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<u>Mass Schedule:</u> Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am Monday - Friday 8:15am

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays one hour prior to Mass or by appointment (632-2541)

Sacrament of Baptism Please call the Parish Office

Parish Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 9am - Noon & 1pm - 4pm





STS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:18-19

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Saint Agnes Catholic Church

Today's Readings

Acts 12: 1-11 Psalm: 34 Second Timothy 4:6 - 8, 17-18 Matthew 16:13-19



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Sts. Peter And Paul, Apostles <u>Matthew 16:13-19</u>

What do you call brothers who are born on the same day? Twins, of course. That is what we celebrate today in the inestimable saints, Peter and Paul. Wait: twins? Yes. The early Church believed that Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome on the same day. Since the day of martyrdom is celebrated as a saints' birth into eternal life, the result is striking: Peter and Paul are twins in God's family, the Church.

Who should care about this? Well, anyone who longs to live in a world marked by love and peace. Remember, the Romans believed that twins, Romulus and Remus, founded their city through an act of fratricide, the former murdering the latter. Sadly, the structures of this fallen world emerge through violence between those who should love each other. But in the Church, a new city has been founded upon this new set of twins, embodying the non-violent power of Jesus' cross and resurrection.

That's why traditional icons represent Peter and Paul in a fraternal and warm embrace. Contrasted with the violence of Rome's founders, it challenges us with a bold claim: do we believe that structures of merciful love are more powerful and lasting than those based on power, violence, and domination? Am I willing to see others in my life as my "twin," with whom I am called to give my life for Christ, or as my rival? Am I committed to living what is embodied in Romulus and Remus, or in Peter and Paul?

— Father John Muir

This Week's Schedule

Monday, June 30, 2025 Daily Mass (8:15am) Intention: Antonio Tecson by Rita Tecson Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm) **Tuesday, July 1, 2025** Daily Mass (8:15am) Intention: †Fr. Donald J. O'Brien & Family by The Diocese of Grand Island Liturgy of the Hours (5:15pm) **Wednesday, July 2, 2025** Daily Mass (8:15am) Intention: Jacob & Emma Krul by Troy & Carol Herman Liturgy of the Hours (5:15pm) Contemplative Prayer (6:00pm) Thursday, July 3, 2025 Morning Mass (8:15am) Intention: For the Conversion of Souls by Troy & Carol Herman Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm) Friday, July 4, 2025 Daily Mass (8:15am) Intention: For Our Parish Liturgy of the Hours (5:15 pm) Saturday, July 5, 2025 Weekend Mass (5:00pm) Intention: †Doris Flohr by Susan Flohr Sunday, July 6, 2025 Weekend Mass (8:00am) Intention: †Mary Carson by The Carson Family Weekend Mass (10:00am) Intention: †LaVone Pieper by Rod & Ellen Ramig

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This Week's Readings



| Monday | Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3- 4, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 8:18-2 |
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| Tuesday: | Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27 |
| Wednesday: | Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10 -11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34 |
| Thursday: | Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29 |
| Friday: | Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/ Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13 |
| Saturday: | Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17 |
| Sunday: | ls 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/Gal 6:14-18/ Lk 10:1-12, 17-2 |

July 2025 Rosary Leaders

Saturday, July 5 5pm: Ashlee Wilson Sunday, July 6 8am: JoAnn Nash Sunday, July 6 10am: Jackie Seymour

Saturday, July 12 5pm: Jennifer Hiltgen Sunday, July 13 8am: JoAnn Nash Sunday, July 13 10am: Jackie Seymour

Saturday, July 21 5pm: Jennifer Hiltgen Sunday, July 22 8am: Toni Warburton Sunday, July 22 10am: Jackie Seymour

Saturday, July 26 5pm: Ellen Ramig Sunday, July 27 8am: Margaret Rood Sunday, July 27 10am: Jackie Seymour



July 2025 Ministers

Greeters & Ushers

Saturday, 5pm: Greeters: Chad & Kelli Larson - East Phillip & Shelly Encinia - South Ushers: Mike Svitak (Captain) Rod Ramig Sunday, 8am:

Greeters: Twila McCarthy - East Mary Skiles - South Ushers: Mike Merrigan (Captain) Jim Kerr

Sunday, 10am: Greeters: Mark & Robin Loose - East Jeff & Dawne Wolfe - South Ushers: Gale McGrew (Captain) Jerry Arnold

SERVERS

Sat, July 5 5pm: Aden Munoz & Asher Wilson Sun, July 6 8am: Kaden Blaylock & John V. Songco Sun, July 6 10am: Camilla Linz & Lillian Seymour

Sat, July 12 5pm: Zalie Adams & Reagan Schiff Sun, July 13 8am: Carson Windhorst & Thomas Esselstein Sun, July 13 10am: Leo Ascherl & Connelly Ascherl

Sat, July 19 5pm: Charlie Vath & Giovanni Alvizar Sun, July 20 8am: Erin Warburton & Mason Warburton Sun, July 20 10am: Camilla Linz & Allie Windhorst

Sat, July 26 5pm: Ryker Dendinger Easton Hill Sun, July 27 8am: Rhett Marshall & Jacob Mark Sun, July 27 10am: Ruby Schiff & John V. Songco

LECTORS

Saturday, July 5 5pm: Jennifer Hiltgen Sunday, July 6 8am: David Nash Sunday, July 6 10am: Chuck Schwartz Saturday, July 12 5pm: Steve Viessman Sunday, July 13 8am: Dan Marshall Sunday, July 13 10am: Kristin Schiff

Saturday, July 19 5pm: Ashlee Wilson Sunday, July 20 8am: Dan Marshall Sunday, July 20 10am: Kristin Schiff

Saturday, July 26 5pm: Jordan McBride Sunday, July 27 8am: Toni Warburton Sunday, July 27 10am: Shelley Corr

SACRISTANS

Saturday, 5pm: Jennifer Hiltgen

Sunday, 8am: David & JoAnn Nash

Sunday, 10am: Becky Murdock

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, 5pm: Ciborium - Connie McDonnough Carmen Trevino & Connie Kirchner Sunday, 8am: Ciborium - Nancy Kerr Julie Marshall & David Skiles Sunday, 10am: Ciborium - Alex Ascherl Terry Bailey & Ruth Kozal

Finance Corner

Sunday Collections & ATW Giving

June 22, 2025

| Actual | \$2913.26 |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| ATW | \$3920.00 |
| Online Giving | \$800.50 |
| Budget | \$10000.00 |
| Surplus <mark>(Deficit)</mark> | \$2366 . 24 |

June 2025 Totals

| Actual | \$12865.19 |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| ATW | \$7615.00 |
| Online Giving | \$4674.70 |
| Budget | \$40000.00 |
| Surplus <mark>(Deficit)</mark> | \$14845.11 |

There is no 2nd collection for next week.

Thank you for your continued giving!





Lord God, we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask that you bless the members of our armed forces.



BEGINNING JULY 7TH

NO DAILY MASS ON MONDA





Members of the local Knights of Columbus Timothy Molony Council #2681 were honored to carry the Baldacchino for the Eucharistic Procession at St. Agnes Catholic Church to celebrate the Corpus Christi.

The Knights of Columbus Scottsbluff Council performed an Exemplification service to induct 3 New Members to our local council for the 3rd Degree - Oscar Gonzalez Sr. and joined with his son Oscar Gonzles, Jr. and Chase Engel. The new members were joined by their families and parents as well. The current 8 Knights of Columbus members helped with the ceremony lead by Fr. Konka.





FATHER JIM SICHKO "60 Minutes for Jesus" General Themes are Kindness, Trust, and Leadership. Fr. Jim is a priest of the Diocese of Lexington, storyteller, Papal Missionary of Mercy.

Each night of the mission is a stand-alone talk. You'll laugh, you'll cry, you'll sing, you'll be inspired! Save the Dates August 24th, 25th, and 26th

More Information Coming!

Help local families this July by donating to the Catholic Daughter's Baby Shower. Marked donation boxes have been placed in the Church entryways where new or lightly used baby items can be placed. All appropriate donations will be distributed to the local area

pregnancy and family centers.

"...the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these." -Mt. 19:14



Religious Education Program

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Religious Education Office—308-635-1362

Celebrating Sunday *Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles*

Gospel: Matthew 16: 13-19

On the Way to Mass:

How would you describe Jesus to someone who had never heard of him before?

On the Way Home From Mass:

How do you think Peter knew that Jesus was the Christ, the Savior of the world? How could he tell?

Living the Word:

With your family, talk about how our current pope is the successor of Peter. Include the Holy Father in your prayers this week and look up his intentions this month so you can pray for them as well.

> Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families 2024-2025

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Scripture Lessons:

Matthew 16:13-19, "Who do you say that I AM?"



This passage marks the foundation of the Catholic

Church established to endure for all time. Jesus asked

His disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" It's a question not about popularity or public opinion, but about truth. At its core, Catholicism is built on the truth of who Jesus is. And truth stands, whether it's popular or not.

Prompted by the Holy Spirit, Simon answered on behalf of the others: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matthew 16:16). In response, Jesus renamed him Peter, meaning "Rock," and entrusted him with the keys to the kingdom. This was more than symbolism; it was the transfer of real authority to teach, to forgive, and to welcome people into the Church.

What can a parent do? Trust that Jesus established the Church on Peter to be a visible, lasting guide. Through it, He preserves the truth passed down to the Apostles. When our own faith is strained, Peter's bold witness reminds us: Jesus is who He says He is, and His Church stands on that unshakable truth.

Partners in Faith - June 2025

Bring God's grace into your home

In a world that can feel hostile, tapping into the profound mercy of the Father can transform our lives and bring us peace. Here's how to bring God's grace into your home with five simple practices:

Choose kindness: Outlaw sarcasm, ridicule, and cutting remarks. Demonstrate that a gentle word and an open heart reflect the Father's merciful love.

Pray for those who challenge you: This isn't about changing them it's about softening your own heart so you can learn to love even those difficult to like.

Take the smallest portion: When sharing a treat, choose the smallest piece for yourself, mirroring the Father's generosity. "*He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us*" (Romans 8:32).

Gift the gift of yourself: Setting aside your screen to offer your undivided attention can be a revolutionary act of love.

Forgive freely and quickly: We imitate God's mercy when we forgive. It frees us to find peace. Reconciliation isn't always possible (or wise), but forgiveness always is.



Partners in Faith - June 2024



This Week on Formed

Week of June 29, 2025



Peter: Keeper of the Keys

When a young Christian girl is arrested and imprisoned in ancient Rome, she hears stories of martyrs like St. Catherine of Alexandria and St. Lawrence the Deacon—will she find the strength to make the ultimate sacrifice for her faith?



Saint Peter

Watch the epic story of the spread of Christianity during the early years of the Church. This film follows the journey of St. Peter through his martyrdom on a cross.



Paul the Apostle | The Bible Collection

The church's greatest enemy became Christ's most prolific messenger. Beautifully shot in the Moroccan desert, Paul the Apostle is a sweeping saga of the man who brought the Gospel to the Western world.

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| | PUZZLE Find and circle these words from today's Gospel: BLESSED ROCK KEYS | Circle the picture that is different . Then color in all the pictures. |
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| | God has given your parents the key to your house. Always let your parents open the door to your home. Let them welcome your friends. | I will stand watch to keep evil out of my soul. |