

ST. PETER the APOSTLE Catholic Church



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DECEMBER 29, 2024 | THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am
Monday - Friday: 8:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:15pm - 4:45pm
Wednesdays: 8:30am
First Saturdays: 8:30am

PARISH CENTER HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 8:30am - 3pm
Friday - Sunday: CLOSED
or by appointment

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please stop by or call the Parish Center (ext.200) to register or visit the parish website.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, FUNERALS

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EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available at each Mass to distribute Communion to those who have difficulty walking to the front. If you would like to have the Communion brought to you, please let an usher know before Mass begins. At Communion time, when you see the Extraordinary Minister come to the back, please raise your hand to identify yourself to be given Holy Communion.



THE HOLY FAMILY



He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

OUR MISSION

We, the people of St. Peter the Apostle, a Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Joliet, a faith-filled people, united in the Holy Spirit and nourished by the Eucharist, strive to be the Body of Christ. We manifest our unity through the celebration of the Sacraments. We pledge to use our gifts and resources to live the Faith, preach the Word, and Service others as we welcome all into our faith community.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	December 29 (<i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph</i>)
8:30am	†Thomas James
10:00am	†Irene and Ernest Koletto
11:30 am	†Carmelo Spinnato †Fr. Tuan's Brothers Stanislaw and Krystina Slotwinski — <i>Special Intention on their 50th Anniversary</i> People of the Parish
Monday	December 30 (<i>Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord</i>)
8:00am	†Al Trejo
Tuesday	December 31 (<i>Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve</i>)
8:00am	†Bruce Gariti
Wednesday	January 1 (<i>Mary, The Holy Mother of God, New Year's Day, World Day of Peace</i>)
10:00am	†Joseph Bratta †Tadeusz Gil
Thursday	January 2 (<i>Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church</i>)
8:00am	†Tadeusz Gil
Friday	January 3 (<i>Christmas Weekday; The Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>)
8:00am	†Edward Filipek
Saturday	January 4 (<i>St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious</i>)
8:30am	†John and Jozefa Talalaj
Saturday	January 4 (<i>Vigil: The Epiphany of the Lord</i>)
5:00pm	†John "Jack" McNally †John North †Fr. Tuan's Brothers For an End to Abortion People of the Parish
Sunday	January 5 (<i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>)
8:30am	†Edward S. Kryger
10:00am	†Edward S. Finnerty
11:30 am	†Ken Hemstreet †Wladyslaw Lech †Elizabeth, Marian, and Adam Nedza †June Shafer

WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday:	1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 (see 5a)/ 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52
Monday:	1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Lk 2:36-40
Tuesday:	1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18
Wednesday:	Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3,5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
Thursday:	1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28
Friday:	1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34
Saturday:	1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42
Next Sunday:	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/ Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



Anthony Arboleda	Mel Gerard	Loretta Nicolini
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Published prayer requests require permission from the named individual or their family. Names will be listed for six weeks, after which time you may call to renew your request.

IN MEMORIAM

Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of

John Miserendino
Marilyn O'Leary

May they rest in the peace of Christ.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

PFC Ryan Caspary, US Army 101st Airborne
Cpl James J. Cullotta, US Marines
SGT Michael D'Andrea, US Army
MAJ Joseph DeHaven, US Army
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SSGT Jeremy Schumacher, US Marines
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PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate the Holy Family – the family of Joseph, Mary and the Baby Jesus. When we look at the Holy Family we see that they went through many hardships. For example, when the time came for Baby Jesus to be born, there was “no room at the inn” so Mary and Joseph had to take shelter with the animals, and Mary gave birth to Jesus in a manger. Later, the Holy Family had to flee to Egypt to escape King Herod the Great’s massacre of baby boys. When Jesus was 12, Joseph and Mary feared they had lost him, only to later find Jesus teaching the scholars in the Temple. There were many other struggles for them along the way.

As I think about the Holy Family, I think about our families and how many hardships and challenges you face daily. As your family faces the struggles and obstacles, remember that God never abandons us. Pray for the Holy Family’s intercession, asking that God continue to be with you. That is my prayer for you – that God will be with you, and He bless your family with His grace and strength, so that no matter what happens you know that God is with you and protecting you. Please always keep God in your family and in your personal lives.

May 2025 be a blessed year for all of us. May God keep us safe and shower us with many blessings throughout the year.

As a reminder, Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 am on New Year’s Day in celebration of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, which is a Holy Day of Obligation.

I continue to pray for all of you, and I ask you to pray for me as well.



Love and Prayers,

Fr. Tuan

Pastor, St. Peter the Apostle Parish



FR. TUAN, PASTOR

Feast of the MOTHER OF GOD

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Wednesday, January 1, 2025
10:00 am

Epiphany OF THE LORD

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Saturday, January 4, 2025

Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 5, 2025

Masses: 8:30 am | 10:00 am | 11:30 am



January 12, 2025 | 12:30 pm

Parishioners are invited to a celebration honoring **Patti Zubak** as she journeys into retirement from her role as Parish Secretary.

A reception will be held **following the 11:30 am Mass on Sunday January 12, 2025.**

Additionally, if you would like to provide an appetizer or dessert, please indicate so as well.

Please email bulletin@stpeteritasca.com or call the parish center or if you have any question



To help plan accordingly, if you plan to attend the reception. Please **scan the QR Code** or call the Parish Center to RSVP by January 8.


Encounter
 God in prayer

Have you signed up? If not, here are the simple steps to start streaming your Catholic Faith. Need help or have questions, contact Toni Pietrowski or Diane Blackburn at the parish center or stop by to chat with them after Mass this weekend.

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As a member of our parish, you'll have the opportunity to create a profile, find friends, share prayer intentions, and journey through life-changing content together.

If you're already a Hallow user, simply open the app, find the Community tab (bottom of screen), search for our parish by zip code, and JOIN!

If you're new to Hallow, or if you're currently on the free version and would like to experience all the app's premium content, watch the "how-to" video on the parish website for more details and assistance to get you started. Then scan the QR code for a direct link to the St. Peter the Apostle parishioner activation page.

World Day of Peace
 January 1, 2025

Happy NEW YEAR

JAN 1 Resolutions

New Year's Resolutions to consider...

1. Attend Mass every week (or everyday, if possible)
2. Know someone who's been away from the Church or who is interested in joining? Reach out, invite them to Mass with you, and encourage them to find their way on a journey of faith.
3. Make Tuesday Evening Rosary and Father John Project recurring events on your calendar.
4. Sign up for an hour of Adoration on First Fridays
5. Share your "Time and Talent" through a Parish ministry—there's something for everyone.
6. Visit a nursing home or volunteer at a hospital.



ADORATION

FIRST FRIDAY EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION JANUARY 3

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins following 8:00 am Mass.

Come spend quiet time with Jesus before this Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. This is a wonderful time to offer your prayers of thanksgiving or prayers of petitions for yourself or loved ones.

To ensure that two people are present at all times, anyone able to commit to a one-hour time slot is asked to sign up. Please use the link available on the parish website or scan the QR code to sign-up.



SAVE THE DATE

Make Plans to Attend

Cupid's Ball

Knights of Columbus Council 10884
invites you to an evening of
dinner, dancing, raffles and more!!!

Saturday, February 8, 2025

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Scan the QR Code for reservation, donation and advertising information



Children's Mass

**January 26
10:00 am**

Everyone is welcome!

**If your family would like to assist during mass,
please sign up on the volunteer sheet
or contact Rachel Scheck
219-308-3007 rcooley16@gmail.com**

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

FISCAL WEEK 24 / DECEMBER 15, 2024

Sunday Collection	\$ 9,764.00	\$ 233,528.70
E-basket	\$ 575.00	\$ 24,905.00
GiveCentral	\$ 830.00	\$ 23,030.82
Candles	\$ 333.00	
Donuts	\$ 51.00	
Christmas	\$ 500.00	
Restricted Donation	\$ 69,658.41	
Restricted Donation	\$ 15,000.00	

Due to an early publication deadline, collection figures for Sunday, December 22, were unavailable in time for this bulletin.

Updated collection information will appear in coming weeks.

GIVE ONLINE TODAY!

Please visit the parish website and look for the GiveCentral icon to link to the secure online giving portal.

You can also connect directly by using the QR code provided or visiting the website directly at givecentral.org/location/1251



Don't let 2024 slip away without taking full advantage of your charitable giving!

When "checking your list" for tax-deductible donation options, please consider making a gift to St. Peter the Apostle Parish for your year-end giving.

Your support of St. Peter the Apostle Parish provides the opportunity to ensure the stability and growth of a Catholic "home" for current and future generations.

If giving by check or cash, please submit no later than **December 29, 2024**, in order to ensure your donation is applied to the current year. Envelopes can be dropped off at the Parish Center or in the collection basket.

Online donations using **GiveCentral** can be made through **December 31, 2024**.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 29 - JANUARY 5

Sunday	December 29	Faith & Fellowship (after all masses)	MW Hall
Monday	December 30	6:00 pm MOC Lunch Packing	MW Hall
Thursday	January 2	7:00 pm Baptism Prep Class	PC Conf Rm
Friday	January 3	8:00 am Eucharistic Adoration begins with Mass	Church
Saturday	January 4	4:15 pm Confessions	Church
		6:00 pm Knights of Columbus Epiphany Party	MW Hall



PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Center is closed for the Christmas holiday through Friday, January 3. Regular office hours will resume Monday, January 6, 2025.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4 | SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

Celebrant

5:00pm	Fr. Tuan
8:30am	Fr. Larry Brunette
10:00am	Fr. Tuan
11:30am	Fr. Tuan

Lectors

5:00pm	John Los
8:30am	Samantha Stephan
10:00am	Kathy Laken
11:30am	Mary McNamara

Communion Ministers

5:00pm	Frank McKenna Beth McKenna Deacon Bob
8:30am	Marty Hower Sharon Hower Kurt Kaufman Adam Stephan Marcie Stephan
10:00am	Ann Fleming Edgar Garcia Deacon Fred
11:30am	Carmela Graziano Michael Graziano Deacon Anthony

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION

JOIN POPE FRANCIS, IN HIS DECEMBER PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND FOR THE WORLD:

For pilgrims of hope.

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.



Everyone is Welcome

REGISTER TODAY!

Many people worship with us on a regular basis, and, in fact, regard Saint Peter the Apostle Parish as their "spiritual home."

If you attend on a regular basis, and regard this parish as your "spiritual home," we encourage you to register as a parishioner. You are most welcome as part of our parish family.

Please fill out the form below and mail it or drop it in the Sunday collection basket. You can also register by calling the parish center or by visiting the parish website.

Welcome to Saint Peter the Apostle Parish!

ARE YOU CONNECTED???

DO YOU RECEIVE ST. PETER'S ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS?

This is a great way to stay informed and receive reminders about events that you may have forgotten about or overlooked in the bulletin.

If you have access to e-mail, but do not receive the parish's electronic newsletters, then please visit the parish website at stpeteritasca.com to sign up; you may also send your e-mail information to bulletin@stpeteritasca.com.

Please be sure to provide your name together with your e-mail address.

And don't forget to connect with the parish on Facebook:



facebook.com/SaintPeterApostle.Itasca

Remember to invite your friends!!!

INVITATION TO REGISTER!

We're so glad you are here and invite you to walk the path to faith with us. The community of St. Peter the Apostle strives to grow closer to Christ in all that we do. We care for one another and together with Christ, we make a difference.

If you would like to become a registered parishioner, please fill out the information below and drop it into the collection basket at any mass or call the Parish Center at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200).

Family Name _____

Family Member Name(s) _____

Address _____

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Pulpit announcement requests should be submitted no later than the Tuesday preceding the weekend during which the announcement is to be made. Announcements may be submitted by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200) or by e-mail to bulletin@stpeteritasca.com.

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