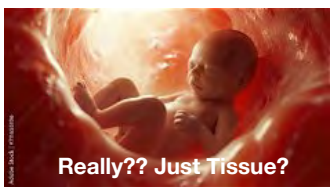


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“You Are Peter”

The Gospel this weekend takes place in the Region of
Caesarea Philippi where Jesus asks his apostles what people
are saying about Him. The apostles answer easily as the people
were saying many things about Jesus at the time. When Jesus
turns and asks them who they say that He is, they become silent,
for that sort of question convicts them in their answer. Only
Simon steps forward to answer clearly: “You are the Christ, the



The excavations at Caesarea Philippi today

Son of the Living
God”. It is an
answer that
contains two great
truths about Christ:
that He is the
Messiah who was
awaited and He is
the Son of God.
Simon was moved
by the Holy Spirit
to say this and Jesus
“rewards” him by
changing his name
to “rock” (Peter)

and making him the chief patriarch of the New Covenant. The
words of Jesus echo those of God to Abraham, and his promises
to him. To change a name in biblical times meant to change the
mission for which the person is called. Here, Jesus names Simon
as the rock upon which He will build His church. This is
remarkable since the “rock” often referred to God Himself in the
Old Testament. Peter and his successors in this way would
become (in the words of St. Catherine of Siena) the “Sweet face of
Christ on earth”. Even Jesus calling Peter Simon Bar-Jona (Simon
son of Jonas) is significant since the new Jonas is Jesus Himself.

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday

7:30 am to 3:30 pm



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This, of course, is the scene where Jesus gives His authority (the keys) to Peter, and through him to all his successors as Bishops of Rome. The Pope (as he is now called) is thus the “Elder Brother” among the bishops of the world and the final word in matters of faith and moral teaching. Caesarea Philippi was a predominantly gentile region in the north and there are two physical characteristics of the place that the Gospels do not mention. The town was built in front of a massive cliff of rock, and to one side there is a cave which at the time was filled with water and was considered one of the gates of Hades. Jesus seems to have liked to give His important teaching with “props” around Him. The massive cliff indicates the solidness of Simon, now called the “Rock”; and the gates of Hades had one of its doorways within sight of the disciples as Jesus spoke of its impotence before the Church of Christ led by Peter.

The Gospel ends with Jesus warning His apostles not to reveal to anyone He is the Christ. The reason for this, of course, is that the people associated the Messiah with political power and could not have imagined yet that the salvation Jesus was to bring would come through His Passion and Cross. This had yet to be understood even by the apostles. Fr. Peter

Saint of the week:
August 27: St. Monica



August 22 - August 30		
Eucharistic Celebrations:		
Saturday 22:	5:30 pm	+ CONSTANCE ELSASSER & + GEORGE LEECH
Sunday 23:	9:00 am	PRO POPULO
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Wednesday 26:	8:00 am	+ PAT BARRY
Thursday 27:	8:00 am	+ POOR SOULS
Friday 28:	8:00 am	+ PAUL JOHN & + KARL HANSON
Saturday 29:	5:30 pm	+ZOFIA &+JOSEF TUROWSKI & + HALINA RECKO
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	11:00am	+ JOSÉ VILLA

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This week in our parish:		
Monday:	8:00 am	Mass
Tuesday:	8:00 am	Mass
	8:30 am	Divine Mercy Chaplet
	5:30 pm	Al-Anon Meeting (Church hall)
Wednesday :	8:00 am	Mass
	8:30 am	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena
	9:30 am	Madonna Guild Book Study - Hall
	11:00 am	Prayer Group - Church
Thursday:	8:00 am	Mass
	8:30 am	Rosary for America
Friday:	8:00 am	Mass. Parish Office Closed

For routine, non-emergency as well as emergency care for the **sick or dying**, please contact the parish office or Fr. Peter at 928-367-2080, Monday through Thursday between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Outside of these hours, please call 928-367-1278, leave a message and we will get back as soon as possible.

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