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STS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

“You are Peter, and upon this rock
I will build my Church, and the
gates of the netherworld shall not
prevail against it. I will give you
the keys to the Kingdom of
heaven. Whatever you bind on
earth shall be bound in heaven;
and whatever you loose on earth
shall be loosed in heaven.”
- Mt 16:18-19

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- Knowing the warning signs of abuse
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PARISH INFORMATION

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OUR MISSION

Emmanuel Catholic Church **which means, God is with us**, is a faithful community of believers dedicated to proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church through word, sacrament, and service. As a parish family of God, we live by faith, truth, and love as we value the sanctity of life in all its stages and make the Holy Eucharist the center of our lives. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the consultation with our parish ministries, we desire to be witnesses of God's presence as we share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure with God's Family.

CLERGY

Pastor

Rev. Fr. Gaudioso Zamora

Parish Vicar

Rev. Fr. Theodore Ihedoro

In Residence

Rev. Fr. Joseph Papes

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Linda Coz, Ree Joy Baldonado, Men's Choir

Altar Flowers

Bella Simbajon & Filipino Community

Altar & Clergy Vestments

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Finance Council

Parish Council

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Ladies Guild

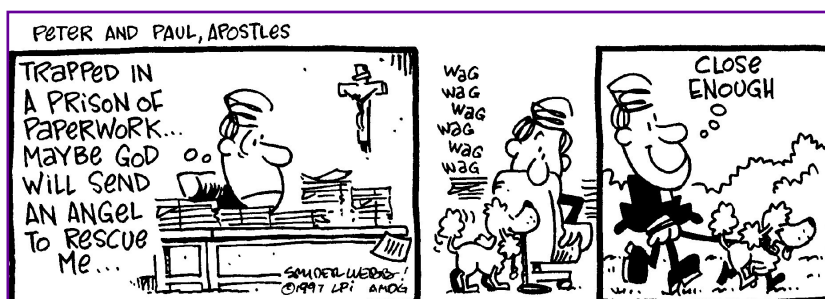
President Nancy McDonald

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight Bob Budd

Legion of Mary

President Maude Cassagnol



PARISH REGULAR SCHEDULE

TAIZÉ PRAYER

Every Friday at 6:30pm—7:30pm
(after 6:00pm Mass) except for First Fridays.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Every Thursday after the 8:30am mass
or call the parish office

BAPTISMS

Sundays at 1:00pm. Schedule one month in advance.
Contact Parish Office.

WEDDINGS

Contact Deacon Tony at least 6 months in advance

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

5:00pm Vigil Mass
7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

GIFT SHOP

Monday & Wednesday **8am-1:00pm**

Tuesday Closed

Thursday & Friday **8am-1pm**

Saturday Closed

4th Sunday of the Month **10:00AM- 1:30PM**

NOTE: Gift shop will be closed when the parish office is closed

ROSARY GROUP

Monday—Friday after the 7:30am Daily Mass

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 8:30am Mass

SCHEDULE CHANGES?

Inquiries regarding possible adjustments (to date or time) of scheduled parish events or activities this week should be addressed to the parish office during business hours. Call us at **561.496.2480**.

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday, June 30

6:30A..... Adoration
1:00P..... Movie Mondays
6:00P..... Legion of Mary

Tuesday, July 01

6:30A..... Adoration
10:00A..... Faith Sharing

Wednesday, July 02

6:30A..... Adoration
4:00P..... SoulCore

Thursday, July 03

6:30A..... Adoration
9:00A..... Anointing of the sick
3:00P..... Holy Hour
6:30P..... AA Meeting

Friday, Happy 4th of July (Office and Gift Shop are closed)

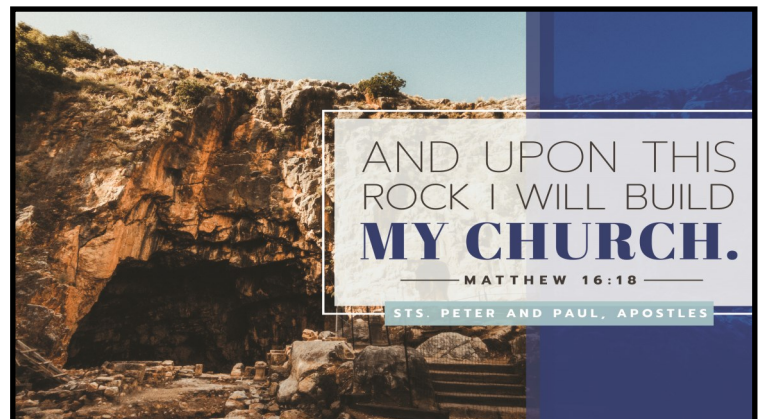
6:30A..... Adoration
9:00A..... First Friday Adoration
6:00P..... First Friday Mass

Saturday, July 05

9:00A..... Confession

Sunday, July 06

9:00A..... Knights of Columbus Mass
1:00P..... Legion of Mary Rosary



CLERGY & MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 29

7:30A Fr. Zamora 9:00A Fr. Theo
10:30A Fr. Zamora 12:00P Fr. Theo
6:00P Fr. Zamora

Monday, June 30

7:30A Fr. Zamora 8:30A Fr. Zamora

Tuesday, July 01

7:30A Fr. Theo 8:30A Fr. Zamora

Wednesday, July 02

7:30A Fr. Theo 8:30A Fr. Theo

Thursday, July 03

7:30A Fr. Theo 8:30A Fr. Zamora

Friday, July 04

7:30A Fr. Zamora 8:30A Fr. Theo
6:00P Fr. Zamora

Saturday, July 05

8:30A Fr. Zamora 4:00P Fr. Theo
5:30P Fr. Theo

Sunday, July 06

7:30A Fr. Zamora 9:00A Fr. Zamora
10:30A Fr. Theo 12:00P Fr. Zamora
6:00P Fr. Theo



OUR GIFTS TO GOD

June 15, 2025

First Collection	\$ 11,726.50
Second Collection	\$ 2,184.00
Online (06/14)	\$ 2,436.07
TOTAL	\$ 16,346.57

June 22, 2025

First Collection	\$ 10,394.00
Second Collection	\$ 2,551.00
Online (06/21)	\$ 1,725.04
TOTAL	\$ 15,436.06

DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

June 16, 2025

Goal Amount for Emmanuel	\$185,000.00
Current	\$ 135,359.09
Remaining Balance	\$49,640.91

Thank you all for your continued support and generosity!

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

JUNE 30-JULY 06, 2025 | 05

SCHEDULED INTENTIONS

Monday, June 30

7:30am *Carisema Saint Jean & Family by Carisema Saint Jean *The Mathew Family by Alex Lee
8:30am †Chuck Fiore by DeFrancesco Family †Gerald Sapio by Gail Vlasek
†Robert Albertson by Dominic & Anne Scaduto

Tuesday, July 01

7:30am †All Souls in Purgatory by Soledad Robinson *Richmond Family by Alex Lee
8:30am *Liberation of Haiti by Cassagnol Family *John S. Nardiello by Gail Vlasek

Wednesday, July 02

7:30am *William Moore/healing by Mary Moore *Kevin Brady/healing by Mary Moore
8:30am †Jean Maurice Laurin by Sundra & Andrew Wentzler *Steve Nardiello by Gail Vlasek

Thursday, July 03

7:30am †John Vartanian by Ted & Fran Souza *Moore Family by Mary Moore
8:30am †Donna Petricone by Husband *Patti N. Spedale by Gail Vlasek

Friday, July 04

7:30am *Angela Menzel by Martina DeBoise †Souls in Purgatory by Jennifer
8:30am †John Vincent Verderame by Mom & Dad †John, Angela & Walter Dajczak
6:00pm FOR PRIESTS FOR PRIESTS

Saturday, July 05

8:30am *Ree Joy & Rose Baldonado/Thanksgiving/W. Anniversary †Venusto & Clarita Bengua by Family
4:00pm BOOK OF THE DEAD BOOK OF THE DEAD
5:30pm †Marie Crapanzano by Sister †Andrea LoPiccolo by Valenti Family

Sunday, July 06

7:30am †Placida Santiago Ramos by Martina DeBoise †Ezra Shmaya by -----
9:00am *KoC by Blessed Mother Council 1333A *Abigail & Marty Brooks/12th W. Anniversary by Plummer Fam
10:30am PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS
12:00pm †Mary & Bill Walsh by Children †Erma Stramaglia by Frances & Frank DiCintio
6:00pm †Steven Skolinsky by Natalie Skolinsky †Bukowski-Urbanowicz Families by Family

UNSCHEDULED

†Richard Soranno by Dennis & Judy Smith †John Butas by Dennis & Judy Smith
†Roger Rattliff by Dennis & Judy Smith †Kate Dierenger by Cannon Family †Kate Dierenger by Cannon Family
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†Kate Dierenger by Cannon Family *Edna Gama by Vanessa, Beverly & Hermoine
*Judy Garrity by Vanessa Gama †Trevor Myerson by Aunt Diana †Kathy Pfeiffer by Diana

ALTAR FLOWERS

VIGIL LIGHTS

SHRINE FLOWERS

Please take some time this week to remember the following in your prayers: For all in our parish family who are suffering serious or terminal illness:

For men and women in the Armed Forces, and their families: AND FOR ALL LISTED BELOW

Dave Ruiz	Joseph	Judy Lew
Victoria Robelo	Salamone	Ernie Skelton
Ms. S.	Maria Amaro	Carlotta
Rose Borsella	Aniela Ignaczak	Josefa & Dolores
David Smeraldo	Lillian Campayno	Echavarrria
Janette Cole	Terry Schwinge	Amparo Longalong
Steven Martin	Tom D'Amico	Annie Lee
Sikes	Gabriel Zamora	Eugene Langel
Gianna Pagan	Vincent Blum	Delma Langel
Mary Loveland	Ricardo Blum	William Ward
Sam Falcone	Gina Marie B. Cohen	Gaetano Sansone
Patricia Golstein	David Strompf	Alexis Thompson
Taylor Dosh	Sal Hanono	Griffin Bates
Marilyn Martino	Heather Smith	Miriam Teixeira
Gulshan Modena	Jason Smith	Kevin Marshall
Maggie Dolan	Ronald Merhige	Andrea Anastasi
Amelita Coz-Zarraga	Roshan	John & Alma Gardner
Heather Martin	Karen Jensen	Elaine Garofano
Ronald Griffiths	Cynthia Martin	Julia Lea
Margie Giaquinto	Garry Solomon	Buddendorf
Maria Fernandez	Ilda Sosa Botero	Albertina Hughes
Raphael Roman	Carlos Tobon	Kamm Trumble
James Ezeilo	Jill Forshey	Linda Beamish
Brenda Ezeilo	Gerry Santilli	Quinn Morris
Cynthia Martin	Gail Hill	Henry Morris
Francis Martin	Chrissie Budrick	Marcia Riopol
Hermoine D'Cruz	Frank Dazzo	Mumtaz Begum
Brigitte Knops	Dina Quelch	Lance Joseph
Toni Kreamer	Stewart Librizzi	Michelle Pierno
Gerry Gerhard	Thomas Land	John Wilmere
Euclides Cerutti	Agatha Saccio	Keith Johnson
Samuel Gonzales	Robert Albertson	Betty Lou Johnson
Victorio	Rafael Botero	Christine Thurman
Ray Wolff	Albert Fernandes	Connie Panepinto
Ida Giannettina	Romano Britney	Edwin Villarosa
Josette Weber	Closson Jeanette	Brian Sullivan
Ann Cavaseno	Gallegos Adriana	Dominic Canzano
Charles C. Tufano	Elejalde Oswaldo	Kyle Buenconsejo
Angela Discepolo	Cesar Monasterio	Evelyn Baroni
Anna Halford	Michael Cecere	Olga Galarza
Sal Yanello	Jahaziel Roldan	The Taffe Family
Victor Rivera	Abigail Chin-Lenn	Alexander Barone
William Lindner	Gertrudis Rivera	Joanne Liantonio
Lisa Della Femina	Martinez	John Petrich
Maria E. Quiñones	Merrill Tucker	Mary Karten
Mercado	Maggie Dazzo	Luca Diomampo
Diane Daniels	Martha Gutzman	Michael Manuele
Carmen Jones	Noah Altherios	Robert Wiczowski
Bill Hamilton	Debra Seritella	Mady and Ruth Petersen
Ralph Senese	Anthony Spirito	
Ramona	Rhea Reacher	
Ash Gaballah	Doug Rodgers	
Karen Ramey	Doris Vourinen	
Mary Ann	SrVeronique DCSO	
Lisa Payne	Danny Berciles	
Marilyn Green	Eleanor Hemmer	
	Joseph Lauria	

PRAYER BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION . Lord, I believe and profess that You are truly Christ, Son of the Living God, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. Accept me this day as I partake of your mystical supper, O Son of God. May the partaking of your holy mysteries, O Lord be not for judgment or condemnation, but for the healing of body and soul. I also believe and profess that this, which I am about to receive, is truly your most precious Body and Blood, which, I pray, make me worthy to receive for the remission of all my sins and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS. Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to your voice. Support our bishops, priests and consecrated people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to your service. Awaken in our community a missionary eagerness. Lord, send your workers to your harvest and do not allow humanity to be lost for the lack of pastors, missionaries and people dedicated to the cause of the Gospel. Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation. Amen.

PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY. Almighty God We stand before you in supplication, Asking Your Divine mercy and protection, To envelop with Your invincible armor, Our loved ones in all branches of the service. Give them courage and strength Against all enemies, Both spiritual and physical, And hasten their safe journey, Back to their homes and families. If it be Your Holy Will That they be gathered to Your bosom, With the eternal vanguard of the saints, Let their journey to Your everlasting arms Be swift and painless, Where they may stand in honor and glory, Praising You for all eternity. Amen



TO ALL CONCERNED: Please help us maintain the Prayer Requests Column with timely status updates. Thank you all!

FOSTERING A LOVING COMMUNITY

In a world filled with uncertainty and challenges, the strength of faith can shine through like a beacon of hope. The teachings found in the Bible provide powerful guidance for those facing trials. Through the stories in Acts 12:11, 2 Timothy 4:18, and Matthew 16:19, along with the concept of Pastoral Care, it becomes clear that support and compassion are vital in the journey of faith.

Acts 12:11 tells the story of Peter's miraculous escape from prison, a moment that emphasizes the importance of divine intervention. This passage demonstrates that even in the darkest times, faith can lead to freedom. Just as Peter was released, individuals today can find liberation from their burdens through faith and prayer. The story encourages believers to trust in God's power, reminding them that they are never alone in their struggles.

In 2 Timothy 4:18, the promise of God's protection further strengthens this argument. The verse mentions that the Lord will rescue from every evil attack and will bring believers safely to His heavenly kingdom. This assurance is a source of comfort for many, especially during difficult times. It inspires people to be courageous, knowing that they are supported by a higher power. Such faith can inspire acts of kindness and compassion, as believers are reminded to care for

one another in their communities.

Matthew 16:19 introduces the concept of authority given to believers, allowing them to bind and loose on earth, reflecting the importance of pastoral care.

This authority encourages individuals to offer support and guidance to those in need. For instance, a parishioner in distress may find solace in the comforting words of a priest or a fellow believer. This personal touch can make a significant difference, as it fosters a sense of belonging and connection within the community.

Pastoral care is essential in nurturing relationships among believers. It creates an environment where individuals feel valued and understood. A quote by St. Teresa of Avila beautifully captures this idea: *"Prayer is an act of love."* When believers engage in pastoral care, they demonstrate love and concern for others, following Christ's example.

The stories and teachings found in the Bible highlight the importance of faith, support, and compassion. Acts 12:11, 2 Timothy 4:18, and Matthew 16:19 remind believers that they are not alone in their struggles and have the power to uplift one another. Pastoral care plays a crucial role in fostering a loving community. Embracing these principles can lead to a more caring world where individuals find hope and strength in their faith.

Saint of the Week - Saint Thomas

Poor Thomas! He made one remark and has been branded as "Doubting Thomas" ever since. But if he doubted, he also believed. He made what is certainly the most explicit statement of faith in the New Testament: "My Lord and My God!" and, in so expressing his faith, gave Christians a prayer that will be said till the end of time. He also occasioned a compliment from Jesus to all later Christians: "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed" (John 20:29).

Thomas should be equally well-known for his courage. Perhaps what he said was impetuous—since he ran, like the rest, at the showdown—but he can scarcely have been insincere when he expressed his willingness to die with Jesus. The occasion was when Jesus proposed to go to Bethany after Lazarus had died. Since Bethany was near Jerusalem, this meant walking into the very midst of his enemies and to almost certain death. Realizing this, Thomas said to the other apostles, "Let us also go to die with him" (John 11:16b).

Reflection

Thomas shares the lot of Peter the impetuous, James and John, the "sons of thunder," Philip and his foolish request to see the Father—indeed all the apostles in their weakness and lack of understanding. We must not exaggerate these facts, however, for Christ did not pick worthless men. But their human weakness again points up the fact that holiness is a gift of God, not a human creation; it is given to ordinary men and women with weaknesses; it is God who gradually transforms the weaknesses into the image of Christ, the courageous, trusting, and loving one.

Saint Thomas is the Patron Saint of:

Architects/Builders/Construction Workers/Surveyors
India
Pakistan
Sri Lanka
Theologians

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"Now I know for certain that the Lord sent his angel
and rescued me from the hand of Herod
and from all that the Jewish people had been expecting."
(Acts 12:11)

Psalm:

The angel of the Lord will rescue those who fear him. (Ps 34)

Second Reading:

The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat
and will bring me safe to his heavenly Kingdom. (2 Tm 4:18)

Gospel:

I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven.
Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven;
and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed
in heaven." (Mt 16:19)

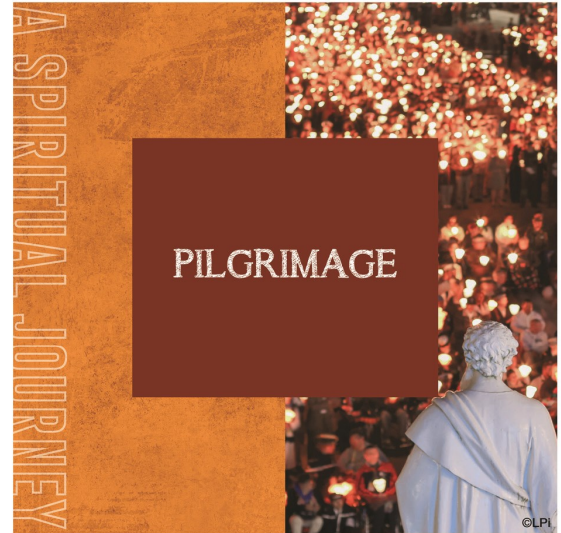
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Peter testified to a dangerous and unpopular truth — that Christ was the Messiah. That courage, that trust in God, is the cornerstone of all we believe. Like Peter, we must always bear witness to the truth.

Observances for the week of June 29, 2025

Sunday: Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles
Monday: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Tuesday: St. Junípero Serra, Priest
Thursday: St. Thomas, Apostle
Friday: Independence Day (USA)
Saturday: St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest;
St. Elizabeth of Portugal
Next Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, *Explained!*

A pilgrimage is a journey to a place of spiritual significance undertaken by one who is seeking closeness to Heaven while still on Earth.

Prayer of Pastoral Care

O God,
Bless the souls You have entrusted to our care. As You hear every one of their prayers, help us to hear them, too. Answer their prayer intentions and personal needs through us and our ministry, as we all seek to do Your will.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of June 29, 2025

Sunday:

Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 *Day:* Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Monday:

Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday:

Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday:

Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34

Thursday:

Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Friday:

Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday:

Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday:

Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

What do you call brothers who are born on the same day? Twins, of course. That is what we celebrate today in the inestimable saints, Peter and Paul. Wait: twins? Yes. The early Church believed that Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome on the same day. Since the day of martyrdom is celebrated as a saints' birth into eternal life, the result is striking: Peter and Paul are twins in God's family, the Church.

Who should care about this? Well, anyone who longs to live in a world marked by love and peace. Remember, the Romans believed that twins, Romulus and Remus, founded their city through an act of fratricide, the former murdering the latter. Sadly, the structures of this fallen world emerge through violence between those who should love each other. But in the Church, a new city has been founded upon this new set of twins, embodying the non-violent power of Jesus' cross and resurrection.

That's why traditional icons represent Peter and Paul in a fraternal and warm embrace. Contrasted with the violence of Rome's founders, it challenges us with a bold claim: do we believe that structures of merciful love are more powerful and lasting than those based on power, violence, and domination? Am I willing to see others in my life as my "twin," with whom I am called to give my life for Christ, or as my rival? Am I committed to living what is embodied in Romulus and Remus, or in Peter and Paul?

— Father John Muir

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: People have a lot of opinions about God. But when the world asks, “Who do you say that Jesus is?” We know the answer. Will we speak up?

Some Say

At first, the Apostles try to dodge the question.

When Jesus confronts them — and make no mistake, it is a confrontation — with the question “Who do you say that I am?” they act like a man whose wife has just asked him if she looks fat in these jeans.

The evasiveness of their answer puts politicians to shame: “Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

Some say.

But Jesus doesn’t let them off easy. He repeats himself. He wants an answer. “Who do you say that I am?”

They all know the answer. They all believe the answer. And they all know the answer could get them thrown in prison or killed. Only Peter is brave enough to say it: “You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God.”

People have a lot of opinions about God. They always have. They have a lot of opinions about Jesus and the Bible, about the Catholic Church and the Pope. Some of these opinions are well-founded, well-researched. Some of them are based in ignorance. Many are born of painful misunderstandings. But they are all just that: opinions.

Some say.

We know who Jesus is. We know who the Eucharist is. We know what the truth is. Amid the chaos and the violence and the excruciating loudness of this fallen world and all the words it shouts into the void about God and Jesus and right and wrong, we know.

But will we answer?

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

January 25 is the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul and the end of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. What does one have to do with the other?

Answer:

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity consists of eight days beginning January 18 (at that time the feast of the Chair of Peter), and ending on January 25, the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, founded in the early twentieth century in Graymoor, NY, sought to promote unity among Anglicans and Roman Catholics. Paul James Wattson, a former Episcopalian priest, founded the community, which was formally accepted into the Catholic communion.

The idea for Christian unity soon began to catch on, and by the 1930s, more and more Christians welcomed such a focus. Suggestions for prayer and education are distributed each year, emphasizing a jointly chosen theme. The 1964 Vatican II document on ecumenism, *Unitatis Redintegratio*, gave a great boost to the octave, so that today many Christians worldwide promote and participate in the octave time of prayer.

The emphasis on both Peter and Paul aptly fits into the rationale of the octave. Peter is seen as the source of unity within the Christian tradition. Paul is highlighted due to his vision of bringing all to Christ. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an ideal opportunity to pray for and promote respect, understanding, and, hopefully, eventual unity among Christians. To learn more, visit geii.org.



FR. DAVID CARR
45th priesthood anniversary.
Ordained: June 28, 1980

FR. GAUDIOSO ZAMORA
35th priesthood anniversary.
Ordained: June 30, 1990



Fr. Theo Ihedoro
Birthday June 27
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



CCD REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR 2025-2026

Spots are filling up fast, so we encourage you to sign up today. We're excited to welcome all our kids back next year as they continue growing in their faith.

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Check out Bishop Gerald Barbarito's video message of congratulations and inspiration to all the 2025 graduates of the schools our Diocese has affiliations with.



SCAN HERE TO RSVP

You're invited! FULLY ALIVE YOUNG ADULTS

CONNECT, GROW, THRIVE!

Are you a young adult at Emmanuel Catholic Church seeking community and a deeper faith? Join Fully Alive Young Adults (FAYA) for guided discussions with The Rescue Project. Engage in meaningful conversations about faith, build community, and discover what it means to live fully alive. Don't forget to bring a journal and pen!

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
EVERY 2ND AND
4TH FRIDAY OF THE
MONTH

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INVITATION FOR COUPLES



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