

Who Is Peter?

We are at something of a disadvantage this week, having a separation of days between last



Take up your cross and follow me

week's Gospel reading and this week's. In Matthew's Gospel, these two passages follow immediately upon one another. So we don't realize that, in only a hundred words or so, Jesus has moved from referring to Peter as the rock on which the church will be built to calling him "Satan." So the point is Jesus founded the church on a "Satan?" Of course not. Jesus Christ founded, and continues to build—through the presence of his Body given to us, the church, by the Spirit of baptism—on human beings. He knows now, as he knew then, our frailness and built-in shortcomings. Today he begins his explanation of what his role as Messiah will mean during his last days in Jerusalem. And poor Peter leaps to the wrong conclusion, as many of us would, and still do. Peter is insistent upon following the conventional religious wisdom, the status quo, the commonly understood view of the Messiah. But it was this very view that Jesus came into this world to subvert.



Mass Intention/Intención Especial

Sunday, Aug 31

(9:00 Mass) **Loretta Kontz (+)** repose of soul
Matilde Sanchez (+) repose of soul
Guillermo Sanchez (+) repose of soul
(11:00 Mass) **Thomas Gastelum (+)**
on the 7th anniversary of his death

Sunday, Sept 14

(9:00 Mass) **Jack Young (+)** on his birthday
Loretta Kontz (+) repose of soul

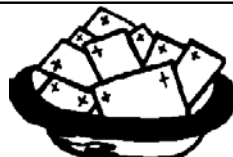
Sunday, Sept 21

(9:00 Mass) **Dora Arvayo (+)** special intention
(11:00 Mass) **Francisco Gonzalez (+)**
on the 8th anniversary of his death

Weekly Offering/Ofertorio

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Thank you! ¡Muchas Gracias!



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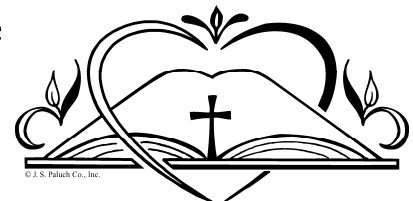
The Readings For The Week

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessings of Human Labor," nos. 907-911
Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Psalm 95;
Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20



Who Are We?.. The spiritual author C.S. Lewis once wrote, in reflecting on how hard it is to pray for one's enemies as Christ commanded, that he had particular difficulty praying for people like Stalin or Hitler. This was because he had to come to terms with the fact that the very human failings that made them who they were are also present in each one of us. We can never be sure exactly how or why we are prevented from exercising that degree of evil and hatred; it is only through the grace and will of God that we don't. All the weakness and ignorance present in Peter today are present in all of us. We could not name one single baptized follower of Christ in whom these mortal failings were not or are not present. It is helpful for us to be alert about this, lest we follow the way of Peter today and fail to realize that to follow Christ means following him to Jerusalem. It means actively taking up a cross, making our bodies a living sacrifice, as Paul says. It means examining the religious status quo of our day to make sure it is consistent with the sometimes harsh message of Jesus' good news. And it means making sure that we are more like last week's Peter, professing faith in Christ revealed to us by God, so we may continue to be strong and sturdy stones on which the church continues to be built.

"Be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect." —Romans 12:2



Southern Arizona Children's Advocacy Center will be presenting a session on "Keeping Your Children Safe" on following dates during student's class time:
Sunday Sept 7 at 9:00 for Sunday school parents—SACAC video for students on Monday Sept 8—For parents on Tuesday Sept 9—For parents on Wednesday Sept 10—on Thursday Sept 11 video for students—Sunday school students Sept 14 at 9:00.

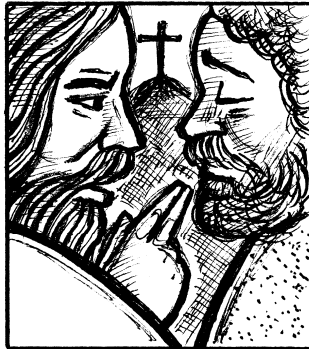
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¿Quién Es Pedro?... Estamos en una especie de desventaja esta semana, ya que siete días separan la lectura del evangelio de la semana pasada y el de esta semana. En el Evangelio según San Mateo, estos dos pasajes están juntos. Por eso no nos damos cuenta que, en tan sólo unas cien palabras, Jesús ha pasado de referirse a Pedro como la piedra sobre la cual edificará su Iglesia a llamarlo "Satanás". Entonces, ¿fundó Jesús su Iglesia en "Satanás"? Por supuesto que no. Jesucristo fundó su Iglesia sobre un ser humano y la sigue construyendo con nosotros, los seres humanos que recibimos el Espíritu en el bautismo; pero, bien conoce el Señor nuestras fragilidades y deficiencias hoy, tal como las conoció entonces. Hoy él comienza a explicar qué implicará su papel como Mesías durante sus últimos días en Jerusalén. Y el pobre Pedro saca conclusiones erróneas, como muchos de nosotros lo hubiésemos hecho y todavía lo hacemos. Pedro se empecina en obedecer las creencias religiosas convencionales, la cultura reinante, las ideas que se tenían comúnmente del Mesías. Pero eran precisamente esas ideas las que Jesús vino a cambiar.

Las Lecturas de la Semana

Lunes:	1 Cor 2:1-5; Lc 4:16-30
Martes:	1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lc 4:31-37
Miércoles:	1 Cor 3:1-9; Lc 4:38-44
Jueves:	1 Cor 3:18-23; Lc 5:1-11
Viernes:	1 Cor 4:1-5; Lc 5:33-39
Sábado:	1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lc 6:1-5
Domingo:	Ez 33:7-9; Salmo 95 (94) Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20



¿Quiénes Somos Nosotros? El autor espiritual C.S. Lewis escribió, mientras reflexionaba sobre lo difícil que es rezar por nuestros enemigos como Cristo nos ordenó, que le resultaba especialmente difícil rezar por personas como Stalin o Hitler. Esto se debía a que debía aceptar que las fallas humanas que existían en esas personas también se hallan presentes en cada uno de nosotros. No podemos estar seguros de cómo o por qué no ejercemos ese grado de maldad y odio; es sólo por la gracia y la voluntad de Dios que no lo hacemos. La debilidad y la ignorancia presente en Pedro está presente hoy en todos nosotros. No podemos nombrar ni a un sólo discípulo bautizado de Cristo que no haya presentado, o que no presente, estas fallas mortales. Nos es útil estar conscientes de esto, no vaya a ser que, como Pedro, no entendamos que seguir a Cristo significa seguirlo a Jesurusalén. Significa tomar activamente nuestra cruz, hacer de nuestros cuerpos una ofrenda viva, como dice Pablo. Significa examinar la cultura religiosa de nuestro tiempo para asegurarnos de que sea coherente con el mensaje, avces duro, de la Buena Nueva. Y significa asegurarnos de ser más parecidos al Pedro de la semana pasada, que profesaba su fe en Cristo, revelado a nosotros por Dios, para poder seguir siendo piedras fuertes y sólidas sobre las cuales se sigue edificando la Iglesia.



Our Calendar of Events

Sunday, August 31

9:00 am Mass (The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)
SVDP monetary donations for Food Bank
11:00 Mass (22 Domingo/Tiempo Ordinario)

Monday, September 1

Happy Labor Day! / Día de los Trabajadores
Grupo de Oración Ríos de Agua Viva a las 7:00 pm

Tuesday, September 2 No RE classes today

Wednesday, September 3 No RE classes today

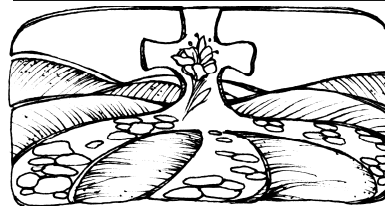
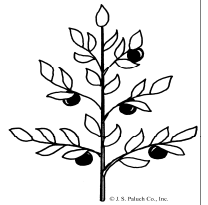
Knights of Columbus meet at 7:00 pm

Thursday, September 4

No Religious Education classes today

Sunday, September 7

9:00 Mass (23rd Sunday/Ordinary Time)
SVDP meeting/Food bank collection
11:00 Mass (23 Domingo/Tiempo Ordinario)
HS YM Mass w/Fr. Mike 12:15 (Session 1:00-2:30 pm)



Cuando yo muera, Dios
no medirá mi mente para
ver lo listo que fui.
Dios medirá mi corazón
para ver cuánto amé.

Need to sharpen your skills on praying the Liturgy of the Hours? Want to learn how to pray the Liturgy of the Hours? On September 13, Deacon Andy Corder will lead a class in "How to Pray The Liturgy of the Hours." This class will use the Book of Christian Prayer and focus specifically on how to pray the Morning and Evening Prayer. Class will begin at 5:00 pm and will be held at Fr. Kino's Corner, 2716 S. Kolb Rd. in Tucson. Registrations are encouraged in order to ensure adequate guide handouts are available. There is no charge for the class and no purchase necessary. Registrations may be done by calling 790-4033 or by email at customerservice@frkinoscorner.com.