

Saint Peter ^{the} Apostle CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am | 10:00 am | 11:30 am

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays | 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

Wednesdays | 8:30 am (*following 8:00 am Mass*)

First Saturdays | 8:30 am (*following 8:00 am Mass*)

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**
August 14, 2022

**HE ENDURED
THE CROSS,**

despising its shame,
and has taken his seat at the
right of the throne of God.



Hebrews 12:2

From the Pastor



Dear parish family,

We all know that being a follower of Jesus and being a Christian is not easy. Saying "yes" to the teachings of the Lord can cause division between us and those, even family members, who do not embrace the Gospel.

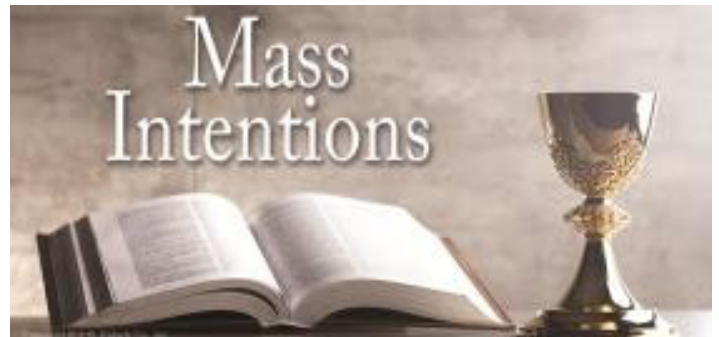
Saint Mother Theresa of Calcutta once said, "that we shouldn't fear what others think of us when we are trying to live as faithful disciples." She said, "in the final analysis it is between you and God; it was never between you and them anyway."

In truth, it can be difficult to uphold Church teaching when it is often met with resistance and rejection, with people favoring their own notions and desires, often reducing the Gospel, Church teaching, and Church Law to merely one of many "opinions" that they are free to accept or reject. Living in such a secular atmosphere can cause despair, hopelessness, and fear. It is true, too, that those who try to live a faithful and obedient life are often vilified for their efforts. Do not give up. Do not be afraid. Pray to be courageous and faithful in your witness to the truth of Christ and His Church. For Christ said, "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!"

Prayers for all of you,

Fr. Noesen

Fire On The
Earth
Luke 12:49-53



Sunday	August 14 (Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 am	†George Kveck
10:00 am	†Kazimierz and Maria Podsada
11:30 am	†Antonio Beltran
	†Glenn Downey
	†Lenore Koda
	†Eva Melo
Monday	August 15 (The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary)
8:00 am	†Jan Kosk
7:00 pm	People of the Parish
Tuesday	August 16 (Weekday; St. Stephen of Hungary)
8:00 am	†Dora Pontillo
Wednesday	August 17 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Ed Kryger
Thursday	August 18 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Frank Pellegrino
Friday	August 19 (Weekday; St. John Eudes, Priest)
8:00 am	†George Kveck
Saturday	August 20 (Vigil: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time)
5:00 pm	†Alvera McDonald
	†Larry Dohrer
	†Bert Pilar
	For an End to Abortion
Sunday	August 21 (Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 am	†Scott Erickson
10:00 am	Rich and Raffaella Olenek - 59th Anniversary
11:30 am	†Barbara Marck
	†Ann Marie Rossi
	†Otto Ternes
	People of the Parish

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday:	Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday:	Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

GRIEF MINISTRY

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

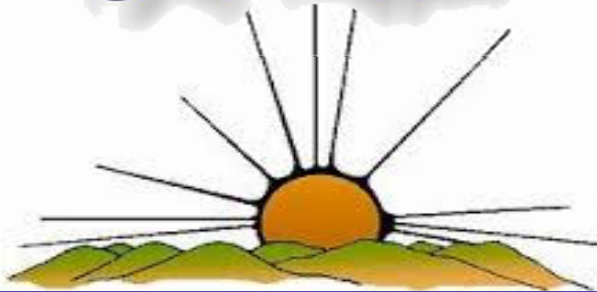
Please meet in Margaret Woods Hall for refreshments before heading to the **Parish Center Conference Room**.

For more information, please contact:

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

THIS WEEKEND—SUNDAY, AUGUST 14 | 9:30 am

Grief Support



Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15

Monday, August 15, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven. It is usually observed as a Holy Day of Obligation. However, since it falls on Monday this year, there is NO obligation to attend Mass.

Out of love and devotion, we are strongly encouraged to attend Mass in honor of the Blessed Mother.

Masses will be celebrated on August 15 at 8:00 am and 7:00 pm.

Please join us as we honor the Assumption of Mary into Heaven.

A New Deacon for Saint Peter the Apostle Parish



On Saturday, August 20, Bishop Ronald Hicks will ordain men of the Diocese of Joliet to the Order of Deacon at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. Among these men will be Anthony George from St. Peter the Apostle Parish. As many of you know, Mr. George has completed the four-year education and spiritual formation program. Anthony's dedication and commitment to serve the Church, especially at Saint Peter's has grown markedly throughout the past four years of his diaconate formation.

I am confident that he has been very well prepared, and I have no doubt that he will be a very dedicated and conscientious deacon in service to the Lord, the people of our parish, and the Diocese of Joliet. Please pray for Anthony in the days before his ordination, so that the Holy Spirit may come upon him in great ways to bring the Gospel and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church to those he is called to serve, teach, and love in Christ Jesus the Lord.

Thank you to all who have supported him during his years of his discernment and formation.

His first Mass as a Deacon will be at St. Peter the Apostle on **Sunday, August 21, at 11:30 am**. Following Mass, the parish will host a luncheon in his honor in Margaret Woods Hall.

All parishioners and guests are invited to the Mass and to the luncheon.

If you plan to attend the luncheon, but have not yet responded, please do so by Monday, August 15. You can call the parish center or email office@stpeteritasca.com. Replies can also be made on the parish website.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Noesen

DEACON ORDINATION

For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus. – 1 Tim. 3:13

Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

Fiscal Week 6 - Sunday Collection (08/07/2022) \$ 11,006.00
 GiveCentral - July 2022 \$ 1,885.00

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



Electronic Giving is available using GiveCentral

Please visit the parish website and look for the GiveCentral icon to link to the secure online giving portal.

You can also connect directly by using the QR code provided or visiting the website directly at givecentral.org/location/1251



Please keep Saint Peter the Apostle Parish in mind when making out your Will and in doing your Estate Planning. Remembering the Church is a beautiful and fitting way to make a lasting memorial statement of faith for future generations.

This Week at St. Peter's...

Sunday August 14
 Faith & Fellowship (after all masses) (MW Parish Hall)

Monday August 15
 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus General Mtg. (AFCM/KOC Hall)

Tuesday August 16
 10:00 am Crochet Group (MW Parish Hall)
 7:15 pm Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)

Wednesday August 17
 8:30 am Confessions (Church)

Thursday August 18
 8:30 am Father John Project (Church)

Saturday August 20
 4:15 pm Confessions (Church)

Sunday August 21
 12:15 pm Baptisms (Church)
 12:15 pm "Deacon" Anthony George Celebration (MW Parish Hall)

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program welcomes adults into the Catholic faith through study, discussion and prayer. Both baptized and non-baptized individuals interested in becoming Catholic, along with those who wish to receive the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation, are invited to enroll in the program.

Sessions begin again in the Fall. To register for the RCIA program, use the link on the parish website. Contact Deacon Bob with any questions: deaconbob@stpeteritasca.com



Saturday, August 20 | Sunday, August 21

Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Rose Ann Roll
 Valerie Serzen

8:30 am Kathy Frank
 Edgar Garcia

10:00 am Ann Fleming
 Deacon Fred

11:30 am Bill Kolf
 Deacon Anthony

Lectors

5:00 pm Lou Casolari

8:30 am Sandie Galuszek

10:00 am Nancy Magnus

11:30 am Stella Capobianco



All are welcome to stop by the Margaret Wood's Parish Hall weekly following all Sunday morning masses. Grab a doughnut, a beverage and some fellowship!

NOTE: Sunday Donuts Faith & Fellowship will not take place NEXT WEEKEND due to the reception for Deacon Anthony.



St. Peter the Apostle Itasca - Council 10884 is pleased to introduce its newly-installed slate of officers for 2022-23:

Father Robert Noesen, Chaplain
Deacon Fred Maier, Spiritual Advisor
Deacon Bob Ziomek, Spiritual Advisor
Tom Kryger, Grand Knight
Nick Alfano, Deputy Grand Knight
Mike Fink, Chancellor
Bill Kolf, Advocate
Jim Ferenzi, Warden
Mike Cummins, Recording Secretary
Mike Nehf, Treasurer
Frank Vale, Financial Secretary
Tom Sepka, Inside Guard
Ed Rossi, Outside Guard
Ralph Fortino, Trustee 3 Year
Karl Schmidt, Trustee 2 Year
Mel Gerard, Trustee 1 Year
Deacon Fred Maier, Lecturer

**Congratulations to all
 and may God bless the works of
 the Knights of Columbus!**



PRAYER SERVICE

Tuesday, August 30 | 7:30 pm

A nine-month pilgrimage of the Silver Rose will be the centerpiece of a special prayer service at St. Peter the Apostle Parish in Itasca, on Tuesday August 30 at 7:30 pm.

The Knights of Columbus and St. Peter the Apostle – Itasca – Council 10884 will honor Our Lady of Guadalupe and express both international unity and dedication to the sanctity of human life.

The journey of the Silver Rose begins in March each year and ends on December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. During that time, Silver Roses travel from town to town along eight routes throughout North America. Several of those routes begin in Canada and end in Mexico. The Silver Rose Program began in 1960, when the first rose – a live one – was blessed by a bishop in Ontario. The rose then traveled to New York and then to Texas where it was taken across the border into Mexico. The rose ended its pilgrimage at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey on December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

To better ensure future annual trips, a “silver rose” was ultimately created. Today, due to the popularity of the program throughout the North American continent, eight silver roses travel unique routes.

All members of the community are invited to join the Knights of Columbus and St. Peter the Apostle – Itasca – Council 10884 to pray for a civilization of love and culture of life in our own country and throughout the world. *Please spread the word!*

Founded in 1882 to assist working-class and immigrant Catholics in the United States, today approximately two million members of the Knights of Columbus put their faith into action through a broad range of charitable causes locally, nationally and internationally through financial contributions and hands-on service.



HE CALLS, WE ANSWER

Archbishop José H. Gomez

New World of Faith | July 2022

When we read the Gospels every day, we start to notice a pattern. Jesus is on a journey, and as he goes, he is encountering different people along the way. Often, as he is passing by, he sees someone and invites that person to go with him.

We think of stories of the apostles, Peter and Matthew; John and Andrew; Philip and Bartholomew; we think of Nicodemus and the Samaritan woman.

Sometimes in the Gospel, the person's name is not mentioned: "And to another he said, 'Follow me.'"

Those two words, "Follow me," can stand as a summary for the whole Gospel. These words contain the Beatitudes, the Sermon on the Mount, the Lord's Prayer.

"Follow me" means: Come and see what I am like. Live like I live, love like I love. Seek God's will in everything. Serve as you see me serving, shining the bright light of God's love and mercy into every corner of the earth.

Late in his life, Saint Pope John Paul II told a gathering of young people: "You are a thought of God, you are a heart-beat of God. To say this is like saying that you have a value which in a sense is infinite, that you matter to God in your completely unique individuality."

This is the beautiful truth of our lives. Jesus loves each of you, he has a plan for you. He came into this world to know you, to walk with you, and to invite you to live in friendship with him.

Our lives truly begin when we become aware of his loving gaze, when we realize that he knows our name, and that he is calling us to walk with him.

In these times of confusion and division in our world and in our culture, the most important thing we can do is return to Jesus Christ. We need to seek him, find him, and love him. We need to discover ourselves once again in his gaze of love, and open ourselves in new ways to listen for the divine voice that is speaking to our hearts.

Nothing is lost or taken away from us when we let Jesus into our lives. In fact, it is the opposite. His friendship is the key that opens the door to life's true meaning. He calls, and we answer. And in this dialogue, we discover the truth about who we are, and who we are called to become.

"Follow me" is a call to vocation, to mission. It is a call to serve Jesus completely, with no limits or conditions on our love. He has a task for you, and he is asking for commitment and sacrifice from us.

Jesus wants us to do great things with our lives and he will give us the graces to do those great things. He is calling us to use our gifts and talents to proclaim his kingdom and to save souls, to create a beautiful society that is open to God and that serves human dignity and social justice.

The secret is that we carry out our vocation in the ordinary circumstances of our everyday lives.

No matter our state of life, or our occupation, no matter who you are or what you are doing, you have the opportunity to proclaim his kingdom, and to help others to meet Jesus and know his love. Every day, in every circumstance, we have the possibility of bringing Jesus into the lives of others.

We need to once again make Jesus the way and the truth for our lives. In our every ministry in the Church, we need to propose again the beautiful adventure of following Jesus.

One of the saints said: "There are no roads made for you. You yourselves will make the way through the mountains, beating it out by your own footsteps." This is the adventure. He calls and we answer.

Jesus left footprints when he walked on this earth. He calls all of us now, each in our way, to walk in his footsteps, to follow his path of love. And he promises us that, if we answer his call, then we will know love and joy, beauty, goodness, and truth. Our lives will become a pathway of love that leads to heaven and eternal life.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection - Gospel Reading:
Luke 12:49-53

Jesus has come not only to bring peace but also division.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Having reminded the apostles and the crowd that facing the coming judgment takes patience, Jesus now goes on to speak of how difficult it will be to wait. He tells them that he has come to set the earth on fire. Recall that in chapter 3 of Luke's Gospel, John the Baptist tells the crowd that he is baptizing with water, but someone mightier is coming who will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire. The fire Jesus speaks of here is the distress caused by the coming judgment. It is also the fire of the Spirit that Luke, in the Acts of the Apostles, will describe descending on the disciples on Pentecost. That fire will strengthen them to go out to the whole world to preach the good news of Jesus' Resurrection.

Jesus will be the first to experience the distress of the coming judgment. His baptism will be the conflict into which he will be immersed as he approaches Jerusalem and his death on the cross. His followers will not be spared that distress. The angels at Jesus' birth proclaimed peace on earth, and Simeon, holding the baby Jesus in the Temple, said to God: "Master, now you may let your servant go in peace." Here Jesus tells the crowd not to think he has come to bring peace; he has come to bring division. Simeon said as much when he turned to Mary and said that the child was destined for the rise and fall of many and to be a sign that will be contradicted. Peace is the ultimate end of the Kingdom of God, but peace has a price. Jesus is warning the crowd that wherever the Word of God is heard and acted upon, division occurs. Fathers will be divided against sons and mothers against daughters.

The coming judgment forces us to look at the implications of our commitments. As Jesus warned in last Sunday's Gospel, a commitment of faith requires us to change our attitude toward material possessions and to take even more seriously our moral responsibilities. Here he reminds the crowd that those who commit to him will find it affects the way they relate to friends and family members. The angel who announced the birth of John the Baptist to Zechariah said John would go before Jesus to turn the hearts of fathers toward their children. But a commitment to Jesus forces us to change the way we live our lives, and this can put strains on relationships.

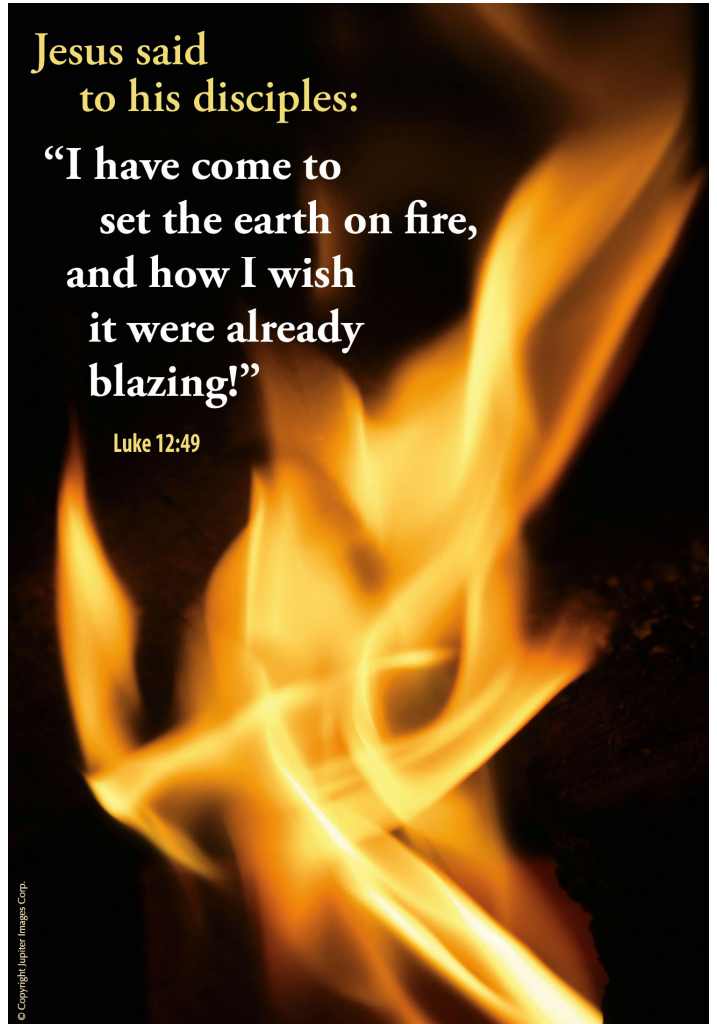
We don't expect to hear such difficult words from Jesus in the Gospel. But it is good to be reminded once in a while that the decision to do the right thing, the good thing, is not always easy and without conflict. Jesus himself did not make easy decisions and avoid conflict. In today's reading, he reminds his followers to be prepared for difficult decisions and conflict as well.

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Jesus said
to his disciples:

"I have come to
set the earth on fire,
and how I wish
it were already
blazing!"

Luke 12:49



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY August 15

Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary as a dogma of the Catholic faith on November 1, 1950:

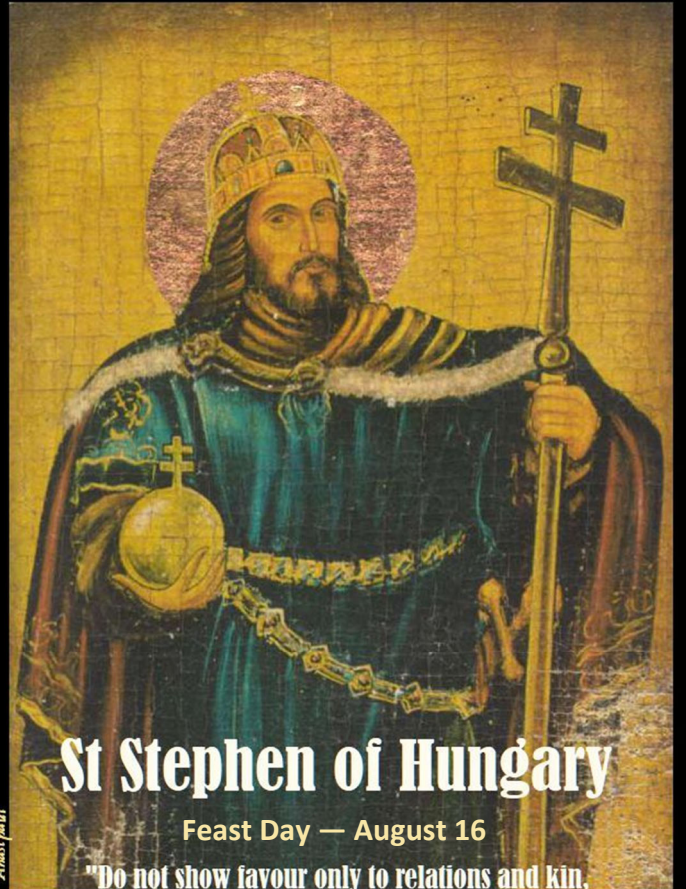
"The Immaculate Mother of God, ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, as assumed body and soul into heavenly glory."

(Dogma of the Assumption, 44).

*O God, who have prepared for those who love you
good things which no eye can see,
fill our hearts, we pray,
with the warmth of your love,
so that, loving you in all things
and above all things,
we may attain your promises,
which surpass every human desire.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.*

If you show favouritism, you commit sin
and are convicted by the law...

James 2:9



St Stephen of Hungary

Feast Day — August 16

"Do not show favour only to relations and kin,
or to the most eminent - whether they are leaders
or the wealthy or neighbours or citizens of the same country.
Show favour to all who come to you.
By fulfilling your duty in this way,
you will reach the highest state of happiness."

*Keep
your
eyes
fixed
on
Jesus*

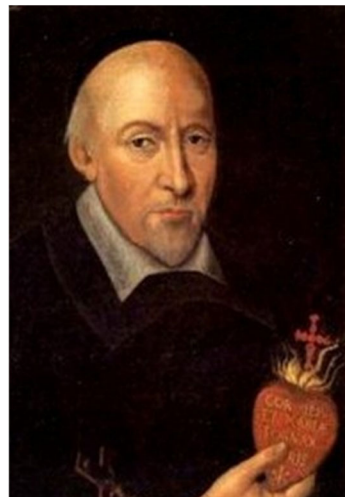
St. John Eudes

Founded: "Priests of Jesus and Mary"
"Sisters of Our Lady of Charity"

Father, you chose the priest John Eudes
to preach the infinite riches of Christ.
By his teaching and example, help us to
know You better and live faithfully in
the light of His gospels.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Your Son, who lives and reigns with You
and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever
and ever. Amen.

O most benevolent and most merciful
Heart of Jesus, imprint in our hearts a
perfect image of your great mercy, so that
we may fulfil the commandment You gave
us: "Be merciful as your Father is
merciful". -St John Eudes

Feast Day
August 19



Prayer for Those Who Cannot Receive Communion

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

Dave Bigott	Martha Hayes	June Pautsch
Sue Bobka	Cambria Helle	Harriett Pinkowski
Rosaleen Bradley	Ken Hemstreet	Bonnie Pollock
Ken Buffo	Michael Jasiak	Brendan Reidy
Elio Campanella	Rickie Kruzel	Wayne Slowiak
Regina Conti	Maryanne Kveck	Dennis Torii
Mary Cummins	Patrick Linsner	Marlene Torii
Mike Cummins	Maria Mizera	James Sieradzki
Paul Cummins	Carine Molfese	Fr. Mirosław Stepień
Mel Gerard	Richard Mrugacz	Randy Szveda, USMC
Gary Grote	Loretta Nicolini	Linda Wuerffel
Joe Halac	John North	Carol Zell
Virginia Halac		

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



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

Small Businesses

We pray for small and medium sized businesses;
in the midst of economic and social crisis,
may they find ways to continue operating,
and serving their communities.

***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
Cpl James J. Cullotta, US Marines
SGT Michael D'Andrea, US Army
MAJ Joseph DeHaven, US Army
PFC Collin Ensing, US Marines
CW3 Gordon Goodwin, Army National Guard
SGT Michael Helle, US Army
Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines
PVT Aleksandra Juzwiak, Army National Guard
SA Chris Kaszubowski, US Navy
CMC Mike Kaszubowski, US Navy
ENS Sean Kaszubowski, US Navy
SGT Jacob Los, US Army
MAJ Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army
1stLt John Kenneth Murphy, US Marines
Kevin Noesen, US Coastguard
MAJ Gary Owen, Army National Guard
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)
SSGT Jeremy Schumacher, US Marines
LTJG Robert P. Woods, US Navy
Thomas Zablocki, US Marines
PO2 Benjamin Zubak, US Navy

Jesus endured the cross,
despising its shame,
and has taken his seat at the right
of the throne of God.

— Hebrews 12:2

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Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

Friday-Sunday: CLOSED (or by appointment)

**TRAVELING?**Call 410-676-6000 or log onto www.masstimes.org for the location and schedule of Masses throughout the U.S.**PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENT AND BULLETIN DEADLINES****NOTE: Parish staff reserves the right to accept and/or decline, as well as edit, both pulpit announcements and bulletin submissions.****Pulpit announcement** requests are to be submitted to the Parish Center no later than the **Tuesday preceding** the weekend during which the announcement is to be made. Announcements may be submitted by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200) or by e-mail to **office@stpeteritasca.com**.**Bulletin submissions** are to be submitted **no later than 8 days preceding** requested publication date. Notices and full page flyers will run for a maximum of two weeks, and priority will be given to items that are date sensitive. If possible, all items should be typed for legibility and accuracy and dropped off at the Parish Center or sent via e-mail to **bulletin@stpeteritasca.com**.**CONFESSIONS**Weekly on Wednesday at 8:30 am (*following Mass*)

Weekly on Saturday - 4:15-4:45 pm

First Saturdays at 8:30 am (*following Mass*)**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**

Adults interested in becoming Catholic or learning about the Catholic faith should contact the Parish Center for information.

BAPTISMS

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated either during a weekend Mass or on the third Sunday of the month at 12:30 pm (immediately following 11:30 am Mass). Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation class prior to the Baptism. Classes are held in the Parish Center at 7:00 pm on the first Thursday of each month. Please call the Parish Center for more information.

Required paperwork **MUST** be submitted to the parish office **no later than ten (10) business days prior to the baptismal date or your date will be rescheduled.** This includes all necessary information regarding family records and godparents. Please read the **baptism planning information** provided before selecting a godparent. A sponsor certificate must be provided **by each godparent.** The proper **sponsor certificate** for St. Peter the Apostle is included with the baptism packet. Christian witnesses are most welcome to celebrate with the family and community, but please note they are not recorded as sponsors on the Baptismal Certificate or in the Baptismal Register.**WEDDINGS**

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

HOSPITALIZATION NOTIFICATIONS AND SICK/HOMEBOUND ARRANGEMENTS

Due to hospital admitting policies, it is necessary to inform the Parish Center when hospitalized parishioners would like a visit from Fr. Noesen or a deacon. Likewise, please call if you would like a visit while convalescing at home or at a facility.

Additionally, before being admitted to a hospital for surgery, it is advisable to call Fr. Noesen to arrange to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Please contact the Parish Center at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200) to arrange for communion visits to the homebound.

FUNERALS

It is the responsibility of the parish to bury their dead.

The funeral director will contact the Parish Center regarding arrangements. Funerals are ordinarily celebrated at 10:00 am.

For more information, please read guidelines for Funeral Planning on the parish website.



If it is too difficult for you to walk to the front of the church to receive Communion, please know that at each Mass an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion comes to the back of the church to distribute Communion. If you would like to have the Extraordinary Minister give you communion in the back of church, please let an usher know before Mass begins. At Communion time, when you see the Extraordinary Minister come to the back, please raise your hand so that they can see you and give you Holy Communion.



MAKE SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME!

Welcome, New Parishioners — Register Today

Week after week, many people worship with us on a regular basis, and, in fact, regard Saint Peter the Apostle Parish as their "spiritual home." Part of the Catholic life and our Catholic identity is that we as Catholic people identify ourselves not only with the Universal Church - with over one billion other members, but we are also part of a "local Church."

If you attend Saint Peter the Apostle Church on a regular basis, and regard this parish as your "spiritual home," we encourage you to register as a parishioner. You are most welcome as part of our Parish Family.

Please fill out the form below and someone from the Parish Office will contact you to complete your registration. Return this form either through the mail or drop it in the Sunday collection. You can also register by calling the parish office or by visiting the parish website.

Welcome to Saint Peter the Apostle Parish!

ARE YOU CONNECTED???

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