

Saint Peter 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



I have come to fulfill the law

and the prophets

February 12, 2017

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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PARISH CENTER BUSINESS HOURS

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

Wednesday: 8:30 am - 6:00 pm

Friday: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

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



TRAVELING?

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

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENT AND BULLETIN DEADLINES

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

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

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

NEW PARISHIONERS

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

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

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

BAPTISMS

The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated either during a weekend Mass or on the third Sunday of the month at 12:30 pm (immediately following 11:15 am Mass). Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation class prior to the Baptism. Classes are held in the Parish Center at 7:00 pm on the first Thursday of each month. Please call the Parish Center for more information.

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

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or someone you know is in need of this Sacrament, please contact the Parish Center at any time. Upon admission to the hospital, please make it known you are a member of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church.

WEDDINGS

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

IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED...

If you or a family member are admitted to the hospital, please contact the Parish Center to let us know. Due to federal regulations, most hospitals will not contact parishes unless you specifically request it. We want to visit parishioners in the hospital, but are often unaware of their hospitalization.

FRIDAY COMMUNION CALLS

Fr. Slawek makes communion calls every Friday for those unable to attend Sunday mass due to illness or bad health.

Please call Fr. Slawek at 630-773-1272 (ext. 208) to make arrangements.



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

On the evening of Tuesday, January 31st our second grade and Sacramental class made their first reconciliation. I was very pleased at the happiness of the children. They were very well prepared and it showed by their not being nervous. They were all smiling and really took the sacrament they were going to receive seriously. They really knew and understood the meaning behind their Act of Contrition. I told them I was proud of them and how they were such a good example to their parents and others. I would like to commend their parents and RE catechists in their preparation. You all did a great job! To the parents, I would like to encourage you to receive the sacrament and to continue bringing your children to the sacrament of reconciliation often (once a month is ideal). A couple of years ago, I heard a comment made by a parent stating, "if her daughter saw her going to confession regularly, her daughter would see the importance of going to confession and it would help in the development of her faith and conscience". I couldn't have said it better myself.

From the Pastor



With the children having made their first confession they are now preparing for First Holy Communion on April 30th which will be our last Holy Communion mass in our current church. As we look forward to First Holy Communion it is hard to believe our new church home will almost be ready for occupancy at that time. This year is going by quickly so far.

With the new church in mind the following is an update on the construction schedule for this week and the following two.

- Install sheetrock in gathering space, nave walls, nave ceiling and tape the bathrooms
- Install rough in ceiling
- Pull cable for ComEd transformer
- Install the backing in nave ceiling
- Install shingle roofing on church North gable
- Install drops in the barrel vault ceiling
- Install duct in loft
- Install sprinklers in nave, in loft and install RPZ and valves
- Install tile in the bathroom
- Install overhead water piping in narthex
- Install scaffolding / plastic and masonry on South wall at entry.

As we continue to ready for the new church, new computers were purchased for the parish staff. The programs on the old computers were no longer supported and they were very SLOW! I would like to thank Warner Cruz from JC Restoration for his support with installing the new computers. Warner's head of IT services came to St. Peter's to install all the new computers which are all up and running smoothly. Thank you very much for your generosity and help, Warner. It is greatly appreciated.

Have a blessed week!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Sławek



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

Comfort for the Afflicted

That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.



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Remember to invite your friends!!!



Feel free to submit questions or suggestions to the campaign committee by e-mail at keys@stpeteritasca.com


Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

	Sunday Collection	Year to Date
Fiscal Week 30: Feb.5, 2017	\$ 11,274.67	\$ 298,393.01


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)	
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This Week at St. Peter's

- Sunday February 12**
10:30 am Grief Support Group (PC)
- Tuesday February 14**
P.A.D.S (SPA-hosts) (First Presbyterian Church)
- Wednesday February 15**
NO Religious Education—Catechist Institute
6:00 pm Adult Hand Bell Choir (Church)
6:20 pm Children's Choir Practice (School)
7:30 pm Adult Choir and Cantor Rehearsal (Church)
- Thursday February 16**
9:00 am Morning Bible Study (PC/Upper Level)
- Saturday February 18**
NO Religious Education
4:00 pm Confessions (Church)
- Sunday February 19**
1:00 pm First Holy Communion Retreat (School/Church)
12:30 pm Baptisms (Church)





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

For the week beginning
Saturday, February 11th and Sunday, February 12th



Thank you to
Donald Slowiak
 for the beautiful flowers
 in the Pope John Paul the Great Eucharistic Chapel
 in Honor of
Betty and Don Slowiak's
50th Wedding Anniversary





Mass Intentions for the week

- Sunday February 12** (Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:00 am People of the Parish
9:30 am †Ronald Johnston
11:15 am †Stefano and Francesco Fricano
†Ann Konney
†Patrick Lynn
†Anthony and Michela Mannina
†Joseph Pucek
- Monday February 13** (Weekday)
8:00 am †Sophie Mandel
- Tuesday February 14** (Sts. Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop)
8:00 am †Frank Koger and †Sam Filip
- Wednesday February 15** (Weekday)
8:00 am Radzik Family (Special Intention)
- Thursday February 16** (Weekday)
8:00 am †Joseph V. Sularz
- Friday February 17** (Weekday)
8:00 am †Eileen Troeger
- Saturday February 18** (Vigil: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)
5:00 pm †Daniel Koutsis
†James McCue
†Carmela Pisto
†Roger Seglem
- Sunday February 18** (Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:00 am †Sen Ticsay
9:30 am People of the Parish
11:15 am Pietro and Angelina Fricano (45th Anniversary)
†Dominic and Julie Mastrodonato
†Clayton Sullivan

If you would like to bring the gifts to the altar at Sunday Mass, please see one of the ushers before Mass begins.

Readings for the Week

- Monday:** Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
R: Offer to God a sacrifice of praise.
- Tuesday:** Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
R: The Lord will bless his people with peace.
- Wednesday:** Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
R: To you, Lord, I will offer a sacrifice of praise.
- Thursday:** Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33
R: From heaven the Lord looks down on the earth.
- Friday:** Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 -- 9:1
R: Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.
- Saturday:** Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13
- Sunday:** Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48
R: I will praise your name for ever, Lord.

Communion Ministers/ Lectors/Servers Schedule

Saturday, February 18, and Sunday, February 19

Communion Ministers		Servers	
5:00 pm	Linda Aiani Val Serzen Deanna Hennessy Lisa Hennessy	5:00 pm	Jimmy Kollias Anthony Zapalik
8:00 am	Marty Hower Sharon Hower Bill Kolf Rose Ann Roll	8:00 am	Dominic Capozzoli James Capozzoli
9:30 am	Kathy Frank Ruth Kryger Beth McKenna Frank McKenna	9:30 am	Laura Blackburn Dylan Williams
11:15 am	Deacon Fred John Carello Rene Carello Karl Schmidt	11:15 am	Ryan Camblin Ian Swets
			Ushers
		5:00 pm	Pat Tardi Gary Divis Ed Rossi
		8:00 am	Chris Aument Ralph D'Andrea Charles Fuscone Robert Gosanko
		9:30 am	Jim Ferenzi Joe Talaga Dennis Rosy
Lectors		11:15 am	Karl Schmidt John Carello Joe Crocilla Bill Hepperle Bruno Zecchin
5:00 pm	Sr. M. Catherine Rice Margaret Trepal		
8:00 am	Chris Aument Sandie Galuszek		
9:30 am	Diane Blackburn Mike Blackburn		
11:15 am	Linda Vokoun Matt Vokoun		

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

Jan B	Ken Hemstreet	Harriett Pinkowski
Barbara Beers	Shirley Janik	Baby Vincent Porter
Brian Beers	Brian Josephus	Megan Putze
Sue Bobka	Slawomir Krolkowski	Brendan Reidy
Janet Both	Edward Kryger	Irma Reyes
Jacqueline Castellano	Joe Kryger	Ed Rossi
Stella Cervantes	Rickie Kruzel	Philomena Rucinski
Fr. Albert Corbo	Celeste Kucharczyk	Alanna Ruiz
Regina Conti	Vincent LaMendola	Alexandra Ruiz
Mary Cummins	Elizabeth Lisak	Roxanne Ruiz
Paul Cummins	Pasquale Lopardo	Janina Sabat
Valeria D'Andrea	Thomas Lynch	Jennifer Saele
Gina DeLuca	Sandra Maier	Shauna Sheffer
Irene Dial	Eileen Marino	Marilyn Sieradzki
Teresa Dunhac	Joanne Merner	Belinda Sobucki
John Elia	Michael Merner	Sharon Sowers
Scott Erickson	Gene Mikulecky	Karen Stewart
Tracy Fink	Bill McGarr	Terry Tardi
Cheryl Fisherkeller	Ann McNally	Lorraine Thielberg
Sally Franz	Leo Morrissey	James Thompson
Mary Frawley	Peter Morrissey	Patricia Vitale
Dan Galuszek	Rich Mrugacz	Jennifer Weil
Joe Galuszek	Jean Nowobielski	Monica Westell
Mel Gerard	Vince Oraziatti	Grzegorz Wisniewski
Jerry Grimaldi	Fred Oslager	Judy Ziomek
Gabriella Guercio	Rich Olenek	Deacon Bob Ziomek
Joseph Halec	Anne Marie Pagni	

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



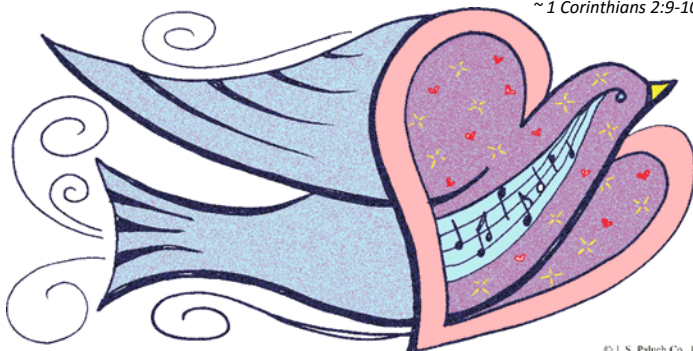
LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE
*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
 Protect them as they protect us.
 We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen*

MILITARY

PFC Ryan Caspary, US Army 101st Airborne
PVT Jacob E. Cleveland, US Army Reserves
CPT Joseph DeHaven, US Army
1LT Stephen Grabinski, US Army
1LT Steven Gregor, US Army
Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines
CPT Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army
2ndLt 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 Lauren Twarog-Rocha, US Marines
SN Benjamin Zubak, US Navy

What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard,
 and what has not entered the human heart,
 what God has prepared for those who love [God],
 this God has revealed to us through the Spirit.

~ 1 Corinthians 2:9-10



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Grief Ministry Meetings

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

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

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

For more information, please contact:

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

Meeting THIS Weekend—Sunday, Feb. 12 at 10:30 am



All are welcome to stop by the school foyer to grab a doughnut, a beverage and some fellowship—weekly following all Sunday morning masses.



Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Deferral Forms Due By March 1, 2017

Qualified senior citizens aged 65 years and older are invited to apply for the Senior Citizens Real Estate Tax Deferral Program offered by the State of Illinois through the DuPage County Treasurer's office. This program allows qualified senior citizens to defer up to \$5,000 of their current property tax amount. The deferral is treated as a loan and accrues six percent (6%) simple interest until the amount is either paid back or the property is sold. To qualify, the senior citizen's household income cannot exceed \$55,000. Additionally, the property must be used exclusively for owner's primary residential purposes.

The application period closes March 1, 2017.

For more information, contact the DuPage County Treasurer's Office at 630-407-5900 or visit the Web site at www.treasurer.dupageco.org.

Join The Itasca Senior Citizens Club...
Where Friendship Blooms!

Free Luncheon!
\$20 towards membership fee for 2017
New Members Only

Meet members, learn about upcoming trips, and enjoy an afternoon of entertainment!
Tuesday, March 21st, 11:30am
Itasca Park District Recreation Center
Ages 60+

Please contact Katie Manheim if you plan on attending!
Deadline to sign up is Tuesday, March 14

A special thanks to our Sponsor Itasca Bank & Trust Co. who will be covering up to \$20 towards the membership fee for all new members in 2017!






Itasca Bank & Trust Co.
Katie@itascaparkdistrict.com 630-773-2257
www.itascaparkdistrict.com

SAVE THE DATE TO BID FAREWELL TO DOTI!!!



After several years of serving as Director of Liturgy and Music, Doti Strening will be leaving St. Peter the Apostle in pursuit of other callings in the mountains of Colorado.

A small reception will be held in the school foyer on **Sunday, February 19**, following the **11:15 am mass**. Please join the parish in bidding farewell and best wishes to Doti.

Anyone who would like to assist with the event (set-up, serving, clean-up, food donations) is asked to call Patti or Diane at the Parish Center.



PARISH GUIDEBOOK AND DIRECTORY

St. Peter's is working on the annual Guide Book & Directory for our congregation. The updated book will again be delivered by mail directly to parishioners. This will be the **WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, WHY AND HOW** of our parish.

The book is provided at no cost to the parish and is supported through advertising by local businesses. A recent survey by Guide Book Publishing showed that 91.1% of families prefer to patronize a Guide Book & Directory advertiser over other vendors. **If you own or manage a business and would like information about advertising in this far-reaching parish resource, please call the parish center at 630-773-1272.**

PARISHIONER MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

Does the parish database have CURRENT contact information for YOUR FAMILY??

Unless otherwise notified, the new directory will list **name(s), address, home phone and e-mail address for ALL REGISTERED PARISHIONERS AS THEY APPEAR IN THE PARISH DATABASE.**

It doesn't hurt to submit the completed form, even if you think the parish has current information.

If for any reason you would prefer to omit your family or limit information in the directory listing, please check the appropriate box at the bottom of the form at the right. **Regardless of your choice to be listed, we ask that EVERYONE complete the form as a means to update our parish records.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Parish Center by e-mail at bulletin@stpeteritasca.com or by phone at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200).

PARISHIONER RECORD UPDATE

FAMILY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____

CELL/WORK PHONE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

FAMILY MEMBERS CURRENTLY RESIDING IN HOUSEHOLD:

Name _____ DOB _____

Name _____ DOB _____

Name _____ DOB _____

Name _____ DOB _____

Name _____ DOB _____

Name _____ DOB _____

PLEASE PUBLISH OUR FAMILY IN THE DIRECTORY

PLEASE OMIT OUR FAMILY FROM THE DIRECTORY

PLEASE LIMIT OUR INFORMATION TO THE FOLLOWING:

___ name(s) ___ address ___ home phone

___ cell/work phone ___ e-mail address

EMERGENCY CONTACT (optional):

In case of emergency, especially for parishioners living alone, please consider providing contact information for a relative or neighbor who can be called on your behalf:

Name _____ Relation _____

Phone _____

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO THE PARISH CENTER BY MARCH 5, 2017:
Updates can be e-mailed to bulletin@stpeteritasca.com OR return by mail or via Sunday collection basket.

**HAVE A BUSINESS YOU'D LIKE TO ADVERTISE IN THE NEXT PARISH GUIDEBOOK?
CONTACT THE PARISH CENTER FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

St. Christopher Travel of Naperville
609 Timber Trail Drive
Naperville, IL 60565
phone: 630-699-3482 email: toni.pietrowska@gmail.com



14 DAY PILGRIMAGE TO SPAIN, PORTUGAL & MOROCCO IN HONOR OF THE 100TH YR ANNIVERSARY OF FATIMA

May 7 - May 20, 2017

WITH FR. SLAWEK IGNASIK
OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH, ITASCA

ITINERARY :

Day 1 - Depart Chicago O'Hare Airport.

Day 2 & 3 - Upon arrival in **Barcelona** we will meet our tour guide and begin a city tour by bus of the "second capital of Spain". We will visit the UNESCO World Heritage Sites for the works of Antoni Gaudi including the still incomplete basilica of Sagrada Familia with a projected completion in 2026, Casa Mila, and Casa Batllo. We will also visit the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of Palau de la Musica and Hospital de Sant Paul designed by Lluís Domenech i Montaner. We will walk through Barrio Gotico (the old town) to visit the Cathedral of St. Eulalia, the Jewish quarter, St. Mark's Square and the church of Santa Maria del Mar. We will visit La Rambla Street with its colorful markets. **Dinners and overnights in Barcelona.**

Day 4 - After breakfast we transfer to **Valencia**. We will visit the Cathedral of the Holy Chalice, the 'Miguelete' Bell Tower and Apostles gate. We will also see UNESCO World Heritage site, the Silk Exchange and the Central Market, Plaza de la Virgen (Virgin Mary Square), Round Square, and the Old Quarter. **Dinner and overnight at hotel in Valencia.**

Day 5 - After breakfast, we will stop at **Caravaca de La Cruz**, one of the 5th holy cities in the world. A jubilee year at Caravacas Basilica, it holds fragments of the cross upon which Christ died. We will then proceed to **Murcia the capitol of the Murcia region**. From the seventeenth century, and especially in the eighteenth, Murcia achieved a splendour that expanded beyond its walls. At this time, numerous churches were built in the city, including la Merced, San Miguel, Santa Ana, the Monastery of Santa Clara el Real, Santo Domingo, Santa Eulalia and San Juan de Dios. The Cathedral of Santa Maria, contains both Renaissance & Baroque and features the beautiful altar piece by Jaime Bort, combining wisdom with sculpture and architecture. **Dinner and overnight in Murcia.**

Day 6 - After breakfast we will depart for Granada to see the stunningly beautiful UNESCO World Heritage Sites Alhambra, Generalife and Albayzin. We will also visit the Cathedral & Royal Chamber. **Dinner & overnight at hotel in Malaga.**



\$3,250

(\$350 single supplement)



Price Includes: Air/Bus/Transportation// Breakfast/Dinner/Sightseeing per Itinerary/ Local guides & Tour leader service/tickets/ hotels/all taxes.

Not included: Insurance, alcoholic drinks and tips.

Day 7 - After breakfast we depart to **Cordoba**. Upon arrival we will visit the Plaza de la Corredera, the 17th Century public square, the Calleja de las Flores, a quaint alley located in the Jewish district, the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Historic Center of Cordoba featuring the Mesquita Catedral de Cordoba (the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption which was formerly a mosque), the Puerta del Puente (Bridge Gate) and the Roman Bridge. **Dinner and overnight at hotel in Malaga.**

Day 8 - After breakfast, we will transfer to Gibraltar on the most southern tip of Spain. Gibraltar is bordered by the continents of Africa and Europe, and the countries of Morocco, Spain, the British colony of Gibraltar, and the Spanish exclave of Ceuta. It also borders the Strait of Gibraltar, which links the Mediterranean Sea and the North Atlantic Ocean, on the southern coast of Spain. While there we will visit the Nature Reserve by minibus with sites including the Rock of Gibraltar, St. Michael's Cave, The Great Siege Tunnels, the Jew's Gate and Morrish Castle. **Dinner and overnight at hotel in Malaga.**

Contact Toni Pietrowski at 630-699-3482 or Fr. Slawek at 773-1272 ext. 208 for further information.

Deposit is due by: February 1, 2017

Day 9 - After breakfast, we transfer to coastal city of **Tarifa**, to ferry to **Tangiers, Morocco** (Africa). We will spend the day in Tangiers visiting with our guide Cabo Espartel and the panoramic view of Estrecho. We will also visit the necropolis with 98 tombs of which 50 are carved in rock of various eras of Roman remains, the kasbah which was the acient fortifications once in charge of the city's defenses. We will enter the Palacio del Sultan, Medina (the old city) and zoco (market). We will end our evening in Morocco with dinner at a local restaurant. **Dinner and overnight at hotel in Malaga.**

Day 10 - After breakfast we transfer to **Seville**. We will tour inside the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of the Seville Cathedral containing the tombs of King Ferdinand III and Christopher Columbus and the Real Alcazar. Afterwards we will stroll through Barrio de Santa Cruz (ancient and historical jewish section). **Dinner & overnight at hotel in Fatima.**

Day 11 - After breakfast at the hotel, we will visit **Aljustrel**, where the three Little Shepherds were born, and the **Sanctuary**. Mass, time for prayer and walk through the sanctuary. Following dinner at the hotel, we will participate in the rosary at the Chapel of the Apparitions and candlelight procession. **Dinner & overnight at hotel in Fatima.**

Day 12 - After breakfast transfer to **Santarem** to behold one of the oldest Eucharistic miracles in the world. Afterwards free time for private prayer and leisure in Fatima. **Dinner and overnight at hotel Fatima.**



Day 13 - After breakfast, we will tour the city of St. Anthony - **Lisbon**. We will visit St. Anthony Church (the birthplace of St. Anthony of Padua), the Lisbon Cathedral, St. Roch Church, and Lookout Miradouro Sao Pedro de Alcantara for one of the best views in Lisbon. Walk through the old town. **Dinner and overnight in Lisbon.**

Day 14 - Transfer to Madrid airport for flight back to Chicago.



THE GREATEST LOVE OF ALL WITH JOHN ANGOTTI



*Please join us for word and song lead by John Angotti
as we unpack the stages of love: self, others, and God.*

February 14, 2017

7 - 8:30pm

**Immaculate Conception Church
132 Arthur Street, Elmhurst**

*Co-sponsored by St. Alexander and Immaculate Conception
Free Will Donation*



Listen to his songs on his Youtube Channel:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=m750t-cPfhE

John is an accomplished pianist, husband, father, speaker, and leader. His witness and music has inspired and changed the lives of thousands. John has been writing Christian music since his teen years at St. Joseph Seminary, where Angotti was considering priesthood. It was later his wife, Tracy, who suggested he record his songs. People were asking for his music to listen to for inspiration in their cars and homes. John spreads the Gospel message through word and song, taking a special interest in reaching today's youth and stressing the importance of finding God in the everyday lived experiences. He has performed at the National Catholic Youth Conference, National Conference for Youth Ministers, National Pastoral Musicians Conference, as well as many church's around the United States and abroad.



Roman Catholic
Diocese of Joliet



The 2017 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal is underway!

The Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) helps our parish and the Diocese of Joliet to provide countless ministries, programs and services to support our friends and neighbors in immeasurable ways.

Information about the 2017 CMAA and a request to make a pledge has been sent to all parishioners. Please review the materials, pray about how you can help further the ministries funded by our CMAA, and consider making the most generous gift possible.

The Appeal not only funds many of the operations of the Diocese, it funds services that are of great help to the ministries here in our parish. Our parish goal is \$53,623.00. With your financial support, we can exceed this goal. When we exceed our goal in paid pledges, we will receive 70% of the amount over goal for use in our parish.

Please answer Bishop Conlon's request and make a generous pledge.
All pledges can be paid in ten (10) installments.

Thank you in advance for your support.



"A political society endures when it seeks, as a vocation, to satisfy common needs by stimulating the growth of all its members, especially those in situations of greater vulnerability or risk."



Pope Francis, Address to the Joint Session of the U.S. Congress, September 24, 2015 (www.goo.gl/9HGt2d)

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
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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
Women's Choice Services	1-800-NO-ABORT
The Gabriel Project	630-261-9221 1-877-734-2444

PRAY OUTSIDE WOOD DALE ABORTION CLINIC

Please join the Life groups of St. Peter and St. Walter's in outside of Advantage Clinic, 203 East Irving Park Road, Wood Dale, on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays from 6:30 am to 11:00 am.

If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197.

THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC BIOETHICS CENTER

If you are facing emergent medical situations regarding end of life decisions, the National Catholic Bioethics Center (www.ncbcenter.org/emergency_consultation.asp) will respond ASAP with help from an ethicist, doctor, etc. The number to call is **215-877-2660**. Even though the site states "Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm" for emergency consultation questions, calls are returned even after hours.

The Women's Center

January 22nd marked the 44th anniversary of the legalization of abortion which resulted in the death of nearly 54 million innocent, unborn babies in this country, one every 30 seconds. The Women's Center has saved over 39,000 babies and their mothers from the pain of abortion in our 32 years of service. We offer counseling, material assistance, prayer support and more.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, February 12, 2017 is the date for our 32nd Annual Life Banquet at The White Eagle in Niles featuring pro-life actress, writer and singer, Lauren Roman.

If you have a new item, gift certificate for a restaurant or sporting event etc., or a service to donate for our silent auction, it will be most appreciated. To donate, phone Anna at 773-794-4771 or email avelez@gotwc.org.

For tickets call 773-794-1313.

OPEN POSITIONS

Special Project Manager: Responsible for management and development of fundraising events such as Mother's Day Flower Sale, Life Banquet, and Hike for Life. Send resume and pro-life statement to mstrom@gotwc.org.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for service hours, building your resume, make new friends, or just make a difference during this Christmas Season? The Women's Center (pregnancy help center) is looking for new volunteers to join Mondays-Fridays at our N. Cicero Avenue location.

We are specifically, looking for:

- Bilingual volunteers who are conversational in Spanish to help our volunteers and clients, particularly with translations, on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.
- Warm self-starter volunteers with flexible availability to "on-call" Lobby Desk subs on occasional weekdays, 1:00-4:00 pm.
- A Lobby Desk volunteer on Wednesdays, 1:00-4:00 pm, to greet guests and help with office projects.
- Weekday volunteers to clean, tag, and box bottles for "Spare Change Campaigns" (ideal for groups of up to 6 people or students needing service hours).

For more info on these volunteer roles, contact Paige at 773-794-8807 or pscarlett@gotwc.org.

SEEKING DONATIONS

We are in need of **6 pack n plays, 4 infant car seats/carriers, 4 fixed side cribs, 3 toddler beds, 2 strollers, 2 double strollers, 2 walkers, 3 changing tables, 4 bouncers, 4 high chairs, 2 bassinets, and 3 swings.**

It will be a great help if you can deliver these to us. Call for our address where items may be dropped off. Multiple item donations may be eligible for pick-up by one of our volunteers.

For more information, please call 773-794-1313.

The families benefiting are grateful for your generosity.

Welcome

Guests and Visitors!

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