

AUGUST 26 & 27, 2023
21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These Readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "*Satan*" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a Prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "*rock*" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "*rock*." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

The use of the term *church* in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.

WHAT ARE THE TRADITIONAL INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER?

You probably pray for the "*intentions of the Holy Father*" often—at the end of the Rosary, while praying the Morning Offering, even during Mass. Praying for these intentions is one of the requirements for gaining a plenary indulgence. But what are these intentions? Are they something specific?

The "*intentions of the Holy Father*" that we pray for as a part of various devotions are not only his personal or monthly intentions—though we include these too. But we also pray for specific, objective intentions directly related to the well-being of the Church and her faithful. In fact, the Church has established six traditional intentions of the Holy Father (some sources you may read list four or five):

1. The Exaltation of the Church
2. The Propagation of the Faith
3. The Uprooting of Heresy
4. The Conversion of Sinners
5. The Concord between Christian Princes & Rulers

The Church is under attack, both from external and internal forces, and it is of the utmost importance that we continue to steadfastly pray for her and our Church leaders. Since the Pope is our leader here on earth, his intentions are intertwined with the intentions of the whole Church. Let us not abandon our Church! May we be renewed in our urgency to pray for our Holy Father and his intentions!



JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER THAT SEPTEMBER 1ST IS FIRST FRIDAY AND WE HAVE EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT 11AM, FOLLOWED BY ENGLISH MASS AT 12:05PM. WE ALSO HAVE EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT 5:30PM, FOLLOWED BY SPANISH MASS AT 6PM.
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND WE HAVE FIRST SATURDAY MASS AT 9AM.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Carole Shoptaw, Gina Pivrotto, Antonia Rentería, Angie Gómez, Judy Halren, Rose Cortez, Fidela Jara, Felix Santillán, Martha Sánchez, Gerardo Escobedo, Angie Freitas, Russel Bryant, Derrick Heater, Ann Gallagher, Brianna Lopez, Margaret Milliken, Gina Pivrotto, Nick Quin, Mary Servis, Matty Walker, Ofelia Ybarra.



Back To School at SJSDR

The excitement of Fall and the First Day of School is in the air at SJSDR! August 28 is the first day of school. Welcoming the students back for our 4th year, our parish continues to provide the beauty of a private catholic school education to the families of our community on the coast.

If you are wondering if your child is getting the best education possible at the school you are currently enrolled with, come see what SJSDR has to offer. We provide a curriculum and instructional methods that will put your child on the path to success - not just in high school, but in college and beyond! Talk to our graduates to see what SJSDR can do for your child. We have donors waiting to help sponsor your child today!

For more information, you may contact Kathleen Kasperson at 707-513-5672.



FIRST DAY OF CATECHISM INSTRUCTION: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2023 FROM 5:30PM – 6:30PM.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT VERONICA RENTERIA: 707-357-2890 OR THE PARISH OFFICE: 707-964-0229.



IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH, ON THE SOUTHERN WALL IS A BEAUTIFUL MEMORIAL TREE.

ITS BRIGHT LEAVES REPRESENT PERMANENT MEMORIALS TO THE DEPARTED OF OUR PARISH. FOR THE SUM OF \$200.00, YOU CAN GIVE TO THE PARISH SECRETARY, THE CORRECT SPELLING AND DATES OF THE DEPARTED AND IN DUE TIME THE LEAF IS PRINTED AND ATTACHED TO THE TREE, AS A PERMANENT REMINDER OF A LOVED ONE WHO IS GONE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AT 707-964-0229.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

When a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized and would like Father Pacheco to pay them a visit to receive Holy Communion and/or Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office at 707-964-0229 and after office hours, please call 707-813-4188.



EVERY THURSDAY @ 11:00AM, WE HAVE THE EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FOLLOWED BY MASS AT 12:05PM.

MASS INTENTIONS AUGUST 26 – SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

Saturday (26)	5:00pm	Fred & Clara White † Thomas Galemba † Antonio Furtado †
	6:30pm	Oscar Tamayo † Mauricio Escobedo † María Bran Mandujano † Eleuterio Gaona † Cuco, Gabriel & Isidro Yáñez † Gerardo Escobedo (healing) Hipólito Sr., Agustín & Hipólito Jr. Renteria (b-day)
Sunday (27)	8:00am	Juan, María de Jesús & Efren Mendoza †
	10:00am	Missa pro populo
Monday (28)	—	NO MASS
Tuesday (29)	12:05pm	NO MASS
Wednesday (30)	12:05pm	Mat Yager (healing)
Thursday (31)	12:05pm	Guadalupe Becerra †
Friday (01)	12:05pm	Emmanuel Sánchez (b-day)
	6:00pm	Severo & Carmen Cuevas † Oscar Tamayo †

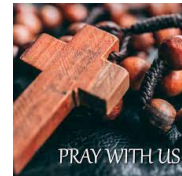
WEEKLY COLLECTION

AUGUST 19 & 20, 2023...\$2,088.00
BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION...\$395.00

THIS WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR ANNUAL MINISTRY APPEAL (AMA)

NEXT WEEKEND OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR LIABILITY INSURANCE

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT
& CHRISTIAN GENEROSITY!!



JOIN US IN PRAYING THE ROSARY
FROM SUNDAY – FRIDAY AT 5PM IN THE CHURCH.

*“Every family, every faithful, every religions community,
all united spiritually...I will accompany you from here.”*

POPE FRANCIS

LET'S PRAY FOR ALL OUR FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Jovany Baez, Justin Mertle, María de la Luz Ramírez, Rebeca Sánchez, José Araiza, Jr., Marina González, Alondra Jara, Sonia Jara, Matt Mills & Jared Schroeder.



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From this link you will be allowed to manage your own account online, set up gifts on a schedule that you choose, and can be set up with a credit card, debit card, checking or savings account!

If you have any questions, please, contact the Parish Office at 964-0229.