

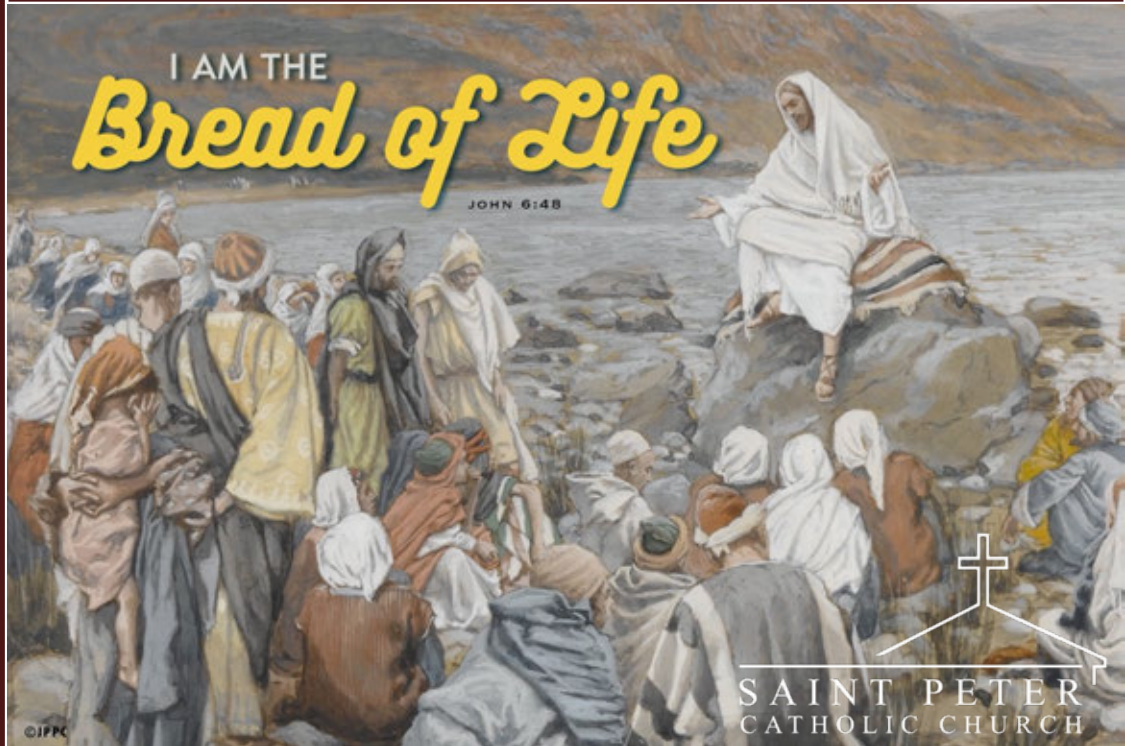
August 1, 2021



Nothing Compares to Being Here...

18th

Sunday in
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Nothing Compares to Being There

Archdiocese of Philadelphia

All of us know instinctively that nothing compares to “being there” in person. Whether it’s being at a friend’s wedding, sitting down to have a heart-to-heart conversation, comforting family members while they are grieving or watching as your baby takes their first steps, we all know that being physically present makes all the difference. The same logic applies to our life as Catholics. Especially when it comes to the Mass, truly, nothing compares to *being there*.

The *Nothing Compares* initiative is an opportunity for parishes to issue a heartfelt invitation to parishioners to return to the in-person celebration of the Mass after the many long months of the pandemic. It draws upon the central truth of our Christian faith that Jesus Christ encounters and saves us *in the flesh*, through in-person presence.

***“I have greatly
desired to eat this
Supper with you.”*** cf.
Luke 22:15



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First Reading

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15

The whole Israelite community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The Israelites said to them, "Would that we had died at the LORD's hand in the land of Egypt, as we sat by our fleshpots and ate our fill of bread! But you had to lead us into this desert to make the whole community die of famine!" Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will now rain down bread from heaven for you. Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not. "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them: In the evening twilight you shall eat flesh, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread, so that you may know that I, the LORD, am your God." In the evening quail came up and covered the camp. In the morning a dew lay all about the camp, and when the dew evaporated, there on the surface of the desert were fine flakes like hoarfrost on the ground. On seeing it, the Israelites asked one another, "What is this?" for they did not know what it was. But Moses told them, "This is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

Responsorial:

Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54

R. The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Second Reading

Eph 4:17, 20-24

Brothers and sisters: I declare and testify in the Lord that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds; that is not how you learned Christ, assuming that you have heard of him and were taught in him, as truth is in Jesus, that you should put away the old self of your former way of life, corrupted through deceitful desires, and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self, created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth.

Gospel Reading

Jn 6:24-35

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into boats and came to Capernaum looking for Jesus. And when they found him across the sea they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus answered them and said, "Amen, amen, I say to you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate the loaves and were filled. Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him the Father, God, has set his seal." So they said to him, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent." So they said to him, "What sign can you do, that we may see and believe in you? What can you do? Our ancestors ate manna in the desert, as it is written: He gave them bread from heaven to eat." So Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

Gathering: *Sing to the Mountains (BB 534)*

Sing to the mountains, sing to the sea. Raise your voices, lift your hearts. This is the day the Lord has made. Let all the earth rejoice.

1. I will give thanks to you, my Lord. You have answered my plea. You have saved my soul from death. You are my strength and my song.
2. Holy, holy, holy Lord. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
3. This is the day the Lord has made. Let us be glad and rejoice. Death has lost and all is life. Sing of the glory of God.

Responsorial Psalm: *Ps 95 If Today You Hear His Voice (BB 789)*

Offertory: *Bread of Angels (BB 367)*

1. Bread of angels, we receive you; with us now abide. Precious Jesus, manna of ages, with us now reside. Panis angélicus fit panis hóminum, Dat panis cáelicus figúris términum.
2. Cup of Mercy overflowing, fill us with your grace; wine of passion, O Son begotten, we flee to your embrace. O res mirábilis mandúcat Dóminum, Pauper, Pauper, servus, et húmilis.

Communion: *I Am the Bread of Life (BB 325)*

And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, and I will raise you up on the last day.

1. I am the Bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; and who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.
2. The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever.
3. Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you.

Sending Forth: *New Creation (BB 572)*

From death to life: I no longer live, but Christ now lives in me. Clothed in righteousness and crowned with holiness, we are new. Alleluia!

1. See: the old is dead and gone. Behold: new things have come. Fit us for salvation. Alleluia, alleluia. Delight in redemption's song.
2. O Lord Jesus, wash away all of sin and death's decay. Make us new creations. Alleluia, alleluia. Delight in redemption's song.





Sing

11:00 Mass

Gathering: *In This Place (SS 219)*

We are gathered at table as one in the Lord. We are gathered as people who are living the Word. Our hearts and our spirits are nurtured by grace. It is Jesus who fills us. He is here in this place.

1. We are all hungry people, we need shelter and strength. We are one in our hurting, we are one in our pain. In our suffering and sadness, we are saved by the grace of the power and the Spirit that is here in this place.
2. All our lives are a Myst'ry; we see not where they lead. We are asked now to trust you and we know we must believe. As our feet become Christ's feet, we go forth with the grace of the power and the Spirit that is here in this place.

Responsorial Psalm: *Ps 95 If Today You Hear His Voice (SS 81)*

Offertory: *New Creation (SS 125)*

From death to life: I no longer live, but Christ now lives in me. Clothed in righteousness and crowned with holiness, we are new. Alleluia!

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Communion: *Do This In Memory of Me (SS 246)*

Take the living bread of life, take the cup of sacrifice; do this in memory of me. Take the body and the blood, given freely out of love; do this in memory of me; do this in memory of me.

1. I am the bread of life; all who believe in me will have eternal life. I am the bread of life come down from heaven so that all who eat this bread will never die.
2. I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will not hunger again. I am the bread of life; no one can come to me unless the Father draws them near to him.
3. Amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you shall not have life. All who will eat my flesh and drink my blood will have eternal life, and I will raise them up again.

Sending Forth: *I Could Sing of Your Love Forever (CCLI)*

I could sing of Your love forever. I could sing of Your love forever. I could sing of Your love forever. I could sing of Your love forever.

1. Over the mountains and the sea. Your river runs with love for me. And I will open up my heart. And let the Healer set me free. I'm happy to be in the truth. And I will daily lift my hands. For I will always sing. Of when Your love came down yeah
2. Oh I feel like dancing. It's foolishness I know. But when the world has seen the light. They will dance with joy like we're dancing now.



Pray

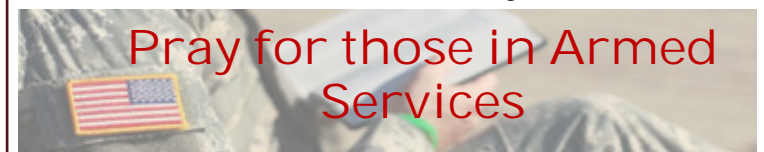
Pray for those remembered in our Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday	8:30 a.m.	John + Posey Cerra + All Living/Dec. Members of the Family
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Bunny Dunleavy
Wednesday	No Morning Mass	
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	1 st Anniv. Art Norek
Friday	8:30 a.m.	Thomas Burckhardt
Saturday	8:30 a.m.	Members of the Memorial Society
	5:00 p.m.	Sharon Bullock
Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Skip Kelly
	9:00 a.m.	Jack Moran
	11:00 a.m.	Intention of Robert Peters

The publication of the intention of the Mass in the Parish Bulletin fulfills the obligation to "announce" the intention of the Mass.



Jay Alger, Thomas Alvord, Jean Anderson, Steven Craig Anthony, Henry Assetto, Mary Ann Barber, Carol Beebe, Linda Belmonte, Austin Beltrante, Ginny Bingham, Ramon & Haydee Rodriguez Bonhomme, William Boyd, Melanie Boyle, Jim Bree, Larry Bridge, Donna & John Byrne, Don Cabott, Michael Cervone, Jack Clarkson, Leeann Clevestine, Elizabeth Dunn Couch, Mary Ann Cullen Jenna Cummings, Joseph D'Angelo, Ramsey DiLibero, Victor DiMartino, Megan Dixon, Jenny Doyle, Dave Dunlap, Walter Dworecki, Kelly Felins, Kate Fiore, Laurie Flynn, Elizabeth Ann Freehling, Margaret Gentry, Bud Griffin, Patti Hackett, Dick Harbaugh, Bill Harkness, Liam Hawk, Keri Herbert, Bruce Katz, David Kelley, Jerry Kelly, Kathleen Kelly, Kristy Fiore Kennedy, Peter Knebel, Pat Kenna, Richard Kern, Deborah Kirkwood, Bernard Korch, Doris Houston, Fr. Andy Lasko, James Leger, Sr. Marianne Lewis, Daniel & Kate Lewis, Barbara Lombardi, Bailey Lynch, John Lynch, Kurt Martin, Maryann Brown-Martin, Sharon McCreary, Clara Melitz, Charles Miller, Ed Morris, Beverly Mueller, Marybeth Mueller, Samuel Narisi, Louis Neal, Fr. John V. Oulds, Steven Pennock, Patrice Peterson, Angelo Pezzulo, Geri Phillip, Jim Porreca Edward Pristernik, Kathy Przychodzien, Mike Reber, Anne Riley, Rosie Roberts, Louise Sabo, Joe Santo, Joseph Scheuren, Barbara Schober, Sr. Irene Setlow, Toni Sharpless, Ruth Soto, Victoria Sparks, Sally Stieber, Mary Jo Tracy, Brandon Twiss, Tony Vabre, Chris Valentino, Greg Viscuso, George & Kim Walton, Christine Watson, Billy Weingartner, Mary Wirshup, Ron Yavorka, and all the residents of our nursing homes.



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Mon-Thurs 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil – 5:00 pm
 Sunday – 7 am, 9am, 11am
 Mon-Sat – 8:30 am
 No Wednesday Mass

Confessions:

Tues – 6:15 pm to 7:00 pm
 Sat – 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Prayer/Adoration:

Tues – Holy Hour (6-7 pm)
 Benediction (7 pm)
 Mon-Fri – 6am - 3pm (Chapel)

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Collection Breakdown

Sunday, July 25 th	\$17,169.66
Annual Fund	\$2,992.00
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You can make an online donation to Saint Peter through the Parish Support Initiative!



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If you need help or assistance or if you know of someone in need, please have them give us a call.

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Are you willing to make a one-morning-a-month commitment to serve on our team who visits homes & nursing homes served by our Parish? Contact us: 610-380-9045 | ministry@saintpeterchurch.net



Mission Youth Philly

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*Meeting Location: Our Lady of Peace Spiritual Center
 200 Milmont Ave, Folsom, PA 19033*

Saturday, August 28th
7:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

To register and learn more about the mission, please visit:
www.missionyouthphilly.com/calendar



Help Feed the Hungry!

Our food drive benefits the Honey Brook Food Pantry and takes place on the 4th full weekend of each month. Next one is August 28th-29th



St. Peter Community Garden

Still Time to Help at the Garden!

The food produced from our garden helps feed the hungry at the Honey Brook Food Pantry. Contact Lawrence if you like to dabble in the garden and are interested in helping our efforts.

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Looking for Lectors to Serve!

Are you discerning a call to assist with proclaiming the Word of God at weekend liturgies? Training will be taking place later this summer for those interested. Call or Email Robin:

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Cook food and visit people in need!

If you are interested in helping as a cook or visitor, please contact Ellen for more information:

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Registration is open and ongoing!

This program is for all children who attend Public, Charter Schools, or are Homeschooled.

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Sunday: 9:15 – 10:45 a.m.

Tuesday: 6:15 – 7:45 p.m.

Please go to the PREP page of the Parish website to find the Registration form and other materials.

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Spotlight of the Week



High Schoolers Had Fun at Their First Social of 2021!

Nearly 12 High Schoolers enjoyed making pizza and playing yard games on July 25th after the 11 a.m. Mass. This was our second event under the new youth ministry program here at Saint Peter. If you would like to learn more about Saint Peter Youth Ministry or receive more information about how to join, please email Ryan Morris or call the Parish office.

610-380-9045 | youth@saintpeterchurch.net

**LPC is Back! Registration is now open
for 2021!**



Little People Church

Attention parents of children ages 3 – 6 (entering Kindergarten). We are excited to announce that LPC is returning at Saint Peter! Please register your child(ren) on the PREP page of the Parish website.

The program will resume on September 19th.

Contact Sharon Bowman at

LPC@saintpeterchurch.net with questions.



Troop 56

August 23rd Golf Outing!

Troop 56 is holding a golf outing August 23rd at the Whitford Country Club to raise money for their High Adventure trip to Sea Base in Florida next summer.

The cost is \$150 per golfer (or \$550 per foursome) and includes golf, lunch, dinner and prizes. Sponsorship opportunities still available.

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