

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)*



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Thirty-Third Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

November
13
2022

“YOU WILL BE HATED BY ALL BECAUSE OF MY NAME, BUT NOT A HAIR ON YOUR HEAD WILL BE DESTROYED.”

Luke 21:17-18

*From the Administrator...***IN VERITATE ET IN CARITATE**

I am recently back from a trip to France, where I was able to tour through the wine region of southeastern France. I visited a number of beautiful cities, most of which dated from at least medieval times, with some going back to the Roman era. In each of these cities, I chose to visit their inspiring cathedrals — some gothic, some baroque, some Romanesque. They always dominated the landscape, with their impressive spires reaching toward Heaven, with the glorious stained glass sharing the stories of the Bible, and their interiors filled with inspirational artwork.

Most of these churches have bell towers, and I was fortunate to hear them tolling out the hours during my visits. Church bells have a tradition that dates back over one thousand years. Originally, they were tolled as a call to prayer. In most monastic traditions, the bells rang out seven times a day to call the faithful to pray the liturgy of the hours. They also rang out when a special celebration or a mass was to be offered, calling all within the range of their sound to gather in faith as a community to pray.

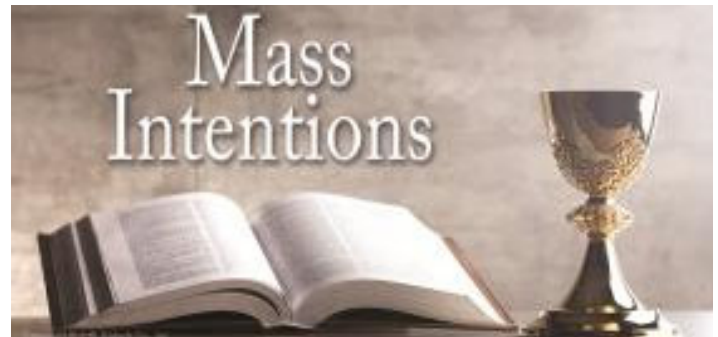
Father Noesen wanted to have bells here at Saint Peter's. The project was in process when he passed away, and, as you may have "heard," it was completed earlier this month. Through generous donations, we have been able to purchase and install electronic "bells" and speakers, so that we can renew the ancient tradition of the tolling of church bells at our parish. We will be making adjustments over the rest of the month as to the timing of the bells, and what they will be tolling. We hope to have them peel on the hour, and for weddings, funerals, masses and other special ceremonies here at church, returning to the original tradition of church bells.

In honor of that tradition, I make a simple request. When you hear the tolling of church bells, whether ancient brass bells ringing of from a 1,000-year-old steeple, or sounding from modern electronic speakers, recognize their significance and celebrate their intent as a call to prayer. Even if only for a brief moment, when you hear the church bells ringing, turn your mind, heart and soul to God. Whether it be for intercession, forgiveness or in joyful thanksgiving, when the bells toll, let us pause, focus, and speak with our Creator.

In Truth and in Love,

Deacon Fred Maier

Acting Administrator, St. Peter the Apostle Parish



Sunday	November 13 (<i>Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>)
8:30 am	†Virginia and Peter Williams
10:00 am	†Emil and Caroline Derma
11:30 am	†Giuseppe and Giuseppina Fricano
	†Joseph and Maria Fricano
	†Maria Lombardo
	†Antonia Recchia
	†Ann Marie Rossi
	†Andrzej Szymikowski
Monday	November 14 (<i>Weekday</i>)
8:00 am	†Placido Razon
Tuesday	November 15 (<i>Weekday; St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>)
8:00 am	†Alvera McDonald
Wednesday	November 16 (<i>Weekday; St. Margaret of Scotland and St. Gertrude, Virgin</i>)
8:00 am	†Ed Kryger
Thursday	November 17 (<i>St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious</i>)
8:00 am	†Michael Mulcahy
Friday	November 18 (<i>Weekday; Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duhesne, Virgin</i>)
8:00 am	†For Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	November 19 (<i>Vigil: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>)
5:00 pm	†Annamma Kurian
	†Anthony Michalak
	†Don Stahl
	Ted and Irene Kosk - 55th Wedding Anniversary
	For an End to Abortion
	People of the Parish
Sunday	November 20 (<i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>)
8:30 am	†Virginia and Peter Williams
10:00 am	†John FisherKeller
11:30 am	†Maria Lombardo
	†Fr. Robert Noesen
	†Ann Marie Rossi
	†Betty Schuebert
	†Andrzej Szymikowski
	†All Holy Souls in Purgatory

Readings for the Week

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43
 Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10
 Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28
 Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44
 Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131;
 Lk 19:45-48; *OR* (for the memorial of the Dedication)
 Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33
 Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40
 Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43



All are welcome to stop by the Margaret Wood's Parish Hall weekly following all Sunday morning masses. Grab a doughnut, a beverage and some fellowship!

GRIEF MINISTRY

If you have lost a loved one and would like to meet with people who face similar struggles, please consider joining the Grief Ministry group.

Please meet in Margaret Woods Hall for refreshments before heading to the **Parish Center Conference Room**.

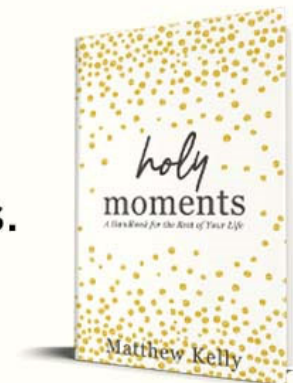
For more information, please contact:

Sharon Laughlin (630-212-0304) or Deacon Fred (630-773-4412)

THIS WEEKEND—SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13 | 9:30 am



Holy Moments give meaning and divine purpose to our lives.



In late spring, St. Peter's parishioners were invited to sign up for various parish ministries, organizations and service opportunities. As we look forward to the start of the Advent Season, please be reminded that opportunities to give of our time and talent are still available, and your participation is valuable to the ongoing Holy Moments available within our parish community.

After all masses next weekend, parishioners will be offered a complimentary copy of Mathew Kelly's book *Holy Moments* — be sure to take one (one per family, please) and see how this 30-minute read could help change your life forever!

Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

Fiscal Week 19 - Sunday Collection (11/06/2022) \$ 10,510.00
GiveCentral - October 2022 \$ 1,245.00

If you have any questions concerning the collection numbers, please feel free to contact the Business Office by email at business@stpeteritasca.com or by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext. 204).



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

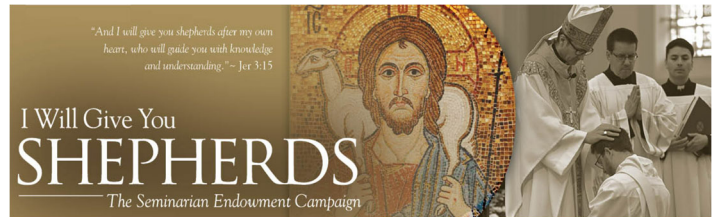
You can also connect directly by using the QR code provided or visiting the website directly at givecentral.org/location/1251



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 November 13**
Faith & Fellowship (after all masses) (MW Parish Hall)
Grief Support Group (PC Conference Room)
9:30 am
- Monday November 14**
OCIA Make-up Class (PC Conference Room)
7:00 pm
- Tuesday November 15**
Crochet Group (MW Parish Hall)
OCIA Class (PC Conference Room)
7:00 pm
Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)
7:15 pm
- Wednesday November 16**
Confessions (Church)
8:30 am
Religious Education Classes (School/Church)
5:00 pm
Adult Hand Bell Choir (Church/Choir Loft)
6:15 pm
- Saturday November 19**
Religious Education Classes (School/Church)
9:00 am
Confessions (Church)
4:15 pm
- Sunday November 20**
Faith & Fellowship (after all masses) (MW Parish Hall)



Gifts to *I Will Give You Shepherds*, the Diocese of Joliet Seminarian Education Endowment Trust, will ensure the diocese is always able to assist seminarians with their formation.

Your gift will make a difference in our Church, and our world, for years to come. It will have a lasting impact on the men preparing to serve as our shepherds, and every parish in our diocese.

Throughout their years of priestly ministry, the men your gift helps educate will celebrate the sacraments, provide counsel and preach the Word for the benefit of us all.



Use the QR code or envelopes are available in the Narthex for THIS weekend's Special Collection.



SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 19 | Sunday, November 20

Celebrants

- 5:00 pm Fr. David Mowry
- 8:30 am Fr. David Mowry
- 10:00 am Fr. Paul Hottinger
- 11:30 am Fr. Paul Hottinger

Lectors

- 5:00 pm Diane Blackburn
- 8:30 am Sandie Galuszek
- 10:00 am Franco Cascella
- 11:30 am Paul Gennuso

Communion Ministers

- 5:00 pm Reetha George
Deacon Anthony
- 8:30 am Dorie Calip
Jim Ruffing
- 10:00 am Mary Booth
Deacon Bob
- 11:30 am Mary McNamara
Deacon Fred



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

WORKING ON THE MARGINS

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Please give generously in NEXT weekend's Special Collection.



MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Thursday, November 24 | 9:00 am

Let's truly set the tone for a wonderful holiday of giving with thanks to the Lord!

Please bring non-perishable food items to donate to the Itasca Food Pantry. The Itasca Food Pantry truck will be on-site to transport donations. Please drop off donations at the truck prior to entering the Church

Volunteers may be needed to unload at the food pantry after mass.



At a recent exemplification, Knights of Columbus Council 10884 - Itasca happily welcomed to the council **Hector Dy** and **Alex Kovach**

Catholic men over the age of 18 are invited to join the fraternal order of the Knights of Columbus.

If interested, please contact Grand Knight Tom Kryger by phone at 630-773-9392 or email at knights@stpeteritasca.com



ADVENT FAMILY FAITH ACTIVITY Advent Wreath Event

The Knights of Columbus and Religious Education ministry invite all parishioners to the annual Family Advent Wreath-making program on **Sunday, November 27, following the 11:30 am Mass, in Margaret Woods Hall.** The cost is \$15 for base, greens and candles, or \$10 for greens and candles only (if you have your own base). Fresh greenery will be provided; participants are encouraged to bring embellishments to personalize wreaths. Complete the form and return it with payment to Religious Education staff or to the Parish Center. A link to the registration form can also be found on the parish website.

Please respond by Wednesday, November 16

Family Name

Phone Number

Email Address

We **DO NOT** need a base (\$10 enclosed)

We **DO NEED** a base (\$15 enclosed)



Bishop Hicks' Column

November 2022

Our Baptismal Duty



Recently, many of us tuned in to watch the events surrounding the passing of Queen Elizabeth II, the longest reigning British monarch. In the United States, the existence of a royal family may be somewhat of a foreign concept in our political system that prefers democratically elected officials. Yet, with some curiosity, many of us cast our gaze across the pond to capture a glimpse of the new King Charles III receiving the royal scepter.

In the Catholic Church, we tap into “royal language” with titles like “Queen of Heaven” and the “Prince of Peace.” During this month, we will come to the end of our liturgical year when the universal Church boldly proclaims Christ as King of the Universe on November 20.

Pope Pius XI instituted the celebration of “Christ the King” in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* (“In the first”) to respond to growing secularism and atheism in the world. From the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops: “This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever. During the early twentieth century, in Mexico, Russia and some parts of Europe, militantly secularistic regimes threatened not just the Catholic Church and its faithful, but civilization itself.”

Almost 100 years after the solemnity’s inception, there is still a need to promote the message of this feast day. We do not have to look far to see blatant attacks on religious liberty and increasing secularism. It is in this context that atheists are proactively trying to convert vulnerable minds to not believing in God. Still, there are others who plant a deceptive message by saying, “If you insist on believing in God, at least do so by being only spiritual and not religious within the Church.”

While we embrace Christ as our king, we also need to remind ourselves that he is a very different kind of king. Instead of donning a crown of gold, Jesus wears a crown of thorns, and instead of ruling with arrogance or revenge, he utters decrees of mercy and forgiveness: “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing” (Luke 23:34).

Jesus rules by being a good shepherd who rejects loftiness and domination. Instead, he serves, as opposed to seeking to be served. He calls all those who follow him to join his ministry of service, humility, forgiveness and charity.

During the past few years, there has been a popular streaming series named “The Crown.” In the first season, there is a poignant scene in which King George VI reminds his son-in-law, Philip, of his duty, especially toward the new queen, Elizabeth II. “You understand, the titles, the dukedom. They’re not the job. She is the job! She is the essence of your duty. Loving her. Protecting her.”

For those of us who have been called to minister in the Church, I think this quote is quite appropriate. It applies not exclusively to bishops, clergy and religious, but to every Catholic who is baptized and is a missionary disciple of Jesus: “The Church is our duty. Loving her. Protecting her.”

In the rite of baptism for children, the parents listen to the following words before the water is poured: “You have asked to have your child baptized. In doing so, you are accepting the responsibility of training him or her in the practice of the faith. It will be your **duty** to bring him or her up to keep God’s commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbor.” When parents are asked, “Do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?” the affirmative answer they give at that moment is hopefully repeated daily and throughout the course of their lives.

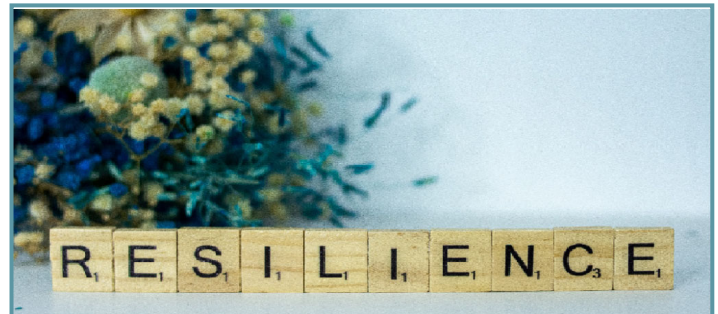
To accomplish this, I continue to invite us to follow my vision for this diocese of Catechesis, Evangelization and Faith into Action. For if we truly know Jesus, love Jesus and serve others like he taught us, then we are doing our baptismal **duty**. As we strive to keep God at the center of our lives, the Church and the universe, may Christ the King live and reign today and always.



Catholic Engaged Encounter Sets Dates For 2023

English	January 7-8
	March 18-19
	April 29-30
En español	
	Febrero 18 y 19
	Junio 17 y 18
	Octubre 14 y 15

For more information and to register visit www.jolietee.org/



Dare to Be Resilient™ Retreat
Friday and Saturday, November 18-19, 2022

We have all relied on our own resilience in one way or another, especially in recent years in efforts to fend off and “bounce back” from adversity. As we enter the holiday season — replete with joy and stress — we can learn from our experiences and grow stronger, more flexible, and better prepared to meet the next challenges presented in our ever-volatile world.

You are invited to – **Renew Your Resilience from the Inside Out** Together we will explore the very essence of resilience. We will share and gain wisdom within a safe space and work on rebuilding your resilience reserve for the future.

Through group presentations, discussions, and personal reflection, you will have the opportunity to:

- ◆ gain a deeper understanding of the true essence of resilience.
- ◆ reflect on your “soul’s longing” within the context of your personal resilience story.
- ◆ enhance your ability to build greater resilience from the inside out.
- ◆ take decisive steps toward nurturing resilience within yourself and others.

Overnight program begins 5:30 pm on Friday (includes dinner) and ends at 3:00 pm on Saturday (includes breakfast and lunch)

This overnight program includes overnight stay, meals, a personal *Resilience Insight Profile* customized report, copies of session slides, and other participant information. There will be time to explore the campus, museum, bookstore, and gift shop.

For more information or to register online, visit carmelitespiritualcenter.org




SAINT VIATOR HIGH SCHOOL
Placement Exam

Saturday, December 3, 2022
 Register today!



Registration is now open for eighth grade students interested in attending Saint Viator High School. Academic scholarships will automatically be awarded to students who test at Saint Viator and score in the 90th percentile or above nationally on the Placement Exam.



Carmelite Spiritual Center
 8419 Bailey Road, Darien, IL
 800.431.8720

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

REFLECTION - GOSPEL READING:

Luke 21:5-19

Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and warns his followers that persecution will come before the end time.

Background on the Gospel Reading

In the context of Luke, today's Gospel appears near the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem, just prior to the events that will lead to his crucifixion. His warnings and predictions are ominous but can be read in many ways.

To those who first heard Luke's Gospel, those may have been words of encouragement. The destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem by the Romans was history (70 A.D.); Luke's Gospel, Catholic scholars propose, was written between 80 and 90 A.D. His audience was probably Gentile Christians. Luke here tries to interpret the fall of Jerusalem for them and to locate it in God's plans for humankind (salvation history). At the same time, Luke is suggesting to his audience that there will be a considerable elapse of time before Jesus' final coming. Luke's listeners have likely seen much upheaval and are anxious to know if these are the signs of Jesus' coming. Luke is urging greater patience.

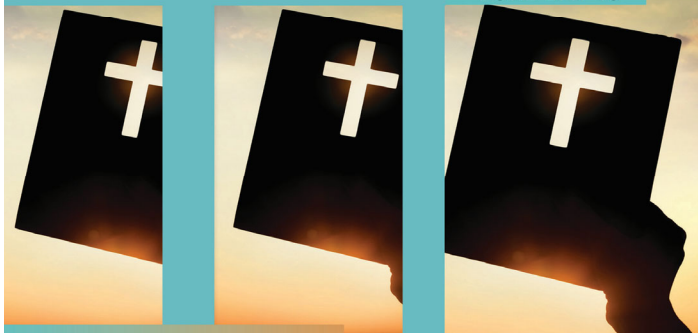
In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus warns that his followers will face persecution for their beliefs. Luke presents persecution as an opportunity for the followers of Jesus for "It will lead to your giving testimony" (Luke 21:13). In persecution God's wisdom and power will be shown in the example of followers of Jesus. Perseverance in the face of persecution will lead to their salvation.

Here Jesus is assuring his followers that God is present to all believers, even in times of trouble. Ultimately, Jesus will witness to this with his own death. As disciples of Jesus, we try to follow his example, trusting in God's mercy and protection, even when we are facing difficulties."

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*You will be hated by all because of my name,
but not a hair on your head will be destroyed.*

LUKE 21:17-18



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God,
the constant gladness of being devoted to you,
for it is full and lasting happiness
to serve with constancy
the author of all that is good.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.*

Amen



THE END OF DAYS

As we prepare for next Sunday's feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, we hear descriptions of dire and catastrophic events. Sometimes it seems as though we ourselves are living in the end times, when life as we currently know it will cease for everyone. In answer to what must have been a fearful question, Jesus does not sugarcoat his foretelling of future days. Nor does the Old Testament prophet Malachi flinch from his pronouncements upon an evil world. Saint Paul, still writing to the Thessalonians, warns them prophetically against succumbing to "The End Is Near" syndrome—indolence in the face of the final days. However, both Jesus and Malachi speak of the recompense for living a just life—healing and vindication. Our Psalm 98, typically associated with Christmastime, helps us to rejoice for the King who is coming to rule with justice.

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Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

Dave Bigott	Martha Hayes	John North
Sue Bobka	Cambria Helle	Frank Nunez
Rosaleen Bradley	Ken Hemstreet	June Pautsch
Grace Brown	Michael Jasiak	Bonnie Pollock
Elio Campanella	Sylvia Kleinedler	Brendan Reidy
Danny Clements	Rosemary Kobielus	Wayne Slowiak
Regina Conti	Rickie Kruzel	Belinda Sobucki
Mary Cummins	Judah Kuhlman	Dan Sobucki
Mike Cummins	Patrick Linsner	Randy Szweda, USMC
Paul Cummins	Sue McNamara	Dennis Torii
Geri Gerard	Maria Mizera	Marlene Torii
Mel Gerard	Carmine Molfese	Fr. Miroslaw Stepien
Gary Grote	Richard Mrugacz	Linda Wuerffel
Joe Halac	Loretta Nicolini	Carol Zell
Virginia Halac		

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.



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

Children Who Suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

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**
- PFC Collin Ensing, US Marines**
- CW3 Gordon Goodwin, Army National Guard**
- SGT Michael Helle, US Army**
- Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines**
- PVT Aleksandra Juzwiak, Army National Guard**
- SA Chris Kaszubowski, US Navy**
- CMC Mike Kaszubowski, US Navy**
- ENS Sean Kaszubowski, US Navy**
- SGT Jacob Los, US Army**
- MAJ Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army**
- 1stLt John Kenneth Murphy, US Marines**
- Kevin Noesen, US Coastguard**
- MAJ Gary Owen, Army National Guard**
- GySgt 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)**
- SSGT Jeremy Schumacher, US Marines**
- LT Robert P. Woods, US Navy**
- Thomas Zablocki, US Marines**



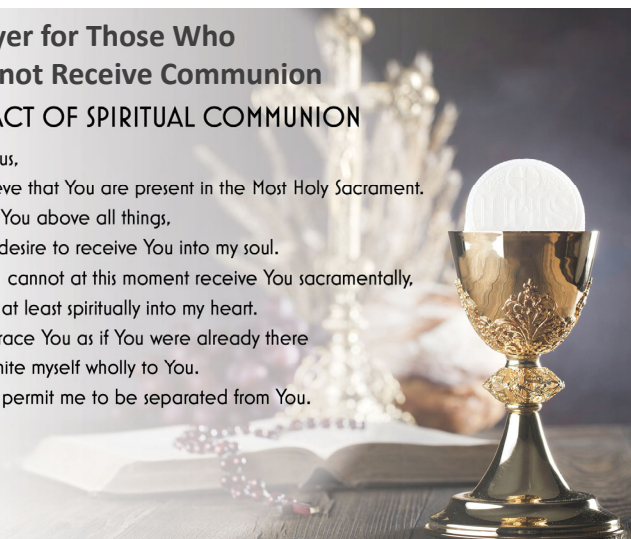
*Sing praise to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and melodious song.
— Psalm 98:5*

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Prayer for Those Who Cannot Receive Communion
AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



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



NEW PARISHIONERS
 Please visit or call the Parish Center (ext. 200) to register.

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 a priest 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 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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Many people worship with us on a regular basis, and, in fact, regard Saint Peter the Apostle Parish as their "spiritual home." Part of the Catholic life and our Catholic identity is that we as Catholic people identify ourselves not only with the Universal Church - with over one billion other members, but we are also part of a "local Church."

If you attend Saint Peter the Apostle Church 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 someone from the Parish Office will contact you to complete your registration. Return this form either through the mail or drop it in the Sunday collection.

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