

July 13,
2025

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**Fifteenth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time**



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

A Redemptorist Parish
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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, JULY 12

5:30 PM † Pedro & Nidia Graulau - rb: Ada Olivo

SUNDAY, JULY 13

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

9:30 AM Parish Family and † Eleanor & Walter Piotrowski - rb: Family

11:00 AM † Catalina Colon Benjamin – rb: Ada Olivo

12:30 PM † Louis Brigandi - rb: Elke Brigandi

MONDAY, JULY 14

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM † Anthony Campione – rb: Campione Family

5:30 PM † Daniel J. Maguire - rb: Bob McDonald

TUESDAY, JULY 15

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM † Mary & Stanley Barniskis – rb: Family

5:30 PM Zaldy Palaypayon Health - rb: Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM OLPH MASS LEAGUE

5:30 PM Sue Margarite B-Day - rb: Madrigale Family

THURSDAY, JULY 17

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM † Sonia Lopatinsky - rb: Maria Llanos

5:30 PM † Mary T. McDonald - rb: Son, Robert

FRIDAY, JULY 18

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM Neumann Guild

5:30 PM Nora & Tom Cancro & Family -rb: Diane Khan

SATURDAY, JULY 19

12:15 PM OLPH MASS LEAGUE

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, Clara Torres, Ada Olivo, Wayne Shaak, Michaela Breslin, June Ambrose, Marcelino Casiano, Luz Martinez, Juana Ortiz, Charles Ambrose, Donald Ambrose, Ann Pham, Richard Simpson, Danielle Sorrichillo, Jack Michael Little, Reinalce Colon, Donna Marie Simpson, Mary Ha, Tanya Rapone, Jane Kernan, Alicia Ann Chomo, Gayle Mulford, Betty Santos, Mary Zajac, Kathy Griffin, Michael Micciola, and Jeanette Troutman. *Please call the rectory office to add a name.*

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

The True Nature of Love Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." Luke 10:27

A scribe asked Jesus what he needed to do to inherit eternal life. Jesus asked the scribe what the Law of Moses taught. The above line was the scribe's response. He was essentially quoting Deuteronomy 6:4, which was a common prayer prayed by the Jews and seen as a summary of the entire Law of Moses as found in the Ten Commandments.

Notice that this summary of the Law does not present a negative prohibition such as "Thou shalt not..." Instead, it is a positive command stating, "Thou shalt love..." Love is the fulfillment of the Law of the Old Testament, as well as the fulfillment of the New Law of Christ. When we love God with our whole being, that love overflows upon all of God's creatures, including our neighbor.

In this Gospel, the scribe goes on to ask Jesus who His neighbor is. Jesus responds by telling the Parable of the Good Samaritan. In that parable, there was a man beaten and left for dead on the side of the road. A priest and a Levite passed by and ignored the man. But a Samaritan passed by and took care of the man, bringing him to an inn and vowing to pay for his recovery. The story concludes by the Samaritan being identified as the one who acted as a neighbor to the victim.

Traditionally, the victim of the robbers in this story has been seen as Adam. Adam represents fallen humanity. The Samaritan represents Jesus who cared for fallen humanity, healed us of sin and provided for our every need. Therefore, according to this parable, Jesus has acted as a neighbor to us, and we must love Him as we love ourselves. But Jesus also says, "Go and do likewise." This is a commission to fallen humanity, now healed of sin, to go forth to others, acting as Jesus Himself, bringing the healing grace they have been given and bestowing it upon others generously.

Sometimes we can see love as a feeling or emotion. Though love is often accompanied by certain emotions and feelings, love is much more. It is an action. In this parable, if the Samaritan simply looked upon the victim and felt sorry for him, had compassion for him but then

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moved on, he would not have shown love. The love of charity is an action and requires much of us. If we are to fulfill this first and greatest commandment of love of God and neighbor, then we cannot wait until we feel like loving to act. Instead, we must act now and not hesitate. This is love.

Reflect, today, upon the true nature of love. Love, in its most elevated form, is the choice to do what is best for others—to help free them from sin and to be an instrument of God's providence in their lives. It's a participation in the very love that God has shown us in Christ Jesus by giving His life for our salvation. We are all called to devote ourselves to this same form of selfless and sacrificial love. Doing so is a requirement for the glorious sharing in eternal life.

My loving Lord, You have given everything to fallen humanity. You have freed us from sin and provided for all of our needs. You have acted as a true neighbor in every way. Please give me the grace I need to imitate You and to participate in the love You have for others. May I truly act and never hesitate to bestow on others the charitable love to which I am called. Jesus, I trust in You.

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Blessings,
Fr Mike

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.



ELECTRONIC GIVING
Go to the page: spaphilly.org
tab **Donate** and select the link with the
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WEEKEND COLLECTION - 6/29/2025

Masses	\$2,282.95
Envelopes Mailed - Offerings	\$60.00
Electronic Giving -	\$1,278.00

Total.....	\$3,620.95
Total 2nd Collection.....	\$925.00

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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

Health for Mary - rb: Family

St. John Neumann Altar

Nguyen Family - rb: Le Nguyen

Blessed Sacrament Altar (Upper Church)

All the faithful departed - rb: Patricia and Raymond Villanueva

Redemptorist Chapel

† Lorraine Kingsbury Miner



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LA MISA DE HOY

11:00 AM † Catalina Colon Benjamin – sp: Ada Olivo

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
Salud para Mary - rb: Familia

Altar de San Juan Neumann

Familia Nguyen - sp: Le Nguyen

Altar del Santísimo Sacramento (Iglesia de Arriba)

Fieles almas fallecidas - sp: Patricia y Raymond Villanueva

Capilla de los Redentoristas

Lorraine Kingsbury Miner

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, Clara Torres, Ada Olivo, Wayne Shaak, Michaela Breslin, June Ambrose, Marcelino Casiano, Luz Martinez, Juana Ortiz, Charles Ambrose, Donald Ambrose, Ann Pham, Richard Simpson, Danielle Sorrichillo, Jack Michael Little, Reinalee Colon, Donna Marie Simpson, Mary Ha, Tanya Rapone, Jane Kernan, Alicia Ann Chomo, Gayle Mulford, Betty Santos, Mary Zajac, Kathy Griffin, Michael Micciola Y Jeanette Troutman. Favor de llamar a la rectoría para incluir un nombre en la lista.

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DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PASTOR

Queridos Feligreses,

La Verdadera Naturaleza del Amor - 15o Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

“Amarás al Señor, tu Dios, con todo tu corazón, con todo tu ser, con todas tus fuerzas y con toda tu mente; y a tu prójimo como a ti mismo.” Lucas 10:27

Un escriba le preguntó a Jesús qué debía hacer para heredar la vida eterna. Jesús le preguntó qué enseñaba la Ley de Moisés. La frase anterior fue la respuesta del escriba. En esencia, estaba citando Deuteronomio 6:4, una oración común de los judíos y considerada un resumen de toda la Ley de Moisés, tal como se encuentra en los Diez Mandamientos.

Observe que este resumen de la Ley no presenta una prohibición negativa como “No harás...”, sino un mandato positivo que dice: “Amarás...”. El amor es el cumplimiento de la Ley del Antiguo Testamento, así como el cumplimiento de la Nueva Ley de Cristo. Cuando amamos a Dios con todo nuestro ser, ese amor se desborda sobre todas sus criaturas, incluyendo a nuestro prójimo.

En este Evangelio, el escriba le pregunta a Jesús quién es su prójimo. Jesús responde con la parábola del Buen Samaritano. En ella, un hombre fue golpeado y abandonado a la orilla del camino, creyéndolo muerto. Un sacerdote y un levita pasaron por allí y lo ignoraron. Pero un samaritano pasó y cuidó del hombre, llevándolo a una posada y prometiendo pagar por su recuperación. La historia concluye con la identificación del samaritano como quien actuó como prójimo de la víctima.

Tradicionalmente, la víctima de los ladrones en esta historia se ha visto como Adán. Adán representa a la humanidad caída. El samaritano representa a Jesús, quien cuidó de la humanidad caída, nos sanó del pecado y proveyó para todas nuestras necesidades. Por lo tanto, según esta parábola, Jesús actuó como nuestro prójimo, y debemos amarlo como nos amamos a nosotros mismos. Pero Jesús también dice:

«Ve y haz tú lo mismo». Este es un encargo a la humanidad caída, ahora sana del pecado, para que salga al encuentro de los demás, actuando como Jesús mismo, llevando la gracia sanadora que les ha sido dada y otorgándola generosamente.

A veces podemos ver el amor como un sentimiento o una emoción. Aunque el amor suele ir acompañado de ciertas emociones y sentimientos, el amor es mucho más. Es una acción. En esta parábola, si el samaritano simplemente mirara a la víctima y sintiera lástima por él, sintiera compasión por él, pero luego siguiera adelante, no habría demostrado amor. El amor de caridad es una acción y exige mucho de nosotros. Si queremos cumplir este primer y mayor mandamiento de amar a Dios y al prójimo, no podemos esperar hasta sentir deseos de amar para actuar. En cambio, debemos actuar ahora y no dudar. Esto es amor.

Reflexiona hoy sobre la verdadera naturaleza del amor. El amor, en su forma más elevada, es la decisión de hacer lo mejor para los demás: ayudarlos a liberarse del pecado y ser un instrumento de la providencia de Dios en sus vidas. Es participar del mismo amor que Dios nos mostró en Cristo Jesús al dar su vida por nuestra salvación. Todos estamos llamados a dedicarnos a esta misma forma de amor desinteresado y sacrificial. Hacerlo es un requisito para la gloriosa participación en la vida eterna.

Mi amado Señor, Tú lo has dado todo a la humanidad caída. Nos has liberado del pecado y has provisto para todas nuestras necesidades. Has actuado como un verdadero prójimo en todo sentido. Por favor, concédeme la gracia que necesito para imitarte y participar del amor que tienes por los demás. Que pueda actuar con sinceridad y nunca dudar en otorgar a los demás el amor caritativo al que estoy llamado. Jesús, confío en Ti.

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Bendiciones,
Padre Mike

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.



DONACION ELECTRONICA

Ingresa a la página spaphilly.org y seleccione el enlace bajo el logotipo **Parish Giving**. Siga las sencillas instrucciones para registrarse.



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THE REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR OCIA IS **NOW OPEN.**

Are you or someone you know interested in growing a relationship with God, learning more about the Catholic Faith, and be Baptized or complete the sacraments for initiation? Our OCIA class takes place on Thursday's at 7 PM and will begin on **June 26th.**

Please contact, Sr. Carmen Torres, SHCJ who will be able to review the process with you and answer any questions you may have.

Sr. Carmen can be reached by phone at **215-625-9755** or by email: Saintpeterpa@gmail.com

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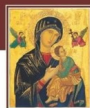
¿Está usted o alguien que conoce interesado en cultivar una relación con Dios, aprender más sobre la fe católica y ser bautizado o recibir los sacramentos de iniciación? Nuestra clase de OICA se juntan los jueves a las 7:00 PM y comienza el 26 de junio.

Por favor, contacte con la Hna. Carmen Torres, SHCJ, quien podrá repasar el proceso con usted y responder a cualquier pregunta que pueda tener.

Se puede contactar con la Hna. Carmen por teléfono al **215-625-9755** o por correo electrónico: Saintpeterpa@gmail.com

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Summer Mass Schedule Horario de Misas de Verano

MONDAY - SATURDAY

LUNES - SABADO

LOWER CHURCH

IGLESIA INFERIOR

12:15 pm | 5:30 pm

SUNDAY

DOMINGO

UPPER CHURCH

IGLESIA SUPERIOR

9:30 am | 11:00 am (Spanish/Español) | 12:30 pm



Beginning Monday, June 16, 2025
A partir del Lunes 16 de Junio de 2025