

Saint Peter the Apostle

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am (Mass)

WEEKEND MASSES

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

HOLY DAY MASSES

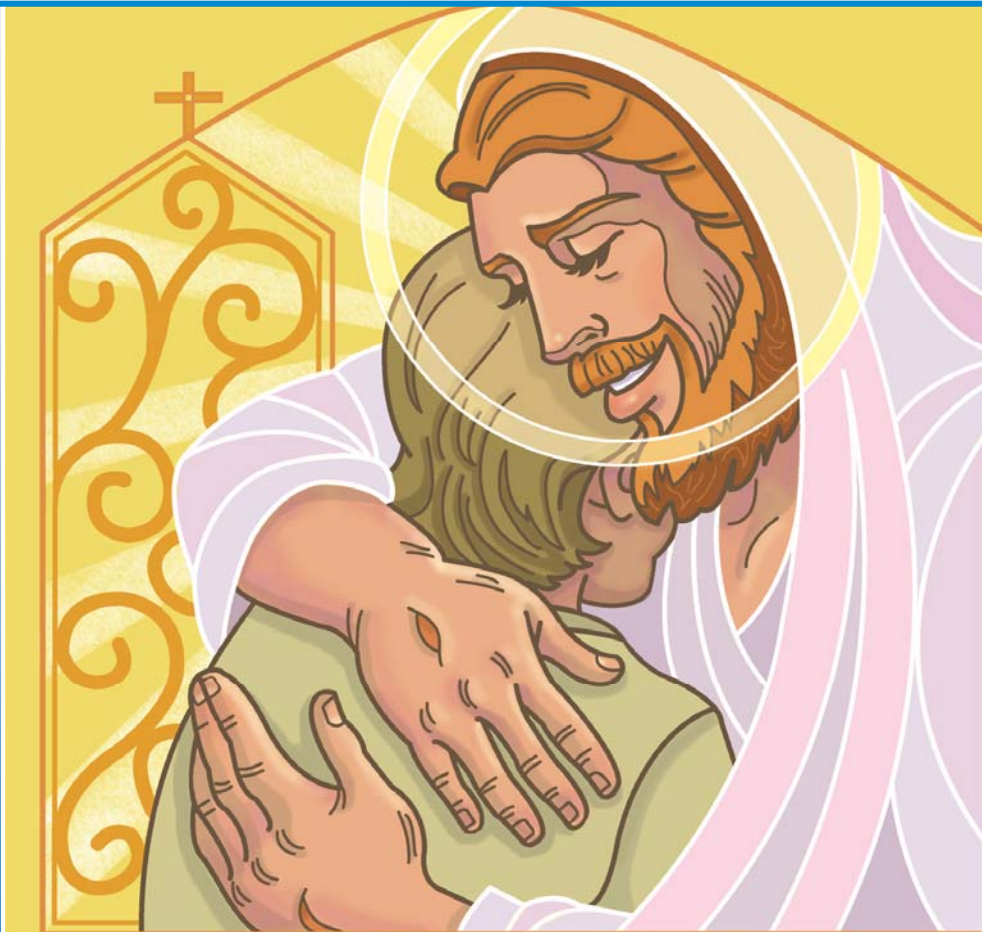
Day of: 8:00 am, 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

First Friday of every month following 8:00 am Mass

Second Thursday of every month during Father John Project
and by appointment



Your reward will be great in heaven

February 17, 2019

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

RECTORY/PARISH CENTER

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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.

This past Saturday morning, our second grade and Sacramental class students made their First Reconciliation. I was very pleased by the happiness of the children. They were very well prepared, and it showed by their lack of nervousness. They were all smiling and really took the sacrament they were going to receive seriously. They really knew and understood the meaning behind their Act of Contrition. I told them I was proud of them and how they were such a good example to their parents and others. I would like to commend their parents and RE catechists in their preparation. You all did a great job! To the parents, I would encourage you to receive the sacrament and to continue to bring your children to the sacrament of reconciliation often (once a month is ideal). Last year, I heard a comment made by a parent, "If my daughter saw me going to confession regularly, my daughter would see the importance of going to confession, and it would help in the development of her faith and conscience." I couldn't have said it better myself.

From the Pastor

With the children having made their First Confession, they will now begin preparation for First Holy Communion in May. It is an excellent time for all of us to review our reverence of the Blessed Sacrament. St. Peter's does an excellent job in being reverent after the reception of Holy Communion. After reception, most return to their pew for their thanksgiving and kneel until the vessels are purified and Jesus is returned to the Tabernacle. However, some are very anxious to leave and do so following communion. If we truly believe He is in our hearts, then we should want to be with Jesus to thank Him and recognize the way He humbled Himself to come to us. There are some who, when leaving early, see me in the back of the church and go back because they feel guilty and think I am watching them. I am not the one who will judge one day; God will. Reverence must be directed to God, not me.

God Himself is blessing us during the final blessing to go back into our homes and into the world. We need God's blessing to give us the strength we need for the week ahead. Sometimes we don't recognize how important the final blessing is for our lives. It is very, very important.

The same applies when we come to Holy Mass. We should come at least a couple of minutes before Mass to start to prepare ourselves and to think about the unbloody sacrifice that is going to take place. When we arrive just before the Gospel, we miss the penitential rite where all of our venial sins are forgiven. We also miss the scripture where God reveals and speaks to us of Himself. All of these things are very important. When the time comes for Holy Communion, we then have clean hearts with no venial sins, as well as the understanding of the Word of God, which enables our fulfillment when He comes into our hearts.

Let us examine our actions and whether we are reverencing God with our arrival to and departure from Mass. Let us also be examples to the children of St. Peter's, especially those preparing for First Eucharist, of our belief that the Eucharistic Jesus is to be adored, glorified and revered now and forever!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Stawek



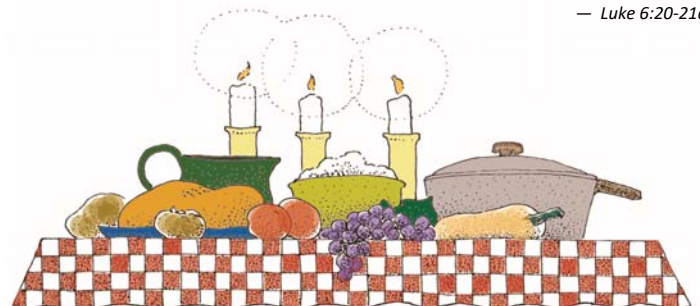
Join our Holy Father,
Pope Francis, in his February
prayers for the Church and
for the world:

Human Trafficking

For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking,
of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

*Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom of God is yours.
Blessed are you who are now hungry,
for you will be satisfied.*

— Luke 6:20-21a



Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

	Sunday Collection	Year to Date
Fiscal Week 33: 02/10/2019	\$ 9,886.47	\$ 336,985.88
Church in Latin America	\$ 697.00	

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 **E-basket** to conveniently make your weekly offering, please contact the Parish Center (ext. 200)

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

Sunday	February 17
12:15 pm	Baptisms (Church)
Monday	February 18
6:30 pm	Knights of Columbus General Mtg. (PC/Lower Level)
Tuesday	February 19
7:15 pm	Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)
Wednesday	February 20
4:30 pm	Children's Choir (Church/Choir Loft)
6:00 pm	Adult Hand Bell Choir (Church/Choir Loft)
7:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church/Choir Loft)
Thursday	February 21
9:00 am	Morning Bible Discussion (MW Parish Hall)
7:00 pm	St. Joseph's Table Planning Meeting (MW Parish Hall)
Saturday	February 23
4:00 pm	Confessions (Church)

**PLEASE NOTE:**

The Parish Center will be closed on Monday, February 18 in observance of Presidents' Day.

**For the week beginning**

Saturday, February 16 | Sunday, February 17



Thank you to

Phil and Carol Hatke

for the beautiful flowers
adorning the Tabernacle

**in Thanksgiving for the success
of their recent major surgeries**

**Mass Intentions**

Sunday	February 17 (Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 am	†Marie Spiezo
11:00 am	†Marian Debinski †Virginia Kenworthy †Joe and Nona Laken †Emilia Yurcheshen People of the Parish
Monday	February 18 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Marie D. Spezio
Tuesday	February 19 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Penny Stamps
Wednesday	February 20 (Weekday)
8:00 am	Franz Family - Special Intention
Thursday	February 21 (St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church)
8:00 am	†Marie D. Spiezo
Friday	February 22 (The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle)
8:00 am	†Linda Moretti
Saturday	February 23 (Vigil: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)
5:00 pm	†Ricky Guevara †Walter Hoffman †Linda Moretti †Larry Noreuil People of the Parish
Sunday	February 24 (Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 am	†Richard Sokolowski
11:00 am	†Francesco DiNatale †Richard and Pamela Gronewold Jeff and Joanna Hagopian - Special Intention †James Wilkins Yates †Joan Ziomek

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-26; Mk 8:11-13 R: Offer to God a sacrifice of praise.
Tuesday:	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21 R: The Lord will bless his people with peace.
Wednesday:	Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26 R: To you, Lord, I will offer a sacrifice of praise.
Thursday:	Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33 R: From heaven the Lord looks down on the earth.
Friday:	1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19 R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Saturday:	Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13 R: I will praise your name for ever, Lord.
Sunday:	1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

Communion Ministers/ Lectors/Servers Schedule

Saturday, February 23 | Sunday, February 24

Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Linda Aiani
Gary Divis
Kay North
Pat Schwartz

8:30 am Kathy Frank
Ruth Kryger
Rafal Urbanczyk
Deacon Fred Maier

11:00 am Carmela Graziano
Michael Graziano
Judy Ziomek
Deacon Bob Ziomek

Lectors

5:00 pm Bill Schwartz
Nancy Magnus

8:30 am Lou Casolari
Kevin Grisamore

11:00 am Matthew Vokoun
Linda Vokoun

Servers

5:00 pm Nathan George
Tabetha George

8:30 am Robert Glennon
Joey Vale

11:00 am Michael Fricano

Ushers

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

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

11:00 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

Fr. Larry Brunette

Ken Buffo

Joe Busato

Mike Carey

Jacqueline Castellano

Eunice Cleveland

Regina Conti

Lucy Crocilla

Collin Cummins

Mary Cummins

Michael Cummins

Paul Cummins

Valeria D'Andrea

Margaret Del Preto

Irene Dial

Angeline DiFranco

Charles DiFranco Jr.

Teresa Dunhac

John Elia

Scott Erickson

Robert Fahler

Tracy Fink

Cheryl Fisherkerler

Sally Franz

Mary Frawley

Dan Galuszek

Joe Galuszek

Mary Gawlik

Geri Gerard

Mel Gerard

Mike Graziano

Vincent Guccione

Joseph Halec

Carole Hatke

Phil Hatke

Jeanette Hemmelgarn

Ken Hemstreet

Isabell Herrera

Mary Hosters

Shirley Janik

Brian Josephus

Anne Keeton

Debra Kelly

Joe Kryger

Ruth Kryger

Rickie Kruzel

Celeste Kucharczyk

JoLynn Lash

Sharon Laughlin

Lilly Lima

Elizabeth Lisak

Pasquale Lopardo

Deacon Fred Maier

Eileen Marino

Patricia McMahon

Ann McNally

Jack McNally

Gene Mikulecky

Christopher Mizera

Rich Mrugacz

Jean Nowobielski

Dolores Olenek

Donald Olenek

Raffaella Olenek

Vince Oraziatti

Fred Oslager

Anne Marie Pagni

Harriett Pinkowski

Baby Vincent Porter

Megan Putze

Brendan Reidy

John Rossi

Jennifer Ruffing

Savannah Rose Russo

Roxanne Ruiz

Alana Ruiz

Alexandra Ruiz

Janina Sabat

Fred Santoro

Angela Scanlon

Martin Schatzman

Shauna Sheffer

Marilyn Sieradzki

Belinda Sobucki

Dan Sobucki

Sharon Sowers

Karen Stewart

Joan Streich

Linda Szweda

Terry Tardi

James Thompson

Patricia Vitale

Jennifer Weil

Helen Wilczko

Agnieszka Wisniewska

Grzegorz Wisniewski

Linda Wuerffel

Ray Young

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.



Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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**First Friday 24-hour Adoration at St. Peter's Church
begins with Benediction at 8:30 am on March 1
and concludes at 7:40 am on March 2.**

**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.



Offertory Gift Bearers

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

8:30 am Jake Ellenbecker* & family

11:00 am Third Graders

Please pray for the children and their families,
especially those preparing for *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

James J. Cullotta, U. S. Marines

PFC Michael D'Andrea, US Army

CPT Joseph DeHaven, US Army

CPT Stephen Grabinski, US Army

CPT Steven Gregor, US Army

PFC Michael Helle, US Army

Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines

PVT Aleksandra Juzwiak, Army National Guard

PFC Jacob Los, US Army

Major Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army

1stLt John Kenneth Murphy, US Marines

SGT Marcin Platek, US Marines

2LT Megan Putze, Army National Guard

SGT Michael Schatzman, US Army

LTJG Albert J. Schrautemyer III, US Navy Pilot (Persian Gulf)

SGT Jeremy Schumacher, US Marines

Thomas Zablocki, US Marines

PO3 Benjamin Zubak, US Navy



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



CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR FIRST RECONCILIATION!

February 16, 2019

Vito Aneona	Kevin Kalzta
Natalia Bochenek	Nicholas Kmiecik
Emily Burdi	Christopher Kupfer
Kailzy Campbell	Vitino Lampignano
Mareglio Cruz	Jacob Wojewski
Caitlyn Cudzieh	Giavana Menghini
Olivia Dicosola-Hernandez	Evelyn Pzart
Francesca Fellows	Signa Recchia
Iva Garza	Zachary Renslow
Anna Immordino	Emmett Richzy
Antoni Jaworski	Pietro Sampognaro
Robert Vander	



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**FEED MY
STARVING
CHILDREN**



The Knights of Columbus Council 10884 is looking for volunteers to help pack life saving meals at Feed My Starving Children's Schaumburg location on **Thursday, March 21, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm.**

With God's help and your support, Feed My Starving Children strives to eliminate starvation in children throughout the world. Volunteers of all ages (over 5) and abilities are welcome.

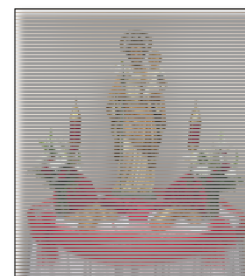
Please e-mail Adam Stephan (astephanisu@hotmail.com) if you are interested in volunteering.

St. Joseph's Table PLANNING MEETING

Thursday, February 21 | 7pm
Margaret Woods Parish Hall

- >> Are you looking for an outlet
GET INVOLVED in a parish activity?
- >> Looking for an opportunity to
HELP THE LESS FORTUNATE?
- >> Enjoy a great **FEAST?**

Please plan to attend this planning session to find out more and to get involved in helping with this year's St. Joseph's Table.



Proceeds from this event benefit the Transitional Housing Ministry.



NEW BIBLE STUDY TO BEGIN TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019

This study will focus on St. Luke's Gospels as a means to help better understand them in the Sunday readings.

This is a 12-session study, which will include an introductory session and 11 lessons. The study set includes a Study Guide by Little Rock Scripture Study Staff and the New Collegeville Bible Commentary.

Luke tells the story of Jesus of Nazareth as a mighty prophet and Savior of the world in fulfillment of Old Testament expectations. Luke also emphasizes Jesus as a person dedicated to prayer. He begins with Jesus' virginal conception and birth, and follows Jesus through his public ministry to his passion, death, resurrection, and ascension into heaven—all under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Luke, along with Matthew and Mark, is one of the synoptic gospels. **It is the primary Gospel of year 'C'** in the Catholic Church's liturgical cycle.

The cost of the book is \$15.00 and needs to be paid in advance of ordering. **Deadline to order books February 24.**

Please place payment (check made payable to St. Peter the Apostle) in envelope marked ST. LUKE BIBLE STUDY.

Payment can be dropped in the collection basket, at the Parish Center, or can also be given directly to Deacon Bob or Judy Ziomek.

Any questions please call Deacon Bob at 630-217-0851 or email him at deacon@stpeteritasca.com.

Sessions will take place in Margaret Woods Parish Hall, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY SESSIONS

March 12	Introductory Session
March 19	Lesson 1—Luke 1
March 26	Lesson 2—Luke 2
April 2	Lesson 3—Luke 3–5
April 9	Lesson 4—Luke 6–
April 23	Lesson 5—Luke 8:1–9:50
April 30	Lesson 6—Luke 9:51–11:54
May 7	Lesson 7—Luke 12–13
May 14	Lesson 8—Luke 14–16
May 21	Lesson 9—Luke 17–19
May 28	Lesson 10—Luke 20–22
June 4	Lesson 11—Luke 23–24



Roman Catholic
Diocese of Joliet
Catholic Ministries
Annual Appeal

The 2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal is underway!

The Diocese of Joliet is mailing information about the 2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) to all registered parishioners this month. The CMAA supports thirty ministries that benefit every parish in the Diocese, including ours, and are *Signs of Hope* to our brothers and sisters most in need.

Our parish's goal for the 2019 CMAA is **\$55,900**. If we raise more than this goal, 70% of the amount paid over goal will be returned to us for use. This is a great opportunity for our parish! Please review the information you receive and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a mailing from the Diocese about the CMAA, please contact the parish office.



Transitional Housing

UPDATES...

Our parish Transitional Housing family is currently in need of **size 3 and 4 diapers**. Donations can be left in the Transitional Housing bin in the back of church.

If you have any questions, please contact Adam Stephan by email at astephanisu@hotmail.com / by phone at 847-715-8326. Thank you!



In case you missed your chance to place an order (or didn't order enough)...

Girl Scout Troops 55709 and 55191 will be selling Girl Scout cookies after all Masses the weekend of **February 16-17**.

Please note that sales will be cash only.

Thank you.

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Visit BUONA.com to order or to view a menu*



Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Deferral Forms Due By March 1, 2019

Qualified senior citizens aged 65 years and older are invited to apply for the Senior Citizens Real Estate Tax Deferral Program. This program allows qualified senior citizens to defer up to \$5,000 of their current property taxes until the property is sold. The deferral is treated as a loan and accrues six percent (6%) simple interest until paid. To qualify, the senior citizen's household income cannot exceed \$55,000. Additionally, the property must be used exclusively for residential purposes.

The application period closes March 1, 2019.

For more information, contact the DuPage County Treasurer's Office at 630-407-5900 or visit the Web site at www.dupageco.org/treasurer.



421 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton, Illinois 60187



Eucharistic Adoration

Below is a listing of Eucharistic Adoration opportunities at local parishes in the Eastern DuPage Deanery:

St. Alexander – Villa Park

24-hours-per-day

(until Friday at midnight, resuming Sunday at 3pm)

St. Alexis – Bensenville

First Friday 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Mary Queen of Heaven – Elmhurst

First Monday 9:00 am – 7:00 pm

Sacred Heart – Lombard

Perpetual Adoration – 24-hours-per-day, 7-days-per-week

St. John the Apostle – Villa Park

Adoration

First Friday of each month – 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Adoration and Rosary (Spanish)

First Friday of each month – 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

St. Peter the Apostle – Itasca

24-hour - First Fridays beginning with Benediction at 8:30 am

The Knights of Columbus have a designated hour for a prayer service during Adoration from 8:30 pm to 9:30 pm. During this time, the Knights lead the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, as well as Vespers. Quiet prayer time follows for the remainder of the hour. All are welcome to attend and join in this hour of prayer.

St. Pius X Prayer Chapel

The Prayer Chapel is open Sunday through Friday evenings, 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm. Please come and adore Him.

Use Door #8 on east side of church building.

Rosary/Prayer/Benediction -

Wednesday 8:00 pm Prayer Chapel.

Visitation Parish – Elmhurst

Perpetual Adoration – 24-hours-per-day, 7-days-per-week



BELLARMINE
Jesuit Retreat House

Men & Women's 12-Step Weekend Retreat: "Practical, Simple, Flexible: The Power of the 12 Steps"

March 1-3, 2019

Retreat Master, Fr. Tom Weston, SJ

Ignatian, Silent 12-Step Retreat for Men & Women



420 W County Line Rd • Barrington, IL 60010 • 847-381-1261



BELLARMINE
Jesuit Retreat House

Men's 12-Step Weekend Retreat: The 12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous: A Spiritual Journey

March 15-17, 2019

Retreat Master, Fr. Tim Seigel

an Ignatian, Silent 12-Step Retreat for Men



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www.JesuitRetreat.org



"Called to serve the people and the common good, [civil leaders] have a duty to make courageous choices in support of life, especially through legislative measures."



— Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 90.
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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
Waterleaf Women's Center	630-701-6270
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, Friday and Saturdays from 6:30 am to 11:00 am.

If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197.

THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC BIOETHICS CENTER

If you are facing emergent medical situations regarding end of life decisions, the National Catholic Bioethics Center (www.ncbcenter.org/emergency_consultation.asp) will respond ASAP with help from an ethicist, doctor, etc. The number to call is **215-877-2660**. Even though the site states "Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm" for emergency consultation questions, calls are returned even after hours.

Respect Life Ministry

As we examine the horrific legislative efforts in various parts of the country, we are called to prayer and action on behalf of the unborn and their families.

- **Bishop Conlon's** March column in *Christ is Our Hope* addresses the recent Abortion Expansion law in New York.
- **Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann** of Kansas City, KS and Chairman of the U.S. Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities has issued a statement in response to several states moving forward with legislation that would permit a baby to be aborted at nine months. **"This Legislation is Evil, Pure and Simple," Says Chairman of U.S. Bishops' Pro-Life Activities Committee; Calls All Catholics to Fight with Renewed Vigor for Unborn**

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

- **Pray:** Join in praying a Life Advocacy Prayer. Ask the Lord how He is calling you to act.

Prayer for Life Advocacy Days

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



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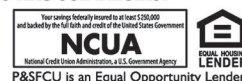
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