

Sunday, July 26, 2015  
9th Sunday after Pentecost



Sun. 26 July

8:30 am  
10:30 am  
1:00 pm

3:00 pm

9th Sunday after Pentecost, II Class

Sean Pope  
Pro Populo  
Louis Reslock

Vespers & Benediction

Mon. 27 July

7:00 am  
12:15 pm

St. Pantaleon, Martyr, IV Class

†Dr. Milton Meyers  
Anthony Antoniadis

Tues. 28 July

7:00 am  
6:30 pm

SS. Nazarius & Celsus, Martyrs, III Class

†Lucina Mascarinas  
†Remedios Mortensen

Wed. 29 July

7:00 am  
12:15 pm

St. Martha, Virgin, III Class

Melia Aranas  
†Glenna Burns

Thurs. 30 July

7:00 am  
6:30 pm

SS. Abdon & Sennen, Martyrs, IV Class

Clifton Jeong  
†John C. Burns

Fri. 31 July

7:00 am  
12:15 pm  
6:30 pm

St. Ignatius Loyola, Confessor, III Class

†George Leja  
Garry McKinstry  
Jessie Pope

Sat. 1 Aug.

7:00 am  
9:00 am

St. Peter in Chains, III Class

FSSP  
Jeff Long

Sun. 2 Aug.

8:30 am  
10:30 am  
1:00 pm

3:00 pm

10th Sunday after Pentecost, II Class

Mary Pope  
Pro Populo  
Sabra Madonna

Vespers & Benediction

Please Keep in Your Prayers ...  
Mike Hayes, Jim Carlson, Mike McGrath, Barbara Graichen,  
Richard Corbin, Renee Burns, Sue McGrath, Norman  
Sayles, Lorraine Peterson, Sandy Sneary, Di Giovanni  
Family, John Reyes, John Patrick Corr, Augustine Guzman,  
Patricia Becker, Luis Salazar, Marilyn Goyette

...In Memoriam  
†Joan Blackburn, †Thomas Joseph Greco, †Bruce Perry,  
†Catherine Owen, †Gregory Nicholas, †Jeannemarie  
Crabtree,†Dr. George Alexeeff

Important Upcoming Dates

Aug. 2—Finding of the Relics of St. Stephen—Pig Roast & Square Dance  
Aug. 13—Fatima Procession  
Aug. 15—Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Sept. 14-24—Historic Spain FSSP Pilgrimage  
Oct. 3—G.K.Chesterton: Live w/Dale Ahlquist & Chuck Chalberg  
Oct. 18—27th Anniversary of FSSP

Communion, The Source of Confidence in God

Recollection is even more necessary for thanksgiving than for preparation. If you start making one act after another, that is childish. That you should take measures in the course of your thanksgiving to keep up your devotion, in case you are not recollected, is well and good. But wait a little while. You have a Friend within, and simple courtesy demands that you listen to Him. That, alas, is just what you do not want to do! This is not understanding our Lord’s thought aright. You imagine He comes to us to reproach us for our faults. No, such is not the case. A friend does not come to reproach us and, above all, he does not begin that way. Bear in mind that our Lord never reproaches us in the first moments of Communion. That is the devil troubling our thoughts in order to prevent us from enjoying the sweet communications of Jesus. He tries to make our Lord out to be a strict Master, a stern Judge, and in that way he frightens us. We are almost persuaded to abandon our thanksgiving in order to escape the eye of vengeance. Oh, that is not our Lord’s character!  
Slothful souls give themselves up at once to thoughts like these: “I am so poor, so sinful. . . .” But let your heart once be opened, and a single glance at yourself will be enough to humble you more effectively than all such efforts. Does the rich benefactor, visiting the poor man on his pallet, parade his own riches and nobility upon his entrance, making comparisons between them and the miserable condition of the one he comes to help? No, certainly not; it would be better to stay away than to humiliate him so. On the contrary, he encourages him, consoles him, and makes himself as lowly as possible in order to gain his confidence.  
So, if you do not enjoy the consolations of Jesus when He comes to visit you, it is because you do not take time to do so; be free, open your heart. Jesus cannot do everything alone.  
The Holy Scripture tells us that the Lord called Samuel in the middle of the night to make a revelation to him, but Samuel did not recognize His voice, never having heard it before. Twice he went to sleep again, until the High Priest gave him the secret of receiving divine communications, telling him he must pray to God to speak to him and himself be ready to listen. And the Lord called again: “Samuel, Samuel.” And Samuel made answer: “Speak, Lord, for Thy servant heareth.” Then the Lord revealed to him the secrets of the future.

(Excerpt from *Holy Communion* by Saint Peter Julian Eymard - available in the St. Stephen Book Store.)

The Presence of God

1) The constant remembrance of God’s presence is a means of perfection that Almighty God Himself prescribed to the Patriarch Abraham. But this practice must be followed gently and without effort or disturbance of mind. The God of love and peace wishes that all we do for Him should be done lovingly and peacefully.  
2) Only in Heaven shall we be able to think actually and uninterruptedly of God. In this world to do so is an impossibility, for we are at every moment distracted by our occupations, our necessities, our imagination. We but exhaust ourselves by futile efforts if we try to lead before the proper time an existence similar to that of the angels and saints.  
3) Frequently the fear comes to you that you have failed to keep yourself in the presence of God, because you have not thought of Him. This is a mistaken idea. You can, without this definite thought, perform all your actions for love of God and in His presence, by virtue of the intention you had in beginning them. Now, to act is better than to think. Though the doctor may not have the invalid in mind while he is preparing the medicine that is to restore him to health, nevertheless it is for him he is working, and he is more useful to his patient in this way than if he contented himself with merely thinking of him. In like manner when you fulfill your domestic or social duties, when you eat or walk, devote yourself to study or to manual labor, though it be without definitely thinking of God, you are acting for Him, and this ought to suffice to set your mind at rest in regard to the merit of your actions. St. Paul does not say that we must eat, drink and labor with an actual remembrance of God’s presence, but with the habitual intention of glorifying Him and doing His holy Will. We fulfill this condition by making an offering each morning to God of all the actions of the day and renewing the act interiorly whenever we can remember to do so.  
4) For this purpose, make frequent use of ejaculatory prayers. Accustom yourself to make these pious aspirations naturally and without effort, and let them for the most part be expressive of confidence and love.  
5) Should it happen that a considerable space of time elapses without your having thought distinctly of God or raised your heart to Him by any loving ejaculation, do not allow this omission to worry you. The servant has performed his duty and deserves well of his master when he has done his will, even though he may not have been thinking of him the while. Always bear in mind the fact that it is better to work for God than to think of Him. Thought has its highest spiritual value when it results in action: action is meritorious in itself by virtue of the good intention which preceded it.  
(Light and Peace by R.P. Quadrupani, Barnabite)

Prayer to St. Joseph

V. He made him lord of his house.  
R. And prince over all his possessions.  
Let us pray:  
O God, in Thy marvelous providence, Thou hast deigned to choose St. Joseph to be the spouse of Thy most holy Mother. We ask Thee to grant that we may deserve to have him for our intercessor in heaven, whom on earth we venerate as our protector; who livest and reignest forever and ever. Amen.

~Around the Parish~

~ **Seminarian Darrell Rimberty, FSSP,** will be with us through the month of July. He’ll be helping with the Explorer Camp.  
~ **Pig Roast Tickets** Tickets are on sale after all Sunday Masses: \$5/individual and \$20/family.

Celebrate Our Feast Day!

Next Sunday, we celebrate the External Solemnity of the Finding of the Relics of St. Stephen Our Patronal Feast  
Please join us for our celebration following Vespers. Pig Roast & Square Dance  
Tickets after Masses and at the “door”

If God causes you to suffer much, it is a sign that He has great designs for you, and that He certainly intends to make you a saint. And if you wish to become a great saint, entreat Him yourself to give you much opportunity for suffering; for there is no wood better to kindle the fire of holy love than the wood of the cross, which Christ used for His own great sacrifice of boundless charity.”  
— Ignatius of Loyola

Confraternity of St. Peter 2015 Pilgrimage

Historic pilgrimage to Spain & the Rock of Gibraltar, in the quincentenary year of St. Teresa of Avila’s birth! By traveling back to the days of the great Spanish mystics—Sts. Teresa of Avila and John of the Cross, Catholic monarchs—King St. Fernando III & Queen Isabella (Servant of God), and the wondrous events of the consecration of Europe to Our Lady on the Rock of Gibraltar, may we travel forward with the faith and courage of Spain’s holy “Defender’s of Christendom”!  
Join Fr. James Fryar, FSSP, Chaplain of the Confraternity of St. Peter on September 14—September 24, 2015. For more information call Tish at 916-223-3112 or visit the website [www.syversentouring.com/confraternity](http://www.syversentouring.com/confraternity).

~ Summer Dress Code ~

Please recall that everyone is expected to dress with modesty and in a way befitting the house of God. Our choice of clothing is an expression of our worship; it may also affect the ability of others to worship. Dress should conceal rather than reveal. There is a sign in the vestibule that gives more details regarding proper dress. It is further expected that modesty in dress be maintained on the church grounds at all times.  
We do request that the correction of visitors in this matter be left to the priests or their delegates.



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