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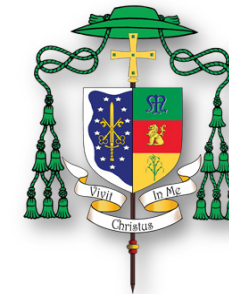
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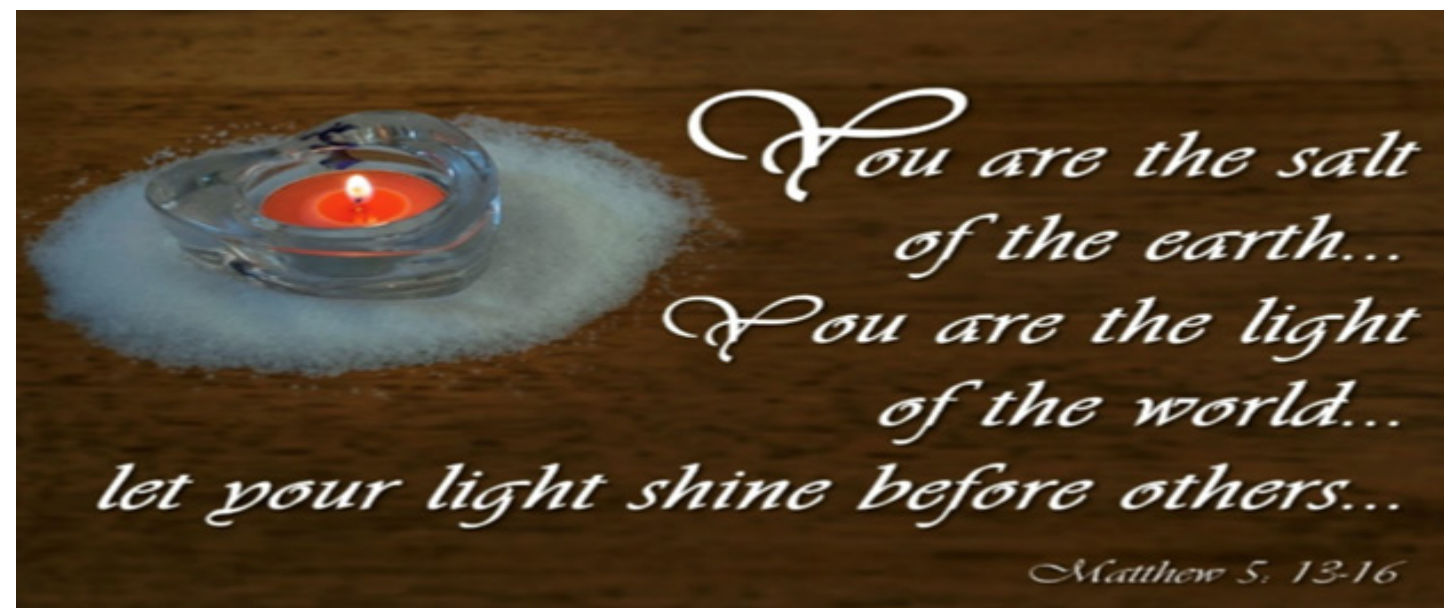
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February 5, 2023

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



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*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**First Reading:** Isaiah 58: 7-10  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 112: 4-9  
**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 2: 1-5  
**Gospel:** Matthew 5: 13- 16

**MEDITATION**

**Theme: Give a taste and light to the world.**

“You are the salt of the earth [...] you are the light of the world”, the Lord once said this to his disciples. What a great consideration that certainly motivated them to continue the journey with him, to learn days after days the ways of evangelization. Today, it is to us that these words are addressed. These words which both confirm our Christian identity and commit us to an immense responsibility: that of giving the world a little flavor and clarity. What is amazing in this text is that Jesus does not speak in the imperative. He does not say: “be” or even “become” the salt of the earth, and the light of the world, but “you are”. Jesus also uses images that are familiar to us. Salt and light are part of our daily life and are essential to human life. We cannot do without. Without salt, everything would be tasteless. No food could be preserved. Without light, we would walk in darkness without being able to direct ourselves and secure our steps. Do we really realize the deepness of these words of Jesus? If, as disciples of Christ, we are salt and light, then we too become indispensable to the life of the world. But how to give the taste of God and make his light shine on those who walk in the night? We will achieve that only if we stay connected to Him; if we allow Him to live in us; if we follow the path, he himself laid out for us; and if we are inspired by his words and works. It is only then that we will be able to show God by our deeds. We will produce many good fruits and as Isaiah says so well, “our light will break out like the dawn”. In reality, what Jesus is asking us today is to be carriers of salt and light, wherever we find ourselves: in our families, in our workplaces, in our places of commitment. He also asks us to sweeten the life of our brothers and sisters in need and thus make the world more human and more fraternal. We are not as numerous as before; it is a fact. But isn't a pinch of salt enough to enhance the taste of food? A tiny little flame to chase away the darkness? The same is true for our Christian communities. They are certainly diminishing, but with a little imagination and audacity, we can still be “the soul” of the World.

**MEDITATION**

(continued)

In these times when Christianity itself is in crisis, the revelation of Jesus is certainly not an invitation to believe that we are better than others. Rather, it is an encouragement to shine the light of the Gospel around us. A call to bear witness in community to the hope that dwells in us. We wish you all a happy month of February.

Reverend Father Modeste Digwou



**DAILY READINGS**

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Monday, February 6, 2023**  
*Saint Paul Miki & Companions*  
 First Reading: Genesis 1: 1-19  
 Gospel: Mark 6: 53-56

**Tuesday, February 7, 2023**  
 First Reading: Genesis 1: 20-2:4a  
 Gospel: Mark 7: 1-13

**Wednesday, February 8, 2023**  
*Saint Jerome Emiliani, Saint Josephine Bakhita*  
 First Reading: Genesis 2: 4b-9, 15-17  
 Gospel: Mark 7: 14-23

**Thursday, February 9, 2023**  
 First Reading: Genesis 2: 18-25  
 Gospel: Mark 7: 24-30

**Friday, February 10, 2023**  
*Saint Scholastica*  
 First Reading: Genesis 3: 1-8  
 Gospel: Mark 7: 31-37

**Saturday, February 11, 2023**  
*Our Lady of Lourdes*  
 First Reading: Genesis 3: 9-24  
 Gospel: Mark 8: 1-10



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1 Thessalonians 5:17

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 Amen.

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori)



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**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:**

Anyone wishing to have his or her wedding celebrated at Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral must contact the parish office 9-12 months prior to the celebration and talk to a priest for pre-wedding counseling. Please visit our website [www.cathedralvi.org](http://www.cathedralvi.org) or call us at 340-774-0201. The Sacrament of Marriage is generally celebrated on a Saturday between the hours of 11:00AM and 2:00PM. Please contact the parish priest if you would like a different time for your wedding. (Note that Saturday mornings are reserved for cleaning and decorating the cathedral.)

**VISITING AND ANNOINTING THE SICK:**

If anyone in your family is sick or shut-in, please inform the parish office so that we can pray for them and arrange to visit them. Please note that the hospital does not notify us when Catholics are in the hospital. Please call the parish office to inform us of a Catholic in the hospital who needs to have a priest visit. Thank you!

**FUNERAL MASSES:**

Funeral Masses at Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral are held on the designated day at 9:30AM. Please make arrangements with the Church office before the funeral home to assure availability of the date requested. The Funeral Program should read "Christian Burial" on the cover. If you would like a different time, please contact the parish priest. Viewings will not take place inside the cathedral. Funerals generally are not held on weekends (Saturday or Sunday). Thank you for your cooperation.

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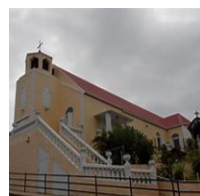
**MASSES**

**Weekend:** Saturday 5:00P.M.; Sunday 8:00A.M.

**Weekdays:** Monday to Friday 5:00 P.M.

**CONFESSION**

15 minutes prior to the start of mass or by appointment



**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**250TH JUBILEE MAN POT COOK-OFF**

The Catholic Diocese 250th Jubilee Committee is inviting all parishioners, family, friends, and the public to the Jubilee Man Pot Cook-Off Challenge on Sunday February 5, 2023, 2:00pm – 5:00pm, in the Sts. Peter & Paul School Courtyard. Come and enjoy an afternoon of family friendly fun, food, and games and be entertained by the Saints Peter & Paul School Steel Band. Admission is FREE and tickets can be purchased for food tasting and drinks.

**Choir:**

We welcome the Saint Bartholomew Church Choir from Bethesda, Maryland, as they perform alongside our Senior Choir at the 10:30 a.m. mass.

**Volunteer:**

We are seeking a volunteer to assist in the sacristy here at the Cathedral. Anyone interested in volunteering please contact the Church office.

**Altar Servers:**

We encourage parents to have their children participate in church ministries, especially as altar servers.

**Repairs:**

Within the past three weeks, repairs are underway here at the Cathedral and will continue until completion. We apologize for any convenience while these repairs are in progress.

**Mass Intentions:**

We encourage parishioners to continue to pray and offer mass intentions for their family members, friends, themselves, or deceased loved ones. Please feel free to go to the Church office to register your intentions.

**School Raffle:**

If you have not purchased your raffle tickets for the annual Sts. Peter and Paul annual school raffle, tickets are still available for sale. The drawing will take place on February 18, 2023, thank you for support.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2023**

**6:30 AM-** Kisha Bellot & Dorothy Bellot - Rb. Bellot & Alexander families

**8:30 AM -** Father Modeste - Rb. a parishioner

**10:30 AM-** Chelsea Connell - Rb. Connell & Watlington families

**12:15 PM –** Priest of the Diocese

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023**

**6:45 AM - †** James Conley - Rb. St. Patrick's Manor Nursing Home

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2023**

**6:45 AM –** Special Intention - Rb. C. Overbeek

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2023**

**6:45 AM – †** Richard Corcino -Rb. Juana Corcino

**12:15 PM-** Priest of the Diocese - Rb. C. Overbeek

† Mr. & Mrs. Pablo Reyes - Rb. Agnes Harris & family

† Peter & Creseta Carty -Rb. Carty, Farrington & Sturdivant families

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2023**

**6:45 AM - †** Joan Aubain Sibilly - Rb. family and friends

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2023**

**6:45AM -** People of the parish

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2023**

**7:00 AM - †** Anastasie Thomas - Rb. family and friends

**4:30 PM –** Sr. Marie Elisabeth Wirnkar - Rb. a friend

**JUBILEE YEAR PRAYER**

**In preparation for the 250th Anniversary of presence in this territory**

Eternal Father, In this, the Jubilee Year of Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral, we praise you for all blessings we have received over the past 250 years of our existence. We bless you for the lives of all those who, throughout the centuries, have helped build this vibrant community of love and service. May they rest eternally in Your divine and merciful presence. We give you thanks for all the people who gather in this Cathedral to worship you, striving to turn away from sin and follow the teachings of the faithful disciples of your Son Jesus- Christ. May Your Holy Spirit continue to lead us on the path of faith, hope, and charity, so that in every aspect of our lives, and inspired by the example of our patron saints Peter and Paul, we may always be joyous witnesses of Jesus Christ in the world. Amen

**Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

Primera lectura: Isaías 58:7-10  
 Salmo responsorial: Salmo 112: 4-9  
 Segunda lectura: 1 Corintios 2:1-5  
 Evangelio: Mateo 5: 13-16

**Meditación**

**Tema: Dar sabor y luz al mundo.**

Hermanos:

“Tú eres la sal de la tierra [...] vosotros sois la luz del mundo”, dijo una vez el Señor a sus discípulos. Qué gran consideración que ciertamente los motivó a continuar el camino con él, a aprender día tras día los caminos de la evangelización. Hoy, es a nosotros a quienes se dirigen estas palabras. Estas palabras confirman nuestra identidad cristiana y nos comprometen a una inmensa responsabilidad: la de dar al mundo un poco de sabor y claridad. Lo que es sorprendente en este texto es que Jesús no habla en el imperativo. El no dice: “sería” o incluso “convértete” en la sal de la tierra y en la luz del mundo, sino “tú eres”. Jesús también usa imágenes que nos son familiares. La sal y la luz son parte de nuestra vida diaria y son esenciales para la vida humana. No podemos prescindir de ella. Sin sal, todo sería insípido. No se podía conservar ningún alimento. Sin luz, caminaríamos en la oscuridad sin poder dirigirnos y asegurar nuestros pasos. ¿Realmente nos damos cuenta de la profundidad de estas palabras de Jesús? Si, como discípulos de Cristo, somos sal y luz, entonces también nosotros nos volvemos indispensables para la vida del mundo. Pero, ¿cómo dar el sabor de Dios y hacer brillar su luz sobre los que caminan en la noche? Lo lograremos sólo si permanecemos conectados con El; si le permitimos vivir en nosotros; Si seguimos el camino, El mismo nos trazó; y si somos inspirados por sus palabras y obras. Es sólo entonces que seremos capaces de mostrar a Dios con nuestras obras. Produciremos muchos buenos frutos y como Isaías dice tan bien, “nuestra luz estallará como el amanecer”. En realidad, lo que Jesús nos pide hoy es que seamos portadores de sal y luz, dondequiera que nos encontremos: en nuestras familias, en nuestros lugares de trabajo, en nuestros lugares de compromiso. También nos pide que edulcoremos la vida de nuestros hermanos y hermanas necesitados y así hagamos el mundo más humano y más fraterno. No somos tan numerosos como antes; Es un hecho. Pero, ¿no es suficiente una pizca de sal para mejorar el sabor de los alimentos? ¿Una pequeña llama para ahuyentar la oscuridad? Lo mismo es cierto para nuestras comunidades cristianas. Ciertamente están disminuyendo, pero con un poco de imaginación y audacia, todavía podemos ser “el alma” del mundo. En estos tiempos en que el cristianismo mismo está en crisis, la revelación de Jesús ciertamente no es una invitación a creer que somos mejores que los demás. Más bien, es un estímulo para hacer brillar la luz del Evangelio que nos rodea. Una llamada a dar testimonio en comunidad de la esperanza que habita en nosotros. Les deseamos a todos un feliz mes de febrero.

Reverendo Padre Modeste Digwou

**ANUNCIOS**

**250º JUBILEE MAN POT COOK-OFF CHALLENGE**

El Comité del Jubileo 250 de la Diócesis Católica está invitando a todos los feligreses, familiares, amigos y al público al Jubilee Man Pot Cook-Off Challenge el domingo 5 de febrero de 2023, de 2:00 p.m. a 5:00 p.m., en el patio de la Escuela Sts. Peter & Paul. Venga y disfrute de una tarde de diversión, comida y juegos para toda la familia y diviértase con la SP&P School Steel Band. La entrada es GRATUITA y se pueden comprar boletos para degustación de comida y bebidas.

**Taller Bíblico:**

Continuamos con el taller de Biblia los martes a las 5:30pm. Todos están invitados. Los lectores es parte fundamental de su formación, por tanto todos deben asistir.

**Coro:**

Se está formando el coro, por favor únete al grupo el martes a las 7:00pm. Si alguien toca la guitarra, por favor venga al ensayo.

**Grupo de oración:**

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**Voluntario:**

Estamos buscando un voluntario para ayudar en la sacristía aquí en la Catedral. Cualquier persona interesada en ser voluntaria, comuníquese con la oficina de la Iglesia.

**Coro:**

El domingo 5 de febrero de 2023, el Coro de la Iglesia de San Bartolomé de Bethesda, Maryland, actuará en la misa de las 10:30 a.m. junto con nuestro Coro Senior.

**Monaguillos:**

Alentamos a los padres a que sus hijos participen en los ministerios de la iglesia, especialmente como monaguillos.

**Reparaciones:**

En las últimas tres semanas, las reparaciones están en marcha aquí en la Catedral y continuarán hasta su finalización. Nos disculpamos por cualquier conveniencia mientras estas reparaciones están en curso.

**Intenciones masivas:**

Alentamos a los feligreses a continuar orando y ofreciendo intenciones de misa para sus familiares, amigos, ellos mismos o seres queridos fallecidos. Por favor, siéntase libre de ir a la oficina de la Iglesia para registrar sus intenciones.

**Rifa Escolar:**

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February 5, 2023 - Black and Indian Mission Office

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- KEITH JAMES
- EDITH LEBLANC
- GRACIELA MILLIN
- HUGO MOULON
- JOSEPH MORRELL
- ARACELY NICHOLSON
- JAMIE PEREZ
- LEIDA PIZARRO
- SONIA PIZARRO
- WALTON RAVARIERE
- PHYLLIS RODNEY
- CYRUS SAMPSON
- RAFAELA SANES
- PETRONA STANISLAUS
- CECILIA HILL-THOMAS
- LESTEL TURBE
- ALFREDO VENZEN
- JOHN H. VENZEN
- ULRICA VIALET
- RUTH WALCOTT

**ROY SCHNEIDER HOSPITAL**

*The hospital does not notify us when Catholics are in the hospital. Please call the parish office to inform us of a Catholic in the hospital who needs to have a priest visit. Thank you!*



**OFF-ISLAND**

- BISHOP HERBERT A. BEVARD
- FR. SIMON PETER OPIRA
- FR. JOHN SOLOMON
- JANET BENSON
- RENEL BREDY
- JOYCE CORREA
- CELESTINE DAVIS
- PRISCA DAVIS
- ALBERTA FOY
- LAVERNE FRANCIS
- DELTA GEORGE
- MAURITZER Y. GUMBS
- JOSEPH HODGE
- WINIFRED HODGE
- RITA KING
- DOREEN PIERRE LOUIS
- STEPHANY LOUZAN
- GWYNNETH MOOLEAAR
- JOSEPHINE NOCH
- FELIX O'NEAL
- RAMÓN ORTIZ
- MIRIAM GARCIA RIJO
- ROSE ROBERTS
- VENIA SAKHRANI
- CARLOS SANCHEZ
- CÉSAR JULIO TIRADO
- LIAN VÁZQUEZ



**CATECHESIS**

church/Church

What is the difference between church and Church?

Referring to the universal body of believers, and in the official name of a church or denomination. Lowercase it in general references, second shortened references to a particular church or when referring to the early church. We are the Church—God's instruments on Earth.

Church' with a capital C refers to the Universal Church as founded by Jesus Christ, usually referred to as the Catholic Church but taken by some to mean all Christian denominations.

Example: "The Church was founded by Jesus Christ." Or Saint Thomas Diocese Catholic Church.

'church' with a small case C would usually refer to the building used in worship.

Example: "There is a church on the lower of Main Streets." Or Saint Peter and Paul Cathedral church

What is the difference between local and Universal Church?

The local church is a group of professing believers in Jesus Christ who meet in some particular location on a regular basis. The universal church is made up of all believers in Jesus Christ worldwide. The term church is a translation of a Greek word having to do...

What is the meaning of church? Church, in Christian doctrine, the Christian religious community as a whole, or a body, or organization of Christian believers. The Greek word ekklesia, which came to mean church, was originally applied in the Classical period to an official assembly of citizens.

Reverend Father Modeste Digwou

**E-GIVING:**  
 Please fill out the E-Giving Enrollment Form at the parish office, if you prefer to send your offertory donations using automatic payments from:  
 \* your Checking/Saving account. \* your PayPal account.  
 \* your Credit or Debit card. \* a Bank-to-Bank transfer.

**RECOMMENDED PRACTICES FOR THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

Please be aware that during the COVID-19 pandemic, we recommend the following practices:

1. Wear a face covering in the cathedral.
2. Sanitize your hands.
3. Attempt to maintain a social distance of six feet.
4. Consider receiving Holy Communion in the hand.