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**WEEKDAY LITURGIES** 

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am (Mass)

#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

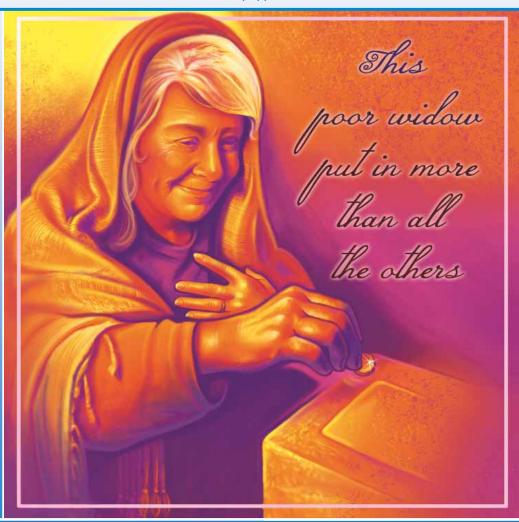
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm | Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:15 am

#### **HOLY DAY MASSES**

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

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm
First Friday of every month following 8:00 am Mass
Second Thursday of every month during Father John Project
and by appointment



November 11, 2018 T hirty-second S unday in Ordinary T ime

#### **RECTORY/PARISH CENTER**

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

#### **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.

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the St. Vincent de Paul drive. It was a great way to clean out our closets and help the less fortunate. As usual, the generosity of the St. Peter's family was astounding. Special thanks to Diane Blackburn for coordinating the St. Vincent de Paul truck, to Dave Carzoli for overseeing the Sunday morning volunteer crew, as well as to the Religious Ed students who helped load the truck, including Veronica Ciaccio, Gabbie Gennuso, Anthony Ginski, Carolyn Kawczynski, Jimmy Kollias and Anthony Seavey.



In remembering the faithful departed, this is an excellent opportunity to acknowledge and thank the bereavement ministry who faithfully attend each wake and Mass for our departed parishioners. They are a great comfort in a time of such great loss. The bereavement ministry members includes: Pat Barbee, Elizabeth Booth, Dorie Calip, Theresa Camp, Sally Franz, Sandie Galuszek, Mel and Geri Gerard, Theresa Greskoviak, Maryann Koback, Bill Kolf, John North, and Nancy Riley.

I am happy to say that we had over 650 luminaria which were formed into a large cross with a heart in the middle signifying the 3,700 killed through abortion each day. A special thank you to Bill and Kathy Kolf for providing the candles and bags and Magda Tarchala who graciously wrote all the names on the bags of our beloved. I would also like to thank the people who helped to set up in the early afternoon and light all the luminaria: The Fortino family, Jim Ferenze, Bill Kolf, Tomasz Mika, the Piatek family and the Tarchala family. For some people, the ceremony and luminaria are very emotional. It brings to mind all of the memories of their loved ones.

In this month of November, remember to pray for our faithful departed in a special way. They will reward us with their intercession before the very face God when they reach the heavenly kingdom.

Have a blessed week.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Sławek



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

#### Universal: In the Service of Peace.

That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

The LORD keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry.

— Psalm 146:7



#### **Stewardship of Treasure**

A Way of Life St. Peter the Apostle

Sunday Collection Year to Date

Fiscal Week 19: 11/04/2018 \$ 13,351.67 \$ 191,214.34

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

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

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



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

Sunday November 11

MANNA Sales after all Masses (Church/Narthex)

10:30 am Grief Support Group (PC)

Tuesday November 13

7:15 pm Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)

Wednesday November 14

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)
Deacon Bob's Bible Study (MW Parish Hall)

Thursday November 15

9:00 am Morning Bible Discussion (Parish Hall)

**Saturday** November 17 4:00 pm Confessions (Church)

Sunday November 18 12:30 pm Baptisms (Church)



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

#### In Memoriam

Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of

Nancy Borre Anthony Mokrzycki Linda Moretti

May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

# For the week beginning

Saturday, November 10 | Sunday, November 11



Thank you to

Mel and Geri Gerard

for the beautiful flowers adorning the Tabernacle

in memory of

**Robert Fields** 

#### Mass Intentions



**Sunday November 11** (32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:00 am †Mr. and Mrs. Emil Derma

9:30 am †Ed Kryger 11:15 am †Robert Fields

†V. Michael Pellegrino

Felipa Penaflor - Special Intention

†Josephine Riggio

Monday November 12 (St. Josephat, Bishop and Martyr)

8:00 am Mary Booth - Special Intention

**Tuesday** November 13 (St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, Virgin)

8:00 am Mary Booth - Special Intention

Wednesday November 14 (Weekday)

8:00 am Mary Booth - Special Intention

Thursday November 15 (St. Albert the Great,

Bishop & Doctor of the Church)

8:00 am †Marie Potempa

Friday November 16 (St. Margaret of Scotland,

St. Gertrude, Virgin)

Saturday November 17 (Vigil: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)
5:00 pm †Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus

Thomas A. Dooley Assembly

†Emmett Kelly †John O'Brien †Concetta Picciuca †Arlene Sbertoli

**Sunday** November 18 (33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time) 8:00 am †Deceased Members of the Avolio Vamily

9:30 am †Ed Kryger
11:15 am †Dora Dastice
†Lorraine Thielberg
†Joan Ziomek
People of the Parish

#### **Readings for the Week**

Monday: Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 17:1-6

**R:** Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face. Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-10

Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-

**R:** The salvation of the just comes from the Lord.

Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19

**R:** The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25

**R:** Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob.

Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Lk 17:26-37

**R:** Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8

**R:** Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8-11; Heb 10:11-14, 18;

Mk 13:24-32

# Communion Ministers/ Lectors/Servers Schedule

Saturday, November 17   Sunday, November 18					
Communion Ministers Servers					
5:00 pm	Rosie McDonald Nancy Riley	5:00 pm	Jimmy Kollias Katie Kollias		
	Pat Schwartz Deacon Fred Maier	8:00 am	Christopher Skiera Robert Glennon		
8:00 am	Dorie Calip Arlene Derma Rose Ann Roll Jim Ruffing	9:30 am	Andrew Carzoli Olivia Barthel		
		11:15 am	Michael Fricano Valentina Ancona		
9:30 am	Ruth Kryger Phyllis Cimaglia Kathy Frank Rafal Urbanczyk	<i>Ushers</i> 5:00 pm	Gary Divis		
11:15 am	Carmela Graziano Michael Graziano Mary McNamara Deacon Bob Ziomek		Ed <mark>Ro</mark> ssi Fran <mark>k</mark> Rossi		
		8:00 am	Chris Aument Ralph D'Andrea Robert Gosanko		
Lectors		9·30 am	Jim Ferenzi		
5:00 pm	Eighth Graders	3.50 din	Ralph Fortino		
8:00 am	Jean Grote Sandie Galuszek		Dennis Rosy Joe Talaga		
9:30 am	John Los Mel Gerard	11:15 am	Karl Schmidt John Carello		
11:15 am	Michael Blackburn Diane Blackburn		Joe Crocilla Bill Hepperle Bruno Zecchin		



# **Cross and Offertory Gift Bearers**

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

	CROSS	GIFTS
5:00 pm	Lia Lampignano	Vitino Lampignano & family
8:00 am	_	_
9:30 am	_	Kevin Kaleta & family
11:15 am	<b>Grace Cord</b>	_

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

# Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

Of Our Parish Failing					
Barbara Beers	Mel Gerard	Anne Marie Pagni			
Brian Beers	Mike Graziano	Harriett Pinkowski			
Sue Bobka	Gabriella Guercio	Baby Vincent Porter			
John Booth	Joseph Halec	Megan Putze			
Janet Both	Phil Hatke	Brendan Reidy			
Ken Buffo	Jeanette Hemmelgarn	John Rossi			
Joe Busato	Ken Hemstreet	Jennifer Ruffing			
Mike Carey	Isabell Herrera	Savannah Rose Russo			
Jacqueline Castellano	Shirley Janik	Roxanne Ruiz			
Eunice Cleveland	Brian Josephus	Alana Ruiz			
Regina Conti	Anne Keeton	Alexandra Ruiz			
Lucy Crocilla	Debra Kelly	Janina Sabat			
Collin Cummins	Joe Kryger	Fred Santoro			
Mary Cummins	Ruth Kryger	Angela Scanlon			
Paul Cummins	Rickie Kruzel	Shauna Sheffer			
Valeria D'Andrea	Celeste Kucharczyk	Marilyn Sieradzki			
Margaret Del Preto	JoLynn Lash	Belinda Sobucki			
Irene Dial	Sharon Laughlin	Richard D. Sokolowski			
Angeline DiFranco	Elizabeth Lisak	Sharon Sowers			
Charles DiFranco Jr.	Pasquale Lopardo	Karen Stewart			
Florence Drwal	Deacon Fred Maier	Joan Streich			
Teresa Dunhac	Eileen Marino	Linda Szweda			
John Elia	Patricia McMahon	Ornella Talaga			
Scott Erickson	Ann McNally	Terry Tardi			
Robert Fahler	Jack McNally	James Thompson			
Tracy Fink	Gene Mikulecky	Patricia Vitale			
Cheryl Fisherkeller	Christopher Mizera	Jennifer Weil			
Rose Mary Flores	Rich Mrugacz	Helen Wilczko			
Sally Franz	Jean Nowobielski	Agnieszka Wisniewska			
Mary Frawley	Dolores Olenek	Grzegorz Wisniewski			
Dan Galuszek	Donald Olenek	Ray Young			
Joe Galuszek	Vince Orazietti	Deacon Bob Ziomek			
Mary Gawlik	Fred Oslager	Judy Ziomek			
Geri Gerard					

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 PVT Jacob E. Cleveland, US Army Reserves

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 Woods Hall
to grab a doughnut, a beverage
and some fellowship—
weekly following all Sunday morning masses.

# CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS www.usccb.org/cchd Cycloth o 2017. United Spinic Conference of Catholic Blulops. Woodshiptons. DC: All thylan reserved. Thates Grey Image. Parish Collection NEXT WEEKEND November 17-18

# **Grief Ministry Meetings**

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

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

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

For more information, please contact:

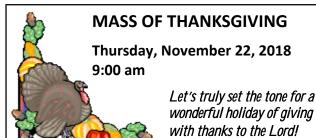
Sharon Laughlin *or* Fred Maier 630-212-0304 630-773-4412

## Meeting THIS Week—Sunday, Nov. 11 at 10:30 am





# HAPPENING SOON...



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.



# 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 17-18,

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 9**.

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.





#### ANNUAL ADVENT WREATH FAMILY EVENT

The Knights of Columbus invite all parishioners to its annual Family Advent Wreath-making program on **Tuesday, November 20, 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.





# MANNA GIFT CARDS **NEWS FLASH...**

Get ready to order your Christmas gift cards

#### JUMP START YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

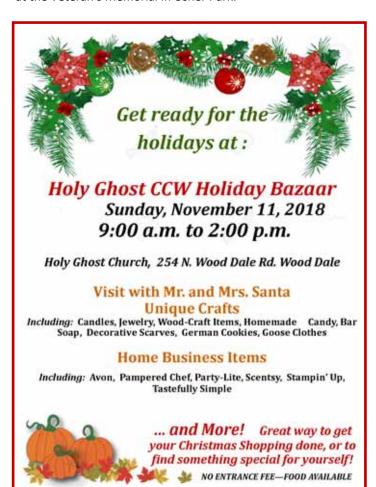
Manna gift cards make Christmas shopping easier and very convenient!

To help with your Giving Tree purchases, Manna will be sold after all masses next weekend, November 18-19.





On November 11 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.





## Music for the Lord

Saturday, October 13-Concert: 6:30pm

Lutheran Home 800 W. Oakton St., Arlington Heights 847-368-7400

#### Sunday, October 21-Concert: 4:30pm

St. Peter Lutheran Church 202 E. Schaumburg Rd., Schaumburg 847-885-3350

#### Sunday, October 28-Concert: 4:30pm

Good Shepherd Lutheran 195 Nesler Rd., Elgin 847-741-7788

#### Sunday, November 4-Concert: 4:30pm

First Presbyterian Church 221 N. Main St., Belvidere 815-544-6402 Join the

Spirit of Life
Chorus
at our
Fall 2018
Concert Schedule

#### Sunday, November 11-Concert: 5:00pm

Holy Ghost Catholic Church 254 N. Wood Dale Rd., Wood Dale 630-860-2975

Benefit concert for Military Outreach USA.

#### Sunday, November 18-Concert: 4:00pm

Christ Church
1492 Henry, Des Plaines
847-297-4230
Please bring a donation of a non-perishable
food item for the Des Plaines Self Help Closet.

#### Sunday, November 25-Concert: 4:30pm

First Baptist Church 1266 N. Northwest Hwy., Park Ridge 847-692-6101

#### Sunday, December 2-Concert: 4:30pm

St Walter Catholic Church 130 W. Pine St., Roselle 630-894-2461

To find more information about the Chorus and our concert schedule, visit www.spiritoflifechorus.org



# **SAVE THE DATE—**

Saturday, December 1 | 7:30 pm ITASCA CHRISTMAS CONCERT Supports Local Charities

Hanmee Presbyterian Church

1149 W. Bloomingdale Road | Itasca, Illinois

**Hanmee Presbyterian Church** will be hosting the 27th Annual Family Christmas Concert. Doors open at 7:00 pm with the concert starting at 7:30 pm.

The program includes the choir singing familiar Christmas carols, audience participation, children singing with the orchestra, and the Hanmee Handbell choir performing two handbell selections.

A reception follows the concert.

Please come and support this Itasca tradition with efforts to help those in need in our community. All proceeds benefit the Itasca Cares charities.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children (ages 3-12) and free to children under 3 years old. Tickets are available at the Parish Center, the Itasca Community Library, and at the door.

For more information call Linda Aiani at 630-773-8518.



# PRESENTATION SERIES

# Eastern DuPage Deanery

# Join Us as we welcome Matt Pozen as he presents

# Mary as the Icon of Advent: Biblical Reflections

Many beautiful titles have been given to Mary, the Mother of God, over the centuries.

For it was the Holy Spirit that inspired men and women with profound insights into the meaning of Jesus Christ and into explaining Mary.

Matt will guide us as we learn about the roles of Mary in salvation history.



Matt Pozen is the Director of Faith Formation at Visitation Parish in Elmhurst where he grew up.

He also regularly presents for the Biblical Institute of the Diocese of Joliet and

for the Tau Center in Wheaton.

Matt studied at The University of St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein where he earned a Master of Divinity degree.

# Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Visitation Parish - 851 S York St, Elmhurst, IL 60126

Registration is required.

Please go to easterndupagedeanery.org to sign up by filling out a very short form

A free will offering will take place at this event.

Save the Date! – Tuesday, January 29th – Fr. John Kartje presents "From Science to Faith" at Immaculate Conception Parish "Through the Church's teaching, God invites us to a fuller, richer, deeper way of life and love."



— "USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Another Look at Contraception," www.usccb.org/contraception

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

Prayers are always needed for unborn children.

Pro-life advocates want to continue to save lives and one of the most powerful ways to do this is by bearing peaceful, prayerful witness at an abortion clinic. The number one reason abortion-bound women give for changing their mind is the presence of someone praying for them.

You can be a part of this meaningful mission by joining other pro-life individuals in prayer at the Advantage abortion clinic at 203 E. Irving Park Road in Wood Dale any Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday between 6:30 am and 11:00 am. You can come and go at any time. Whatever amount of time you can spend in prayer will help save the life of an unborn child.

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.

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

Wednesday, January 16 - Sunday, January 20 - March for Life with the Joliet Diocese in Washington D.C. Register online at http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/life or call the Respect Life Ministry at 815-221-6251.

**Sunday, January 19** | **11:00am – Celebration of Life Mass** Celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Raymond, 604 N. Raynor Avenue on Joliet.

Gathering in prayer so a culture of life might flourish. If you have any questions, want more information, or are interested in participating in any of these events, please contact Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197.

#### **Prayer to End Abortion**

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life,
And for the lives of all my brothers and sisters.

I know there is nothing that destroyed more life than abortion,
Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death
by the Resurrection of Your Son.
I am ready to do my part in ending abortion.
Today I commit myself Never to be silent,
Never to be passive, Never to be forgetful of the unborn.
I commit myself to be active in the Pro-Life movement,
And never to stop defending life
Until all my brothers and sisters are protected,
And our nation once again becomes

A nation with liberty and justice, not just for some, but for all,
Through Christ our Lord. Amen!

Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life





For confidential help call 888-456-HOPE or visit hopeafterabortion.com

# 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\_\_\_\_\_ 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
- 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.

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