

St. Peter + Prince of Apostles



Mission Statement

The Catholic Christian Community of St. Peter + Prince of the Apostles Parish welcomes all to celebrate God's love. As a Eucharistic Faith Community, we witness to the Gospel message through prayer and service; and education and sacraments; hospitality and stewardship of talent, treasure, and time.

Second Sunday of Advent—December 4, 2011

Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths.

— Mark 1:3

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— Parish Office Hours —

Monday-Friday
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

— Mass Schedule —

(all Masses are at St. Peter's
unless otherwise noted)

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (NAS Lemoore)
5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00 a.m.
8:30 a.m. (Stratford)
10:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m. (Spanish)

— Daily Mass — Schedule

(Masses are at St. Peter's Holy Family
Chapel behind the Main Church)

Monday through Friday at 6:55 a.m.
Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

— M.I.Q. School Mass —

Wednesdays at 8:10 a.m. in
St. Peter's Church



— Sacrament of Reconciliation — (Confessions)

Friday: 5:00-5:30 p.m.
Saturday: 8:20-9:00 a.m.

— Adoration of the — Blessed Sacrament

Each Tuesday in St. Peter's Holy Family Chapel beginning after the 6:55 a.m. Mass and ending with a benediction at 12 noon. Also, 24-Hour Adoration the first Thursday of every month beginning after the Thursday 6:55 a.m. Mass and ending at the start of the Friday 6:55 a.m. Mass also in the Holy Family Chapel.

— Marriage or Baptism —

Please contact the church office for more information.

— Mary Immaculate — Queen School

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St. Peter's Ministries Schedule

	Time	Group	Location
<u>First Mondays</u>	2:00 p.m.	Altar Society	St. Peter's Room
<u>Second Mondays</u>	1:30 p.m.	Prayer Quilt Group	St. Agnes' Room
<u>Third Mondays</u>	6:00 p.m.	YLI Group	St. Agnes' Room
<u>Fourth Mondays</u>	6:00p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting	St. Peter's Room
<u>Every Tuesday</u>	7:00 p.m.	Hora Apostolica	St. Peter's Room
	7:30 p.m.	Knights of Columbus	O'Doherty Hall
	7:30 a.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Adoration	Holy Family Chapel
	12:00 Noon	Benediction	Holy Family Chapel
<u>Third Wednesdays</u>	5:30 p.m.	Liturgy Meeting	Pastor's Office
<u>Every Wednesday</u>	6:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	St. Agnes' Room
	10:00 a.m.	Wed. Prayer Group	St. Peter's Room
	10:00 a.m.	Legion of Mary	St. Agnes' Room
	11:00 a.m.	Curia	Marian Room
	5:00 p.m.	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	St. Agnes' Room
	6:30 p.m.	Meditation Group	St. Peter's Room
	6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir - English	St. Peter's Church
	7:00 p.m.	Spanish Prayer Group	Old St. Peter's Church
8:00 p.m.	Adult Choir - Spanish	St. Peter's Church	
<u>First Thursday</u>	7:20 a.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 24 hr. Adoration	Holy Family Chapel
	4:00 p.m.	Facilities Meeting	O'Doherty Hall
<u>Every Thursday</u>	7:00 p.m.	Padres Orantes Grupo	Holy Family Chapel
<u>First Friday</u>	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scout	O'Doherty Conference Rm.
<u>Fourth Friday</u>	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scout	O'Doherty Conference Rm.
<u>Every Friday</u>	9:30 a.m.	Mother's Bible Study	St. Peter's Room

***Note: Schedules subject to change. Please contact Ministry Head for most up-to-date information.**



— Readings for the Week —

<u>Monday, Dec. 5:</u>	Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26
<u>Tuesday, Dec. 6:</u>	Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14
<u>Wednesday, Dec. 7:</u>	Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30
<u>Thursday, Dec. 8:</u>	Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
<u>Friday, Dec. 9:</u>	Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19
<u>Saturday, Dec. 10:</u>	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
<u>Sunday, Dec. 11:</u>	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

— Mass Intentions —

<u>Saturday, Dec. 3:</u>	
4:00 p.m. (NAS)	For Military Families
5:30 p.m.	Charles Golden by His Wife & Daughters
<u>Sunday, Dec. 4:</u>	
7:00 a.m.	Cardoza & Avila Families by Lee Cardoza Ann Marie Ramirez by Mom & Sister
8:30 a.m. (Stratford)	Jean Piere Ospital by Sabine Ospital
10:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Altar Society Angelo Freitas by His Wife Ruby
12:00 p.m. (Spanish)	Pedro Padilla De Su Familia
<u>Monday, Dec. 5:</u>	
6:55 a.m.	Ted Badasci & D.C. Billingsley by The Family
<u>Tuesday, Dec. 6:</u>	
6:55 a.m.	Ligaya Magbanua by M/M Ray Magbanua
<u>Wednesday, Dec. 7:</u>	
6:55 a.m.	Nick Barresi by The Madrigals
No MIQ Mass Today	
<u>Thursday, Dec. 8, (Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary):</u>	
6:55 a.m.	Flora Biangone by Joe, Carol & Family In Thanksgiving for Elizabeth Valdez by The Family
8:10 a.m. (MIQ)	Msgr. John O’Friel by The Parish
5:30 p.m.	For The Parish
7:00 p.m. (Spanish)	For The Hispanic Community
<u>Friday, Dec. 9:</u>	
6:55 a.m.	Antonio Pedro by The Family
<u>Saturday, Dec. 10:</u>	
8:00 a.m.	Zepherina Souza by Laura Paulo

— Prayers of the Faithful —

Prayers for the sick

We pray for Alvin Oliveira, Ernie Freitas, Victor Freitas, and all who are sick. May they feel the healing powers of our prayers.

Prayers for the deceased

We pray for Msgr. John O’Friel, Rosita Ignacio, Rose Lewis De Castro, and all the faithful departed. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

— Sunday Collection Plate —

November 20, 2011	\$8,064.29
Last year	\$6,521.76
Difference	+\$1,542.53

Debt Reduction \$2,757.99

Weekly Offering



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— Weekly Reflection —

GOD’S DELAY

In times of great difficulties scoffers taunt us, “Where is God? Why hasn’t your Lord come to save you now?”

And we of faith respond much in the same way as Peter did in today’s second reading: the “delay” of the Lord’s second coming is not any type of punishment or failure to keep the divine promise, but a loving sign of God’s patience. God is giving *everyone* the chance to seek repentance.

God does not make life more difficult. Rather, God lessens our burdens as once before for the Jewish exiles returning home to Judea after captivity in Babylon. It was God who personally led them, making a “straight highway” for them across the desert.

We join with our ancestors of faith, who hoped that they might see God’s Chosen One before them and who eventually realized that the Lord was also walking with them side by side.

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Living Stewardship Now

Advent is a season of patient waiting. Make an effort to cultivate patience. Pray for patience with family, especially small children, with people who are hard to take, with the petty annoyances of everyday life.

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— Religious Education —

C.C.D. 2011 – 2012

Ph: 924-2826

Office Hours:

Monday and Tuesday - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Wednesday - 9 a.m. to Noon

Thursday and Friday - Office Closed

Lemoore C.C.D Program

December 5: Monday: 4:15 – 5:15 p.m.

December 6: Tuesday: 4:15 – 5:15 p.m.

Stratford C.C.D Program

December 7: Wednesday

Grades 1-5: 2:15 – 3:15 p.m.

NEW - First Communion Parent Meeting

at St. Joseph's Church: 2:25 – 3:15

Grades 9-12: 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Please note: CCD Families for Lemoore & Stratford
Christmas Vacation: Dec. 19 through Jan. 6 - No Classes
Schedule Change: The week of January 9 - No Classes
Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday: January 16 - No Classes
All Classes Resume the week of January 17, 2012

Required Documents for NEW Students: Birth and
Baptism Certificates

Fees: \$50 / One Child; \$95 / Two Children;

\$140 / Three Children; \$160 / Four or More Children

PLEASE....DO NOT HESITATE TO REGISTER DUE TO FEES!

Payment plans or other Options are available...every
child is welcome...special arrangements or scholarships
available as needed.

High School Students in Stratford

Please come JOIN US in STRATFORD on WEDNESDAY
afternoons from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. at our St. Joseph's
Religious Education Center, 19305 Empire Street, next to
Church. This preparation leads to receiving Sacrament of
Confirmation (and if needed First Holy Communion and
Baptism). All are Welcome! Contact Shirley at 924-2826
or 707-5635 for more information. God Bless!

Youth Ministry

Our Youth Ministry (high school students) meets from
6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday nights. We meet in St. Peter's
new Holy Family Chapel behind the Main Church.
Students must sign in and must be signed out by an adult
(or have a note from a parent).

Confirmation students attend Youth Ministry from 6:30
to 7 p.m., then attend Confirmation Class. They return to
Youth Ministry prior to dismissal. Call Pat Norris for
more information at 947-3395.

— Adult Education Ministries—

RCIA/Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

New Inquirers: For Adults interested in learning of the
Catholic Church, receiving the Sacraments of Baptism,
Confirmation, Holy Eucharist.

December 4, 11, 18

10:00 a.m. Mass Dismissal @ 10:30 a.m.

New Registrations are still welcome! For information,
please call 924-2826 . Thank you and May God Bless.

Adult Confirmation Classes

For: Baptized Adult Catholics who have already
received First Holy Communion

Classes: Sunday, December 11th

January 8, 22, & 29

Feb 12 & 26

Mar 11 & 25

Location: St. Agnes Room (next to the Lobby)

Time: 8:15 – 9:45 a.m.

Mass: 10:00 a.m. (available after Class!)

Please call the Religious Education Office for more
information at 924-2826.

— Diocesan News—

Religious Retirement Collection

Many thanks to the parishes that participated in last
year's Retirement Collection for men and women
religious. Why we ask people to give:

- 74 is the average age of retirement from
compensated ministry for women and men religious.
Most continue volunteer ministry as long as health
permits.
- 15,458 religious are at institutes that have less than
20% of the amount projected for costs of living and
health care in retirement.
- 34,000 religious, mostly women, are now past age 70.
More and more religious are living into their 90's and
100's.
- No retirement benefits were available for women and
men religious until 23 years ago.

Thank you for your past support. And please remember
these religious in this year's collection next weekend,
December 11, with your financial support as well as your
prayers.

— Parish News—

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, December 8th

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Please plan on attending one of the following Masses:

6:55 a.m., 8:10 a.m., 5:30 p.m., and
7:00 p.m. (Spanish). All Masses will
take place in the Main Church.



Bulletin Submission Dates

Please be aware that due to Christmas, the date for bulletin submissions will need to be adjusted in order to meet our printer's deadlines. Please be advised that any submissions for the December 25th bulletin will need to be received by email or in the folder in the church office by 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 13th. The January 1st bulletin will run on the regular schedule. Should you have any questions, please call or email Cary Clarke at 924-1532 or bulletinstpeters@gmail.com.



St. Peter's Dedication Broadcast

Do you want to watch the dedication again? Were you not able to attend? Here is your chance! KNXT, Channel 49, will be broadcasting the dedication and consecration of St. Peter's Church on the following date:

December 5th at 2:00 p.m.
December 6th at 11:00 a.m.

Gift Giving Tree

Since Advent is upon us and it is a time to give and to receive out of love for one another, we would like to invite everyone who wishes to do a little "giving" this year to feel free to drop off unwrapped presents before or after all Masses. There will be a box located at the Main entrance in the church. Presents can be whatever your heart desires. The ages range from newborn to 101 years old! All gifts will be immediately disbursed to local charities here in Lemoore and Hanford. December 18th will be that last day available to drop off your gifts, our local charities need time to coordinate the giving of your gifts.

It is in giving that we receive.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life



— Retreats/Pilgrimages—

Trip to the Azores

Have you ever wanted to visit the Azores, but did not because you did not want to go alone, or did not speak the language, or did not have family there? Father Isaque has a trip for you! Come see where your ancestors came from and where your traditions and faith traditions began. Fr. Isaque will be your guide, celebrating Mass every day in your ancestral villages as well as showing you the sights and experiencing the culture. On Sunday December 4th, after the 10 a.m. Mass, Fr. Isaque will hold a meeting in O'Doherty Hall to discuss the itinerary, the length of the trip, which islands to visit, and a possible side visit to Fatima. For more information, please contact Fr. Isaque or Dan Leroy.

Travel to the Holy Land and Italy with Msgr. John Coelho-Harguindeguy

Date: July 2 through 15, 2012
Where: Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Galilee, Capernaum, Rome, Tuscany, Florence, Assisi, and Venice
Cost: \$4,590 Air Fare and ALL Included
To Sign Up, Contact Anthony E. Nachev, PdD (Theology)
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— Ministry News—

St. Peter's Altar Society



St. Peter's Altar Society will be having its annual Christmas luncheon at 12 noon on Monday, December 12, 2011 at Reyna's Mexican Restaurant located at 333 E Street in Lemoore. For those of you who wish to attend, we are asking you to bring a cash donation in lieu of a toy to be given to Deacon Joe for our St. Peter's Charitable Work. Please call Del Garcia @ 924-3607 or Clara Stacy @ 925-1601 for reservations by Friday, December 9, 2011. If you have any questions, please call us. Hope to see you there. God Bless!!

Prayer Quilt Ministry

We had a great turnout for our meetings of volunteers to help prepare prayer quilts for the ill and bereaved. The only meeting in December will be on Monday, Dec. 12th at 1:30 p.m. in St. Agnes' Room (next to lobby). If you know of someone in need of a quilt, or have questions about donations of material or batting, please call Diane at 707-4470 or Patti at 707-9822. If you live on NAS Lemoore, please call Diana McCoy at 997-8138 to pick up quilt packets or return quilts. Quilt packets are always available in the church office (next to old church). Quilt meetings will be 2nd and 4th Mondays at 1:30 p.m. in St. Agnes' Room beginning in January.

— Ministerios Hispánicos —

Novena y Fiesta

En honor a la Virgen de Guadalupe

Lemoore

Novena Sábado 3 a Domingo 11 de Diciembre

Sábado día 3 - 7 p.m.

Domingo día 4 - 12 p.m. rosario antes de misa

Lunes 5 a Sábado 10 de Diciembre - 7 p.m.

Domingo día 11 - 12 p.m. rosario antes de misa

Lunes Día 12

Mañanitas y misa de fiesta - 5 a.m. en la Iglesia Convivencia (música y comida) después de misa en el salón



Stratford

Novena Sábado 3 a Domingo 11 de Diciembre

Sábado día 3 - 6 p.m.

Domingo día 4 - 8:30 a.m.

Lunes 5 a Sábado 10 de Diciembre - 6 p.m.

Domingo día 11 - 8 a.m. Mañanitas seguido de Misa

Lunes Día 12

Mañanitas y misa de fiesta - 8 a.m.

Aviso - Estudiantes de secundaria de Stratford

Por favor vengan con nosotros al Centro de Educación Religiosa de San José

Miércoles, 4:00 – 5:00 de la tarde

19305 Empire Street, Stratford

Esta preparación conduce a recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación, Primera Comunión, y Bautismo. Todos son bienvenidos! Dios los bendiga!

Teléfono: 924-2826 (Ariana Ramirez—hablo Español)

Información de Registro

Para los Padres de Lemoore

Registro para todos los niños del K – 8th grado para el año 2011/2012.

Por favor de registrar los niños lo mas pronto posible. Los estudiantes nuevos necesitan el acta: de Nacimiento y de Bautismo

Siempre necesitamos voluntarios para...la oficina...en el clase como catequistas o asistentes. Formación de catequistas tendra lugar este verano. Después les daremos la fecha. Decir si al llamado de Dios para compartir nuestra Fe es un gran regalo,...cuando enseñamos también aprendemos...por favor diga "Si" al llamado de Dios!

Lemoore C.C.D.

6 de Diciembre: Martes 4:15 – 5:15 de la tarde

Stratford C.C.D.

7 de Diciembre: Miércoles:

Grado 1-5: 2:15 – 3:15 de la tarde

(Primero Comunión) Sesión de Padres

Iglesia de San Jose: 2:25 – 3:15 de la tarde

Grado 9-12: 4:00 – 5:00 de la tarde

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

El día 9 de diciembre conmemoramos a san Juan Diego de México. Hace un par de años este indígena mesoamericano fue canonizado por su misión en las apariciones Guadalupeanas. Hubo controversia alrededor de su canonización porque había quienes insistían que Juan Diego nunca existió. Después de investigar, el Vaticano decidió que no sólo existió, sino que fue y es santo, digno de ser modelo e intercesor.

Las investigaciones encontraron que el nombre indígena de Juan Diego era Cuatitlatatzin, es decir "Águila que habla". Tal vez por este nombre tan significativo fue que los franciscanos lo bautizaron Juan Diego. El nombre Juan recuerda al apóstol, quien escribió el evangelio más místico y cuyo símbolo es el águila. Diego viene del apóstol Santiago o san Diego quien evangelizó a los españoles durante el siglo I. De cualquier manera, Juan Diego Cuatitlatatzin se convirtió en el "Águila que habla" y anuncia el evangelio místico según Guadalupe, es "Águila que habla" de amor, paz, consuelo y desafío en una tierra conquistada, oprimida y llena de promesa.

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