SPIRITUAL INSIGHT: Fr. James Weeder

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Sts Peter and Paul. It is one of the few solemnities that have a higher rank than a Sunday of Ordinary time. As early as the year 258, there is evidence of the tradition of celebrating the solemnities of both Saint Peter and Saint Paul on the same day. Together, the two saints are the founders of the See of Rome, through their preaching, ministry and martyrdom.

I find it providential that we are able to celebrate this solemnity this weekend given the fact that we received both a new Pope and Archbishop just a couple months ago. This solemnity illustrates both the authority of the pope and the bishops and the unity of the church. More importantly it recognizes how, as I pray in the Preface at Mass, Peter and Paul, "each in a different way gathered together the one family of Christ." In other words, they each proclaimed the Gospel to different peoples – Peter to the Jewish people and Paul to the Gentiles or those not of Jewish decent or non-believers – to bring them together into the one faith in Jesus Christ. Hence, we recognize their important role in the early church and their work in evangelizing. Without them (and the Holy Spirit) we may not be gathered today in this church. Moreover, it is a reminder that we must continue to share Christ with others. We are to be the Peter and Paul of this day to ensure that others have the opportunity to hear the Good News and invite them into a relationship with Christ so that the church continues to flourish.

Archbishop Michael to receive the pallium. Since about the sixth century, metropolitan archbishops have requested a pallium from the Holy See as a sign of unity and full communion with the pope. Archbishop Michael will receive the pallium on the Solemnity of Sts Peter and Paul. The pallium is a stole-like vestment worn over the chasuble when the archbishop celebrates Mass. When viewed from the front or the back, the pallium resembles the letter "Y." It is white, with six black crosses. Three of those crosses are ornamented with a gold pin, symbolizing the three nails of Christ's crucifixion. Each of the pendants that hang in front and back are tipped with black satin to resemble the hoof of a lamb, signifying that the archbishop Is the chief shepherd of the diocese, carrying a lamb on his shoulders in imitation of Christ the

Good Shepherd. Woven each year from the wool of two white lambs blessed on the memorial of St Agnes, the pallia are kept in a special casket near St Peter's Tomb

Are vou registered at a Parish? We invite everyone to join the parish of your choice. If you grew up at one of our parishes and are now an adult. you may not actually be registered. Please call the parish office at Dodge or Howells if you need more information.

St Joseph Family of Parishes (stjosephfamilyofparishes.org) Pastor: Father James Weeder, Office phone 402-372-2188 Sr Associate Pastor: Father Walter Jong-A-Kiem, (*Emergencies 402-410-2750*) Associate Pastor: Father Matthias Sule, Resides in WP 402-372-2188

Lituraists July 5/6

June 29, 2025 — Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles

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Howells Office: 402-986-1653 Chris Coday cfcoday@archomaha.org SSPP Weekly Budget Expenses: \$3,423.46 Received: \$811.50 SJ Weekly Budget Expenses: \$2,091.15 Received: \$658.00

This Week's Office Hours-Dodge Mon June 30, Wed July 2, Thurs July 3 Secretary/Bookkeeper: Carol Ortmeier clortmeier@archomaha.org Weekly Budget Expenses: \$8,927.08 Weekly env: \$974 Children: \$44 Maintenance: \$290 Easter: \$1,100

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Sat June 28	Carol Elbracht & Ann Ruzek	(5pm SSPP)
	Jerry & Jennie Stecher	(9am Dodge)
Sun June 29	Kathy, Marvin & Lucille Pickhinke and	
	Janet Eurek, Lorraine Eurek & Ed & Eileen Eurek	(10:30am SJ)
Mon June 30	NO MASS THIS MORNING	(8:15am SSPP)
Tues July 1	Eugene & Marlyn Hunke	(8:15am Dodge)
Wed July 2	Dexter Brichacek	(8:15am SSPP)
Thur July 3	Bernadine Marr	(8:15am Dodge)
Thur July 3	Living & dec'd Howells Co of Catholic Women	(5:30pm SJ)
Sat July 5	Irene & George Fiala Jr & Donna Baumert (First Sat.)	(9:15am SJ)
Sat July 5	Allyn Konsel and Delma & Leander Brester	(5pm SSPP)
Sun July 6	Bud Ladehoff & Robin Broekemeier	(9am Dodge)

Dodge Calendar

Sun June 29– Parish directory sign up before & after Mass

Mon June 30- Monday with Mary Rosary 5pm

Wed July 9 - Project Linus 1-5pm church basement

Sun July 13- Howells/Dodge Post Prom breakfast in St Wenceslaus church basement 8am-noon

BLESSED BONUS WINNERS: June 27- \$100– Feast of Sacred Heart: Chris Gray June 29- \$50– Brandi Doernemann

Safe Environment: The Archdiocese of Omaha Safe Environment mission is to ensure all children/youth and vulnerable adults will experience a welcoming safe environment. Teachers, P.R.E. teachers, daycare, and all those who oversee youth at events are examples of those needing certification. There will be 2 upcoming live training events at St Patrick's in Fremont NE: July 12 and July 28. There will be one at Sacred heart in Norfolk on July 21. Please see www.cmgconnect.org to register. No Walk-ins—all must pre-register.

Church Directory: You may go online at **www.ucdir.com** to set up your photography appointment. Click on the box entitled "photography appointment scheduling login". Enter code **ne272** and password **photos**. Click on your desired photography date & reserve your time by entering the information asked for. If you need help, please contact Chris or Carol at the parish offices. We will have volunteers at the Sat. June 28/Sun. June 29 Masses to help with in-person sign up for pictures., or you may stop at either parish office & we can help you. **(Online sign up will be shut off Sat/Sun June 28/29.** There will be copies of scheduling instructions at the back of churches.

Picture dates are July 30, July 31, Aug. 1, and Aug. 2 at SSPP basement And Aug. 4, Aug. 5, Aug. 6 at St Wenceslaus church basement

Howells Calendar

Sat/Sun June 28/29 In person sign up for picture directory following Masses

Sun June 29 Feast of SS Peter & Paul, Apostles

- Mon June 30 No daily Mass today
- Wed July 2 11:30 Confessions—SJ

Thur July 3 5:30pm Mass at SJ

- Fri July 4 NO First Friday Adoration
- Sat. July 5 9:15am First Saturday Mass SJ (unless there is a funeral)

Sat July 5 5pm Mass at SSPP

NOTE— Father is looking for weekday servers—if you can come to Mass on either Mondays or Wednesdays at 8:15am at SSPP, check with him in the sacristy.

July Ushers: SSPP— Michael Bayer, Rick Bayer, Russ Bayer, Scott Bayer, Clark Belina and Craig Belina SJ— Loren Wiese, Derrick Willcox, Gene Wolff, Calvin Bartling, Dan Bazata and Doug Bazata

<u>SSPP Children's Choir:</u> <u>No</u> children's choir in July. Next time is August 2.

HCCS Summer Cleaning: Tuesday July 8

Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday July 8 at 7:30pm

Facebook Page: look for Howells Catholic Churches—SS Peter & Paul and St John **Senior Citizens Potluck:** Wed. July 9 at **5:30pm** (NOTE TIME CHANGE). Please sign up by Friday July 4.

Save the Date! The HCCS Golf Scramble will be Sat. August 16 at Club 91 Golf Course near Leigh, To register, please call Molly Cada at 402-516-5092. Provide all names and phone numbers for the 4 team members. There is a 24 team limit. \$220 per team/\$55 per golfer and includes green fees, cart and meal. Registration starts at 12 noon. There will be a pork meal, prizes and raffles. This benefits the HCCS Teacher Appreciation Fund.

EMHC & Lector Formation: The process for becoming an EMHC or lector is a combination of Archdiocesan videos and in-person tutorials at the parish. There are 3 video segments and an information form to complete. Students who wish to do the EMHC or lector process need a letter of approval signed by the parish pastor. Those over 19 years of age are encouraged to complete the Safe Environment training. Information on all of this is available at the parish offices. Please call Carol or Chris.

Howells/Dodge Post Prom Breakfast: Sunday July 13 from 8am until noon in St Wenceslaus Church Basement. Serving pancakes, eggs & sausage. Free will donation. Sponsored by HDC Post Prom & FCSLA life

<u>Confessions:</u> Wed 11:30am-12:30pm SJ; Thurs 5pm– SJ or Olean; Sat 4pm—SSPP; Sun 8:30am—Dodge;

(or by appointment)

Weekday Mass Server Tues July 1 & Thurs July 3 Gage Anderson