

Saint Peter the Apostle CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

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

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm



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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 2, 2020

Thus says the Lord:

All you who are thirsty, come to the water!

You who have no money,

come, receive grain and eat;

Come, without paying and without cost,
drink wine and milk!

Isaiah 55:1

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PARISH CENTER SUMMER BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 11:30 am

Friday: CLOSED

**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.

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.

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.

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

Communion calls are made every Friday for those unable to attend Sunday mass due to health issues.

Please call the Parish Center at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200) 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.

Dear parish family,

It's tempting to explain away miracles and to come-up with a "logical explanation" for experiences like what happens in today's gospel, when Jesus feeds over five thousand people on five loaves and a couple of fish.

We forget sometimes that God, unlike us, is not bound by time and space. That's what Saint Paul is telling us in today's second reading from his letter to the Romans:

"neither death nor life, nor present things nor future things, neither height nor depth, will separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." The same God who wrote the laws of nature can choose to suspend them temporarily.

In Matthew 14, we read, the crowd was hungry, and Jesus said to his Apostles there was no need for them to go away. Jesus **TOOK BREAD AND FISH, BLESSED, BROKE, and GAVE**. And, they all ate and were satisfied. The same Jesus who can feed over five thousand people can give himself to you today. Those words — he **TOOK**, He **BLESSED**, He **BROKE**, and He **GAVE** should sound familiar. At the Last Supper, Jesus took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his Apostles. In Mass, through the power of the Holy Spirit, the priest does the same thing — He takes bread, blesses it, breaks it and gives the Bread of Life to us. Jesus, in his Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity, offers Himself to us today.

Why does Jesus offer us this miracle today and at every Mass? The answer can be seen in today's readings. Saint Paul emphasizes the great, immeasurable love God has for us and for every person. That's His greatest reason for His miracles... His love for us. And our response to His love for us is to love Him in return, and our neighbor as our self.

In the first reading, the Prophet Isaiah 55:1-3 uses the phrase that you may have life, a phrase Jesus Himself uses when explaining why He came into our world. He wants our salvation — our eternal life with Him. And, perhaps most simply, today's responsorial Psalm 145 says it all..."The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs."

May the Lord continue to have pity on all the hungry and may He miraculously feed them. In His compassion, may he answer all our needs thus renewing His covenant of love with us.

Have a wonderful and blessed week,

Fr. Noesen

From the Pastor



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

The Maritime World

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

"All you who are thirsty, come to the water!"

— Isaiah 55:1a



Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

	Sunday Collection	Year to Date
Fiscal Week 1: 07/05/2020	\$ 10,379.17	\$ 10,379.17
Fiscal Week 2: 07/12/2020	\$ 9,110.00	\$ 19,489.17
Fiscal Week 3: 07/19/2020	\$ 7,616.26	\$ 27,105.43
Fiscal Week 4: 07/26/2020	\$ 6,066.00	\$ 33,171.43

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**This Week at St. Peter's**

Sunday	August 2
8 am - 1pm	Parish Blood Drive (<i>Margaret Woods Hall</i>)
Monday	August 3
7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Officer's Mtg'
Tuesday	August 4
5:00 pm	Parish Landscaping Clean-up
7:15 pm	Tuesday Evening Rosary (<i>BVM Statue</i>)
Saturday	August 8
4:00 pm	Confessions (<i>Church</i>)



Give them some food yourselves

Mass Intentions

Sunday	August 2 (Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 am	†James Family
11:00 am	†Giuseppina Cecala
	†Francesco Fricano
	†Biagio Gariti
Monday	August 3 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Stella and Charles Aument
Tuesday	August 4 (Saint John Vianney, Priest)
8:00 am	†Joe Riggio
Wednesday	August 5 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Chester Bochenko
Thursday	August 6 (Transfiguration of the Lord)
8:00 am	†Biagio Gariti
Friday	August 7 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Joan Streich
Saturday	August 8 (Weekday)
5:00 pm	†Victor Casini
	†Dominic Ciucci
	†Linda Diana
	†Robert Hoffman
Sunday	August 9 (Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 am	People of the Parish
11:00 am	†Biagio Gariti
	†Mike and Anne Laughlin
	†Michaelene Rogus
	For an End to Abortion

**Readings for the Week**

Monday:	Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:22-36
Tuesday:	Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday:	Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9
Friday:	Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday:	Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20
Sunday:	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Communion Ministers/ Lectors/Servers Schedule

Saturday, August 8 | Sunday, August 9

Communion Ministers

5:00 pm TBD

8:30 am TBD

11:00 am TBD

Lectors

5:00 pm TBD

8:30 am TBD

11:00 am TBD

Servers

5:00 pm NA

8:30 am NA

11:00 am NA

*Liturgical
Ministries*



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

Andrew Joseph

child of Daniel and Carla (Cullotta) DiMaio

Roman Jordan

child of Daniel and Beata (Izycka) Ryszka

Helena Alicja

child of Maciej and Natalia (Ludera) Mackowiak

who were baptized during the month of July 2020

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

Brian Beers

Sue Bobka

John Booth

Janet Both

Ken Buffo

Theodora Calip

Mike Carey

Jacqueline Castellano

Eunice Cleveland

Regina Conti

Lucy Crocilla

Joseph Crocilla

Collin Cummins

Mary Cummins

Michael Cummins

Paul Cummins

Margaret Del Preto

Tom Derma

Angeline DiFranco

Charles DiFranco Jr.

Teresa Dunhac

John Elia

Scott Erickson

Tracy Fink

Sally Franz

Dan Galuszek

Joe Galuszek

Geri Gerard

Mel Gerard

Mike Graziano

Joseph Halec

Carole Hatke

Phil Hatke

Jack Hayes

Ken Hemstreet

Mary Hosters

Shirley Janik

Brian Josephus

Anne Keeton

Debra Kelly

Joe Kryger

Ruth Kryger

Tom Kryger

Rickie Kruzel

Celeste Kucharczyk

JoLynn Lash

Sharon Laughlin

Elizabeth Lisak

Pasquale Lopardo

Eileen Marino

Patricia McMahon

Ann McNally

Jack McNally

Gene Mikulecky

Christopher Mizera

Rich Mrugacz

Robert Neumann

Barbara Neumann

Jean Nowobielski

Don Olenek

Vince Oraziatti

Fred Oslager

Anne Marie Pagni

Harriett Pinkowski

Bonnie Pollock

Megan Putzke

Brendan Reidy

Jerry Riordan

Ann Marie Rossi

John Rossi

Jennifer Ruffing

Savannah Rose Russo

Roxanne Ruiz

Alana Ruiz

Janina Sabat

Fred Santoro

Angela Scanlon

Mark Sgarbossa

Shauna Sheffer

Marilyn Sieradzki

Wayne Slowiak

Dan Sobucki

Belinda Sobucki

Sharon Sowers

Karen Stewart

Linda Swzeda

Pat Tardi

James Thompson

Patricia Vitale

Jennifer Weil

Helen Wilczko

Agnieszka Wisniewska

Grzegorz Wisniewski

Ray Young

Carol Zell

Deacon Bob Ziomek

Published and/or announced prayer requests require permission from the named individual or their family. Names will be listed for six weeks, after which time you may call the Parish Center to renew your request.

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

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

SGT 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

Cpl MacLane Read, US Army

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

Tuesday Rosary Ministry

Join the Rosary group as they gather outside near the Blessed Virgin Mary statue to pray the Rosary Tuesday evening. Please plan to arrive at 7:00pm in order to allow sufficient time to set up and begin praying at 7:15pm.

If you will need to sit, please bring your own chair.

Attendees are welcome to lead one of the decades if comfortable and called to do so.

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

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

In the event of inclement weather, the group will gather in the church. Please visit the parish website to review guidelines to be observed. Assistance with cleaning will also be needed once concluded.

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

(Pope John Paul II)

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 parish's 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.



And don't forget to connect with the parish on Facebook:



Join us on
Facebook

facebook.com/SaintPeterApostle.Itasca

Remember to invite your friends!!!

SPECIAL LIMITED TIME MEMBERSHIP PROMOTIONAL OFFER:

From Wednesday,
July 22 through
11:59 p.m. ET
on August 5th,
new members get
**FREE ONLINE
MEMBERSHIP**
for their first year.

regular dues are \$30/year

Visit kofc.org/joinus
enter the code
MCGIVNEY2020



St. Peter the Apostle Council #10884, like the Knights of Columbus everywhere, were thrilled to learn that Father Michael McGivney, our beloved founder, will be beatified and officially declared Blessed on October 31, 2020.

In recognition of this historic event, our council is extending a special membership offer in honor of our founder.

SPECIAL LIMITED TIME MEMBERSHIP PROMOTIONAL OFFER:
Through 11:59 p.m. ET on August 5, 2020, new members are being offered **FREE ONLINE MEMBERSHIP** for their first year. **St. Peter the Apostle Council #10884** will pay the first-year dues for every man who joins online between now and August 5. Simply visit kofc.org/joinus and enter the code **MCGIVNEY2020** to take advantage of this special offer.

Father McGivney was faced with a pandemic in the 1880s, as we are today. In the face of that pandemic, he persevered in his efforts to **evangelize** those in his community, to form his parishioners in their Catholic **faith**, and to **grow** the Knights of Columbus. As his spiritual heirs, we can do nothing less.

Our pastor needs the Knights of Columbus. Our fellow parishioners need the Knights of Columbus. Those impacted by COVID-19 need the Knights of Columbus. Just as our holy founder surely would, we are resolved to Leave No Neighbor Behind, and to offer every Catholic man of the parish an opportunity to join the Order that Father McGivney founded some 138 years ago.

**Toni Pietrowski**

Director of Religious Education

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DRE Assistant

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Religious Education Registration is



Registration packets are available on the parish Web site and at the parish office.

Class Time Offerings*:

Wednesdays 5:00 - 6:20 pm

Saturdays 9:00 - 10:20 am

"We will continue to monitor and plan classes accordingly based on Covid19 guidelines and recommendations of the Diocese and the health department."

CATECHISTS and TEEN HELPERS NEEDED!

The original meaning of the word Catechist is "teacher," or one who "echoes" God's word. Each year we rely on about 20 people of the parish to pass on the faith to our children in the small classes that we find so effective at St. Peter the Apostle parish. This coming school year, we need more catechists and teen helpers. No experience is needed. If interested in this rewarding experience, please contact the RE office.

LOOKING FOR HELPING HANDS



SCHOOL CLEANING ALERT!

Volunteers will be needed to prepare the school facilities for the upcoming Fall Religious Education session.

Scheduling will be determined at a later date; however, anyone interested is asked to contact the Parish Center to sign up.

For more information, contact the parish center —
by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200) or
by email at office@stpeteritasca.com.



The Scouts have coordinated a landscaping clean-up effort on August 4 at 5:00 pm (August 5th backup date). Anyone who would like to help is welcome to come and help — please bring your own gardening tools, if possible. For safety reasons the adults will handle the power tools and trimming and the scouts will help will cleanup.

HELP NEEDED TO MAINTAIN PARISH GROUNDS!

Volunteers are needed to help maintain sections of the parish grounds.

If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please contact the parish center —
by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200) or
by email at office@stpeteritasca.com.

*The more the merrier
and likewise quicker!*





The Catholic Church dedicates the month of August to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Immaculate Heart is often venerated together with the **Sacred Heart of Jesus** (the devotion we celebrate in June), and with good reason. Just as the Sacred Heart represents Christ's love for mankind, the Immaculate Heart represents the desire of the Blessed Virgin to bring all people to her Son.

There is no better example of the Christian life than that offered by Mary. Through the following prayers, which help to deepen our devotion to her Immaculate Heart, we can join the Mother of God in drawing closer to Christ.

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

This Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary illustrates perfectly the Marian doctrine of the Catholic Church: We do not worship Mary or place her above Christ, but we come to Christ through Mary, as Christ came to us through her.

In Honor of the Immaculate Heart

O heart of Mary, mother of God, and our mother; heart most worthy of love, in which the adorable Trinity is ever well-pleased, worthy of the veneration and love of all the angels and of all men; heart most like to the Heart of Jesus, of which thou art the perfect image; heart, full of goodness, ever compassionate toward our miseries; deign to melt our icy hearts and grant that they may be wholly changed into the likeness of the Heart of Jesus, our divine Savior. Pour into them the love of thy virtues, enkindle in them that divine fire with which thou thyself dost ever burn. In thee let Holy Church find a safe shelter; protect her and be her dearest refuge, her tower of strength, impregnable against every assault of her enemies. Be thou the way which leads to Jesus, and the channel, through which we receive all the graces needful for our salvation.

Be our refuge in time of trouble, our solace in the midst of trial, our strength against temptation, our haven in persecution, our present help in every danger and especially at the hour of death, when all hell shall let loose against us its legions to snatch away our souls, at that dread moment, that hour so full of fear, whereon our eternity depends. Ah, then most tender virgin, make us to feel the sweetness of thy motherly heart, and the might of thine intercession with Jesus, and open to us a safe refuge in that very fountain of mercy, whence we may come to praise Him with thee in paradise, world without end.

Amen.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Perhaps it's the result of mankind's sinful condition, or perhaps it's because of the built-in limitation of being creatures. No matter what the cause, humans tend to see mercy and justice as opposed to each other. But that's not true of God. He's both just and merciful, without any opposition between them. This truth is acclaimed in today's Responsorial Psalm, a portion of Psalm 145: "The Lord is gracious and merciful... The Lord is just in all his ways." As he sings the praises of the Lord, the psalmist finds no contradiction between these statements.

It's clear, however, that the readings for this Sunday emphasize God's goodness and generosity. Through the prophet Isaiah, the Lord invites the hungry and thirsty to come to him. He will give food and drink to them. That's right. He will give, not sell, grain, wine, and milk. "Come without paying and without cost." [Isaiah 55:1-3] That prophecy received unexpected fulfillment at the Feeding of the Five Thousand

[Matthew 14:13-21]. The evangelists found this so remarkable that it's the only miracle of Jesus to be recorded in all four Gospels (apart from the Resurrection itself). The narrative shows God's mercy and compassion. Jesus taught the crowd and healed the sick and fed them because "his heart was moved with pity for them." Not only was their need for food met, but the divine abundance was demonstrated. Twelve baskets full of leftovers were collected. And Jesus gave them their meal "without paying and without cost."

Undoubtedly the evangelists were also aware of the Eucharistic significance of this meal. Jesus not only fed the crowd on that one occasion. He continues to feed us as well, and he does so with the best imaginable food and drink, his own Body and Blood. Such a banquet is a gift that would be inconceivable without Jesus' own teaching about it.

God's generosity is not limited, however, to food and drink, no matter how wonderful. The protection extended to us, St. Paul writes [Romans 8:35,37-39], means that nothing – no angelic or demonic being, no force or power, not even death itself – can force a separation between us and God's love for expressed through Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God! No, nothing can separate us from God – except ourselves, that is. God's love means that he will respect our free will, no matter how badly we misuse it. God gives us all we have, including life itself. But we are stewards who are responsible to him for our use of all his gifts, our time and talent and treasure. As he said through Isaiah, "Heed me... Come to me heedfully, listen, that you may have life." If we refuse to heed him, we rush headlong into disaster, spiritual, material, or both. What we owe the Lord is the response of a grateful heart. In thanksgiving for all we have received, we need to ask his guidance on how we should use these blessings. When we do heed God by following the teaching we know he has revealed, we want to use what we've received to his glory. And then we discover the odd economics of the Kingdom of God: when we give, we discover we receive spiritual blessings beyond anything we can imagine.

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Blood Drive



Because of you, life doesn't stop.

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St. Peter the Apostle

Blood Drive

Sunday, August 2

8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Woods Hall, 551 Rush, Itasca

**To schedule a donation, call 877.258.4825 for
questions regarding your donation call 847.260.2647.**

Can't make it that day? Donate at any of Vitalant's 17
Chicagoland Donor Centers.



Appointments highly recommended. Masks required.

Look for group code **G233** when scheduling your appointment for the blood
drive or give this code when you present at the donor center during the
pre-screening process at the time of donation.

Did you or do you know someone who has recovered from COVID-19?

If so, you may be able to help others fighting the disease.

Visit [Vitalant.org/CovidFree](https://www.vitalant.org/CovidFree) to learn about donating Convalescent
Plasma (CCP). CCP is only available at our donation centers; not at
mobile blood drives.



Donate blood today to
see if you can help a
COVID-19 patient.
Your donation will be
tested for COVID-19
antibodies and if
positive, we may ask
you to give
convalescent plasma in
the future.

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"We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life" (EV86).

— Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae* © 1995, Libreria Editrice Vaticana.
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PREGNANT? NEED HELP?

Real Alternatives	888-543-3243
First Way National Life Center	800-848-5683
Aid for Women	312-621-1100
National Pregnancy Hotline	800-521-5530
National Adoption Hotline	202-463-7563
Teen Parent Connection	630-790-8433
Natural Family Planning	815-838-1002
DuPage Catholic Charities	630-495-8008
The Nurturing Network	800-866-4666
Crisis Pregnancy Hotline	800-672-2296
Waterleaf Women's Center	630-701-6270
The Gabriel Project	877-734-2444



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

AVENUE WOMEN'S CENTER

Avenue Women's Center is a local ministry that serves anyone facing an unexpected pregnancy. If you suspect that you may be pregnant, you can reach out to the Avenue Women's Center helpline at 630-455-0300. Pregnancy test and consultations are offered at no charge. Most women also receive a free ultrasound.

The caring staff will walk with you through your decision and beyond, connecting you with practical resources wherever needed—from emergency funding to housing to childcare to job training, and much more.

Visit their website at AvenueWomensCenter.com.

Centers are located in
Naperville, West Chicago, Glen Ellyn,
Darien, Wood Dale, and Elmhurst.

The Avenue Women's Center in Wood Dale is located at
132 East Irving Park Road.



WILL YOU HELP SAVE UNBORN BABIES?

NorthWest Families for Life
together with the *Respect Life Ministries*
at *St. Peter's and Surrounding Parishes*
invite you to pray and save lives outside of
the Wood Dale abortion facility.

One of the main reasons women give for changing their mind about having an abortion is the presence of someone there outside the clinic praying for them.

Advantage Clinic, 203 East Irving Park Road, Wood Dale
Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 8:30am to 1pm

Could you be there one day a month? One hour a week?

- Any time you can sacrifice will make a difference!
- You DO NOT need to sign up to come out to pray.
- Just show up any of the above days and times
- You DO NOT need special training

For more information and more ways to be involved in this pro-life ministry, email Maria Goldstein at NWFL526@gmail.com or call Laura 847-651-4877, or call parishioner, Nancy Magnus 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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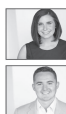
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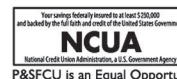
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