

DAY	FEAST	READINGS	TIME
Mon 29	SS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES	Acts 12: 1-11; 2 Tim 4: 6-8, 17-18; Mt 16: 13-19.	5:30 PM
Tues 30	13 th Week of Ordinary Time Psalter Week I First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church	Am 3: 1-8; 4, 11-12; Mt 8: 23-27.	5:30 PM
Wed 1	13 th Week of Ordinary Time Psalter Week I	Am 5: 14- 15, 21-24; Mt 8: 28-34.	5:30 PM
Thu 2	13 th Week of Ordinary Time Psalter Week I	Am 7: 10-17; Mt 9: 1-8.	5:30 PM
Fri 3	ST THOMAS, APOSTLE	Eph 2: 19-22; Jn 20: 24-29.	12:15 PM
Sat 4	13 th Week of Ordinary Time Psalter Week I St Elizabeth of Portugal	Am 9: 11-15; Mt 9: 14-17.	5:30 PM
Sun 5	14 TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Psalter Week II	Zec 9: 9-10; Rom 8: 9, 11-13; Mt 11: 25- 30.	8:00 AM 5:30 PM



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13TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

Reading I: 2 Kings 4: 8-11, 14-16;
Responsorial Psalm: 88: 2-3, 16-19;
Reading II: Romans 6: 3-4, 8-11;
Gospel: Matthew 10: 37-42.



Revised Roman Missal: 524 (Bahasa 1150)

REFLECTION: Discipleship


Today, Jesus speaks clearly and directly to us about priorities and discipleship. He tells us, *“Anyone who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me...”* Jesus is not asking us to love our families any less. Instead, He is asking us to place Him at the centre of our lives and to love Him first. When Jesus is at the centre, His love flows through us to others, allowing us to love them more authentically, free from fear, control, and neediness.

Jesus continues by saying, *“Anyone who does not take up his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me.”* The *“cross”* here refers to the daily challenge of choosing to live according to His values and His way of love as His disciples. This often involves making difficult choices, especially when it conflicts with our desire for comfort, our tendency to speak harshly or our habit of holding grudges. The cross we are called to carry is not necessarily big and dramatic suffering, but rather the small concrete actions we take to let go of our pride, selfishness, and convenience. By doing so, we allow Christ’s love to take root and grow within us.

Reflective question:

In what concrete situation is Jesus inviting me today to *“take up my cross”* by choosing His way of love?

“Let us walk together humbly and resolutely in his footsteps, firm in faith and open to all in charity.”
— Pope Leo XIV




PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION

28th June 2026

“Together, as one people, as brothers and sisters, let us walk towards God and love one another.” Pope Leo XIV

“May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all.”
(1 Thess. 3:12)



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Peter Pence Collection 2026 (28th June)


Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the mission of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable initiatives of Pope Leo XIV. This is an opportunity for us to stand in solidarity with Pope Leo XIV and to be a sign of hope to our suffering brothers and sisters around the world. We invite everyone to give generously to this special collection.

Liturgy Committee Meeting (28th June)

All Liturgy Committee members are reminded of the meeting today, 28th June at 10:30AM.

PPC Meeting (1st July)

The Parish Pastoral Council Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 1st July at 7:30PM in Fr. McClorey's Room. All parish group leaders are requested to review the outcome and recommendations from the last PPC Assembly and to meet with your respective members to raise any issues and share your upcoming plans before the meeting.



Sea Sunday Message 2026 - July 12, 2026

Because the Church is called to continue Christ's mission in the world, She too cannot remain distant from the lived experience of maritime workers. She is called to enter the boat: to accompany, to listen, to console, to defend human dignity, and to become a visible sign of hope and home amid the storms of human life.

Church Newsletter

Starting from July 2026, we will be reducing the number of printed copies of the Church Newsletter in support of Creation Justice Ministry's waste reduction initiative.

- Limited printed copies will be available at the church's main entrance.
- Parishioners are encouraged to view or download the newsletter by scanning the QR code on the right.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Priorities

In today's Gospel reading Jesus says that if we love anyone more than we love Him we are not worthy of Him. What He means is that we need to keep God first in our lives. The two great commandments He gave us are 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and mind and strength' and 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'



How can we keep God first in our lives? We can start by talking to Him as soon as we start our day. We can tell Him we love Him and offer our day to Him! We also keep God first by following His laws- making sure we go to Mass at least every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation, and going to Confession when we have a serious sin.

After Mass we can visit Grandma.



I'd like to play but I have to look after my baby brother.



The next most important thing is loving others. God wants us to love and care for the people He has put into our lives. First we must care for our family that He has given us and then our friends and neighbours.

What is the most important thing for you to do today? How can you put God first every day this week?

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