



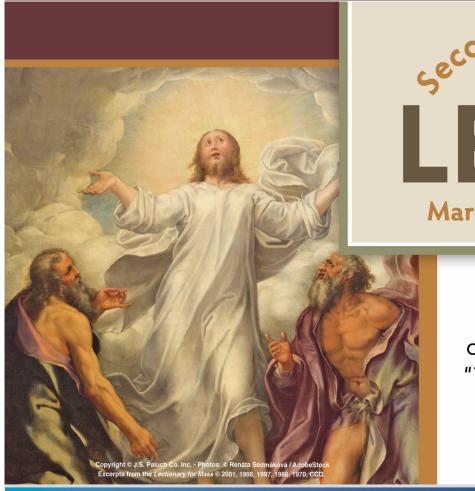
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#### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

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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March 13, 2022

Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him."

Luke 9:35





## From the Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

In the Transfiguration of the Lord Jesus [Luke 9:28b-36], we see the promise of the Resurrection. Peter, James, and John are taken up the mountain; and there, before their eyes the Lord Jesus is transfigured, he is changed. In other words, they see him in his glory, for a moment they catch a glimpse of the glorified body of resurrection that the Lord will one day give all of us. For a brief moment, they see Jesus as He really is.

The Transfiguration of the Lord is spiritual energy for the disciples. It gives them a miraculous moment of seeing the glory of Christ. The Lord shares this moment with Peter.



James, and John in order that they may not lose hope when they witness His suffering and death. They catch a glimpse of the greater things to come, so that they can see in his cross the road to resurrection.

In our own lives, the Lord sends those moments of glory, those moments of transfiguration, when the ordinary events and people of our lives take on an extra -ordinary appearance. By God's grace, things look different. We see things as they really are. For us, like the disciples on the mountain, those moments are few and far between, which is all the more reason to be attentive to them when they happen and hold on to them when, like Peter, James, and John, we are called to share in the suffering of Christ.

When our faith is challenged and we are called to stand up for the Lord, we need to remember the promise he makes, the promise of resurrection and eternal happiness that waits for us if we look for Christ in his glory and recognize him in his suffering.

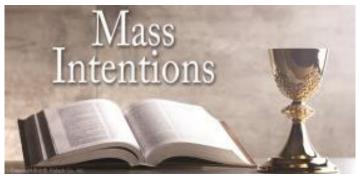
The Transfiguration is proof that glory will triumph over gloom. When things get tough, like Peter, James, and John, we need to remember the greater things to come.

Have a good and holy Lent.

Fr. Noesen



Congratulations and Best Wishes to
Bill and Ruth Kopulos
on their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary



Sunday March 13 (Second Sunday of Lent)

8:30 am †Deceased Members of

Knights of Columbus Council 10884 - Itasca

10:00 am †Mary Varygiannes 11:30 am †Zbigniew Muszynski

†Sherry Zeman

Bill and Ruth Kopulos - 60th Wedding Anniversary

People of the Parish

Monday March 14 (Lenten Weekday)

8:00 am †Raymond Torres

**Tuesday** March 15 (Lenten Weekday)

8:00 am †Helen Efta

Wednesday March 16 (Lenten Weekday) 8:00 am For an End to Abortion

**Thursday** March 17 (Lenten Weekday; St. Patrick, Bishop)

8:00 am †Ed Kryger

Friday March 18 (Lenten Weekday; St. Cyril of Jerusalem,

Bishop & Doctor of the Church)

**Saturday** March 19 (Solemnity of St Joseph;

Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent)

†Jerry Riordan

Joe and Jude Booth - Special Intention Mike and Kris Slaughter - Special Intention

**Sunday** March 20 (Third Sunday of Lent)

8:30 am †Mohen James Makil 10:00 am †Mary Varygiannes 11:30 am †Victoria Abbtecola

†Vito and Michael Campanella

†Sherry Zeman People of the Parish

#### **Readings for the Week**

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;

Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11;

1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

#### **GRIEF MINISTRY**

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

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

For more information, please contact:

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

#### THIS WEEKEND—SUNDAY, MARCH 13 | 9:30 am

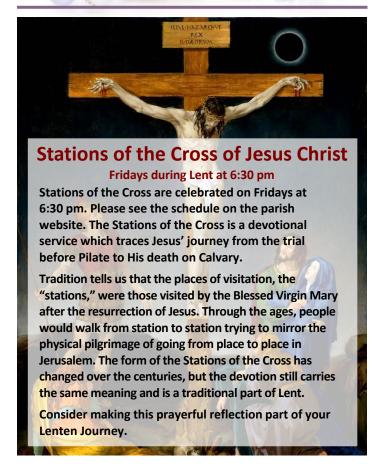


#### **Tuesday Rosary Ministry**

The Tuesday Rosary Ministry meets weekly at 7:15pm in church. Attendees are welcome to lead one of the decades if comfortable and inspired to do so.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Bring your Rosary, your personal intentions and your voice.

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





### Plan to attend...

Sunday, March 20 | 12:30 pm

Margaret Woods Parish Hall

Celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph at St. Peter's Annual St. Joseph's Table!!!

Bring a friend and ENJOY...

FOOD | WINE | SWEETS FELLOWSHIP | RAFFLE

Volunteers and Donations are needed to ensure the event's success.

Sign up is available on the parish website or in Margaret Woods Hall.

#### **Stewardship of Treasure**

A Way of Life St. Peter the Apostle

Sunday Collection - Fiscal Week 36 (03/06/2022): \$ 14,003.67 Ash Wednesday (03/02/2022): 5,885.00 GiveCentral - January 2022: 6,285.00 GiveCentral - February 2022: 1.240.00

**DONATE NOW** 

#### **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

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

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

Grief Support Group (PC Conference Room) 9:30 am

Tuesday March 15

10:00 am Crochet Group (MW Parish Hall) Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church) 7:15 pm

Wednesday March 16

8:30 am Confessions (Church)

Religious Education Classes (School/Church) 5:00 pm Adult Hand Bell Choir (Church/Choir Loft) 6:15 pm "Chosen" - Watch & Discuss (MW Parish Hall) 7:00 pm

March 17 **Thursday** 

"Be Formed" Bible Discussion (MW Parish Hall) 9:00 am St. Joseph's Table Planning Meeting (MW Parish Hall) 7:00 pm

Friday

Stations of the Cross + Benediction (Church) 6:30 pm

Saturday March 19

9:00 am Religious Education Classes (School/Church)

Confessions (Church) 4:15 pm

Sunday March 20

9:30 am RCIA Class (PC Conference Room) St. Joseph's Table (MW Parish Hall) 12:30 pm



Thank you to everyone who has already shown their devotion to the works of the Lord with a gift to the 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Every gift, large or small, is appreciated! If we all contribute as generously as our circumstances allow, we can meet our parish's CMAA goal of \$54,700.

If you have yet to make your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how you can best support the CMAA. If we raise more than our goal, 70 percent of the amount over goal will be returned to the parish for our use. This is an amazing opportunity for our parish.

Pledge envelopes are still available in the church. You can also return the pledge card you received in the mail from the diocese or make a gift online at jolietdioceseappeal.org.



#### Schedule

#### Saturday, March 19 | Sunday, March 20

#### **Communion Ministers** Lectors 5:00 pm Rose Ann Roll 5:00 pm Patrick Powers Deacon Bob 8:30 am Chris Aument 8:30 am Kathy Frank 10:00 am Nancy Magnus Deacon Bob 11:30 am Paul Gennuso 10:00 am Edgar Garcia Deacon Fred 11:30 am Ann Fleming Deacon Fred

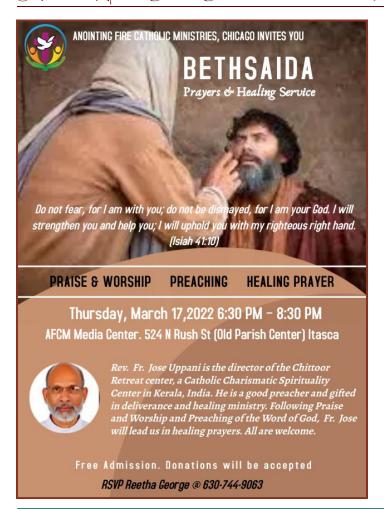




#### **Presentation of Offertory Gifts**

Thank you to the following children and their family for presenting gifts at this weekend's masses:

11:30 am Veronica and Joe Keigher



#### You are cordially invited to

## "Sing with the Angels" Theme: The Lord's Passion

date: Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022

time: 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

place: St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

551 N. Rush Street, Itasca

Don't forget to bring your rosary. RSVP: Maria Greico at 630-373-4710

Please arrive on time.

The program will begin promptly at 6:00 pm.

The prayers, sacred music and movie clips used in this program were selected to help you meditate on the Lord's passion, death, and resurrection. You will be moved in a profound way when you experience the perfect example of His sacrificial love.

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

St. Peter's Knights of Columbus - Council 10884

hosts its annual



Friday, April 1 | 5:00 - 6:30 pm Margaret Woods Parish Hall



## + Food + Fellowship + FUNDRAISER FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

On Friday, April 1, Saint Peter the Apostle Knights of Columbus Council 10884 will be hosting its annual Fish Fry.

Everyone is invited to join fellow parishioners for food and fellowship, while also assisting the people of Ukraine. The free will donations collected will be donated to the assist in the aid of the people of Ukraine.

To date, 2 million people have been displaced, injured or killed in Ukraine. Another 1.7 million people have been forced to flee to Poland, Slovakia, Hungry, Romania, Belarus, and Russia. Most would rather stay and fight than head to Belarus or Russia.

If you do not like fish, there will be soup, salads and plenty of other dishes to enjoy as well. This year a raffle will also take place offering a chance to win one of the many bountiful baskets.

Again, this event is a FREE WILL DONATION; however, this year everyone is asked to dig a little deeper to aid those suffering the effects of the war in Ukraine. If you are unable to attend but would like to donate, feel free to contact a Knight directly, or drop off your donation at the Parish Center.

Checks should be made payable to St. Peter the Apostle Knights of Columbus. We look forward to seeing you on April 1.



The Transfiguration. (CNS photo/Greg Tarczynski)

#### Opening the Word: A glimpse of glory

Father Joshua J. Whitfield March 7, 2022

After trial, temptation — glory. After struggle and Satan's worst — glory. That's the word, the promise hidden in this early Lenten lesson. It's meant to strengthen our faith, our hope and our love, too.

During Lent, the Church speaks first to her catechumens, to those seeking union with Christ in baptism. She speaks, though, to all of us, each of us invited to remember our discipleship, the cost and destiny of it.

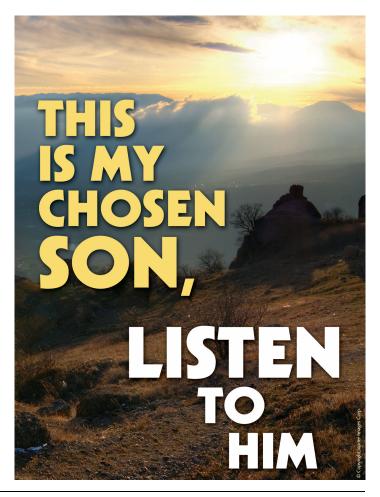
We're invited to remember that following Christ is to follow him into the desert, to experience temptation and the devil's wiles just as he did. To be a disciple is necessarily to experience temptation, for the worldly are not tempted by the world. Only the faithful are tempted; only the faithful know enough of that better kingdom to know what tragedies lesser kingdoms promise, that they all will one day pass away into nothing. That is why we resist, refusing to give in, keeping faith, feeding on the word of God alone. Because we know what's better.

Hence, the sweetness and mercy of this Sunday's Gospel, the reason for remembering the mystery of the Transfiguration. His crucifixion still to come, his passion yet to unfold, here in prayer on the mountain Jesus' "face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white" (Lk 9:29). As St. John Henry Newman put it, the Transfiguration shone as "a short gleam of the glory which was to be." A manifestation in the middle of the journey, of divine reality and divine victory, the Transfiguration is a sacrament of promise, a secret meant to offer strength for the even more bitter trials to come.

Elijah and Moses both drew near to God's glory in 40 days. Moses' face shone with God's brightness because of it (cf. Ex 34:29-30). Elijah was nourished by God in his 40 days, prepared to hear the "still small voice" of the Lord (1 Kg 19:8-13). We're to learn from them why we should endure our 40 days of Lent, that it leads to covenant and glory, intimacy with God. Again, this glimpse of glory: It's meant to help our faith, to show what it's for and where we're going — to that kingdom where Christ is dazzlingly bright and where we will be bright in his light, too.

But, of course, this isn't just about asceticism, about the rewards of the rigors of prayer. We know this because with Moses and Elijah, Jesus was speaking about his "exodus" (Lk 9:31). Some translations read "departure." What this means is Christ's passion, his death and resurrection. Like entering the Promised Land through the Red Sea and the desert, so will be Christ's resurrection and ascension — we disciples following him in self-denying faith and baptism. And this deepens our understanding and experience of Lent, for it reveals the particular path our journey must take, that before we encounter the unending dazzling brightness of the kingdom, we must first know the night of betrayal and the darkness of Good Friday.

The Transfiguration is no mere mystical mountain experience; it shines only to light the rest of the way. The divine Son is revealed; God says, "listen to him" (Lk 9:35). Jesus will lead his disciples on to Jerusalem and to the cross; that's what the Transfiguration illuminates. Such is why this luminous mystery belongs to Lent, because it reminds us that all our spiritual struggles — our prayer, fasting, resisting temptation — prepare us specifically to share in Christ's passion, his death and resurrection that becomes ours. Not just a season of self-denial and prayer — although it is certainly that — the Transfiguration shows us that Lent is how Christians enter into the Paschal Mystery of Christ, reminding us what all these Lenten exercises are for. For Christ's sacrifice and resurrected brightness, and ours, too.





#### **Great Things You Can Do for Lent**

Besides giving up chocolate by Renée Lareau February 28, 2022

- Make a commitment to read the Sunday scriptures before Sunday Mass. In the same way that reading up on football players, opposing teams, and coaching strategies will help you experience a game more fully, familiarizing yourself with the readings ahead of time will help you experience them in a deeper way on Sunday.
- Try a new spiritual practice. Sign up for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration. Experience Mass at a parish that's made up of people from a different racial/ethnic group. Sign up for a silent retreat or spend at least one hour in silent meditation each weekend.
- 3. Think about what you usually spend your money on. Do you buy too many clothes? Spend too much on dinner out? Pick one type of expenditure that you'll "fast" from during Lent, and then give the money you would usually spend to a local charity.
- 4. Take something on 40 days of letter writing, 40 acts of kindness, 40 phone calls to the important people in your life.
- 5. When you first sit down in front of your computer at work, or at the very end of your workday, try a 10-minute guided prayer from Sacred Space based on the spiritual exercises of St. Ignatius.
- 6. Go to a weekday Mass one day during the week.

  Many parishes offer them early in the morning, at noon, or after work. Daily Masses are often more intimate and shorter than Sunday Mass.
- 7. If you don't have a cross in your apartment or house, buy a simple one and put it in your bedroom.
- 8. Instead of turning on a streaming service for your next binge-watching session, read the entire Gospel of Mark in one sitting. As the shortest Gospel, it is the most concise story of Jesus' life, and the cross, a central Lenten symbol, plays an even more prominent role than in the other Gospels.
- 9. Meditate with the Stations of the Cross. Many parishes offer these during Lent and often on Fridays.
- 10. Create your own Friday fish. It's not the healthiest thing in the world, but a fun Catholic tradition to help you abstain from eating meat on Fridays during Lent.

- 11. Unplug from your iPhone or turn off your car radio on your commute. The silence may be jarring at first, but you may find that you are able to concentrate better and will be more observant of your surroundings.
- 12. Buy a book of daily reflections and keep it by your bed. Local parishes often offer these for purchase during Lent, and there are some good ones available online.
- 13. Think about a habit that has kept you from being whom God is calling you to be. Consciously give up that habit for Lent.
- 14. Spend at least one weekend or evening volunteering during Lent. If you feel comfortable volunteering in person, help package meals at your local soup kitchen or stock shelves at a food pantry. If you'd rather volunteer from home, reach out to your parish to see how your skills might help serve on of the church committees.
- 15. Make a commitment to fast from insensitive, cruel comments about others. So, no gossiping or going down the Twitter rabbit hole.
- 16. Participate in a spiritual book club or small community of faith. Check out what's already going on at your parish or pick a book and start your own.
- 17. As a part of your Lenten almsgiving, make a point to learn more about a particular social issue (immigration, human trafficking, racism, the environment, public education, child poverty). Give money to an organization related to your chosen issue that supports the dignity of the human person.
- 18. Use the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl to reflect on the realities of people in need around the world and devote prayers, fasting, and almsgiving to changing the lives of the poor. The money raised by CRS Rice Bowl supports not only the prevention of hunger and poverty in countries like Kenya, Vietnam, and Honduras, but also in the United States. (Twenty-five percent of all donations stay in the local diocese where they are collected.) For your Lenten Fridays, CRS Rice Bowl also features meatless recipes from cultures around the world.
- 19. Pray for somebody. As you're walking the streets, driving the highways, or waiting for a meeting to start, pick out a person who appears to be in need and pray for that person. Be mindful of the words of philosopher Philo of Alexandria, who said, "Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a great battle."
- 20. Get to know your neighbors. Introduce yourself, plan a dinner, or bring food to an older person on your block.
- 21. Read the Works of Mercy as Jesus describes them in Matthew 25:31-46. Then put this teaching into practice and choose an act of service you can perform throughout Lent.
- 22. Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

# Pray for the Elect



Last Sunday, two young men from the Saint Peter's community took a major step on their journey to becoming members of the Roman Catholic faith. They participated in a special rite at the Cathedral of Saint Raymond Nonnatus, wherein Bishop Hicks welcomed them as members of the "Elect."

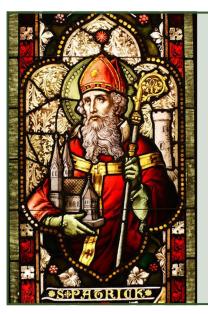
The Rite of Election is for unbaptized people, or catechumens, going through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). It is the formal liturgy that marks the end of the period of being a catechumen. Through this rite they are transformed into the "Elect."

Traditionally held on the first Sunday of Lent, the Catechumens, their sponsors and families gather at the Cathedral for the Rite. In the Rite of Election, the church recognizes that God has already chosen these people for baptism. After a service with Scripture readings and a homily by the Bishop, catechumens are called up into the sanctuary.

The Bishop then asks the catechists, pastors and sponsors in the congregation to attest to the catechumens' preparation to enter the church. Then the Bishop turns to catechumens and asks if it is their will to become part of Christ's body in the church. The Catechumens publicly express their desire for baptism to the bishop. Their names are then recorded in a book and they become the "Elect."

The days of Lent are the final Period of Purification and Enlightenment leading up to the Easter Vigil. Lent is a period of preparation marked by prayer, study, and spiritual direction for the Elect. We are called to pray for these young men, and all those in the RCIA program during this period, to strengthen and support them as they enter into this last stage of preparation for reception of the Sacraments.

The Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation takes place during the Easter Vigil Liturgy on Holy Saturday when the Elect receives the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. We ask for your continuing prayers for Abdullah and Victor as they continue their journey to full initiation into our holy Catholic faith.



#### St. Patrick's Day

March 17

At around the age of fifteen, St. Patrick was captured by Irish pirates and taken to Ireland as a slave. There he was forced to tend and care for sheep on the what was then a very pagan island. When he turned twenty, he heard God tell him to go to the coast in a dream. There he found some sailors who took him back to Britain where he was reunited with his family. A few years after returning home however, St. Patrick had a vision of an Irish man who gave him a letter that read: "We appeal to you, holy servant boy, to come and walk among us". With this, St. Patrick immediately began studying for the priesthood, and once he was ordained, he traveled back to Ireland to preach the Gospel.

In Ireland, converted thousands of people and began to build churches across the country. He would often use shamrocks to explain the Holy Trinity and he continued to convert all of Ireland for the next 40 years.

St. Patrick, pray for us!

#### In Memoriam

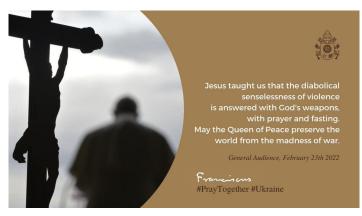
Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of

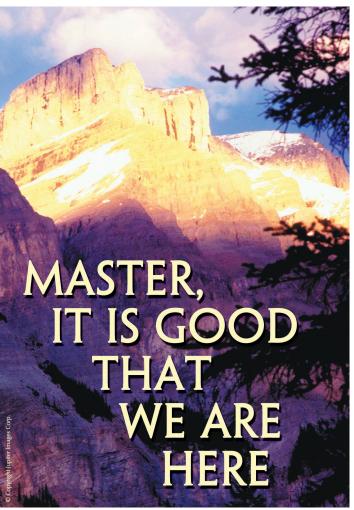
Rossella De Astis Tangorra

and

**Philip Durante** 

May they 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

Sue Bobka Rickie Kruzel Harriett Pinkowski Ken Buffo Gene Mikulecky **Bonnie Pollock** Christopher Mizera Wayne Slowiak Regina Conti **Mary Cummins** Richard Mrugacz Marlene Torii **Paul Cummins** John North Fr. Miroslaw Stepien Virginia Halac Don Olenek Randy Szweda, USMC Martha Haves Rich Olenek Linda Wuerffel Ken Hemstreet Janina Piotrowski Carol Zell

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 March prayers for the Church and for the world:

#### A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

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** SA Chris Kaszubowski, US Navy 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

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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.



#### MAKE SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME!

#### Welcome, New Parishioners — Register Today

Week after week, 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. You can also register by calling the parish office or by visiting the parish website.

Welcome to Saint Peter the Apostle Parish!

#### ARE YOU CONNECTED???

#### Do you receive St. Peter's electronic newsletters??

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



If you have access to e-mail, but do not receive the paris electronic newsletters, then please visit the parish website at stpeteritasca.com to sign up; you may also send your e-mail information to bulletin@stpeteritasca.com. Please be sure to provide your name together with your e-mail address.

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#### **Invitation to Register!**

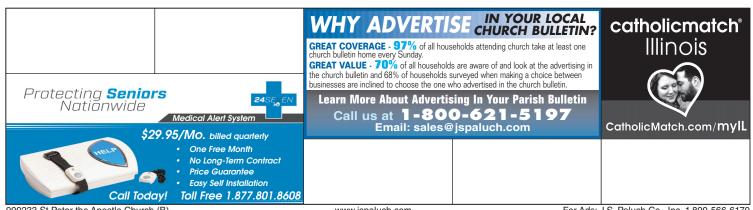
We're so glad you are here and invite you to walk the path to faith with us. The community of St. Peter the Apostle strives to grow closer to Christ in all that we do. We care for one another and together with Christ, we make a difference. If you would like to become a registered parishioner, please fill out the information below and drop it into the collection basket at any mass or call the Parish Center at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200).

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