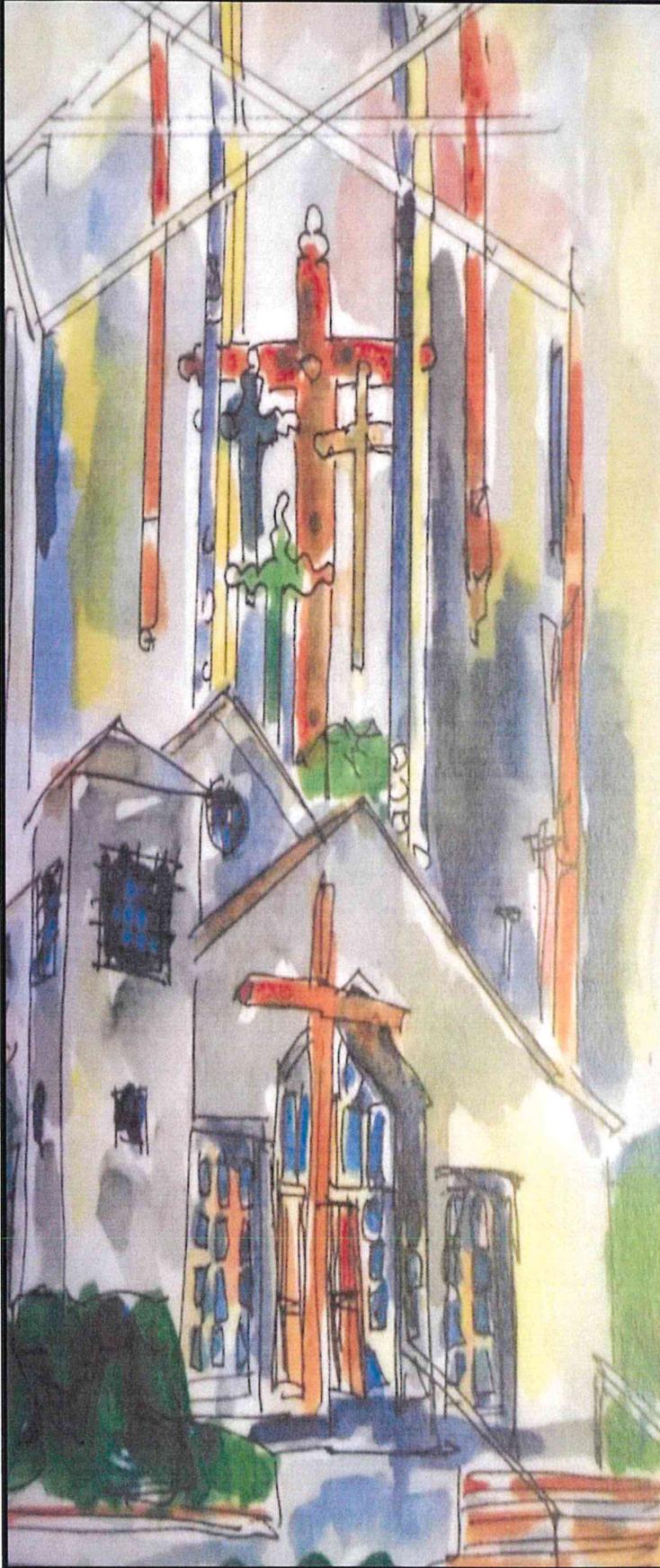


ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

700 ODDSTAD BLVD., PACIFICA, CA 94044



Contact Information

Parish Office	650-359-6313
Facsimile	650-359-2262
Elementary Religious Education	650-359-5000
7th & 8th Grade Confirmation	650-359-7178
E-mail	stpeterpacifica@comcast.net
Website	https://stpeterpacifica.org
Facebook	www.facebook.com/stpeterpacifica

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: 8:30 A.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.

February 22, 2026 First Sunday of Lent

*Like Adam and Eve, Jesus was tempted,
but did not sin.*

*Our sinfulness is acquitted through one man,
Jesus Christ, in whom we are justified.*

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH STAFF

REVEREND JEROME P. FOLEY, Pastor.

SISTER HILDA SANDOVAL, M.F.P., Pastoral Associate and Director of Faith Formation,
hilsandoval63@gmail.com.

MR. ANTONIO EIRAS, Director of Music Ministry, tonyeiras@mac.com.

MS. VERA GONZALEZ, Office Manager, stpeterpacifica@comcast.net.

Mr. Tim Durkin, OUTREACH TO THE ELDERLY AND HOMEBOUND

PARISH COUNCIL

Mrs. Kathleen Bissell, Chair

LITURGY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Eileen Barsi, Chair

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Dale Fajardo, Chair

MASS INTENTIONS

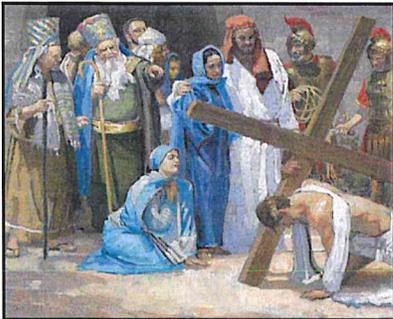
FEBRUARY 23-MARCH 1, 2026

MASS READINGS

Mon	23	8:30 A.M.	†Rudolfo Pio
Tue	24	8:30 A.M.	†Gerald G. Foley
Wed	25	8:30 A.M.	†Norma Pio
Thu	26	8:30 A.M.	†Marcelo Benavides
Fri	27	8:30 A.M.	†Mauricio & Maria Pio
Sat	28	4:30 P.M.	People of St. Peter
Sun	1	8:30 A.M.	†Mary Clark
		11:00 A.M.	Mary Mc Callow

Mon	23	Reading <i>Leviticus</i> 19:1-2,11-18 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalm</i> 19:8-10,15 Gospel <i>Matthew</i> 25:31-46
Tue	24	Reading <i>Isaiah</i> 55:10-11 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalm</i> 34:4-7,16-19 Gospel <i>Matthew</i> 6:7-15
Wed	25	Reading <i>Jonah</i> 3:1-10 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalm</i> 51:3-4,12-13,18-19 Gospel <i>Luke</i> 11:29-32
Thu	26	Reading <i>Esther</i> C:12,14-16,23-25 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalm</i> 138:1-3,7c-8 Gospel <i>Matthew</i> 7:7-12 <i>Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot, Doctor of the Church</i>
Fri	27	Reading <i>Ezra</i> 18:21-28 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalm</i> 130:1-8 Gospel <i>Matthew</i> 5:20-26
Sat	28	Reading <i>Deuteronomy</i> 26:16-19 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalm</i> 119:1-2,4-5,7-8 Gospel <i>Matthew</i> 5:43-48
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT		
Sun	1	Reading I <i>Genesis</i> 12:1-4a Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalm</i> 33:4-5,18-20,22 Reading II 2 <i>Timothy</i> 1:8b-10 Gospel <i>Matthew</i> 17:1-9

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



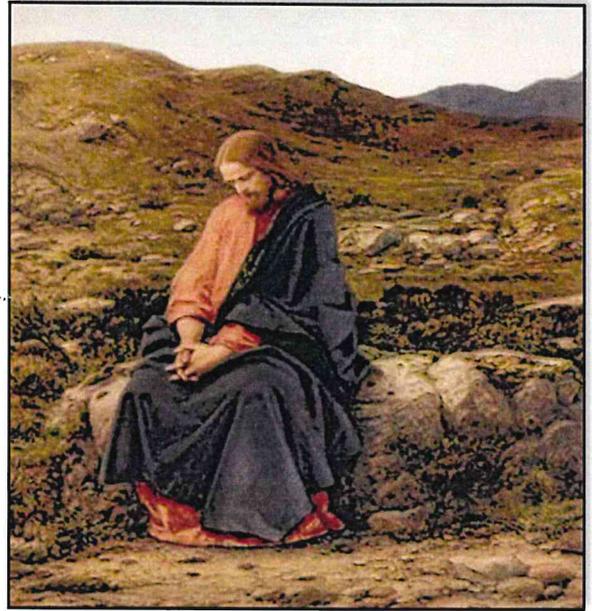
February 27, 2026 - March 27, 2026

Come join us and pray every Friday,
 following the 8:30 A.M. Mass.

February 22, 2026 First Sunday of Lent

As we enter the season of Lent, the Church invites us into 40 days of intentional reflection, repentance, and renewal. These readings remind us that Lent is not simply about giving something up, but about making room for God. For Christian stewards, this season calls us to look honestly at how we are using the time entrusted to us and whether our daily choices reflect trust in the Lord.

Our first reading from Genesis takes us back to the beginning and reveals the goodness of God's original design. Out of love, God formed humanity, breathed life into us, and placed Adam and Eve in a garden rich with beauty and abundance. Their life with God was marked by trust, gratitude, and attentiveness to His presence. Time itself was a gift — ordered around relationship with the Creator.



That harmony was disrupted when doubt entered their hearts. Tempted by the serpent, Adam and Eve questioned God's goodness and turned their attention away from Him. In that moment, they chose their own judgment over God's word. This same temptation remains familiar to us. When our time becomes filled with distractions, busyness, or self-reliance, it becomes easier to lose sight of God's presence and purposes in our lives.

In our second reading, St. Paul reminds us that God did not abandon humanity to this broken pattern. While disobedience led to sin and separation, obedience leads to restoration. Through Jesus Christ — the new Adam — God offers mercy, healing, and new life. Conversion is possible because grace is given. Lent invites us to slow down long enough to receive that grace and allow it to reshape how we live.

The Gospel then shows us what faithful stewardship looks like in practice. Jesus enters the desert, fasts for 40 days, and confronts temptation directly. He does not rush past this time of testing or seek to escape it. Instead, He remains rooted in Scripture and attentive to the Father's will. By giving time to prayer, silence, and trust, Jesus reveals that spiritual strength grows where time is intentionally placed in God's hands.

Lent invites us to follow this same path. It is a season to examine whether our schedules leave room for prayer, Scripture, and quiet attentiveness to God. This may require setting aside certain distractions or habits so that time can be reclaimed for what matters most. When we intentionally place God at the center of our days, gratitude deepens, trust grows, and stewardship becomes a way of life.

By embracing these 40 days with purpose, we prepare our hearts to celebrate Easter renewed, restored, and ready to live more fully as disciples of Christ.

2ND COLLECTION MARCH 1—ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Your support of the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal impacts lives. Your gift helps provide ministries, programs and services that benefit the people and parishes of the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

Pruning, Plants, and Predominant Faults: Rooting Out Your Main Defect

By Tina Mayeux

Weeding and pruning her plants inspired Tina Mayeux to discover ways to identify and root out her predominant fault.

Caring for plants is not one of my strong suits. In our home, we have exactly two houseplants, both of which are relatively low-maintenance and can survive with a minimal amount of care and watering.

Even so, every few weeks I must pull off the dead leaves that result from my neglect to keep them looking healthy. Hopefully, my gardening skills will improve as my children get older, as my priorities have been feeding and nurturing the kids rather than the houseplants up to now.

Our souls can be like these neglected houseplants, with the dead leaves being our bad habits, sins, and faults. When we do not water our souls with prayer and the sacraments, we may discover more of those dead leaves of sin present in our lives.

Even more difficult to prune than the houseplants are the flower beds in our yard, continually being taken over by pesky weeds. Trying to pull these weeds out by the roots can require immense patience and strength, as they are often deep and firmly embedded in the soil. Like these roots in the flower bed, our predominant fault is often so firmly entrenched that weeding it out can be quite a challenge.

I was introduced to the concept of the predominant fault by a priest who served as my spiritual director for a time. This fault is the defect that tends to prevail over all the others and is related to our individual temperament. Often, we are not even aware of our predominant fault, which can even disguise itself as a virtue, making it an even tougher weed to identify and root out of our lives.

A predominant fault may be identified as a tendency towards pride, gluttony, anger, or another area of sin. It is not easy or pleasant to think about our failures and weaknesses; however, like trimming the leaves on the houseplants, when we get rid of the undesirable parts, our beauty becomes apparent.

What are some ways we can identify and root out our tendencies to sin, especially our predominant fault? This is a timely question for Lent and one I had been asking myself as I prepared for Ash Wednesday and this season of penitence. Using resources from my spiritual director, I found a guide to attacking this prevailing defect and beginning the process of eliminating it. Although I am sure it will not happen overnight, I feel encouraged knowing I am identifying my weak areas and working towards conquering my tendency to sin. To determine what our predominant sin is, we should take a few steps:

ASK GOD FOR LIGHT

Asking the Holy Spirit for wisdom and light is the first step in discovering our weaknesses and sins. It is suggested that we pray a prayer like this one:

FEBRUARY 22, 2026 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Lord, make me know the obstacles I more or less consciously place in the way of the working of Thy grace in me. Then give me the strength to rid myself of them, and, if I am negligent in doing so, do Thou deign to free me from them, though I should suffer greatly.

This is a difficult prayer to pray for sure, but necessary to begin to pull those weeds out by the roots.

EXAMINE YOUR CONSCIENCE

The next step is to identify the weeds and give them a name. Before we can eliminate our faults, we must know what they are so we can counter them with opposing virtues. Through prayerful reflection and a good examination, we ask ourselves questions such as: *What do I think about and desire? What do I fear? What affects my emotions and makes me happy, sad, angry, and worried? What are my temptations and sins?*

Then, we sincerely try to uncover the motivation for our actions and sins. Answering these questions can help us to put a name to the particular vice we are struggling with.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION AND CONFESSION

Seeking guidance from a spiritual director or confessor can shed light on what our weaknesses are and how to address and eliminate them from our lives. Of course, we bring our predominant fault and all other faults we identify to the Sacrament of Reconciliation to receive absolution and forgiveness and the grace to try and avoid these sins in the future.

Lent is a perfect time to begin the process of pruning away our sins. Just as those dry, brown leaves and stubborn weeds will return time after time, our faults may cause us to sin repeatedly, even after we have resolved to conquer these faults. When we fall, as we inevitably will, we examine our conscience, go to Confession, and start again.

Maintaining our plants and gardens can be quite a task, as is keeping our souls free from sin. The good news is that with diligent care, nurturing, and a whole lot of patience, we can learn to overcome our faults and grow in God's grace.



2026 CALENDAR GIFT CARD DRAWING COMING SOON!

St. Peter Church will again hold the popular Calendar Gift Card Raffle — April 10 through May 31.

If you have any unused cards or would like to purchase gift cards in the narthex after mass or purchase cards and/or certificates from local businesses to donate to this fundraiser, please drop them off at the Parish Office, Monday—Friday, 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., before March 8.

We have six cards so far and will need to fill all 31 days in May for the raffle. All proceeds go to our "Paint the Church" project.

Thanks so much,
Your Parish Council

2026 Lenten Food Drive

The Lenten Food Drive is in support of Pacifica Resource Center beginning Wednesday, February 18, 2026.. Please place your newly purchased (or unexpired) nonperishable food items in the boxes located in the Narthex.

The following are food items being requested:

- Jam and/or Jelly
- Pasta & Pasta Sauce
- Rice (regular or instant)
- Beans (canned & whole)
- Canned Vegetables, Potatoes, Fruit, Olives
- Powdered and/or Canned Milk
- Cooking Oil and/or Vinegar
- Baking products, including Flour & Sugar
- Pancake and/or Waffle Mix
- Tea and/or Coffee (ground & instant)
- Hearty Soups
- Beef Stew
- Canned Protein:
Tuna, Chicken, Salmon, Spam, Vienna Sausages
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Ravioli & other canned meals
- Diapers (sizes 4, 5 & 6) & Wipes
- New T-shirts and/or Sweat Pants (Adult: M & L)
- Can openers
- Deodorant/Razors/Shaving Cream
- Condiments: Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Mustard
- Grocery Store Gift Cards

Pacifica Resource Center will accept any additional *non-expired & nonperishable* grocery items not on this list for their pantry and, any monetary contributions for programs and services.

For information and/or questions, please call 650-738-7470 or email info@pacresourcecenter.org.

(Pacifica Resource Center is a 501c3 nonprofit; Tax ID 81-1496989. Their mission is to support the economic security of Pacifica families and individuals by providing a safety net of food, housing assistance, and other critical services, including coaching, advocacy, information, and referral.)

Notice of Mass Time Change

Monday, February 23, 2026
Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 A.M.

The 5:30 P.M. Mass has been cancelled, this day only.

FEBRUARY 22, 2026 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY COLLECTION | FEBRUARY 15, 2026

Offertory	\$8,481.77
Maintenance	\$1,831.00
Ash Wednesday	\$3,808.00

2025 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Assessment: \$62,962.00
Collected: \$52,213.00 Balance: \$10,213.00

The 2025 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal
 Status Balance Report.

**PARISH SOFT ONLINE COLLECTION
 FEBRUARY 7–13, 2026 | \$1,096.01**

Offertory	\$974.54
Maintenance Fund	\$28.08
Church Roof Fund	\$28.08
Religious Education	\$19.07
Saint Vincent de Paul	\$28.08
Archdiocese Annual Appeal	\$19.07

To sign up for *St. Peter Parish Soft Online Giving*, please go to our website at <https://stpetrpacifica.org>.

At the Home Page go to Giving, go to Support Your Parish and click on the box that says Online Giving, click on Sign-In, click Create Account, and input your information.

Parish Soft Online Giving—877-316-0260. option 2.

PARISH CALENDAR FEB. 23– MAR. 1, 2026

MON 23

8:30 A.M. Daily Mass (*time change this day only*)
 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy

TUE 24

8:30 A.M. Daily Mass
 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 3:45 P.M. Religious Education
 3:45 P.M. Confirmation
 7:00 P.M. OCIA

WED 25

8:30 A.M. Daily Mass
 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 3:00 P.M. Religious Education
 3:00 P.M. Confirmation
 7:00 P.M. Confirmation
 7:00 P.M. Choir Practice

THU 26

8:30 A.M. Daily Mass
 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy

FRI 27

8:30 A.M. Daily Mass
 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy

SAT 28

3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 3:30 P.M. Sacrament of Reconciliation
 4:30 P.M. Mass

SUN 1

8:30 A.M. Mass
 11:00A.M. Mass

ST. PETER GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER

Amazon	25.00
Chevron	50.00 & 100.00
Ross	25.00
Safeway	50.00 & 100.00
Shell	50.00 & 100.00
Starbucks	10.00
Target	25.00
Union 76	100.00
Visa	50.00 & 100.00

Sales take place
 after each
 weekend mass or
 at the
 Parish Office
 Monday – Friday
 9 A.M. – 5 P.M.

To sign up for **FLOCKNOTE**,
 a Catholic Communication, please visit

<https://saintpeter.flocknote.com>

or submit your name, mobile number and email
 to the Parish Office.

Please contact the Parish Office at 650-359-6313 to request your **2025 Tax Contribution Letter**. It takes about 1 1/2 weeks to receive the letter.

For your Parish Soft (formerly WeShare) **2025 Tax Contribution Information** go to <https://giving.myparishsoft.io/app/giving/WeShare-20000694>



**TERESA
HOSKINS**
REAL ESTATE, INC.

Realtor® DRE#01905175
BA Economics
KW Peninsula Estates
teresa.hoskins@kw.com



Please scan
for a free
Market Report.

KW Advisors

Each office is independently
owned and operated.

415.519.9729



650.359.5360

Home – Security Systems
Electrical Services – Telephone Systems

Residential | Commercial | Industrial
License No. C10-309056



Family Owned & Operated
Dan, Matt & Joey Duggan

Traditional & Cremation Services
3 Indoor Reception Rooms
2 Outside Reception Areas
Unlimited Parking
Most Convenient & Reasonable Costs

650.756.4500
500 Westlake Avenue



Please scan with your cell phone
to visit Duggans-Serra.com

Space Available

St. Peter Advertisement is
advertised on the back page of
our Bulletin, our Website and
our Facebook Page.

AL'S CARPETS

carpet – vinyl – tile
laminated – hardwood
Flooring

Allen S. Olsen
650.355.0640



OmniFund.inc
Integrity • Honesty •
Competitiveness



Melissa Irish

Melissa Wagner Irish
Home Loan Officer
NMLS 2113491 | DRE 02167153
650.455.8236 cell
mwagnerirish@gmail.com

Pre Approval, Purchase, Refi | Contact me to learn your options.
Knowledge is power.

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

700 ODDSTAD BLVD., PACIFICA, CA 94044
Tele: 650.359.6313 | Email: stpeterpacifica@comcast.net

BULLETIN ADVERTISEMENT

We are grateful
for our
Advertisers

Space Available

HST Home Sales
Team, Inc.



Noemi Barba Aguiñaga
Realtor®—Hablo Español
DRE # 02200242

Noemi@HomeSalesTeamInc.com

650.201.0277

580 Crespi Dr., Ste. A2, Pacifica, CA 94044

To Register at St. Peter Parish,
visit <https://stpeterpacifica.org>
and click on *Resources* and then
click on *Parish Registration*.

Print the Form, fill-out and re-
turn to the Parish Office.

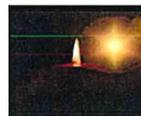
Space Available

Space Available

Please support our *Advertisers*
and refer your family and
friends to them.

St. Peter is grateful for the help
and support they give to our
Parish.

5-day
Devotional Candles
\$3.50 per candle
at the Parish Office



Space Available

Space Available

Are you the owner of a
Small or Large Business?
Advertising is the best way to
reach new business and to
reach the people who matter
most to your business.