROGRAM! SEVERAL WEEKS AGO, WE BEGAN THIS IMPORTANT PARISH-WIDE PROGRAM, AND WE ARE STARTING TO SEE SIGNS THAT OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS ARE GROWING THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF YOU, OUR FAITHFUL ST. PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH COMMUNITY. IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS WE WILL BE PUBLISHING IN THE BULLETIN A REPORT WITH IMPORTANT HIGHLIGHTS. **THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED.** YOUR GENEROSITY SHOWS YOUR WILLINGNESS AS FAITHFUL STEWARDS TO BE A PART OF THE ONGOING MISSIONS OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE CHURCH.



PLEASE NOTE:  
OUR MUSEUM, GIFT SHOP,  
RECTORY AND SHRINE OFFICES  
WILL BE **CLOSED** ON  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

MONDAY, JANUARY 20TH

9:30 AM MASS  
WILL BE THE ONLY MASS CELEBRATED  
NO 7:00 AM OR 5:30 PM MASSES  
NO CONFESSIONS

“I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear.”

– Martin Luther King Jr.

## Leaders & Achievers AWARDS

AN EVENT BENEFITING SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

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Thursday, April 10, 2025  
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