

Saint Peter ^{the} Apostle

CATHOLIC CHURCH



551 N. Rush Street | Itasca, Illinois 60143 | 630.773.1272 | www.stpeteritasca.com

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

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

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays | 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

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

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

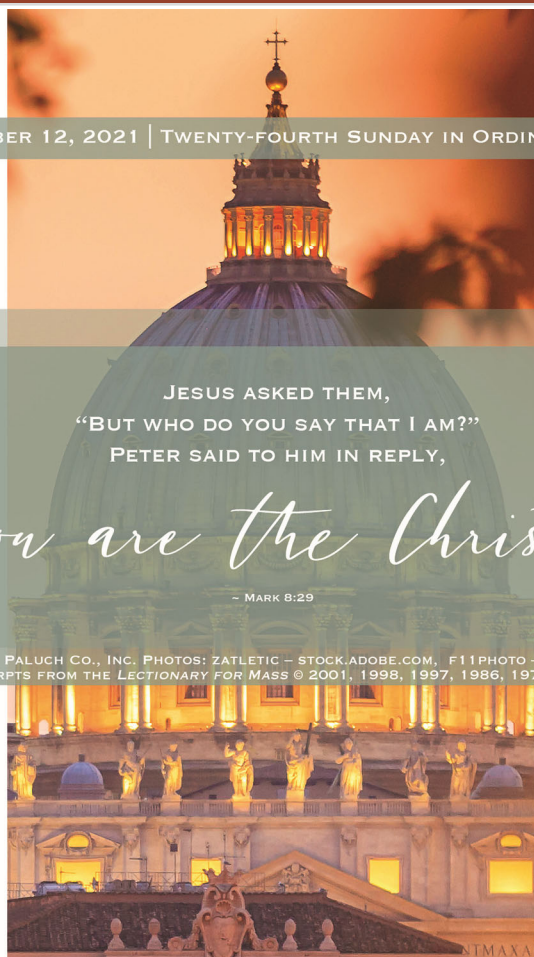
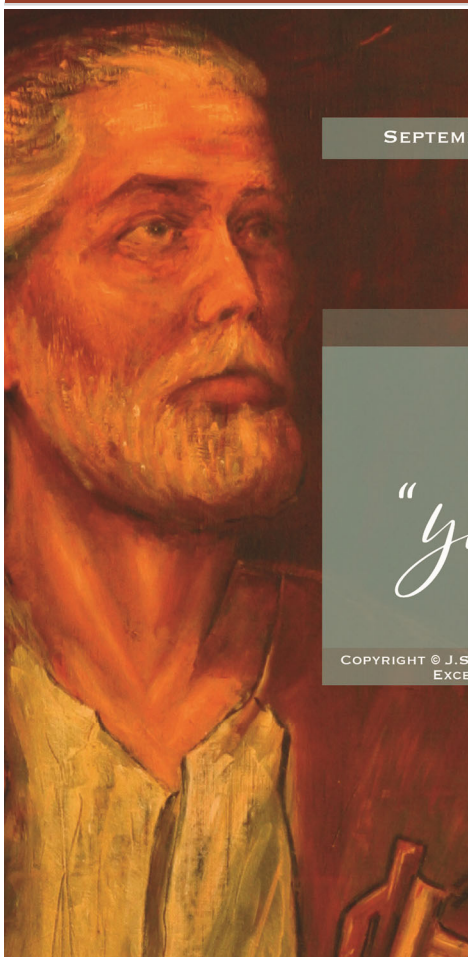
SEPTEMBER 12, 2021 | TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JESUS ASKED THEM,
"BUT WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?"
PETER SAID TO HIM IN REPLY,

"You are the Christ."

— MARK 8:29

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From the Pastor

Dear Parish family,

In today's Gospel, Mark [8:27-35], Jesus asks the disciples for a field report by asking what others say about him. He then turns the question directly to the disciples and asks what they believe. Peter speaks for all of them when he announces that they believe Jesus to be the Christ.

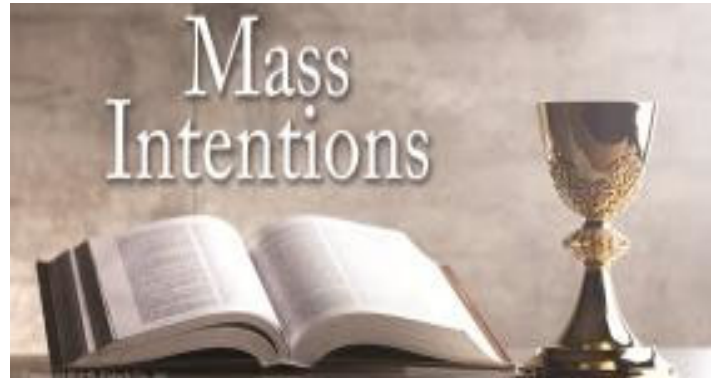
The word *Christ* is the Greek translation of the Hebrew word for Messiah, which means "the anointed one." At the time of Jesus, the image of the Messiah was laden with popular expectations, most of which looked for a political leader who would free the Jewish people from Roman occupation. Jesus does not appear to have used this term for himself. As we see in today's reading, Jesus refers to himself instead as the Son of Man, a term derived from the Jewish Scriptures, found in the Book of Daniel and in other apocryphal writings. Many scholars suggest that the phrase Son of Man is best understood to mean "human being."

Now that the disciples have acknowledged Jesus as the Christ, Jesus confides in them the outcome of his ministry: he will be rejected, must suffer and die, and will rise after three days. Peter rejects this prediction, and Jesus rebukes him severely. The image of Christ that Jesus is giving is not the image of the Messiah that Peter was expecting. Jesus then teaches the crowd and the disciples about the path of discipleship: To be Christ's disciple is to follow in the way of the cross.

We can easily miss the fear that Jesus' words must have evoked in his disciples. Death by crucifixion was all too familiar as a method of execution in Roman-occupied territories. It was also an ever-present danger to the Christian community for whom Mark wrote. The path that Jesus was inviting his disciples to share meant tremendous suffering and death. This is the kind of radical commitment and sacrifice that Jesus calls us to adopt for the sake of the Gospel.

Give the Lord glory,

Fr. Noesen



Sunday	September 12 (<i>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>)
8:30 am	†Remo and Frances Rosy
10:00 am	†John Barry
11:30 am	†Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus Council 10884 - Itasca
Monday	September 13 (<i>St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i>)
8:00 am	†Barbara Bears
Tuesday	September 14 (<i>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>)
8:00 am	†Mary Lou DuBois
Wednesday	September 15 (<i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i>)
8:00 am	†Rosa Ferrante
Thursday	September 16 (<i>St. Cornelius, Pope, and St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs</i>)
8:00 am	†Harry Aument
Friday	September 17 (<i>Weekday; St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i>)
8:00 am	The Franz Family— <i>Special Intention</i>
Saturday	September 18 (<i>Vigil: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>)
5:00 pm	†Charles J. Picardi †Antonio Pensa †Jerry Riordan †Andrzej Szymikowski Don and Elizabeth Slowiak— <i>55th Anniversary</i> People of the Parish
Sunday	September 19 (<i>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>)
8:30 am	†Edward Kryger
10:00 am	†Maria Terracciano
11:30 am	†Bruce Gariti †Jim and Maryann Koback †Ken Koletto †Jeff Landreth †Carol Mazzucchi For an End to Abortion

Readings for the Week



Monday:	1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Wednesday:	1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Thursday:	1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50
Friday:	1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday:	Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16 — 4:3; Mk 9:30-37



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

Tuesday Rosary Ministry

The Tuesday Rosary Ministry meets weekly at 7:15pm. Weather-permitting, during the summer months, the group meets outside at the Blessed Mary Grotto (next to the school). Please bring a chair if you prefer to sit. In the event of inclement weather, the group will meet in the church. Attendees are welcome to lead one of the decades if comfortable and inspired to do so. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Bring your Rosary, your personal intentions and your voice. Invite friends to be a part of this beautiful and powerful gift of prayer.

 Roman Catholic *Diocese of Joliet* 

2021 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Update

Have you made your Pledge?

Dear Parish Family,

Historically, our parish community has been very generous to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Joliet, which goes to support many crucial ministries in our diocese that support our own parish ministries. As part of an \$8.2 million diocesan goal, our parish community has a target goal of \$52,400. Sadly, our parish has not met its targeted goal for the last decade.

As of last weekend, donors have pledged \$51,835. That means we are still \$565 away from reaching our goal. \$49,635 has been paid thus far on our pledges, so please keep your promise to fulfill your pledge. I am very grateful to those who already made pledges. Your generosity is appreciated and very important as our obligation to support the diocesan Church is an important one. If we can meet our parish's goal in paid pledges, I would be so incredibly proud of this parish community for their sacrifice and generosity to Bishop Hicks' appeal.

Bishop Hicks mailed information to parishioner homes in February. If you need a pledge form, envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church or use the one below and return it to the Parish Office through the Sunday Offering or directly through the mail. You can also make a pledge online by going to the parish website or directly to the Diocesan website. If you make a pledge or payment on the diocesan website, be sure to mark Saint Peter the Apostle Parish as your parish so the parish receives acknowledgment and credit.

For more information visit jolietdioceseappeal.org. Thank you for your generosity!

Fr. Noesen

Please make your gift today!
2021 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal
Saint Peter the Apostle Parish, Itasca, Illinois

Name _____

Address _____

Total Gift \$ _____ First payment \$ _____
 or full payment \$ _____ Amount due \$ _____

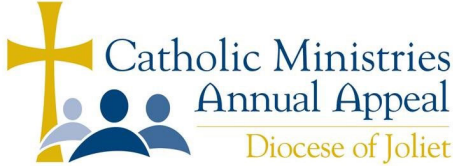
One-time payment 4 payments 8 payments

Check enclosed

Visa MasterCard Discover

Card number _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature _____



MAIL TO:
Diocese of Joliet
Development Office
16555 Weber Road
Crest Hill, Illinois 60403-8719

Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

	Sunday Collection	Year to Date
Fiscal Week 10: 09/05/2021	\$ 11,162.67	\$ 99,456.37

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).



Electronic Giving is available using GiveCentral

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

You can also connect directly by visiting the website directly at givecentral.org/location/1251

There has been great progress made over the last three years towards paying off the original parish debt of \$2 million dollars. As of July 31, 2021, our capital project debt stands at \$391,921.52 . Thank you for your stewardship and prayers.

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

This Week at St. Peter's...

- Sunday September 12**
9:30 am Grief Support Group (*meet in MW Parish Hall*)
- Monday September 13**
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Officer's Mtg. (*PC/Lower Level*)
- Tuesday September 14**
7:15 pm Tuesday Evening Rosary (*Church*)
- Wednesday September 15**
8:30 am Confessions (*Church*)
5:00 pm Religious Education Classes (*School/Church*)
- Thursday September 16**
9:00 am "Be Formed" Bible Discussion (*MW Parish Hall*)
- Saturday September 18**
8:30 am Landscaping Clean-up (*Parish Grounds*)
9:00 am Religious Education Classes (*School/Church*)
4:15 pm Confessions (*Church*)
- Sunday September 19**
12:15 pm Baptisms (*Church*)

GRATEFUL & GENEROUS

"Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks."
(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)



Schedule

Saturday, September 18 | Sunday, September 19

<i>Communion Ministers</i>	<i>Lectors</i>
5:00 pm Rose Ann Roll Deacon Bob	5:00 pm John Los
8:30 am Dorie Calip Deacon Bob	8:30 am Sandie Galuszek
10:00 am Greg Papuga Deacon Fred	10:00 am Kevin Grisamore
11:30 am Chris Nagle Deacon Fred	11:30 am Mary McNamara





HELP NEEDED TO MAINTAIN PARISH LANDSCAPING!

September 18 | 8:30 am

Many of you have commented on how well the parish grounds look. For this, I and those who do the work each week sincerely thank you. It takes many volunteers to help keep the grounds nice. Specifically, volunteers are needed next Saturday morning at 8:30 am to help clean up around our buildings. Bushes need trimming and plenty of weeding needs to be done. Please consider helping next Saturday and plan to bring along tools, gloves and energy. A great opportunity for fellowship, service and exercise.

Thanks for your consideration, and God's blessings!

The more the merrier and likewise quicker!



**"Mums" the Word—
But Don't Keep it a Secret!**

Fall and it's glorious colors are around the corner.

To help kick things into gear, St. Peter's is once again selling Mums for \$10 each.

SALE BEGINS THIS WEEKEND!

Remember Grandparent's Day on September 12.



GRIEF MINISTRY

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

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

For more information, please contact:

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

THIS WEEKEND—SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 | 9:30 am



Mass Intentions



The 2022 Mass Intention Book will open on Tuesday, September 14

PLEASE BE ADVISED...

In an effort to provide a more equitable opportunity for weekend mass requests, a new policy is in place limiting frequency of WEEKEND requests to ONE TIME PER MONTH with a cap of THREE intentions per request.

Currently, weekday mass intention requests will not be held to any restrictions.

Arrangements to have a Mass said for a particular intention can be made by visiting or calling the Parish Center during regular office hours.

Daily Masses and the Sunday 8:30 am and 10am Masses may have only one intention. The Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil and the Sunday 11:30 am Masses are generally available for multiple intentions with a maximum of six.

The requested stipend for a Mass intention is \$10.

Mass Intention Cards are available upon request.

Note: Certain weekend Mass times and dates are often requested months in advance.



St. Peter the Apostle Itasca - Council 10884
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 Itasca, Illinois 60143
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St. Peter the Apostle Itasca - Council 10884 is pleased to introduce its newly-installed slate of officers for 2021-22:

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



Tootsie Roll Drive



The Intellectual Disabilities or "Tootsie Roll" Drive is one of the most recognizable activities of the Knights of Columbus. The funds generated from this drive are used to support local programs which help people with intellectual disabilities.

The 52nd Annual Tootsie Roll Drive will take place Sept 17-18 at select Itasca street corners and store fronts, as well as after all masses next weekend. Volunteers are needed to assist on Friday morning and evening and Saturday morning.

Individual sleeves of Tootsies Rolls may be purchased for \$25.00 or a case for \$100.00.

They are perfect for Halloween and your donation is tax deductible.

For any additional Information, contact the event chair, Mike Cummins at 630-965-3783.



Sincere thanks to everyone who generously donated and made our recent blood drive a huge success. Versiti informed us that the 36 units were collected, which may help up to 108 people.

Special thanks to Fr. Noesen for supporting our Knights of Columbus Council, for the use of Margaret Woods Hall, as well as for promoting the event and being a blood donor. Thank you to Jim Wuerffel for making himself available at 7:00 am to open doors for Versiti to set up.

Last but not least, thank my brother Knights who helped with the Blood Drive: Joe Talaga, who made calls to past donors; Tom Kryger, who picked up and provided bagels for donors; Frank Vale and Jim Ferenzi, who greeted and registered donors; and Mike Fink who helped with clean-up.

Respectfully,
 Nick Alfano,
 Deputy Grand Knight and
 Blood Drive Coordinator





CATHOLICISM AND THE CROSS

St. Peter was riding high. Jesus had just asked the disciples, “Who do you say that I am?” While the rest of the disciples stumbled around in confusion, Peter hit a home run. “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Then, moments later, Jesus blesses him and entrusts him with the keys of his kingdom, giving him far more authority than he could imagine. Whatever you bind in heaven will be bound? Oh yes, Peter was feeling fine.

But then, as they continued their journey, Jesus began talking strangely, predicting his own suffering and death at the hands of the priests and Pharisees. The disciples were worried and puzzled—but Peter was downright upset. What was Jesus saying? He couldn’t mean it. He had just affirmed that he was the long awaited Messiah, the Son of God! Surely he was only moments away from ushering in a glorious earthly kingdom; a kingdom in which, he, Peter, son of Jonah, would occupy a very prestigious position. Jesus couldn’t mean it, and Peter felt he had to set him straight. “God forbid, Lord! This shall never happen to you.”

Then something happened that shook St. Peter to the core. Jesus, his meek and gentle master, turned to him with an angry fire in his eyes. “Get behind me, Satan!” he exclaimed. “You are a hindrance to me; for you are not on the side of God, but of men.” Peter was stunned, humiliated, and grief stricken. Had Jesus just called him... Satan?

But Jesus wasn’t finished. He turned to the rest of the disciples who were still reeling from this sudden zeal on the part of their Master. “If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me,” Jesus continued passionately. “For whoever would save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.”

The Cross

As we read this Gospel passage, we are compelled to ask: Why was Jesus so angry? Wasn’t St. Peter simply looking out for him? The answer is quite simple. Jesus loved the cross. His death was not an accident of circumstances or the outcome of a successful plot on behalf of the Pharisees, but rather the longing of

his heart. Jesus Christ came to earth for one reason only—to redeem fallen humanity—and the cross was his chosen instrument of redemption. His whole life was like an arrow shot towards Calvary. The cross was always before his eyes.

The disciples, on the other hand, were appalled by the idea that their Lord could be killed. They did not listen to Jesus’ warnings and calls to sacrifice everything. They were interested only in the easy road, the smooth road. They longed for glory and a high place in the Messiah’s restored earthly kingdom. To them, their journey could end in no other way. The cross? Far from loving it, they were horrified by it, repelled by it.

Jesus looked into their hearts and saw their empty ambition, their pride, their love of comfort, their vain envy of one another. His infernal enemy, Satan, had been cast from heaven for the very pride and ambition his closest friends were now displaying. And it made Jesus angry. He turned to them and assured them that if they did not embrace the cross as he did, they had no part with him. The cross that so horrified them became the one condition of their salvation.

Hiding the Crucifix

Far too often, Catholics are embarrassed by the cross. The crucifix is removed from sanctuaries. The Mass, once known as an unbloody sacrifice, the re-presentation of Calvary, is reframed as a community meal. Priests, we are told, do not offer a Victim to God the Father, but rather preside like congenial hosts at a dinner. Homilies, instead of issuing calls to self-denial, rather exhort us to a mild and tolerant affability. Talk of sin and hell and God’s justice is scoffed at and is replaced by a vague and cheerful universalism.

In short, many Catholics prefer the wide and smooth road. They do not see the bloody sacrifice of Christ as central to the faith—they are horrified by it like the disciples before them. To them, niceness, friendliness, and tolerance are at the heart of the Catholic faith.

Jesus Christ is repelled by this weak-kneed, milquetoast faith, and to it he thunders, “Get behind me Satan, you are a hindrance to me.” For Christ still loves his cross. He still bears in his hands and in his side the wounds that purchased our salvation. To all those who would follow him, he still offers the same condition: “If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.”

The Narrow Way

We must reject easy and comfortable Catholicism, a Catholicism that demands nothing of us. We must not hide the crucifix, but rather gaze lovingly upon it, recalling the words of St. Paul, “We preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.” We must turn from the sin of our complacency and begin again to embrace the cross, for it alone is the sure way to true joy and life eternal.

By Sam Guzman. An author and editor of The Catholic Gentleman whose work has appeared in several publications. He resides in Wisconsin with his wife and two small boys where he is also the Communications Director for Pro-Life Wisconsin.

To Honor the Gravesites of our Unborn Brothers and Sisters



National Day of Remembrance
Saturday Sept. 18
for Aborted Children 2021

On Saturday, September 18, pro-life Americans will honor the memory of the more than 60 million unborn victims of abortion during the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

Solemn prayer services will be held simultaneously at gravesites around the country where abortion victims have been buried, as well as at many other memorial sites dedicated in their honor.

Join us for the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children and ensure that our unborn brothers and sisters will not be forgotten.

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Memorial Service
for Victims of Abortion

Date & Time
Saturday, September 18, [1:00 pm]

Location
Resurrection Cemetery
200 W. Romeo Road
Romeoville, IL (Cemetery SE Corner)

Special Details
Speakers include Bishop Daniel Conlon - Bishop Emeritus of Joliet
Veronica Lamlech - Students for Life
Mary Griffith - Advocate for Life.
[Gather in the Garden of Angels Section].

Local Contact
[Don Hrdlicka], [Phone 630-415-6603]
[E-mail pharmdon@hotmail.com]

For more information on this event, visit AbortionMemorials.com

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.

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.

PREGNANT? NEED HELP?

Real Alternatives	888-543-3243
First Way National Life Center	800-848-5683
Aid for Women	630-896-8600
National Pregnancy Hotline	800-521-5530
National Adoption Hotline	202-463-7563
Teen Parent Connection	630-790-8433
Natural Family Planning	815-838-1002
DuPage Catholic Charities	630-495-8008
The Nurturing Network	800-866-4666
Crisis Pregnancy Hotline	800-672-2296
Waterleaf Women's Center	630-701-6270
The Gabriel Project	877-734-2444



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.

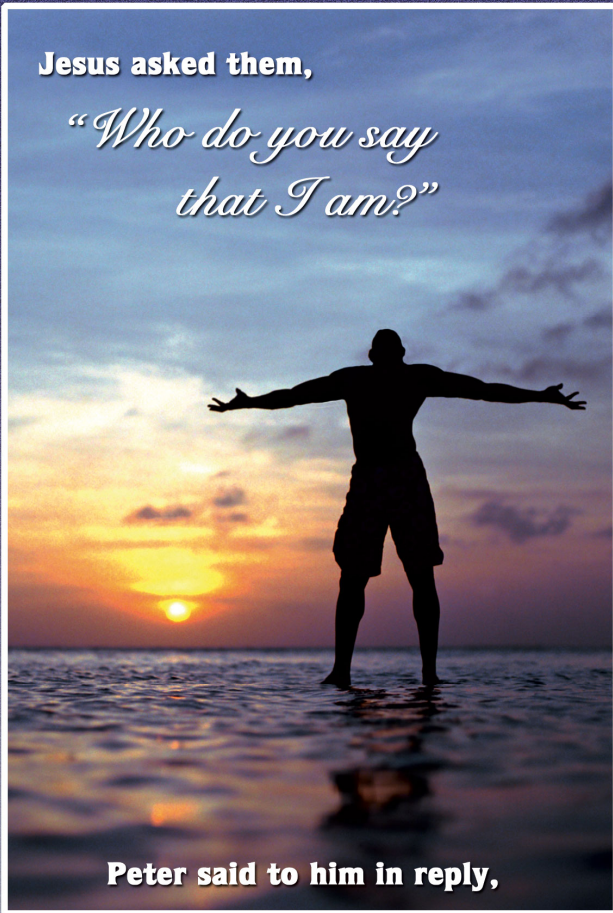


For confidential help call
888-456-HOPE
or visit hopeafterabortion.com

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

Joann Anderson	Mel Gerard	John North
Michelle Anderson	Brad Grabow	Holly Vana
Sue Bobka	Mike Graziano	Tom Vana
Elio Campanella	Gary Grote	Harriett Pinkowski
Mike Carey	Virginia Halac	Bonnie Pollock
Gerry Ciucci	Martha Hayes	Nikki Recchia
Eunice Cleveland	Ken Hemstreet	Brendan Reidy
Robert Cleveland	Mary Hosters	Ann Marie Rossi
Regina Conti	Anne Keeton	John Rossi
Marie Costable	Rickie Kruzell	Wayne Slowiak
Colin Cummins	JoLynn Lash	Fr. Miroslaw Stepien
Mary Cummins	Lilly Lima	Linda Wuerffel
Michael Cummins	Gene Mikulecky	Barbara Jean Zecchin
Paul Cummins	Christopher Mizera	Carol Zell
Gerri Gerard	Julie Mulcahey	

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



Jesus asked them,

“Who do you say that I am?”

Peter said to him in reply,

“You are the Christ.”

Mark 8:29

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

AN ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLE

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

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
- LCpl James J. Cullotta, US Marines
- SGT Michael D'Andrea, US Army
- Maj Joseph DeHaven, US Army
- CPT Steven Gregor, US Army
- SGT Michael Helle, US Army
- Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines
- PVT Aleksandra Juzwiak, Army National Guard
- CMC Mike Kaszubowski, US Navy
- SGT Jacob Los, US Army
- Major Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army
- 1stLt John Kenneth Murphy, US Marines
- Kevin Noesen, US Coastguard
- 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
- Robert P. Woods Lt. JG. US Navy
- Thomas Zablocki, US Marines
- PO2 Benjamin Zubak, US Navy

The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced

— Isaiah 50:7



RECTORY/PARISH CENTER

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Italian Catholic Federation (Branch 418)
Nick Tenerelli, Pres. phone: 847-224-9324

PARISH CENTER BUSINESS HOURS

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

Friday-Sunday: CLOSED (or by appointment)



TRAVELING?

Call 410-676-6000 or log onto www.masstimes.org for the location and schedule of Masses throughout the U.S.

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENT AND BULLETIN DEADLINES

NOTE: Parish staff reserves the right to accept and/or decline, as well as edit, both pulpit announcements and bulletin submissions.

Pulpit announcement requests are to be submitted to the Parish Center no later than the **Tuesday preceding** the weekend during which the announcement is to be made. Announcements may be submitted by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200) or by e-mail to office@stpeteritasca.com.

Bulletin submissions are to be submitted **no later than 8 days preceding** requested publication date. Notices and full page flyers will run for a maximum of two weeks, and priority will be given to items that are date sensitive. If possible, all items should be typed for legibility and accuracy and dropped off at the Parish Center or sent via e-mail to bulletin@stpeteritasca.com.

CONFESSIONS

Weekly on Wednesday at 8:30 am (*following Mass*)

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

First Saturdays at 8:30 am (*following Mass*)

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

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

BAPTISMS

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

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

WEDDINGS

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

HOSPITALIZATION NOTIFICATIONS AND SICK/HOMEBOUND ARRANGEMENTS

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

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

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

FUNERALS

It is the responsibility of the parish to bury their dead. The funeral director will contact the Parish Center regarding arrangements. Funerals are ordinarily celebrated at 10:00 am. For more information, please read guidelines for Funeral Planning on the parish website.



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



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