

# Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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## TWENTY- FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: AUGUST 27, 2017

Fr. Peter Ngo Duc Dung, Parochial Administrator  
Deacon Loc Nguyen

### Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00AM - 1:00PM

### Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM (English)  
7:00PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12 Noon  
4PM (Vietnamese)

Weekdays: Mon-Fri. 7:30AM, Sat. 8AM

First Friday: 7:30PM

### Devotions

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays from 5PM-7:30PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena-Wednesdays  
after morning mass

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy- Mondays & Fridays  
after morning mass

### Confessions

Saturday 3:30PM to 4:30PM or by appointment

### RCIA

Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, or membership in the Catholic Church, contact Rene Asuncion at 925-458-4574.

### Baptisms

Pre-Baptism classes for parents and godparents held every second Tuesday of the month. Contact the parish office. Spanish Classes, contact Hilda Avelar at 925-458-3656. Vietnamese baptisms, contact Fr. Peter Dung at the parish office.

### Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months in advance.

### Religious Education

Contact Rene Asuncion, Director of Rel. Ed.  
Tel:(925) 458-4574 \*Website: [olqwr.olqw.org](http://olqwr.olqw.org)  
Email: [director@olqwr.olqw.org](mailto:director@olqwr.olqw.org)

### St. Vincent de Paul

Food pantry opens Mondays 9:30AM -11AM in the Parish hall

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **Monday, August 28**

7:30 am Peter Nguyen Thanh Khiem

### **Tuesday, August 29**

7:30 am Casiano & Juliana Castillo

### **Wednesday, August 30**

7:30 am Carmelita Gatmaitan

### **Thursday, August 31**

7:30 pm Ildefonso & Sinforosa  
Sebastian

### **Friday, September 1**

7:30am Mai Dinh

### **Saturday, September 2**

8:00 am Maria Ngu Nguyen  
5:00pm Pedro Catalya  
7:00pm (SP) Esteban Aguilar

### **Sunday, September 3**

8:00 am Patrick Lessley  
10:00 am Greg Ogana  
12:00 pm Felomina & Lupe Mayola  
4:00 pm (VIET)

## **TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY**

### **IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MT 16:13-20**

Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi and he asked his disciples,  
"Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"  
They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"  
Simon Peter said in reply,  
"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus said to him in reply,  
"Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah.  
For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you,  
but my heavenly Father.  
And so I say to you, 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."

Then he strictly ordered his disciples  
to tell no one that he was the Christ.

## **PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS**

### **Filipino Association**

*cheska.simon@yahoo.com*

### **Hispanic Association**

*Rosie Estrada, Coordinator 925-639-7946*  
*Gladys Giron, Secretary 925-334-9873*

### **Columbiettes**

*Columbiettes08@gmail.com*

### **Knights of Columbus**

*gk7164@yahoo.com*

### **Regina Mundi Guild**

*Patsy Welty, President 925-458-6787*

### **St. Vincent de Paul Society**

*Louise Salazar, President*  
*SVDPOLQW@gmail.com*

### **Legion of Mary**

*Rick Belza 925-261-0283*

### **Vietnamese Association**

## **PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Fr. Culver, Carol Hampton, Ed Plaza, German Duarte, Liliam Catapusan, Mai Dinh, Lucita Flores, Doug Parker, Kathy Nebel, Michelle McLaughlin, all those in the Parish who are sick, and all those listed in the Book of Intention. If you would like a name added to the prayer list, please call the rectory.

## **STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE**

**August 20: \$7,283**

**Parish Assessment: \$2,028**

**2017 Assessment: Owe \$30,000**

Please make all checks payable to either "OLQW" or "Our Lady Queen of the World." This applies to all second collections also, unless otherwise noted.

## REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL



It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

The use of the term church in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/21st-sunday-in-ordinary-time-a-sunday-connection>

## AUGUST 29 – THE PASSION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



Excerpted from *The Church's Year of Grace*, Pius Parsch

There is no doubt that blessed John suffered imprisonment and chains as a witness to our Redeemer, whose forerunner he was, and gave his life for him. His persecutor had demanded not that he should deny Christ, but only that he should keep silent about the truth. Nevertheless, he died for Christ. Does Christ not say: "I am the truth"? Therefore, because John shed his blood for the truth, he surely died for Christ.

Through his birth, preaching and baptizing, he bore witness to the coming birth, preaching and baptism of Christ, and by his own suffering he showed that Christ also would suffer.

Such was the quality and strength of the man who accepted the end of this present life by shedding his blood after the long imprisonment. He preached the freedom of heavenly peace, yet was thrown into irons by ungodly men. He was locked away in the darkness of prison, though he came bearing witness to the Light of life and deserved to be called a bright and shining lamp by that Light itself, which is Christ.

To endure temporal agonies for the sake of the truth was not a heavy burden for such men as John; rather it was easily borne and even desirable, for he knew eternal joy would be his reward.

Since death was ever near at hand, such men considered it a blessing to embrace it and thus gain the reward of eternal life by acknowledging Christ's name. Hence the apostle Paul rightly says: "You have been granted the privilege not only to believe in Christ but also to suffer for his sake." He tells us why it is Christ's gift that his chosen ones should suffer for him: "The sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed in us."

— Saint Bede the Venerable

<http://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2014-08-29>

## A NOTE FROM FATHER PETER

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to express my deep gratitude and appreciation to all of you for your time, talent, and treasure in making the celebration of our 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary so wonderful and beautiful. Thank you to each parish council member, each association, and each ethnic group, for the time and effort you put in preparing for the Anniversary – planning the events leading up to the big celebration, selling raffle tickets, calling for volunteers and donations, putting together a spectacular cultural night with entertaining performances and delicious ethnic foods, and surprising me with a birthday celebration. A special thanks to the many volunteers who worked tirelessly in beautifying the exterior of the parish site and those involved in planning the liturgy and decorating the interior of the church. And to those who were present to celebrate with us and those who contributed financially and through your prayers, I thank you very much. Pope Francis extended his apostolic blessing upon each person at the Anniversary celebration.

At events such as this we get to see everyone working together to build up the community of faith, each person contributing according to his/her ability. May God, through the intercession of our Lady, continue to bless our parish community. May we continue to be beacons of light and of love to those around us.

In Christ,  
Fr. Peter Ngo Duc Dung  
Parochial Administrator

## **ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

### FOOD DRIVE

We will maintain a donation barrel for non-perishable foods in the church foyer; please be generous. Our groups of volunteers are here every Monday, and they always need groceries to help the needy in our community. The demand has been much greater!



**Feeding the Community**

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION



Registration for the 2017-2018 school year is now open. Forms can be picked up at the Religious Education office or in the Parish office. For more information, please contact Rene Asuncion at 925-458-4574.

### OPENING MASS

Join us in welcoming the students back for the 2017-2018 school year of religious education. The opening Mass will be on September 9 at 9:30am. The first day of class will be on Monday, September 11.

### ON FIRE REGISTRATION

Join over 3,000 youth from the NorCal Dioceses at the On Fire NorCal Jam on Saturday, September 16, 2017. Confirmation students must complete the “On Fire” registration by September 9.

## **MUSIC MINISTRY**



The music ministry is in need of organist & guitarist to play regularly at the Saturday 5 p.m. Vigil Mass.

Please contact Shawnie Graham at 925-389-1874 or email [ladycion@comcast.net](mailto:ladycion@comcast.net).

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

### FATHER PALIS SCHOLARSHIP 2017-2018

The Knights of Columbus and Columbiettes will be accepting Fr. Palis 2017-2018 Scholarship applications from August 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>. Applications are available at the parish website ([www.olqw.org](http://www.olqw.org)). Contact Manuel Rosario at 925-595-4358 for additional information.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ROSARY



All are invited to participate in a rosary on Tuesday, September 5 at 6:45pm in the church to pray for the sainthood for Father Michael McGivney to be recognized.

## **VIETNAMESE ASSOCIATION**



The Vietnamese community is selling Pho after all Masses on Sunday, August 27. Stop by the parish hall and enjoy a bowl of Pho or order to go. All proceeds will go to OLQW.

## **PARISH EVENTS**

### BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is Tuesday, September 12 at 7pm. Please register at the parish office.



Our next Bingo night is Saturday, September 9 at 6pm. Join us for a night of fellowship and fun!

### OFFICE HOURS CHANGE

Please note the change in our office hours. The parish office will be open Monday to Friday from 9am to 1pm.

### DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR RETIRED PRIESTS

The special collection for the Diocesan Priest Retirement Benefit Trust is set for the weekend of Sept. 10, 2017. This is an important collection which allows Catholics to express gratitude and support of our retired and soon-to-be retired clergy. You can see more information about the trust in the Aug. 14, 2017 issue of The Catholic Voice.

## WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

<b>Mon. 8/28</b>	7-8:30pm	H: Student Orientation
<b>Tues. 8/29</b>	7:30pm	H: K of Columbus Officers Mtg.
<b>Wed. 8/30</b>	5pm	P#2: Legion of Mary
<b>Thurs. 8/31</b>	7pm	CH: Divine Mercy Group
<b>Fri. 9/1</b>	5pm-7pm 7:30pm 7pm	CH: Adoration CH: Benediction & Mass P#1: Hispanic Choir

## **AROUND THE DIOCESE**

### ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL FALL ENROLLMENT

St. Peter Martyr School is accepting applications for 3 yr.-old Preschool, 4 yr.-old PreKindergarten, Kindergarten, and grades 1-8. In addition to our strong academic program, students receive spiritual knowledge of our Catholic faith, morals, and values. Extended Care and extra-curricular programs are also available. Applications are available at the school and on our website [www.stpetermartyrschool.org](http://www.stpetermartyrschool.org). St. Peter Martyr School is located at 425 West Fourth St. in Pittsburg. We are fully accredited and invite you to become part of our Catholic school family. For further information about our affordable rates call the school at 925-439-1014 or visit [www.stpetermartyrschool.org](http://www.stpetermartyrschool.org).

### RELIGION QUIZ

Of the 12 tribes of Israel, \_\_\_\_\_ were in the northern kingdom, and \_\_\_\_\_ were in the southern kingdom.

*Last week's answer:* Following the death of King Solomon in 930 BC, the nation of Israel split into the Northern Kingdom, called Israel, and the southern Kingdom, called Judah.

### 55<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY RAFFLE WINNERS

*Congratulations*

**First place:** Leo Garcia

**Consolation prizes:** Mario Dolor, Julie Cataldo, Linda Grover, and Rose Vargas

CULTURAL NIGHT  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2017



*ANNIVERSARYFEST*  
*SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2017*

