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14 JANUARY, 2024

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM FATHER CHUCK

Year End Contributions.

The year end contribution statements have been mailed out this week. If you have any questions concerning your contributions please contact the office. I signed all of the statements and I thank you for your generous support of Saint Peters. This has been a very challenging year for our parish financially. I will explain that further in the financial insights in this bulletin.

Church Decorations.

This is the last Sunday for the Christmas decorations to be in the church. This year was a very odd liturgical year because Christmas Eve was on Sunday. We did not celebrate the Baptism of the Lord on Sunday because it was not part of the liturgical Sunday mass. Once again I wish to thank Maxine Marshall and her wonderful helpers for making our church a beautiful environment to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ our lord and Savior.

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE.

There has been some confusion about the date and time of confirmation. There are two confirmation ceremonies this year. The date for confirmation is Saturday February 10th. The times of confirmation are: Noon on Saturday February 10th and at the 4:00 p.m. mass on Saturday February 10th. The reason for the two confirmation ceremonies is that we have 39 students being confirmed and the church would be too crowded if we had one ceremony. Please make note of this date and time.

Thank You.

A special thank you to our liturgy committee for making the feast of the Epiphany such a special day with the kits to do the blessings of our homes doorways.

Year End Financial Condition.

I am writing to you to inform you of the year end financial condition of our parish. We are over budget by slightly over \$37,000.00 at this time. The next few months are challenging because we will not have a month like we have in December. One of my biggest concerns is that for the first time we did not reach our budgeted amount for Christmas. We missed our budgeted amount by about \$600.00. In comparison to last years Christmas collection this year collection was \$18,000.00 less than last years. We did not receive several of the large donations that we have in the past. I wish that I could thank people individually for their generosity to our parish family but I don't ever do that since everyone has to choose their level of support for our parish. A great challenge for us is that a family that was the second largest contributor to our parish had moved away so that will impact our budget in a challenging way. I am hoping that in the coming months that we will reduce our assessment to Saint Albert. The cost for each student from Saint Peters who attends Saint Albert is \$5,000.00 which is the highest in the city. I am hoping that the cost for each student will be the same for every parish. Our parish family has been the greatest supporter of Saint Albert for many years. Once again thank you for your generosity to Saint Peters. I am firmly convinced that one of the greatest signs of Jesus' presence in our lives is our generosity.

Bethlehem House Collection.

I am very pleased to report that we raised over \$2,000.00 for the Bethlehem House. Thank you for your generosity.

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Readings for January 21, 2024
1st Reading: Jonah 3:1-5,10
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

St. Patrick's Neola Annual Parish Auction, Saturday January 27, 2024. Staley's Chicken \$15/person-8 & under/\$5.
Mass: 4pm, Dinner & Raffle: 4:30pm, Live Auction: 6PM
Questions or donations please call 712-485-2750

CORRECTION: I mistakenly put and told people the wrong date for the Noon Confirmation. Both Confirmations will be SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10 one at Noon and one at 4:00 pm. I am sorry for my error and hope it didn't inconvenience anyone.

MASS SCHEDULE

Tue	1/16	8:00 am	Ray Daugherty
Wed	1/17	8:00 am	Bill & Iona Spitznagle
Thur	1/18	5:30 pm	Isabelle O'Grady
Fri	1/19	8:00 am	Ken Dix
Sat	1/20	4:00 pm	Mary Schnitker & Jerry & Alvera Hill
Sun	1/21	8:00 am	Frank & Ruth Holzer
Sun		10:00 am	Edward Bremmer
Sun		Noon	Denny Teymer & Marilyn Henkel

SATURDAY, 4PM January 20, 2024
ALTAR SERVERS: Annette & Rod Nuss, Nicholas Rodenburg
LECTORS: Dylies & Erik King
EUCH MINISTER: Missy Evezic
USHERS: Jack Gross, Linda Bonham, Fred Schaben

4SUNDAY, 8 AM, January 21, 2024
ALTAR SERVERS: Evan Veit, Noah & Dawson Smith
LECTORS: Jean Coughlin, Joan Goeser
EUCH MINISTER: Nicole Juranek
USHERS: Jim Havermann, Jeff Veit, Jonna & Lindsay Andersen

SUNDAY, 10 AM January 21, 2024
ALTAR SERVERS: Aiden Gaul, Ben Rosenberger, Aubree Brandeau
LECTORS: Stephanie Grover, Jon Garrigan
EUCH MINISTER: Sandy Fritzsche
USHERS: Paul Schmitz, Andrea Nelson, Dave Bristol, Bryan Carolus

SUNDAY, NOON January 21, 2024
ALTAR SERVERS: Payton & Ben Johnson, Evelyn Duitsman
LECTORS: Mckayla Yanovich, Anne Rohling
EUCH MINISTER: Susan Lorkovic
USHERS: Chris Olson, Rob Peters, Trevor Yanovich

FATHER'S THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

In my study of the scriptures I learned that there are five types of the Lamb of God in the Jewish faith. What is most rewarding about studying the scriptures is that often we gain insight into the scriptures that we did not have before. My thought for the week is that we all take a few moments and study the scriptures to gain deeper insight into the meaning of the bible.

LIFE ACCORDING TO JEAN....

- One day you're jumping out of swings without a care in the world, and the next you're leaning against a wall to put on pants.
- Bank account nice and empty, starting a New Year on a clean slate.
- I'm the life of the party, as long as the party ends by 8:30PM.
- My brain say "crunches" but my stomach says "ice cream."
- Marriage tip #147-A wife won't start an argument with her husband if he's cleaning. Follow me for more marriage tips.
- Thinking back to when a new hip joint meant someplace I wanted to go on Friday night.
- People with siblings have better survival skills because they've had experience in physical combat, psychological warfare, and sensing suspicious activity.
- I went to Target to look at discounted Christmas stuff but apparently it's Valentine's Day now.
- I had biscuits and gravy for dinner last night. I didn't have any biscuits so I used a chocolate cupcake and I didn't have any gravy so I used chocolate syrup but hey, close enough.
- Everyone's tough until they have to pull two shopping carts apart.
- After all the eating I did over the holidays, I'm happy to report that my socks still fit.
- I'm at that age where my mind still thinks I'm 29, my humor suggests I'm 12 while my body mostly keeps asking if I'm sure I'm not dead yet.
- You know you're getting older when you start to notice little gray hairs in your children's hair.
- I finally did it. Bought a new pair shoes with memory foam insoles. No forgetting why I walked into the kitchen now.

HAVE A GREAT WEEK, STAY SAFE, BE NICE TO EACH OTHER

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, January 14-Coffee & Rolls after 8 & 10 Mass
Wednesday, January 17-Rel Ed 6:15pm Worship Center
9th & 10th Grade Confirmation 6:15pm Hall
11th Grade Confirmation-7:15pm Hall
Saturday, January 20-1st Communion Parent Meeting 8:30am
RCIA Retreat-9:15AM-thru 4PM Mass
Sunday, January 21-Grade Mass 10am-2nd, 6th, and 9th
Monday, January 22-Knights of Columbus Meeting 6PM Hall
Tuesday, January 23-Women's Prayer Group 6:30PM Hall

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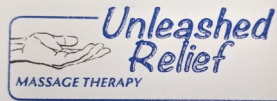
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