

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*)

DECEMBER 25, 2022 | CHRISTMAS



She wrapped him
in swaddling clothes
and laid him in a manger,
*because there was no room for them
in the inn.*

~ Luke 2:7



*From the Administrator...***IN VERITATE ET IN CARITATE**

On behalf of the entire staff of Saint Peter the Apostle Church, I want to wish you and your family a very merry Christmas. This weekend we celebrate the greatest gift the world has ever received, the gift of God made incarnate, or "in the flesh". *"For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life."* Through the fulfillment of the prophets, God reconciled Himself with humanity, and through the life, death and resurrection of His Son, the gates of Heaven were opened and the gift of salvation has been given to us all. Today we begin the celebration of that great gift, the fulfillment of the Old Testament and the glory of the New Testament, the Nativity of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The joy of Christmas is in the joy of giving. While I have fond memories of many of the Christmas gifts I have received over the years -- my first bike, a new jacket from my wife, and special hand-made gifts from my daughter that I still cherish -- my strongest memories of Christmas are of special gifts I have given others. Bringing happiness to others by getting them something that they really appreciate or will value, is a joy that gladdens the heart of the giver.

I know that many of you know that special Christmas joy this year. The generosity of so many parishioners made this year's Giving Tree program a huge success, and once again reminded me of the great honor I have been given in being named administrator of such a wonderful community of faith-filled families. Well over one hundred families are knowing a very special Christmas this year because so many of you opened your hearts, took a tag from the tree, and made the time to fulfill the needs and wishes of these families. We were having a challenge finding places to sort and store all the gifts that were donated, which is a wonderful problem to have.

As we begin the celebration of the Christmas season, I encourage all of you to continue to wish everyone a Merry Christmas from today through the end of the Christmas season, which ends this year on Monday, January 9, 2023, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This year the "Twelve Days of Christmas" are actually sixteen days long, and while other people rush to put Christmas away and move on to the next holiday, we as Catholics are called to keep Christmas alive all sixteen days. So, leave up the tree, have the outdoor lights shine brightly and leave up your nativity scene.

The glory and joy of Christmas is too great to be contained in a single day. Let us share it, celebrate it and enjoy it for the entire Christmas season. May God bless you and bring you peace and joy this holy Christmas season.

In Truth and in Love,

Deacon Fred Maier

Acting Administrator, St. Peter the Apostle Parish

Mass Intentions For The Week



Saturday	December 24 (<i>Vigil: The Nativity of the Lord - Christmas</i>)
3:00 pm	†Judy Maggio
5:00 pm	†Fr. Robert Noesen
9:00 pm	†John and Marie Spiezio
Sunday	December 25 (<i>The Nativity of the Lord - Christmas</i>)
8:30 am	†Ed Kryger
10:00 am	†Christopher Kosk
11:30 am	†John Joseph Elia †Bruce Gariti †Jim Nolan †Andrzej Szymikowski People of the Parish
Monday	December 26 (<i>St. Stephen, The First Martyr</i>)
8:00 am	†Mary S. Giannelli
Tuesday	December 27 (<i>St. John, Apostle and Evangelist</i>)
8:00 am	†George Kveck
Wednesday	December 28 (<i>The Holy Innocents</i>)
8:00 am	†George Kveck
Thursday	December 29 (<i>Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr</i>)
8:00 am	†John Fisherkeller
Friday	December 30 (<i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph</i>)
8:00 am	†Thomas James
Saturday	December 31 (<i>Vigil: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</i>)
5:00 pm	†Bruce Gariti †Marlena Smith Special Intention of Rachel George on her birthday
Sunday	January 1 (<i>Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</i>)
8:30 am	†Vincent, Mary, and Edith LaMendola
10:00 am	Special intentions of the Kosk Family
11:30 am	†Bruce Gariti For an End to Abortion People of the Parish

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22
Tuesday:	1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Wednesday:	1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18
Thursday:	1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:36-40
Friday:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 [12-17]; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Saturday:	1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Sunday:	Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21



**FIRST FRIDAY
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION...**

will take place at St. Peter's Church
on January 6.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
will begin following 8:00 am Mass
and will conclude at 8:00 pm.

*Come spend quiet time with Jesus
before this Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.*

*This is a wonderful time to offer your
prayers of thanksgiving or prayers of petitions
for yourself or loved ones.*

To ensure that two people are present at all times,
anyone able to commit to a one-hour time slot
is asked to sign up using the link available on
the parish website at stpeteritasca.com



**Christmas
Schedule**


SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
Saturday, December 31, 2022 - 5:00 pm
Sunday, January 1, 2023 - 8:30 am | 10:00 am | 11:30 am

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
Saturday, January 7, 2023 - 5:00 pm
Sunday, January 8, 2023 - 8:30 am | 11:00 am


THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
Monday, January 8, 2023 - 8:00 am

PLEASE NOTE:
The Parish Center will be closed for the Christmas
holiday beginning, December 22 through January 1.
Regular office hours will resume Monday, January 2, 2023.

Experience the
**EUCHARISTIC
MIRACLES
EXHIBIT**



Based on the
Blessed Carlo Acutis



Hosted by
St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church
551 N. Rush Street | Itasca, Illinois 60143

This traveling exhibit has been created to assist those who will experience it to affirm belief in the Real Presence of the Jesus in the Eucharist. It is based upon the website created by Blessed Carlo Acutis to catalogue all the eucharistic miracles that have taken place worldwide.

The exhibit is circular and is divided into seven sections or rooms. In the first six rooms, information about the Eucharistic miracles is displayed. Each panel names a miracle, recounts the story of its occurrence and the country where it took place. The panels are arranged in chronological order from the early Third Century to 2013.

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EXHIBIT DETAILS
The exhibit is open to the public and will take place in Margaret Woods Hall at St. Peter the Apostle Parish.
This is a **FREE** event. Bring your family and friends!

Wednesday, January 4
5:00pm - 6:30pm

Friday, January 6
8:30am - 8:00pm

Saturday, January 7
9:00am - 10:30am
6:00pm - 6:30pm

Sunday, January 8
9:00am - 1:00pm



Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

Fiscal Week 24 - Sunday Collection (12/11/2022) \$ 10,540.00

*Due to an early publication deadline,
not all recent figures were available in time for this bulletin.
Additional collection information will appear in coming weeks.*

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).



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...

- Tuesday December 27**
7:15 pm Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)
- Wednesday December 28**
8:30 am Confessions (Church)
- Friday December 30**
6:20 am Communion Service (Church)



Deacon Anthony is offering a Communion Service weekly on Friday mornings at 6:20 am.

The Communion Service does not replace the 8am mass, but rather is an alternative for those unable to attend Mass.



SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 31 | Sunday, January 1

Celebrants

- 5:00 pm Fr. David Mowry
8:30 am Fr. Robert Perez
10:00 am Fr. Robert Perez
11:30 am Fr. Robert Perez

Lectors

- 5:00 pm John Los
8:30 am Marie Toalson
10:00 am Kathy Laken
11:30 am Mary McNamara

Communion Ministers

- 5:00 pm Beth McKenna
Frank McKenna
8:30 am Jim Ruffing
Deacon Fred
10:00 am Mel Gerard
Deacon Anthony
11:30 am Edgar Garcia
Deacon Bob



November 2022 Monthly Diocesan Loan Payment

Principal	\$ 11,905.84
Interest	394.16
Total Payment	\$ 12,300.00
Loan Balance	\$ 193,616.69

There has been great progress made over the last three years towards paying off the original parish debt of \$2 million dollars. As of December 13, 2022, our capital project debt stands at \$193,616.69.

Thank you for your stewardship and prayers.

Special thanks to Mike and Gina Pezza and



Ground Pros Inc.

for their generosity in providing flowers to adorn the Church this Christmas Season



The Office of Catechesis and Evangelization invites you to join us for

BE FORMED

Registration closes January 1st @11:59pm

- WEEKLY VIDEOS
- SMALL GROUPS
- PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP
- MONTHLY NIGHTS OF REFLECTION

LED BY FATHER BURKE MASTERS



SCAN CODE WITH YOUR PHONE FOR MORE INFO AND TO REGISTER!

SEASON 6
LIFE IN CHRIST
PART 1

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JANUARY 10 THROUGH APRIL 9, 2023



Knights of Columbus Council 10884 - Itasca presents

Cupid's Ball

February 11, 2023
Belvedere Events and Banquets

SAVE THE DATE
Make Plans to Attend

Cupid's Ball


Knights of Columbus Council 10884 invites you to an evening of dinner, dancing, raffles and more!!!

Saturday, February 11, 2023
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CASH RAFFLE GRAND PRIZE

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

Please contact Chairperson, Nick Alfano (630-595-9318), or Tom Kryger (630-773-9392) with any questions. You can also send an e-mail to knights@stpeteritasca.com or visit us on Facebook at "St Peter the Apostle Knights of Columbus - Itasca"

UPCOMING ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

January 12, 26, February 9
3:30-4:30 pm

Boys and girls in 3rd through 8th grade are encouraged to attend altar server training. Participation in at least one session is required to begin serving at Mass.

The late Blessed Pope John Paul II stated, "Your commitment to the altar is not only a duty, but a great honor, and a genuine holy service." The purpose of this ministry is serving the Table of the Lord, assisting the priest in the celebration of the Eucharist as well as other sacraments or liturgical activities.

NOTE: Adults wishing to train as servers, are also welcome to attend these sessions

Altar serving is putting your in faith action while learning more about it!

Please contact Deacon Fred Maier for more information or to register — phone: 630-773-1272 ext. 201 | email: deaconfred@stpeteritasca.com.



Don't let 2022 slip away without taking full advantage of your charitable giving!

When "checking your list" for tax-deductible donation options, please consider making a gift to St. Peter the Apostle Parish for your year-end giving.

Your support of St. Peter the Apostle Parish provides the opportunity to ensure the stability and growth of a Catholic "home" for current and future generations.

If giving by **check or cash**, please submit no later than **December 25, 2022**, in order to ensure your donation is applied to the current year. Envelopes can be dropped off at the Parish Center or in the collection basket.

Online donations using [GiveCentral](#) can be made through **December 31, 2022**.

Donations are tax-deductible as allowed by law • Non-profit 501(c)3 Federal Tax ID # 36-2345185

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Thank you to all who contributed to the beautiful flowers
adorning our Church this Christmas season...

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Florina
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Donations made in honor or memory of...

The Affarano Family
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Fourth Sunday of Advent

REFLECTION - GOSPEL READING:

Luke 2:15-20

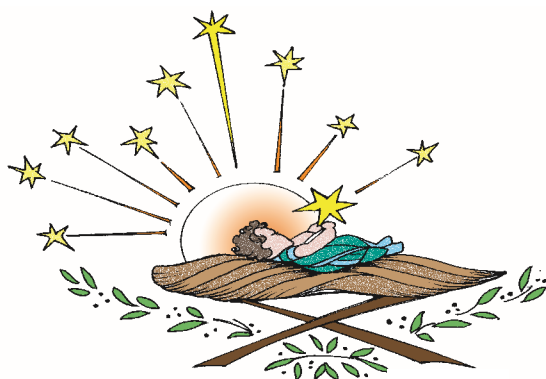
So they went in haste and found Mary and Joseph and the infant lying in the manger.

Background on the Gospel Reading

There are four Masses that are celebrated for the feast of Christmas, and each is given its own set of readings to help us contemplate Christ's birth. The Gospel for the Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve is taken from the beginning of the Gospel of Matthew, the genealogy of Jesus and the angel's announcement of the birth to Joseph. The Mass at midnight proclaims the birth of Jesus through the angels' announcement to the shepherds in the Gospel of Luke. Luke 2:15-20 is the reading for the mass at dawn on Christmas morning. It continues the story of the birth of Jesus as found in Luke's Gospel with the shepherds' visit to the infant Jesus. Finally, the Gospel for Christmas Mass during the day is taken from the beginning of John's Gospel. It is not an Infancy Narrative like those found in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Instead, John's Gospel starts at the very beginning of time and presents Creation as the framework for announcing the Incarnation. John's opening words echo the first verse in the Book of Genesis, "In the beginning was the Word."

The story of Jesus' birth, which begins with a reference to Caesar Augustus, concludes with the shepherds, people looked down on by most of society, visiting the infant. As the angels return to heaven, the shepherds decide to go see "this thing" that has happened in Bethlehem. Their visit confirms everything the angels had told them about the birth of the Savior and Messiah. They then spoke publicly about all they had seen, to the great astonishment of all who heard. Mary ponders all this in her heart, and the shepherds return to their fields praising God. What had been told to them really happened. This account does not tell us very much about the infant Jesus because Luke's concern is that God's action of sending a savior be publicly proclaimed. As Paul says before King Agrippa in Acts of the Apostles 26:26, "None of this was done in a corner." The picture is simple, two parents and an infant in a stable. But the reality is great, God's salvation offered to all.

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OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Christmas Time

The feasts that make up Christmas Time all illuminate in their own way the fundamental mystery of the Incarnation that stands at the heart of this sacred season. Each celebration sheds its own distinct light on our conviction that, in the birth of Jesus, earth and heaven have been wedded together for the sake of our salvation. The feasts of the Holy Family, Mary the Mother of God, Epiphany, and the Baptism of the Lord all have their own particular histories. But they have been joined together in a single seasonal flow that invites us to trace the unfolding meanings of the Incarnation from myriad perspectives. As we follow the successive meanings of Jesus' birth, his participation in family life, the meaning of Mary's motherhood, the significance of the Magi's visit, and the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, we are invited to explore in deeper and deeper fashion the staggering truth that Jesus has shared completely in our human experience, has truly become one with us, fully human while remaining fully divine.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

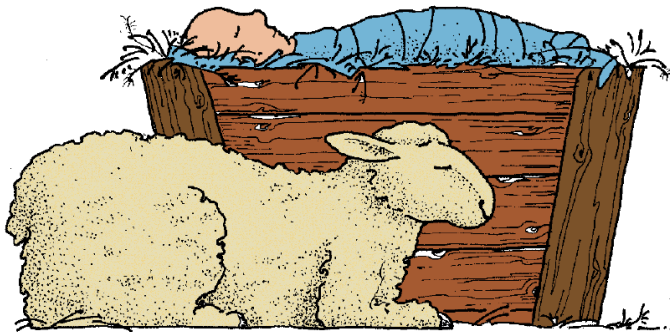
A Christmas Prayer

God of love and mercy,
in this season of Christmas
we offer you our thanks and praise.

We want to spread the word of peace
You give us through Jesus Christ.

May the birth of your Son
overcome human suffering, calm our fears,
and bring peace to our homes,
our families and the world.

Amen



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

Sue Bobka	Virginia Halac	Loretta Nicolini
Rosaleen Bradley	Martha Hayes	John North
Grace Brown	Cambria Helle	Frank Nunez
Elio Campanella	Ken Hemstreet	June Pautsch
Danny Clements	Michael Jasiak	Bonnie Pollock
Regina Conti	Sylvia Kleinedler	Brendan Reidy
Mary Cummins	Rosemary Kobielus	Wayne Slowiak
Mike Cummins	Rickie Kruzel	Belinda Sobucki
Paul Cummins	Judah Kuhlman	Dan Sobucki
Charlie DeFranco	Patrick Linsner	Randy Szweda, USMC
Beth Dobose	Sue McNamara	Dennis Torii
Geri Gerard	Maria Mizera	Marlene Torii
Mel Gerard	Carmine Molfese	Fr. Miroslaw Stepien
Gary Grote	Richard Mrugacz	Carol Zell
Joe Halac		

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 December prayers for the
Church and for the world:

Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

*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
- SGT Michael Helle, US Army
- Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines
- PVT Aleksandra Juzwiak, Army National Guard
- CMC Mike Kaszubowski, US Navy
- ENS Sean Kaszubowski, US Navy
- SGT Jacob Los, US Army
- MAJ Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army
- 1stLt John Kenneth Murphy, US Marines
- Kevin Noesen, US Coastguard
- MAJ Gary Owen, Army National Guard
- GySgt 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)
- SSGT Jeremy Schumacher, US Marines
- LT Robert P. Woods, US Navy
- Thomas Zablocki, US Marines

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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)



NEW PARISHIONERS

Please visit or call the Parish Center (ext. 200) to register.

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 a priest 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 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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Please fill out the form below and someone from the Parish Office will contact you to complete your registration. Return this form either through the mail or drop it in the Sunday collection.

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