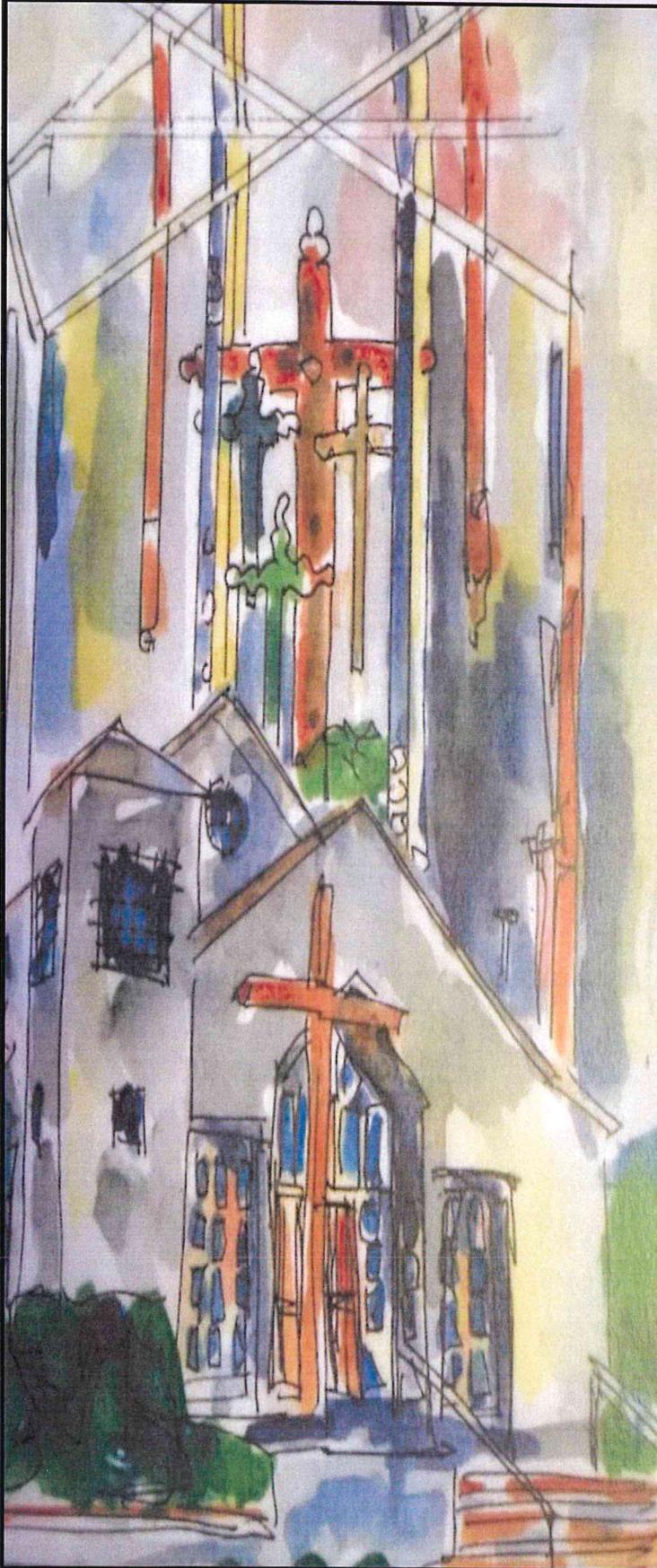


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Sacrament of Eucharist

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.

March 8, 2026

Third Sunday of Lent

*Jesus satisfies our thirst for eternal life.
Through his spirit his grace has poured
into our hearts.*

*God satisfies the thirst of the Israelites
whose hearts had
become hardened and rebellious.*

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MASS INTENTIONS

MARCH 9-15, 2026

MASS READINGS

Mon	9	5:30 P.M.	†Gregorio & Dorothea Galan
Tue	10	8:30 A.M.	†Max Altamirano
Wed	11	8:30 A.M.	†Mary Clark
Thu	12	8:30 A.M.	†Guadalupe Mariscal
Fri	13	8:30 A.M.	†Arlene Ryan
Sat	14	4:30 P.M.	†Rosalee June Navarro
Sun	15	8:30 A.M.	†Stella Gallagher
		11:00 A.M.	People of St. Peter

Saint Frances of Rome, Religious

Mon Reading *2 Kings* 5:1-15ab
 9 Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 42:2-3;43:3-4
 Gospel *Luke* 4:24-30

Tue Reading *Daniel* 3:25,34-43
 10 Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 25:4-5ab,6-7bc,8-9
 Gospel *Matthew* 18:21-35

Wed Reading *Deuteronomy* 4:1,5-9
 11 Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 147:12-13,15-16,19-20
 Gospel *Matthew* 5:17-19

Thu Reading *Jeremiah* 7:23-28
 12 Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 95:1-2,6-9
 Gospel *Luke* 11:14-23

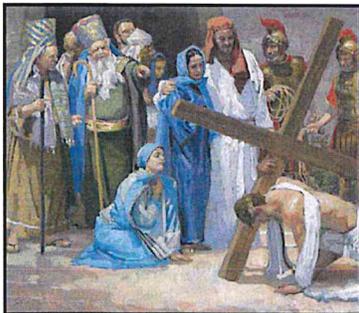
Fri Reading *Hosea* 14:2-10
 13 Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 81:6c-11b,14,17
 Gospel *Mark* 12:28-34

Sat Reading *Hosea* 6:1-6
 14 Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 51:3-4,18-21b
 Gospel *Luke* 18:9-14

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Sun Reading I *Samuel* 16:1b,6-7,10-13a
 15 Responsorial Psalm *Psalm* 23:1-6
 Reading II *Ephesians* 5:8-14
 Gospel *John* 9:1-41

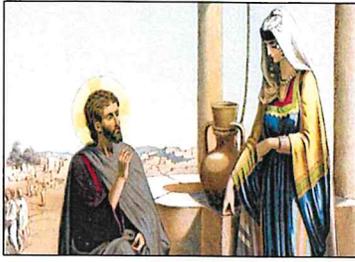
STATIONS OF THE CROSS



March 13, 20, 27, 2026

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

March 8, 2026 Third Sunday of Lent



The readings for this Third Sunday of Lent center on the theme of thirst, revealing both our deep human longing for God and Christ's own thirst for souls. They remind us that a stewardship way of life both satisfies our spiritual thirst and invites us to participate in God's saving work in the lives of others.

In our first reading from Exodus, the Israelites find themselves in the desert without water. Their fear quickly turns to complaint, and they grumble against Moses despite all God has done to free them from slavery. It is easy to judge them, yet their response mirrors our own at times. When we face uncertainty, discomfort, or unanswered prayers, we too can forget how faithfully God has provided for us in the past.

Still, when Moses cries out to the Lord, God responds with generosity, instructing him to strike the rock so water flows for the people. God's care did not end in the desert. He continues to provide for His people today, meeting both our material and spiritual needs. Every breath we take, every blessing we enjoy, every opportunity placed before us is evidence of His ongoing generosity. A stewardship way of life begins when we recognize this truth and respond not with complaint or fear, but with gratitude and trust.

St. Paul deepens this understanding in his Letter to the Romans, reminding us that God's generosity is not limited to material provision. Rather, He pours His very love into our hearts: "The love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit." This gift is not given because we have earned it. In fact, Paul tells us, "God proves His love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us."

This is the heart of stewardship. Everything we have — our time, abilities, and resources — is first a gift. We are loved and blessed even in our weakness. When we truly grasp this, gratitude naturally leads us to generosity. We begin to see our lives not as possessions to guard, but as gifts to share. Such generosity becomes a powerful witness that can lead others to Christ and help satisfy His thirst for souls.

This movement from receiving to sharing is beautifully illustrated in today's Gospel encounter between Jesus

and the Samaritan woman at the well. Jesus begins with a humble request: "Give me a drink." She is surprised that He would even speak to her, yet this simple exchange opens the door to a life-changing conversation.

Jesus tells her that He can offer living water — water that truly satisfies: "Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." At first, she thinks only in practical terms, but gradually she comes to recognize that Christ is speaking about a deeper thirst — the longing of the human heart for God.

These words are spoken to us as well. Christ asks something of us — our trust, our time, our generosity — yet He first desires to fill us with His grace. Stewardship is not simply about giving things away; it is about allowing Christ to fill our lives so completely that His grace overflows into the lives of others.

The Gospel also reminds us that God calls ordinary, imperfect people to share His message. The Samaritan woman had a complicated past and was an unlikely evangelist. Yet after encountering Christ, she leaves her water jar behind and runs to tell others about Him. Her testimony leads many in her village to believe.

The same pattern holds true today. Christ does not wait for perfect people; He calls each of us as we are.

Through simple acts of generosity, service, hospitality, and witness, we help others encounter Him. Often, we do not even realize the impact our small acts of stewardship can have in drawing someone closer to Christ.

Lent offers us a privileged time to examine where we still thirst and where we hesitate to trust God's provision. It is also an opportunity to renew our commitment to live as stewards — people who gratefully receive God's gifts and generously share them for the good of others.

Christ continues to say to each of us, "Give me a drink." He invites us to share what we have so that others may encounter Him. As we allow His living water to fill our hearts, we become instruments through which His grace flows to a thirsty world.

This Lent, may we respond to His invitation with renewed faith and commitment. By living as grateful and generous stewards, we help quench Christ's thirst for the salvation of souls and lead many more to the living water that alone satisfies.

Healing Mass

Saturday, March 14, 2026 at 11:00 A.M.

St. Peter Church will offer a "Healing Mass" for those who would like to receive the special blessings offered through reception of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

While every Mass confers spiritual healing through the power of the Holy Eucharist, a Healing Mass focuses on the restoration of health through the power of the Holy Spirit. A desire for healing may be physical, spiritual, or emotional.

Mass will be followed by a light buffet luncheon in the Religious Education Center.

If you would like to participate, please R.S.V.P. by Tuesday, March 10, 2026 to the Parish Office at 650-359-6313.

MARCH 15 SECOND COLLECTION – CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

U.S. Catholics have the opportunity to give to those most in need when churches participate in their bishops' annual Catholic Relief Services (CRS) collection. The collection aids immigrants and victims of war and disease.

"Our Lord tells us to love our neighbors — those we know, those we don't and those we think are very different from us," he said. "The Catholic Relief Services Collection is one way that we show that love. Today it is more vital than ever."

In 2025, the CRS distributed \$13.5 million from the fund, including \$8 million to relief in areas affected by war and natural disasters.

Other recipients include The Catholic Legal Immigration Network (CLINIC), which trains and supports Catholic immigration lawyers; the USCCB Secretariat of Migration, which helps dioceses support immigrants; the USCCB Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church's pastoral ministry to immigrants and its Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Island Affairs; the USCCB Secretariat of Justice and Peace; and the Holy Father's Relief Fund.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ST. PETER CHURCH

MARCH 8, 2026 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

LENT TELLS GOD'S *LOVE* STORY

A Lenten Retreat at St. Peter Church
Saturday, March 21, 2026
1:00 P.M. to 2:15 P.M.



Featuring
Sister Celeste Arbuckle, S.S.S.
of the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

Our Lenten retreat will gather us into some of the great scripture stories of our season, and how God's love calls us to be disciples of love. The time will include reflection on the scriptures, poetry, and music.

The retreat will begin promptly at 1:00 P.M. in the church.

Please arrive early to take your seat.

The retreat will conclude at 2:15 P.M.

Light refreshments will be served
in the narthex immediately following the retreat.

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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.)

2026 CALENDAR GIFT CARD DRAWING COMING SOON!

St. Peter Church will 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 5:30 P.M.,
DUE MARCH 10.

We have 11 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

MARCH 8, 2026 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY COLLECTION | MARCH 1, 2026

Offertory \$4,597.00
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2026 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

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PARISH CALENDAR MARCH 9—15, 2026

MON 9

3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 5:30 P.M. Daily Mass

TUE 10

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 11

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 12

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

FRI 13

8:30 A.M. Daily Mass
 9:00 A.M. Stations of the Cross
 3:00 P.M. Chaplet of Divine Mercy

SAT 14

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

SUN 15

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

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