

www.stpeteritasca.com 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



November 10, 2019 Thirty-second 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.

#### Jesus answers a question from some Sadducees about the resurrection of the dead.

In today's Gospel, we hear about an encounter between Jesus and some Sadducees. The Sadducees were a party of Judaism active in Jesus' time, descended from the priestly family of Zadok. They were literal interpreters of the written Law of Moses, which means that they were in disagreement with the position of the Pharisees, who offered an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses.

The Sadducees are described in this Gospel as opponents to the belief in resurrection. In the dialogue presented here, we see an example of the means of disputation that was common in first century Judaism. The Sadducees use the example of Levirate marriage, found in the Law of Moses, to disprove belief in the resurrection. According to Deuteronomy 25:5-10, if a man died without producing an heir, the man's brother should marry his wife and the offspring of this union would inherit the property and carry on the name of the man who had died. The Sadducees use this as an example to challenge belief in the resurrection.

Jesus argues from the same written Law of Moses to show that there is resurrection. Using the texts from the Book of Exodus that describe Moses' encounter with God in the burning bush, Jesus shows that God is the God of the living, not the dead. Here Jesus uses the same method and texts of the Sadducees to counter them. As the Gospel text suggests, he beat them at their own game!

More importantly, in this discourse Jesus shows the limits of our imaginations when it comes to eternal life. The Sadducees argued against resurrection because of the limits of earthly existence. They did not imagine another possibility for existence and relationship with God. Jesus proposes that the possibilities of resurrected life are beyond our imaginations. Jesus' conclusion suggests something else as well: To spend time worrying about resurrected life is to miss the point. The point is eternal relationship with God is possible, for God is the God of the living, "...for to him all are alive."

I believe the children of St. Peter's are really open and want to learn more about their Catholic faith but they need to be exposed to the reality and beauty of it. There are many opportunities throughout the year for them to truly know Jesus Christ in the Eucharistic presence. Every first Friday, we have Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. It's a wonderful opportunity for the family to go before the Eucharistic Lord and pray together or for special one-on-one time for a parent and child to share. The length the time of the visit should be adjusted to the age of the child. Other opportunities throughout the year include Adoration on Holy Thursday until midnight and the Corpus Christi procession.

It goes without saying, that the parental role is to pass on the faith to their children with the help of godparents given at Baptism and sponsors chosen during the Confirmation process. Being a godparent or sponsor is not just a one-hour commitment the day of the Baptism or Confirmation. It is a constant responsibility and active participation, along with the parents, of being role models and examples of faith. It is showing them God, the Mass, and the importance of the godchild or confirmandi in the sponsor's life.

This is done by talking to them and asking them about their faith journey. Just as I will be accountable before God on helping godparents and sponsors in grasping their responsibilities; they will be answerable as to how they carried their responsibilities out. The commitment of godparents and sponsorship are not to be taken lightly.

Have a blessed week.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Sławek



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# Stewardship of TreasureA Way of LifeSt. Peter the ApostleSunday CollectionFiscal Week 18: 11/03/2019\$ 13,874.76\$ 194,592.25

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	SUNDAY OFFERING
to conveniently make your weekly offering,	
please contact the Parish Center (ext. 200)	CHANNEL ST

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

Sunday 9:30 am	<b>November 10</b> St. Vincent DePaul Collection Drive ( <i>Parking Lot</i> ) Grief Support Group ( <i>Meet in MWH</i> )
Tuesday	November 12
7:15 pm	Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)
Wednesday	November 13
4:30 pm	Children's Choir (Church/Choir Loft)
5:00 pm	Religious Education Classes (School/Church)
6:00 pm	Adult Hand Bell Choir (Church/Choir Loft)
7:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church/Choir Loft)
Thursday	November 14
9:00 am	Morning Bible Discussion (MW Parish Hall)
7:00 pm	Father John Project (Church)
Saturday	November 16
	MANNA Sales after all Masses (Church/Narthex)
4:00 pm	Confessions (Church)
Sunday	November 17
12.15	MANNA Sales after all Masses (Church/Narthex)
12:15 pm	Baptisms (Church)



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

#### For the week beginning Saturday, November 9 | Sunday, November 10



Thank you to Ida and Joe Sularz

for the beautiful flowers adorning the Tabernacle

in memory of

Stella Giannelli



Mass Intentions

Sunday 8:30 am 11:00 am	November 10 (32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time) †Dino Guidarini †Chester Bochenko Fernando Chaidez - Special Intention (Birthday) †Mary Frawley †Francesco, Giuseppina and Maria Fricano †Joseph Magnus †Rosaria Priolo
<b>Monday</b>	November 11 (St. Martin of Tours, Bishop)
8:00 am	†Edward Filipek
Tuesday	November 12 (St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr)
8:00 am	†Wally, Sophie and Richard Chlopeke
Wednesday	November 13 (St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin)
8:00 am	†Maria Skotnicka
<b>Thursday</b>	November 14 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Helena and Boleslaw Ber
<b>Friday</b>	<b>November 15</b> <i>(Weekday)</i>
8:00 am	†Marie Potempa
Saturday 5:00 pm	November 16 (Vigil: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time) †Noel Clancy †Mary Frawley †Vito Ingrassia †Joseph Spapperi
<b>Sunday</b> 8:30 am 11:00 am	November 17 (33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time) †Barbara Beers †Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brokema †Mary Frawley †Ed Kryger †Giuseppine Ribaudo and Giuseppe Fricano †Ziggy Muszynski †Jessica Scarpone

## Readings for the Week

Monday:	Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday:	Wis 2:23 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday:	Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19
Thursday:	Wis 7:22b 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25
Friday:	Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37
Saturday:	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8
Sunday:	Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

## **Communion Ministers/** Lectors/Servers Schedule

S	aturday, November	16   Sunday	, November 17
Commun	ion Ministers	Servers	
5:00 pm	Reetha George Rosie McDonald Linda Aiani Nancy Riley	5:00 pm 8:30 am	Nathan George Tabeetha George Robert Glennon Joey Vale
8:30 am	Frank Vale Marty Hower Sharon Hower Deacon Fred	Ushers	n Anthony Zapalik Hanna Papuga
11: <mark>00</mark> am	Joanna Papuga Karl Schmidt Bill Kolf Deacon Bob	5:00 pm	Gary Divis Jim Ferenzi Ed <mark>Rossi</mark> Frank Rossi
Lectors	beaton box	8:30 am	Chris Aument Ralph D'Andrea
5:00 pm 8:30 am 11:00 am	John Los	11:00 am	Robert Gosanko Karl Schmidt John Carello Bill Hepperle Bruno Zecchin
	Mary McNamara		Barb Zecchin

## Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

**Brian Beers** Sue Bobka John Booth Janet Both Ken Buffo Joe Busato Mike Carey Jacqueline Castellano Debra Kelly Eunice Cleveland Regina Conti Lucy Crocilla Joseph Crocilla Collin Cummins Marv Cummins Michael Cummins Paul Cummins Valeria D'Andrea Margaret Del Preto Angeline DiFranco Charles DiFranco Jr. Teresa Dunhac John Elia Scott Erickson Tracy Fink Cheryl Fisherkeller Sally Franz Dan Galuszek Joe Galuszek Geri Gerard Mel Gerard Mike Graziano Joseph Halec

Carole Hatke Phil Hatke Ken Hemstreet Mary Hosters Shirley Janik Brian Josephus Anne Keeton Joe Kryger Ruth Kryger Rickie Kruzel Celeste Kucharczyk JoLynn Lash Sharon Laughlin Elizabeth Lisak Pasauale Lopardo Eileen Marino Patricia McMahon Ann McNally Jack McNally Gene Mikulecky Christopher Mizera Rich Mrugacz Don Olenek Vince Orazietti Fred Oslager Anne Marie Pagni Harriett Pinkowski **Baby Vincent Porter** Megan Putze Brendan Reidy

Joe Riggio Jerry Riordan Michaelene Rogus John Rossi Jennifer Ruffing Savannah Rose Russo Roxanne Ruiz Alana Ruiz Alexandra Ruiz Janina Sabat Fred Santoro Angela Scanlon Mark Sqarbossa Shauna Sheffer Marilvn Sieradzki Wanda Slupik Dan Sobucki Belinda Sobucki Sharon Sowers Karen Stewart Joan Streich Linda Szweda James Thompson Patricia Vitale Jennifer Wesil Helen Wilczko Agnieszka Wisniewska Grzegorz Wisniewski Ray Young Carol Zell Deacon Bob Ziomek

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



## **Presentation of Offertory Gifts**

Thank you to the following for presenting gifts at this weekend's masses:

Samantha Stephan and family\* 5:00 pm 8:30 am Tori D'Ambrosio and family\*

\*Please pray for these children and their families as they prepare for First Holy Communion in May.

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, US 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
SGT Jacob Los, US Army
Major Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army
1stLt John Kenneth Murphy, US Marines
SGT Marcin Platek, US Marines
2LT Megan Putze, Army National Guard
Cpl MacLane Read, US Army
SGT Michael Schatzman, US Army
LTJG Albert J. Schrautemyer III, US Navy Pilot (Persian Gulf)
SGT Jeremy Schumacher, US Marines
Robert P Woods Lt.JG. US Navy
Thomas Zablocki, US Marines
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.



The SVD truck is in the parish parking lot this weekend. Someone will be available before and after masses to help take donations and to distribute receipts.

(NOTE: If truck is closed/unattended, donations can be left next to the truck; volunteers will load when they return)

The Society is in need of clothing for all ages, as well as small household items, such as dishes, cookware, lamps, linens, toys, books, etc. **TVs cannot be accepted.** 

Bring your items, **SECURELY PACKED** in heavy-duty bags and/ or boxes. **Donation bags are available in the back of Church that can be used to collect your items to be donated.** 

Furniture and other large items will not be accepted at the clothing drive. To donate these larger items please call 630-231-4658 or email **saintvincentdonate@gmail.com** to arrange for a truck will come to your home.

## **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.

The group meets on the second Sunday of the month following the 9:30 am Mass (approximately 10:30am).

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

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, November 10 at 9:30 am





#### FATHER JOHN PROJECT

The next "**Father John Project**" will be take place at 7:00 pm on Thursday, November 14. The evening prayer service, will include the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. Confessions will also be available from 7:00 pm to 7:45 pm.

The focus of the "**Father John Project**" is to take action through prayer for conversion. Father John's desire was to welcome new and returning Catholics to their home in the Church. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend, as well as to reach out to invite anyone who may be struggling to find their way "HOME."

## HAPPENING SOON...

## CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE — Light-up someone's holiday

It is time again for St. Peter's parishioners to pick an ornament from the **Giving Tree**. This project benefits Catholic Charities as well as local needy families.

#### Here is how it works:

#### Beginning the weekend of November 16-17,

the giving trees will be up and available for parishioners to select a "tag" with information about a gift for a needy person. Parishioners are asked to purchase a new gift as suggested on the "tag" (please no used items); wrap the gift and affix the "tag" securely to the package; and, return to the boxes in the back of church by **Sunday**, **December 8**.

Please note that each gift is designated for a specific individual and if you take an "tag" and do not return a gift, someone will be disappointed on Christmas.

St. Peter's is again providing the Christmas Giving Tree to help the less fortunate fulfill some holidays wishes.

In past years, Catholic Charities has provided a list of needy individuals and families for the Giving Tree program. This year, in addition to the Catholic Charities list, we would also like to ensure that those struggling within our own parish community are assisted.

If you are struggling with finances this holiday season or know of someone who is, please contact Fr. Slawek to make arrangements to participate in the Giving Tree program.



## MASS OF THANKSGIVING

Thursday, November 28 9:00 am

> Let's truly set the tone for a wonderful holiday of giving with thanks to the Lord!

Please bring non-perishable food items for donation during the offertory at the 9:00 am Mass on Thanksgiving Day.

Drivers may be needed to help transport the food after Mass to the Itasca Food Pantry it will only take an extra half hour of your time.





## MANNA GIFT CARDS NEWS FLASH...

Get ready to order your Christmas gift cards

## JUMP START YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Manna gift cards make Christmas shopping easier and very convenient!

Manna sales will take place NEXT WEEKEND (November 16-17) to help with Giving Tree purchases.

Sales will then continue after all masses every weekend through December 15.





## ANNUAL ADVENT WREATH FAMILY EVENT

The Knights of Columbus invite all parishioners to its annual Family Advent Wreath-making program on **Tuesday, November 26, at 7:00 pm**.

The cost is \$15 for base, greens and candles, or \$10 for greens and candles (if you have your own base).

Please sign up in the back of church, if you plan to attend.





On Sunday, November 10 at 11:00 am, The Village of Itasca and the VFW will honor our military men and women with a short ceremony at the Veteran's Memorial in Usher Park.

## Inaugural Itasca Food Pantry Benefit

Saturday, November 16, 2019 Cucina Casale = 216 N. Walnut = Itasca 6pm – 10pm

630-467-9700

The Itasca Food Pantry provides food for individuals and families in need, especially during the holiday season!

- \$10 Door Fee
   Raffle Prizes
   Complimentary Pizza Buffet
- Complimentary Pizza Bulle

Live Music By: Throwback Jukebox

\*All proceeds from oper and rames to benefit itasta Food Pantry\*

Refer to website for most needed foods itascacares.org/pantry



## PLEDGE CIVILITY, CLARITY, AND COMPASSION THIS ELECTION YEAR



With another election cycle in full swing, we are faced with the difficult question of what it means to love our neighbors in the midst of such a divisive climate. We are called to bring the best of ourselves and our faith to the public square—and yet today, many shy away from such involvement because our national and local conversations are filled with anger and harsh language, often directed at people themselves.

When personal attacks replace honest debate, no one wins. This kind of attack, no matter the reason, only serves to further divide our communities. As Catholics, we must model a better way. In response to this need, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has launched a year-long campaign calling for civility throughout this election year. Civilize It: Dignity Beyond the Debate invites Catholics to pledge civility, clarity, and compassion in the public square and to call on others to do the same.

The Diocese of Joliet, Office for Human Dignity is challenging Catholics to model love for neighbor through respect, and compassion during the 2020 election cycle and beyond. Put your faith into action and make room in your heart for those with whom you disagree. Pledge dignity beyond the debate today at Civilizelt.org! You might also opt to use the resources found at www.wearesaltandlight.org/civilize-it/resources to promote this campaign in your faith community.



#### PRESENTATION SERIES Join us as we welcome Dr. Mary Amore as she presents Tinsel, Silent, and Listen

EASTERN DUPAGE DEANERY

An Advent Women's Night Out

Tinsel, Silent, and Listen are created from the same six letters of the alphabet; yet each word expresses a different reality. Join us for a wonderful evening of reflection and discussion as we explore the ways we can rearrange the letters of our life so that we can prayerfully prepare our lives for the coming of Jesus this Advent season.



A Cardinal Bernardin Scholar and distinguished member of the North American Academy of Liturgy, Mary is a highly sought-after presenter of parish missions, workshops, seminars and retreats. Dr. Amore is a monthly columnist at Ministry and Liturgy Magazine and she also serves as the full time Executive Director of Mayslake Ministries

#### Wednesday, December 4 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm **Immaculate Conception Parish - Marion Room** 134 Arthur Street, Elmhurst, Illinois

Light refreshments will be served.

Registration is required. Please visit easterndupagedeanery.org to register.

#### Attendees are asked to bring donations to assist Stepping Stones Women's Shelter in Roselle

Suggested items:

r towels; tolkit projet: facial tissue, feminice hygener dats, toolitipaste & toothbushes (adult and children), dental floss, q-tos, bandiador, hand acep (bars of dispenses), body scep, reacos (need more for women than men), stimpoo, conditioner, body fation, dish scap dishwacher uson, laundry delargenti, fation continera, giuss clearers, foils clearers, foils flored. sink disinfectant, sink cleaner (Ajao, etc.), kitchen sink sponge, floor cleaner, hand-wipes, hand sanitizer



When was the last time you received Reconciliation?

Was it recently?

In the past year? Awhile ago?

#### You are invited to prepare your heart and soul for Christmas Seven Hours of Confession

#### Saturday, December 14 9 am - 4 pm

Immaculate Conception Church 134 Arthur Street | Elmhurst, Illinois 60126 630-530-9346

The priests of the 16 parishes of Eastern DuPage County will be available to celebrate the Sacrament of Healing of Sin!

There will be select times when the Sacrament will be offered in both Polish and Spanish.

All Catholics are invited to receive God's grace



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Katie is the Assistant to the Director of Faith Formation at the Cathedral of Saint Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet, IL. She assists with faith formation for families, the parish catechists, and adults preparing to enter the Church. She lives with her husband Mushtag and their three children in Joliet, IL. She does her best to balance three children with life threatening food and environmental allergies: two homeschooled and one toddler throwing laundry down the stairs.



OK: WOW-WOMEN OF THE WAY WOMENOFTHEWAY.DOI@GMAIL.COM

"O St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery; Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity. ... Provide comfort to survivors of slavery and let them look to you as an example of hope and faith."



- USCCB, "Prayer to St. Josephine Bakhita"

#### PREGNANT? NEED HELP?

Real Alternatives	
First Way National Life Center	800-848-5683
Aid for Women	630-896-8600
National Pregnancy Hotline	
National Adoption Hotline	
Teen Parent Connection	630-790-8433
Natural Family Planning	
DuPage Catholic Charities	630-495-8008
The Nurturing Network	
Crisis Pregnancy Hotline	
Waterleaf Women's Center	630-701-6270
The Gabriel Project	



#### WILL YOU HELP SAVE UNBORN BABIES? NorthWest Families for Life together with the Respect Life Ministries at St Peter's and Surrounding Parishes invite you to pray and save lives

outside of the Wood Dale abortion facility One of the main reasons women give for changing their mind

about having an abortion is the presence of someone there outside the clinic praying for them.

Advantage Clinic, 203 East Irving Park Road, Wood Dale Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 6:30am to 1pm

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

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

For more information and more ways to be involved in this pro-life ministry, email Maria Goldstein at NWFL526@gmail.com or call Laura 847-651-4877, or call parishioner, Nancy Magnus 630-606-5197.

#### THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC BIOETHICS CENTER

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





#### **AVENUE WOMEN'S CENTER**

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

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

Visit their website at AvenueWomensCenter.com.

Centers are located throughout DuPage County.

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

#### **CALENDAR OF PRO-LIFE EVENTS**

Saturday, January 11, 2020, 1:00 pm | March for Life Chicago The Rally will take place in Daley Plaza followed by the March

Friday, January 24, 2020 | March for Life Washington DC Join the Diocese of Joliet on their March for Life pilgrimage from January 22 to January 26. For more information and to register online, visit http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/life/ or call the Diocese Respect Life Ministry at 815-221-6251.

If you have questions or are interested in any of these events, please contact parishioner Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197.



## 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:

## **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 cereal
- toilet tissue
  toothpaste



• paper towels • laundry detergent

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



#### 🔈 TABERNACLE FLOWERS DONATION FORM 🖕

If you or your family would like to be the designated donor for "Flowers of the Week."

just fill out this form, put it in an envelope marked Tabernacle 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.

Specific weeks car	nnot be guaranteed, but we will try ij
Donor's Name: _	
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mail address:	
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	like the acknowledgement to read? In Honor of

## 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** 



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