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St. Peter Catholic Church

A Parish Home to Grow in Holiness

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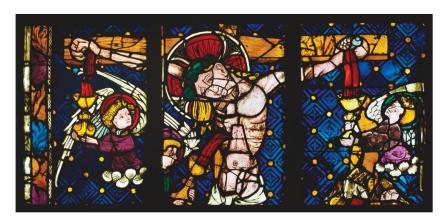
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Regular Mass Times: Sat., 5:00 p.m. Sun., 10:00 a.m.

Sept. 14, 2025 Bulletin:

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Year C)



"Le Christ en croix," Strasbourg, 1410-1420

Tue. - Fri., 9:00 a.m. Join in Mass online:

www.youtube.com/ @StPeterRegina

Gospels and Homilies: www.youtube.com/ @DigdeepintotheGospel

The Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary:

25 minutes before Masses.

Confessions:

30 minutes before every Mass, pastor's office.

Other Sacraments

Baptism and RCIA: call the parish office.

1st Reconciliation, 1st Communion, Confirmation: next registration in the fall.

Marriage: couples, call at least six months before.

Staff / Office

Mon.-Fri., 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.,

Office administrator: Luke Wadel

1:00-4:00 p.m.

Office volunteer: Emma Hompoth

Caretaker: Tewodros Gebreselassie "No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up..." (John 3:13-14.)

Sept. 13-21 Mass Schedule and Intentions			
13	Sat	5:00 p.m.	a special intention
14	Sun	10:00 a.m.	all parishioners
16	Tue	9:00 a.m.	available
17	Wed	9:00 a.m.	† Kyle Josvanger
18	Thu	9:00 a.m.	† Johan Biralde
19	Fri	9:00 a.m.	Maureen and family, living and deceased
20	Sat	5:00 p.m.	† Joe and † Alice Mate and † Johan Biralde
21	Sun	10:00 a.m.	all parishioners

Feast Days this Week

Saturday, Sept. 13: St. John Chrysostom, Doctor of the Church Monday, Sept. 15: Our Lady of Sorrows

Tuesday, Sept. 16: Pope St. Cornelius, and St. Cyprian

Wednesday, Sept. 17: St. Hildegard of Bingen, Doctor of the Church, and St. Robert Bellarmine

Friday, Sept. 19: St. Januarius

Saturday, Sept. 20: St. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, St. Paul Bhong Ha-sang and companions

Dig Deep into the Gospel with Father James.

Just as Moses Lifted up the Serpent in the Wilderness, so Must the Son of Man be Lifted Up

Today, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross of Jesus. This is an opportunity outside of the observances of Holy Week, particularly Good Friday, to celebrate the full significance of the victory of the Cross over the powers of the world, and the triumph of the wisdom of God over worldly wisdom that rejects the Cross.

In the first reading, God instructed Moses to make a bronze serpent and mount it on a pole for the people to look at and be healed (Numbers 21:5-7). In the Gospel reading, Jesus tells us that this act pertains to the mystery of His cross, and when He is lifted up, He will be the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Jesus says, "And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him may have eternal life" (John 3:14-15).

Concerning the criticism that this whole thing is Idolatry, Scripture cannot be null or errant. Moses' bronze serpent

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and Jesus being lifted up were God's means of providing deliverance for the people, and in both cases, the people had to submit to God's means to obtain deliverance. If God had wanted otherwise, Moses' rod might have been used instead. But as it is, the cross of Calvary was foreshadowed in the bronze serpent.

Humanity in the Garden of Eden had been deceived by its serpent. The pole on which Moses' bronze serpent was suspended signified both the tree in the Garden of Eden and Christ's Cross. The verb "lifted up" (hypsoo) in Jesus' case had two meanings: to physically lift up, and to exalt. Jesus meant both. His being lifted up on the Cross was also His moment of exaltation to glory, when God revealed Him as the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. This had to happen because "God so loved the world, He gave His only begotten Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life" (John 3:15). It was on the Cross that the Lamb defeated the Devil and all the devils who attack us.

- Parish Council meeting: this Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Seniors' Center.
- "We have our Opening/Thanksgiving Mass scheduled at O'Neill on Thursday, Oct. 9th and would like to extend an invitation to the Parish Communities to attend" (O'Neill High School staff). It will be at 11:30 a.m., in the old gym.

In June of 2025, St. Peter School closed its doors for the last time. As the final Principal of the school, I would like to extend my heartfelt

gratitude, on behalf of the St. Peter School community, to Father James, Luke and the entire parish, including the Knights of Columbus, the Men's and Ladies Auxiliary, and the CWL, for their ongoing support over the years. From financial support to donations of your time, treasure, and talents, you all helped to make St. Peter School a special place to learn and work. While our time as St. Peter School has come to a close, we look forward to continued involvement in the St. Peter parish community for many years to come, this time as St. Raphael School.

God Bless!

Tammy Appell
Principal, St. Peter School / St. Raphael School

Our CWL is planning a Craft And Bake Sale

Friday, Nov. 21 and Saturday, Nov. 22

if we can get enough helpers. You do not have to be a CWL member.

Husband and wife teams are welcomed.

If you can commit to helping, please contact Charmaine at 306-569-0219.

Thank you for supporting our parish!

Christ Jesus, though He was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied Himself...

Philippians 2:6-7

Sept. 7 Sunday collection + e-transfers: \$5,361.80. Auto-debits TBA at month end. Weekly budget: \$4,000. Year so far: \$25,545.09 shortfall.

Thank you for giving, by regular envelopes, spontaneous donation, auto-deposit, e-transfer to stpete@sasktel.net, or in other ways at archregina.sk.ca/group/giving.



He "emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave..."

-this Sunday's 2nd Reading, Philippians 2:7.



Families and individuals, it is time to refresh our lists of Liturgical volunteers.

This includes **Altar Coordinators**, Altar Servers, Children's Liturgy, **Communion Ministers**, Church Linens, Decorating Committee, **Lectors**, **Sacristan**, Seamstress, and **Ushers**.

The groups in bold are most in need of helpers.

Please contact the office, any other volunteer, or Bernie G (txt. 306-535-9998). New volunteers will need to fill out a form. Blessings and many thanks!



Registration for First Communion, First Reconciliation, and Confirmation,

Grade 2 and Up is Monday, Sept. 22, 5:30-6:30 p.m., in our Parish Hall

If you have children in grade 2 and up who have not yet received the sacraments listed above, please come and enroll them in classes. This will be done ONE DAY ONLY, in our parish hall, with members of our sacramental prep. team present. Please use the entrance on the south side of our church.

You **MUST** provide a copy of your **child's baptism certificate** at the time of registering for classes.

Please be prepared to spend time to fill out forms completely and legibly. We look forward to helping your children prepare to receive His amazing sacramental graces!

Bible Study at St. Peter Parish



For the Seekers, the Curious,
For Those Questioning the Catholic Faith,
For Those who Want to be Closer to God...
For You if You Wish

Wednesday Nights at 6:30 p.m. Starting this week, Sept. 17 Online, Using Google Meet (free)

Phone the Parish Office at 306-545-4411, or send us your email address.

St. Peter's CWL asks:

Please Support Visitation House

Sponsor the

"Holey Soles" Relay Team

in the Queen City Marathon



Cybelle, Fr. John, Renee, Loralie, Shelan

Donations of \$10 or more get a charitable donation receipt.

Our CWL will be collecting before Masses this weekend, Sept. 6 and 7, and next, Sept. 13 and 14.

Cheques are payable to Visitation House.

Latest Articles at archregina.sk.ca

The Decommissioning of Sacred Heart Parish in Benson

by L. Burkhart

The Decommissioning of St. Joseph Church, Vanguard, SK

by L. Burkhart

"Atheists, Dark Nights, Good Friday, and Revelation"

by Fr. Ron Rolheiser

"A Call to Care for our Common Home" / For the 10th World Day of Prayer for the Care Of Creation 2025

by the Canadian Council of Catholic Bishops / Pope Leo XIV

Nearby Church Events

Marriage Prep Group Sessions starting Sept. 19-20 at Holy Cross Parish

Prayer Walk for Peace, Saturday, Sept. 20 at Rotary Park

A Charistmatic Prayer Meeting, Sunday, Sept. 21 at Resurrection Parish



A Tribute to Elvis, feat. Jesse Lamont, also Sept. 21 at Our Lady of Peace

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is Tuesday, Sept. 30

On Stewardship, from the Archdiocese bulletin (edited):

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son" (John 3:16).

God created us to be in relationship with Him. Sin broke that relationship. Jesus come to earth so that we may reconcile our relationship with God. Following Jesus' example, we can be blessed with a joy-filled life on earth and eternal life in Heaven. How do you live this out in your daily life?

Looking for volunteer forms? They are in the Forms and Events binder. Ways to get your forms to the office are on the inside cover.



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Seeking? Curious? Questioning? Come hear the Lord.



Starts Sept. 17. Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. online. Call 306-545-4411 for more info.





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