

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

God Bless St. Peter the Apostle's Confirmandi

- March 21, 2019 -

*Francesco Aiello
Keagan Anderson
Christopher Bochenek
Maximillian Bogucki
Sarah Bradley
Alex Bucaro
Dominic Capozzoli
Gino Cardone
Delia Carey
Veronica Ciaccio
Grace Cord
Evan DeValk
Micheal Fricano
Victoria Gawlowski
Gabbie Gennuso*



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Ava Hernandez
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Lia Lampignano
Samantha Lash
Lillian Lopez
Olivia Lopez
Gianna Pacione
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Sydney Sotiropoulos
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March 24, 2019
Third Sunday of Lent

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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.

Diocese of Joliet

Office of the Bishop



Blanchette Catholic Center
16555 Weber Rd.
Crest Hill, Illinois 60403

Hello, I am Bishop Daniel Conlon, your bishop in the Diocese of Joliet. I would like to share an important message with you.

The State of Illinois is currently facing a crisis far greater than anything economic. It is truly a matter of life and death.

Legislation is being considered in the Illinois General Assembly that would permit abortion any time during pregnancy, right up to the moment of natural birth. All nine months. An abortion could be performed by medical personnel other than doctors.

Parental notification, when the mother is a minor, would be eliminated. Killing a fetus in the mother's womb through an act of violence would no longer be considered a crime. Abortion would be defined as a fundamental right, and Abortion Performance Refusal Act would be repealed, meaning that rights of conscience, especially religious objections, refusing to cooperate with abortions will be lost.

We all know that premature babies are born every day. They go on to lead full and healthy lives. Yet, the legislation being considered in Springfield would treat a baby, even ten minutes before a normal birth, as nothing.

I need your help convincing our elected officials that this proposed legislation is just plain wrong. Your parish Pro Life Ministry and the Diocese of Joliet website provides information to help you contact your own Senators and Representatives. Encourage others to do the same. Human lives depend on it.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a courageous critic of Nazism, wrote:

"Silence in the face of evil is itself evil: God will not hold us guiltless. Not to speak is to speak."

God bless you.

Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon
Bishop of Joliet



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

Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities.

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

*The LORD secures justice
and the rights of all the oppressed.*

— Psalm 103:6



Stewardship of Treasure


A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

Sunday Collection Year to Date

Fiscal Week 38: 03/17/2019 \$ 9,146.10 \$ 385,065.35

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)	SUNDAY OFFERING 
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This Week at St. Peter's

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| Sunday | March 24 |
| 7:00 pm | Parish Mission (<i>Church</i>) |
| Monday | March 25 |
| 7:00 pm | Parish Mission (<i>Church</i>) |
| Tuesday | March 26 |
| 7:00 pm | Parish Mission (<i>Church</i>) |
| Wednesday | March 27 |
| 10:00 am | Rosary at Forest View |
| 6:00 pm | Adult Hand Bell Choir (<i>Church/Choir Loft</i>) |
| 7:00 pm | Adult Choir Rehearsal (<i>Church/Choir Loft</i>) |
| Thursday | March 28 |
| 9:00 am | Morning Bible Discussion (MW Parish Hall) |
| 7:00 pm | Confirmation (<i>Church</i>) |
| Friday | March 29 |
| 3:00 pm | Stations of the Cross (<i>Church</i>) |
| 7:00 pm | Stations of the Cross (<i>Church</i>) |
| Saturday | March 30 |
| 4:00 pm | Confessions (<i>Church</i>) |
| 6:00 pm | Parish Movie Night (<i>MW Parish Hall</i>) |

In Memoriam

Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of
Leesa Rahe
May perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

For the week beginning

Saturday, March 23rd | Sunday, March 24th



Thank you to
Sally, Melissa and Willi Franz



for the beautiful flowers
 adorning the Tabernacle
 in memory of
Lynn Chermel

Mass Intentions



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| Sunday | March 24 (Third Sunday of Lent) |
| 8:30 am | †Marie D. Spiezio |
| 11:00 am | †Joan Alais |
| | †Michael Laughlin |
| | †Emilie A. Mierzwa |
| | †Emilia Yurcheshen |
| | People of the Parish |
| Monday | March 25 (The Annunciation of the Lord) |
| 8:00 am | †Angela Sabedra |
| Tuesday | March 26 (Lenten Weekday) |
| 8:00 am | †Marie Spiezio |
| Wednesday | March 27 (Lenten Weekday) |
| 8:00 am | †Harry Aument |
| Thursday | March 28 (Lenten Weekday) |
| 8:00 am | †Dominic Mondo |
| Friday | March 29 (Lenten Weekday) |
| 8:00 am | †Donald, Emil & Caroline Derma |
| Saturday | March 30 (Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent) |
| 5:00 pm | People of the Parish |
| | †Leonard Lisak |
| | †Carmela Maggio |
| | †Emilia Yurcheshen |
| Sunday | March 31 (Fourth Sunday of Lent) |
| 8:30 am | †Edward Kelly |
| 11:00 am | †Marie J. Carr |
| | †Gaetano Genvaldi |
| | †Angelo Lanera |
| | †Carmella Maggio |

Readings for the Week

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| Monday: | Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38 |
| Tuesday: | Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35 |
| Wednesday: | Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19 |
| Thursday: | Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23 |
| Friday: | Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34 |
| Saturday: | Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14 |
| Sunday: | Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7;
2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 |

**Communion Ministers/
Lectors/Servers Schedule**

Saturday, March 30 | Sunday, March 31

Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Nancy Riley
Pat Schwartz
Lisa Hennessy
Deacon Bob

8:30 am Marty Hower
Sharon Hower
Nancy Ferenzi
Deacon Fred

11:00 am Ken Cleveland
Frank Vale
Beth McKenna
Frank McKenna

Servers

5:00 pm Joseph Casanova
Robert Glennon

8:30 am Dominic Capozzoli

11:00 am Joey Vale
Anthony Zapalik

Ushers

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

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

Lectors

5:00 pm Bill Schwartz
Judy Ziomek

8:30 am Chris Aument
Lou Casolari

11:00 am Linda Vokoun
Matthew Vokoun

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



Offertory Gift Bearers

Thank you to the following for serving as gift bearers at this weekend's masses:

8:30 am The Torres family

Please pray for the children and their families, especially those preparing for First Holy Communion.



First Friday 24-hour Adoration at St. Peter's Church begins with Benediction at 8:30 am on April 5 and concludes at 7:40 am on April 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.

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

Barbara Beers	Mel Gerard	Vince Oraziotti
Brian Beers	Mike Graziano	Fred Oslager
Sue Bobka	Vincent Guccione	Anne Marie Pagni
John Booth	Joseph Halec	Harriett Pinkowski
Janet Both	Carole Hatke	Baby Vincent Porter
Fr. Larry Brunette	Phil Hatke	Megan Putze
Ken Buffo	Jeanette Hemmelgarn	Brendan Reidy
Joe Busato	Ken Hemstreet	John Rossi
Mike Carey	Isabell Herrera	Jennifer Ruffing
Jacqueline Castellano	Mary Hosters	Savannah Rose Russo
Eunice Cleveland	Shirley Janik	Roxanne Ruiz
Regina Conti	Brian Josephus	Alana Ruiz
Lucy Crocilla	Anne Keeton	Alexandra Ruiz
Collin Cummins	Debra Kelly	Janina Sabat
Mary Cummins	Joe Kryger	Fred Santoro
Michael Cummins	Ruth Kryger	Angela Scanlon
Paul Cummins	Rickie Kruzal	Martin Schatzman
Valeria D'Andrea	Celeste Kucharczyk	Shauna Sheffer
Margaret Del Preto	JoLynn Lash	Marilyn Sieradzki
Irene Dial	Sharon Laughlin	Belinda Sobucki
Angeline DiFranco	Lilly Lima	Dan Sobucki
Charles DiFranco Jr.	Elizabeth Lisak	Sharon Sowers
Teresa Dunhac	Pasquale Lopardo	Karen Stewart
John Elia	Eileen Marino	Joan Streich
Scott Erickson	Patricia McMahon	Linda Szweda
Robert Fahler	Ann McNally	James Thompson
Tracy Fink	Jack McNally	Patricia Vitale
Cheryl Fisherkeller	Gene Mikulecky	Jennifer Weil
Sally Franz	Christopher Mizera	Helen Wilczko
Mary Frawley	Rich Mrugacz	Agnieszka Wisniewska
Dan Galuszek	Jean Nowowielski	Grzegorz Wisniewski
Joe Galuszek	Dolores Olenek	Ray Young
Mary Gawlik	Donald Olenek	Deacon Bob Ziomek
Geri Gerard	Raffaella Olenek	

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.

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 Woods Parish Hall to grab a doughnut, a beverage and some fellowship—

NOTE:
DUE TO SCHEDULING CONFLICTS,
THE APRIL MEETING HAS BEEN
CHANGED TO MAY 2



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

LENT  St. Peter the Apostle Parish offers the following spiritual and social opportunities during Lent. We hope you will join us as we prepare our hearts for the great Easter feast.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

ALL Fridays during Lent | 3:00 pm | 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

All Saturdays during Lent | 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Thursday, March 14 | 7:00 am (during Father John Project)

Friday, April 5 | 8:30 am (following First Friday Benediction)

Thursday, April 11 | 6:30 pm

ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

Sunday, March 17 | following 11:00 am Mass

PARISH MISSION | March 25-27 | 7:00 pm

24-HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday, April 5 | 8:30 am Friday until 7:30 am Saturday

PALM SUNDAY | April 14 | Regular Mass Schedule

HOLY THURSDAY | April 18

7:00 pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight.

Bus pilgrimage to local churches following service.

GOOD FRIDAY | April 19

3:00 pm: Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm: Passion of our Lord Service

(Church will remain open until midnight)

HOLY SATURDAY | April 20

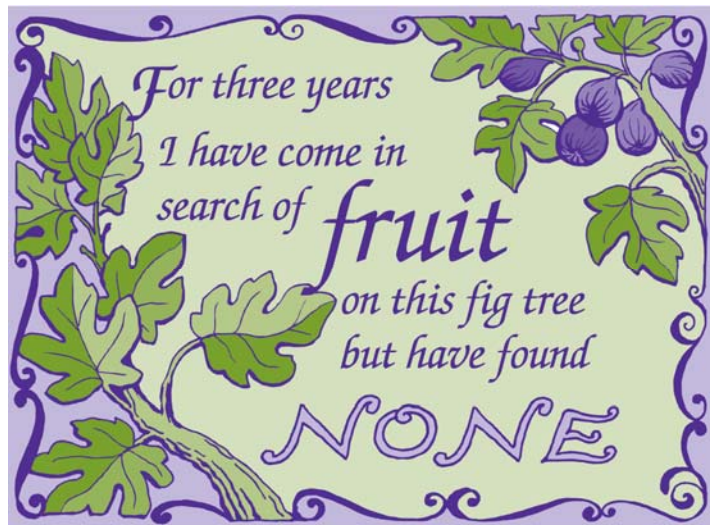
9:00 am and 9:45 am: Blessing of food in church

7:30 pm: Easter Vigil Service

There is no 5:00 pm Mass on Holy Saturday

EASTER SUNDAY | April 21

Mass Schedule: 7:00 am | 8:30 am | 11:00 am





Save the Date for Upcoming Saturday Night Movies

Don't miss these opportunities to gather for fellowship, entertainment and refreshments

All movies will be held in the Margaret Woods Parish Hall

March 9 | 6:00 pm
"Miracle of St. Therese"

Come watch this film made in France in 1960 which tells the story of "The Little Way" of St. Therese of Lisieux from childhood through her death as a Carmelite nun at age 24.

March 30 | 6:00 pm
"Faustina: The Apostle of Divine Mercy"

Come watch and be inspired by the woman whom Jesus chose to be His instrument for promoting devotion to his Divine Mercy.

April 6 | 6:00 pm
"Bernadette"

Come to watch the story "the little saint of Lourdes", from her early life of poverty, ill health, and simple but profound faith that defined her as much as her witness to the appearances of our Blessed Mother.

KINGDOM OF GOD



Parish Lenten Mission
Spiritual Director
Deacon Ron Searls

St. Peter's Knights of Columbus
hosts its annual



Friday, April 12 | 5:00 pm



BACK FOR A LIMITED TIME...

Soup and Salad

will take place for one day
this Lenten Season
in conjunction with the Fish Fry

Please contact Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197
if you would like to donate a soup or a salad.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's St. Joseph Table a success. We could not have done it without all the people who helped with set-up, clean-up, food preparation and serving.

A special thank you to all who donated food for the meal. We are especially grateful to be able to have an event that brings people in our parish community together in fellowship while supporting a worthy cause.

Sincerely,
The Transitional Housing Ministry



SPECIAL THANKS TO THE MANY LOCAL BUSINESSES FOR THEIR SUPPORT...

Addison Bakery
Bentley's Pancake House
Brown's Chicken - Elk Grove Village
Cucina Casale
CuocoBabo - Chef Bob Conidi
Elio Pizza on Fire
Frank's Fresh Market

Frontier Liquors
Giambrone Hand-crafted Limoncello
Holiday Inn - Itasca
International House of Pancakes
Jay's Beef
Jewel-Osco
Kean's Bakery
Perfect Pasta - Addison

Ristorante DeMarco
Salerno's Rosedale Chapel
Starbucks Coffee
Target Stores
The Italian Bakery - Addison
The Oaks Funeral Home
Tree Guy's Pizzeria



THE TRADITION OF VISITING SEVEN CHURCHES ON HOLY THURSDAY

The tradition of visiting seven churches on Holy Thursday is an ancient practice, probably originating in Rome, where early pilgrims visited the seven major basilicas as penance. They are Saint John Lateran, Saint Peter, Saint Mary Major, Saint Paul-outside-the-Walls, Saint Lawrence-outside-the-Walls, Saint Sebastian-outside-the-Walls, and Holy Cross-in-Jerusalem.

Pope Boniface VIII revived the pilgrimage tradition in 1300 with the establishment of the Jubilee Year, and Rome became a center for pilgrimages. The seven churches developed as particular sites for visits. The seven areas may also be related to the historical seven deacons of Rome, whose responsibility was to minister to the poor in their region of the city. The first seven deacons in the Church were the seven assistants ordained by the Apostles to minister to the poor.

Any questions, please contact Fr. Slawek at 630-773-1272 ext. 208.



JOIN FR. SLAWEK ON HOLY THURSDAY (April 18) AFTER MASS FOR A PILGRIMAGE OF SEVEN CHURCHES

Please sign up by returning this form in the collection basket or to the parish center along with \$10.00 to cover the cost of the bus by **April 12**. Space on the bus is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Name _____ Phone # _____

Name _____ Phone # _____

Diocese of Joliet

Respect Life Ministry

Prayer Request

We ask the faithful of the Diocese of Joliet to pray daily for the intention of Life Advocacy Day, March 31 - April 6, 2019. Please also consider fasting on *Wednesday, April 3rd*, to join in solidarity with those from our Diocese who will be traveling to Springfield to further the cause of Life in the Illinois Legislature by meeting with elected officials. This prayer and advocacy campaign is part of a larger effort by all the Dioceses in Illinois, and is coordinated by the Catholic Conference of Illinois.

If anyone is still interested in attending Life Advocacy Day, please contact the Joliet Diocese Respect Life Ministry at (815-221-6251 or www.dioceseofjoliet.org/life/). You can also contact Nancy Magnus, parishioner, at (630)606-5197. She will be attending Life Advocacy Day.



Daily Prayer for Life Advocacy Day March 31 - April 6, 2019

Gracious and merciful God, we ask that you send your Spirit among us to guide us and direct us in order to inspire all our political leaders to advance the culture of life in their duty to uphold the common good for all the people they serve. You sent your Son Jesus to teach us how to pray, how to serve you in obedience and how to be the people you are calling us to be. You inspire us each and every day to appreciate the gifts you bestow upon us and to use them to change the hearts and minds of all people. The most precious gift you have given us is the gift of life and you call us to be good stewards of all our creation. Help us to cultivate a spirit of prayer and of reconciliation for the lack of due diligence in protecting the most vulnerable among us; the children who are forgotten, abandoned and thought of as an inconvenience to the welfare of societies. Inspire all those in public office to protect the dignity of the unborn and those who are living who are deemed unfit to receive our care. Help us to receive our wisdom so that we know how best to serve you and your people.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord.



UNPLANNED – THE MOVIE

“UNPLANNED” is the true story of Abby Johnson and how she went from being the youngest director of a Planned Parenthood Clinic to the pro-life warrior that she has become. The film opens on March 29, but there are local theaters showing it on March 28. “UNPLANNED” will be playing at the AMC South Barrington 24 and at AMC Dine-in Yorktown 18 starting on March 28. Viewer discretion is advised. MPAA rated-R. To appreciate why discretion is advised for children, please see Movieguide® review. It is important to go the first weekend because that will open it up to being seen in more theaters. God bless Abby and the good work she is doing in helping other workers to leave the business. Through her organization, “And Then There Were None,” she hopes that someday there will be no abortion clinics because no one will be willing to work there.

The Thomas More Society is hosting a free advance screening of “UNPLANNED” on Tuesday, March 26 at 7:30pm at the Pickwick Theater, 5 S Prospect Avenue in Park Ridge. This is a private, invitation-only event. There is no charge to attend but reservations are required and space is limited. Limit 2 tickets per guest. You can register for this advance screening of “UNPLANNED” at <https://www.thomasmoresociety.org/event/advanced-screening-unplanned-the-abby-johnson-story/>



"Ira Byock, a hospice medical director, illustrates in his book *The 4 Most Important Things* how saying 'I love you,' 'I'm sorry,' 'I forgive you,' and 'Thank you' can promote much-needed healing during the dying process. You can help ensure a peaceful transition for your loved one by facilitating opportunities for reconciliation with others and for mutual expressions of love and gratitude."

— USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
 "Caring for Loved Ones at Life's End,"
www.usccb.org/endoflifecare



40 Days for Life March 6 - April 14, 2019

40 Days for Life is a beautiful opportunity to join others in prayer, fasting, keeping vigil, and reaching out to the community. Through God, lives are changed during 40 Days for Life; people at various peaceful prayer locations have helped women embrace life for their children, watched as abortion clinic workers have quit their jobs, and experienced some clinics close completely. We often forget the incredible power of prayer and loving witness, but 40 Days for Life reminds us of the fruits of dialogue with the Lord and others. Join 40 Days for Life and make a difference for life! The nearest location is at the Access Health Center at 1700 75th Street in Downers Grove. For more information please contact parishioner, Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197.

If you can't pray at this abortion clinic then please pray privately for the conversion of hearts for all elected officials so that they might advocate for life instead of proposing legislation and enacting laws that devalue human life.

Recent attacks on the sanctity of life include:

On February 13th horrific anti-life legislation was proposed by the Illinois legislature.

HB 2467 repeals the Illinois Parental Notification of Abortion Act.
HB 2495...

- **repeals** the current state ban on partial-birth abortions.
- **defines** abortion as a fundamental right.
- **removes** abortion clinics from regulations for serious medical procedures.
- **removes** the requirements that only doctors can perform abortions.
- **requires** private health insurance in Illinois to fully cover the cost of abortion.

Please contact your state House and Senate lawmakers and urge them to vote "no" on HB 2467 and HB 2495.

On February 25th forty four United States senators voted to say that babies should be left to die after a failed abortion attempt on their life. The two senators from Illinois were among these 44 senators who voted against the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act.

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.

Welcome

Guests and Visitors!

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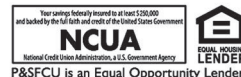
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