



Roots and Wings

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

“T here are two things we should give our children: one is roots and the other is wings.” So goes the adage. It is in

knowing our roots that we know who we are. It is with wings that we then shape the future—a future sprouting from those roots but also blossoming into something new. If there were only the roots, we would never know life’s richness. Without wings, never would we come to beauty.

The solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul honors both of these dynamics in the Church. It was Peter who was the Rock, who was able to recognize God’s presence made flesh among us, who would say to Jesus, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God” (Matthew 16:16).

It was Paul who pushed the envelope, who proclaimed that God’s saving love was for Jews and Gentiles—both members of the household of God—without distinction. It was Paul who argued that circumcision was not necessary for a believer. It was Paul who recognized that the Law was indeed a blessing, yet also that obeying the Law does not save us—it is the love of Christ Jesus that saves us.

Many are rooted through faith in Christ Jesus. Some live out that faith as Catholics, others as Lutherans or Methodists, still others as Orthodox or Anglicans. All of us rooted in Christ, all of us living out faith, each blossoming in our own fruitfulness as guided by the Spirit, for the purpose of tradition is to pass on the flame and not to preserve the ashes. ●

Reflect

Am I more comfortable with roots or wings?

Am I more like St. Peter or St. Paul, and why?



[Jesus said,] “You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.”

MATTHEW 16:18



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Baptisms: By appointment – 5 weeks in advance

Weddings: By appointment – 1 year in advance. Pre-Marriage Course is required for all weddings here or overseas

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DATES TIMES INTENTIONS

Sat.	June 28th	6:30pm	Gabriella Medeiros, Happy Belated Graduation
Sun.	June 29th (Portuguese)	8:30am	+ Kirby Brackstone
		10:00am	+ Agostinho Cabral, Maria da Encarnação
		11:30am	+ Maria da Conceição Cabral, Brazelina Cabral
		6:00pm	+ Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Arminda Garrafa & Victor Moniz
Mon.	June 30th	7:30am	+ Marshall A. Yokell
Tues.	July 1st	7:30am	Ben DeSilva Jr. & Mary DeSilva, Birthday wishes
Wed.	July 2nd	7:30am	+ Ann DeSilva
Thurs.	July 3rd	7:30am	Pelagio Resendes, Birthday wishes
Fri.	July 4th	7:30am	+ LaVerne Lau
Sat.	July 5th	6:30pm	St. Theresa's Parish Family
Sun.	July 6th (Portuguese)	8:30am	Stephen DeSilva, Tracey DeSilva, & Candace DeSilva
		10:00am	Birthday wishes
		11:30am	Elfrieda Lewnowski, Birthday wishes
		6:00pm	Special Intentions of Evin S. Mosley Special Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Gil Mello

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY : July 5th & 6th, 2025

Time:	6:30pm	8:30am	11:30am	6:00pm
Proclaimer:	J. Judd	B. D. Knights	M. Pacheco F. Maxwell	K. Mosquito
Communion Ministers:	C. Maiato C. Carreiro C. Johnson S. Booth	O. Scarth T. Sinclair G. Lovecchio C. Scarth	G. Edwards A. Cannonier C. Kieck	R. Ronquillo A. Tan M. Tan
Song Leaders:	G. Medeiros	F. Wohlmuth	M. Gravito	B. A. Calayag

PLEASE NOTE OUR GIFT SHOP HOURS:

Closed:

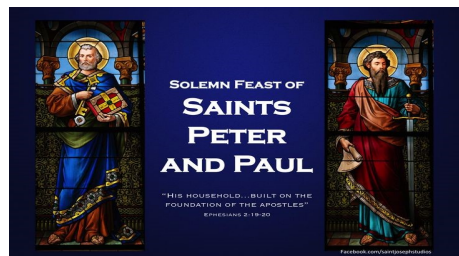
From Cup Match, 31st July to
15th August.

Open Saturdays only:

16th/23rd/30th August

Resuming Tuesdays & Saturdays:

9th September onward



SUNDAY & SPECIAL OFFERINGS WITH ONLINE BANKING & PARISH ENVELOPES

Please make direct payments to St. Theresa's Cathedral at BNTB A/C #2000 6060 4827 32100 and include "Sunday Offering" in the memo field. Also, the parish encourages the use of **Sunday Offering Envelopes** to promote the concept of stewardship of treasure. **Thank you** for your continued support in remembering the needs of the Cathedral!

ONLINE TRANSFER PAYMENTS:

Please be aware when coordinating any online transfers to our Butterfield Bank A/C #2000 6060 4827 32100, could you **please send an email** to the Rectory office to **advise** of the incoming funds and **how** they should be **allocated**. Unfortunately, even when senders include a memo on their end, the transfer details do not always appear on our end. *Thank you!*

FILIPINO MASS SCHEDULE:

St. Theresa's Cathedral

7pm 1st Friday of the month

St. Patrick's Church

7pm 2nd Friday of the month

St. Joseph's Church

11am 3rd Saturday of the month

Stella Maris Church

7pm Last Wednesday of the month



ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY:

Please consider a direct deposit or cash donation to the SVDP Society.



Direct deposit to SVDP Society – BNTB BDA #2000 6060 4767 11100 or USD # 8400 7847 30010

or use the SVDP envelopes.

LECTIO DIVINA: Mondays at 7:30pm via Zoom. Please contact Franz Wohlmuth on, fgwohlmuth@logic.bm to join. Meetings are led by Bishop Wes.



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:

In today's Gospel Jesus calls Peter to demonstrate his love not just with words, but through action: "Feed my sheep." This powerful exchange reminds us that stewardship is rooted in love and service. As disciples, we are each called to care for others—to feed the hungry, tend the vulnerable, and nurture the faith of those around us.

Steward's Sharing of Treasure

	Date	Actual
Collection:	June 21st/22nd	\$4,185.00
Electronic offering:	June 21st/22nd	\$1,960.00
2025 Collection To Date:	Week 26	\$160,105.00
Peter's Pence collection	to date	\$200.00

Thank you for your support!



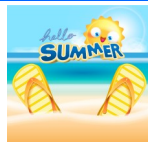
ST. THERESA'S CHAPEL
June 29th-July 5th, 2025
Donation Given for Two 7 day Candles
In Loving Memory of Mr. Oskar Lewnowski
And 2 Roses
For the Intentions of Elfrieda Lewnowski & Family

FOCUS: You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.

While preaching and spreading the Gospel after the Resurrection, Peter was arrested by King Herod. Meanwhile, prayer by the Church was fervently being made to God on his behalf. The early Church offers us an example of intercessory prayer that we should imitate by praying fervently for the successor of Peter, the pope.

SUMMER SCHEDULE:

Please be advised that we are moving into the Summer schedule. This means that from June 28th, 2025, there will be **no 9:00am Portuguese Mass followed by adoration on Saturdays** at St. Theresa's. There will be **no 12:10pm Mass on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays** at St. Theresa's and finally, there will be **no evening Portuguese Mass on Wednesdays** at St. Patrick's. The last Mass before the summer pause will be celebrated on Wednesday, June 25th at 7:00pm. Masses will resume in September.



MUSIC, SINGING & DANCING:

St. Joseph's Church in Somerset will be hosting an informal afternoon of fun, with music, singing and dancing, for all ages, on **Sunday, June 29th, from 2:30-5pm**. Admission is by donation, and light refreshments will be served.



PRAY & PLAY:

CALLING ALL CHILDREN AGES 5 – 14 FROM ST. THERESA'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

Come out to MSA GYM on **July 5th, 2025** from **9am – 12pm**, for a morning of fun.

To signup, please contact Helen Cabral at hcabral05@gmail.com
Deadline to signup is June 30th.



THE BISHOP'S CORNER



Dear Fellow-Catholics,

I have been already asked several times what I think about our new Pope Leo. I do not know him personally, but I am trying to attentively follow his teaching from the beginning of his pontificate. I would like to share with you one observation that seems to be returning in his speeches.

Pope Leo XIV has quoted St. Augustine a number of times, including in his first address when he walked out on the balcony in front of St. Peter's Square after being elected pope. During that first address he said, "I am an Augustinian, a son of St. Augustine, who once said, 'With you I am a Christian, and for you I am a bishop'." This quote that Pope Leo has become fond of is from a sermon St. Augustine gave to his faithful on the anniversary of his episcopal ordination: "While I am frightened by what I am for you, I am consoled by what I am with you. For you, in fact, I am a bishop, with you I am a Christian. The former is the name of an office, the latter of grace; the former is a name of danger, the latter of salvation." Pope Leo has returned to this quote often, sometimes rephrasing it, such as during his visit with the mayor of the city of Rome, "I am Roman for you and with you".

When taking possession of the Cathedral of St. John Lateran, reiterating this central spiritual theme, Pope Leo said, "I assure you that I love you, that I desire only to enter into your service and to place my own poor abilities, the little I have and am, at the service of all."

It seems to me that Pope Leo does not want to seem distant or removed from the flock entrusted to his care, but close and united with them. This is for me a very good and very promising sign for this pontificate.

May your weekend be serene and your week be good!

Bishop Wes

PETER'S PENNCE COLLECTION:

This weekend, June 28th/29th, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Leo to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression and disasters. Special envelopes will be made available for your donation or consider making an online donation to St. Theresa's BNTB #2000 6060 4827 32100 and be sure to include "Peter's Pence" in the memo field.

*Be a
Witness of
Charity*
 Support the
Peter's Pence
Collection

CHANCERY OFFICE-CHANGE OF EMAIL ADDRESS:

The Chancery Office will be migrating to a new Email address. The new address is:

orcc.bermuda@gmail.com

Please update your records accordingly.



Dear Padre,

What does the Church say about free will and predestination? I am confused and wonder if there is any fundamental difference?

The Church can be viewed as the champion of free will, for it is descriptive of God's grace at work in his creation. On the other hand, the Church does not champion predestination. The Church understands that this concept is in direct opposition and contradicts the creative act of God. It is understandable how someone might confuse these two different perspectives. In fact, some Christian belief systems have historically confused them; for example, those who follow the thought of John Calvin (1509–1564), including various Congregational, Reformed, and Presbyterian churches. But, regardless of the confusion, the two positions are not complementary, and someone cannot hold both positions because they are incompatible with each other. Catholics believe that we have been created by God with free will. In response to this wonderful gift, we are invited to form our consciences and live our lives lovingly and deliberately as people who choose to respond, in total freedom, to the Way, the Truth, and the Life that is found in Jesus. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

What can I do for the Church? Not complaining about the Church, but committing myself to the Church. Participating with passion and humility.... That is what a synodal Church means: everyone has a part to play, no individual in the place of others or above others. There are no first- or second-class Christians; everyone has been called.

HOMILY, ROME, JUNE 29, 2022

Monday

June 30
Weekday
Gn 18:16–33
Mt 8:18–22

Tuesday

July 1
Weekday
Gn 19:15–29
Mt 8:23–27

Wednesday

July 2
Weekday
Gn 21:5, 8–20a
Mt 8:28–34

Thursday

July 3
St. Thomas, Apostle
Eph 2:19–22
Jn 20:24–29

Friday

July 4
Weekday
Gn 23:1–4, 19;
24:1–8, 62–67
Mt 9:9–13

Saturday

July 5
Weekday
Gn 27:1–5, 15–29
Mt 9:14–17

Sunday

July 6
Fourteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Is 66:10–14c
Gal 6:14–18
Lk 10:1–12, 17–20
or 10:1–9