

A reflection from the Pastor

Peace.

"Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known," Jesus in today's gospel.

Probably one of the things we fear is being found out, especially if we have done something not in the light. And that's why Jesus says, step into His light. He is the light of the world. When we acknowledge him as Lord of our lives, then we step into his light and out of the shadow of the world that falls on us.

This gospel is so important, because we can dupe ourselves into thinking that God doesn't see what we've done, and yet he knows all things. He knows our hearts and our actions even before we do; and that is why he gave us a free human will – to be formed according to his law of love – and hopefully come to be one with his Divine Will. This is why the Sacrament of Penance is so important. When we stay away from the confessional, we bend our will to the will of the world; yet when we confess our sins to Christ in the minister of the priest – we step into the light of Christ and we bend our will to our Father.

Thank you to the crew of women who came Wednesday and ironed the 66 chasubles for Deacon Tommy Chen's ordination. Great Job!

Thank you to the crew that helped get the church in order for Mass this weekend. We will still be moving back in this week after the paint cures.

Hospital / Emergency Calls

As of member of the Victoria Deanery (churches in this area) St. Patrick's pays a hospital chaplain to meet the needs of hospital patients. If you find that you are in the hospital and in need of a priest in an emergency please contact:

Priest Beeper 503 – 9188

If no response, call:

**Chaplain at: 579-6895 (home)
920-0137**

Post this near your telephone. Please also take the time to let me know here at the parish so that I may include you on the prayer list and make a visit when possible.

Liturgy / Mass Schedule and Intentions

June 28 – June 29

There will be no daily Masses this week.

Saturday, 28th 5:15 -5:45 p.m. Penance
5:40 p.m. Rosary – leader: Carol Sutton
6:00 (vigil) Mass – Eustolio Gutierrez+
by Augustina Gutierrez

Sunday, 29th 7:30 a.m. Santissima Rosario
Sts. Peter and Paul 8:00 a.m. Mass – Donato Rodriguez + y Rita Reyes
+
by Juan Rodriguez
10:00 a.m. Mass – For the Parish Family

Readings – Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul

First Reading – Acts 12:1-11

Next Sunday's Second Collection

Peter's Pence – For the Holy Father

This collection unites us in solidarity to the Holy See and its works of charity to those in need. Your generosity allows the Pope to respond to our suffering brothers and sisters with promptness, love, and compassion.

The collection derives its name from an ancient custom. In ninth-century England, King Alfred the Great collected money – a "pence" - from landowners as financial support for the Pope. Today, the Peter's Pence Collection supports the Pope's philanthropy by giving the Holy Father the means to provide emergency assistance to those in need because of natural disaster, war, oppression, and disease.

Please be generous.

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Saturday 28th, 6 p.m.

Lectors Jeanne Lange, Paulette Brandl
Cup Ministers Jeanette West, Veronica Garcia
Gift bearers Tommy and Jeanette West
Altar Servers Gabriella & Madeline Canales
Ushers M. Lange, S. Torres, R. Reyes, B. Cantu

Sunday 28th, 8 a.m.

Lectors Martina Aguayo
Cup Ministers Emilio and Veronica Ledezma
Gift bearers Pete and Elena Guerra
Altar Servers Mauricio Ledezma, Evan Andrade
Ushers B. Gonzalez, A. Posada, H. Cardona, H. DeLuna

Sunday 29th, 10 a.m.

Lectors Ismael and Gracie Perez
Cup Ministers Mary Helen Garcia, Margaret Escalante
Gift bearers Ramona Torres and family
Altar Servers Jason, Michael, Angelica Valenzuela
Ushers D. Hybner, A. Rodriguez, A. Escalante, A. Reyes

Mystery History of our Past Revealed

When I removed the bulletin board from the entrance I found the glass box which once housed the priceless rosary of Queen Christian, grandmother of King Alfonso of Spain which had initially been given by Pope Gregory to King Phillip. The 300 year old – 22 carat gold and jewel rosary was stolen from a 'shatter proof' case on Dec. 2, 1966 and never recovered.

I will be leaving the box exposed and it will soon house a new icon. More proof that there is nothing concealed that will not be revealed!

Altar Server Appreciation Pizza Party

I am planning a pizza party for our altar servers to be held this **Wednesday, June 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the Heritage Room.** A small way to say thank you for all of your hard work. Parents are invited and are encouraged to attend. **Please RSVP** by calling Fr. Ty or sign up in the sacristy at church if you can make it.

Last Sunday's Collection:

General: \$ 1778.94

Thank you for your gift to the Lord.

What's your Catholic IQ -Faith Quiz

Answer from last week:

The word Eucharist comes from the Greek meaning:
d. thanksgiving

This week's question:

The difference between a cross and a crucifix is that:
a. a cross is always shaped like a capital "T"
b. a crucifix always has an image of Jesus' body on it
c. a crucifix is always made of wood
d. a crucifix is always made of a precious metal

(Answer coming next week)

PASTORAL INSTITUTE

Summer Classes are continuing. Please consult the website, www.victoriadiocese.org to find times and dates.

Religious education teachers are strongly encouraged to attend as per their schedule to better help teach our youth.

YOUTH CORNER

Children: Remember to Pray & Read the Bible

If you are interested in helping with Vacation Bible school please phone Gracie Perez, 897-2053 or office.

Vacation Bible School -July 14 – 17, 2008
Grades 1-5

'A Journey with Saint Paul'

- Bible lessons each day.
- Activities for the children.
- Food for the children.

Church Painting

The Church painting finishes this week, say another little prayer. Please remember, the interior will not be open during the **weekdays** this month. It is preferable that you remain off the grounds Monday thru Friday as the painters will be doing interior and finishing exterior work. Please be patient and understanding. As soon as the painting ends, we will resume a regular schedule. If you need assistance please call the parish phone. Remember we only do this once every twenty-five years.

Around the Diocese

July 4

**St. John, St. John picnic
(near Schulenburg)**

Stew/Fried Chicken Adults 7 – children 4.50

August 1-2

**Holy Family KC Council 9088
Fishing Tournament –**

Port O'Connor Comm. Center. Call Bryan Ellis for more info at 578-0877

August 15

**PRAHA Picnic – Stew/Fried Chicken
Adults 7 – children 4**

**September 28 St. Patrick's Turkey Dinner
Bloomington**

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