

## Catholic Apologetics

### Peter as the Rock

Many Protestants question Peter being made the leader of the Church, or the rock, upon which the church was to be built. Those who have studied the ancient scriptures know that Jesus spoke an ancient language called Farsi, and in this language, the word for rock is Kefa which has no gender, nor does it mean any size of rock, it is just rock. So, when Jesus, who spoke Farsi, says, “And so I say to you, you are Kefa, (Rock) and upon this Kefa (rock) I will build my Church”, He is saying that Peter is the successor of control of the church and its teachings, and from Jesus’ words, “Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” Thus, if ALL power is given to Peter, and WHATEVER he binds on earth will be recognized by God in Heaven, then by passing that power to a successor, or instructing the other Apostles to elect replacements, God in Heaven will honor his action until the end of the age. Another argument for Peter’s station change in life is his name change. Looking back to Genesis, Abram became Abraham. For his great faith, God renamed him Abraham and made a covenant that he would be the father of a great nation, of many nations. Peter started as Simon, but Jesus changed his name to Peter when He said upon this rock I will build my church. Even in today’s society, those entering religious life can be given a new name to show their new life in Christ.



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# Our Weekly Bulletin

**100th Anniversary Celebration**  
 Mark your calendars  
**October 4, 2026**

Bishop Bohdan has confirmed the date that he will be with us to celebrate the 100 years of the founding of our parish.  
**623 days or 89 weeks**

Christ is Born! Glorify Him!

### Divine Liturgies and Services for the Week

<b>Sunday, Jan 19</b>	35th Sunday after Pentecost	✠ Charles Lutak from Yahner Family
<b>Jan 20</b>	No Liturgy	
<b>Jan 21</b>	No Liturgy	
<b>Jan 22</b>	No Liturgy	
<b>Jan 23</b>	No Liturgy	
<b>Jan 24</b>	No Liturgy	
<b>Jan 25</b>	No Liturgy	
<b>Sunday, Jan 26</b>	36th Sunday after Pentecost	Steve Deskevich

*If you are looking for a closer relationship with Jesus Christ and are looking for a home, you are welcome to be part of our kid friendly family in Christ. You have found your way home.*

**35th Sunday after Pentecost**

Colossians 3:12-16

Luke 18:18-27

*Troparion (Tone 2)*

When You went down to death, O Life Immortal, You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity. When You raised the dead from the nether world, all the powers of heaven cried out: "O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory be to You!"

Glory be...

*Kondakion*

You arose from the tomb, O Almighty Savior; and Hades, seeing this wonder, was stricken with fear; and the dead arose. Creation saw and rejoices with You, and Adam exults. And the world, my Savior, sings Your praises forever.

Now and forever ...

*Theotokion*

The tomb and death could not hold the Mother of God, unceasing in her intercession and unfailing hope of patronage, for as the Mother of Life she was transferred to life by Him Who had dwelt in her ever-virgin womb.

*Prokeimenon (Tone 2)*

The Lord is my strength and my song of praise,  
and He has become my salvation.

*Verse:* The Lord has indeed chastised me, but He has not delivered me to death.

The Lord is my strength and my song of praise,  
and He has become my salvation.

*Alleluia*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

The Lord will hear you in the day of tribulation;  
the name of the God of Jacob will shield you.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Lord, grant victory to the king, and hear us in the day  
that we shall call upon You.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

*Communion Verse*

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia (3)

**Weekly Collection** - January 12, 2025 - \$348.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Sunday - \$255.00 Candles - \$5.00 Initial- \$10.00

Improvements - \$5.00 Dues - \$10.00 Misc. - \$63.00

**PARISH NEWS**

**Saturdays with Jesus** - February 8, 2025

Adult Catechism 10 to 12 Children's Catechism 1 to 2:30PM

**Marriage Day** - February 9 will be Marriage Day in our Eparchy.

We will honor all those who are married.

**March Events**

March 1 - Pyrohi sale - Tell your friends and family to come and stock up on our delicious Pyrohi. They make a great Lenten meal

March 22 & 29 - Our annual Pysanky Class from 9 to 12. Spread the word to your friends.

**Prayer List**

Millie & Steve Deskevich, Connie Butkus, Kathy Ott, Sarah Kelt, Gary Maurer, Jeremiah Hunt, Margaret Reighard, Mary Catherine Hoover, The Fernandez family, Jennifer Maurer, Breanna Borlie, Tom and Kris, Joe Gomes, Thomas, Richard Shonk, Ryder McDermitt, Steve Helsel, Patricia Dragani, Eugene, Sonya Kohan Kevin Rogers, Darla Tishok, the Williams family, Patty Hunt, Kevin Blem, Pat Bodenski.

*To add or remove a name, place your request in the collection basket.*

Candles - Six day candles are available for donation in the altar area

and on the Tetrapod for \$150/ candle for the year. See Deacon Chris.

Self light — \$3.00 - 6 day candles \$1.00 - 10 hour 50¢ - beeswax candle

**Joke of the Day**

A local Priest joined a community Service Club, and the members thought they would have a little fun with him. Under his name badge they printed, "Hog Caller" as his occupation. Everyone made a big fanfare as the badge was presented.

The Priest responded by saying, " I usually am called the "Shepherd of the sheep"... but I guess you know your people better than I do."