

Saint Peter ^{the} Apostle

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

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

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am

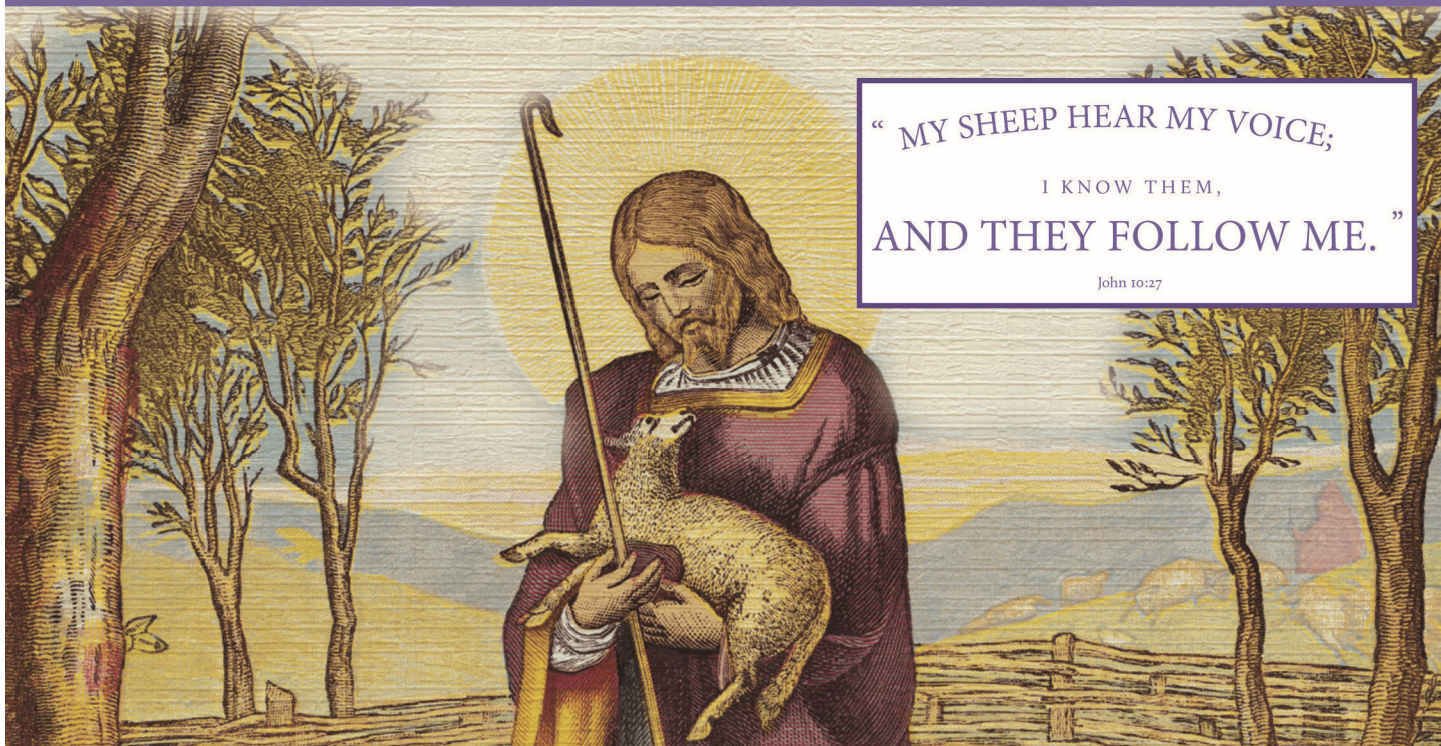
CONFESSIONS

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*)

May 8, 2022 | Fourth Sunday of Easter



From the Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

For Catholics, the month of May is dedicated to our Blessed Mother. In 1965, Pope Paul VI wrote a short encyclical on the month of May: *"During this month of May, we pay special honor to our Blessed Mother. It is an occasion for a moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pay to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance."*

This Christian custom of dedicating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin arose at the end of the 13th century. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church, we learn that "the Church's devotion to the Blessed Virgin is intrinsic to Christian Worship." The Church rightly honors "the Blessed Virgin with special devotion. From the most ancient times, the Blessed Virgin has been honored with the title 'Mother of God,' to whose protection the faithful fly in all their dangers and needs..." The liturgical feasts dedicated to the Mother of God and Marian prayer, such as the Rosary, an epitome of the whole Gospel, express this devotion to the Virgin Mary."

Please consider joining us on Tuesday evenings in church to pray the Rosary and to pray a decade of the Rosary following every weekday Mass. This most popular devotion to Mary is a perfect blend of vocal prayers and meditation on the mysteries from the life of Christ and Mary.

This weekend we celebrate Mother's Day, a day to honor mothers — our own mothers, our Holy Mother, the Church, and Mary, the mother of Jesus and the mother of us all, given to us by the Lord as he hung upon the cross. Our parish honors our Blessed Mother with May Crowning this weekend. Everyone is invited to take part in giving honor to Mary, our mother, as we honor all those women who have "mothered us." Especially if your mother is deceased, what better way to remember her than by making an offering of love to the Blessed Virgin Mary? Mary leads us to Jesus, and like a good mother, she shows us the face of God in her goodness and in her care for us.

Everyone is encouraged to bring fresh flowers to lay at the foot of the statue of the Blessed Mother throughout the month. Bring flowers from your own garden. Let children pick flowers. Young and old — men, women, and children are all invited to bring flowers to show their love for Mary. In honoring the Mother of Jesus, we honor Him, and He will bless our efforts with an increase in faith and devotion. Join us as we "bring flowers of the fairest...to the loveliest rose of the vale!"

Easter Blessings from the Risen Lord,

Fr. Noesen

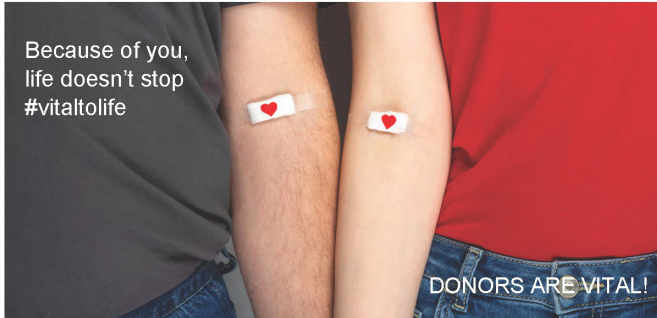


Sunday	May 8 (Fourth Sunday of Easter)
8:30 am	†Virginia Williams
10:00 am	†Jeanette Cannon
11:30 am	†Judy Boeckeler People of the Parish
Monday	May 9 (Easter Weekday)
8:00 am	†Rev. John Guine
Tuesday	May 10 (Easter Weekday; <i>St. Damien de Veuster, Priest)</i>
8:00 am	†Debbie Franz
Wednesday	May 11 (Easter Weekday)
8:00 am	†Simon Peter Ortega - Special Intention on his Graduation
Thursday	May 12 (Easter Weekday; <i>Sts. Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs;</i> <i>St. Pancras, Martyrs)</i>
8:00 am	†Mary Murphy
Friday	May 13 (Easter Weekday; Our Lady of Fatima)
8:00 am	†Wladyslaw, Richard and Zofia Chlopecki
Saturday	May 14 (Vigil: Fifth Sunday of Easter)
5:00 pm	†Jennie Armatys †Genie Burnette
Sunday	May 15 (Fifth Sunday of Easter)
8:30 am	†Carol Keegan
10:00 am	†Robert Resner
11:30 am	†Francesco Babusci †Nina Bianco †Maria Consuelo Elvas †Elizabeth McCormack People of the Parish

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Sunday:	Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

BLOOD DRIVE



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St. Peter the Apostle Blood Drive



Sunday, June 5
8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Margaret Woods Hall

To make an appointment scan the QR code,
or go to vitalant.org and use group code
ORD0G233. Questions contact Nick Alfano,
nickandmary72@gmail.com,

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Appointments recommended. Walk-ins welcome.
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by local regulations.

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O Mary! we crown thee
with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels,
Queen of the May,

Bring Flowers of the Fairest...

May Crowning at St. Peter the Apostle Parish
May 7 | 5:00 pm Mass

Tuesday Rosary Ministry

The Tuesday Rosary Ministry meets weekly at 7:15pm in 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 prayer.

GRIEF MINISTRY

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

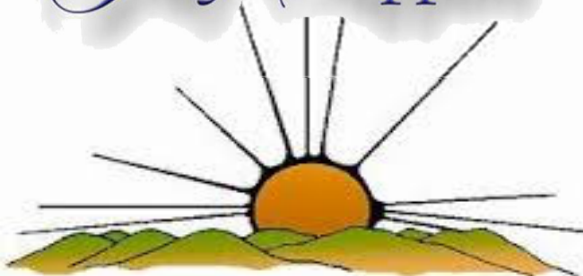
Please meet in Margaret Woods Hall for refreshments before
heading to the **Parish Center Conference Room**.

For more information, please contact:

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

**Due to Mother's Day, Grief Ministry has been
rescheduled to NEXT WEEKEND—
SUNDAY, MAY 15 | 9:30 am**

Grief Support



"Sing with the Angels"

Invites you to honor
Our Blessed Mother

Come shower her with your flowers.

Please bring your Rosary
Sunday, May 22 from 6:00-8:00pm

St. Peter the Apostle Church

551 North Rush Street, Itasca

RSVP to Maria (630) 373-4710

This "mini-retreat" will enrich your
relationship with the Mother of God through
songs, prayers and movies clips.

Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

Fiscal Week 44 - Sunday Collection (05/01/2022) \$ 13,792.00

If you have any questions concerning the collection numbers, please feel free to contact the Business Office by email at business@stpeteritasca.com or by phone 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 using the QR code provided or visiting the website directly at givecentral.org/location/1251



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** **May 8**
Faith & Fellowship (after all masses) (MW Parish Hall)
- Tuesday** **May 10**
7:15 pm Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)
- Wednesday** **May 11**
8:30 am Confessions (Church)
- Thursday** **May 12**
8:30 am Father John Project (Church)
9:00 am "Be Formed" Bible Discussion (MW Parish Hall)
- Saturday** **May 14**
4:15 pm Confessions (Church)
- Sunday** **May 15**
9:30 am Faith & Fellowship (after all masses) (MW Parish Hall)
Grief Support Group (PC Conference Room)



Saturday, May 14 | Sunday, May 15

Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Rose Ann Roll
 Bill Kolf

8:30 am Kathy Frank
 Deacon Bob

10:00 am Edgar Garcia
 Greg Papuga

11:30 am Ann Fleming
 Deacon Fred

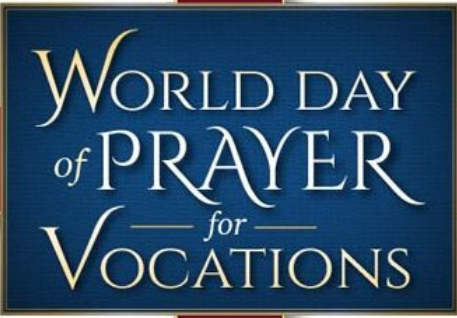
Lectors

5:00 pm Chris Kunze

8:30 am Kevin Grisamore
 Chris Nagle

10:00 am Kathy Laken

11:30 am Mary McNamara




World Day of PRAYER for VOCATIONS

prayers of the Faithful

**For our seminarians,
as they journey towards the
Priesthood, that the Lord will
strengthen their vocation and give
them courage to persevere.**

Lord hear us.



St. Peter the Apostle Golf Group

SPRING IS HERE!

It's time to get out the golf clubs!!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!

Where: Salt Creek Golf Course (*Thorndale and Prospect Aves.*)

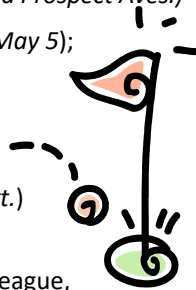
When: Every Thursday morning (*beginning May 5*);

Starting tee time: 9:10 am

Cost (walk/no cart): \$16.00 per golfer

Cost (with cart): \$26.00 per golfer
(*Some golfers prefer to walk; some use a cart.*)

We have a great time and would like others to join in on the fun. It is not a competitive league, there are no trophies. It's a day of getting together and having fun.



If you are interested or have any questions, contact—

Karen Kunze
kkunze@sbcglobal.net
708-641-0662

Chris Aument
caument@att.net
630-363-0266

ANointing FIRE CATHOLIC MINISTRY PRESENTS

Upper Room

PRAISE & WORSHIP ~ REFLECTIONS & SCRIPTURE ~ MUSIC ~ FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday, May 18th

AFCM MEDIA CENTER
(OLD PARISH CENTER)
6:30-8 PM
524 N RUSH ST, ITASCA 60143

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
PLEASE CONTACT REETHA GEORGE (630)-744-9063
EMAIL: PRAYER@ANOINTINGFIRE.ORG

ACTS 1:8
"YOU WILL RECEIVE POWER WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS COME UPON YOU..."

Registration is underway – TOTUS TUUS at St. Peter the Apostle! June 26-July 1, 2022

Totus Tuus is a fun and energetic Catholic youth program taught by seminarians and college students throughout the Diocese of Joliet. From catechetical sessions, Sacraments, and Mass to songs, games and skits - your child is sure to have fun while learning more about their faith!

Entering Grades 1-6
Monday – Friday (June 27-July 1)
9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Entering Grades 7-12
Sunday – Thursday (June 26-30)
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

For more information or to inquire about registration, contact Toni Pietrowski by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext 216) or by e-mail at religioused@stpeteritasca.com

An Invitation from the Office Of Adult Formation

Retreat

for Parish Ministers

Blessed are They Who Hope in the Lord
Led by Katie Choudhary

Wednesday, May 25th
6-9pm @ Blanchette Catholic Center, Crest Hill

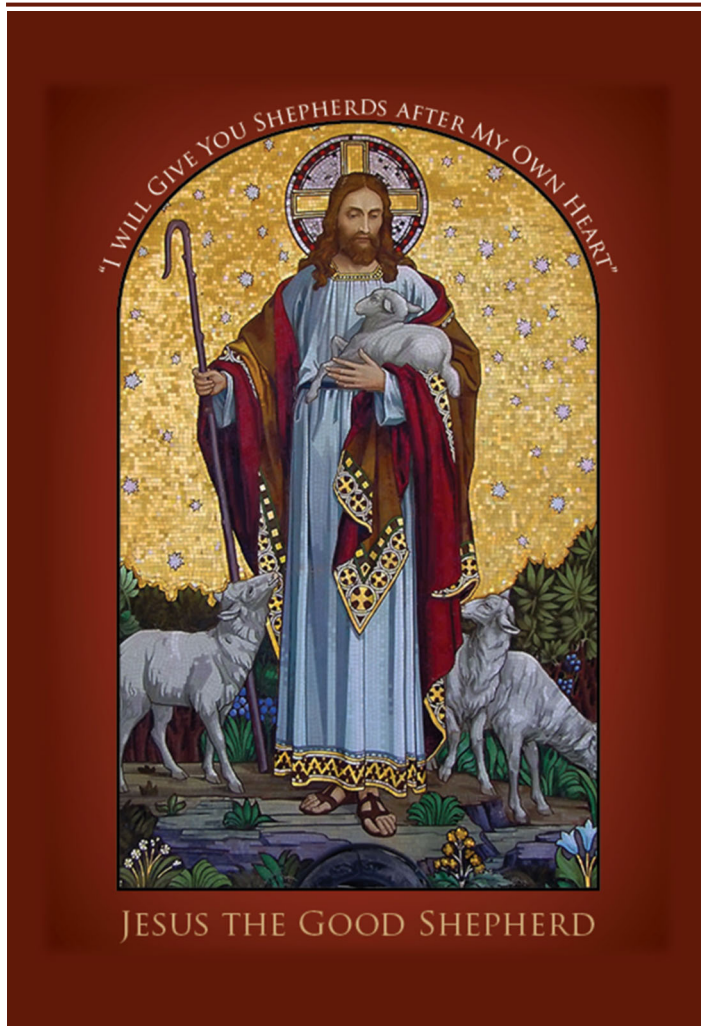
OR

Saturday, May 21st
9-noon @ St. Mary of Gostyn, Downers Grove

Registration required
Space is limited

Scan this code with your phone for easy registration!

Or go to
<https://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/layformation/>



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection - Gospel Reading: *John 10:27-30*

Jesus describes his care for his sheep

Background on the Gospel Reading

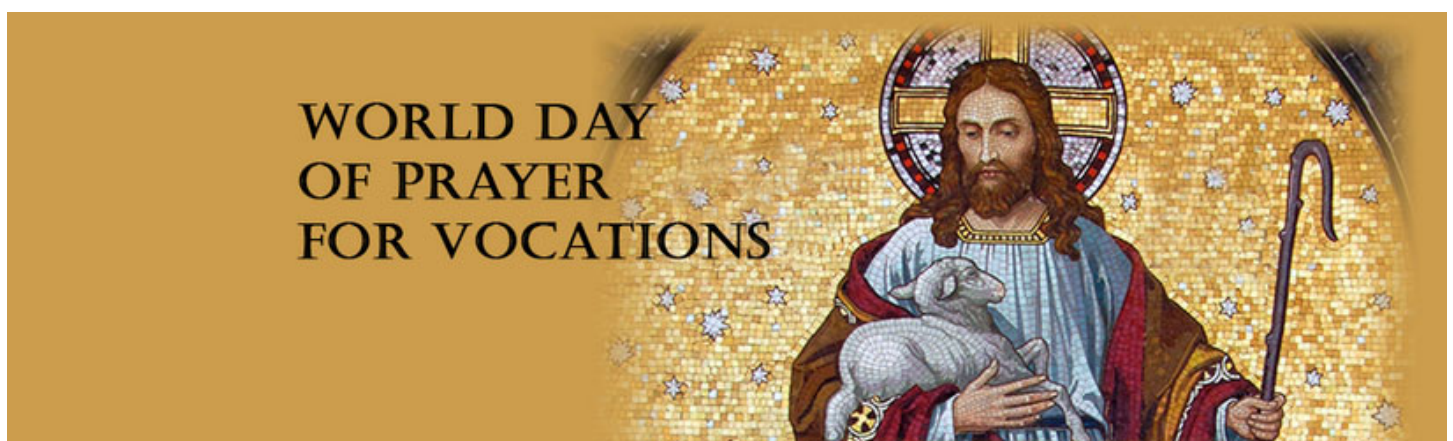
The fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday. In each of the three lectionary cycles, the Gospel is taken from the tenth chapter of the Gospel of John. This chapter of John's Gospel follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge to his authority by calling himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the Pharisees and other Jewish leaders. Already, the Pharisees and other Jewish leaders are so angered that they attempt to stone and arrest Jesus (see John 10:31 and 10:39). This controversy with the religious leaders continues until Jesus' death.

Set in a moment of tension and conflict in John's Gospel, today's Gospel reading is Jesus' answer to the question, "Are you the Messiah?" Jesus responds by saying, in essence, "If you have to ask, then you are not one of my sheep." Then Jesus asserts his unity with the Father. At the conclusion of these words, John reports that the Jews intend to stone Jesus for blasphemy, but he escapes arrest.

We may be less familiar with the metaphors of sheep and shepherd than those to whom Jesus spoke. The image of Jesus as Good Shepherd and the community of followers as his sheep has endured over the centuries as a primary image in our faith tradition. Its power to describe the relationship between Jesus and his followers transcends direct experience with sheep. The image speaks to us about the protection, security, and care that shepherds represent for their sheep.

Today's Gospel speaks powerfully about the familiarity and intimacy between Jesus and his disciples, expressed as recognizing and knowing another's voice. Today's Gospel also speaks to the relationship between Jesus and the Father. In the Gospel of John, Jesus identifies so closely with the Father that he tells us that they are one—not just close, but actually one. To know Jesus is to know the Father. Jesus doesn't just bring us closer to the Father, Jesus puts us directly into contact with God the Father, removing all distance between us. Our relationship with Jesus is an invitation to share in the life of God.

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Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

Join us for Mass this Friday

On May 13, 1917, three children, Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco, took their flocks out to pasture in the small area known as the (Cove of Peace). After lunch and the Rosary, they suddenly saw a bright flash of something like lightning, followed quickly by another flash in the clear blue sky.

They looked up to see, in Lucia's words, "A lady, clothed in white, brighter than the sun, radiating a light clearer and more intense than a crystal cup filled with sparkling water lit by burning sunlight." The children stood there amazed, bathed in the light that surrounded the apparition as the Lady smiled and said: "Do not be afraid, I will not harm you." Lucia, as the oldest, asked her where she came from.

The Lady pointed to the sky and said: "I come from heaven." Lucia then asked her what she wanted. "I have come to ask you to come here for six months on the 13th day of the month at this same hour. Later, I shall say who I am and what I desire. And I shall return here yet a seventh time."

Lucia then asked if they would go to heaven and was told "yes," she and Jacinta would go to heaven, but Francisco would need to say many rosaries first. The Lady then said: "Are you willing to offer yourselves to God and bear all the sufferings He wills to send you as an act of reparation for the conversion of sinners?" Lucia, speaking for all three, readily agreed. "Then you are going to have much to suffer, but the grace of God will be your comfort."

Lucia recounted that at the same moment she said these words the Lady opened her hands and streamed a "light" on the children that allowed them to see themselves in God. The Lady finished with a request: "Say the Rosary every day to bring peace to the world and the end of the war." With that she began to rise into the air, moving towards the east until she disappeared.

The children got together and tried to think of ways they could make sacrifices as the Lady had asked, resolving to go without lunch and to pray the full Rosary. Francisco and Jacinta received more support from their parents than Lucia, but the attitudes of the local inhabitants ranged from skepticism to utter contempt, and the children thereby suffered many insults. They would have much to suffer, just as the Lady had told them.

When the Lord asks us to do something... let us not think so much about the suffering we may have to endure...but think more about giving praise and honor to God and the reward we hope to receive if we do it well. May this day inspire us to draw close to the Lord through Mary.



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Why Catholics Pray The Rosary

The rosary, though Marian in character, is at heart a prayer that helps us to know and love Jesus. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary—Her perennial "Yes" to God's invitation, her Magnificat. In the rosary, we contemplate Christ with our Blessed Mother. We proclaim Christ with Mary. The rosary is a summary of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



MOTHERS DAY

*Thank you to all who contributed and paid tribute
to a loved one on Mother's Day*

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Bruno
Mr. & Mrs. Satiago Calip
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Cleveland
Mrs. Joan Dienst
Mr. & Mrs. James Ferenzi

Mr. & Mrs. Gregorio Gagula
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Gamboa
Mr. & Mrs. Witek Kopacz
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Perillo

Mr. & Mrs. Jan Platek
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Robertson
Mr. Ralph Spaccapaniccia
Mr. Giovanni Ferracciano

in honor or memory of...

Josephine Affarano
Giulietta Alfano
Carolina Alfano
Giulietta Alfano
Ambrose Aunts
Agnes Arrabito
Stella Aument
Norma Banaszewski
Lana Barzyk
Virginia Begley
Livia Berardi ("Senior")
Josephine Bobka
Irena Bogacz
Krystyna Bogacz
Leonor Bratkovich
Clorinda Busato
Louise Carello
Pasqua Cascella
Mrs. Nancy Casolari
Christine Castellano
Rosa Comes
Patricia DeBella
Angela Demetrio
Franca DePalma
Julia Derks
Zofia Dlugosz
Anna Dlugosz
Camilla Duszynski
Mary Edmier
Ann Frank
Rose Garska
Rose Gosanko
Lillian Gresher
Antonia Griseta (mom)
Antonia Griseta (sister-in-law)

Genowefa Grudzien
Lorraine Hanneman
Pauline Helle
Erna Helle
Anna Helle
Betty Hemstreet
Janina Herdzik
Clara Hoffman
Angie Holthaus
Anna Kearns
Jean Kisla
Elzbieta Korytynska
Maria Kosk
Katherine Krajewski
Marie Kremen
Anna Kron
Annette Kryger
Louise Lahey
Ann Lale
June Landers
Ann Laughlin
Gilda Lazzaro
Josephine Locascia
Adeline Magnus
Sophie Mandel
Patricia McMahon
Rose Mears
Concetta Mondelli
Marianne Monhardt
Josephine Muscarino
Marion Orlando
Irene Otte

Betty Owen
Rosaria Pensa
Wanda Pietka
Helen Popelka
Elzbieta Prochincka
Evelyn Ritrovato
Cleo M. Roll
Josephine Russo
Nadean Russo
Rose Salvato
Francis Salvato
Dorothy Salvato
Giovanna Sanzone
Helen F. Schaberger
Mrs. Eugenia Schaul
Rose Schlager
Irene Schwartz
Rosaria Scola
Isabel Serpico
Harriet Serzen
Patricia Shuler
Maria Slomiany

Liz Slowiak
Sally Slowiak
Betty Slowiak
Betsy Smith
Marie D. Spiezio
Helen Sularz
Gerry Surplus
Anna Szot
Amelia Talalaj
Elizabeth Tepley
Carolina Urbaniak
Anna Varwill
Violet Weiss
Averil Wilson
Connie Wojcik
Margaret Woods
Mildred Woods
Zofia Wozniak
Connie Wujcik
Rosemary Zeman
Marilyn Zubak



Loving God,
we thank you for the love
of the mothers you have
given us, whose love is so
precious that it can never
be measured, whose patience
seems to have no end.

We pray for those mothers
who fear they will run out
of love or time, or patience.
We ask you to bless them
with your own special love.

Amen.



In Memoriam

Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of
Encarnacion Duarte
father of Mildred Cabadas
May he rest in the peace of Christ.

Prayer for Those Who Cannot Receive Communion

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

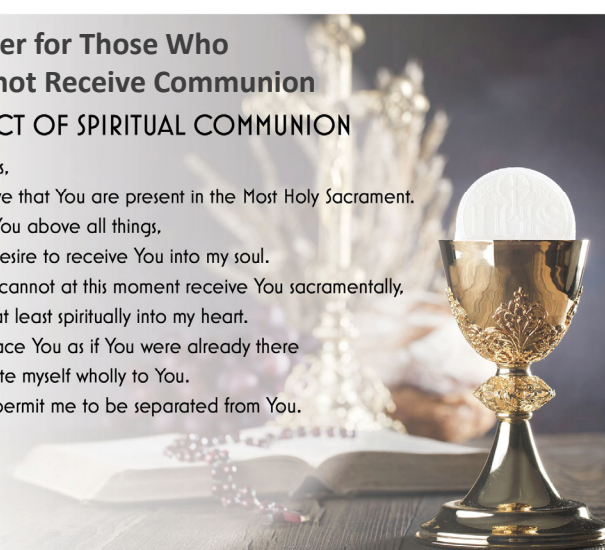
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

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| Dave Bigott | Martha Hayes | Rich Olenek |
| Sue Bobka | Cambria Helle | Sebastian Pacelli |
| Debbie Brewer | Ken Hemstreet | Harriett Pinkowski |
| Ken Buffo | Rickie Kruzell | Bonnie Pollock |
| Elio Campanella | Patrick Linsner | Wayne Slowiak |
| Regina Conti | Gene Mikulecky | Marlene Torii |
| Mary Cummins | Maria Mizera | Fr. Miroslaw Stepien |
| Mike Cummins | Richard Mrugacz | Randy Szweda, USMC |
| Paul Cummins | Loretta Nicolini | Linda Wuerffel |
| Mel Gerard | John North | Carol Zell |
| Virginia Halac | Don Olenek | |

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.

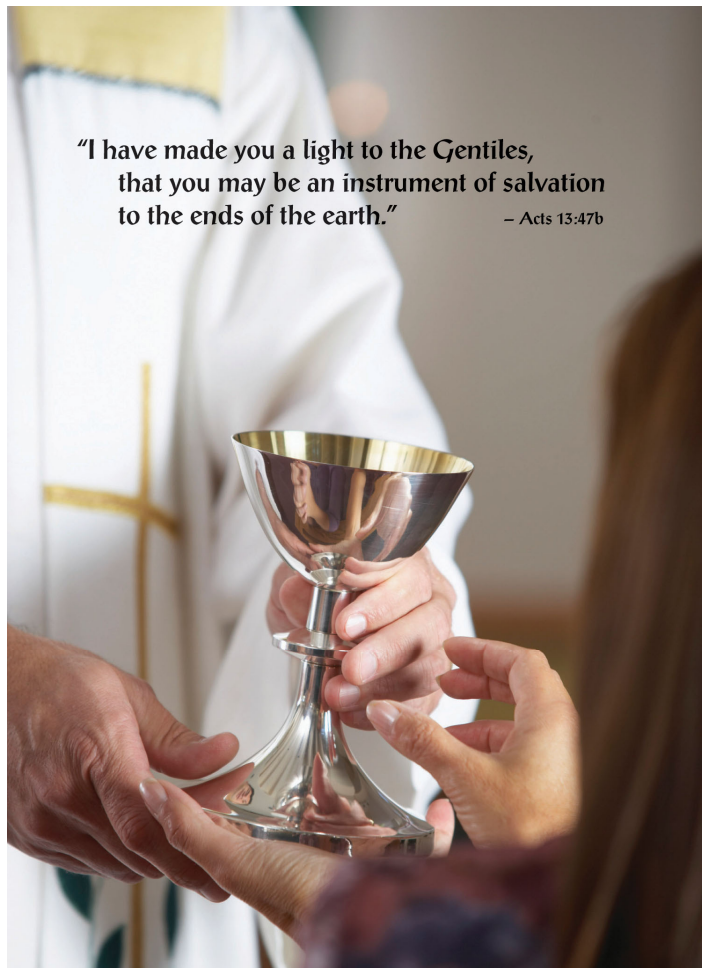


Join our Holy Father, Pope Francis, in his May prayers for the Church and for the world:

Faith-filled Young People

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

"I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth."
 - Acts 13:47b



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
- Cpl James J. Cullotta, US Marines
- SGT Michael D'Andrea, US Army
- Maj Joseph DeHaven, US Army
- PFC Collin Ensing, US Marines
- CW3 Gordon Goodwin, Army National Guard
- CPT Steven Gregor, US Army
- SGT Michael Helle, US Army
- Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines
- PVT Aleksandra Juzwiak, Army National Guard
- SA Chris Kaszubowski, US Navy
- 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

RECTORY/PARISH CENTER

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Joanne Nagle, Michelle Nagle, Geoff Pautsch**

St. Peter's Pro-life Ministry Coordinator **Nancy Magnus**
phone: 630-606-5197

Knights of Columbus e-mail: knights@stpeteritasca.com

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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