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# Sacrament of Eucharist Mass Schedule

**Weekend Mass** 

Saturday: 4:30 P.M.

Sunday: 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

Weekday Mass

Monday: 5:30 P.M.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Fridays: 8:30A.M.

**Holy Day Mass** 

Vigil: 4:00 P.M. Day: 8:30 A.M. & 7:30 P.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 P.M.—4:00 P.M., or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Sister Hilda Sandoval, 2 months in advance.

Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the Parish Office, 6 months in advance.

June 1, 2025 The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in his name, reminding them that He is always present through His spirit. Jesus ascended to His Father amid cries of gladness, entering into the heavenly sanctuary. We are to be his witnesses, mindful of the great hope to which we are called.

#### ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

#### Parish Staff

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| Wed  | 4 | 8:30 A.M.  | †Carmen Romero de Barba        | Tue             | Go<br>Re |
| Thu  | 5 | 8:30 A.M.  | <b>†</b> Herbert Michael Rosen | 3               | Re       |
| Fri  | 6 | 8:30 A.M.  | Rev. Jerome P. Foley           |                 | Go       |
| Sat  | 7 | 4:30 P.M.  | Mike Rodriguez                 | Wed<br>4        | Re<br>Re |
| Sun  | 8 | 8:30 A.M.  | People of St. Peter Parish     | _               | Go       |
|      |   | 11:00 A.M. | †John Torres                   | Thu             | Re       |

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**MASS READINGS** 

Tue Reading Acts 20:17-27

3 Responsorial Psalm Psalm 68:10-11,20-21 Gospel John 17:1-11a

Wed Reading Acts 20:28-38

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 68:29-30,33-36b Gospel John 17:11b-19

Thu Reading Acts 22:30; 23:6-11

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 16:1-2a,5,7-11 Gospel John 17:20-26

Fri Reading Acts 25:13b-21

6 Responsorial Psalm Psalm 103:1-2,11-12,19-20 Gospel John 21:15-19

Sat Reading Acts 28:16-20,30-31

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 11:4-5,7 Gospel John 21:20-25

### Pentecost Sunday

Reading I Acts 2:1-11 Sun

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 104:1ab,24ac,29bc-8

30,31,34

Reading II 1Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13

(or Rom 8:8-17)

Gospel John 20:19-23

(or Jn 14:15-16,23b-26)

# June 1, 2025 Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord



On this Feast of the Ascension, we celebrate Christ's triumphant return to the Father after perfectly accomplishing His mission on earth. But we also can also view this Feast as a celebration of the "launch day" of our commissioning as Christ's disciples.

Today's Gospel draws our attention to the clear instructions that Jesus gave His disciples (and to us) just before ascending to the Father: "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

Embracing a stewardship way of life, with its emphasis on the use of time, talent and treasure, helps us to live in such a way that our very lives speak as a witness of the Good News of the Gospel. While we take time to reflect and renew our commitments in these three areas annually as a parish family, it is of great benefit to take some time individually throughout the year to take stock of the commitments we have made — looking at both our strengths and our need for continued growth in each area.

On this Feast of our "launch day," take some time to celebrate your victories as Christ's disciples and renew your commitment to remain faithful to Him and the unique mission He has entrusted to you!

#### SECOND COLLECTION FOR JUNE 8, 2025 — ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

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#### ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

## WHAT ARE CATHOLIC SINS OF OMISSION?

By About Catholics Team

We all sin. Whether we admit it or not, sin is a universal human experience. It is something that we all go through in our lives. In the Catholic faith, sin is defined as any act that goes against God's law. This can include both actions and thoughts. There are different kinds of sins that we can partake in, but in this post, we will discuss the sin of omission.

#### WHAT IS OMISSION?

Before we dive into the sin of omission, let's first talk about omission itself. What is an omission in the first place?

Omission refers to the act of intentionally leaving out or neglecting to do something that one is expected or obligated to do. It involves the deliberate choice of not taking a specific action or failing to fulfill a duty. Omission can occur in various aspects of life, including personal relationships, work responsibilities, legal obligations, and religious practices.

In ethical terms, omission is often seen as morally significant, as it involves a conscious decision to abstain from an action that could have had positive consequences or fulfilled a moral duty. It can be perceived as a form of inaction or passive behavior, where one knowingly avoids taking steps that could prevent harm or contribute to the well-being of others.

#### THE SIGNIFICANCE OF OMISSION

Omission can have different levels of significance. At one end of the spectrum, there are minor omissions that may result in minimal consequences or go unnoticed. These could be small acts of negligence or forgetfulness. On the other end, there are more serious omissions, such as deliberate acts of negligence or the failure to fulfill critical obligations, which can have far-reaching effects and may be considered morally or legally culpable.

The evaluation of omission's moral implications often depends on the context, intent, and potential consequences of the act. In some cases, omission can be viewed as a form of wrongdoing, as it represents a missed opportunity to do what is morally or socially expected. However, there may be instances where omitting an action can be justified or deemed acceptable, such as when it avoids greater harm or respects individual autonomy.

Overall, omission is a complex concept that raises questions about personal responsibility, accountability, and the ethical implications of both action and inaction in various spheres of life.

#### OMISSION IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Omission is a concept of Catholic morality that refers to any sinful act of willfully not following through with an obligation that is either moral or religious, specifically when there is a moral or religious responsibility to act. There are two categories of sin of omission: Mortal Sin and Venial Sin.

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#### MORTAL SIN OF OMISSION

Mortal Sin of Omission refers to intentionally neglecting a duty or avoiding a forbidden action, as dictated by moral or religious laws, when one had the capacity to fulfill that duty or refrain from the action. The Catholic Church views this as a serious offense and considers it worthy of harsh punishment. When someone commits this sin, their soul is damaged, and they might indirectly face the possibility of eternal damnation for rejecting God's grace.

#### VENIAL SIN OF OMISSION

The Venial Sin of Omission, also referred to as minor offenses, is less severe compared to Mortal Sin of Omission. It occurs when a Christian willingly fails to fulfill a less significant act or obligation that does not carry the consequence of eternal damnation. Nevertheless, this omission is still considered a sin because it does not bring pleasure to God.

#### **EXAMPLES OF SINS OF OMISSION**

An example of a Mortal Sin of Omission is knowingly and willingly decide not to attend Mass on Sundays or holy days. That is a serious sin with full responsibility and is considered a mortal sin of omission. Let's say you notice that a coworker is struggling with their workload and could use some assistance. However, instead of offering your help or support, you choose to remain silent and continue focusing solely on your own tasks. While your inaction may not have significant consequences or cause major harm, your failure to extend a helping hand or show kindness to your coworker would be considered a venial sin of omission. It is a minor offense in terms of neglecting the opportunity to offer support and demonstrate solidarity with someone in need.

#### CONCLUSION

Although there are distinctions between the two types of Sins of Omission, the Catholic Church considers both to be largely preventable and actively discourages them through verbal teachings and written doctrines. The Church emphasizes that even if individuals cannot fully meet their obligations, they should make an effort to act in the best way they can.

#### THANK YOU LETTER FROM PACIFICA RESOURCE CENTER

A letter dated May 9, 2025 was received by Rev. Jerome P. Foley, from Anita M. Rees, Executive Director, thanking Fr. Foley and St. Peter Parish parishioners for their generous contribution of groceries from the Lenten Food Drive. They received:

18 bags of groceries on March 24, 2025

15 bags of groceries on March 28, 2025

18 bags of groceries on April 2, 2025

14 bags of groceries on April 7, 2025

17 bags of groceries on April 17, 2025

8 bags of groceries on April 21, 2025

Ms. Rees said, "With your gift, we continue to support the resilience and well-being of families and individuals in Pacifica and along the coast. In March, we provided food to benefit 1,053 individuals from 579 families – a 27% increase in the number of families served compared to March 2024. At the same time, we prevented homelessness for seven Pacifica families through emergency financial assistance and provided homeless services to 25 households, including 53 showers through our shower program." A warm thank you to all who participated in the food drive.

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### THE IMPORTANCE OF GOOD STEWARDSHIP

By Maria Montemayor

Last month, I watched a YouTube video where the host spoke about setting aside money first for giving when getting paid. While I thought that was good practice and others in the comment section agreed, I was surprised by the amount of people who thought the advice was unrealistic.

Although many people can be skeptical about giving when they have financial concerns, everything we have comes from God: our food, shelter, family, livelihood, and friends. And everything He gives to us; we are entrusted to care for and be responsible for. As the recipients of many graces and blessings bestowed on us from God, we are called to be good and generous stewards.

The poor widow in *Mark* 12:41-44 gave everything she had without fear: "He sat down opposite the treasury and observed how the crowd put money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, 'Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."

Many people might hesitate to give away even some of their money or material possessions, but Jesus saw the poor widow's action as commendable.

#### WHAT DOES GOOD STEWARDSHIP LOOK LIKE?

Being a good steward is about sharing our time, talent, and treasure with God and others. If we love God and are aware of His love for us, He can transform us to give of ourselves freely and sincerely, without counting the costs. Accepting the outpouring of God's love can help us deepen our love for Him and for others. Here are some tips to get started:

- Set aside time for personal prayer, Adoration, and Mass. Those moments can help you discern how to use the rest of your time, as well as your skills and resources, more prudently and effectively.
- Make sure immediate family members feel God's love through our presence, words, and actions. As Christians, we're called to minister to those in our immediate care before we can minister to others.
- Volunteer at church, events, or other places like retirement homes or homeless shelters. Many venues
  need volunteers to function and run smoothly. On a smaller scale, offer to help and support relatives,
  friends, and neighbors. Many people might welcome and appreciate your company.
- Tithe to your parish and donate to meaningful causes or non-profit organizations. It's okay to start off small and slowly increase the amount as you feel more comfortable. Following a written-out budget can help you feel more secure in knowing where your money goes. Many charities also accept used or brand-new clothing and non-perishable food.

At the end of the day, God knows and understands our hearts. No matter what difficulties we may face, He only gives us what we can handle. He wants us to make decisions that glorify Him and that help others along the way. We can never outdo God in generosity, so let us love and give out of our abundance and let us grow in holiness as stewards of His blessings.

#### JUNE 1, 2025 THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD PARISH OFFICE CALENDAR JUNE 2 -8,2025MAY 25, 2025 SUNDAY COLLECTION Mon 2 Saints Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs Offertory \$2,882.00 St. Vincent de Paul \$1,541.00 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 5:30 P.M. Evening Mass Assessment: \$62,962.00 Tue 3 Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs 8:30 A.M. Daily Mass Collected: \$19,411.00 Balance: \$43,551.00 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy MAY 17 - 23, 2025Wed 4 WE SHARE ONLINE COLLECTION \$839.02 8:30 A.M. Daily Mass 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy Offertory \$515.39 7:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal Maintenance \$161.32 Church Roof Fund \$10.00 Thu 5 Saint Boniface, Bishop & Martyr 8:30 A.M. Daily Mass Additional Donation \$9.54 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy Archdiocesan Annual Appeal \$95.39 Catholic Communications Campaign \$47.38 Fri 6 Saint Norbert, Bishop 8:30 A.M. Daily Mass Register with St. Peter WeShare Online Giving 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy Service in the privacy of your home. It is convenient, fast, easy & safe. You can make a one-time Sat 7 donation or a recurring donation. This saves time 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3:30 P.M. Sacrament of Reconciliation writing out checks or making sure you have cash 4:30 P.M. Mass on hand. To sign-up for St. Peters' online giving, We Share, Sun 8 Pentecost Sunday please visit https://stpeterpacifica.org and go to the 8:30 A.M. Mass

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11:00A.M. Mass

May 25 — \$25.00 Visa

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May 26 — \$35.00 Surf Shop

Rose Christian

May 27 — \$100.00 Macy's

Jane Njavro

May 28 — \$100.00 Safeway

Georgette Hertzberg

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Janice Gydesen

May 30 — \$25.00 Amazon

Imelda Contreras

May 31 — \$25.00 Panda

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