

# Saint Peter Apostle

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

524 NORTH RUSH STREET | ITASCA, ILLINOIS 60143 | 630.773.1272



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### WEEKDAY LITURGIES

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: 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

Jonathan Becker  
Jack Behling  
Laura Blackburn  
Julia Burke  
Elisa Cardone  
Edwin Chavez  
Nikolas DeCristofaro  
Patrick Fleming  
Francesco Fricano  
Alex Gajewski  
Geovanni Garcia  
Anthony Geraci  
Gabiella Guercio  
Warren Hernandez  
Cynthia Ibarra



TJ Kutil  
Rino Laporta  
Abigail Maniez  
Hope Maniez  
Isabella Maniez  
Vincenzo Pecoraro  
Joey Randazzo  
Nikolas Ruggirello  
Jake Samojla  
Calin Scimeca  
Isabella Scocuzza  
Daniel Szopa  
Michele Vavalle  
Liam Van den Bogert  
Evan Williams

March 26, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Lent

**RECTORY/PARISH CENTER**

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630-936-2652 e-mail: rbratta@msn.com

**PARISH CENTER BUSINESS HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm  
Wednesday: 8:30 am - 6:00 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**

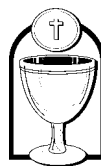
According to diocesan policy, the parish must be contacted six months prior to the intended wedding date. Please call the Parish Center (ext. 201) for information.

**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.

A week ago, Tuesday evening, we had the privilege of welcoming Fr. Ubald Rugirangoga from Rwanda to St. Peter's to celebrate a healing mass. The church was full and I believe many were touched by Fr. Ubald's message of healing and love. Many hands went up when asked if anyone experienced any type of healing--spiritual, mental or physical. I would like to thank Gianna Neumann and Toni Pietrowski for helping to arrange Fr. Ubald's mass at St. Peter's and all who contributed to make the mass possible. Through generous donations, \$2,500 was raised for Father's *The Center for the Secret of Peace* to aid in the healing of those affected by war, poverty and trauma. Thank you for your generosity!

# From the Pastor



Additionally, my thanks to Deacon Ron Searls for his talks on healings in preparation for the healing mass with Fr. Ubald. He spoke on Dealing with Trials & Tribulations (Awareness of Ourselves as Mental, Spiritual & Physical Beings) and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A special thank you also to Fr. Aldo for helping me with confessions on Monday evening during Deacon Ron's talk.

Thank you to Ken Cleveland and the Transitional Housing Committee, as well as the many volunteers who worked so hard to provide the delicious St. Joseph's table last Sunday. The value to the people they help is beyond measure. Much time, preparation and effort goes into the St. Joseph Table. Thank you to the Knights for leading us in procession to the St. Joseph's table, which allows us to gather and enjoy each other's companionship while sharing a meal together. Thank you to all involved and your generosity. \$2,800 was raised to support this valuable ministry.

I would also like to thank all those involved in helping to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. A special thank you to Abbot Austin Murphy and Master of Ceremonies Deacon Don Randolph. Thank you to our Knights of Columbus for their Honor Guard and leading us in the rosary before mass. A special thank you to all the seventh grade families who provided for the lovely reception in the school hall after the mass and to the parents who hosted the event--Maureen Lacni, Kristina Capozzoli, Hugo & Mildred Cabadas, Nina Lill, Gina & Dana Skiera, Filomena Hilario and Krystyna Kopec. A special note of recognition to the three gift bearers Laura Blackburn, Warren Hernandez and Liam Van den Bogert who received the highest Confirmation test scores. Rino Laporta also had one of the highest test scores.

Lastly, a note of appreciation and thanks to the 5<sup>th</sup> Graders who performed the Living Stations of the Cross for the parish on Friday evening and to their catechists, Kristina Capozzoli, Yvonne Marler and Christina Rosales who made it all possible. The parish looks forward to you leading us in prayer each Lenten season.

Have a blessed week.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

**Fr. Sławek**



## PARISH LENTEN AND EASTER OFFERINGS

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

ALL Fridays during Lent | 1:00 pm | 7:00 pm

**SOUP AND SALAD** (followed by Stations of the Cross at 7pm)

ALL Fridays during Lent | 5:30 pm - 6:45 pm

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

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

**Monday, March 13 | 7:00 pm**

**Friday, April 7 | 8:30 am** (following First Friday Benediction)

**24-HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Friday, March 3 | 8:30 am Friday until 7:30 am Saturday

**PARISH MISSION—HEALING MASS | March 12-14 | 7:00 pm**

**ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE**

Sunday, March 19 | following 11:15 am Mass

**PALM SUNDAY | April 9 | Regular Mass Schedule**

**HOLY THURSDAY | April 13**

**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 14**

**3:00 pm: Stations of the Cross**

**7:00 pm: Passion of our Lord Service**

**HOLY SATURDAY | April 15**

**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 16**

**Mass Schedule: 8:00 am | 9:30 am | 11:15 am**


**Stewardship of Treasure**  
*A Way of Life -St. Peter the Apostle*

**Sunday Collection Year to Date**

Fiscal Week 36: March 12, 2017	\$ 11,145.00	\$ 346,994.62
Fiscal Week 37: March 19, 2017	\$ 8,735.00	\$ 355,729.62
Central & Eastern	\$ 546.00	


*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 <b>E-basket</b> to conveniently make your weekly offering, please contact the Parish Center (ext. 200)	
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**This Week at St. Peter's**

- Wednesday March 29**  
7:30 pm Adult Choir and Cantor Rehearsal (*Church*)
- Thursday March 30**  
9:00 am Morning Bible Study (*PC/Upper Level*)
- Friday March 31**  
1:00 pm Stations of the Cross (*Church*)  
5:30 pm Knights of Columbus Fish Fry (*School Hall*)  
Soup & Salad (*School Hall*)  
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (*Church*)
- Saturday April 1**  
9:00 am Religious Education Classes (*School/Church*)  
4:00 pm Confessions (*Church*)  
MANNA Sales after 5pm Masses (*Church/Narthex*)
- Sunday April 2**  
MANNA Sales after all Masses (*Church/Narthex*)



*Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*

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

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**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.**

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

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Thank you to  
**Sharon Laughlin**



for the beautiful flowers  
in the Pope John Paul the Great Eucharistic Chapel  
in memory of  
**Michael Laughlin**



- Sunday March 26 (Fourth Sunday of Lent)**  
8:00 am †Len Kruesler  
9:30 am †Lynne B. Manning  
11:15 am †Tom Frawley  
†Guy Genvaldi  
People of the Parish
- Monday March 27 (Lenten Weekday)**  
8:00 am †Harry Aument
- Tuesday March 28 (Lenten Weekday)**  
8:00 am †Michael Laughlin
- Wednesday March 29 (Lenten Weekday)**  
8:00 am †Don, Emil, Caroline & Ken Derma
- Thursday March 30 (Lenten Weekday)**  
8:00 am †Kim Caraher
- Friday March 31 (Lenten Weekday)**  
8:00 am Special Intention
- Saturday April 1 (Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent)**  
8:00 am †Anita Rizzo  
People of the Parish  
†Dorothy M. Bordy  
†Sr. Gretchen OP  
†Andrea Hueckstaedt
- Sunday April 2 (Fifth Sunday of Lent)**  
8:00 am †Robert Hower  
9:30 am †Helena & Stanislaw Tarchala  
11:15 am †Michael Campanella  
†Jan Mendyk  
†William Spivey

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: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54  
*R: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.*
- Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16  
*R: The Lord of hosts is with us; our stronghold is the God of Jacob.*
- Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30  
*R: The Lord is gracious and merciful.*
- Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47  
*R: Remember us, O Lord, as you favor your people.*
- Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30  
*R: The Lord is close to the brokenhearted.*
- Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53  
*R: O Lord, my God, in you I take refuge.*
- Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]



**Communion Ministers/  
Lectors/Servers Schedule**

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

<b>Communion Ministers</b>	<b>Servers</b>
5:00 pm Linda Aiani Pat Barbee Rosie McDonald Reetha George	5:00 pm Nathan George Tabeetha George
8:00 am Sharon Hower Marty Hower Ralph D'Andrea Deacon Bob	8:00 am Dominic Capozzoli James Cappozzoli
9:30 am Rene Catalano JoLynn Lash Deacon Fred Phyllis Cimaglia	9:30 am Samantha Lash Andrew Carzoli
11:15 am Carmela Graziano Mike Graziano Karl Schmidt Mary McNamara	11:15 am Anthony Zapalik Ian Swets
<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Ushers</b>
5:00 pm Bill Schwartz Margaret Trepal	5:00 pm Pat Tardi Gary Divis Ed Rossi
8:00 am Chris Aument Sandie Galuszek	8:00 am Chris Aument Ralph D'Andrea Charles Fuscone Robert Gosanko
9:30 am Giuliano Catalano Mel Gerard	9:30 am Jim Ferenzi Joe Talaga Dennis Rosy
11:15 am Linda Vokoun Matt Vokoun	11:15 am Karl Schmidt John Carello Joe Crocilla Bill Hepperle Bruno Zecchin

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

Jan B. Barbara Beers Brian Beers Sue Bobka Janet Both Bob Bradtke Virgilio Carandang Jacqueline Castellano Stella Cervantes Fr. Albert Corbo Regina Conti Collin Cummins Mary Cummins Paul Cummins Ryszard Czupta Valeria D'Andrea Gina DeLuca Irene Dial Teresa Dunhac Scott Erickson Tracy Fink Cheryl Fisherkeller Sally Franz Mary Frawley Dan Galuszek Joe Galuszek Mary Gawlik Mel Gerard	Jerry Grimaldi Joseph Halec Ken Hemstreet Shirley Janik Brian Josephus Stawomir Krolkowski Edward Kryger Joe Kryger Rickie Kruzal Celeste Kucharczyk Elizabeth Lisak Pasquale Lopardo Sandra Maier Eileen Marino Joanne Merner Michael Merner Gene Mikulecky Bill McGarr Ann McNally Leo Morrissey Peter Morrissey Rich Mrugacz Jean Nowobielski Vince Oraziatti Fred Oslager Rich Olenek Anne Marie Pagni Harriett Pinkowski	Baby Vincent Porter Megan Putze Brendan Reidy Irma Reyes Ed Rossi Philomena Rucinski Alanna Ruiz Alexandra Ruiz Roxanne Ruiz Janina Sabat Jennifer Saele Shauna Sheffer Marilyn Sieradzki Belinda Sobucki Sharon Sowers Karen Stewart Terry Tardi Lorraine Thielberg James Thompson Patricia Vitale Jennifer Weil Monica Westell Helen Wilczko Waclaw Wilczko Grzegorz Wisniewski Judy Ziomek Deacon Bob Ziomek
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*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.*



We joyfully welcome into our St. Peter's family ~

**Noah Joseph**

*child of Joseph and Laurie (Alfano) Avila*

who was baptized during the month of February 2017

**In Memoriam**

*Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of*

**Anita Rizzo  
Alexander Pope**

*May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.*



**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
- PVT Jacob E. Cleveland, US Army Reserves
- CPT Joseph DeHaven, US Army
- 1LT Stephen Grabinski, US Army
- 1LT Steven Gregor, US Army
- PVT Michael Helle, US Army
- Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines
- CPT Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army
- 2ndLt 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)
- SN Benjamin Zubak, US Navy



All are welcome to stop by the school foyer to grab a doughnut, a beverage and some fellowship— weekly following all Sunday morning masses.



**St. Peter the Apostle Women's Club  
Thursday, April 6 | 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 sign up in the back of church.

Coffee, tea and water will be provided or feel free to bring a beverage of choice. Contact Rose Ann Roll if you would like to assist with hospitality.

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](mailto:office@stpeteritasca.com)



Fellow pilgrims—

As we journey toward Easter Sunday, join us for St. Peter's traditional Lenten Soup and Salad followed by Stations of the Cross.

**FRIDAYS DURING LENT**

5:30 pm to 6:45 pm

Soup and Salad (School Hall)

7:00 pm

Stations of the Cross (Church)

**Volunteers and donations are needed.  
Sign-up sheets are in the back of Church.**

**If you have any questions or need information,  
contact Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197**

**Friday, March 31**



St. Peter's Knights of Columbus  
hosts its annual



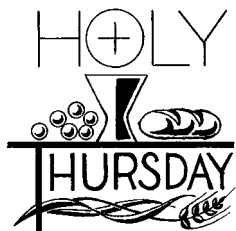
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Soup and Salad (School Hall)

*Get Us To The Top!*  
**RAISING FUNDS FOR THE NEW  
 CHURCH ELEVATOR**  
**\$100 from 1000 people**

**Go to [stpeteritasca.com](http://stpeteritasca.com) to donate online  
 or send checks to:  
 St. Peter the Apostle Church  
 524 N. Rush Street  
 Itasca, IL 60143**

Please include the word ELEVATOR in the memo line.  
 100% of your donation will go towards the purchase and installation of an elevator.  
 No contribution is too small!  
 Questions? Call the Parish Center at 630-773-1272.  
 Thank you!



**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 13) 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 10**. Space on the bus is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_



**Holy Ghost Parish , the Council of Catholic Women, and  
Knights of Columbus are proud to host.....**



**A two part Spiritual Event**

**A Lenten Mission**

**“Exploring the Mystery of  
The Holy Shroud of Turin”**

**Fr. Richard Fragomeni will enlighten us in our spiritual journey that connects us to The Holy Shroud of Christ that was His burial cloth after He died. On the final night of the Mission we will process into the Gym to do a solemn blessing for Our Shroud of Turin Exhibition.**

**Monday—Wednesday**

**March 27-29, 2017**

**7:00 PM—8:30 PM**

**Holy Ghost Catholic Church**

**254 N. Wood Dale Rd.,**

**Wood Dale, IL**

**630-860-2975**



**The Shroud of Turin Exhibit**

**This FREE exhibit includes a detailed canvas replica of the Shroud. The image is more than 14 feet long and 4 feet wide, and shows the front and back images of the shroud. The exhibit presents the results of a comprehensive and forensic study with numerous photographs and illustrations. The exhibit is the work of the Center for the Study of the Passion of Christ and the Holy Shroud, and Monsignor Giulio Ricci and other scientists, who spent more than 25 years researching the Holy Shroud.**



**Exhibit Hours in Ryan Hall Gym**

**Wed. March 29- Grand Opening and Blessing after the Mission at 8:15 PM**

**Thurs. March 30 and Friday March 31**

**11:30 AM—8:00 PM**

**Sat. April 1 10 AM- 4 PM and 6 PM- 8 PM**

**Sun. April 2 11:30 AM- 3:00 PM**



If you would like more information about the Diocese of Joliet Life Advocacy Day on April 5th, please contact parishioner Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197.



**Help fight taxpayer-funded abortions!**

House Bill 40 is the latest version of legislation that allows **your tax money to pay for elective abortions** for Medicaid recipients and state employees.

It also allows **tax money** to go to grants to **organizations that refer, counsel for, or perform abortions**. Current law calls for those grants to go to organizations that assist women experiencing problem pregnancies.

Please join the  
Office for Human Dignity ~ Respect Life Ministry  
**Wednesday, April 5, 2017**  
**At the Capitol Building in Springfield**  
**10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

Schedule of the Day:

- 10:00 AM – Briefing at Illinois State Museum’s auditorium, 502 South Spring Street, Springfield, IL.
- 10:30 AM – Lobby with Legislators
- 1:00 PM – Lunch Provided
- 2:00 PM – Depart Springfield to return home

**Please register by Wednesday, March 29, 2017**

By phone: (815) 221-6251

By email: [prolife@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:prolife@dioceseofjoliet.org)

\*Please provide your name, address, e-mail, and phone number.

Consider fasting on Wednesday, April 5, to join in solidarity with those from our Diocese who will be traveling to Springfield.

**HERE’S YOUR CHANCE TO CAPTURE  
A PIECE OF ST. PETER’S HISTORY...**

**PEWS FOR SALE!!!**

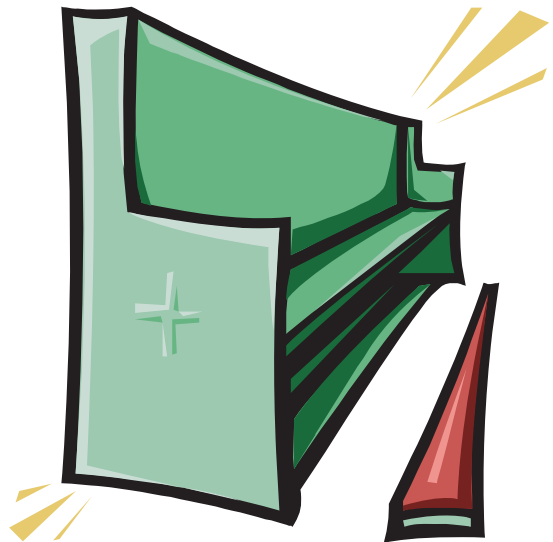
As we look forward to transitioning into our new church home, the old church pews are being offered to parishioners to purchase:

**\$250/19ft pew (37 available)**

**\$200/9.5ft pew (3 available)**

Availability will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Pews are first being offered to parishioners; however, after April 9th the sale will be made open to public for \$300/pew.

Pews will be made available on or about May 3, 2017. Pick-up and transportation will be the responsibility of the purchaser.



**RESERVE YOUR PEW NOW WITH PAYMENT IN FULL.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Pews Purchased: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment in Full Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete this form and return it with full payment made payable to St. Peter the Apostle (memo: PEW REQUEST), and return it to the Parish Center or drop it in the collection basket at weekend masses.

Reserve by April 9th -  
Sale will become open to public on April 10th

"When God created each of us, He did so with precision and purpose, and He looks on each of us with love that cannot be outdone in intensity or tenderness."



~USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
Respect Life Program Flyer: Masterpieces of God's Creation

**PREGNANT? NEED HELP?**

Birthright of DuPage	630-355-9888
National Birthright Aid for Women	1-800-848-LOVE
National Pregnancy Hotline	630-896-8600
National Adoption Hotline	1-800-535-9947
Greater Dosage MYM (Teen Parent Service)	1-202-463-7563
RETURN (Post Abortion Counseling)	630-790-8433 x 266
Natural Family Planning	1-815-838-7171
DuPage Catholic Charities Children's Services	1-815-838-1002
The Nurturing Network	630-495-6864
Crisis Pregnancy	1-800-TNN-4MOM
	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 outside of Advantage Clinic, 203 East Irving Park Road, Wood Dale, on Tuesday, Thursday 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](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**

March 1<sup>st</sup> marked the beginning of Lent. During Lent with sadness we contemplate the agony and death of Jesus, but we also think joyfully of His resurrection. Similarly, many women in unplanned pregnancies are troubled and sad. They come to The Women's Center and receive help, counseling and prayers. They are filled with joy after they give birth and cradle their baby in their arms. In 2016 we saved over 1,000 babies and saved their mothers from the agony of abortion.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**Are you looking for service hours, building your resume, make new friends, or just make a difference during this Christmas Season?** The Women's Center pregnancy center is looking for new volunteers to join Mondays-Fridays at our N. Cicero Avenue location.

We are specifically, looking for:

- Bilingual volunteers who are conversational in Spanish to help our volunteers and clients, particularly with translations, on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday from 10:00 am—2:00 pm.
- Warm self-starter volunteers with flexible availability to "on-call" Lobby Desk substitutes weekdays, 1:00-4:00 pm.
- New volunteers to help in the Family Resource Room sorting/organizing donations for our clients.
- Weekday volunteers to clean, tag, and box bottles for "Spare Change Campaigns" (ideal for groups of up to 6 people or students needing service hours).

To get involved, please call our main number 773-794-1313.

**SEEKING DONATIONS**

We are in need of **5 infant car seats/carriers, 3 toddler beds, 3 strollers, 2 walkers, 3 bouncers, 5 high chairs, 3 bassinets, 3 pack n plays and 3 swings.**

It will be a great help if you can deliver these to us. Call for our address where items may be dropped off. Multiple item donations may be eligible for pick-up by one of our volunteers.

For more information, please call 773-794-1313.

The families benefiting are grateful for your generosity.



