



St. Peter + Prince of Apostles

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2020

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

— Parish Office —

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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— Mass Schedule —

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
12:00 p.m. (Spanish), Stratford- 8:30 a.m.

— Weekday Mass Schedule —

Mon. 8:15 a.m., Tues. 5:30 p.m.-*Spanish*, Wed. 5:30
p.m., Thurs-Fri 8:15a.m.

— Confessions —

Friday: 5:30 p.m. & Saturday 8:30 a.m.

— Marriage or Baptism —

Contact the church office for more info.:
559/924-2562

— Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament —

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Holy
Family Chapel is offered Monday following
8:15am mass until 8pm; Tuesday 10am-5pm;
Wednesday 8am-5pm; Thursday following
8:15am mass until 8pm; and Friday, following
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Dear Padre,

Why does the Church honor St. Joseph?

Saint Joseph was chosen by the Lord to be the spouse of Mary and a guardian of the Word Incarnate, Jesus Christ. The little we know about Joseph is taken from the Gospels. In the Book of Matthew, we learn that Mary is betrothed to Joseph, "a righteous man" (Matthew 1:19). When Joseph learns that Mary is already with child, he decides to dismiss her quietly so as not to disgrace her publicly. But an angel of the Lord appears to him in a dream and tells him not to be afraid to take Mary as his wife and informs him that she will bear the child of the Holy Spirit, the one who will come to save people from their sins. Joseph obeys the angel without question.



Joseph heeds God's call once again when instructed by an angel of the Lord to flee Bethlehem to escape the murderous Herod. Matthew tells us: "Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt" (Matthew 2:14).

It is this faithfulness, this steadfast and complete trust in God, that makes Joseph such a wonderful example for us, and for this, the Church honors him.

—Fr. Paul Coury, CSsR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

We can imagine what Joseph must have been thinking. How is it that the Son of God has no home? ...And those of us who do have a home, a roof over our heads, would also do well to ask: Why do these, our brothers and sisters, have no place to live?

—MEETING WITH THE HOMELESS, SEPTEMBER 24, 2015

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Calendar

Monday
MARCH 23
Lenten Weekday
Is 65:17-21
Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday
MARCH 24
Lenten Weekday
Ez 47:1-9, 12
Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday
MARCH 25
The Annunciation of the Lord
Is 7:10-14; 8:10
Heb 10:4-10
Lk 1:26-38

Thursday
MARCH 26
Lenten Weekday
Ex 32:7-14
Jn 5:31-47

Friday
MARCH 27
Lenten Weekday
Wis 2:1a, 12-22
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday
MARCH 28
Lenten Weekday
Jer 11:18-20
Jn 7:40-53

Sunday
MARCH 29
Fifth Sunday of Lent
Ez 37:12-14
Rom 8:8-11
Jn 11:1-45 or
Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

March 14 & 15, 2020

1st Collection: **\$7,336.00**
2nd Collection: **\$1,874.00**

Second Collection Today/ 2da Colecta hoy:
N/A

Second Collection Next Week/
2da Colecta la próxima semana:
Religious Education

Thank you for your Generosity
Gracias por su generosidad



Parish office closed until March 30th (maybe longer)

We will be answering phone calls so please leave a message and will get back to you



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. ALL CHECKS PLACED IN THE COLLECTION BASKET OR HAND CARRIED INTO THE CHURCH OFFICE NEED TO BE MADE OUT SPECIFICALLY TO ST PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH. YOU CAN DESIGNATE WHERE YOU WANT IT TO BE CREDITED BY USING THE "MEMO" AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR CHECK, I.E. ALTAR SOCIETY, PARISH IMPROVEMENT, MASSES, CCD, MIQ SCHOOL, ETC.



-Mass Intentions/Intencions de Misa-

Saturday, Mar 21:

5:30 p.m. Shirley Maciel † by Tony & Amie Azevedo

Sunday, Mar 22:

7:00 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

8:30 a.m. (Strfd) Margarita Garcia Montano † by Family

10:00 a.m. Benita Tatco † by Tatco Family
Deceased members † of the Alter Society
Maria Merths † by Daughter
Megan Dunn † by Karen Tokunaga-Chavez

12:00 p.m. (Sp) Carlos Moreno de Familia
Jesus Alcala Munoz de su hijo y nuera

12:00 p.m. (Sp) Lupita, Jose, Luz Maria Medina de Familia
Medina

Monday, Mar 23:

8:15 a.m. Noelle Dafdeney 2nd Birthday by Parents

Tuesday, Mar 24

5:30p.m. Santiago Mercado de hijas y hijos

Wednesday, Mar 25:

5:30p.m. Karen Finley† by Marlene Macedo

Thursday, Mar 26:

8:15 a.m. Geneviene Garcia † by m/m Dan Viega

Friday, Mar 27:

8:15 a.m. Bernice Silva † by Sr Sandra Silva

Saturday, Mar 28:

5:30 p.m. Walter Terrio † by Henderson Family

Sunday, Mar 29:

7:00 a.m. Constance Gagne † by Family

8:30 a.m. (Strfd) Intentions of Parishioners

10:00 a.m. Chris Rodrigues † by Steven & Melissa
Dufur

Eddie Rodrigues † by Our Lady of Fatima
Karen Finley† by Joann & Norman Garcia

12:00 p.m. (Sp) Kevin Perez Gutierrez de su familia
Fernanda, Max, Mathilda, & Fatimah
Gonzalez by parents

DUE TO THE COVID-19 FATHER MIKE IS UNABLE TO DO MASSES BUT HE WILL BE DOING PRIVATE MASSES AND MENTION YOUR LOVE ONES FOR THEIR MASS INTENTION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

Scholarship Information

Msgr. John J O' Friel Knights of Columbus is now

accepting applications for two (2) \$500.00

Scholarships.



Applications are available at the church office or contact Richard Lee at (559) 381-5492.

Applications must be submitted by **March 31,2020.**

Stations of the Cross Lenten Soup Supper


Cancelled until April 3rd, 2020

- ◇ Stations of the Cross every Friday during lent at 6pm in the main church
- ◇ Lenten Soup Supper by our ministries



Prayers for the Sick / Oraciones para los enfermos
We pray for Richard Aguilar, "Stretch" Deroin, Debbie Maurett, J. Perez, Toni Magnia, Karlene Quantana, Msgr. John Coelho-Harguindeguy, Michael Sexton, Carol Rodrigues, Stella Mendez, Howard Works, Alice Stewart, Ana Colida, , Rose Galvan, Richard P. Simas, Marti Vannote, and all who are sick. May they feel the healing powers of our prayers.

Prayers for the Deceased / Oraciones para los difuntos
We pray Harry Carlson, Glma Ramirez, Phil Nastor, Roberto Linares, Juan Jimenez, Mary Beth Murray, Maria Flores, Librado Vargas, Jorge Roacha, Jerry Gregory, and all the faithful departed. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



GUIDELINES FOR FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Good Friday is an obligatory day of fasting and abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat **one** full meal, as well as **two** smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from **age 14** onwards.

Los viernes durante la Cuaresma son días obligatorios de abstinencia para los católicos. Además, el Viernes Santo es un día obligatorio de ayuno y abstinencia Para los miembros de la Iglesia Católica, las normas sobre el ayuno son obligatorias desde los 18 años hasta los 59 años. Al ayunar, se permite a una persona comer una comida completa, así también dos comidas más pequeñas que juntas no son iguales a una comida completa. Las normas relativas a la abstinencia de la carne son vinculantes para los miembros de la Iglesia Católica a partir de los 14 años.

Online source: <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgicalyear/len/catholic-information-on-lenten-fast-and-abstinence.cfm>

Saint Peter's News

Ministry News

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Eucharistic Adoration is offered in the Holy Family Chapel Monday through Friday. Everyone is welcome to stop by and visit with Jesus--He is waiting for you. Call the Coordinator for more information at 903-9924.

St. Peter's Mom Bible Study

Mothers of children 0-18, please join us on the 2nd and 4th Fridays each month. We meet from 9-11am in the Rectory and childcare is provided. Join our FB group "Catholic Mothers Bible Study Group, Lemoore" for details, or contact Juli Polder at (916)284-6753.

Women's Bible Study

We are meeting in St. Agnes every Thurs. @ 10am. For any info call Carol Wood 924-4907.

Prayer Quilt Ministry

Prayer quilt ministry will meet on every 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month. in St. Agnes Rm. at 1:30 pm. Please join us. If you are in need of a quilt they can be found in the church office. Quilts are free but donations are appreciated. FMI please call Patti 707 9822 or Diane Howder 707-4470.

Formación Bíblica

Te invitamos a tener una formación bíblica y a conocer mas de la palabra de Dios, El Señor te espera. Sacia tu sed porque el es agua viva! Para mas información contacte a Rosa Reeder 559-707-0361.

Grief Ministry

MINISTRY WILL BE MEETING AGAIN ON MAY 10TH AT 3pm IN ST AGNES ROOM, PLEASE CALL 718-7191

Please Join our Parish Community for
SAINT PETER'S FESTIVAL



Cancelled until next year!

Attention young musicians!



Our Music Director, Angela is still looking for young singers and musicians for our Easter Sunday Mass Celebration.

If you are interested, please email musicdirector@stpeterslemoore.org You will receive music, the audio and/or video links to help your child rehearse from home

Let me start with saying **Thank you** to all for your help & support. At this time Msgr. John J.O' Friel's Knights of

Columbus will be **Postponing** the Fish Fry April 3rd due to Covid-19 Corona virus till future notice. Any tickets already purchased will be honored at a later determined date.

Once this has been contained & under control we will reschedule the hall & announcements. If you have any questions please let us know.

If any questions please contact Richard Lee at 559-381-5492



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

MARCH 16-27, 2020

Will reopen Monday March 30th

March 31st--All students must report directly to the church for their reconciliation at 4pm

For more information please call Pat 559.924.2562 ext 209.

LA OFICINA DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA SERÁ

CERRADA

16-27 de marzo de 2020

Reabrirá el lunes 30 de marzo

31 de marzo: todos los estudiantes deben presentarse directamente a la iglesia para su reconciliación a las 4 p.m

Para obtener más información, llame a Pat 559.924.2562 ext 209.

MIQ SCHOOL NEWS

MIQ prays for those who are sick and for the protection of our community!

Drive Thru Dinner has been postponed until further notice.

Our community lifts up prayers for the healing of Mrs. Carol Rodrigues. May God wrap her in His love.

It's a great day to be a knight!

Want to know more about MIQ? Stop in and take a tour!

Applications are taken year round for new students and scholarships offered.

" But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one "-2 Thessalonians 3:3



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From the Bishop



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A Pastoral Message From
The Most Reverend Joseph V. Brennan, D.D.
March 18, 2020

My Brothers and Sisters,

The early Church was, by definition and of necessity, a truly 'domestic' Church, though certainly not in the sense of being docile and tame, far from it. No, it was domestic in terms of being based in the homes and the hearts of the Christians of the first three centuries or so, Anno Domini. They prayed at home, they stayed at home and clearly wrestled with their own fears in the midst of persecution and, yes, even disease. In the midst of it all they learned how to be family together and grew in faith together. They learned how to suffer and sacrifice. They trusted in the Lord who they loved and knew as the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep, that is, as the Risen Lord! We do, too.

This week has been challenging for us all, to say the least. The situation with the Covid-19 virus seems to literally change on an hourly basis. It has been hard to keep up with and we do not know how long it will last. Through it all, at least for a time, we are perhaps being called to remember and to even imitate the faith and experience of our early Christian ancestors. While we painfully embrace a temporary fast from the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in our churches, we can embrace as well the opportunity to beautifully maintain or, maybe for the first time in our lives, create a domestic Church. Our homes can be and ought to be places where faith flourishes through family prayer, through the reading of the Scriptures, through a home-bound commemoration of the Stations of the Cross, a recitation of the Holy Rosary or, above all, making a spiritual communion among many other possibilities. We can grow in the faith as we yearn for the Eucharist and begin, again, to hunger for it and to crave it with all our heart. It will make the day on which we once again celebrate and receive the Eucharist at a Sunday or weekday Liturgy all the sweeter. Ultimately and quite literally, the 'home' work we do now, as difficult as it is for all of us, has the potential for enhancing the living out of our Catholic faith. We will bring everything we will learn and experience in this time of trial to the altar of God. We will bring an even deeper appreciation for the Eucharist to the table of the Lord when the time comes.

As this situation continues to change and challenge us, we will also continue to give updated guidelines and instructions. Be patient and kind to one another. Above all, keep those suffering from the virus and those who care for them in your good prayer. Pray for this beautiful Diocese of ours, too. Lift up a prayer or two for me once in a while. Know that you remain in mine.

In Christ,

Joseph V. Brennan
 Bishop Joseph V. Brennan

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF FRESNO

COVID-19 PROTECTIVE MEASURES
UPDATE AS OF MARCH 18, 2020

Joseph V. Brennan
 Approved by: Most Reverend Joseph V. Brennan, D.D.

3-18-20
 Date Signed

1. Catholic Schools

The closure of all Catholic schools, including all preschools, has been extended for an indeterminate amount of time. Distance learning will continue Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. All fundraisers are also canceled until further notice.

If you have any questions regarding this closure and suspension of activities please call the Office of Catholic Education at (559) 488-7420.

See Addendum A: Frequently Asked Questions– School Closure – Distant Learning

2. Parish Life

The closure of ALL Churches, Missions and Stations; including all grounds and facilities such as chapels, halls, meeting rooms and classrooms, has been extended for an indeterminate amount of time. The Diocese of Fresno intends to notify the faithful and general public at least 7 – 10 days in advance of the date selected for the celebration of the Mass to be restored, along with other parish activities.

Information, resources, links to online Masses through our partnership with The CatholicTV Network and local diocesan productions may be found on our website at: www.dioceseoffresno.org. Also, the diocesan television station, KNXT, will remain on the air during this health crisis at least through May 2020.

3. Funerals

Funeral Vigil and Mass services should be postponed. A graveside service with the option of a Memorial Mass at a later date is **strongly** recommended and attended only by the **immediate** family. If a Funeral Vigil and Mass does take place, the same restriction regarding attendees applies. Immediate family includes: spouse, parents, grandparents and siblings of the deceased only.

Various counties or cemetery districts within the Diocese of Fresno may implement restrictions that will require parishes to adhere to even more restrictive guidelines/orders. Clergy will need to be as pastorally present as possible to the grieving families so that they do not feel abandoned by their Church.

4. Care of the Sick

We continue to pray for and care for the sick and the homebound in our midst to the best of our ability at these difficult times. Extraordinary Ministers to the sick should take every precaution if they choose to attend to a sick parishioner. Those same ministers should NOT do so if they belong to one of the at-risk categories of people either by virtue of their age or their own underlying health condition.

Priests should consider only visiting sick parishioners who are in dire need, that is, those who are seriously ill or in danger of death who have requested the Anointing of the Sick and perhaps in need of Viaticum. Again, as in all cases, every precaution should be taken by the priest in such circumstances.

5. Baptisms

Only emergency baptisms are allowed while the protective measures are in effect.

6. Confirmations

Scheduled Confirmations will be postponed until after the protective measures are lifted. At that time, Bishop Brennan will consider various options, such as: rescheduling where possible, combining parish celebrations or delegation of pastors.

7. Weddings

Couples with scheduled weddings should be encouraged to postpone. If a wedding is celebrated, only the priest/deacon, the bride and groom, their respective parents, and two witnesses may be present.

8. Quinceañeras

Scheduled Quinceañeras are to be postponed until after the protective measures are lifted or the blessing may be conducted with only the young lady, her parents and godparents.

9. Parish Office Staffing During Closures

Parish offices will remain closed until further notice. Employees who have the capability to work remotely are required to do so. When necessary, designated employees may come onsite to receive and respond to phone calls; however, the office must remain closed to the public.

The Vicars Forane will receive from the Pastors/Administrator the names and contact information for one or two employees at each parish site who will be responsible for assisting with receiving and responding to phone calls. The designated employees should be well informed of this responsibility. Parishes that do not have employees are asked to provide names and contact information for trusted volunteers for this responsibility. They will be added to the Chancery contact list for assistance in the event that assigned clergy cannot be reached.

10. Parish/School Employees

See attached Addendum B: Department of Human Resources Frequently Asked Questions

11. Social Services

Social Services such as Catholic Charities and parish-based programs/ministries to provide food for those in need will continue with the appropriate protective measures in place, as defined by state and federal agencies.

The reception and distribution of clothing donations and other items should be suspended until all protective measures are lifted.

12. Social and Restorative Justice Ministry

Chaplaincy is limited and volunteer ministry is suspended until further notice. Updates will be provided by the diocesan Office of Social Justice Ministry, as needed.

