Today's Readings:
First Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 138-Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.
Second Reading: Romans 11:33-36
Gospel Reading:
Matthew 16:13-20

Meditation: At an opportune time Jesus tests his disciples with a crucial question: Who do men say that I am and who do you say that I am? He was widely recognized in Israel as a mighty man of God, even being compared with the greatest of the prophets, John the Baptist, Elijah, and Jeremiah. Peter, always quick to respond, exclaimed that he was the Christ, the Son of the living God. No mortal being could have revealed this to Peter; but only God.

Jesus plays on Peter's name which is the same word for "rock" in both Aramaic and Greek. To call someone a "rock" is one of the greatest of compliments. The ancient rabbis had a saying that when God saw Abraham, he exclaimed: "I have discovered a rock to found the world upon". Through Abraham God established a nation for himself. Through faith Peter grasped who Jesus truly was. He was the first apostle to recognize Jesus as the Anointed One (Messiah and Christ) and the only begotten Son of God. The New Testament describes the church as a spiritual house or temple with each member joined together as living stones (see 1 Peter 2:5). Faith in Jesus Christ makes us into rocks or spiritual stones.

Jesus then confers on Peter authority to govern the church that Jesus would build, a church that no powers would overcome because it is founded on the rock which is Christ himself.

(taken from a Catholic website)
REGISTRATION FOLDERS will be available in the Church by September 1st. They will be located on the SMALL table by the Front Door Entrance. PLEASE SEE THAT ALL PAPERWORK IS COMPLETED before your child/children attends the first class. This is mandatory!

CLASSES WILL START MIDDLE OF SEPTEMBER!!
We need your help!!
If you would like to help with our Faith Formation program, please reach out to Angels Flora at 719-221-8589 Or by email: Angeles Flora angeles_rod@hotmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will hold their next Pancake Breakfast on September 16th at the Airport.
The following month—the Pancake Breakfast will be at the SCHOOL BUILDING is scheduled for Sunday, October 15th.
Please come and help support our local Knights of Columbus!! Thank you!!

Our congratulations and our blessings to Jonathan DeCock who has been accepted to the Seminary. Jonathan is at Mount St. Mary’s Seminary College in Maryland in August of 2023.
Please keep him in your prayers. Jonathan wants to express his deepest gratitude to all of you for your prayers and support.
Here is his address:
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September 1st - First Friday Healing Mass at 9:00 a.m.

September 4th—LABOR DAY
The Parish Office will be CLOSED.

September 11th — PATRIOT DAY—
We Remember — Please continue to PRAY FOR YOUR COUNTRY!

September 11th — Help is needed with cleaning the Church pews at 8:30 a.m.
September 13th — RESPECT FOR LIFE Meeting at 9:45 a.m. at the parish office

SEPTEMBER 16TH — Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast at the SALIDA AIRPORT — not at the school building in September!!

September 17th - FIRST CLASS OF FAITH FORMATION FOR PRESCHOOL TO 4TH GRADE at 9:00 a.m. at the Parish Office
September 23rd – FIRST DAY OF FALL