

Saint Peter ^{the} Apostle

CATHOLIC CHURCH

524 NORTH RUSH STREET | ITASCA, ILLINOIS 60143 | 630.773.1272



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WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am (Mass)

WEEKEND MASSES

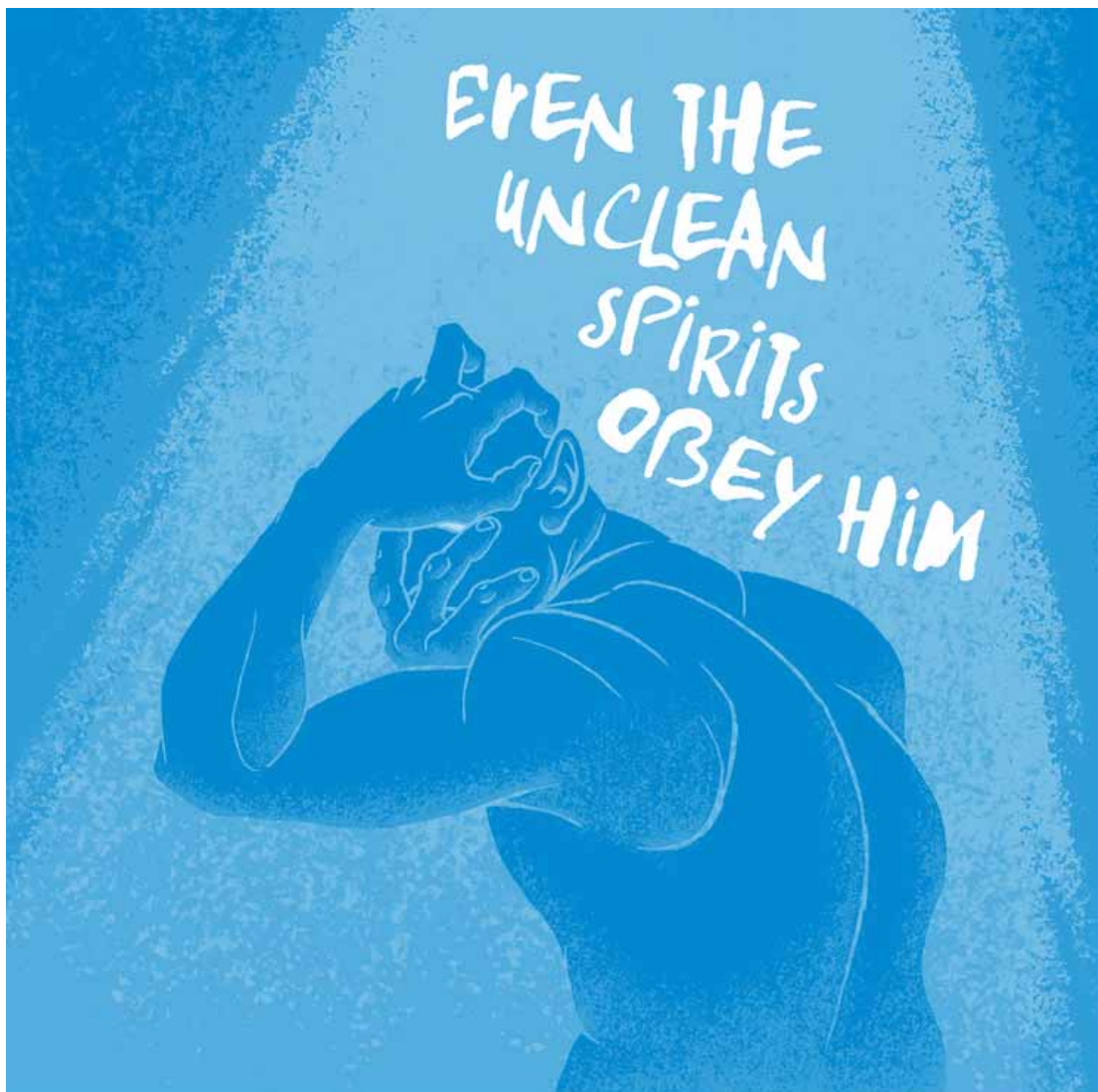
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm | Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:15 am

HOLY DAY MASSES

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

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm and by appointment | First Friday of every month following 8:00 am Mass



February 1, 2015

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

RECTORY/PARISH CENTER**mailing address:** 524 N. Rush Street, Itasca, Illinois 60143-1698**phone:** 630/773-1272 **fax:** 630/773-1720**Web site:** stpeteritasca.com**Reverend Slawomir Ignasik, Pastor**

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

PARISH CENTER BUSINESS HOURS

Monday and Thursday: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Tuesday and Wednesday: 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

Friday: 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

(closed daily for lunch: 12:30 pm - 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. 201) 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.**THE 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.

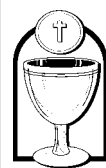
IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED...

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 Thursday evening, 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 stating,

"if her daughter saw her going to confession regularly, her 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.

With the children having made their first confession they will now begin their 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, than we 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 starts 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 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!

Have a blessed week!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Stawek

From the Pastor



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

UNIVERSAL INTENTION:

Prisoners. That prisoners, especially the young, may be able to rebuild lives of dignity.

FOR EVANGELIZATION:

Separated spouses. That married people who are separated may find welcome and support in the Christian community.



Feel free to submit questions or suggestions to the campaign committee by e-mail at keys@stpeteritasca.com

Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

Sunday Collection Year to Date

Fiscal Week 30: Jan. 25, 2015 \$ 9,533.05 \$ 322,870.45

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

- Monday February 2**
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Officer's Mtg. (PC/Lower Level)
- Wednesday February 4**
5:00 pm Religious Education Classes (School/Church)
6:00 pm Adult Hand Bell Choir (Church)
7:30 pm Adult Choir and Cantor Rehearsal (Church)
- Thursday February 5**
7:00 pm Baptism Preparation Class (PC/Upper Level)
7:00 pm Women's Club Meeting (School Hall)
- Friday February 6**
8:30 am 24-hour Adoration begins with Benediction
Confessions follow Benediction (Church)
- Saturday February 7**
7:40 am 24-hour Adoration ends with Benediction (Church)
4:00 pm Confessions (Church)
- Sunday February 8**
12:30 pm Religious Education Catechist Meeting (PC/RE Office)



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Mass Intentions for the week



- Sunday February 1 (Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**
8:00 am †Edward Lobus
9:30 am †Dora Dastice
11:15 am †Stefano Fricano
†Miles Jirousek
- Monday February 2 (The Presentation of the Lord)**
8:00 am †Rena Carella
- Tuesday February 3 (St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr, St. Ansgar, Bishop)**
8:00 am †Jackie Kintzel
- Wednesday February 4 (Weekday)**
8:00 am †Michael Pellegrino
- Thursday February 5 (St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr)**
8:00 am †Edward Filipek
- Friday February 6 (St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs)**
8:00 am †Nancy Muschetto
- Saturday February 7 (Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**
8:00 am †Daniel McDonald
5:00 pm †Raymond & Helen Wojtowicz
- Sunday February 8 (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**
8:00 am †Donald Derma
9:30 am People of the Parish
11:15 am †Giuseppe Fricano
†Leonard Streich
†Peter K. Zubak

If you would like to bring the gifts to the altar at Sunday Mass, please see one of the ushers before Mass begins.

Readings for the Week

- Monday:** Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;
Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
R: Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!
- Tuesday:** Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43
R: They will praise you, Lord, who long for you.
- Wednesday:** Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a;
Mk 6:1-6
R: The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those who fear him.
- Thursday:** Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-4, 9-11; Mk 6:7-13
R: O God, we ponder your mercy within your temple.
- Friday:** Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
R: The Lord is my light and my salvation.
- Saturday:** Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
- Sunday:** Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23;
Mk 1:29-39

Communion Ministers/ Lectors/Servers Schedule

Saturday, February 7, and Sunday, February 8

Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Nancy Riley
Valerie Serzen
Debbie Thude
Pat Schwartz

8:00 am Rose Ann Roll
Dorie Calip
Ralph D'Andrea
Arlene Derma

9:30 am Phyllis Cimaglia
Ruth Kryger
Cathy Zukauskas
Fred Maier

11:15 am Belinda Sobucki
Dan Sobucki
Ken Cleveland
Pat Cleveland

Lectors

5:00 pm Bill Schwartz
Margaret Trepal

8:00 am Don Mago
Sandie Galuszek

9:30 am Kathy Laken
Nancy Magnus

11:15 am Mary McNamara
Judy Ziomek

Servers

5:00 pm Ian Sweets
Noah Boryszewski

8:00 am Michael Piatek

9:30 am Elliott Blackburn
Andrew Carzoli

11:15 am Laura Blackburn
Marisa Vandini



NOTE:

Out of courtesy to the choir,
please **DO NOT** use either of the
side doors to exit church until Mass is
over and the recessional song is finished.

Thank you!



*Come, let us bow down in worship;
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.*

~ Psalm 95:6

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

Elaine Appler	Ken Hemstreet	Barbara Pierce
Bette Bauman	Brian Josephus	Fred Pollock
Marlene Bejger	Harriet Karas	Megan Putze
Cathy Blair	Daniel Koutsis	Alanna Ruiz
John Carello	Slawomir Krolkowski	Alexandra Ruiz
Ed Cervantes	Loretta Kruszkowski	Roxanne Ruiz
Stella Cervantes	Edward Kryger	Shauna Sheffer
Regina Conti	Joe Kryger	Marilyn Sieradzki
Paul Cummins	Pasquale Lopardo	Sharon Sowers
Hayden Daufeldt	Tom Lynch	Karen Stewart
Gina DeLuca	Sandra Maier	Joan Streich
Irene Dial	Eileen Marino	Terry Tardi
Teresa Dunhac	Joanne Merner	Lorraine Thielberg
Scott Erickson	Michael Merner	James Thompson
Cheryl Fisherkeller	Bill McGarr	Linda Ticsay
Debbie Franz	Gene Mikulecky	Jerry Tomaszewski
Sally Franz	Peter Morrissey	Louise Vaglica
Mary Frawley	Rich Mrugacz	Patricia Vitale
Dan Galuszek	Jean Nowobielski	Jennifer Weil
Joe Galuszek	Vince Oraziatti	Vern Weiss
Mel Gerard	Fred Oslager	Irene Wodzinski
Joseph Grabowski	Anne Marie Pagni	Philip Zerante
Jerry Grimaldi	Michael Palello	Deacon Bob Ziomek
Joseph Halec	Giacomina Pesce	

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.



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
LT Kassy Cinatl, US Coast Guard
Sgt Felicia Cinatl, US Marine
SGT Matt Cinatl, US Army
PVT Jacob E. Cleveland, US Army Reserves
2LT Stephen Grabinski, US Army
1LT Steven Gregor, US Army
Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines
CPT Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army
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 Lauren Twarog-Rocha, US Marines



8TH GRADERS - HS SENIORS **WELCOME**

SATURDAYS | 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

SUNDAYS | 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

PARISH CENTER - 2ND FLOOR

Ushers Needed

Are you willing to serve?

Sign-Up Today

Ushers are needed to serve at Saturday 5:00 pm masses. If you regularly attend this mass, please consider getting involved and fulfilling this need in the Usher ministry.

Please see one of the ushers to get more information or contact Doti Strening by e-mail at liturgy@stpeteritasca.com or by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext. 201).

HAVE YOU CONNECTED???

Start off the new year by connecting with St. Peter's through electronic newsletter distribution. 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 send your e-mail contact 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](https://www.facebook.com/SaintPeterApostle.Itasca)

Remember to invite your friends!!!



St. Peter the Apostle Women's Club

will meet on

Thursday, February 5 | 7:00 pm*

We're celebrating Valentine's Day with
"WINE AND CHOCOLATE" theme—
feel free to bring either or both for yourself to enjoy
or to share with the group.

Other light refreshments, as well as coffee and tea will be provided. Contact Rose Ann Roll if you would like to assist with hospitality.

We'll be playing **LEFT, RIGHT, CENTER**, so please bring some quarters to join in the fun, as well as a donation to go toward the club's "kitty."

ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US.

***IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER,
THE MEETING MAY BE CANCELED.
NOTIFICATION WILL BE MADE VIA
THE PARISH ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER OR
PARISH CENTER TELEPHONE MESSAGE.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Diane Blackburn at the Parish Center (630-773-1272 ext 200) or by e-mail at dtmb3@aol.com

PARISH GUIDEBOOK AND DIRECTORY

St. Peter's is working on the second annual Guide Book & Directory for our congregation. The updated book will again be delivered by mail directly to parishioners. This will be the **WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, WHY AND HOW** of our parish.

The book is provided at no cost to the parish and is supported through advertising by local businesses. A recent survey by Guide Book Publishing showed that 91.1% of families prefer to patronize a Guide Book & Directory advertiser over other vendors. **If you own or manage a business and would like information about advertising in this far-reaching parish resource, please call the parish center at 630-773-1272.**

PARISHIONER MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

Does the parish database have CURRENT contact information for YOUR FAMILY??

Unless otherwise notified, the new directory will list **name(s), address, home phone and e-mail address for ALL REGISTERED PARISHIONERS AS THEY APPEAR IN THE PARISH DATABASE.**

It doesn't hurt to submit the completed form, even if you think the parish has current information.

If for any reason you would prefer to omit your family or limit information in the directory listing, please check the appropriate box at the bottom of the form at the right. **Regardless of your choice to be listed, we ask that EVERYONE complete the form as a means to update our parish records.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Parish Center by e-mail at bulletin@stpeteritasca.com or by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200).

PARISHIONER RECORD UPDATE

FAMILY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** ____ **ZIP:** _____

HOME PHONE: _____

CELL/WORK PHONE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

FAMILY MEMBERS CURRENTLY RESIDING IN HOUSEHOLD:

Name _____ DOB _____

Name _____ DOB _____

Name _____ DOB _____

Name _____ DOB _____

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Name _____ DOB _____

☐ PLEASE PUBLISH OUR FAMILY IN THE DIRECTORY

☐ PLEASE OMIT OUR FAMILY FROM THE DIRECTORY

☐ PLEASE LIMIT OUR INFORMATION TO THE FOLLOWING:

____ name(s) _____ address _____ home phone

____ cell/work phone _____ e-mail address

EMERGENCY CONTACT (optional):

In case of emergency, especially for parishioners living alone, please consider providing contact information for a relative or neighbor who can be called on your behalf:

Name _____ Relation _____

Phone _____

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO THE PARISH CENTER BY FEBRUARY 15, 2015:

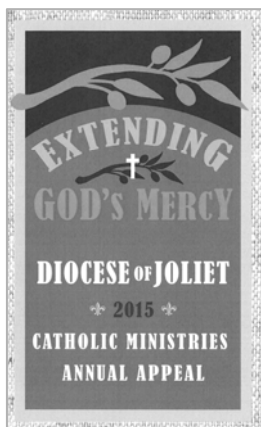
Updates can be e-mailed to bulletin@stpeteritasca.com OR return by mail or via Sunday collection basket.

HAVE A BUSINESS YOU'D LIKE TO ADVERTISE IN THE NEXT PARISH GUIDEBOOK?

CONTACT THE PARISH CENTER FOR MORE INFORMATION.

The 2015 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

"Extending God's Mercy"



Bishop Conlon's mailing asking for a pledge to the 2015 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) is in the hands of many of our parishioners. If you have received the mailing, please respond as soon as possible. If you have not received it, please contact our parish office at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200).

This year, the theme of the Appeal is "Extending God's Mercy." Pope Francis recently said that Mercy "goes beyond in such a way that sin is put to the side. It is like heaven. We look at the sky, there are many, many stars; but when the sun rises in the morning, the light is such that we can't see the stars. God's mercy is like that: a great light of love and tenderness."

We are called by the Gospel to be a light unto others. By showing mercy to those in need, by helping build the kingdom of God in our own parish and our own diocese, we are a like the morning light. Please shine bright by making a generous gift to the CMAA.

The CMAA funds the mission and ministries of our diocese. It also funds services that are of great help to the ministries here in our own parish.

Please answer the bishop's request and make a generous pledge. All pledges can be paid in 10 installments.

Thank you in advance for your support.



Make Plans to Attend MARDI GRAS GALA

Knights of Columbus Council 10884
invites you to a gala evening of
hors d'oeuvres, open bar,
dinner, dancing, raffles and more!!!

February 14, 2015 • 6:00 pm
Itasca Country Club | Itasca, Illinois

6:30 pm Cocktails | 7:30 pm Dinner
\$70 per person

Reservation Deadline: EXTENDED-2/6/15

CASH RAFFLE GRAND PRIZE

1st Prize..... \$1,500.00
2nd Prize..... \$ 500.00
5 Prizes..... \$ 100.00 each

Please detach and return the bottom reservation form to
Knights of Columbus #10884
524 N. Rush Street
Itasca, Illinois 60143

Reservations may also be submitted personally to a Knight.
Admittance must be paid for in advance. Thank you.

Please contact Bill Kolf at 630-773-8571 with any questions.
You can also send an e-mail to knights@stpeteritasca.com or
visit us on Facebook at "St Peter the Apostle Knights of Columbus - Itasca"

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail Address (optional) _____

___ Ticket(s) @ \$70/person (open bar)** \$ _____

___ Raffle Ticket(s) \$50 each \$ _____

___ I am unable to attend but would
like to make a monetary donation \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

A check for \$ _____ (total payment) is enclosed.
Please make checks payable to Knights of Columbus #10884.

Donations for raffle prizes, as well sponsorship in our
ad book, are graciously accepted.

Ad book sponsorships:

- Inside front/back cover \$ 150
- Full page \$ 100
- Half page \$ 60
- Quarter page/business card \$ 35

For information on raffle prize donations, please e-mail
knights@stpeteritasca.com.

For ad submission information contact Diane Blackburn
at 630/773-1999 or by e-mail at dtmb3@aol.com.

****For tables of 10**, please list below ALL names for the table and
submit ALL payment together*. Other than complete tables of 10,
seating will be arranged at the discretion of the committee.

Please circle meal choice: Chicken (C), Steak (S) or Vegetarian (V)

1 _____ C S V	6 _____ C S V
2 _____ C S V	7 _____ C S V
3 _____ C S V	8 _____ C S V
4 _____ C S V	9 _____ C S V
5 _____ C S V	10 _____ C S V

*seating cannot be guaranteed for reservations received after the deadline

St. Christopher Travel of Naperville
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Naperville, IL 60565
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13 DAY PILGRIMAGE TO SPAIN & PORTUGAL VIA THE WAY OF ST. JAMES

May 10 - May 22, 2015

WITH FR. SLAWEK IGNASIK
OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH, ITASCA

ITINERARY :

Day 1 - Depart **Chicago** O'Hare Airport.

Day 2 - Upon arrival in **Barcelona** we will meet our tour guide and begin a city tour by bus of the "second capital of Spain". We will see properties built by renowned architect Antoni Gaudi (1852-1926) including the Casa Mila, Casa Batllo, and Montaner. We will visit the still incomplete basilica of Sagrada Familia with a projected completion in 2026. It will have 18 towers: 12 dedicated to the apostles, 4 to the evangelists, one to Jesus and another to Mary. We will drive through Park Guel and stop at the Hill of Montjuic for a beautiful panorama view of the city. **Dinner and overnight in Barcelona.**

Day 3 - After breakfast, we continue our tour of **Barcelona** with a walk through Barrio Gotico (the old town) to visit the Cathedral of St. Eulalia, the Jewish quarter, St. Mark's Square and the church of Santa Maria del Mar. In the afternoon we will visit La Rambla Street with its colorful markets and enjoy a cruise around the Barcelona's harbor. **Dinner and Flamenco show. Overnight at hotel.**

Day 4 - After breakfast we transfer to **Montserrat** and the beginning of our pilgrimage route to Santiago de Compostella via the Calatan Camino also referred to as the Ignatius Way. We will visit the dramatic Benedictine monastery and home of the Shrine of Our Lady of Montserrat. According to Catholic tradition the statue was carved by St. Luke around 50 AD and brought to Spain. We will then travel on the camino to **Manresa** where St. Ignatius travelled by foot from Montserrat which inspired "The book of the Spiritual Exercises". We will continue along the camino to **Zaragoza** for dinner and overnight at hotel.

Day 5 - After breakfast we will visit **Zaragoza city**, the magnificent Basilica del Pilar, where the Blessed Mother appeared to St. James. We will also visit the Cathedral of Zaragoza and have a walking tour of the city. Afterwards we will transfer to Pamplona, famous worldwide for the running of the bulls during the San Fermin festival. We will visit the Cathedral of Santa Maria Diocesan Museum, occupying the former refectory, chapter house and convent kitchen. The museum's collection includes relics of the Lignum Crucis and the Holy Sepulchre, both in gilded silver and enamel from the 13th and 14th centuries. Afterwards we will transfer to the Basque Country and San Sebastian (Donostia) which is a part of the Northern Route to Compostella. **Dinner and overnight at San Sebastian.**

***\$2,950**

(\$300 single supplement)



Price Includes: Air/Bus/Transportation// Breakfast/Dinner/Sightseeing per Itinerary/ Local guides & Tour leader service/tickets/ hotels/all taxes.

Not included: Insurance, alcoholic drinks and tips.

Day 6 - After breakfast we will visit the coastal city of **San Sebastian** situated on the Bay of Biscay and 20 km (12 miles) from the French border. It was a favorite resting place of Queen Isabella II. One of the most beautiful cities around the Camino, it is the beginning of the Northern Route and built around the bay - La mancha (shell). Walk through the city including: the town hall, Boulevard, Basilica of Saint Mary of the Chorus, San Sebastián's Cathedral, and Maria Cristina Bridge. After a short leisure time, we will leave the Northern Route of the Camino and transfer to **Burgos**, located on the French Way (Camino Francés), to visit Burgos Cathedral, one of the three largest cathedrals in Spain and part of the UNESCO World Heritage sites. Afterwards we will visit the ruins of the fortress Castillo de Santa Cruz de la Mota at the top of Urgull hill. **Dinner & overnight at hotel in Burgos.**

Day 7 - After breakfast we will continue along the French Way and depart for **Leon**. We will visit the Cathedral de Leon, another example of Gothic architecture with a delicate, French Gothic style, with nearly 100 well preserved medieval stained glass windows. Walk through the old city as we continue along the camino by visiting the new Episcopal Palace, **the most popular place in Astorga**. It was built between 1889 and 1913 when the original was destroyed by a fire. Bishop Grau decided to assign the design of the new building to his friend Antoni Gaudi. Transfer for dinner and overnight at hotel in **Astorga**.

Day 8 - After breakfast, we will continue our drive of the camino to **Santiago de Compostela**. Many make this pilgrimage as a form of spiritual path or retreat, for their spiritual growth. The Way of St. James was one of the most important Christian pilgrimages during the Middle Ages; together with Rome and Jerusalem, a plenary indulgence could be earned. In 1985 the city's Old Town was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. **Spending the day** in Santiago de Compostela, we will see the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela, a place of pilgrimage since the Early Middle Ages. The building is a Romanesque structure with later Gothic and Baroque additions. Mass and time for private prayer. **Dinner and accommodation at hotel in Santiago de Compostela.**

Day 9 - After breakfast, time for individual prayer and leisure before departing **Santiago de Compostela**, for **Porto**. Transfer to Porto for a short walk through the city and dinner with local wine tasting. Porto wine, is a Portuguese fortified wine produced exclusively in the Douro Valley in the northern provinces of Portugal. **Dinner and accommodation at hotel in Porto.**

Day 10 - After breakfast we transfer to **Coimbra**, the former capital city of Portugal. We will visit Coimbra Old Cathedral (Se Velha de Coimbra) and the cloister; Monastery of Santa Clara-a-Velha. Visit the Carmelite convent where Sr. Lucia lived and died. As we leave Coimbra for **Fatima**, we will visit **Aljustrel**, where the three Little Shepherds were born, and **the Sanctuary**. Mass, time for prayer and walk through the sanctuary. Following dinner at the hotel, we will participate in the rosary at the Chapel of the Apparitions and candlelight procession. **Dinner & overnight at hotel in Fatima.**

Day 11 - After breakfast at the hotel, time for private prayer and leisure. **Dinner and overnight at hotel Fatima.**

Day 12 - After breakfast, before making our way to the airport we will tour the city of St. Anthony - **Lisbon**. We will visit St. Anthony Church (the birthplace of St. Anthony of Padua), the Lisbon Cathedral, St. Roch Church, and Lookout Miradouro Sao Pedro de Alcantara for one of the best views in Lisbon. Walk through the old town. **Dinner in Lisbon.** Transfer to airport for flight to Madrid. **Overnight in Madrid.**

Day 13 - Transfer to Madrid airport for flight back to Chicago.

Contact Toni Pietrowski at 630-699-3482 or Fr. Slawek at 773-1272 ext. 208 for further information.

"It is not only a personal but a social concern which we must all foster: a concern to make unconditional respect for human life the foundation of a renewed society."

~ Pope Saint John Paul II, *The Gospel of Life (Evangelium Vitae)*, no. 77)
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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
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 6:00 am to 8:00 am and Fridays from 7:00 am to 9:00 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.

The Women's Center

February 2015

In our nation over 1 million abortions are preformed each year. The babies aren't the only victims of abortion. The other victims are their mothers, who in many cases were pressured into the abortion. Sooner or later they experience horrible grief and depression. At the Women's Center we try to help women struggling with a problem pregnancy and save them from grieving later.

Please consider hosting a diaper drive through your school, church or youth group. **Diapers in size 1, 4, 5 and 6 and baby hygiene products are always urgently needed.** We always need maternity and gently used teenage boy clothes. These items must be delivered to us unless accompanied by baby furniture. The clients and their families who receive these resources are so grateful for your generosity. Please contact Paige at 773-794-8807 or pscarlett@womens-center.org

Have you felt God calling you to serve in the pro-life mission field? The Women's Center is looking for new volunteers Monday-Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. Areas of need include lobby reception, furniture distribution, print room copying, and occasional mailings. We always need people to clean the baby bottles that we use to collect spare change at churches. This is actually our main fundraiser and keeps our doors open. For details, contact Paige at 773-794-8807 or pscarlett@womens-center.org.

We also need 4 walkers, 3 toddler beds, 4 strollers, 2 double strollers, 4 swings, crib sheets, 2 changing tables, and 4 infant car seats/carriers. It will be a great help if you can deliver these to us. **For our address, or if a pick-up by a volunteer is needed, please call 773-794-1313.** The families who receive these things are grateful for your generosity.



Welcome

Guests and Visitors!

We're so glad you are here and invite you to walk the path to faith with us. The community of St. Peter the Apostle strives to grow closer to Christ in all that we do. We care for one another and together with Christ, we make a difference.

If you would like to become a registered parishioner, please fill out the information below and drop it into the collection basket at any mass or call the Parish Center at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200).

Family Name _____

Family Member Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____

E-mail Address: _____

ST. POPE JOHN PAUL THE GREAT EUCCHARIST CHAPEL DONATION

If you or your family would like to be responsible for the "Flowers of the Week," just fill out this coupon, put it in an envelope marked chapel flowers and drop it in the collection basket with \$25.00 or more. Your name will be printed in the bulletin the week your gift purchases flowers for our Eucharistic Chapel.

Specific weeks cannot be guaranteed, but we will try if possible.

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Telephone Number: _____

Parish Envelope Number (optional): _____

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Food Pantry Needs Restocking

On your next trip to the grocery store, please consider adding a few non-perishable food items to your shopping cart to contribute to the **Itasca Food Pantry**.

The following items are needed:

- coffee
- toilet tissue
- cereal
- toothpaste
- paper towels
- laundry detergent



If you would like more information about the food pantry, please call Pat Tardi at 630-773-4703.

Do You Need Help with Food?

Catholic Charities has resources available to help those who are in need of food. Even if you may not have qualified for assistance in the past, Catholic Charities can help.

Please call our DuPage County office located in Lombard at 630-495-8008. To learn more about Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Joliet, visit our Web site at **www.cc-doj.org**