

Bulletin –Parish News

Saints Peter and Paul

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July 30, 2017. Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.
The Very Rev. Gregory Mludzik, Administrator

During all the ages of human history, tribes and nations have had their sages, philosophers, friends of wisdom. Indeed, wisdom, insight, sound judgment is a precious possession. But human wisdom is not always adequately the same as truth. Often sages have narrowed their observation by working with their intellect alone. This resulted in all forms of rationalism which had no eye for the transcendent. In the Bible we find a type of wisdom which originates from both heart and intellect. It is an often-intuitive wisdom of the total person. Moreover, Biblical wisdom is a special gift of God. That is why we pay attention to it. In today's Bible readings, wisdom is considered the supreme value of human life, and the parables of the treasure and the pearl bring out that the kingdom of God is a value for which no sacrifice is too great. It is a question of priority of values! Wise and mature Christians have a sound judgment about what is more or less important in life, since they blend human insight with the God-inspired wisdom of the Bible.

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

* What is the wisest person you've known, and how was that wisdom demonstrated?

* When has a difficult hour led you to a blessing you did not expect?

* How much have you wagered for the kingdom of God so far?

* Question of the week: Is your treasure invested in the wisdom of the world or in the wisdom of God?

How has your understanding of Eucharist evolved with the number of times you've approached the Lord's Table?

- How does the reality of what we celebrate in the Eucharist bind all of us together, even those who do not receive it?
- How do you bring the fragments of Eucharist to others so that nothing may be wasted?

Faith Response

Pray for the wisdom of an understanding heart. Ask God to give you the ability to know the difference between good and evil, between what is valuable and what is useless.

HOLY MASSES

July 30, 2017. Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

8:15am Holy Mass for Very Rev. Stanly Skrzypek req. by Wladyslawa Wyrzykowski and family

August 06, 2017. Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

8:15am Holy Mass for Very rev. Stanly Skrzypek req. by Dolores Barbee

Events and activities

Responsorial Psalm for today is: Lord, I love your commands.

Wisdom - Scripture note.

The parable of the treasure and the pearl have the same message: The kingdom of heaven is worth investing everything we have to acquire it. But we need the wisdom that comes from God to see this. The parable of the net has same message as that of the wheat and the weeds. In its present stage, the kingdom contains both good and bad things. Only at the final judgment will they be separated.

REFLECTION - AT THE END OF THE DAY

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE A NET CAST INTO THE SEA WHICH CATCHES ALL KINDS OF FISH. WHEN IT IS FULL, THE FISHERMAN HAULS IT ASHORE. THEN HE SITS DOWN AND SORTS OUT THE GOOD FISH FROM THE BAD. THE GOOD HE KEEPS, THE WORTHLESS HE THROWS AWAY. IN A SENSE, ALL OF US ARE FISHERS. EACH DAY WE CAST OUR NET INTO THE SEA OF LIFE. AND AT THE END OF THE DAY WE HAVE A CATCH, SOMETIMES SMALL, SOMETIMES LARGE. MAY WE TAKE TIME TO SIFT THROUGH THAT CATCH. AND MAY YOU, LORD, GIVE US THE WISDOM TO KNOW WHAT TO KEEP AND WHAT TO THROW AWAY.

Let us pray... North, south, west east, you hold all directions in the palm of your hand. From birth through death, in sickness and in health, you are our God without beginning or end. When we follow your will and when we deny it, you love us, forgive us, sustain us. Thank you, Lord, for your steadfast mercy. AMEN!!!

The PNU and the Gifts of Summer

Summer is a time for many celebrations – like Weddings, Graduations, and First Holy Communion. What a great time to share the many benefits of the PNU with your family and friends. Endowments, insurance policies, and annuities are just some of the many gifts ideas the PNU can offer to help you provide for those you care about. Contact the PNU Home Office at 1-800-724-6352 for more information on the gifts of summer.

MISSION STATEMENT

Saints Peter and Paul Parish carries the light of Christ to all people. As a welcoming community of believers, we seek the truth by reading and studying the Sacred Scriptures, and live the Gospel values of faith, hope, and love through worship, stewardship, service and evangelization. Guided by the Holy Spirit and strengthened by the sacraments, we strive to be disciples of the good news.

Please pray for all the sick and shut-ins, especially Very Rev. Gregory Mludzik, Irene Janke, Olga Bordino, Marian Tencza, Jules Nagy, Antoinette Dypko, Eve Yaros, and all in need of our prayers.

Sacrament of Baptism: Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Arrangement should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.

Emergencies, Sickness and Death should be reported to the rectory office immediately.

Welcome to our visitors - we welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please introduce yourself to the Pastor after Mass, please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. Please remember that you are always welcome to join us in worship at Saints Peter and Paul Parish.

You, as individual, family, or group are invited to become partners in this important work of the parish by becoming a "Monthly bulletin sponsor". For only \$50, you will be able to provide the paper and printing supplies for the entire month for our weekly parish bulletins (a minimum of 4 Sundays). Please take a moment to sign up today by placing your name or the name of your sponsoring family, or group. Thank you for your assistance in spreading the "GOOD NEWS". Fr. Sr. Gregory and the Parish Committee.

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