

Saint Peter ^{the} Apostle

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am (Mass)

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm | Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

HOLY DAY MASSES

Day of: 8:00 am, 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

First Friday of every month following 8:00 am Mass

Second Thursday of every month during Father John Project
and by appointment



Jesus, I trust in You.

Jesus, I trust in You.

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April 28, 2019

Second Sunday of Easter | Sunday of Divine Mercy

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PARISH CENTER BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

(closed for lunch: Monday-Thursday, 12:30-1:30 pm)

**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.

NEW PARISHIONERS

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

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 11:15 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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or someone you know is in need of this Sacrament, please contact the Parish Center at any time. Upon admission to the hospital, please make it known you are a member of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church.

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.

IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED...

If you or a family member are admitted to the hospital, please contact the Parish Center to let us know. Due to federal regulations, most hospitals will not contact parishes unless you specifically request it. We want to visit parishioners in the hospital, but are often unaware of their hospitalization.

FRIDAY COMMUNION CALLS

Fr. Slawek makes communion calls every Friday for those unable to attend Sunday mass due to illness or bad health.

Please call Fr. Slawek at 630-773-1272 (ext. 208) to make arrangements.



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.

Thomas believes because he sees Jesus.

Today's Gospel combines two scenes: Jesus' appearance to his disciples after his Resurrection and Jesus' dialogue with Thomas, the disciple who doubted.

Part of the mystery of Jesus' Resurrection is that he appeared to his disciples not as a spirit, but in bodily form. We do not know exactly what this form was like. Earlier in John's Gospel, when Mary of Magdala first encountered the risen Jesus, she did not recognize the figure standing before her until Jesus spoke her. In Luke's Gospel, the disciples walking on the road to Emmaus did not recognize Jesus until he broke bread with them. We know from readings such as today's that in his resurrected body, Jesus was no longer bound by space; he appeared to the disciples in spite of the locked door. And yet, on this resurrected body, the disciples could still observe the marks of his Crucifixion.

In today's Gospel, Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus also commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun. As Jesus was sent by God, so too does Jesus send his disciples. This continuity with Jesus' own mission is an essential element of the Church. Jesus grants the means to accomplish this mission when he gives his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit binds us together as a community of faith and strengthens us to bear witness to Jesus' Resurrection.

Forgiveness and reconciliation are gifts to us from Jesus. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share these with others. This is another essential aspect of what it means to be Christ's Church. The Church continues Jesus' ministry of forgiveness and reconciliation.

Thomas, the disciple who doubts, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of disciples. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to his disciples. It is part of our human nature to seek hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to the disciples after his death is, indeed, the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative who obtains this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who had died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed for we have not seen and yet have believed.

Today, we also celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, the great mercy of Our Lord, Jesus Christ. To show Jesus' great mercy, on September 14, 1935, He gave us the Chaplet of Divine Mercy through St. Faustina Kowalska. Jesus later told St. Faustina, "Say unceasingly this Chaplet that I have taught you. Anyone who says it will receive great Mercy at the hour of death. Priests will recommend it to sinners as the last hope. Even the most hardened sinner, if he recites this Chaplet even once, will receive grace from My Infinite Mercy. I want the whole world to know My Infinite Mercy. I want to give unimaginable graces to those who trust in My Mercy... and when they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person not as the just judge but as the Merciful Savior."

The chaplet is said on rosary beads. Begin by saying one 'Our Father', one 'Hail Mary' and the Apostles' Creed.

On the large beads say:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved, Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the small beads say:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Conclude saying three times:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

For further information about the Divine Mercy, the chaplet or St. Faustina, please visit the website at www.thedivinemercy.org

God bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Stawek

From the Pastor




Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

	Sunday Collection	Year to Date
Fiscal Week 42: 04/14/2019	\$ 11,144.54	\$ 425,914.18

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).

If you would like information on using E-basket to conveniently make your weekly offering, please contact the Parish Center (ext. 200)	
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This Week at St. Peter's

Sunday April 28
12noon Divine Mercy Chaplet Service (Church)
(immediately following 11am mass)

Tuesday April 30
7:00 pm Deacon Bob's Bible Discussion (MW Parish Hall)
7:15 pm Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)

Wednesday May 1
6:00 pm Adult Hand Bell Choir (Church/Choir Loft)
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church/Choir Loft)

Thursday May 2
9:00 am Morning Bible Discussion (MW Parish Hall)
7:00 pm Women's Club (MW Parish Hall)


Friday May 3
8:30 am 24-hour Adoration begins with Benediction
Confessions follow Benediction (Church)

Saturday May 4
7:40 am 24-hour Adoration ends with Benediction (Church)
4:00 pm Confessions (Church)


In Memoriam

Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of
Barbara (D'Andrea) Beers
May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

For the week beginning
Saturday, April 27 | Sunday, April 28



Thank you to
Mary Sheehan
for the beautiful flowers
adorning the Tabernacle
in memory of
Maureen Grimes



Mass Intentions



Sunday April 28 (Sunday of Divine Mercy)
8:30 am †Daniel James Makil
11:00 am †The Bielczyk Family
†Roque Chaidez
†Ewelina Gawlik
†Maureen Grimes
†Stanley J. Mandel
†Filiberto Pensa
†Joanne F. Twomey

Monday April 29 (St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church)
8:00 am †Marie D. Spiezio

Tuesday April 30 (Easter Weekday)
8:00 am †Carmella Maggio

Wednesday May 1 (Easter Weekday)
8:00 am †Walter Pabis

Thursday May 2 (St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church)
8:00 am †Margaret Woods

Friday May 3 (Sts. Phillip & James, Apostles)
8:00 am †Lorraine & Charles Weyer

Saturday May 4 (Vigil: Third Sunday of Easter)
8:00 am †Edward Filipek
5:00 pm People of the Parish
†Carmella Maggio
†Leesa Rahe
The Slaughter Family - Special Intention
†Theresa Tardi

Sunday May 5 (Third Sunday of Easter)
8:30 am †Dino Guidarini
11:00 am †Roque Chaidez
†Mary Keesecker
†Florence Pabian
†James Purner
†Teri Tardi
1:00 pm First Holy Communion

Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 4:23-31-37; Ps 2:1-4, 7-9; Jn 3:1-8
 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 -- 2:3
 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24;
 Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58
 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
 Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
 Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
 Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

**Communion Ministers/
Lectors/Servers Schedule**

Saturday, May 4 | Sunday, May 5

Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Reetha George
Judy Ziomek
Karen Kunze
Deacon Bob

8:30 am Sharon Hower
Marty Hower
Phyllis Cimaglia
Deacon Fred

11:00 am Mary McNamara
Jolynn Lash
Greg Papuga
Frank Vale

Lectors

5:00 pm Chris Kunze
Jon Los

8:30 am Chris Aument
Mel Gerard

11:00 am Paul Gennuso
Matthew Vokoun

Servers

5:00 pm Nathan George
Tabeetha George

8:30 am TBA

11:00 am Joey Vale
Joseph Casanova

Ushers

5:00 pm Gary Divis
Jim Ferenzi
Ed Rossi
Frank Rossi

8:30 am Chris Aument
Ralph D'Andrea
Robert Gosanko

11:00 am Karl Schmidt
John Carello
Joe Crocilla
Bill Hepperle
Bruno Zecchin

**Please Pray for the Sick
of our Parish Family**

Brian Beers
Sue Bobka

John Booth
Janet Both
Fr. Larry Brunette
Ken Buffo
Joe Busato
Mike Carey

Jacqueline Castellano
Eunice Cleveland
Regina Conti
Lucy Crocilla
Collin Cummins
Mary Cummins
Michael Cummins
Paul Cummins
Valeria D'Andrea
Margaret Del Preto
Gina DeLuca
Irene Dial

Angeline DiFranco
Charles DiFranco Jr.
Teresa Dunhac
John Elia
Scott Erickson
Robert Fahler
Tracy Fink
Cheryl Fisherkeller
Sally Franz
Mary Frawley
Dan Galuszek
Joe Galuszek
Mary Gawlik
Geri Gerard
Mel Gerard

Mike Graziano
Vincent Guccione

Joseph Halec
Carole Hatke
Phil Hatke
Jeanette Hemmelgarn
Ken Hemstreet
Isabell Herrera

Mary Hosters
Shirley Janik
Brian Josephus
Anne Keeton
Debra Kelly
Joe Kryger
Ruth Kryger
Rickie Kruzal
Celeste Kucharczyk
JoLynn Lash
Sharon Laughlin
Lilly Lima
Elizabeth Lisak

Pasquale Lopardo
Eileen Marino
Bienvenida Mayo
Patricia McMahon
Ann McNally
Jack McNally
Gene Mikulecky
Christopher Mizera
Rich Mrugacz
Jean Nowobielski
Dolores Olenek
Donald Olenek
Raffaella Olenek
Vince Oraziatti

Fred Oslager
Anne Marie Pagni
Harriett Pinkowski
Baby Vincent Porter
Megan Putze
Pat Quible
Brendan Reidy
John Rossi
Jennifer Ruffing
Savannah Rose Russo
Roxanne Ruiz
Alana Ruiz
Alexandra Ruiz
Janina Sabat
Fred Santoro
Angela Scanlon
Martin Schatzman
Shauna Sheffer
Marilyn Sieradzki
Wayne Slowiak
Belinda Sobucki
Dan Sobucki
Sharon Sowers
Karen Stewart
Joan Streich
Linda Szweda
James Thompson
Patricia Vitale
Jennifer Weil
Helen Wilczko
Agnieszka Wisniewska
Grzegorz Wisniewski
Ray Young
Deacon Bob Ziomek

Published and/or announced 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 request to remain another six weeks.



*Solemn Exposition
of the Blessed Sacrament*

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First Friday 24-hour Adoration at St. Peter's Church
begins with Benediction at 8:30 am on May 3
and concludes at 7:40 am on May 6.

Come spend quiet time with Jesus in thanksgiving
before this Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

*People are especially needed during the
late night and early morning hours.*

A sign-up sheet can be found in the back of the Church.

LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

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
- James J. Cullotta, U. S. Marines
- PFC Michael D'Andrea, US Army
- CPT Joseph DeHaven, US Army
- CPT Stephen Grabinski, US Army
- CPT Steven Gregor, US Army
- PFC Michael Helle, US Army
- Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines
- PVT Aleksandra Juzwiak, Army National Guard
- PFC Jacob Los, US Army
- Major Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army
- 1stLt John Kenneth Murphy, US Marines
- 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
- Thomas Zablocki, US Marines
- PO3 Benjamin Zubak, US Navy



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

St. Peter the Apostle Women's Club
Thursday, May 2 | 7:00 pm



We're unleashing our creative juices again with a glass painting session. **Ladies are asked to bring a simple glass piece (i.e., wine glass, vase, candlestick)** which will be enhanced with participants' imaginations and a little paint.

If you would like to assist with hospitality and snacks, please contact the Parish Center or Rose Ann Roll.

Coffee, tea and water will be provided or feel free to bring a beverage of choice.

Please bring \$2.00 to go toward the cost of paint supplies, as well as a donation to go toward the club's "kitty."

ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Parish Center (630-773-1272 ext 200) or send an email to office@stpeteritasca.com

The Month of May— Celebrating our Blessed Mother

PILGRIM VIRGIN OF FATIMA

As May is a month dedicated to our Blessed Mother, the **Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima** will be at St. Peter the Apostle for the entire month. Everyone is encouraged to embrace this opportunity to respond to Our Lady's call and spend time in prayer, in particular, to pray the Rosary.



Tuesday Rosary Ministry

This Rosary service will run throughout the year, weekly on Tuesday evenings beginning at 7:15pm.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Bring your Rosary, your personal intentions and your voice. Attendees will be invited to lead one of the decades if they feel comfortable and called to do so.

Invite friends and be a part of this beautiful and powerful gift of prayer.

“The Rosary is a contemplative prayer, and it has great intercessory power: whoever recites it, is united to Mary in meditating the mysteries of Christ, and is led to invoke the proper graces to these mysteries in the multiple situations of life and history.”

(Pope John Paul II)

Why Catholics Pray The Rosary

The rosary, though Marian in character, is at heart a prayer that helps us to know and love Jesus. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary—Her perennial “Yes” to God’s invitation, her Magnificat. In the rosary, we contemplate Christ with our Blessed Mother. We proclaim Christ with Mary. The rosary is a summary of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

MAY CROWNING

The tradition of crowning Mary during the month of May, will continue at St. Peter's. Everyone is invited to join the May Crowning services following the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday, May 11th.

First Communicants are invited to don their Communion attire and participate in the crowning ceremony.





Welcome

At last week's Easter Vigil, our parish welcomed new members to our Catholic faith:

Carolyn, Zoe, Joseph and Violet Torres received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist. Their younger, sister **Jaslene Marie Godinez**, was baptized as well.

May God Bless these children as they begin their faith journey.



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1 | 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8 | 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm



Boys and girls in 4th through 8th grade are encouraged to attend altar server training on Wednesdays May 1 and May 8, from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. To be an altar server is an honor and a privilege. The late Blessed Pope John Paul II stated, "Your commitment to the altar is not only a duty, but a great honor, and a genuine holy service." The purpose of this ministry is serving the Table of the Lord, assisting the priest in the celebration of the Eucharist as well as other sacraments or liturgical activities.

Altar serving is putting your faith action while learning more about it! Please contact Toni Pietrowski at the RE office with questions at 630-773-1272 ext. 216.



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

Doctors and their Collaborators in War

Torn Areas.

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war torn areas, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever.

—Revelation 1:18a





**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.



BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE

In the next few weeks, our parish will be participating in the Baby Bottles for Life campaign to benefit, support and educate pregnant women facing crisis or unintended pregnancies. The funds collected through the Bottles for Life campaign support the programs and services of the Waterleaf Medical Clinic and Education and Resource Center located in Aurora.

Waterleaf provides practical help — pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, STD testing and treatment, as well as continuing education and support for women in our community who would otherwise be at risk for choosing abortion.

Last year, with the support of churches like St. Peter, Waterleaf served 653 clients, performed 504 pregnancy tests, 563 ultrasounds and rescued 101 babies.

Baby bottles will be distributed to parishioners **THIS weekend - April 27-28** - to take home and fill. Bottles should be returned the weekends of **May 4-5** or **May 11-12** at the latest. Please pick up a Baby Bottle after Mass and fill it with your heartfelt financial donation (please make checks payable to *Knights of Columbus Council #10884* and note "baby bottles" in the memo). Your support is greatly appreciated.

This fundraiser is a great way for each member of the family to help in building a Culture of Life.

Thank you in advance for your response to the call of the Gospel to serve those in great need!



**REGISTER NOW —
TOTUS TUUS
at St. Peter the Apostle!
JUNE 16-21, 2019**

Totus Tuus is a fun and energetic Catholic youth program taught by seminarians and college students throughout the Diocese of Joliet. From catechetical sessions, Sacraments, and Mass to songs, games and skits - your child is sure to have fun while learning more about their faith!



Entering Grades 1-6
Monday – Friday (June 17-21)
9:00 am to 2:30 pm
Entering Grades 7-12
Sunday – Thursday (June 16-21)
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

REGISTER ONLINE:
www.givecentral.org/totus_tuus

For more information or to inquire about registration, contact Toni Pietrowski by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext 216) or by e-mail at religioused@stpeteritasca.com

St. Peter the Apostle Golf Group
SPRING IS HERE!
It's time to get out the golf clubs!!
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!

Where: Salt Creek Golf Course (*Thorndale and Prospect Aves.*)

When: Every Thursday morning (*beginning May 9*);

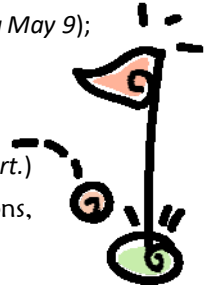
Starting tee time: 9:30 am.

Cost (walk/no cart): \$15.00 per golfer

Cost (with cart): \$25.00 per golfer
(*Some golfers prefer to walk; some use a cart.*)

If you are interested or have any questions, contact—

Karen Kunze Chris Aument
ckunze@sbcglobal.net caument@att.net
708-641-0662 630-363-0266



We have a great time and would like others to join in on the fun. It is not a competitive league, there are no trophies. It's a day of getting together and having fun.





THANK YOU P.A.D.S. SUPPORTERS

Thank you St. Peter’s parishioners for your continued support of PADS (Public Action to Deliver Shelter), the non-profit charity that provides shelters for the homeless in DuPage County. Although PADS organizes these shelters, it is all of your donations and many hours of service that allowed many men and women to have a safe and warm shelter and some nourishing meals on the second Tuesday of every month from October through April at the First Presbyterian Church of Itasca. So thank you to everyone, those of you who made donations and who reminded the volunteers of their donations, those adults and teens who set up beds, those who cooked and served the meals, those who stayed awake through the night, those who woke up early to prepare breakfast, those who took down the beds, and those who did the laundry. Many people benefited from your friendliness, your courtesy, and your simple human compassion.

Thank you once again for your Christian generosity.



Good Friday Vigil at the Wood Dale Abortion Clinic Way of the Cross for Victims of Abortion

The North West Families for Life sponsored a special vigil on Good Friday at the Advantage Clinic in Wood Dale. It was one of many prayer vigils held at abortion clinics throughout the country on Good Friday. Close to 150 people, (including 10 St. Peter the Apostle parishioners) gathered outside the Wood Dale abortion clinic while St Peter’s Deacon Fred and St. Mary’s of the Lake Seminarian, Rob Ryan, led the Stations of the Cross, remembering all the victims of abortion. This beautiful service included prayers for unborn children, their mothers and fathers, women and men suffering from past abortions, abortion workers, politicians, and our whole society. All of these prayers were offered through reflections on the passion and death of Jesus Christ. The Pro-Life Action League produced a beautiful, ecumenical “Way of the Cross” booklet for our use.

Prayers are always needed for the unborn children. As pro-lifers, we want to continue to save lives and one of the most powerful ways to do this is by bearing peaceful, prayerful witness at an abortion clinic. The number one reason abortion-bound women give for changing their mind is the presence of someone outside the clinic praying for them. You can be a part of this meaningful mission by joining other pro-life individuals in prayer at the Advantage abortion clinic at 203 E. Irving Park Road in Wood Dale any Tuesday, Friday, or Saturday between 6:30am and 11:00am. You can come and go at any time. Whatever amount of time you can spend in prayer will help save the life of an unborn child.

For more information you can contact parishioner Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197 or email Maria Goldstein at the North West Families for Life at NWFL526@gmail.com.



If you or someone you know has had an abortion, "be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation." Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is also available. Visit the "Find Help" map on www.hopeafterabortion.org to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you.



— USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Bridges of Mercy for Healing after Abortion"



HOPE
AFTER ABORTION

For confidential help call
888-456-HOPE
or visit hopeafterabortion.com

PREGNANT? NEED HELP?

Birthright of DuPage	630-355-9888
National Birthright	1-800-848-LOVE
Aid for Women	630-896-8600
National Pregnancy Hotline	1-800-535-9947
National Adoption Hotline	1-202-463-7563
Greater Dosage MYM (Teen Parent Service)	630-790-8433 x 266
RETURN (Post Abortion Counseling)	1-815-838-7171
Natural Family Planning	1-815-838-1002
DuPage Catholic Charities	
Children's Services	630-495-6864
The Nurturing Network	1-800-TNN-4MOM
Crisis Pregnancy	1-800-67-BABY-6
	1-800-NO-ABORT
Waterleaf Women's Center	630-701-6270
The Gabriel Project	1-877-734-2444

PRAY OUTSIDE WOOD DALE ABORTION CLINIC

Please join the Life groups of St. Peter and St. Walter's in outside of Advantage Clinic, 203 East Irving Park Road, Wood Dale, on Tuesday, Friday and Saturdays from 6:30 am to 11:00 am.

If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197.

THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC BIOETHICS CENTER

If you are facing emergent medical situations regarding end of life decisions, the National Catholic Bioethics Center (www.ncbcenter.org/emergency_consultation.asp) will respond ASAP with help from an ethicist, doctor, etc. The number to call is **215-877-2660**. Even though the site states "Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm" for emergency consultation questions, calls are returned even after hours.

Reporting Incidents of Sexual Abuse

Sexual abuse is a sin and a crime. Victims of sexual abuse, in addition to contacting civil authorities, are asked to come forward in order to receive pastoral assistance. The Church has a responsibility to help victims of sexual abuse and to ensure that offenders are brought to justice.

Reports may be made to any pastor or to the Victims Assistance Coordinator at 815/263-6467. Contact DCFS at 1-800-25-ABUSE.

CALENDAR OF PRO-LIFE EVENTS

Saturday, May 11, 8:00 am-9:00 am

Bouquets of Blessings for Mother's Day

Advantage Health Care, 203 E Irving Park Road, Wood Dale. We will be handing out roses to would be mothers and praying that the Holy Spirit touch their hearts and minds in their moment of desperation, that they might find hope.

CONTINUE TO CONTACT YOUR LEGISLATORS—

Please continue to discuss HB 2495 (SB 1942) and HB 2467 (SB 1594) with your legislators. Ask them to vote NO on these anti-life bills. .

Representative Diane Pappas

(217)782-4014 (Springfield Office)
(224)520-8838 (Bloomington Office)
Email: RepDPappas@gmail.com

Senator Thomas Cullerton

(217)782-9463 (Springfield Office)
(630)903-6662 (Villa Park Office)

If you have any questions, want more information, or are interested in participating in any pro-life events, please contact Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197.

PRAYER TO END ABORTION

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I am ready to do my part in ending abortion.
Today I commit myself Never to be silent,
Never to be passive, Never to be forgetful of the unborn.
I commit myself to be active in the Pro-Life movement,
And never to stop defending life
Until all my brothers and sisters are protected,
And our nation once again becomes
A nation with liberty and justice, not just for some, but for all,
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Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life

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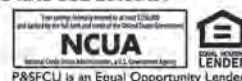
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