



The Church of St. Peter

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The month of May is a favorite of mine for many reasons. A few of which are because the entire month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and we have so many little seasons in this month. Why is May consecrated to Mary? Because May is typically the month which Easter, the Ascension and Pentecost fall in and we recognize the Blessed Virgin Mary's participation and witness in these great festivals of the Church.

This year the month of May hosts quite a few festivals of the Church. During this month we see the culmination of Eastertide in Rogation Sunday, and the short season of Rogation-tide which is the three days of prayer and fasting before the great Feast of the Ascension. We celebrate the Ascension for a week which ends with the Feast of Pentecost on the 23rd of May. Within the week of Pentecost, in which we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Disciples and Mary in the upper room, we celebrate the May Ember Days. The Ember Days are the Wednesday (25th), Friday (28th) and Saturday (29th) of the last week of May. These are also days of fasting and prayer for the Church, and specifically for those to be ordained to and in Holy Orders.

The Church calls us to pray especially during the "Merry Month of May." Pray along with us and check out pgs. 175, 177, 179, 180, 261, and 260 of the Book of Common Prayer!

God bless you! Fr. Geordan Geddings

This Month at St. Peter's

May 13th – Thurs. The Ascension Low Mass @ Noon.

May 14th – Fri. Low Mass @ Noon.
Counsel and Confession: 2-4 PM.

May 16th – The Sunday after the Ascension Mass @ 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM.

May 19th – Wed. St. Dunstan, Low Mass @ 10AM.

May 21st – Fri. Requiem for Susan Gyldenege @ Noon. Counsel and Confession: 2-4PM.

May 23rd – Pentecost Mass @ 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM.

May 26th – Wed. Augustine of Canterbury Low Mass @ 10 AM.

May 28th – Fri. Ember Friday, Low Mass @ Noon.
Counsel and Confession: 2-4PM.

May 30th – Trinity Sunday Mass @ 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM.

June 2nd – Wed. Low Mass @ 10 AM.

June 4th – Fri. Octave Corpus Christi, Low Mass @ Noon. Counsel and Confession: 2-4PM.

June 6th – First Sunday after Trinity Mass @ 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM.

June 9th - Wednesday, St. Columba, Low Mass @ 10 AM.

June 11th – Friday , St. Barnabas the Apostle, Low Mass @ Noon. Counsel and Confession: 2-4 PM.

June 13th - Second Sunday after Trinity Mass @ 8:30 & 10:30.

Did you know?

Did you know that “back in the old days” of the church the Pascal Candle served as a type of clock? Paschal Candles were left burning in the church 24/7 from the Easter Vigil until Ascension Day. By Ascension Day, the candle would have burned all the way down to the decorative cross and the grains of incense. The grains of incense are marked by the “nails” that punctuate the decorative cross. The smoke of the burning incense was symbolic of the Ascension of Christ. Another wonderful tradition of the Paschal Candle is that during the Easter Vigil it was the only flame burning in the village. The faithful had extinguished their kitchen fires during the Triduum (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday) and so the New Fire from the Easter Vigil and the Paschal Candle was carried into each home and their stoves and hearths were relit from the Easter fire.

Our Prayer List

For our Parish, for its growth in sanctity, ministry, size, and financially.
For all Bishops, Priests, & Deacons: Bp. +Paul, & Bps. +Mark, +Juan, +Walter, +Anthony, +Ryan Frs. +Geordan, +Micah, +Jim, +Sam, Dcns. Travis, David
For all Religious: Sr. Mary Grace and for St. Benedict’s Abbey
For all in Authority; Joseph our President, and Gregg our Governor.
For peace in our Nation
For the end of the Coronavirus,
For all servicemen and women: Jacob, Preston, McKayla, Andy
For Blessings received: Birthdays: George L., Jenn S., Joanna G.

For all Children born and unborn & for their mothers: Erin, Olivia, Savannah,
For those in sickness or in need: Pat, Sue, Jody, Amy, Kevin, Kim, Jolene, Marissa, Evelyn, Joey, Ross, Susan, Gayle, Shane, Christina, Virginia, John & Dianne, Sandy, Ann, Lynne, Faye, Julie, Sonya, Carrol, Verna & Tim, Patrick, Kristen, James, Madison, John & Rhetta, George, Anna, Betty, Patrick, Sharon, Teresa, Jane, Terry, Wayne, Randy, Patty, Vicki, Kolby, Cable, Dean, Ann & Scotty, Michael *priest*, William *priest*, Chip *priest*, Seraphim *priest* *RIP:* Moselle, Susan, Jim, Francis, Kelly, Jane, Patrick, Jimbo, Fr. Shannonhouse, Richard *priest*, John Bp. Stephen Bp.

Announcements:

The **Altar Guild** is looking for new members! If you are interested in becoming a member of the Altar Guild please speak to Fr. Geordan or to Mrs. Michelle Dear.

Join us as we read Letters to Malcolm by C. S. Lewis during the 9:30 AM **Christian Education hour**. All are welcome to attend! If you would like to purchase a copy of Letters to Malcolm please let Fr. Geordan know.

There will be a **Vestry Meeting** Sunday, May 16th, after Coffee Hour.

On Friday, May 21st at Noon we will offer a **Requiem** for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Susan Gyldenege.

If you would like to subscribe to **The Trinitarian**, the official newspaper of the G-4, you may do so at anglican catholic.org/trinitarian. Some copies of the Trinitarian will be available in the Parish Hall.

You may support St. Peter’s by giving online through Zelle: The Church of St Peter, saintpeterscypress@gmail.com.