

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS**

June 23	TBA
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**MASS SCHEDULE**

(L=Living, †=Deceased)

*THE SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL*

Sat. June 29	5:00 PM	For Wayne & Barbara Bach (L)
Sun. June 30	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of the Parish
Mon. July 1	XXXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK (RETREAT)
Tue. July 2	XXXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK (RETREAT)
Wed. July 3	XXXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK (RETREAT)
Thur. July 4	XXXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK [NO ADORATION]
Fri. July 5	8:00 AM	For †Frances Hofstetter [First Friday Mass]

*THE 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

Sat. July 6	5:00 PM	For †Genoa Scott
Sun. July 7	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of the Parish

**PRAYER LIST**—Jerry & Eileen Ehlman, Verna Payne, Imogene Fisk, Kate & Colton Sherold, Emmitt Thomas, Jeff suffering from Meniere’s disease, Tony Bach, Mike and Bill Lemming, Dave Neuspickel, Andy Sper, Billie Huffman, Larry Slusher, Roger High, Cheryl Miller, Sherry Jackson, Sarah Gripshover, Jeanne Eanes, Bill Schneider (Dominion Assisted Living 4009 Siegalman Dr. Florence, Room 215), Ree Wagner, Randy Goodhew, Sean Timmerding, John Jackson, Wanda Bach, Maverick Orth (3yrs old), Daniel Cahill, & Pax Minch.

**BIRTHDAYS**—July 2-Bernie Rawe, July 8-Fr. Jacob Straub, July 10-Addelynn Hummel, July 12-Emerson Rawe, July 15– Jimmy Baker, July 16 Dennis Baker, July 16-Tristan Feinauer, July 17– Macy Feinauer, July 17-Chris Fryman, July 24-Kevin Cooper, July 25-Warren Richardson, July 27– Tony Fariello, July 27– Mary Jo Schmiade.

**ANNIVERSARY**—June 29-Tim and Jo Ann Schlachter, July 1-Bradley and Meggie Cooper, July 14-Jesse and Lindsay Rawe, July 28-William and Rita Funke, July 31-Cliff and Terri Straub.

*Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request. If anyone’s birthday or anniversary is not listed, let Linda Fryman know.*



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Worship Schedule:

Saturdays – 5:00 PM

Sundays – 9:00 AM

Weekdays – 8:00 AM

Confession Times:

Saturdays – 4:00-4:50 PM

Sundays – 8:00-8:50 AM

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## THE SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

JUNE 30, 2024

**DPAA REMINDER**—This year’s goal for our parish is \$13,000. As of the latest count, we have received \$9,836 in pledges and contributions. Pledge envelopes are available if you haven’t made your commitment yet or did not receive an envelope in the mail. Thank you for all you do for our parish and for our diocese.

**MASS INTENTIONS**—Feel free to submit any and all Mass intention requests. There are lots of available dates if you would like to request a specific date. Remember that you can have Masses offered for the living as well as the deceased.

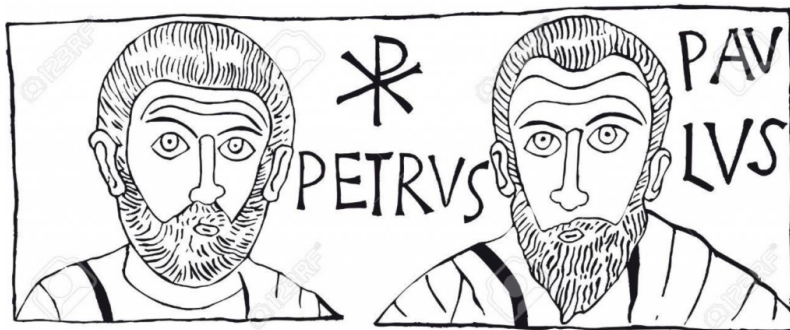
**2024 ANNIVERSARY COUPLES VESPERS CELEBRATION**—Bishop John C. Iffert will celebrate Vespers at Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption, Covington, to honor couples celebrating significant Wedding Anniversaries in 2024. Married couples celebrating their 1st, 25th, 50th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in 2024 are invited to a vespers celebration on **Sunday, Sept. 15, 2024**, at 2:00 pm. Anniversary couples **RSVP by July 16, 2024**, at [covdio.org/wedding-vespers/](http://covdio.org/wedding-vespers/) or contact Lisa Taylor at 859-392-1533 to register. Reservations are only required for anniversary couples; family members and guests are welcome to attend.

**SAVE THE DATE!**—The date for this year’s festival will be **September 22**.

**FESTIVAL NEEDS**—Please see the handout for all the various needs we have for our parish festival. Anything you can do to help will be greatly appreciated.

**LECTOR**— June 30-Bill Funke, July 7-Lisa Cooper

**CLEANING** – July-Joanne and Tim Schlachter

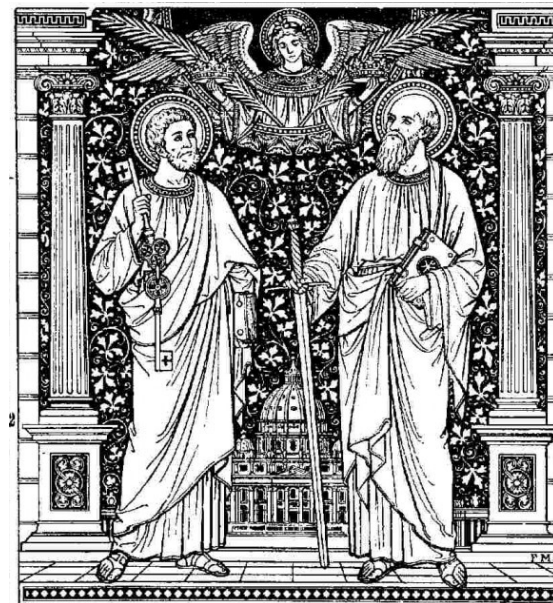


## FROM THE PASTOR—THE APOSTLES

This weekend sees a brief interruption in the ordinary cycle with the feast of Saints Peter and Paul. This celebration is the grandest of feasts for the most important of apostles: Peter the Rock of the Church and the first pope, as well as Paul the doctor to the Gentiles. With this feast day, we ought to celebrate as well as consider the Apostles and their particular ministry in the service of Christ and His Church.

We see in the Gospels that our blessed Lord calls 12 men together and gives them charge over the community of believers that follow Him. After His Resurrection, Christ charges them to wait for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit so they may continue His work. After Pentecost, they are the principal witnesses of the risen Lord to the world, drawing souls to God and organizing the Church throughout the known world.

We call these twelve men “apostles” from the Greek word meaning “one who is sent”, such as an ambassador or representative. Our Lord sends them out to spread His Church throughout the world. Their task is to bear witness to Him who has died and risen from the dead and offers us eternal life. These simple fishermen and tax collectors, cooperating with Christ and His grace, would plant the seeds of the Church everywhere they went.



We also count Saint Paul as an apostle in the particular call Christ gave him. Originally a persecutor of the Church, Paul has a personal encounter with the risen Lord which converts him to the truth of the Catholic faith. He becomes the great teacher and preacher to the Gentiles—the non-Jews like us who are also meant to receive the good news of Christ and be called to repent and believe in Him.

The ministry of the Apostles continues in their successors, the bishops of the Church. In celebrating today’s feast, we ought to remember in particular the bishop who is the direct successor of Saint Peter: the Pope, the bishop of Rome. Offer prayers for Pope Francis, particularly as his health is declining in his advanced age, that he be faithful to the task given to him by God. Pray for all the bishops, especially our own bishop, that they may be worthy successors of the Apostles and share the saving truth of the risen Lord to the entire world.

*Fr. Jacob Straub*