

# Saint Peter the Apostle CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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**

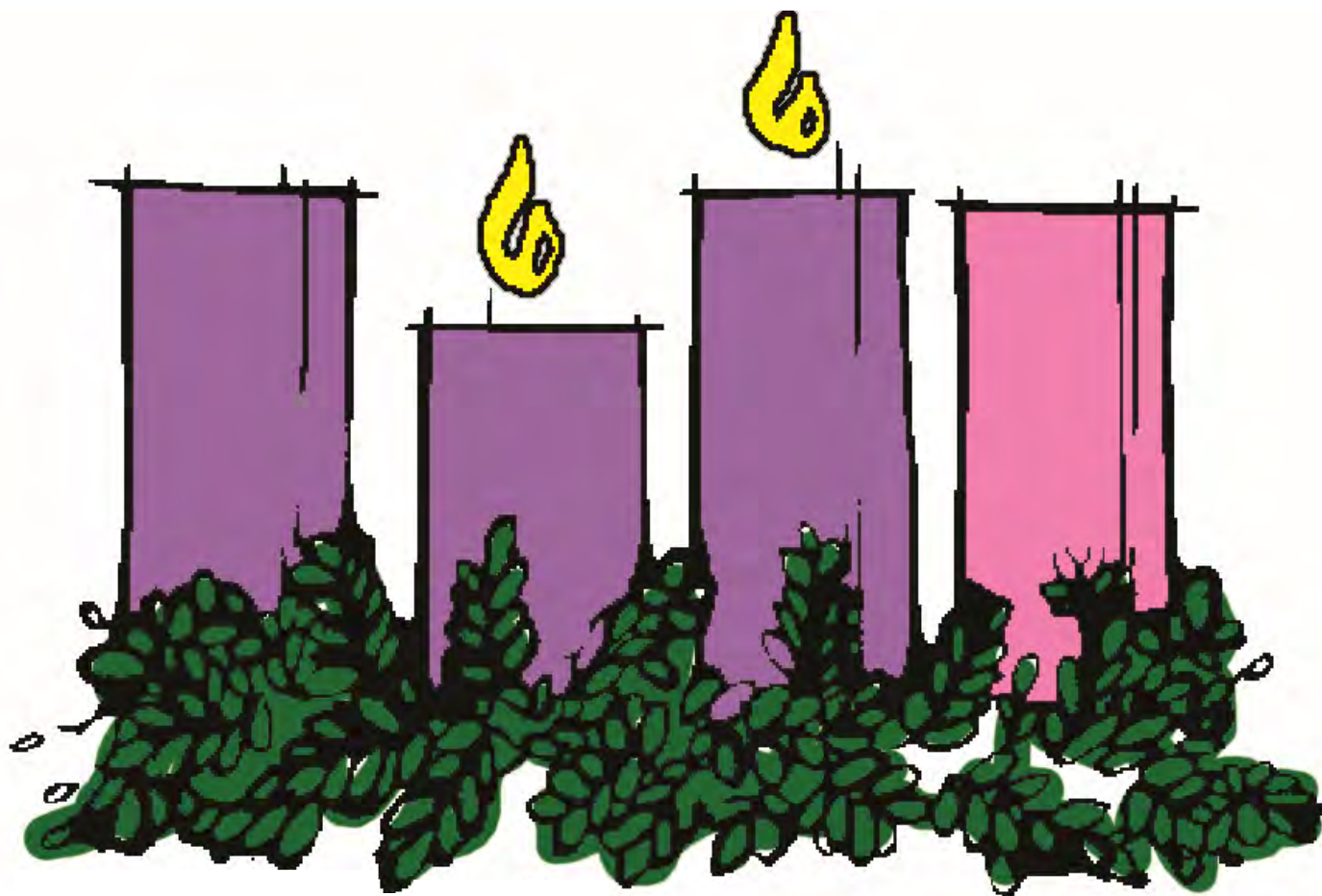
Day of: 8:00 am, 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm

**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



December 9, 2018  
Second Sunday of Advent

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**PARISH CENTER BUSINESS HOURS**

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

(closed for lunch: Monday-Thursday, 12:30-1:30 pm)

**TRAVELING?**Call 410-676-6000 or log onto [www.masstimes.org](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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.**ANOIDING 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.

## Second Sunday of Advent

John preaches repentance and baptizes in the region of the Jordan.

This week and next, our Gospel readings invite us to consider John the Baptist and his relationship to Jesus. John the Baptist appears in the tradition of the great prophets, preaching repentance and reform to the people of Israel. To affirm this, St. Luke quotes at length from the prophet Isaiah. John baptizes for repentance and for forgiveness of sins, preparing the way for God's salvation.

The three Synoptic Gospels — St. Mark, St. Matthew, and St. Luke — attest to the importance of the baptism of John in preparing for Jesus. Only the Gospel of Luke, however, extends the connection between these two men to their birth. The first two chapters of Luke's Gospel contain the Infancy Narrative, which tells about the births of John the Baptist and Jesus. These stories set the stage for the beginning of Jesus' public ministry in chapter 3.

The evangelist St. Luke is the author of the Gospel that bears his name, and he also wrote the Acts of the Apostles as a continuation of the story of Jesus and the Church. In these two works, St. Luke's sense of time and history emerges. He identifies three epochs of salvation history: the time before Christ, the time of Christ, and the time of the Church and the Holy Spirit. In today's Gospel reading, as elsewhere, John the Baptist is presented as the figure who bridges the time before Christ and prepares the way for Christ's own ministry.

In today's Gospel we also note St. Luke's attention to political and historical detail. St. Luke shows that salvation is for all people and situated in world events. Therefore, St. Luke lists the political and religious leaders at the time of John's appearance in the desert. Salvation is understood as God's breaking into this political and social history.

John's preaching of the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season. As John's message prepared the way for Jesus, we too are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We respond to John's message by repentance and reform of our lives. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives the coming of the Lord, as John did.

Have a blessed week.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Fr. Stawek*

## From the Pastor



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

### Evangelization: In the Service of the Transmission of Faith.

That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

*God has commanded  
that every lofty mountain be made low.*



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**Stewardship of Treasure**

*A Way of Life*  
**St. Peter the Apostle**

	<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>
Fiscal Week 23: 12/02/2018	\$ 11,478.67	\$ 232,208.01

*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 December 9**  
 10:30 am MANNA Sales after all Masses (*Church/Narthex*)  
 Grief Support Group (*PC*)

**Tuesday December 11**  
 7:15 pm P.A.D.S (SPA-hosts) (*First Presbyterian Church*)  
 Tuesday Evening Rosary (*Church*)

**Wednesday December 12**  
 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*)  
 7:00 pm Deacon Bob's Bible Study (*MW Parish Hall*)

**Thursday December 13**  
 9:00 am Morning Bible Discussion (*Parish Hall*)  
 7:00 pm Father John Project (*Church*)

**Saturday December 15**  
 4:00 pm Confessions (*Church*)

**Sunday December 16**  
 12:30 pm Baptisms (*Church*)



We joyfully welcome into our St. Peter's family ~

**Stanislaw**

*child of Mirosław Filipkowski and Ewa Bukat*

**Nora Claire**

*child of Christopher McAllister and Monica Messina*

**Brandon Gerald**

*child of Nicholas and Holly (Schuster) Chromek*

who were baptized during the month of November 2018

**For the week beginning**

**Saturday, December 8 | Sunday, December 9**



Thank you to

**The Sobucki Family**

for the beautiful flowers adorning the Tabernacle

**For a Special Intention**

**Mass Intentions**

**Sunday December 9 (Second Sunday of Advent)**  
 8:00 am †Chuck Fuscone  
 9:30 am †Josephine Fiorant Cirrincione  
 11:15 am †Deceased Members of  
 Knights of Columbus Council 10884 - Itasca

**Monday December 10 (Advent Weekday)**  
 8:00 am †Harriet and Harry Maras

**Tuesday December 11 (Advent Weekday)**  
 8:00 am Jude Booth - Special Intention

**Wednesday December 12 (Our Lady of Guadalupe)**  
 8:00 am Jude Booth - Special Intention

**Thursday December 13 (St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr)**  
 8:00 am Jude Booth - Special Intention

**Friday December 14 (St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church)**  
 8:00 am †Frank Sr., Ann and Johanna Koger

**Saturday December 15 (Vigil: Third Sunday of Advent)**  
 5:00 pm Jude Booth - Special Intention  
 †Tito DeLorenzo  
 †Adeline Magnus  
 †Arlene Sbertoli

**Sunday December 16 (Third Sunday of Advent)**  
 8:00 am †Philomenia Rucinski  
 9:30 am †Janina Sabat  
 11:15 am †Francesco and Stefano Fricano  
 †Ed Kryger  
 †Frank Pedota  
 People of the Parish

**In Memoriam**

*Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of*

**Mary Keesecker**

**Loretta Kruszowski**

*and*

**Marie Spiezio**

*(mother of Rose Ann Roll)*

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

**Readings for the Week**

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26  
 Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14  
 Wednesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;  
 Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47,  
 or any readings from the Common of  
 the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712  
 Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15  
 Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19  
 Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19;  
 Mt 17:9a, 10-13  
 Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

## Communion Ministers/ Lectors/Servers Schedule

Saturday, December 15 | Sunday, December 16

### Communion Ministers

5:00 pm	Pat Schwartz Gary Divis Lisa Hennessy Deacon Bob
8:00 am	Marty Hower Sharon Hower Joanna Urbanczyk Rose Ann Roll
9:30 am	Frank McKenna Beth McKenna Phyllis Cimaglia Nancy Ferenzi
11:15 am	Mary McNamara Joanna Papuga Karl Schmidt Deacon Fred

### Lectors

5:00 pm	Judy Ziomek Bill Schwartz
8:00 am	Lou Casolari Chris Aument
9:30 am	Kevin Grisamore Mel Gerard
11:15 am	Laura Mack Erin Mack

### Servers

5:00 pm	Nathan George Tabetha George
8:00 am	Dominic Capozzoli James Capozzoli
9:30 am	Andrew Carzoli Olivia Barthel
11:15 am	Anthony Zapalik Ian Swets

### Ushers

5:00 pm	Gary Divis Ed Rossi Frank Rossi
8:00 am	Chris Aument Ralph D'Andrea Robert Gosanko
9:30 am	Jim Ferenzi Ralph Fortino Dennis Rosy Joe Talaga
11:15 am	Karl Schmidt John Carello Joe Crocilla Bill Hepperle Bruno Zecchin

## Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

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



## Cross and Offertory Gift Bearers

Thank you to the following for serving as cross and gift bearers at this weekend's masses:

	CROSS	GIFTS
5:00 pm	Max Bogucki	Julianna Kwiatkowski & family
8:00 am	—	—
9:30 am	—	—
11:15 am	Gabbie Gennuso	Jacob Lojewski & family

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

## 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  
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 top by  
the Margaret Woods Hall  
to grab a doughnut, a beverage  
and some fellowship—  
weekly following all Sunday morning masses.



### 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 16, 2019**

Holiday Inn Itasca • Itasca, Illinois

#### CASH RAFFLE GRAND PRIZE

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

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



## Confessions

**An Advent Confession Service will be offered in Church  
on Thursday, December 20, beginning at 6:30 pm.**

**Confessions are also available:**

- Following 8am Mass/Benediction on Friday, December 7
- During the Father John Project on Thursday, December 13
- Weekly on Saturdays at 4:00 pm
- Or, by scheduling an appointment directly with Fr. Slawek



### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday, December 24, 2018 (Christmas Eve)**

4:00 pm | Christmas Family Mass

12:00 midnight | Christmas Midnight Mass

(Christmas Carols begin at 11:30 pm)

**Tuesday, December 25, 2018 (Christmas Day)**

Masses: 8:00 am | 9:30 am | 11:15 am

### SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

(Holy Day of Obligation)

**Tuesday, January 1, 2019**

Masses: 8:30 am | 11:00 am

### THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

**Saturday, January 5, 2019**

Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

**Sunday, January 6, 2019**

Masses: 8:30 am | 11:00 am



**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:***

Giving trees are 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 **THIS WEEKEND - 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 holiday 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.

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

***Get ready to order your Christmas gift cards***

**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 every weekend, through December 16.

**Grief Ministry Meetings**

If you have lost a loved one and would like to meet others facing similar struggles, consider joining the 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).

Members are friendly, compassionate and all are good listeners.

For more information, please contact:

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

**THIS WEEKEND—Sunday, December 9 at 10:30 am**

**FATHER JOHN PROJECT**

The next "**Father John Project**" will be take place at 7:00 pm on Thursday, December 13. The evening prayer service, will include the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. Confessions will also be available from 7:00 pm to 7:45 pm.

The focus of the "**Father John Project**" is to take action through prayer for conversion. Father John's desire was to welcome new and returning Catholics to their home in the Church.

All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend, as well as to reach out to invite anyone who may be struggling to find their way "HOME."

## Confession



### 7 Hours of Confession

***When was the last time you received Reconciliation?***

Was it recently? In the past year? Awhile ago?

**You are invited to prepare your heart and soul for Christmas**

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

**Saturday, December 15 | 9am - 4pm**

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

**All Catholics are invited to receive God's grace**

Please come to Visitation Church  
779 S. York Street | Elmhurst, Illinois  
630 834-6700

## Retirement Fund for Religious

**Please give to those who have given a lifetime.**

### To donate:

National Religious Retirement Office  
3211 Fourth Street NE  
Washington DC 20017-1194

*Make check payable to Retirement Fund for Religious.*

Or give at your local parish.

[retiredreligious.org](http://retiredreligious.org)

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**Parish Collection THIS WEEKEND - December 8-9**

## "Empty Manger" Christmas Caroling December 15, 2018

Every December since 2003, members of the Pro-Life Action League have gathered around an empty manger outside several Chicago and DuPage County abortion clinics to sing Christmas carols. The idea is to bring the Christmas message of peace and joy to the darkness of the abortion clinics.

Members of the Pro-Life Action League will start at the Aurora Planned Parenthood at 9am, then travel to Downers Grove at 10am, and conclude in Glen Ellyn at 11am. Join other pro-lifers at one or all of the clinics listed below.

For more information view the website—  
[prolifeaction.org/event/neilcaroling/](http://prolifeaction.org/event/neilcaroling/)

Or, contact parishioner,

Nancy Magnus, at 630-606-5197.

Nancy will be attending the caroling in Glen Ellyn.



### DUPAGE COUNTY CAROLING TOUR

**Aurora | 9:00 am**

Planned Parenthood - 3051 E. New York Street

**Downers Grove | 10:00 am**

Access Health Center- 1700 75th Street

**Glen Ellyn | 11:00 am**

Aanchor Health Center - 1186 Roosevelt Road





Don't let 2018 slip by without taking full advantage of your charitable giving. When reviewing your options for tax-deductible donations, please consider St. Peter the Apostle Parish as an option for your year-end giving.

Your support of the St. Peter the Apostle parish community efforts to create a new home for current and future generations is greatly appreciated.

Donations should be submitted no later than **December 30, 2018** in order to receive credit for the current year. Envelopes can be dropped off at the Parish Center or in the collection basket.

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

### ST. PETER THE APOSTLE

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

*Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother. Not sure how to help or what to say? Learn ten tips at [www.usccb.org/support-her](http://www.usccb.org/support-her).*



— "10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting"  
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

#### 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](http://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*



**HOPE**  
AFTER ABORTION

For confidential help call  
**888-456-HOPE**  
or visit [hopeafterabortion.com](http://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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

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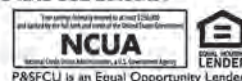
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