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**ST. PETER OF
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September Mass Count

Per the Diocese request ushers will be counting all Mass attendees including infants and children for the weekends in September. The remaining dates are the 16th & 17th, and 23rd & 24th.

Hurricane Harvey

Bishop Medley has requested the Diocese have a special collection for Hurricane Harvey victims. You may either send your donation to the Diocese of Owensboro or you may mark your donation for Hurricane Relief and drop it in the collection baskets. This collection will take place today.

Parish Finance Meeting

There will be St. Peter Parish Finance Committee meeting Tuesday, September 19th at 5:30pm.

St. Augustine Reverse Raffle INFO

The St. Augustine Reverse Raffle will be Saturday, September 23rd, 2017. If you haven't gotten your ticket yet contact Dee Anna Booker, 270-302-2439. Tickets are \$70 each, you do not need to be present to win, \$60 is tax deductible. Quilt Raffle tickets are \$1 each.

Reminders:

We are still having a special collection for meat expenses.

We will be setting up the Parish Hall at 6pm on Friday, September 22nd.

We will need help preparing vegetables beginning at 9am Saturday, September 23rd.

All donated items need to be in the Parish Hall by 8:30am on Saturday, September 23rd.

Webpage Pictures

If you **DO NOT** wish to have your picture published on the St. Peter Parish website, www.stpeterofalcantara.com please notify the Parish office at 270-764-1983 or email mkeller922@hotmail.com.

Fall Reverse Raffle

St. Peter's Parish Council is seeking a volunteer to **"be in charge of"** a Fall Reverse Raffle or any Fundraiser in 2017. Profit from this event December 2, 2016 was \$8,728. Contact Parish Council Chairperson, Pat Coomes if interested.

Welcome to St. Augustine / St. Peter of Alcantara Parish!

We want to welcome our visitors and new parishioners! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Jegin. If you have not registered, we ask that you complete a form found by the bulletins in the back of church, and return it to the office. We are glad that you are here to share the Liturgy with our community. Those who plan to move from our parish are requested to inform the office.

Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

Yes, even though, the Gospel was written thousands of years back, the question raised in today's Gospel by Peter is highly important in today's world, if we take the question seriously-how often must I forgive? According to the Jewish law, a person could be forgiven 3 times. But Peter, goes beyond the law of the time, trying to play a "good boy" game before the other disciples and his Master, he increases the number of forgiveness to number seven, the number of perfection or completeness, then asks; "*as many as seven times?*" But, the master who understood the inner thoughts of Peter spoils his "good boy" game by saying "*not seven times, but seventy-seven times.*" By saying this Jesus very clearly says to us that, forgiveness has no limit at all or don't put any limit on forgiveness. Yes, forgiveness is not a matter of a number, but it is a matter of love.

To establish the point, that forgiveness is a matter of love, Jesus presents to us the story of the court official who owed the king a huge amount of debt, which he could not repay in due time. The king however was so kind and merciful that, he cancelled the debt completely. Yet, the official in his turn was not even ready to forgive a colleague who owed him a much smaller amount. Upon finding the unforgiving attitude of the official, the king got angry and put the official in prison until he paid back the whole debt.

The lesson we are called upon to take from this Gospel is to be really generous and large-hearted in forgiving others. This is the same, we are seeking in Lord's Prayer; "*forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.*" Today, if we find it difficult to forgive others, the reason is not the other person, but is we ourselves. Because to forgive others, it is important that we forgive ourselves, because only then we can forgive others, and thereby receive forgiveness from God. Yes, forgiveness needs an openness of heart. If we hold tightly mercury in our hand, it will run away from our hand; only in the open palm can we hold mercury. The same way, only in the openness of the heart forgiveness is possible. If we lose forgiveness from our life, we can lose forgiveness of our sins and the ability to give and receive love.

Forgiveness needs true love and sacrifice. Please remember the homily I started with last weekend; our Christian life is to live, to live is to love and to love is to sacrifice. Remember, the forgiveness we all received from Jesus even in the midst of heart breaking pain on the cross, and the sacrifice Jesus endured for all of us to reconcile us to His Heavenly Father! Count the forgiveness we continue to receive in our everyday life from the Lord, even

though we are unworthy, and so we are here today! Yes, if we really appreciate, the goodness of the Lord in our lives, we cannot be unforgiving, but only forgiving. Yes, dear friends, the Gospel says to us that, as a Christian it is our duty to give forgiveness, and at the same time it is the right of the other persons to receive forgiveness from us.

So, let us ask the Eucharistic Lord to bless us with the grace to forgive and to forget the wrongs others have done us. **God Bless you all.**

I Have Chosen You..." (John 15:16) 2017-2018 Disciples Response Fund

The 2017-2018 Disciples Response Fund campaign began with a mailing to all registered parishioners from Bishop Medley. All are asked to give generously in support of the important items funded by your contributions.

Support of the work of our Diocese is important. There are many things that even the largest parishes cannot do on their own. For example, the Disciples Response Fund puts money into an endowment for the care of retired priests. Also, the fund assists with the expenses for the education of our seminarians and provides operating income and scholarship funds for the Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp.

The Gospel of John tells us that each of us has been chosen by the Lord to go forth and bear fruit that will remain. A significant contribution to the DRF is one way to reach out to many who will bear fruit.

In last year's campaign (2016-2017), the Diocese began a system of returning 50% of the dollars received, over target, to the parishes for their use.

St. Augustine Parish received \$592.32

St. Peter Parish received \$261.44.

These dollars are assessment free.

If you received a letter from Bishop Medley asking for your support of the DRF, please make a generous gift today.

Area Picnics

Sept. 17	11am	St. Lawrence/St. William
Sept. 24	11am	St. Mary of the Woods

Parishes Directory Sign Up is About to Begin

Start checking your schedules! Sign up for family pictures for our Parishes Directory, will begin the weekend of October 7th & 8th. Be sure to check the dates for each location. Pictures will be Wednesday, November 1st at St. Augustine Parish Hall and November 2nd, 3rd & 4th at St. Peter Parish Hall.

Louisville Shopping Trip

Mark your calendars! Save the Date! The St. Peter Louisville Shopping trip to Simpsonville will be Saturday, November 11th. The cost is \$45 per person. Call Sally Moss (270-933-7944) to make your reservation. Enough money needs to be turned in by October 1st to cover the cost of the bus. Seats are available for anyone.

**St. Augustine Ministries
Sept 24**

Servers:
Gabe & Sam McFarland

Lector:
Rob Mitchell

Eucharistic Ministers:
Sonny & Linda Evans

Gifts:
Lois Payne Family

Ushers:
Dee Anna Booker & Ben Blair

Church Cleaners:
Linda Evans Sept. 10 - 23
Rita Haire Sept 24 - Oct 7

Church Cleaners:
Cleaning the Church is an act of your love and gratitude to God for our Church. If for some reason you are unable to clean when it is your turn, please contact Herschel Smith (270) 302-0601 and for a fee of \$30.00 he will clean for your two weeks. If you are physically unable to clean, please contact Herschel so other arrangements can be made.

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Sept 17 - 24**

Sunday - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8am Mass @ St. Augustine - *Herman Head*
-9:30am Mass @ St. Peter - *People of the Parishes*
-10:30am Faith Formation Classes

Monday -

Office Closed
-8am Mass @ St. Peter - *Cliff Hall*

Tuesday - St. Januarius

-8am Mass @ St. Peter - *Clayton Johnson*
-5:30pm Finance Committee Meeting @ St. Peter

Wednesday - Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon and Paul

Chong Ha-Sang and Companions
-8am Mass @ St. Peter - *Bobby Edelen*

Thursday - St. Matthew

-8am Mass @ St. Peter - *Vivian Fischer*

Friday -

-8am Mass @ St. Peter - *Herman Head*

Saturday - St. Pius of Pietrelcina

-8am @ St. Augustine the Patriotic Rosary
-4pm Confessions
-5pm Mass @ St. Peter - *Elizabeth Ann Connor*
-6:30pm Reverse Raffle @ St. Augustine

Sunday - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8am Mass @ St. Augustine - *Jeff Millay*
-9:30am Mass @ St. Peter - *People of the Parishes*
-10:30am Faith Formation Classes

**September is the
month of
Our Lady of Sorrows**



Happy Anniversary



Bucky & Vickie Lacer, 09/17
Sonny & Linda Evans, 09/18



Happy Birthday

Sharon Brown, 09/20
Joseph Go, 09/21
Eric Johnson, 09/22
Dr. David Medley, 09/23

**An Accounting of Your
Stewardship of Treasure**

Weekly Budget	\$1,403.85
Actual Collection:	Sept 10
Sunday Collection,	1,635.00
Reverse Raffle Meat,	94.05
Disciple's Response,	5.00

**Please continue to pray for the following
Parishioners & Friends:**

Daniel Blair, Sophia Blair, Dee Anna Booker, Sr. Michael Bridget, Rethia Bumgardner, Shelia Byrne, Barbara Connor, Tonya Crabtree, Richard DeMar, Shirley Dunn, Alan Ebelhar, Stella Fogle, Delbert Fulkerson, Robin Hardesty, Mason Jackson, Nicholas Jackson, Fr. Jegin, Mack Lacer, Leslie LeClure, Paula Mayfield, David Medley, Margie Merimee, Anita Mitchell, Ralph Mitchell, Angie Park, Kenny Pendleton, Fr. Pike Powell, Fr. Richard Powers, Steve Raley, Bill Riney, Randall Schwartz, Chris Settles, Barbara Smith, Eddie Smith, Juanita Spalding, Betty Wathen, Lori Winstead, Sam Winstead, Bill Young, Lillian Young, Mike Young



Special Collections

Sept 3-17 Meat for Reverse Raffle
Sept 17 Hurricane Harvey

Readings for the Week



Monday 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday 1 Tm 3:1--13; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday 1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13
Friday 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday 1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is celebrated upon request, and at least four times a year during the week-end Masses. Please notify the pastor or call the parish office if you know of anyone who might need this sacrament, but may not be able to notify the pastor personally. Please inform the pastor or someone in the parish office if you or any of your family is in the hospital or going into the hospital. If your doctor is willing we can also have a blessing for him/her at the time of your anointing.

Bulletin Information

Information for the Bulletin needs to be submitted to St. Peter's office by Wednesday. 270-764-1983 or lschrecker@stpeterofalcantara.com.



Faith Formation Class Schedule

September 17	10:30am
September 24	10:30am
October 1	10:30am

Let's Pray For Our Country!

A group of people are meeting each Saturday morning at 8:00am at St. Augustine Parish to pray the Patriotic Rosary for the United States of America. You are invited to attend--every Saturday or any Saturday that you can. This is important work!

Up Coming Events

Sept 23	Reverse Raffle - SA
Oct 1	Donut Breakfast - SP
Oct 1	Potluck Breakfast - SA
Oct 7	Burgoo Drive Thru - SP
Oct 7	Hwy 60 Yard Sale - SP
**SA - St. Augustine	
**SP - St. Peter	

Burgoo Drive Thru

St. Peter will have a Burgoo Drive Thru Saturday, October 7th, Pickup time is 3:00pm \$18 per gallon. You do NOT PREPAY but you MUST PREORDER. Contact Tim Cecil 270-929-8589, Nathan Grant 270-929-4533, Denny Grant 270-929-8479. Proceeds benefit the Parish General Fund.

Burgoo Veggie Cut-Up

On Friday, October 6, at 5:00pm please come to help cut-up veggies for Burgoo. Bring a sharp knife and a large bowl. Questions/Volunteer for Burgoo contact Tim Cecil.

Hwy 60 Yard Sale

The Hwy 60 Yard Sale is the weekend of October 7th. St. Peter will rent 2 parking spaces for \$25. Contact April Fulkerson 270-314-6863. The concession booth will open Saturday, at 6am. Donate home baked goods or other food items for Concession Sale. Proceeds benefit the Religious Ed. Fund.

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Sacrament of Marriage

A couple wishing to marry must contact the priest at least six months before the desired wedding date. According to the guidelines of our diocese, you should not make absolute plans for a specific wedding date until after meeting with the pastor. The couple will be required to attend a marriage preparation course which will include at least one formal program such as an Engaged Encounter weekend or the Sponsor Couple Program.

Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism for infants is administered upon request. Parents and Godparents must attend an evening class on Baptism in the Catholic Church. Please contact the pastor and set up an appointment for this class at least a month in advance. At least one parent must be a practicing Catholic for their child to be baptized in the Catholic Church. Godparents must be at least 16 years of age, and at least one must be a practicing Catholic.

Sacraments to the Home-Bound

Please inform the pastor or the parish office if you know of anyone who is home-bound, so that we can insure that they are afforded ample opportunities to receive the Sacraments. We would rather be notified by several people than to not be notified at all, so please don't presume that someone else has already notified us.