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Mass Intention



Rosemary Seif

Póngase en contacto con Elizabeth Martin para programar una misa o si tiene alguna pregunta. Por favor, den intenciones de misa al Padre.

Contact Elizabeth Martin to schedule a Mass or if you have any questions. Please give Mass intentions to Father.

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Genesis 20:18-32

Responsorial Psalm:

138:1-2, 2-3,6-7,7-8

Reading II: Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

July Birthdays

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

- 5 **Fitzgerald Marcelin**
- 10 **Aylin Verduzco**
- 15 **Maria de Carmen**
- 15 **Ramos**
- 16 **Mary Anne Newsome**
- 17 **Kaity Leon**
- 20 **Kiara Gonzalez Aleman**
- 22 **Julia Maldonado**
- 24 **Santiaga Gasalao-Epps**
- 27 **Carmen Cornely-Clark**
- 28 **James Alston**
- Santes Leocardio**
- Elsie Moleno**
- 31 **Louise Nery**



Please use this list to pray for those who are in need. May we all lift one another up in prayer.

Mary Frances Kramer, Nina Gendron & family, Esther Zepeta

Please contact the office with updates.

Upcoming Events:

July 29: Kickoff for Adult Book Club at St. Peter's Fellowship Hall 10:00 AM

Aug 10: Pastoral Council

Officers for 2025-2026

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta

Grand Knight: John Husson

Deputy Grand Knight: Isaac Bette

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*PGK-Past Grand Knight

Catholic men 18 years or older are eligible to join the Knights of Columbus. Please contact John Husson (919)740-8405 or Tom O'Neill (252)308-0493.

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We welcome all visitors and guests to our parish family and wish you safe travels and a happy visit to Emporia.

Mission Statement:

We, the Church of Saint Richard, have been anointed by Jesus Christ to continue His Mission. For us to participate in the mission of Jesus, we are challenged by the Gospel to a daily conversion to God, leading to spiritual growth and holiness. We invite others to join us at the Eucharistic table. Mindful of our neighbors, we will work to bring about a just and peaceful society. At every opportunity, we will work with other faith communities to further God's Kingdom.

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Liturgical Schedule

Weekday Mass:

Wednesday: 12:00 pm at SVMC

Weekend Masses:

Saturday—1:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday—10:30 am

Rosary:

Wednesday—11:45 am at SVMC

Sunday—10:00 am

Reconciliation:

Sunday—10:00 am

Pastoral Council—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Finance Council—Janet McKenzie: 614-579-8185

Religious Formation—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Music Coordinator—Rocky Rodriguez; **Assistants—**Ramis Celedonia; Jeromil Enoc

Altar Ministry—Stevie Thomas: 434-634-6713

Family Service Advisor—Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 20, 2025

Encountering the Word with Jeff Cavins.
Luke 10:38-42

Our Gospel focus today is the familiar story of Martha and Mary Jesus visits their home, and we see two different responses: Martha is busy with serving while Mary sits at Jesus’ feet, listening to his teaching. This passage speaks deeply to the tension many of us feel between the demands of life and the need to cultivate our relationship with Jesus. We all have responsibilities— work, family, other commitments—but if those tasks consume us, they can distract us from the one thing that is truly needed: spending time with the Lord. Jesus is not dismissing the value of Martha’s service; rather, he is showing that time with him is the foundation that brings peace, clarity, and order to all our work! When we sit at his feet in prayer, in Adoration, or at Mass, he guides us, helping us prioritize and carry out our responsibilities with less anxiety and more joy. There is also a lesson about balance in this Gospel. Serving without connection to Jesus can lead to burnout, while constant prayer without service can miss the opportunity to bring Christ’s love to others. The key is to build our service on the foundation of our relationship with Jesus. This week, let’s take Mary’s example to heart: Spend time with Jesus and let him direct your steps. Out of that relationship, we can serve with joy and avoid the distractions that pull us away from him . When life overwhelms you, how can you invite Jesus to help you reorder your priorities and find clarity?

PARISH NEWS

Faith Formation & Communications News/Events

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- Tues July 29, 10:00 AM, St. Peter’s Fellowship Hall. **New Adult Book Club** centered on exploring our Catholic faith in an informal setting. Meetings every 4-6 weeks to discuss. First book: “Death Comes for the Archbishop” by Willa Cather. Sign up by Fri July 25: contact Jennifer Foran via email or phone above. BRING A FRIEND and COME JOIN US
- If you would like to participate in Adult Faith Formation activities, and **evening and/or weekend times are better for you**, would you please contact Jennifer Foran via email or phone above; this will help gage interest and possible future scheduling.
- NOTE: **All announcements and bulletin information** previously provided to Elizabeth Martin, should now be provided to Jennifer Foran via email or phone number above.

Last Week’s Offertory			
	Needed	Actual	Over/(Under)
Offertory:	\$1055.77	\$669.75	(\$318.02)
*Spanish Mass 7/5		\$68.00	
Building Fund	\$433.33	\$507.00	\$73.67

*Spanish Mass totals included in Offertory Actual
Online Giving <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/Strichardemporiava> OR Text GIVE to 434-603-6341

Mass Attendance	
Date	No. People
7/6/25	86

El Decimosexto Domingo Del Tiempo Ordinario

Encuentro con la Palabra con Jeff Cavins.
Lucas 10:38-42 Nuestro Evangelio de hoy se centra en la conocida historia de Marta y María. Jesús visita su hogar y vemos dos respuestas diferentes: Marta está ocupada sirviendo, mientras que María se sienta a los pies de Jesús, escuchando sus enseñanzas. Este pasaje habla profundamente de la tensión que muchos sentimos entre las exigencias de la vida y la necesidad de cultivar nuestra relación con Jesús. Todos tenemos responsabilidades —trabajo, familia, otros compromisos—, pero si esas tareas nos consumen, pueden distraernos de lo único que realmente necesitamos: pasar tiempo con el Señor. Jesús no menosprecia el valor del servicio de Marta; más bien, muestra que el tiempo con él es la base que brinda paz, claridad y orden a todo nuestro trabajo. Cuando nos sentamos a sus pies en oración, en la Adoración o en la Misa, él nos guía, ayudándonos a priorizar y a cumplir con nuestras responsabilidades con menos ansiedad y más alegría. Este Evangelio también nos enseña sobre el equilibrio. Servir sin conexión con Jesús puede llevar al agotamiento, mientras que la oración constante sin servicio puede perder la oportunidad de llevar el amor de Cristo a los demás. La clave es construir nuestro servicio sobre la base de nuestra relación con Jesús. Esta semana, tomemos en serio el ejemplo de María: Pasa tiempo con Jesús y deja que él guíe tus pasos. Desde esa relación, podemos servir con alegría y evitar las distracciones que nos alejan de él. Cuando la vida te abruma, ¿cómo puedes pedirle a Jesús que te ayude a reorganizar tus prioridades y a encontrar claridad?

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Noticias y eventos de Formación en la Fe y Comunicaciones

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- Martes 29 de julio, 10:00 a. m., Salón de la Comunidad de San Pedro. Club de Lectura para Adultos Nuevos, enfocado en explorar nuestra fe católica en un ambiente informal. Reuniones cada 4-6 semanas para conversar. Primer libro: “La Muerte Llega para el Arzobispo” de Willa Cather. Inscríbete antes del viernes 25 de julio: contacta a Jennifer Foran por correo electrónico o teléfono (ver arriba). ¡Trae a un amigo y únete a nosotros!
- Si desea participar en actividades de Formación de Fe para Adultos, y los horarios de la tarde y/o fines de semana son mejores para usted, por favor póngase en contacto con Jennifer Foran por correo electrónico o teléfono arriba; esto ayudará a medir el interés y la posible programación futura.
- NOTA: Todos los anuncios e información del boletín que se proporcionaron previamente a Elizabeth Martin deben enviarse ahora a Jennifer Foran por correo electrónico o teléfono (ver arriba).

Next Week’s Ministry Schedule			
Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Servers
Fred Maldonado	George Seif	Elizer Carillo	Julio Gonzalez. Jesus DeLuna-
Elsie Moleno	Dave Thomas	Dave Thomas	Ramirez, Luis Ramos

Next Week’s Cleaning Group

Teresa Verduzco, Ester Zepeda, Concepcion Mendoza, Nelida Rosales, Jennifer Gonzalez, Juan Carlos Gonzalez