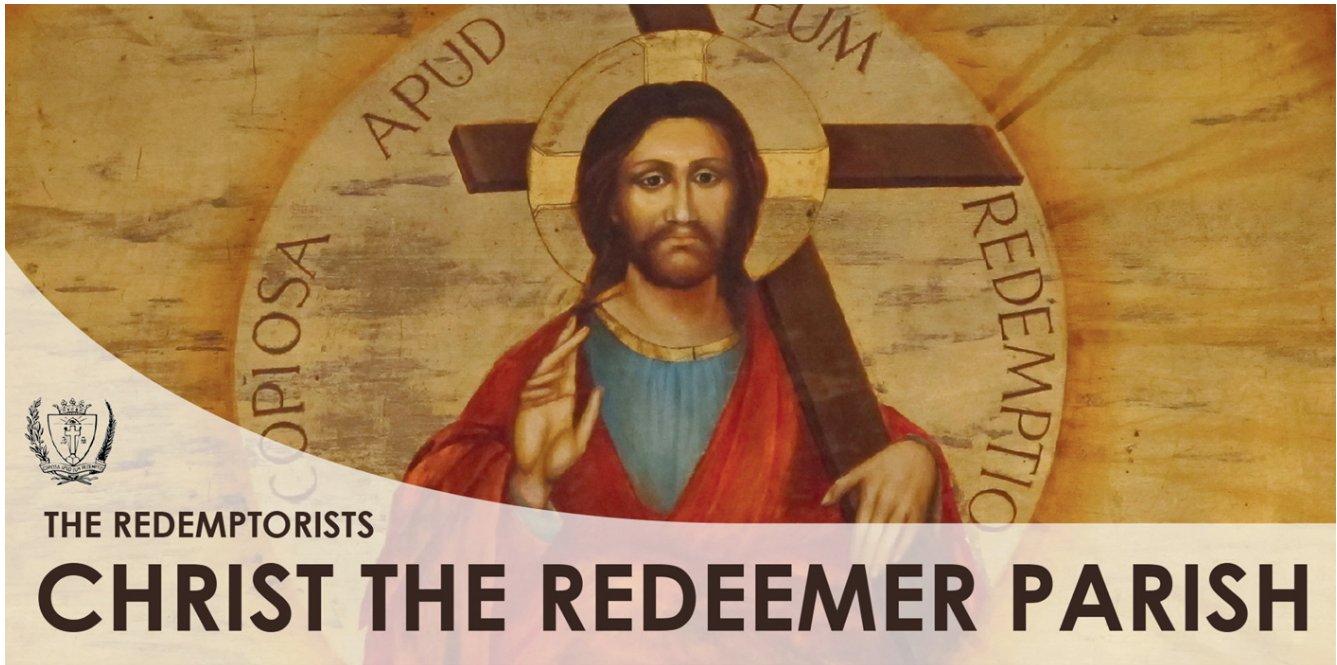


August 23, 2026

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time



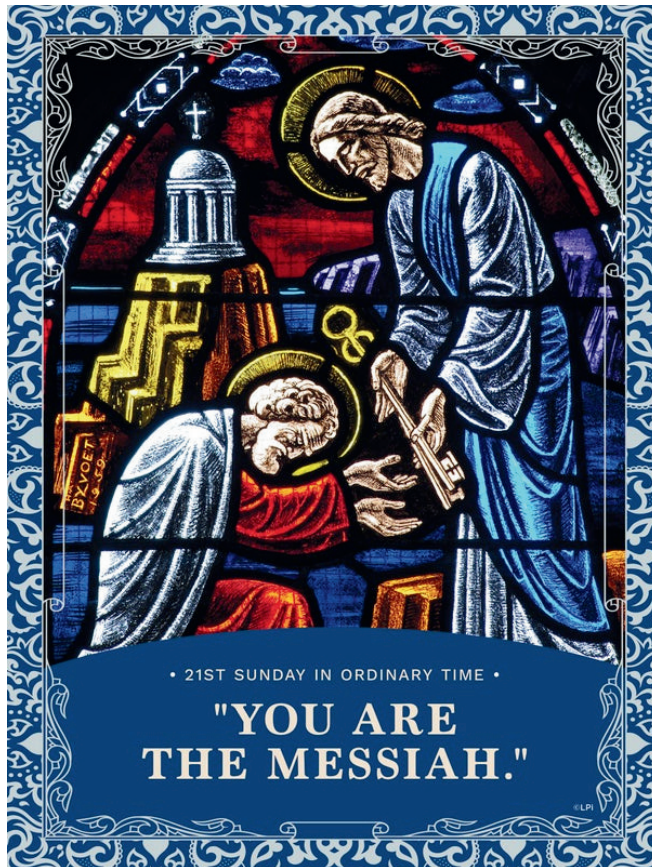
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SATURDAY

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

4:00 - 4:50 PM

OFFICE HOURS

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Mass Intentions

Monday, August 24 (Poniedziałek)

ST. BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE

8:00AM †Piotr Karnas r/o Rodzina Filipowicz

11:00AM †Alex Monaco r/o Laura Riccardi

Tuesday, August 25 (Wtorek)

St. Louise & St. Joseph Calasanz

8:00AM †Zdzislaw Kulisia r/o Family

11:00AM †Jan Pasek r/o Granddaughter

11:30AM OLPH Novena in English

Wednesday, August 26 (Środa)

OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA

11:00AM †Mr. Asprec r/o Laura Riccardi

11:30AM Exposition and Rosary

7:00PM OLPH Novena & Mass in Polish

Thursday, August 27 (Czwartek) St. Monica

8:00AM †Helena Ucen r/o Myra Fortunka

11:00AM God's Blessings for Sister Martina r/o Laura Riccardi

Friday, August 28 (Piątek) St. Augustine

11:00AM †Len Riccardi r/o John Shulte

7:00PM †Antoni Kafara r/o Siostra i Rodzina

Saturday, August 29 (Sobota)

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:00AM †Maria Karpinska r/o Gnap Family

11:00AM †Robert Michael Wozniak r/o John Tardy

5:00PM †The O'Connell Family r/o Family

August 30 (Niedziela) 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00AM †Robert Lach r/o Family

9:00AM †Ruben Arrogante r/o Lily Panaligan

†Gerardo & Julia Medina r/o Family

†Joyce Nipps r/o Michael & Susan Billups

God's Blessings for George Benko r/o Sandra Benko

For the People of the Parish

10:30AM †Katarzyna Lepianka r/o Daughter & Family

†Ignacy Pron r/o Kania Family

†Janusz Kowalski r/o Family

†Stanley Stoj r/o Niece

ENVELOPES

The Parish has switched envelope printing companies. The new company will supply parishioners with envelopes starting with the month of September. Thereafter envelopes will be mailed on a monthly basis. We apologize for any inconvenience you might have had in the past.



"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.

- Mt 16:19-20



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

August 23, 2026

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 16:13-20

The first time I stood inside St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, its majesty overwhelmed me. The sheer beauty of Michelangelo's dome seemed to lift my soul right out of my body. Later, I joined the Scavi tour that winds below the basilica, down into the ancient pagan cemetery where Peter was buried. There, in the dim light and narrow passageways, I found myself looking at the bones of a murdered Jewish fisherman, his feet cut off so his crucified body could be taken down more easily.

What a paradox. Above me, the most glorious church ever built. Beneath me, the remains of a backwater fisherman. But this man dared to answer Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?" And crowning that immense dome above his tomb are the words from today's Gospel, "You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church."

Within you and me is the drama of the lowest and the highest. Every time we confess Christ, humbly, imperfectly, maybe even trembling, we enter that same mystery. The dust of our humanity, touched by the splendor of heaven. God's presence and our dry bones together. Humility and glory. May our lives embrace both the lowest and the highest, like that great basilica, as we profess Jesus.

— Father John Muir

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To be a community of love, a family that joyfully proclaims and bears witness to the Gospel, and which serves the poor and one another.

Second Collection

Druga składka

September 5 & 6

Diocesan Assessment

September 12 & 13

Property Insurance

September 19 & 20

Air Conditioning

September 26 & 27

Youth & New Evangelization

Please visit our parish website:

www.ctrmanville.com

Gospel Reflection Videos

Please watch our video reflections on the
Sunday Readings each week.

This week

Deacon Anthony Scarpantonio
will be presenting the reflections.

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XXI Niedziela Zwykła

Mt 16, 13–20

Kiedy po raz pierwszy znalazłem się wewnątrz Bazyliki św. Piotra w Rzymie, jej majestat zrobił na mnie ogromne wrażenie. Niezwykle piękno kopuły zaprojektowanej przez Michała Anioła zdawało się niemal unosić moją duszę. Później wziąłem udział w zwiedzaniu podziemi bazyliki – tzw. Scavi – które prowadzą do starożytnej pogańskiej nekropolii, gdzie został pochowany św. Piotr.

Tam, w półmroku i wąskich korytarzach, znalazłem się przed kościołami zamordowanego żydowskiego rybaka. Jego stopy zostały odcięte, aby można było łatwiej zdjąć jego ukrzyżowane ciało z krzyża.

Cóż za paradoks! Nad moją głową wznosiła się jedna z najwspanialszych świątyń, jakie kiedykolwiek zbudowano. Pod mną znajdowały się szczątki prostego rybaka z odległej prowincji. A jednak ten człowiek odważył się odpowiedzieć na pytanie Jezusa: „A wy za kogo Mnie uważacie?” Nad jego grobem, na szczycie potężnej kopuły bazyliki, widnieją słowa z dzisiejszej Ewangelii: „Ty jesteś Piotr, czyli Skala, i na tej Skale zbuduję mój Kościół”. W każdym z nas rozgrywa się dramat tego, co najniższe, i tego, co najwyższe. Za każdym razem, gdy wyznajemy Chrystusa – pokornie, niedoskonale, a czasem nawet z drżeniem serca – wchodzimy w tę samą tajemnicę. Proch naszej ludzkiej natury zostaje dotknięty blaskiem nieba. Boża obecność spotyka się z naszymi suchymi kośćmi. Pokora spotyka się z chwałą.

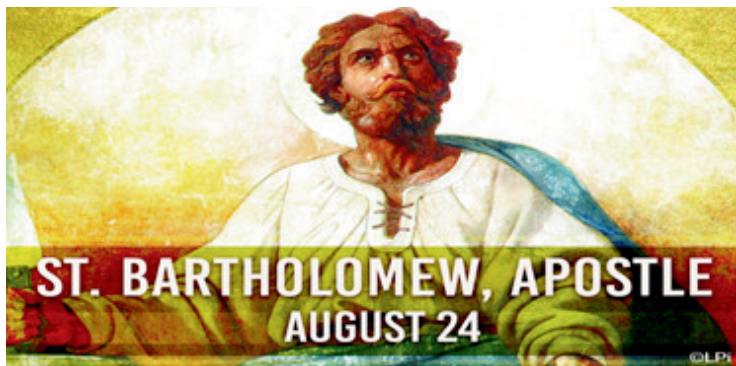
Niech nasze życie obejmuje zarówno to, co najniższe, jak i to, co najwyższe – tak jak wspinała Bazylika św. Piotra – kiedy wyznajemy, że Jezus jest Chrystusem.

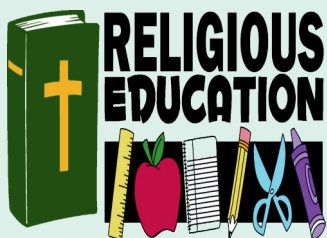
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Zbliżające się wydarzenia

September 5 Saturday	First Saturday Devotion
September 7 Monday	Labor Day (Office Closed)
September 11 Friday	Mass & 9/11 Prayer Service
September 12 Saturday	Public Square Rosary
September 12 Saturday	K of C Clothing Drive
September 13 Sunday	ARS Mass & Rosary
September 20 Sunday	Catechetical Sunday & Schoolchildren's Backpack Blessing
September 27 Sunday	Red, White & Blue Mass
September 29 Tuesday	1st Day of CCD Classes





**Parents: Do not forget to register your child
for the 2026-27 Religious Education
School Year
Classes Begins Sept 29th**

See the Religious Education page on the parish website
for more details.

A child is not considered enrolled until tuition is paid.



**Christ the Redeemer Parish is looking for CCD
teachers for our upcoming school year.**

**If you are a Catholic & have a desire to guide our
children in our faith, please contact the parish office
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**Our classes run on Tuesday evenings from
5:30—6:45pm.**

No previous experience is necessary.

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**The Christ the Redeemer collection for
the weekend of August 16 2026**

Offertory	\$ 4,899.00
Mail Ins	\$ 1,905.00
Youth & New Evangelization	\$ 1,376.00
On-line Giving	\$ 4,907.00
Total	\$ 13,807.00

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Master Sergeant Kimberly Kaminski USAF
Airman Michael Edward Kassick III
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Captain John Limyansky USAF
Specialist Allison Okurowski, Combat Medic
Airman Jason Pikula USAF
SR Jerry Lee Rogalski
PFC Steven Ubry
Master Sergeant Lindsay Zaccardi USAF*

**Let us know if you have a family member who is serving in
the military. Please share the good news with us when one of
the above soldiers returns home!**



**The Christ The Redeemer Caritas Food Pantry
depends on both monetary and grocery donations to
keep its shelves stocked.**

Please help us help those less fortunate.

**When going shopping please consider picking up
something extra.**

**Food items can be dropped off in our donation bins in
the church vestibule or at the parish office.**

**Monetary donations can be made through
on-line giving.**

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Council Meeting: Council

Meetings are held monthly on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 pm; Saint John Neumann Center

Recruiting: Catholic men 18+ are invited to reach out to Chester Makowski (chester.makowski@gmail.com) or approach any of the brother knights.

Bible Study: All are welcome to join us in the Little Red Schoolhouse, (the Saint John Neumann Center) next to the Rectory on Thursday evenings at 7pm.

Clothing Drive - September 12, 2026 -
9AM - 12 noon— St. John Neumann Center.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Only Peter Has the Answer

“What do you think of the Pope?”

After the election of Pope Leo XIV in 2025, all my non-Catholic friends texted me this question. The result of the papal conclave was dominating the news cycle, and everyone was curious about this man who would now be so prominent on the world stage, making me temporarily popular with people who apparently need more (and better) Catholics in their lives. In today's Gospel, we see Jesus entrust Peter and his heirs with the stewardship of the kingdom here on earth, creating an unbroken line of authority that stretches through the millennia all the way to our current Pope — whoever he is at the time you are reading this. I don't know if you like the Pope.

The same goes for your local bishop and your pastor. If a friend texted you, “What do you think of him?” I have no idea how you would respond. All I know is this: it doesn't really matter. What really matters is what we would say if a friend texted us the same question about Jesus Christ: “What do you think of him, and why?” In today's Gospel, Jesus doesn't ask his disciples to take an IQ test.

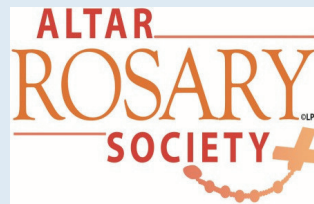
He doesn't try to find out which one is the nicest, the hardest worker, the most humble, or even the holiest.

He asks a very simple question: “Who do you say that I am?”

Peter has the answer.

I am not Catholic because I like the Pope. I am not Catholic because the human representatives of the Church have anything to offer me (they often do, but this is beside the point).

I am Catholic because only Peter has the answer.



The next Altar Rosary Society Mass will be said
September 13th at 9:00AM.

**Please join us for the
PARISH ROSARY OF THE MONTH AT
8:30AM.**

The next **First Saturday Devotions** to Our Lady of Fatima will take place on
September 5, 2026

Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

A weekly vocation prayer is a short, focused petition offered to ask God for more dedicated holy men and women to serve as priests, deacons, and consecrated religious.

Sunday	Suzanne Runyon
Monday	Barbara Porter, Dora Perna
Tuesday	Dolores Finlan
Wednesday	John Tardy
Thursday	Julia & Natalia Droszczak
Friday	Natalie Day
Saturday	Roberta Caswell

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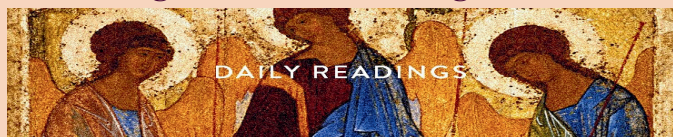
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Valerie Frank, Nancy Franklin, Karter Fridlund, Joe & Mirella Gazo, Joann Genovese, Margaret Guerrazzi,
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God of all consolation give life and health to our sisters and brothers for whom we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.

Readings for the week of August 23, 2026



Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2a, 2b-3, 6 and 8/Rom
11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn
1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt
23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt
23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mk
6:17-29

Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-
2/Mt 16:21-27

Readings at <http://www.usccb.org/nab/>.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

What does it mean to be a good steward? Does it mean to be an active parishioner, or something more? Are we better stewards because we give more in terms of our money and time to our parish, or are we called to do even more than that?

The truth is that stewardship is a way of life. We are not simply called to be active parishioners, but instead be active disciples all the time. In fact, what we learn to do in our parish should serve as preparation for the mission field of the world. What have we really done if we only act like disciples of Jesus Christ while we are assembled with others who claim to be the same?

The choice before us is to give of ourselves in all aspects of our day and life. The call of Jesus will come in our everyday lives with our co-workers, family, and friends more often than it will within our parish community.

First, if we can't become good stewards when we are among those who proclaim Jesus as Lord, how will we be able to do so when we are with those who are non-believers?

Second, when our muscles of gratitude, generosity, and graciousness are strengthened within our parish community, we are more able to meet the challenges of this world. However, we do not become good stewards by accident. We must always choose to live this way.

What will you choose?

– Tracy Earl Welliver

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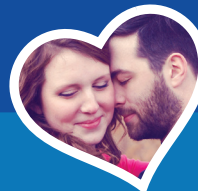
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