

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: 8:00 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



March 11, 2018

Fourth 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.

Saint Patrick, 389-461 | Feast Day March 17

How do you teach a classroom that's as big as a whole country? How do you teach a whole country about God? St. Patrick's classroom was the whole country of Ireland and his lesson was the good news of Jesus Christ. How in the world did he do it? Well, it was only possible because he depended totally on God.

But letting God give him strength and direction didn't always come naturally to St. Patrick. That was a lesson he had to learn himself. And he didn't get to learn it from understanding, gentle teachers in a comfortable classroom. He learned it from a band of thieving, roving pirates.

Although we think of Ireland when we talk about St. Patrick, he wasn't actually born in Ireland. He was born in Britain, perhaps even in Scotland. His father was a deacon, and his grandfather had been a priest. But Patrick didn't think too much about God. We don't really know why this was. He probably thought he didn't need God. He probably thought other things could bring him as much happiness as God could. God just wasn't on Patrick's mind as he roamed the fields of his homeland, tending animals and learning how to be a man.

But his happy, carefree life ended one day when crowds of strangers appeared on the horizon. They looked dangerous and frightening, and they were. They were pirates and thieves, on their way to capture slaves to take back to Ireland. Patrick was one of those hundreds of captives. He was snatched from his family and his home. He was taken from all of his future hopes and dreams. Patrick was thrown on a ship, bound in chains, and taken over the sea to Ireland. He was sixteen years old. For six years, Patrick was a slave in Ireland. He was put to work watching sheep and cattle. Patrick had just enough food to live on, and when he wasn't working, he tried to rest in tiny huts that were damp and cold.

But something strange and wonderful happened in Ireland. All alone, frightened for his life, and among people who worshiped trees and stones, Patrick opened his heart to God.

That happens to a lot of us, doesn't it? When everything's going great, we don't have any time for God. But then something awful and painful happens, and there we are, back at God's feet.

During those years, Patrick started to pray. He thought about God all the time, and it gave him peace of mind. He knew that no matter how much he was suffering, God loved him. Eventually, Patrick escaped from slavery and traveled to France, which in those days was called Gaul. We're not sure exactly how much time Patrick spent in Gaul. But it was enough time for him to draw closer to God as he prayed and studied in a monastery.

One night, deep in a dreamy vision, Patrick heard voices. He heard many voices, joined together, pleading with him. "Come back," the voices cried, "come back and walk once more among us." Patrick knew it was the Irish people calling him.

Strengthened by the courage that only God can give, Patrick went back. He returned to the very people who had stolen him from his family, worked him mercilessly as a slave, and knew little, if anything, about the love of the true God. Before he left Gaul, Patrick was made the bishop of Ireland. He then traveled across the sea to teach Ireland about Jesus Christ. It wasn't easy. The people of Ireland practiced pagan religions.

They worshiped nature, and they practiced magic. They feared the spirits they believed lived in the woods. The Irish people believed they could bring evil spirits down on those they wanted to harm.

Patrick had a big job ahead of him. He had to show a country full of students that there was no point in worshiping nature. Trees can't forgive your sins or teach you how to love. The sun, as powerful as it is, could not have created the world. Patrick explained things using simple examples that people could easily understand. For example, he used the three-leaf clover to show people how there could be three persons in one God.

Patrick preached to huge crowds and small villages. He preached to kings and princes. He preached in the open air, and he preached in huts. Patrick never stopped preaching, and he never stopped teaching. He couldn't stop—the whole country of Ireland was his classroom, and he couldn't afford to miss even one student!

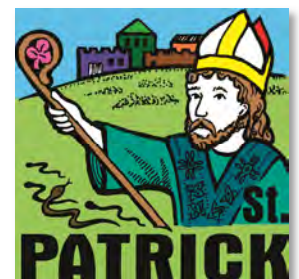
Soon, Patrick had help. Men became priests and monks. Women became nuns. Wherever they lived, those monks and nuns settled in monasteries and set up schools. More students were being reached every day. But, of course, the greatest help Patrick had was from God. When he was young, Patrick had forgotten God, but that would never happen again. He knew that God supported him in every step he took. God gave Patrick the courage to speak, even when Patrick was in danger of being hurt by pagan priests who didn't want to lose their power over the people.

Patrick's most famous prayer shows us how close he was to God. It's called "St. Patrick's Breastplate." A breastplate is the piece of armor that protects a soldier's heart from harm. Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ within me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ at my right, Christ at my left.

If you would like to have more information about Saint Patrick, please ask Greg McDonald, as he is the expert.

God bless you.

Fr. Slawek



Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

Sunday Collection Year to Date

Fiscal Week 36: March 4, 2018 \$ 12,447.67 \$ 402,287.52

Financial figures reflect the parish fiscal year of July 1st through June 30th.

If you have any questions concerning the collection numbers, please feel free to contact the Business Office at 630-773-1272 (ext. 204).

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



This Week at St. Peter's

- Sunday March 11**
MANNA Sales after all Masses (*Church/Narthex*)
10:30 am Grief Support Group (*PC*)
1:00 pm First Holy Communion Retreat (*School*)
- Tuesday March 13**
P.A.D.S (SPA-hosts) (*First Presbyterian Church*)
- Wednesday March 14**
5:00 pm Religious Education Classes (*School/Church*)
6:00 pm Adult Hand Bell Choir (*Church*)
7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (*Church*)
- Thursday March 15**
9:00 am Morning Bible Discussion (*Parish Hall*)
- Friday March 16**
1:00 pm Stations of the Cross (*Church*)
5:30 pm Knights of Columbus Fish Fry (*Parish Hall*)
5:30 pm Soup & Salad (*Parish Hall*)
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (*Church*)
- Saturday March 17**
4:00 pm Confessions (*Church*)
- Sunday March 18**
12:30 pm Baptisms (*Church*)
12:30 pm St. Joseph's Table (*Parish Hall*)

Mass Intentions



- Sunday March 11 (Fourth Sunday of Lent)**
8:00 am †Ken Lahner
9:30 am †Kevin P. Sheehan
11:15 am †John Thomas Bowen
†Frank and Concetta Graziano
†Ralph Klingler
- Monday March 12 (Lenten Weekday)**
8:00 am †Grace Luckasen
- Tuesday March 13 (Lenten Weekday)**
8:00 am †Bea Pabis
- Wednesday March 14 (Lenten weekday)**
8:00 am †Joe and Elsie Garber
- Thursday March 15 (Lenten weekday)**
8:00 am †Helen Efta
- Friday March 16 (Lenten Weekday)**
8:00 am †Daniel McDonald
- Saturday March 17 (Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Lent)**
5:00 pm †Paul Mastropolo
†Ronald Monge
†Frank Olenek
†Arlene Sbertoli
- Sunday March 18 (Fifth Sunday of Lent)**
8:00 am †Ken Lahner
9:30 am †Ralph Fortino Sr.
11:15 am †Victoria A. Lochner
Richard Mrugacz (*Special Intention*)
†Alexander Pope
People of the Parish

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: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33
Alternate readings (Year A):
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]



The Knights of Columbus will be praying the Rosary for Life next weekend beginning approximately 25 minutes before each Mass.

In Memoriam

Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of
Peter Morrissey
brother-in-law of Robert Woods
May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

**Communion Ministers/
Lectors/Servers Schedule**

Saturday, March 17 | Sunday, March 18

Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Pat Schwartz
Linda Aiani
Val Serzen
Gary Divis

8:00 am Jim Ruffing
Arlene Derma
Nancy Riley

9:30 am Nancy Ferenzi
El Gerard
Deacon Bob

11:15 am Carmela Graziano
Karl Schmiidt
John Carello
Deacon Fred

Lectors

5:00 pm John Los
Bill Schwartz

8:00 am Chris Aument
Sandie Galuszek

9:30 am Kathy Laken
Judy Ziomek

11:15 am Laura Mack
Erin Mack

Servers

5:00 pm Anthony Zapalik
8:00 am Brynn Ellenbecker
9:30 am Andrew Carzoli
11:15 am Julia Burke

Ushers

5:00 pm Pat Tardi
Gary Divis
Ed Rossi

8:00 am Chris Aument
Ralph D'Andrea
Charles Fuscone
Robert Gosanko

9:30 am Jim Ferenzi
Ralph Fortino
Dennis Rosy
Joe Talaga

11:15 am Karl Schmidt
John Carello
Joe Crocilla
Bill Hepperle
Bruno Zecchin

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

Beverly Balke
Barbara Beers
Brian Beers
Sue Bobka
John Booth
Janet Both
Joe Busato
Mike Carey
Jacqueline Castellano
Regina Conti
Lucy Crocilla
Collin Cummins
Mary Cummins
Paul Cummins
Valeria D'Andrea
Margaret Del Preto
Irene Dial
Angeline DiFranco
Charles DiFranco Jr.
Teresa Dunhac
John Elia
Arlene Elia
Scott Erickson
Robert Fahler
Tracy Fink
Cheryl Fisherkeller
Sally Franz
Mary Frawley
Chuck Fuscone
Dan Galuszek
Joe Galuszek
Mary Gawlik
Mel Gerard

Mike Graziano
Jerry Grimaldi
Joseph Halec
Carl Hansen
Jeanette Hemmelgarn
Ken Hemstreet
Shirley Janik
Brian Josephus
Debra Kelly
Joe Kryger
Ruth Kryger
Caryn Kuhlman
Rickie Kruzel
Celeste Kucharczyk
JoLynn Lash
Sharon Laughlin
Elizabeth Lisak
Pasquale Lopardo
Eileen Marino
Bienvenida Mayo
Patricia McMahan
Ann McNally
Jack McNally
Gene Mikulecky
Christopher Mizera
Christina Morales
Leo Morrissey
Rich Mrugacz
Frank Nicolella
Jean Nowobielski
Christine Olenek
Vince Oraziatti

Fred Oslager
Anne Marie Pagni
Harriett Pinkowski
Baby Vincent Porter
Megan Putze
Brendan Reidy
John Rossi
Jennifer Ruffing
Savannah Rose Russo
Philomena Rucinski
Janina Sabat
Emilio Saldana
Fred Santoro
Angela Scanlon
Shauna Sheffer
Marilyn Sieradzki
Belinda Sobucki
Richard D. Sokolowski
Sharon Sowers
Gracie Ann Stella
Karen Stewart
Joan Streich
Terry Tardi
Lorraine Thielberg
James Thompson
Patricia Vitale
Jennifer Weil
Helen Wilczko
Grzegorz Wisniewski
John Zell
Deacon Bob Ziomek
Judy 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 request to remain another six weeks.



Cross and Offertory Gift Bearers

Thank you to the following Confirmation and First Holy Communion candidates for serving as cross and gift bearers at this weekend's masses:

	CROSS	GIFTS
5:00 pm	—	—
8:00 am	—	—
9:30 am	Ben Bogucki	Nicholas Esposito & family
11:15 am	Rosario Pecoraro	—

Please pray for these children and their families as they prepare for Confirmation and First Holy Communion.



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
- PFC Michael D'Andrea, US Army
- 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
- 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)
- PO3 Benjamin Zubak, US Navy



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

Grief Ministry Meetings

If you have lost a loved one and would like to meet with people who face similar struggles, please consider joining our Grief Ministry group.

We meet in the Parish Center on the second Sunday of the month following the 9:30 am Mass (approximately 10:30am).

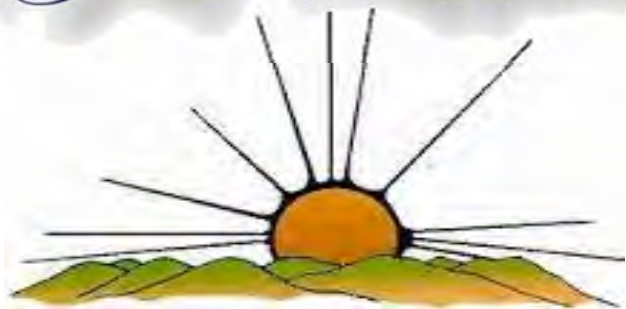
Our members are friendly, compassionate and all are good listeners.

For more information, please contact:

Sharon Laughlin or Fred Maier
630-212-0304 630-773-4412

THIS weekend—Sunday, March 11 at 10:30 am

Grief Support



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 | 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

Friday, March 2 | 8:30 am (following First Friday Benediction)

Thursday, March 9 | 7:00 am (during Father John Project)

Tuesday, March 27 | 7:00 pm (during Parish Mission)

24-HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

Sunday, March 18 | following 11:15 am Mass

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

PALM SUNDAY | March 25 | Regular Mass Schedule

HOLY THURSDAY | March 29

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 | March 30

3:00 pm: Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm: Passion of our Lord Service

(Church will remain open until midnight)

HOLY SATURDAY | March 31

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 1

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

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to **abstain from meat** on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is **bound to fast** on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

On these two days of fast and abstinence, **only one full meatless meal is allowed**. Two other **meatless** meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected the law does not apply. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer and a performance of works of charity and mercy.



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 (Parish 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 16



St. Peter's Knights of Columbus
hosts its annual



during
Soup and Salad (School Hall)



SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, March 18 | 12:30 pm

St. Peter's 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**

Proceeds benefit the Transitional Housing Ministry



SAVE THE DATE — TOTUS TUUS at St. Peter the Apostle! JUNE 24-29, 2018

Totus Tuus is a fun and energetic Catholic youth program taught by seminarians and college students throughout the Diocese of Joliet. From catechetical sessions, Sacraments, and Mass to songs, games and skits - your child is sure to have fun while learning more about their faith!



Entering Grades 1-6
Monday – Friday (June 25-29)
9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Entering Grades 7-12
Sunday – Thursday (June 24-28)
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

REGISTER ONLINE:
www.givecentral.org/totus_tuus

For more information or to inquire about registration, contact Toni Pietrowski by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext 216) or by e-mail at religioused@stpeteritasca.com



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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 (**March 29**) 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 **March 23**. Space on the bus is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Name _____ Phone # _____
Name _____ Phone # _____
Name _____ Phone # _____



As we journey toward Easter Sunday,
please plan to attend

St. Peter's Lenten Parish Mission

WORSHIP GOD with GOD'S own WORD

A three-day spiritual renewal

Sunday, March 25 - Tuesday, March 27

7:00 pm

(Church)

Fr. Doug Martis will be leading us in a biblical walk through the Mass...

The Catholic Mass and other Catholic prayers are filled with images and references taken directly from the Sacred Scriptures. In this Parish Mission we will take a biblical stroll through the Mass to discover the great treasure of Catholic spirituality and how it is that the Mass begins and ends in the Bible: from the Sign of the Cross at the beginning (Genesis 1) to the great Dismissal and culmination of all things in Christ (Revelation 22).



Reverend Douglas Martis is a priest of the Diocese of Joliet and Director of Sacred Liturgy at the Pontifical College Josephinum, Columbus, Ohio, where he teaches in the department of Dogmatics.

Ordained in 1989, and after nearly a decade of parish work, Fr. Martis was appointed to the faculty at Mundelein Seminary where he taught in the departments of Systematic Theology and of Worship. He earned a doctorate in sacred theology (S.T.D.) from the Institut Catholique de Paris and a Ph.D. in History of Religions and Religious Anthropology from the University of Paris (Sorbonne) in 2002.

Fr. Martis is a former director of The Liturgical Institute, a position he held for twelve years. Author of many scholarly publications, Fr. Martis is co-author with Christopher Carstens of *Mystical Body, Mystical Voice: Encountering Christ in the Words of the Mass*. He is also the developer and presenter of the video series, Elements of the Catholic Mass at ElementsOfTheCatholicMass.com.

"When I voiced my objections to do abortion-related services, I was terminated. It's against my conscience. I became a nurse to protect lives, not to take lives."



— Sandra Mendoza, L.P.N.

PREGNANT? NEED HELP?

Birthright of DuPage	630-355-9888
National Birthright	1-800-848-LOVE
Aid for Women	630-896-8600
National Pregnancy Hotline	1-800-535-9947
National Adoption Hotline	1-202-463-7563
Greater Dosage MYM	
(Teen Parent Service)	630-790-8433 x 266
RETURN	
(Post Abortion Counseling)	1-815-838-7171
Natural Family Planning	1-815-838-1002
DuPage Catholic Charities	
Children's Services	630-495-6864
The Nurturing Network	1-800-TNN-4MOM
Crisis Pregnancy	1-800-67-BABY-6
	1-800-NO-ABORT
Women's Choice Services	630-261-9221
The Gabriel Project	1-877-734-2444

PRAY OUTSIDE WOOD DALE ABORTION CLINIC

Please join the Life groups of St. Peter and St. Walter's in 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) 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.

Good Friday "Way of the Cross" at a Wood Dale Abortion Clinic



Friday, March 30 | 10:00 am

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EVENT: Way of the Cross
for Victims of Abortion

WHEN: Friday, March 30
10:00 am - 11:00 am

WHERE: Advantage Health Care

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INFO: Email Maria Goldstein at NWFL526@gmail.com
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