

# Saint Peter <sup>the</sup> Apostle

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

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December 26, 2010

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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630-936-2652 (Rita Bratta, President)**PARISH CENTER BUSINESS HOURS**Monday, Thursday and Friday: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm  
Tuesday and Wednesday: 8:30 am - 7:00 pm  
(closed daily from 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm for lunch)**Traveling?**Call 410-676-6000 or log onto [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) for the location and schedule of Masses throughout the U.S.**PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS 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 announcements** for Saturday, January 8 and Sunday, January 9 must be received by Tuesday morning, January 4. Requests for pulpit announcements are to be submitted to the Parish Center, by phone 630-773-1272 (ext. 201) or by e-mail to [liturgy@stpeteritasca.com](mailto:liturgy@stpeteritasca.com).**Bulletin submissions** for publication in the Sunday, January 9 issue must be received by Friday, December 31. 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](mailto:bulletin@stpeteritasca.com).**WEEKDAY LITURGIES**

Monday-Friday: 6:25 am (Communion Service)

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am (Mass)

**WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:15 am

**HOLY DAY MASSES**

Day of: 6:15 am and 8:00 am, 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm and by appointment

First Friday of every month following 8:00 am Mass

**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 (ext. 201) for more information.

**BAPTISMS**

The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated either during a weekend Mass or on the third Sunday of the month (except during Lent) at 12:30 pm (immediately following 11:15 am Mass). Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation meeting prior to the Baptism date. Meetings 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.

**THE 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.

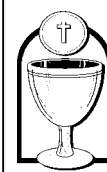
**If you are hospitalized...**

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**

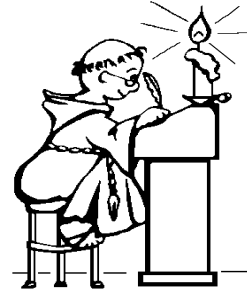
Fr. Slawek makes communion calls every Friday for those unable to attend Sunday mass due to illness or bad health.

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.

Over the last four weeks we have "prepared the way for the Lord." During this time of preparation I know it has made Our Lord very happy to see so many repentant hearts. As a priest, it fills my heart with great joy and happiness to see the change in a person when the burden of sin has been eliminated from their soul. Their joy at being forgiven brings new light to their families and the world around them.



## From the Pastor

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I am grateful to be able to be a part of Jesus restoring His grace to his sorrowing children, especially during Advent because while this is a time of great joy, it is also a time of sadness and disappointment for me. On Christmas, there are a lot of extra people attending the Holy Mass. My sadness and disappointment comes in knowing some will not be back after celebrating Christmas with us.

My job as a priest is to bring you closer to God. I strongly believe I will be responsible for all of you before God. I don't know what to do to fulfill your needs; to help you to desire God and spend time with him each week at the Holy Mass. The Holy Mass is the most perfect prayer we have to give God and that God has given to us. God gives us Himself as Jesus at each and every Holy Mass. My Christmas prayer for each of you is to be a part of the Mass and to experience God's love through it.

Jesus came as a man on earth to show us how to live on earth. His death shows us how much He loves us. The difficulties and crosses we have in our lives are not punishments, but the way He has chosen for us to obtain heaven. Maybe they are not the ways we would have chosen but can we doubt that they are not what is best for us? God has loved us so much to be born in a manger.

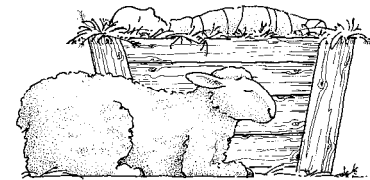
This Christmas may we rejoice with the angels and saints as we celebrate the birth of Our Savior, Jesus Christ. May we put Jesus first in our lives and allow Him to reign in our hearts.

On behalf of Fr. John Guiney, Deacon Bob Ziomek, Deacon Ron Searls and all the parish staff, I wish you a very blessed Christmas with the miracle of God's love continually being born in your hearts.

God bless you and Merry Christmas.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Fr. Stawek*



## Christmas Schedule

### PLEASE NOTE:

The Parish Center will be closed for the Christmas holiday beginning Friday, December 24 through Friday, December 31, 2010.

Regular office hours will resume on Monday, January 3, 2011.

**Sunday, December 26, 2010**  
**FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY**  
*(There will be NO 5:00 pm Mass)*  
 Masses at 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:15 am

**Friday, December 31, 2010**  
 8:00 am | Weekday Mass  
*(There will be NO 5:00 pm Mass)*

**Saturday, January 1, 2011**  
**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**  
 Masses at 8:00 am and 12:00 noon

**Saturday, January 1-2, 2011**  
**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**  
 Masses at 5:00 pm (Vigil).  
 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:15 am

## Stewardship of Treasure

*A Way of Life*  
*St. Peter the Apostle*

	<i>Sunday Collection</i>	<i>Year to Date</i>
Fiscal Week 24: Dec. 12, 2010	\$ 10,991.37	\$ 296,904.06
Fiscal Week 24: Dec. 13, 2009	\$ 12,696.29	\$ 308,695.18
Weekly Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$ 1,704.92)	(\$ 11,791.12)
Debt Reduction Collection	\$ 710.00	\$ 13,795.00
Approximate Parish Debt as of Dec. 15, 2010	\$ 39,830.75	
Immaculate Conception	\$ 1,904.00	
Religious Retirement	\$ 1,829.00	

*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).

If you would like information on using **E-basket** to conveniently make your weekly offering, please contact the Parish Center (ext. 200)



## This Week at St. Peter's

**Saturday January 1 (Mary Mother of God)**  
 8:00 am Mary Mother of God Mass  
 12:00 noon Mary Mother of God Mass



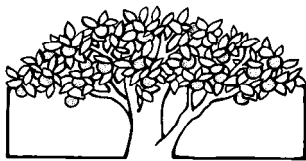
For the week beginning  
**Saturday, December 25th and Sunday, December 26th**



Thank you to  
**Pat Tabor**



for the beautiful flowers  
 in the Pope John Paul the Great Eucharistic Chapel  
 in memory of  
**Evelyn Tabor**



Over all [other virtues] put on love,  
 that is, the bond of perfection.

~Colossians 3:14



**Sunday December 26 (The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph)**  
 8:00 am †Strelczyk Family  
 9:30 am People of the Parish  
 11:15 am Alvin Gerard

**Monday December 27 (St. John, apostle & evangelist)**  
 6:25 am Communion Service  
 8:00 am †Dave Gasinski

**Tuesday December 28 (The Holy innocents, martyrs)**  
 6:25 am Communion Service  
 8:00 am †Alice, Carl & Karen Schwerin

**Wednesday December 29 (St. Thomas of Becket, bishop & martyr)**  
 6:25 am Communion Service  
 8:00 am †Margaret Woods

**Thursday December 30 (The 6th day in the Octave of Christmas)**  
 6:25 am Communion Service  
 8:00 am †Edward Nykaza

**Friday December 31 (St. Sylvester I, pope)**  
 6:25 am Communion Service  
 8:00 am †Margaret Woods

**Saturday January 1 (Mary Mother of God)**  
 8:00 am  
 12:00 noon Alberto Peconio, Anna Turi,  
 Livia Colabufo, Joe Colabufo

*(Vigil: The Epiphany)*  
 5:00 pm †Peggy Prophater

**Sunday January 2 (The Epiphany)**  
 8:00 am People of the Parish  
 9:30 am †Giovanna Martoccia  
 11:15 am †Joseph Murray  
 †Phil & Vitina Cali

If you would like to bring the gifts to the altar at Sunday Mass, please see one of the ushers before Mass begins.

## Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8  
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Mt 2:13-18  
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35  
 Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40  
 Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18  
 Saturday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21  
 Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**Extraordinary Ministers/  
Lectors/Servers Schedule**

**Saturday, January 1st and Sunday, January 2nd**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

5:00 pm Valerie Serzen  
Kay North  
John North  
Lynne Brennan  
8:00 am Ralph D'Andrea  
Dorie Calip  
Marty Hower  
Mary Harrison  
9:30 am Pat Schwartz  
Sue Presslak  
Beth McKenna  
Frank McKenna  
11:15 am Karen Hepperle  
Karl Schmidt  
Rene Catalano  
Mary McNamara

**Lectors**

5:00 pm Margaret Trepal  
Sr. M. Catherine Rice  
8:00 am Don Mago  
Chris Aument  
9:30 am Kevin Grisamore  
Nancy Magnus  
11:15 am Pat Tabor  
Diane Blackburn

**Servers**

5:00 pm Matthew Fink  
Enrique Alegria  
8:00 am Eric Sgarbossa  
Michael Piatek  
9:30 am Drew Cotton  
Colin Carey  
11:15 am Francesca Catalano  
Giuliano Catalano



**Saturday, January 1st  
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

**Extraordinary Ministers**

8:00 am Pat Viitale  
Robert Woods  
Ralph D'Andrea  
Angie Scanlon  
12 noon Debbie Thude  
Carol Schubert

**Lectors**

8:00 am Chris Aument  
Jean Grote  
12 noon Pat Tabor

**Servers**

8:00 am Michael Piatek  
12 noon Enrique Alegria  
Caitlin Casperson  
11:15 am Francesca Catalano  
Giuliano Catalano

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

Richard Abbinante  
Don Angell  
Lee Bauman  
Candie Bombino  
Bob Cleveland  
Regina Conti  
Marion Crocilla  
Thomas Cummins  
Rose Diener  
Kelly Dippner  
Teresa Dunhac  
Jacque Dworzycki  
Kasey Dworzycki  
Nick Fahey  
Diane Fejdasz  
Sally Franz  
Dan Galuszek  
Mel Gerard  
Mary S. Giannelli  
Meghan Henry  
Jessica Hilario  
Isabel Herrera  
Don June

Daniel Koutsis  
Loretta Kruszowski  
Joe Kryger  
Scott Lehn  
Dan McDonald  
Wanda Mikulecky  
Adeline Milostan  
Barbara Pierce  
Ramona Rantisi  
Brendan Reidy  
Angie Scianna  
Shauna Sheffer  
Marilyn Sieradzki  
Corrine Skalski  
Belinda Sobucki  
Sharon Sowers  
James Thompson  
Linda Ticsay  
Jennifer Weil  
Julie Weisenberger  
Irene Wodzinski  
Philip Zerante

*Published and/or announced prayer requests require permission from the named individual or their family. Names will be listed for six weeks. At the end of that time, you may call the Parish Center and request a name remain on the list for another six weeks.*



**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*

**Lt. Kassy Cinatl, U.S. Coast Guard**  
**Sgt. Felicia Cinatl, U.S. Marine**  
**Sgt. Matt Cinatl, U.S. Army**  
**Todd Kirwan, U.S. Army**  
**Sgt. Megan Putze, Army National Guard**  
**HM3 (FMF) Bryan C. Thude, U.S. Navy**  
**Cprl. Lauren Twarog-Rocha, U.S. Marines**

## Living Liturgy 2010

Source: *Living Liturgy by Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN, 2010*

### CONTEXTUALIZING SCRIPTURE:

It is strongly recommended that the short form of the second reading be proclaimed. Even if verses 18 to 21 would be explained in a homily, the power of proclamation has already negatively affected a portion of the assembly. Joking about “Wives, be subordinate to your husbands” only makes matters worse and is demeaning and offensive. All Scripture must be placed in its original context. This means that we realize that Sacred Scripture was written at a particular time and in a particular place and the cultural and social mores of the time are reflected in the text. This doesn’t mean that Sacred Scripture is in error; it is divinely inspired. However, Scripture’s meaning must always be interpreted in terms of its divine message that cuts across time and cultures.

When interpreting Scripture, taking texts *literally* can often lead to misinterpretation. For a long time Catholics were discouraged from reading and praying Scripture for fear that they would misinterpret and be in error. Now we are encouraged to read and pray Scripture; if we are in question about a passage or how to interpret it, there are many fine commentaries available to guide us well.



## Food Pantry Needs Restocking

On your next trip to the grocery store, please consider adding a few non-perishable food items to your shopping cart to contribute to the **Itasca Food Pantry**.

The following items are needed:

- coffee
- cereal
- paper towels
- toilet tissue
- toothpaste
- laundry detergent



If you would like more information about the food pantry, please call Pat Tardi at 630-773-4703.

### *New Year's Resolutions to consider...*

1. Attend Mass every week (or every day, if possible)
2. Share your “Time and Talent” through a Parish ministry—there’s something for everyone.
3. Support St. Peter’s without spending an extra cent—continue to purchase Manna “Everyday Spending” certificates for both your everyday and gift shopping needs.



Join our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, in his December prayers for the Church and for the world:



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### The Experience of Personal Suffering as a Help to Others who Suffer...

*That our personal experience of suffering may be an occasion for better understanding the situation of unease and pain which is the lot of many people who are alone, sick or aged, and stir us all to give them generous help.*

### Opening Our Doors to Christ...

*That the peoples of the earth may open their doors to Christ and to His Gospel of peace, brotherhood and justice.*

**NOTE:** Out of courtesy to the choir, please **DO NOT** use either of the side doors to exit church until Mass is over and the recessional song is finished.



Thank you!



# Mayslake Ministries

450 East 22nd Street  
Suite 170  
Lombard, Illinois

**January 14-15**

**FOOTSTEPS OF SERVICE:  
EXPERIENCING THE HOLY PLACES OF GALILEE**

*with Joanne Kuttner*

Courtyard by Marriott Oakbrook Terrace

Cost: \$150/person

**January 14-16**

**“FOR WOMEN WHO DO TOO MUCH” RETREAT**

*with Dr. Mary Amore and Mary Kay Vincenti*

Hilton Double Tree in Downers Grove

Cost: Single Room: \$275 and Double \$200 per person

**January 21-22**

**GRACED MOMENTS WOMEN'S RETREAT  
“LIFE ON THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD”**

*with Dr. Mary Amore*

Renaissance Oakbrook

Cost: \$175

**January 21-23**

**THE DIVINE PURSUIT: A MEN'S SILENT RETREAT**

*with Fr. Jonathan*

Cardinal Stritch Retreat Center

Cost: \$225/person

**February 18-19**

**GRACED MOMENTS WOMEN'S RETREAT  
“THE ROAD TO EMMAUS”**

*with Dr. Mary Amore*

Renaissance Oakbrook

Cost: \$175

**February 18-20**

**FINDING GOD IN FILM RETREAT**

*with Paul Jarzembowski*

Courtyard by Marriott Oakbrook Terrace

Cost: \$225/person

**February 25-26**

**WOMEN LIVING WITH A CENTERED HEART**

*with Dr. Jill Bates*

Doubletree Hotel

\$150/person

For more information or to register,  
contact Mayslake Ministries at one of the following:

**Phone:** 630-268-9000

**E-mail:** [info@mayslakeministries.org](mailto:info@mayslakeministries.org)

**Web site:** [mayslakeministries.org](http://mayslakeministries.org)



## VOICATION OFFICE

[www.vocations.com](http://www.vocations.com)

Contact: Fr. Burke

E-mail: [vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org)

Telephone: 815-834-4004

**MEN'S DISCERNMENT GROUP:** This year the Discernment Group will be using the book, *To Save a Thousand Souls*, by Fr. Brett Brannen. Participants will discuss spiritual direction, prayer and other topics relevant to discern a priestly vocation. Books will be provided for those who do not have one. Meetings will take place at the John Paul II House, 430 N. Center Street in Joliet. See the Vocations Web site for a schedule.

**DISCERNMENT RETREAT:** There will a retreat for college-age men and older the weekend of December 26-28. The location is TBA. Men will have the opportunity to meet seminarians, hear talks about discernment and have time for silent prayer.

**MAJOR SEMINARY VISITS:** Mundelein Seminary is hosting an Exploring Priesthood Weekend on January 7-9 and April 8-10 for men who are seniors in college or college graduates. Participants will have the opportunity to meet current seminarians, hear vocation stories and witness what seminary life first-hand. There is no cost to attend.

**JEREMIAH DAY:** Boys in grades 7-10 are invited to Mundelein Seminary on Saturday, January 15 to experience the life of a seminarian.

**OPERATION ANDREW DINNER:** These dinners with Bishop Siegel are open to all men who are high school age or older. Participants will have dinner with Bishop Siegel, hear a talk about vocations, ask questions and meet other young men interested in knowing more about the priesthood. The dinners will take place from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm and two dates/locations are available for the next Andrew Dinner: Tuesday, February 8 at Sts. Peter & Paul, Naperville or Tuesday, May 3 at the Cathedral.

**COLLEGE SEMINARY VISITS:** The Vocation Office will be sponsoring a trip for all men who are juniors in high school and older to the college seminaries used by the Diocese of Joliet. There is no cost for these weekend trips which are great opportunities to visit the seminaries, meet seminarians and see seminary life first-hand.

**ADOPT A SEMINARIAN / CANDIDATE PROGRAM:**

This is an opportunity for a youth group, school, religious education class or parish to adopt a seminarian (a man who is studying to be a priest), or a candidate (a woman preparing to be a sister), and encourage them on their journey by writing letters to them. Those in formation greatly appreciate letters.



**THANK YOU** to all who so generously filled wishes from our Giving Trees. The gifts of our Giving Tree were given to:

- Families serviced by Catholic Charities,
- Families in need in the Itasca community,
- Families with special needs from our own parish.
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A special note of appreciation to those who sorted the gifts and made sure that all wishes were filled. Your feeling blessed by being able to share your gifts is a blessing and model for us all.

While debate surrounding the passage of the health care bill raged last winter, those in the medical profession who care for the sick continued their work day after day in hospitals and clinics, in nursing homes and rehabilitation centers. Simple cataract surgery restored sight to many elderly people. Innovations in artificial limbs made it possible for even severely injured veterans who were amputees to be able to walk again. Hansen's disease (leprosy) has been almost completely eliminated, and those who had been considered modern day lepers—people infected with HIV—have been given a new lease on life with modern drugs. Cochlear implants make it possible for many who had become deaf to be able to hear again. And the stories about people who are saved because of automatic defibrillators are recounted almost weekly in the media.

In this day and age, we could indeed act upon Jesus' words to "go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the deaf are raised" (Mt 11:4-5). These very things are happening in hospitals and clinics all over the world. The miracles of Jesus take place each and every day.

There is one more thing that Jesus told John's disciples that they should recount to him: the poor have the good news proclaimed to them. There are lots of opportunities for Christians to bring good news to the poor during this time of year. Many parishes have programs in place to help the needy, especially at Christmas. Many of us feel particularly generous in extending a helping hand. Contributions like that are great! But proclaiming good news is about more than a check. It also means working with organizations that are trying to alleviate poverty. We're not all qualified to be physicians who work the miracles of healing, but we can work the miracle of ending poverty through our advocacy for the poor.

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## How to Become a Volunteer

There are wonderful volunteer opportunities for teens, college students, business executives, homemakers and retirees. If you have never before volunteered but are thinking of becoming a volunteer at a place of worship, a hospital or other organization, these steps should make getting started more comfortable for you:

1. Decide where you'd like to volunteer. List two or three places that align with your interests and are easy to reach. Check them on the Internet, and find their phone numbers.
2. With paper and pencil handy, phone your preferences and ask for volunteer services. (Phoning usually gets better results than e-mailing.) Try to call between 9:00 and 11:00 am when it's more likely that someone will be able to help you. Indicate your interests and your reason for volunteering. Be ready to answer specific questions.
3. Note what you'll need to complete to become a volunteer—paperwork, orientations, screenings, training. Write down times, places and phone numbers you might need.
4. Begin completing what's needed.

There are many different ways to help. At Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital, for example, volunteers offer a wide variety of ways to help. It's likely that with just a little research and one or two phone calls, you'll find something you will enjoy and which you will find deeply rewarding.

Some possible contacts:

- [advocatehealth.com](http://advocatehealth.com)
- [chicagosfoodbank.org](http://chicagosfoodbank.org)
- [chicagohopes.org](http://chicagohopes.org)
- [volunteermatch.org](http://volunteermatch.org)
- [4homeless.hypermart.net/soup\\_kitchens.html](http://4homeless.hypermart.net/soup_kitchens.html)
- [lvillinois.org](http://lvillinois.org) (literary volunteers of Illinois)
- [scouting.org/FILESTORE/marketing/pdf/02-658.pdf](http://scouting.org/FILESTORE/marketing/pdf/02-658.pdf)



## SAINT VIATOR HIGH SCHOOL Upcoming Events...

**Saint Viator High School Entrance Exam** will be given on Saturday, January 8, 2011, at 8:00 a.m. Interested students should arrive by 7:45 a.m. at the North entrance of the school. Please bring two #2 pencils along with a \$25 check (payable to SVHS). The test will conclude between 11:30 am and 12:00 pm.

**Saint Viator High School Tuition Assistance Seminar** will be held on Wednesday, January 5, 2011, at 7:00 pm to review with prospective parents the application process for tuition assistance. The seminar will be conducted by Fr. Mick Egan, President, and Mrs. Nora Boka, Controller in the Jeuck Auditorium. This year over \$1.2 million of tuition assistance was awarded to 26% of our students.

Saint Viator High School  
1213 E. Oakton Street, Arlington Heights, Illinois 60004  
www.saintviator.com  
847-392-4050

### LEARN TO MANEUVER THROUGH MAZE OF COLLEGE FINANCING OPTIONS AT "FA 101"

Confused by how you are going to finance your college education (and who isn't)? Do you shudder at the mention of acronyms like FAFSA, PLUS and EFC? Do you know the difference between a Pell Grant and a Stafford Subsidized Loan?

Benedictine University has scheduled information sessions from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon on Saturday, February 26 to help you navigate the college financial aid process. "Financial Aid 101: Understanding how to finance your education" will be held on the second floor of the Krasa Student Center on the Benedictine University campus.

Financial aid counselors and financing experts will explain the complicated financial aid process including: how to file a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid); understanding the different types of institutional, state and federal assistance; and what to do if financial aid does not cover the cost of attending college.

Parents and students will also be able to schedule an individual financial aid counseling session with one of Benedictine University's expert financial aid counselors. The sessions are open to all, even if a student does not plan to attend Benedictine University or has yet to select a college.

For more information about the sessions, call the Admissions office at 630-829-6300 or e-mail [admissions@ben.edu](mailto:admissions@ben.edu).

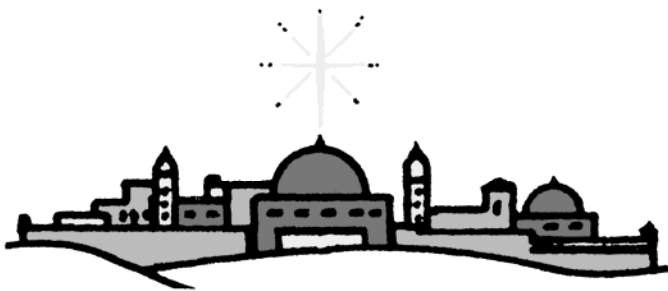
### THREE STUDENTS NAMED WINNERS OF VISITING SCHOLAR ESSAY CONTEST

Arnel Tobaa, the daughter of Ahmed Tobaa of Elgin and Mirmala Tobaa of Lombard and a sophomore Biochemistry and Molecular Biology major, was named the recipient of a \$1,000 first prize in an essay contest at Benedictine University held in conjunction with a visit by Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow Robert K. Musil, PhD, this fall.

Tobaa's essay addressed the question whether it is a good idea for policymakers to frame climate change as a public health issue. Qualifying essays had to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the relevant ideas presented by Musil at his October 21 public lecture, "Not Just Penguins and Polar Bears; The Environment is Us!" and two of his articles on the subject.

Earl Carlos, a senior Theology major and the son of Edwin and Geraldine Carlos of Honolulu, Hawaii, was awarded \$600 as the second-place winner, and Adam Baldocchi, a senior Psychology major and the son of Peter and Val Baldocchi of Glen Ellyn, was awarded \$400 as the third-place winner.

The contest was sponsored by the Core Humanities Program, the Center for Civic Leadership and Public Service, the Scholars Program and the College of Liberal Arts at Benedictine University.



# MERRY CHRISTMAS



**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
Women's Choice Services	630-261-9221
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 praying the rosary for one hour outside of Advantage Clinic, 203 East Irving Park Road, Wood Dale, every first Friday and third Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am. Upcoming dates are January 7 and 19. A prayer book is available by contacting Jean Angell at 630-773-0987.

**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](http://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.

**THE WOMEN'S CENTER**

Christmas is about love and family and that is what we strive to be for the many women in difficult pregnancies who come to us. This year we saved approximately 1,000 babies from abortion and helped their mothers through friendship and love.

Volunteers are needed to assist clients in our Family Rooms in Chicago (especially on Saturdays) and Calumet City and be a friendly face when clients walk in our front door. For more information call **773-794-1313**.

Last year over 1,000 children and adults attended our annual client Christmas parties. Each family enjoyed a light meal and left with gifts of toys and clothing for the children. For this year's Christmas parties we are in need of **food donations from restaurants**. To participate in this way please call Jackie at **773-794-8807**.

Save the date of **Sunday, February 13th, 2011**. Our 26th Annual Life Banquet will be at The White Eagle in Niles. Our main speaker is Fr. Thomas Loya. If you have an item, gift certificate or service to donate for our silent auction, it would be appreciated. For tickets or to donate phone **773-794-1313**.

**We desperately need a used cargo van in good working order.**

We are selling beautiful (difficult to find in stores) Pro-Life themed Christmas cards at a super price of 10 for \$5.00 plus \$1.00 for shipping. Call **773-794-1313** for an informational flyer and ordering information.

Diapers and other infant and small child items are always needed. Please call Peg at **773-794-3292** to donate.

**MASS FOR LIFE**

**January 16 at 2:00 pm**

All are invited to attend the Celebration of Life Mass on at the Cathedral. A special blessing will be given to those attending the March for Life in Washington.

Call 630-718-2121 for more information.

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT**

**February 11-13, 2011**

Post-abortive women and men are encouraged to attend the Rachel Vineyard Weekend Retreats held twice yearly at St. Charles Borromeo Pastoral Center.

Contact Kay at 866-994-GIVE (4483) for additional information. See registration information at <http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/life/documents/RachelVineyardBrochure.pdf>

# Welcome

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## Guests and Visitors!

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 \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## POPE JOHN PAUL THE GREAT EUCHARIST CHAPEL DONATION

If you or your family would like to be responsible for the "Flowers of the Week," just fill out this coupon, put it in an envelope marked chapel flowers and drop it in the collection basket with \$25.00 or more. Your name will be printed in the bulletin the week your gift purchases flowers for our Eucharistic Chapel.

*Specific weeks cannot be guaranteed, but we will try if possible.*

Donor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish Envelope Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

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