






Sacred Heart Church: Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles - June 29, 2025		
<b>MASS INTENTIONS</b> (The Rosary will be prayed 30 minutes before Mass)		
<b>Mon:</b> <b>8:30 a.m</b>	June 30: Mass:	<b>First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church</b> — For Cindy Aldrete By Delia & Jesse Dela Rosa
<b>Tue:</b> <b>8:30 a.m</b>	July 1: Mass:	<b>St. Junipero Serra, Priest</b> For the Esther & John Garza Family - By Mike & Trish Huse
<b>Wed:</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b>	July 2: Mass:	For the Holy Souls By Mike & Patricia Huse
<b>Thu:</b> <b>5:30 p.m.</b>	July 3: Mass:	<b>ST. THOMAS, APOSTLE</b> For Our Nation By Donor
<b>Fri.:</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b>	July 4: Mass:	† Manuel & Anita Gutierrez By Natalie Jones
<b>Sat:</b> <b>6:00 p.m.</b>	July 5: Mass:	<b>St. Anthony Zaccaria, St. Elizabeth of Portugal</b> For All Guadalupanas By the Guadalupe Society
<b>Sun:</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b>	July 6: Mass:	<b>STS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES</b> For the Parish Faith Community

 **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR POPE, BISHOP, ALL PRIESTS & OUR SEMINARIANS in our Diocese.** May God keep them safe and free from all harm. Amen.

<u>WEEKLY READINGS</u>	
Mon:	Genesis 18:16-33; Matthew 8:18-22
Tue:	Genesis 19:15-29; Matthew 8:23-27
Wed:	Genesis 21:5,8-20a; Matthew 8:28-34
Thu:	Ephesians 2:19-22; John 20:24-29
Fri:	Genesis 23:1-4;24:1-8,62-67; Matthew 9:9-13
Sat:	Genesis 27:1-5,15-29; Matthew 9:14-17
Sun:	Isaiah 66:10-14c; Galatians 6:14-18; Luke 10: 1-12,17-20

<u>PRAYER FOR THE SICK</u>	
Private Special Intentions	Cindy Aldrete & Doug DelaRosa
Becky Rendon & Family	Fr. Laurent Mvondo
Sandra Tran	Beth Worley
Richard & Mary Arredondo	Destiny Bravo
Maria (Rendon) Spivey	J.L. Chasteen
Dalia Alonzo	Billy Cupps
Melissa Cortez	Richard Dulin
Susie Stamper	Kay Dela Rosa
Connie Salas	Josef Kaderka
Judy Castanuela	
Special Intentions	

*Our Monetary Gifts to God Last Week:*  
**Envelopes: \$ 1,440.00 - Loose: \$ 3,352.00**  
**Total Weekend Parish Offerings: \$ 4,792.00**  
**We thank you for your continued support to the parish!**  
**May God reward your generosity, always. Amen!**

## Meditations . . .

*“You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”*  
*(Matthew 16:16)*

Today we celebrate Sts. Peter and Paul. While these two apostles couldn’t have been more different in personality and background, they have one essential trait in common. Both believed and proclaimed the message that Peter declares in today’s Gospel: Jesus is “the Christ, the Son of the living God” (Matthew 16:16).

We see it in our first reading, when Peter is imprisoned in a heavily guarded jail. Why? Because despite the threats of the authorities, he kept talking about Jesus. He was convinced of his power and authority. No doubt Peter’s miraculous deliverance from sixteen guards that night only helped confirm his conviction!

We also see it in our second reading, when Paul speaks some of his last words to Timothy. He knows that he is being “poured out like a libation” (2 Timothy 4:6). And yet he is confident that he has “finished the race” and “kept the faith” (4:7). Why? Because as he looked over his life, he recalled all the ways that Jesus had stood by him, giving him strength and rescuing him from danger.

This truth that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, became the very foundation of Peter and Paul’s lives. It was the reality that spurred them to keep following the Lord. It motivated them to testify to Jesus before massive crowds, to their closest friends, and in front of religious and secular authorities. And it strengthened them as they faced martyrdom for their faith.

As you consider these two holy men today, you can almost hear them saying, See how Jesus has changed our lives! Who do you say that he is? How does that make a difference in the way you live?

*“Jesus, I believe you are the Christ! Let this truth become my foundation today and every day!”*

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**PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION:**  
This weekend, **June 28-29, 2025**, we have a second collection in benefit of Peter’s Pence Collection. Please be generous to this worthy cause. God bless you, always!

**THANK YOU!:**  
A very gracious THANK YOU to the hard-working ladies (Guadalupe Society) who have provided meals for our Fathers, and for fellowship gatherings. God bless you!

**OCIA INSTRUCTIONS:**  
There will be OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) classes scheduled in July (2025) for those interested in becoming Catholics, or for those who have not received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. **The first class will be on Wednesday, July 13, 2025, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.** If you are interested, or know of someone who is, please contact Carlos Barrios, Sr. at (325) 636-7268 for more information.

**The Fruits of Repentance:**  
**“God wants to do so much more than forgive us.”**  
**(Part 2)**

Refreshment, Restoration, and Fruit. When we cry out, like King David, "Have mercy on me, O God," God responds (Psalm 51:1). When we see our sin and imitate Peter by saying, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man" (Luke 5:8), he doesn't "depart." Instead, he begins to work in us, refreshing us, restoring us, and even empowering us to bear godly fruit. In this article, we want to look at these three blessings and then explore the different opportunities God has given us to receive the grace of his mercy and forgiveness.

The first thing God does when we repent is to bring us back from captivity by refreshing our weary hearts (Jeremiah 31:25). He refreshes us by removing the burden of guilt and shame and darkness that sin creates within us. He refreshes us by setting our hearts at peace and showering us with mercy. And he refreshes us by assuring us that we are still his beloved sons and daughters, members of his family and coheirs with Christ.

(to be continued)

[Excerpt from The Word Among Us]

<u>Please Pray For Those Serving In The Military</u>	
Donald Anthony Salas, Army	Patrick Kerr, Major, Lt.
Ricky & Julietta Nuñez, AF	Col Space Force
Michael P. Stallings, Major, Army	Matthew Hurtado, Marines
AMN, Paul L. Rosales, Air Force	Benjamin Orosco, Green Beret
Jacob Hoyumpa, OCS, Marines	Teresa Rolfe, Lt., Navy
David Hernandez, Jr., Army	Marty Siller, Army

**THANK YOU!**  
We sincerely thank Thomas Halfmann, via the Knights of Columbus, for the generous charitable donation of \$2,000.00 sent to our Parish this past week. May God bless him for all he does for our Parish.

**PRE-BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS:**  
If you are needing to have your child(ren) baptized and have not received Pre-Baptismal Instructions within the past 3 years, please contact Carlos Barrios, Sr. at (325) 636-7268 to obtain the Information form, or come by the Parish Office for a copy. A copy of the child(ren)’s Birth Certificate must be attached to the Information Form. The first class (in Spanish) is scheduled on **Wednesday, July 3, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.**

**Coleman Senior Citizens Meals**  
The Coleman County Senior Citizens will be serving meals (on site, or delivered) in our Parish Hall for the next 3-4 months to senior citizens of Coleman County on **Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays** (mornings, only) - unless notified otherwise. For more information, you may contact the Parish Office (during normal working days/hours), or Becky Slayton at (325) 214-4164.

**Looking Ahead**

**HOLY HOUR (ADORATION & BENEDICTION):**  
Thursdays: 3-6 p.m. inside the Church

**CCD CLASSES (Closed for Summer):**  
Wednesday: All Grades: 6-7:00 p.m.

**Parish Youth Meetings (Closed for Summer):**  
Wednesdays - 6-7:00 p.m.

**Peter’s Pence Collection:**  
Weekend: June 28-29, 2025

**Pre-Baptismal Instructions:**  
Thursday: July 3, 2025 - 7:00 p.m.

**July 4, 2025 - Holiday:**  
Friday: Office Closed in observance of the Holiday

**OCIA CLASSES:**  
Wednesday: July 13, 2025 - 7:00 p.m.

**Honduran Partnership Dioceses:**  
Weekend: July 19-20, 2025

**Diocesan Priests’ Retirement Collection:**  
Weekend: August 2-3, 2025