

Saint Peter ^{the} Apostle CATHOLIC CHURCH



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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

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

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays | 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

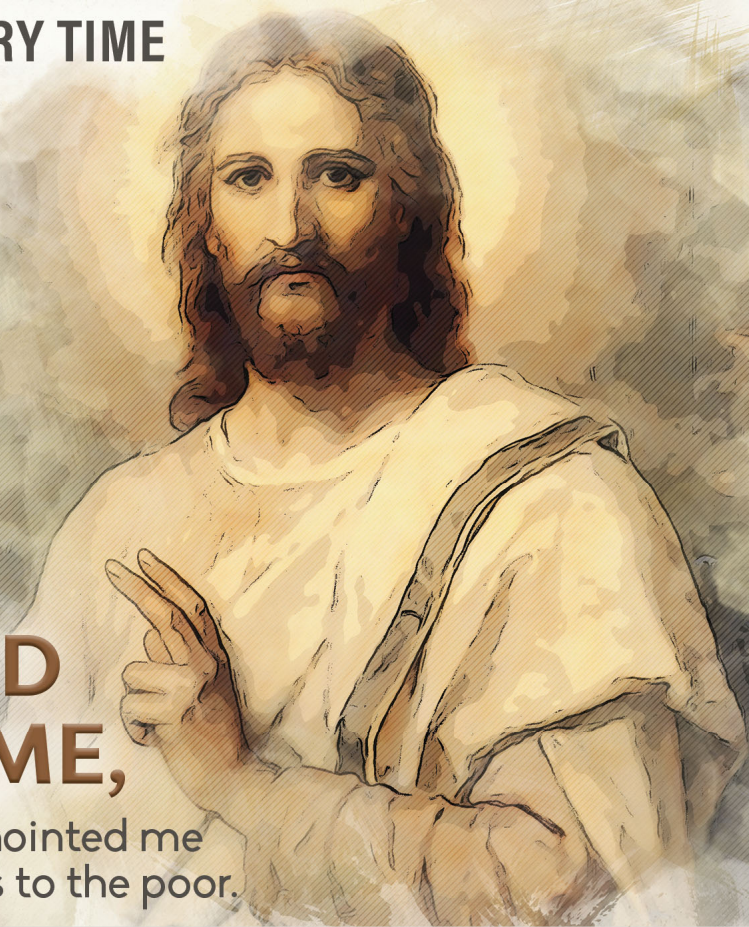
Wednesdays | 8:30 am (*following 8:00 am Mass*)

First Saturdays | 8:30 am (*following 8:00 am Mass*)

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 23, 2022

**THE SPIRIT
OF THE LORD
IS UPON ME,**

because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.



From the Pastor



Dear Parish family,

Last Sunday, we welcomed the Little Sisters of the Poor from Saint Joseph' Home for God's elderly poor in Palatine. If you missed the opportunity to support the dear Sisters last Sunday, consider making a gift to the Little Sisters of the Poor... help them, help others! The Sisters have served the elderly of the greater Chicago area and beyond for over 130 years. They encourage independence, preserve dignity, and respect for human life, respect individuality, nurture the human spirit and involve family and friends. The care they provide the elderly poor is unparalleled. They strive to see Jesus in everyone they serve, and it is a privilege for our parish to be given the opportunity to be included in their beautiful work.

The homes of the elderly poor, which they sponsor in Chicago and in Palatine, are icons of mercy where Christ is welcomed and served in the elderly poor with the utmost respect for their dignity. The Little Sisters of the Poor welcome the needy elderly into their homes, forming one family with them, enabling them to enjoy life and care for them with love and respect until the moment God calls them home to heaven! The care of the dying has always been the summit of the sisters' apostolate and it is ever more powerful witness of the culture of life. For more information about the Little Sisters of the Poor, check out their website: littlesistersofthepoorpalatine.org

Consider making a donation directly to the Little Sisters. They are also in great need of hiring registered NURSES and NURSES AIDS for employment at their homes in Palatine. Help spread the word!

Mother Mercy, LSP
Little Sisters of the Poor Saint Joseph Home
80 West Northwest Highway
Palatine, Illinois 60067-3582
Phone: 847-358-5700
www.littlesistersofthepoorpalatine.org

We are at the beginning of a new calendar year, and of a new season in this new Liturgical Year — Ordinary Time. The beginning of a new year is a good time to renew ourselves in our commitment to fidelity and obedience to Christ and to His Church, to our prayer life, and to the liturgy (the Mass) that gives us life, and through the Eucharist, a taste and promise of life eternal. The liturgy, after all, is not so much our praying, BUT Christ praying through us. You and I are given the privilege of joining ourselves to Jesus. And so, fidelity to the gift is all important.

It is true, to live our Catholic Faith we must know it! In this New Year of 2022 what will you do to grow in your knowledge of our Catholic Faith? What will you do to increase your efforts at prayer...your conversation with God? The front door of our church is open every day from 7am until 7pm. Hopefully, you can find the time when not in church for Mass or devotional prayers, to come before the Lord in the Eucharist. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our church is a great place to start. It's up to you. Participate in the Mass and faithful and devout reception of the Sacraments is key. The Church, our parish, can only provide opportunities and access to the truths of our Faith. What you do, how or if you accept those truths is up to you. Faith is God's gift to us...what we do with that Faith we have received is our gift to Him.

May God bless you,

Fr. Noesen

**Sunday January 23 (Third Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

8:30 am †Harry Aument
 10:00 am †Martin Gaughan
 11:30 am †Vicente Elvas
 †Michael Mulcahy
 †Giuseppe Ribaud
 †Charles S. Walsh
 †Virginia Williams
 People of the Parish

Monday January 24 (St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church)

8:00 am †Bernie Grabinski

Tuesday January 25 (Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle)

8:00 am †James Salter

Wednesday January 26 (Ss. Timothy and Titus, Bishops)

8:00 am †Wladyslaw, Richard, and Zofia Chlopecki

Thursday January 27 (Weekday; St. Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder)

8:00 am The Kveck Family - Special Intention

Friday January 28 (Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Religious, and Doctor of the Church)

8:00 am †Thomas James

Saturday January 29 (Vigil: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

5:00 pm †Robert Proffitt
 For an End to Abortion
 People of the Parish

Sunday January 30 (Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30 am †Gilda Lazzaro
 10:00 am †Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Mastrodonato
 11:30 am †Nina Aivaz
 †Frances Browne
 †Helen Koziol
 †Peter Williams

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30
 Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-18 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20
 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14; Mk 4:21-25
 Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17;
 Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34
 Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41
 Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;
 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30



**Sacred Music at
 Saint Peter the Apostle Parish
 MINISTRY OF CANTOR**

Our parish has a very small team of cantors who volunteer a significant amount of time by preparing themselves vocally, musically and spiritually to lead us in liturgical song. Cantors bring to the ministry at least some experience, having sung seriously in choirs, or as soloists. The cantor's primary role is to lead the psalm during the Liturgy of the Word, in dialogue with the congregation. They also assist the congregation by leading the other parts of the liturgy.

I am asking teens and adults who feel called to this ministry to contact me or one of our parish musicians. Our worship of and prayer to Almighty God should be of good quality and true beauty. However, this depends on the Holy Spirit and our use of the gifts and talents that our God has bestowed upon each of us. Cantors do not need to have "soloist quality" voices. Rather, they should be able to sing in tune, have some proficiency in reading music, and sufficient time to devote to rehearsal and preparation. This ministry is of utmost importance in our parish. Cantors must be willing to serve at 2 to 4 Masses each month, sometimes twice in a weekend. More information is available from me or any of our parish musicians, so please contact one of us. Training will be provided. Thank you for your consideration in answer to this much-needed ministry at our parish.

A Blessed New Year in the Lord!

Fr. Noesen

THE BELLS ARE RINGING!!!

St. Peter Adult Handbell Choir is happy to share it's upcoming schedule of Masses during which the choir will participate:

Saturday, February 12 - 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 27 - 10:00 am

Sunday, April 17 - 8:30 am

Sunday, May 1 - 11:30 am

The handbell choir plays the prelude, offertory, communion meditation and recessional music.

Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

Sunday Collection - Fiscal Week 29 (01/16/2022): \$ 17,227.00

Christmas Collection (as of 01/18/2022): \$ 41,027.00

Financial figures reflect the parish fiscal year of July 1st through June 30th.

If you have any questions concerning the collection numbers, please feel free to contact the Business Office at 630-773-1272 (ext. 204).



Electronic Giving is available using GiveCentral

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 visiting the website directly at givecentral.org/location/1251

There has been great progress made over the last three years towards paying off the original parish debt of \$2 million dollars. As of January 12, 2022, our capital project debt stands at \$322,967.81 . Thank you for your stewardship and prayers.

Please keep Saint Peter the Apostle Parish in mind when making out your Will and in doing your Estate Planning. Remembering the Church is a beautiful and fitting way to make a lasting memorial statement of faith for future generations.

This Week at St. Peter's...

Sunday	January 23
7:15 pm	9Days for Life Novena - Rosary (Church)
Monday	January 24
7:15 pm	9Days for Life Novena - Rosary (Church)
Tuesday	January 25
7:15 pm	9Days for Life Novena - Rosary (Church)
Wednesday	January 26
8:30 am	Confessions (Church)
5:00 pm	Religious Education Classes (TBD - School or Zoom)
6:15 pm	Adult Hand Bell Choir (Church/Choir Loft)
7:15 pm	9Days for Life Novena - Rosary (Church)
Thursday	January 27
9:00 am	"Be Formed" Bible Discussion (MW Parish Hall)
7:15 pm	9Days for Life Novena - Rosary (Church)
Saturday	January 29
9:00 am	Religious Education Classes (TBD - School or Zoom)
4:15 pm	Confessions (Church)



Schedule

Saturday, January 29 | Sunday, January 30

<i>Communion Ministers</i>	<i>Lectors</i>
5:00 pm Reetha George Deacon Fred	5:00 pm Patrick Powers
8:30 am Kathy Frank Jim Ruffing	8:30 am Kevin Grisamore
10:00 am Frank Vale Mel Gerard	10:00 am Chris Nagle
11:30 am Carmela Graziano Mike Graziano	11:30 am Paul Gennuso

Share YOUR Faith



Support the Church in Latin America

usccb.org/latin-america

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THIS WEEKEND

Please prayerfully consider supporting this special collection to share your faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean this weekend.

The national Collection for the Church in Latin America supports many pastoral projects that benefit the faithful in Latin America and the Caribbean.

For more information on the Church in Latin America and the many projects funded by the collection, please visit usccb.org/latin-america.

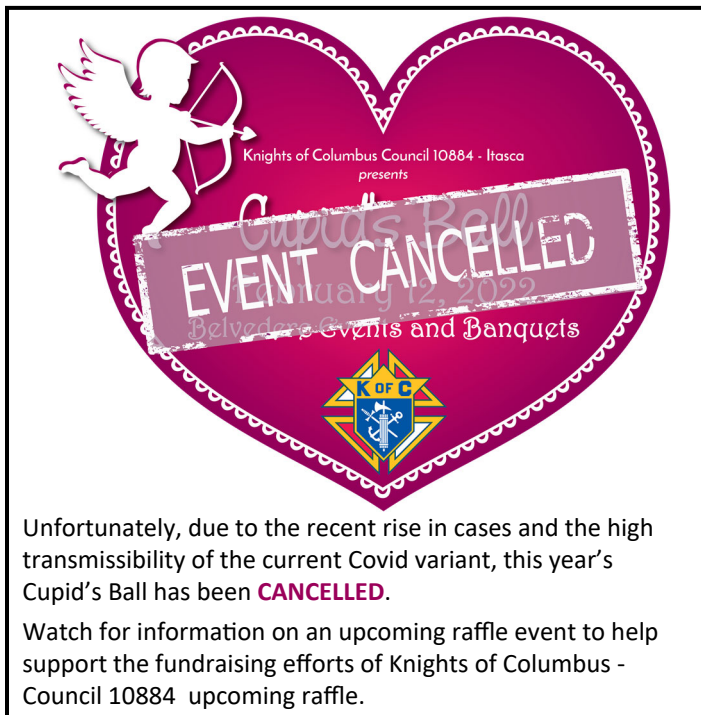


Cross Bearers

Thank you to the following for serving as cross bearer this weekend:

11:30 am **Damiano Barabba**

Please pray for these children and their families as they prepare for Confirmation .



Knights of Columbus Council 10884 - Itasca presents

Cupid's Ball EVENT CANCELLED
 February 12, 2022
 Belvedere Events and Banquets

Unfortunately, due to the recent rise in cases and the high transmissibility of the current Covid variant, this year's Cupid's Ball has been **CANCELLED**.

Watch for information on an upcoming raffle event to help support the fundraising efforts of Knights of Columbus - Council 10884 upcoming raffle.



FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION...

will take place at St. Peter's Church on February 4.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin following 8:00 am Mass and will conclude at 8:00 pm.

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 using the link available on the parish website at stpeteritasca.com



GODSPELL

For Ticket Information, visit cytchicago.org

WILLOW CRYSTAL LAKE
 100 S. MAIN ST., CRYSTAL LAKE, IL

SHOW DATES:

JAN. 28 7 PM	JAN. 29 2 & 6 PM
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Presented by **Christian Youth Theater Chicago**, a non-profit organization that stands on traditional Christian values — their motto is “reclaiming the arts for Christ”.

Godspell is a musical based on the Gospel of Matthew that tells a shortened, musicalized version of Jesus calling the Disciples, spreading His mission, dying on the Cross and Resurrecting.

St. Peter's Parishioner, Joanna Nagle, is vocal director for the production and extends an invitation to all to attend and enjoy.



YOUNG ADULTS 18-22

Apply Now to be a Totus Tuus 2022 Leader!

Totus Tuus is now hiring leaders for the Summer 2022 program! Leaders are college-aged, young adults who are good role models looking for adventure this Summer. The position is a paid internship which pays a \$3,500 stipend along and includes room and board.

Totus Tuus is a parish summer program designed to cultivate a love for the Lord through the sacramental life of the Church and open the hearts of the participants to live out their Catholic faith daily.

If you know of anyone who may qualify, please invite them to apply at www.vocations.com.

Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

In the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus reads aloud from the scroll of the prophet Isaiah and announces that this Scripture is now fulfilled.

Today's Gospel reading combines two separate passages taken from the Gospel of Luke. First we hear the opening verses where Luke establishes the purpose of his Gospel. His style is typical of polished Greek and Roman literature. In this passage, we learn that Luke may have written to a specific person, Theophilus; but the word Theophilus may also be a general reference, functioning as the phrase "Dear Reader" might in contemporary writing. In Greek, the word Theophilus translates as "lover of God."

Today's Gospel reading then skips several chapters in which one would find the Infancy Narratives, Jesus' baptism by John, the temptations Jesus faced in the desert, and the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In chapter four of Luke's Gospel, we hear that Jesus is in his hometown of Nazareth, attending the synagogue on the Sabbath, which is said to be his custom. In this account, we find another important clue that Jesus lived as a faithful, observant Jew. We will continue to read from Luke's Gospel in sequence for the next two Sundays.

As Jesus stands in the synagogue, he reads from the scroll handed to him; it contains the words of the prophet Isaiah. At this early moment in his ministry, Jesus announces his mission in continuity with Israel's prophetic tradition. This reading from Isaiah defines Jesus' ministry. We will find more evidence of this as we continue to read from Luke's Gospel throughout the year. Jesus' ministry will include bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, freedom to the oppressed, and proclaiming a year acceptable to the Lord.

Through this text from Isaiah, Jesus announces God's salvation. The "year acceptable to the Lord" is a reference to the Jewish tradition of Sabbath years and jubilee. The Sabbath year was observed every seventh year. It was a year of rest when land was left fallow and food stores were to be shared equally with all. A year of Jubilee was celebrated every fiftieth year, the conclusion of seven cycles of Sabbath years. It was a year of renewal in which debts were forgiven and slaves were freed.

This tradition of Jubilee is the framework for God's promise of salvation. And yet in Jesus, something new begins. Jesus not only announces God's salvation, he brings this salvation about in his person. Jesus is Yahweh's Anointed One, filled with the Spirit of God. The Kingdom of God is now at hand. It is made present in Jesus, in his life, death, and Resurrection. Jesus will send the Holy Spirit so that the Kingdom of God can be fulfilled.

The Holy Spirit is Jesus' gift to the Church. The Holy Spirit enables the Church to continue the mission of Jesus. When we do what Jesus did—bring glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, and freedom to the oppressed—we serve the Kingdom of God.

Loyola Press

Catholic Parents: "Give your children Christian Names"

—Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

During his Pontificate, Pope Benedict reminded Catholic parents throughout the world that they should be choosing Christian names for their children. The choice of a name, he emphasized, shouldn't be done "by chance" or whim, but should reinforce and communicate to the growing child and others one of the essential realities of the sacrament of baptism and the Christian life. The Christian name — in contrast to a non-Christian name — signifies that in baptism "every baptized person acquires the character of a son" and is "an unmistakable sign that the Holy Spirit gives birth to man 'anew' from the womb of the Church." A Christian name manifests that through baptism a child is "raised to the supernatural order" and "placed in communication with God," who then calls that child by that given name. Naming the child after a Christian saint or Biblical hero is a concrete reminder for the child and everyone else that God is calling that child, like his or her Christian namesake, to holiness and heaven.

Much of this connection has been getting gradually lost in Christian practice, which is the reason why Pope Benedict needed to bring it to our attention. Recently, the Social Security Administration published a list of the 1,000 most popular boys' and girls' names chosen by American parents in 2009. The main headline for most of the press accounts was that the name "Mary" — which in every year from 1910-1965 was either the first or the second most popular girls' name — was no longer even in the top 100. On the boys' side, things are not much better. Beginning in 1910, when the frequency of names began to be documented, through 1972, the names of the foster father of Jesus and of the four evangelists were firmly entrenched in the top ten each year.

At a human level, one of the first and most long-lasting gifts — or burdens — parents give to a child is a name. This is the way the child will generally be referred to for the rest of his or her life. The child will hear that name literally millions of times over the course of a lifetime. The choice of a name can have a profound impact on the child's development and self-identity.

A child's name should not be treated like an email handle with which one can basically get as creative as one wants. A child's name, rather, communicates in a sense a person's identity and can dramatically impact a child's development.

The name is a holy icon of the person. In our age of titular iconoclasm, Pope Benedict is calling Christian parents back to connect the names of their children with the name of God and the names of those who have lived — and continue to live forever — in God's holy name, entrusting their children to their namesakes' saintly patronage so that one day the Good Shepherd will call those children to his eternal right side by the names they've chosen for them.



*O Blessed Virgin, dear mother of mine,
I salute you, and revere you with all my heart.
Mother of Mercy, pray for me.
Queen of Heaven, I commend my soul to you.
O my tender Mother, obtain that I may be loved by your Son.
Sweet hope with Jesus, sweet refuge of sinners, I throw myself at your feet.
Cause me to experience the effect of the power
which you possess with the Holy Trinity, O glorious Virgin Mary.
Amen*

by St. Francis de Sales

PRAYER ON THE FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL

January 25

*God our Father,
you taught the Gospel to all the world
through the preaching of Paul Your apostle.
May we who celebrate his conversion to the faith
follow him in bearing witness to the truth.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.*



ST. TIMOTHY AND ST. TITUS

January 26

*Let no one have contempt for your youth
but set an example for those who believe,
in speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity.*

—St. Paul the Apostle





9 DAYS FOR LIFE

PRAY TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE!

JANUARY 19-27, 2022

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Join today at www.9daysforlife.com!



4 WAYS TO JOIN






9DaysforLife.com




Image: A mosaic of Our Lady of Guadalupe decorates a side altar in the Church of Santa Maria della Famiglia at the Vatican, Dec. 15. (CNS photo/Paul Haring.)

Knights of Columbus Council 10884 and St. Peter's Right to Life Ministry are joining with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to promote the 9 Day Novena for Life and to observe the anniversary of the Roe vs Wade decision which legalized abortion 49 years ago this month.

A nightly Rosary and Reflection will take place in the Church January 19-27 at 7:15pm.

Everyone is invited to participate and join in prayer for the protection of all life. If you cannot participate in Church any or all of the nine evenings of prayer, then you are encouraged to pray on your own during the nine days of the novena.

Additional information about the novena can be found at www.9daysforlife.com. If you have any questions, please contact parishioner Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197.

January 28
Feast Day of St. Thomas Aquinas

"It is better to limp along the right path than to walk strongly in the wrong direction."

Saint Thomas Aquinas
Doctor of the Church



If you would like information on Pro-life ministry opportunities or you or someone you know needs assistants, please visit the parish website for information and resources. You may also contact Nancy Magnus, St. Peter's Pro-life Coordinator, at 630-606-5197.

PREGNANT? NEED HELP?

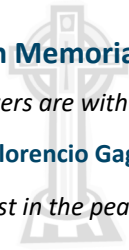
Real Alternatives.....	888-543-3243
First Way National Life Center	800-848-5683
Aid for Women	630-896-8600
National Pregnancy Hotline	800-521-5530
National Adoption Hotline.....	202-463-7563
Teen Parent Connection	630-790-8433
Natural Family Planning.....	815-838-1002
DuPage Catholic Charities.....	630-495-8008
The Nurturing Network.....	800-866-4666
Crisis Pregnancy Hotline	800-672-2296
Waterleaf Women's Center.....	630-701-6270
The Gabriel Project	877-734-2444

In Memoriam

Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of

Florencio Gagni

May he rest in the peace of Christ.

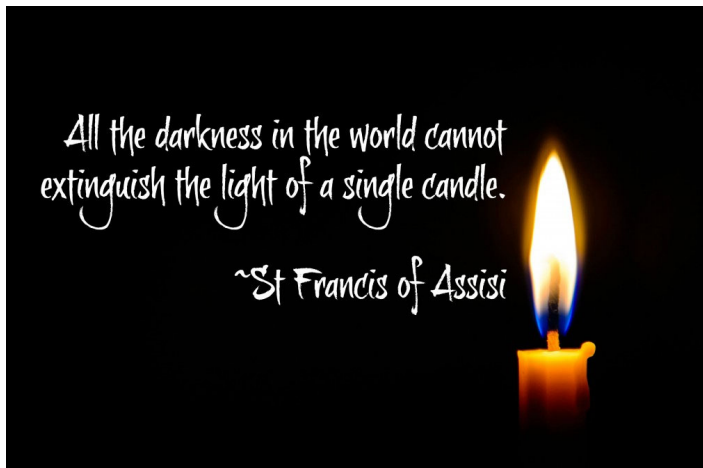


NOTE: The sick list has been reviewed and long-standing names removed if renewal was not recently received. If prayers are still needed, please call to renew. Thank you.

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

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| Sue Bobka | Gene Mikulecky | Bonnie Pollock |
| Ken Buffo | Christopher Mizera | Wayne Slowiak |
| Regina Conti | Richard Mrugacz | Fr. Miroslaw Stepien |
| Ken Hemstreet | John North | Randy Szweda, USMC |
| Rickie Kruzel | Janina Piotrowski | Linda Wuerffel |
| George Kveck | Harriett Pinkowski | |

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 the Parish Center to renew your request.



Votive Candles in Church

FLAME OF FAITH

Candles burn perpetually in the church as we remember our intentions and humble prayers before the Lord. The burning candles serve as a constant prayer before the Lord, present in the Blessed Sacrament. When you light a candle know that Father Noesen prays for your intentions each day within the Mass and in his prayers.

May we all lift in prayer all the intentions of our parish family as these candles are lit burning with a desire to be heard.



Join our Holy Father, Pope Francis, in his January prayers for the Church and for the world:

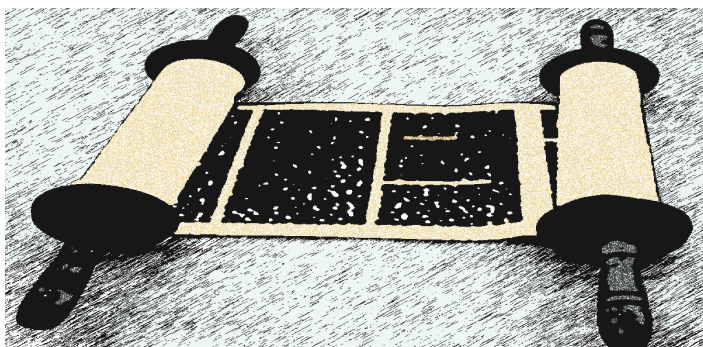
FOR TRUE HUMAN FRATERNITY

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

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**
- LCpl James J. Cullotta, US Marines**
- SGT Michael D'Andrea, US Army**
- Maj Joseph DeHaven, US Army**
- PFC Collin Ensing, US Marines**
- CW3 Gordon Goodwin, Army National Guard**
- CPT Steven Gregor, US Army**
- SGT Michael Helle, US Army**
- Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines**
- PVT Aleksandra Juzwiak, Army National Guard**
- CMC Mike Kaszubowski, US Navy**
- SGT Jacob Los, US Army**
- Major Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army**
- 1stLt John Kenneth Murphy, US Marines**
- Kevin Noesen, US Coastguard**
- SGT Marcin Platek, US Marines**
- 2LT Megan Putze, Army National Guard**
- SGT Michael Schatzman, US Army**
- LTJG Albert J. Schrautemyer III, US Navy Pilot (Persian Gulf)**
- SGT Jeremy Schumacher, US Marines**
- Robert P. Woods Lt. JG. US Navy**
- Thomas Zablocki, US Marines**
- PO2 Benjamin Zubak, US Navy**

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.
— Luke 4:18a



RECTORY/PARISH CENTER

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Italian Catholic Federation (Branch 418)
Nick Tenerelli, Pres. phone: 847-224-9324

PARISH CENTER BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm
Friday-Sunday: CLOSED (or by appointment)



TRAVELING?

Call 410-676-6000 or log onto www.masstimes.org for the location and schedule of Masses throughout the U.S.

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENT AND BULLETIN DEADLINES

NOTE: Parish staff reserves the right to accept and/or decline, as well as edit, both pulpit announcements and bulletin submissions.

Pulpit announcement requests are to be submitted to the Parish Center 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 **office@stpeteritasca.com**.

Bulletin submissions are to be submitted **no later than 8 days preceding** requested publication date. Notices and full page flyers will run for a maximum of two weeks, and priority will be given to items that are date sensitive. If possible, all items should be typed for legibility and accuracy and dropped off at the Parish Center or sent via e-mail to **bulletin@stpeteritasca.com**.

CONFESSIONS

Weekly on Wednesday at 8:30 am (*following Mass*)

Weekly on Saturday - 4:15-4:45 pm

First Saturdays at 8:30 am (*following Mass*)

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Adults interested in becoming Catholic or learning about the Catholic faith should contact the Parish Center for information.

BAPTISMS

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated either during a weekend Mass or on the third Sunday of the month at 12:30 pm (immediately following 11:30 am Mass). Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation class prior to the Baptism. Classes are held in the Parish Center at 7:00 pm on the first Thursday of each month. Please call the Parish Center for more information.

Required paperwork **MUST** be submitted to the parish office **no later than ten (10) business days prior to the baptismal date or your date will be rescheduled.** This includes all necessary information regarding family records and godparents. Please read the **baptism planning information** provided before selecting a godparent. A sponsor certificate must be provided **by each godparent.** The proper **sponsor certificate** for St. Peter the Apostle is included with the baptism packet. Christian witnesses are most welcome to celebrate with the family and community, but please note they are not recorded as sponsors on the Baptismal Certificate or in the Baptismal Register.

WEDDINGS

According to diocesan policy, the parish must be contacted six months prior to the intended wedding date. Please call the Parish Center (ext. 201) for information.

HOSPITALIZATION NOTIFICATIONS AND SICK/HOMEBOUND ARRANGEMENTS


Due to hospital admitting policies, it is necessary to inform the Parish Center when hospitalized parishioners would like a visit from Fr. Noesen or a deacon. Likewise, please call if you would like a visit while convalescing at home or at a facility.

Additionally, before being admitted to a hospital for surgery, it is advisable to call Fr. Noesen to arrange to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Please contact the Parish Center at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200) to arrange for communion visits to the homebound.

FUNERALS

It is the responsibility of the parish to bury their dead. The funeral director will contact the Parish Center regarding arrangements. Funerals are ordinarily celebrated at 10:00 am. For more information, please read guidelines for Funeral Planning on the parish website.



If it is too difficult for you to walk to the front of the church to receive Communion, please know that at each Mass an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion comes to the back of the church to distribute Communion. If you would like to have the Extraordinary Minister give you communion in the back of church, 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 so that they can see you and give you Holy Communion.



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