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New Parish

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4pm
Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12 noon
Tues, Wed, and Fri: 8am
Thurs: 5:30pm

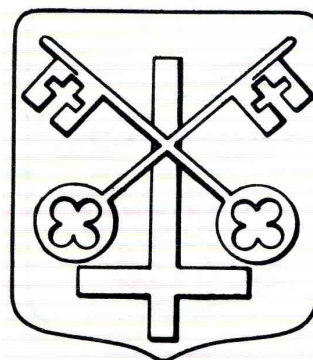
Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00—3:45pm
Sunday 7:00-7:45am

Baptisms, Weddings, etc

Call or email the office!

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Save the Date!

August 15th	The Solemnity of the Assumption	6pm vigil, 8am, 12 noon, 5:30pm Masses
August 18th	Parish Picnic and new pastor welcome	1pm, Fr Kottas Social Hall
September 4th	Faith Formation Kickoff Mass	6:30pm, St Peter's Church

4 AUGUST, 2024

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM FATHER JACOB

Some of you know Sr Joyce Blum, who is a Franciscan Sister of Perpetual Adoration who grew up in Shelby County. Sr Joyce is one of those people who has led such an interesting life and has been just about everywhere. She serves now for the last two years as a volunteer here in town at Corpus Christi Parish.

One of our Altar and Rosary ladies showed me one of Sister's books (she is the author of several) this week and I found the poem I have copied below. I think it is very appropriate for our readings this month.

The Eucharist

What is happening at the Mass?

Do we wear crash helmets during Mass?

Have we put on our life preservers?

Are we carrying signal flares?

Are we lashed against the pews?

DO I HAVE THE FOGGIEST IDEA OF WHAT IS HAPPENING???

Is this an earth-shaking moment?

Why is everyone so blasé?

Why did we not fasten our seatbelts?

Christ, Lord of the Universe, becomes present under the appearance of BREAD AND WINE.

The Intimacy of Christ with his people in THE EUCHARIST IS SO CLOSE!

-Sr Joyce Blum, FSPA

From *Heartland Women*, 2020

The Phone Saga

Many of you know that the parish has been without a working phone connection for weeks now. Unfortunately the only way for us to get free of CenturyLink and restore phone service was for us to give up our longtime phone number and get a new number. Our new number is:

712-318-3030

I know this will be an inconvenience to many, but we figured a new number was better than no number at all.

On a related note, St Peter's Parish certainly does not recommend CenturyLink to anyone.

What's on top of the chalice?

Some people have been asking me about the small square piece that I place on top of the chalice during Mass.

This is called a pall. It is made of cardboard or plastic covered in embroidered fabric. We have several very old and beautiful palls that belong to the parish. The purpose of a pall is simple: it keep insects or dust from falling into the Precious Blood during Mass.

Symbolically, covering over the precious blood might remind us of the Lord's descent into hell. We also use a (very different-looking) pall to cover over the body of the deceased at a funeral. The Lord descended to the dead to free all of the souls of the righteous and break the gates of hell. Before Communion we reunite the Body and Blood of the Lord by dropping a small piece of the Body into the chalice, proclaiming the resurrection!

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READINGS FOR: August 11, 2024

1ST READING: 1 Kings 19:4-8

2ND READING: Ephesians 4:30-5:2

GOSPEL: John 6:41-51

MASS SCHEDULE

Tue	8/6	8:00 am	Gabe Applegate & Alyce Megel
Wed	8/7	8:00 am	Deceased Members of St. Anne Altar
Thurs	8/8	5:30 pm	Edward & Marylyn Bremmer
Fri	8/9	8:00 am	Father Luke & Ellen Koipust
Sat	8/10	4:00 pm	Harry Hansen
Sun	8/11	8:00 am	Don Newberry & Family
		10:00 am	Toni Delanty
		Noon	John Cardenzana

SATURDAY, 4PM August 10, 2024
 ALTAR SERVERS: Nicolas Moses, Nicholas Rodenburg, John Duitsman
 LECTORS: Christina Beck, Walley Bussey
 EUCH MINISTERS: Pat Shadden
 USHERS: Jack Gross, Linda Bonham, Fred Schaben, Brody Pellett

SUNDAY, 8 AM, August 11, 2024
 ALTAR SERVERS: Jack Veit, Velda Ring, Dawson Smith
 LECTORS: Jean Coughlin, Noah Smith
 EUCH MINISTERS: Jim Havermann
 USHERS: Russ Goeser, Eric Ledger, Jonna & Lindsay Andersen

SUNDAY, 10 AM August 11, 2024
 ALTAR SERVERS: Aiden Gaul, Ben Rosenberger, Alyssa Brockelsby
 LECTORS: Chris & Ed Fink
 EUCH MINISTERS: Marian Brown
 USHERS: Mike Nielson, Bryan Carolus, Jill Clevenger, Dave Bristol

SUNDAY, NOON August 11, 2024
 ALTAR SERVERS: Mason Olson, Ben & Payton Johnson
 LECTORS: Mikayla Yanovich, Casey Peters
 EUCH MINISTERS: Susan Lorkovic
 USHERS: Rob Peters, Trevor Yanovich, Chris Olson, Micky Donovan

FATHER'S THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Why did Jesus give us Himself to be our food in the Eucharist? The answer is *Presence, Sacrifice, Communion.*

This week let's think about God's *presence*: God promised again and again to come to be with His people. He has fulfilled that promise in Jesus Christ, and He continues to be completely with His people, in our midst, in every tabernacle in the world. Thank you, Lord, for your *presence* with us!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas®, Court St. Anthony #330-Next meeting is Tuesday, August 6, 2024 in the St. Patrick Social Hall. Mass starts at 6:00pm, followed by a potluck meal at 6:30pm and the meeting at 7:00pm. Women, 18 years and older from all Council Bluffs parishes are welcome to join us. Please visit our website at www.cda330.org. There is no GIK this month.

Knights of Columbus Fundraiser-The St. Peter's Knights of Columbus Council will be bussing tables and performing clean-up duties, Thursday, August 8 from 5:00pm to 9:00 pm at Pizza Ranch, 3503 Metro Drive. Please come out and support the Knights. See attached flyer for more info.

Religious Education Registration for the 2024-2025 school year. See attached flyer for information on how to register and when classes are held.

Welcome picnic for Father Jacob-Sunday, August 18, 2024 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Father Kottas Social Hall. See attached flyer for more information.

Religious Education needs teachers and teacher aides for the 2024-2025 school year. Please look at the attached flyer to see if you can help with this wonderful ministry.

LIFE ACCORDING TO JEAN.....

- Brain at 3am: I can see you're trying to sleep, so I would like to offer you a selection of every memory, unresolved issue, or things you should have said or done today as well as in the past 40 years.
- Lockdown can only go 3-ways. You'll come out a monk, a hunk, or a chunk. Choose wisely.
- How's adulting going, you ask? Well, I turned on the wrong burner and have been cooking nothing for about 20 minutes.
- Elementary kids have iPhones. When I was a kid, I put glue on my hands just so I could peel it off when it dried.
- I beginning to think that for some people, the wheels their bus do not go round and round.
- There is literally nothing better than when you're full on laughing with a friend and you both keep adding things that make it funnier and you can barely breathe.
- A man asked me for a dollar. I told him I only carry big bills. He said to give him one of those so I gave him my electric bill.
- Mike had been on my nerves all day so I poured water on the floor in front of the refrigerator and he spent the rest of the day looking for the "leak."
- OK...I got my chocolate..go ahead and ask me if I'm having a good day. I promise no biting this time.
- Being an adult is a little out of my price range right now.

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Monday, August 5-Committee Meetings
- Thursday, August 8-K of C fundraiser at Pizza Ranch
- Sunday, August 11-Coffee & Rolls after 8 & 10 Masses

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