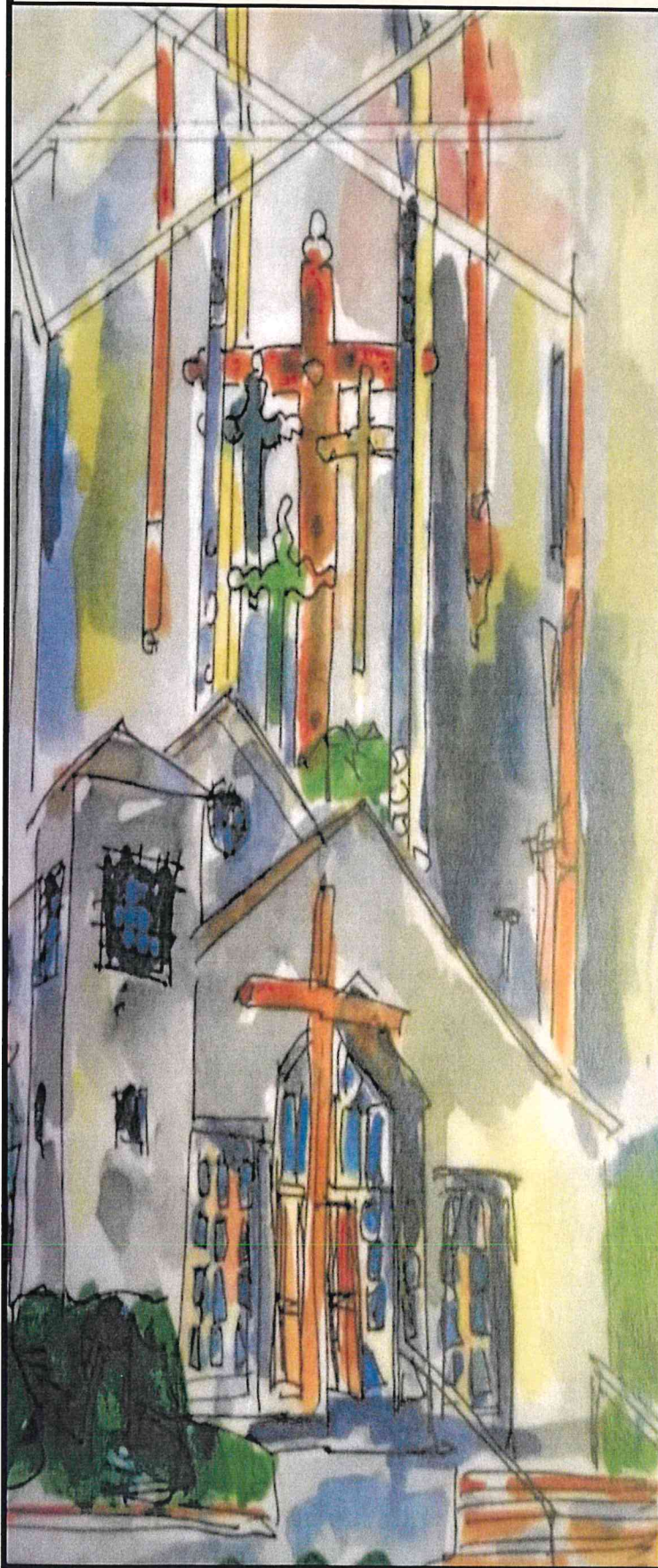


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Sacrament of Eucharist

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: 8:30 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.

*Easter Sunday
of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 20, 2025*

On this day of days we offer a joyful sacrifice of praise to
the Father who raised his Son from the dead.

Let us be intent upon the life

Christ offers us,

Christ our Passover who has been sacrificed.

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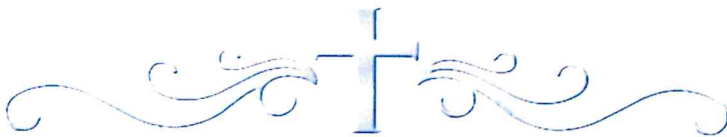
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MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 21—27, 2025

MASS READINGS



Mon	21	5:30 P.M.	†Carmen Trigueros
Tue	22	8:30 A.M.	†Mary Clark
Wed	23	8:30 A.M.	†Epifanio & Miguela Olivas
Thu	24	8:30 A.M.	†Jacqueline Frances Clinton
Fri	25	8:30 A.M.	†Donna Pagan
Sat	26	4:30 P.M.	†Dr. Philip Sanfilippo
Sun	27	8:30 A.M.	People of St. Peter Parish
		11:00 A.M.	†Lucien George Romero

Mon	21	Reading <i>Acts</i> 2:14,22-33 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalms</i> 16:1-2a,5,7-11 Gospel <i>Matthew</i> 28:8-15
Tue	22	Reading <i>Acts</i> 2:36-41 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalms</i> 33:4-5,18-20,22 Gospel <i>John</i> 20:11-18
Wed	23	Reading <i>Acts</i> 3:1-10 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalms</i> 105:1-4,6-9 Gospel <i>Luke</i> 24:13-35
Thu	24	Reading <i>Acts</i> 3:11-26 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalms</i> 8:2a,5-9 Gospel <i>Luke</i> 24:35-48
Fri	25	Reading <i>Acts</i> 4:1-12 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalms</i> 118:1-2,4,22-27a Gospel <i>John</i> 21:1-14
Sat	26	Reading <i>Acts</i> 4:13-21 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalms</i> 118:1,14-15b,16-21 Gospel <i>Mark</i> 16:9-15
Sun	27	Reading I <i>Acts</i> 5:12-16 Responsorial Psalm <i>Psalms</i> 118:2-4,13-15,22-24 Reading II <i>Revelation</i> 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19 Gospel <i>John</i> 20:19-31

We thank God for you and your loving service to
St. Peter Church and the Parish Community.

Thank you for your time, talent and treasure in
preparation for this most Holy Easter Season

God Bless you for your generosity and thank you
for being a blessing to so many.

Wishing you a Blessed Easter Season



April 20, 2025 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



He is risen! He is truly risen! This is what the celebration of Easter is all about — the truth that Jesus was crucified for our sins and three days later rose from the dead, conquering death once and for all.

We know it's true, but this Easter Sunday, let's ask ourselves if we live as if it's true. Do we live as witnesses to the glorious reality of the Resurrection?

A witness, of course, is one with first-hand knowledge. Our readings today focus not only on the Resurrection itself, but also on those who were witnesses to it.

In the Gospel, St. John describes the very first witnesses to the empty tomb, Mary Magdalene, John ("the disciple whom Jesus loved"), and Peter. Each had an individual "experience" of the empty tomb. Each went up close to see for themselves what Jesus' love had accomplished.

How can we as Christian stewards all these years later see for ourselves and so become His witnesses? We "see for ourselves" when we prayerfully read the Scriptures knowing they are a living love letter from God with a message to each one of us. We "see for ourselves" each time we receive the precious Body and Blood of our Lord in the Eucharist. We "see for ourselves" when we experience His personal and healing power in our hearts during Reconciliation. We "see for ourselves" when we pour out our lives in loving service to those around us and experience the deep satisfaction that only comes when we are imitating our Savior.

This Easter, resolve to live as if the saving power of the Resurrection is true. Experience Jesus for yourself every day from now on. You will be a powerful witness to the truth that He is risen! He is truly risen!

SECOND COLLECTION FOR APRIL 27, 2025 — CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS

"Home Missions" is the name for dioceses and parishes in the United States, including its territories and former territories, which cannot provide basic pastoral services to Catholics without outside help. Basic pastoral services include Mass and sacraments, religious education, and ministry training.

WHEN SCREEN TIME BECOMES SINFUL — AND HOW TO SAFEGUARD YOUR SENSES

By Teresa Mull

A friend and I went on a long bike ride in a nearby state park last summer. We rode by a beautiful old hunting camp set back off a dirt road. I admired it, and my friend told me it used to be the site of a huge family reunion every year. “They don’t do it anymore,” she said. “People get busy, I guess,” she mused. I shrugged and guessed she was right. We *are* all very busy these days, aren’t we? Or *are* we? Do we have to be?

“The biggest disease in North America is busyness,” said Thomas Merton — and that was before smartphones arrived on the scene and sabotaged so much of our free time. In my new book, *Woke-Proof Your Life A Handbook on Escaping Modern, Political Madness and Shielding Yourself and Your Family by Living a More Self-Sufficient, Fulfilling Life*, I label Big Tech as a Big Problem, and not just because the internet and social media are the vehicles by which so much woke influence is born, bred, disseminated, and festers. As our technology has advanced at warp speed, behavior that ignites the human faculties keeps being circumvented, and it’s commonly replaced by mindless scrolling that distracts from our Christian duty toward others and often stimulates unproductive emotions.

Consider that, despite our astounding technological advancements and widespread material wealth, we, as a nation, now have higher depression, fewer friends, and greater alienation than our parents’ or grandparents’ generations did. Also consider that too much screen time also increases inactivity, obesity, isolation, depression, anxiety, eye strain, poor posture, wrinkles, and sleep irregularities. Despite being a supposedly “social” platform that makes communication easier, social media tends to make us lonelier. It’s designed to suck us in and keep us checking up on other people, and research has found apps like Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram, and the like to be more addictive than smoking and alcohol — and just as harmful.

Physically, mentally, and spiritually, screen time is capable of ruin on all levels — *if* we let it. We must ask ourselves if we’re using our remarkable technology as a resource — discovering or communicating fruitful news and information, being fortified by a community, taking part in a health-giving routine, and so on — or if our devices are a recourse for filling time.

We’ve all seen it and likely done it ourselves: we’re told to sit down and wait at a doctor’s office, at the airport, in line at the post office, and the first thing we do is pull out our phone. For what? It didn’t ring or buzz. We didn’t receive a message. We’re looking for a distraction, for momentary entertainment. The time we used to fill by striking up a pleasant conversation with our neighbor, saying a prayer, philosophizing internally, or musing on the way interior paint colors are developed is now filled with silent head noise, as we’re all absorbed in a virtual world that’s filling our time and keeping the brain just-amused-enough so that it doesn’t have to think for itself.

Let us harken back to a time when people weren’t worn thin by the constant pings, dings, and rings of their cell phones. Chats on the telephone took place at convenient and appropriate times — not unexpectedly at any and all hours of the day and night — while driving, grocery shopping, or hiking in the forest. Conversations were generally planned, polite, and purposeful. News and information were relayed for an hour in the evening and *only* for an hour in the evening, as well as in publications that were (generally) thoughtfully written, printed, and mailed out, to be consumed in a measured manner. Entertainment, too, was something to be sought-after, not thrust upon you first-thing in the morning with a video of a Filipina TikToker “lip-syncing and bopping her head to the rhythm of the viral Millie B song.” (This mind-numbingly inane 10-second video has racked-up 683.4 million views on TikTok.)

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Now of course, texts, emails, “news,” and entertainment are everywhere. Data reports vary on the amount of time the average American spends in front of a screen, but even the low-end estimates are appalling: in 2018, a *New York Post* story reported, “Americans spend nearly half of their waking hours (42 percent) looking at a screen.”

We must ask ourselves if we’re truly “busy” — productively so — or just distracted? Are we too “busy” freaking out over the latest mainstream media news story, or envying how comfortable and convenient our neighbors’ lives are, or trying desperately to convince them that *our* lives are perfect, to attend a family reunion? What could be more important than getting together with family once a year, in the woods, where there’s no cell phone service, but there is sunshine, warmth, tall, perfumed pine trees, a cozy cottage, a campfire, laughter, nature, love, and joy? What’s the point of everything, if not an annual family reunion in the forest?

Technology is, of course, a wonderful blessing from God, but cell phones are designed to addict us and distract us from God and from the needs of our neighbors. Our human appetites are boundless, which is why God provided very clear-cut guardrails for how to moderate ourselves. To allow online outrage, social media, and so forth to overshadow the overwhelming beauty and goodness of our world and to consume us completely, to the point that we’re constantly agitated and distracted from nobler work or numb to our surroundings, is a disservice to God and His countless gifts.

Let us ask ourselves the purpose of our screen time: is social media bringing you closer to God by strengthening Christ-centered relationships, supplying you with a community of likeminded believers who inform, inspire, and invigorate you life? Or is it diverting you from the beauty of God’s creation, distracting your attention from His goodness, and putting you in a sour mood most of the time? Remain attentive to these questions and use your devices as tools — and sparingly.

Be selective in what your eyes and mind absorb. You wouldn’t open your mouth and let random strangers put any sort of unknown substance into your body, would you? Then why risk the same thing with your eyes, mind, and soul? You are what you eat. And watch, and hear, and read, and so forth. By consuming whatever Big Tech (including the mainstream media) throws at us, we’re essentially filling our minds with junk food, and it has the same negative effects on our souls as cheap, mass-produced, fake fast food has on our bodies.

Try incorporating these practices into your daily screen routine:

- Designate phoneless areas of your home and commit to phoneless activities: walking in nature, going to the gym (you’ll make more friends without your earbuds!), dinnertime, sitting in waiting rooms, and so on.
- If your phone causes you to sin, cut it off: leave it at home, in your purse, whatever.
- Consider significantly reducing your social media usage or getting rid of social media all together.
- Limit your consumption of news to an hour a day. Find *one* news program to watch, or *one* newspaper to read, or *one* podcast to listen to, and leave it at that. Wear a watch. If you’re like me, you use your phone as a time-piece, but checking it can lead to reading emails and texts.

If you like to unwind by perusing social media, website, etc., set a timer and discipline yourself. It’s far too easy to be carried away and waste time on these platforms.

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GIFT CARD CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

Tickets are on sale for the St. Peter Church Gift Card (Calendar) Fundraiser, after all the weekend Masses, through May 25. Beginning on May 1st, a daily drawing will take place, and winners will receive a great gift card or certificate in support of local businesses. Winners will be notified by phone, and winning tickets will be returned to the *Raffle Barrel Drum* — so there will be multiple chances to win!

Tickets are \$25.00 each or 5 tickets for \$100.00. Cash or check (payable to St. Peter Church) are welcome. At the end of May, surprise drawings may occur — with even more chances to win!

All proceeds will be donated to the “It’s Time — Let’s Paint the Church!” effort.

A THANK YOU LETTER FROM PACIFICA RESOURCE CENTER

A letter dated April 4, 2025 was received by Ms. Rees, which stated, “Thank you for your generous contribution to *Pacifica Resource Center* of 15 bags of groceries from your *Lenten Food Drive* received on March 10, 2025; and 26 bags received on March 17, 2025. With your gift, we continue to support the resilience and well-being of families and individuals in Pacifica and along the coast.

In February, we provided food to benefit 991 individuals from 544 families—an 18% increase in the number of families served compared to February 2024. At the same time, we prevented homelessness for nine Pacifica families through emergency financial assistance and provided homeless services to 34 households, including 35 showers through our shower program”.

Signed by, Anita M. Rees, Executive Director, Pacifica Resource Center
1809 Palmetto Ave., Pacifica, CA 94044 650-738-7470, www.pacresourcecenter.org

UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE

St. Peter Catholic Church, 700 Oddstad Blvd., Pacifica, CA 94044
May 11, 2025 @ 8:00 A.M.—12:15 P.M. in the Gymnasium

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APRIL 13, 2025 COLLECTION

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WE SHARE ONLINE COLLECTION

April 5 — 11, 2025 Total \$3,826.26

Offertory \$2,386.58
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Please visit <https://stpeterpacifica.org> and go to the Donation Heading at the top bar.

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Assessment: \$62,962.0
Collected: \$7,477.00 Balance: \$55,485.00

PARISH CALENDAR APRIL 21 — 27, 2025

Mon 21

3:00 P.M. Divine Mercy Novena
5:30 P.M. Evening Mass

Tue 22

8:30 A.M. Daily Mass
3:00 P.M. Divine Mercy Novena
3:45 P.M. Religious Education Classes
3:45 P.M. Confirmation Class
7:00 P.M. RCIA Class

Wed 23

8:30 A.M. Daily Mass
3:00 P.M. Divine Mercy Novena
3:00 P.M. Religious Education Classes
3:00 P.M. Confirmation Class
7:00 P.M. Confirmation Class
7:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal

Thu 24

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

Fri 25

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

Sat 26

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

Sun 27

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

ST. PETER CHURCH GIFT CARD — SOLD YEAR-ROUND

The St. Peter Gift Card Fundraiser is a fundraiser that takes place year-round. The gift cards are very popular and are used with very popular stores, including a Visa Gift Card that may be used at any retail store. They are the perfect gift for every occasion: birthdays, graduation, all holiday's, or just to say 'Thank You'. Do you purchase groceries, gifts or items for the home? Purchasing our Gift Cards helps support St. Peter. It is a gift that allows the recipient to purchase what they want or need. These cards are also very safe and you simply discard them when the total value is used.

Gift Cards sold after all the weekend masses and at the Parish Office, Monday—Friday, 9 A.M.—5 P.M.

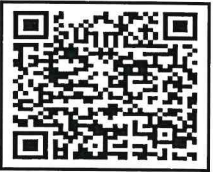
Gift Card Denomination (s) for sale and the **Rebate Percentage** made by St. Peter with each card sold:

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Visa	50.00 & 100.00	1.25%	Amazon	25.00	2%	Starbucks	10.00	4.5%
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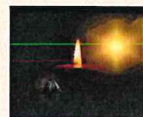
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