

**TODAY'S READINGS:**

Ezekiel 33:7-9 Psalm 95  
Romans 13:8-10 Matthew 18:15-20

Monday is a Federal Holiday. The rectory office will be closed, and there will be no meetings or parish activities.

Mass will be celebrated at 8am only, and there will be no confessions or Holy Hour.

Please join us in the Parish Hall after the 9am & 11am Masses for doughnuts, coffee, juice, and fellowship.

**In remembrance of the tragedy of 9/11/2001**

St. Peter's will mark the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the United States with a Mass for Peace and Justice on Sunday, September 11, 2011 at 5pm. The celebrant will be His Eminence, Donald Cardinal Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington.

**Earthquake and Hurricane Damage update**

My dear parishioners,

The good news is that the church and school survived both of last week's disasters relatively intact. Thankfully, no one was injured, and the school is structurally sound.

The bad news is that the church and rectory sustained structural damage. Two of the chimneys on the rectory must be rebuilt to prevent them from crashing in on the upstairs living quarters or down into the parking lot or Mary Garden.

If you were at Mass this weekend you may have seen the large chip in the center outdoor steps. **The marble cross on the roof peak cracked in two and fell during the earthquake.** You can see the metal spikes where the cross once was. One portion fell onto the steps, and the other fell back onto the roof, leaving a gaping hole that will need major repair. A temporary fix prevented rain from leaking in during the hurricane.

A dozen or more of the slate tiles on the corner bell tower are loose or missing. This repair will require a crane and a specialized crew.

Most disturbing, and of greatest concern to the structural engineer and our risk management firm, is the bulging in several of the church and rectory walls. Some of the walls moved an inch or more outward, and you can push your finger into spots where the pointing has fallen out. These wall portions will have to be rebuilt.

**There is no immediate danger of collapse, and we can continue to use the buildings.** We are working with our risk management team to develop a plan for repairs. Unfortunately, very little of the cost will be covered by our insurance. Please pray that we have no more hurricanes or earthquakes.



**Make your photo appointment for the new Parish Directory...**

Olan Mills Studios will be here to take photos Sep 13-17. For having your picture taken, you'll receive a free copy of the directory, and St. Peter's will receive a \$2 donation. Sign up at [www.saintpetersdc.org](http://www.saintpetersdc.org), or contact Stephanie Smedile, 202.812.2056.

Last week	CONTRIBUTIONS	Last Year
\$6,385.65	Offertory	\$9,488.95
7,933.33	Electronic Giving	5,275.40
300.00	Maintenance Fund	585.00
189.06	Poor Box	68.00
\$14,808.04	TOTAL	\$15,417.35

Please remember St. Peter's Parish Endowment Fund Trust in your estate planning. The legal designation in your will or trust: St. Peter's Catholic Church, Endowment Trust Fund, a nonprofit organization located on Capitol Hill in Washington DC. Federal tax ID# 53-0196497.

**MASS INTENTIONS Sep 3-10, 2011**

Sat	5	✠ Judith Klingberg Palmer
Sun	11	The People of St Peter's
Mon	8	For all workers on this Labor Day
Tue	12:10	Intentions of Liam O'Hara
Wed	12:10	Lois Kauffman, for healing
Thu	7	✠ Mrs. Ricciardi
Fri	7	✠ Kathy Farley
Sat	5	✠ Timothy Sullivan

**Please pray for the sick and suffering,** that they may receive healing and comfort: Lois Kauffman, Maria Pannell, Richard Whiteside, Mary Lees, Tim Stancliff, Grace Dosol, Sara Harth, Luis Ceballos, Mike Hartnagel, Fred Wyrsh, Ann DePlatchett, Lena Walker, John Hogan, Rev. Michael O'Sullivan, Virginia Bradley, Rosemary McCarthy.

✠ In your kindness, please remember all those who have died. Call or e-mail the rectory to have someone placed on this list. Names generally remain on the list for four weeks unless we receive notification otherwise. If you or someone you know is sick, homebound, or in the hospital and would like to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the Rectory.



**As these couples prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage, please keep them in your prayers:**

Santé Simms & Lina Gudenas, Anthony Smith & Tracey Houser, Christopher Harlow & Kathleen Rock, Kevin Murphy & Audrey Koehler, Daniel Madigan & Marisa Tjerandsen, Benjamin Roberts & Monica Flint, John Hodges & Mary Claire Finnen, Luke Durney & Corina St. Jean, Matthew Pacheco & Patty Chavez, Daniel Napier & Rachel Zudekoff.



**If you or someone you know is in need of prayer** please call the rectory, or visit [www.sainpetersdc.org](http://www.sainpetersdc.org), (Prayer/PrayerNet).

**If you're moving (or have moved) or celebrating a new addition to your family, please let us know!**

Call or e-mail Suzanne O'Connor at the rectory: [parishinfo@saintpetersdc.org](mailto:parishinfo@saintpetersdc.org), so she can update our parish data base. Thank you.

**Interested in an adult Bible Study group?**

Visit the web site for information on our three groups (Get Involved/Liturgy and Prayer) or call the Rectory.

**WELCOMING THE NEW ROMAN MISSAL**

On November 27, 2011, the first Sunday of Advent, Roman Catholics in the U.S. will begin praying the Mass using a new translation.

**The Eucharistic Acclamations**

In the previous Missal translation we had four acclamations, based on three different ones in the original Latin. The same three Latin acclamations remain in the Missal, so we will now have just three matching English acclamations. They will resemble the ones we know well, but their deeper meaning is being revealed.

The one acclamation that has no close parallel, and thus is not included in the new Missal, is perhaps the best known: "Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again."

It is a strong statement, but its weakness in the context of the Mass is that it makes a statement of faith about Christ, rather than a prayer to him. "Christ has died" is like "Dying you destroyed our death" and these two acclamations are based on the same Latin text. The new translation is a more faithful rendering of the original.

<b>Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.</b>	<b>We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.</b>
When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, <b>Lord Jesus</b> , until you come in <b>glory.</b>	When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your <b>Death, O Lord</b> , until you come <b>again.</b>
<b>Lord</b> , by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. <b>You are the Savior of the world.</b>	<b>Save us, Savior of the world</b> , for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.

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**To help us with the transition to the new Mass translation, St. Peter's will continue the Sunday morning talks,**

along with information on our website, in the parish bulletin, and other aids. In addition, permission has been given for parishes to incorporate musical settings using the new texts.

**The Archdiocese has an on-line workshop available.**

Each video features Father Mark Knestout, Director of the Office of Worship, explaining the New Roman Missal, and contains a helpful follow-along presentation, including side-by-side comparisons. To experience the training, plus view helpful notes and other information, simply open the online workshops and follow along as the video plays. Visit [www.saintpetersdc.org](http://www.saintpetersdc.org) for a link.

**Looking for a Volunteer opportunity?**

Our Sunday School program is in need of one more front desk monitor. Classes are held Sundays, 10:30-11:45am in our school, 422 3rd St SE. Call or e-mail Lacy Prebula, 202.547.1430, ext 105, [dre@saintpetersdc.org](mailto:dre@saintpetersdc.org).

**Sunday Night Suppers are back!**

September 18, in the Parish Hall, following the 5pm Mass.

*Our mission: one parish, one family*

*Sunday Night Suppers were established to provide a way for all members of the parish to come together, enjoy a shared meal and a (short) program of general parish interest. The only requirement is to come and spend time with one another – families, elders, singles, married, it matters not your state in life.*

**Theme:** Meet our Parochial Vicar – Fr. Patrick Riffle

**Food Suggestions:** Comfort Food (in honor of the kids going back to school). Please bring a dish that serves 4-6 people. It can be a salad/side dish, an entrée or a dessert. Soft drinks and bread will be provided. Food can be brought to the hall after Mass or anytime after 4:30pm. on the day of the supper. Do not plan on using the stove burners or oven. We have a double wide refrigerator and a separate freezer but accommodations may be limited. (Keep this in mind when planning your contribution!)

If you can spare 30 minutes to help between 4:30 and 6pm or after the supper, up to 8:30pm, please contact Chris Kirby at [chris.kirby@rocketmail.com](mailto:chris.kirby@rocketmail.com). Hope to see you there! Watch for announcements for October, December, February, April, and May.



**Becoming Catholic**

If you're seeking a deeper relationship with Christ through membership in the Catholic Church, register for RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. **Fall RCIA classes begin Sep 20, at 7pm, in the O'Sullivan Room of the Rectory.** If you or someone you know is interested, call or e-mail our Director of Religious Education, Lacy Howard Prebula, 202.547.1430, ext 105, [dre@saintpetersdc.org](mailto:dre@saintpetersdc.org)



**Knit One, Pray Two**

Interested in putting your needlework skills to good use? Come to an organizational meeting for the Prayer Shawl Ministry after the 11am Mass on Sep 25 in the O'Sullivan Room. Both knitters and crocheters are welcome to learn about the process and pattern for creating prayer shawls for parishioners and others who are ill or otherwise in need of comfort. Please contact Delia Neuman at 202.543.2328 or [dneuman@drexel.edu](mailto:dneuman@drexel.edu) for more information.

**Sunday School Registrations are due now – Classes start Sep 11**

Registration form is on our website (Faith/Sunday School). Mail form to the rectory or place it in the collection basket. Call or e-mail our DRE, Lacy Prebula, 202.547.1430, ext 105, [dre@saintpetersdc.org](mailto:dre@saintpetersdc.org).



**Spanish language classes at Catholic Charities!**

Tue evenings, 5:45-7:45pm. Classes start Sep 13 and run for 10 weeks. At Anchor Mental Health, in NE DC. Free parking, close to Metro. Contact Dr. Nancy Butler, 202.772.4316, or [nancy.butler@catholiccharitiesDC.org](mailto:nancy.butler@catholiccharitiesDC.org).