

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*)

January 1, 2023 | Mary, the Holy Mother of God



*Mary
kept all these things,
reflecting on them
in her heart.*

~ Luke 2:19



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 happy New Year, and a special happy "Mother's Day." Today, as we all hang our new calendars, and struggle to remember to write "2023," the Catholic Church throughout the world celebrates in a very special way our Holy Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary. On this day, we focus on the young woman, who through her absolute faith and trust in God, journeyed with her husband on a difficult journey in the last days of her pregnancy to the town of Bethlehem. There, at a time appointed by God, she gave birth in a stable to the Son of God. I can't imagine what must have been going through her mind at that time. Was she grateful for being indoors, out of the elements? Was she worried that God was somehow displeased with her, leading her to such meager lodgings? Or, was she joyful at the birth of her son, a strong, healthy boy — the fulfillment of God's promise to her?

During my own daughter's birth, I experienced a huge range of emotions from abject terror to fervent prayer to the God I love. But the moment I saw her, everything else faded away, and I knew joy. And I knew with certainty that God loved me, that He loved my wife, and that He loved our daughter. And that same love that He has for each of us, we are gifted to experience as parents.

So today we celebrate those early days of joy and love experienced by our blessed Mother Mary. We honor her faith and her devotion. In the gospel reading we learn of both her and Joseph's obedience to the laws and traditions of their faith, traveling to Jerusalem (this is a lot of traveling for a young mother!) on the eighth day to have their son circumcised and to receive his name, Jesus — a name given nine months earlier to Mary by the angel.

So, on this Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, let us remember to honor Mary, our common mother. And let us also make time today to honor our earthly mothers. If your mother is still with you, take time to really talk with her today, in person, by phone, or on-line; share time with her. Find some way of expressing your gratitude and helping her. If your mother is no longer with you, find a few moments to actively remember her. Look through old photographs, find old mementos from her, listen to one of her favorite songs, watch a movie you both loved. But think of her, pray to her and tell her how much she meant and still means to you.

To all the mothers of our parish — we thank you for all you do, and pray that God will bless you with a joy-filled and healthy New Year.

In Truth and in Love,

Deacon Fred Maier

Acting Administrator, St. Peter the Apostle Parish

Mass Intentions For The Week



Sunday	January 1 (Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God)
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
Monday	January 2 (Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazinzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church)
8:00 am	†Dominick and Teresa DePalma
Tuesday	January 3 (Christmas Weekday; Holy Name of Jesus)
8:00 am	†George Kveck
Wednesday	January 4 (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious)
8:00 am	†Edward Filipek
Thursday	January 5 (St. John Neumann, Bishop)
8:00 am	†Carol Roemer
Friday	January 6 (Christmas Weekday; St. Andre Bessette, Religious)
8:00 am	†Jerry Grimaldi
Saturday	January 7 (Christmas Weekday; St. Raymond of Penafort, Priest)
8:00 am	†Raymond Adrian
Saturday	January 7 (Vigil: The Epiphany of the Lord)
5:00 pm	†Mats Carenback †Mary Gianelli †Robert Hoffman †Eileene Tomaszewski †Linda Wuerffel For an End to Abortion
Sunday	January 8 (The Epiphany of the Lord)
8:30 am	†Chuck Fuscone
10:00 am	People of the Parish
11:30 am	†Shalemon Aivaz †Rita Bacik †Deanne Bernacchi †Luka and Nevenka Lovric For an End to Abortion Special intentions of the Lillian Janssens

Readings for the Week

Monday:	1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Tuesday:	1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Wednesday:	1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Thursday:	1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11
Sunday:	Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

FIRST FRIDAY EUCCHARISTIC 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

GRIEF MINISTRY

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

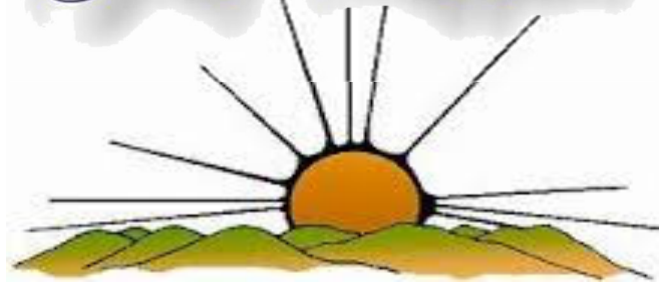
Please meet in Margaret Woods Hall for refreshments before heading to the **Parish Center Conference Room**.

For more information, please contact:

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

NEXT WEEKEND—SUNDAY, JANUARY 8 | 9:30 am

Grief Support



Experience the EUCCHARISTIC 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 25 - Sunday Collection (12/18/2022) \$ 7,548.00

*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...

- Monday January 2**
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Officer's Mtg. (AFCM/KOC Hall)
- Tuesday January 3**
7:15 pm Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)
- Wednesday January 4**
8:30 am Confessions (Church)
5:00 pm Religious Ed - Family Faith Event:
Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit (MW Parish Hall)
- Thursday January 6**
7:00 pm Baptism Prep Class (PC Conference Room)
- Friday January 6**
6:20 am Communion Service (Church)
8:30 am 24-hour Adoration begins with Benediction
Confessions follow Benediction (Church)
8:30 am -
8:00 pm Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit (MW Parish Hall)
- Saturday January 7**
8:30 am Father Noesen Prayer Service (Church)
8:30 am Confessions (Church)
9:00 am Religious Ed - Family Faith Event:
Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit (MW Parish Hall)
4:15 pm Confessions (Church)
6 - 6:30 pm Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit (MW Parish Hall)
- Saturday January 8**
8 am - 1 pm Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit (MW Parish Hall)

PLEASE NOTE:

The Parish Center is closed for the through January 1.
Regular office hours will resume Monday, January 2, 2023.



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, January 7 | Sunday, January 8

Celebrants

5:00 pm Fr. Larry Brunette
8:30 am Fr. Larry Brunette
10:00 am Fr. Larry Brunette
11:30 am Fr. David Mowry

Lectors

5:00 pm Lou Casolari
8:30 am Jean Grote
10:00 am Kevin Grisamore
11:30 am Diane Blackburn

Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Reetha George
Deacon Bob
8:30 am Dorie Calip
Deacon Anthony
10:00 am Mary Booth
Ann Fleming
11:30 am Carmela Graziano
Deacon Fred

Christmas Schedule

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



Transitional Housing Ministry

Thanks to parishioner support donations, Transitional Housing has now raised enough money to cover 7 months of rent. The family will be moving in next week. Thanks to parishioner donations of furniture and labor, the apartment is furnished for the family. At this time the main needs are as follows:

- Small kitchen table (less than 4 feet long) and 3 chairs
- Girls 4T pants and long sleeve shirts
- Size 9 kids girls shoes
- Size 3T girls pull ups
- Size 4 boys diapers
- Baby Wipes
- Ironing board
- Quarters for laundry

Donations can be left at the Parish Center. For additional information, please contact Adam Stephan at adam.stephan@gmail.com or 847-715-8326.



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

Belvedere Events and Banquets • Elk Grove Village, Illinois

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.





Resolutions

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New Year's Resolutions to consider...

1. Attend Mass every week (or everyday, if possible)
2. Know someone who's been away from the Church or who is interested in joining? Reach out, invite them to Mass with you, and encourage them to find their way on a journey of faith.
3. Make Tuesday Evening Rosary and Father John Project recurring events on your calendar.
4. Sign up for an hour of Adoration on First Fridays
5. Share your "Time and Talent" through a Parish ministry—there's something for everyone.
6. Visit a nursing home or volunteer at a hospital.



When Does Christmas Actually End

by Billy Ryan

It's almost universal knowledge that Christmas is officially celebrated on December 25th, the Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord. While some may be thankful that the hustle and bustle of planning family dinners and purchasing thoughtful gifts are over, the Christmas season is only just beginning on the 25th. While the most popular carol of all suggests just twelve days, it's a topic of hot debate among Catholics. When does Christmas actually end?

It turns out that the answer to when Christmas officially ends is not so simple because there are technically three separate Christmas "seasons:" the Christmas octave, the liturgical Christmas season, and the traditional Christmastide season that concludes with Candlemas.

The Christmas Octave

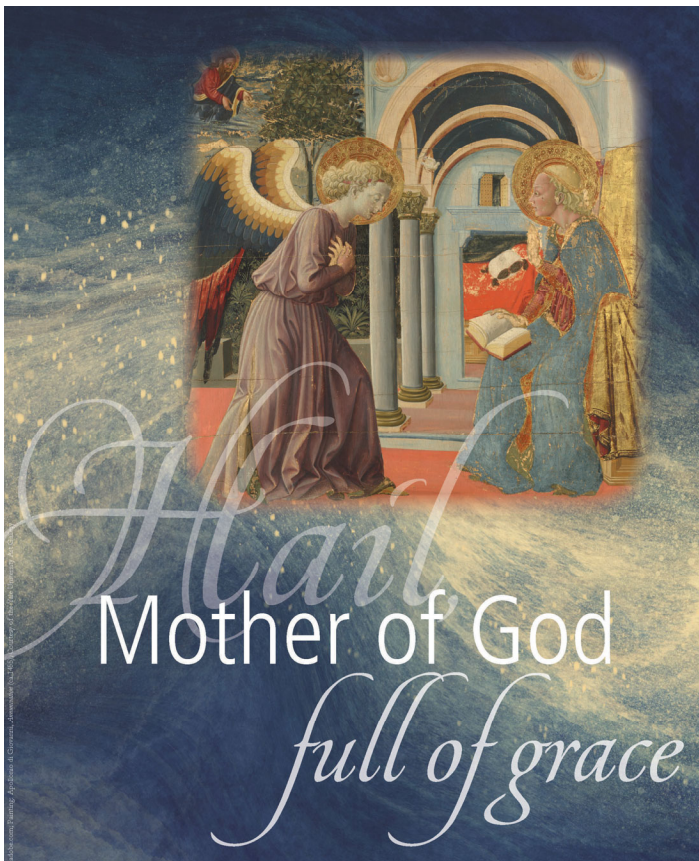
An octave is an eight-day period within the Church in which Easter or Christmas is celebrated that includes the actual feast day. The eighth day is considered the "octave day," and days in between are "within" the octave. Each day of the octave is considered to be an actual day of the feast and is celebrated as such. Therefore, the Octave of Christmas begins Christmas Day on December 25th and extends until the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the January 1st.

The Liturgical Christmas Season

The liturgical Christmas season is situated after the Advent season and before the beginning of Ordinary time. It begins with the Christmas Eve vigil Masses and concludes with Feast of the Baptism of the Lord on January 9th. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops also has a handy calendar available on their website, with descriptions of each feast day of the liturgical Christmas season.

Christmastide

In the older tradition kept in the liturgical year of Extraordinary Form of Mass, the whole "Christmastide" season lasts for forty days (corresponding to the forty days of lent) that concludes with Candlemas on February 2nd, also known as the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Presentation of the Lord. When someone asks you when Christmas ends, ask them: Do you mean the Christmas octave, the liturgical Christmas season, or Christmastide?



Hail
Mother of God
full of grace

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

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Registration
closes
January 1st
@11:59pm

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



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Jesuit Retreat House

SILENT WEEKEND RETREATS FOR MEN

January 6-8, 2023

Retreat Title: *Praying with Pope Francis —
The Gospel of Joy, Mercy, Love and Care for the Earth*
Retreat Master: Fr. J. Michael Sparough, SJ

Veteran storyteller and retreat master, Fr. Michael Sparough, presents an engaging exploration of the major themes of fellow Jesuit Pope Francis' writing and speaking. Using multimedia, creative rituals, and dramatic storytelling, retreatants will engage the gospel in a heart-changing weekend of prayer.

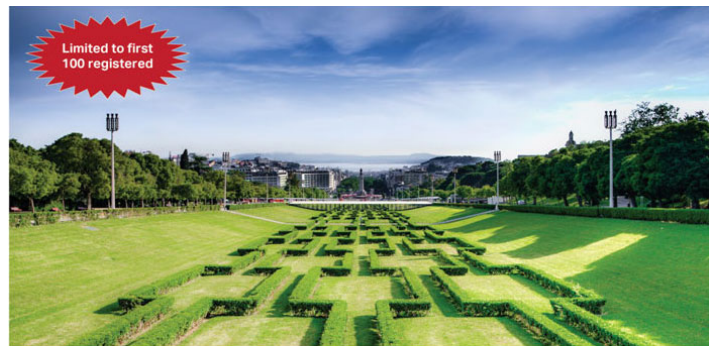
January 13-15, 2023

Retreat Title: *Healing Conversations: Encountering the God of All Things through the 14 Healing Helpers*

Retreat Master: Fr. Jeff Putthoff, SJ

We will make use of Ignatian prayer — familiar, conversational, and incarnational. Healing is fundamental to our lives and the tradition of the 14 healing helpers guide us in experiencing the abundance of God in our world.

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July 29 – August 7, 2023

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AGE REQUIREMENTS: 18 - 39 (must be 18 by July 1, 2023)

For information or to make a reservation contact:

Penny Borello - Inteletravel • 815-221-6029 • WYD2023@dioceseofjoliet.org • YAMjoliet.org



Fourth Sunday of Advent

REFLECTION - GOSPEL READING:

Luke 2:16-21

The shepherds find Jesus in a manger in Bethlehem.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's reading is a continuation from the Gospel proclaimed at the Christmas Mass at midnight. In it the shepherds act upon the message they receive from the angel and go to find Jesus in the manger in Bethlehem. In their visit to the manger, the shepherds find things just as the angel had said. The shepherds' visit, therefore, is a moment of fulfillment, manifestation, and the beginning of the salvation we receive through Christ.

In the context of today's Solemnity, this reading also helps us focus on Mary as the Mother of God. The reading tells us at least three things about Mary as a mother. First, Mary is described as a reflective person, keeping the reports of the shepherds in her heart. Second, we are reminded of how obedient Mary was to God when she named the baby *Jesus* as the angel Gabriel had directed. Third, this reading shows Mary and Joseph faithfully observing their Jewish tradition by having Jesus circumcised.

Mary's faithfulness to God is evident in all three of these things. Her reflection upon the events in her life indicates that she was a person of prayer. This prayer made possible her obedience to God and God's will, even if the outcome was not clear. Finally, her faithfulness to a community of faith grounded her relationship with God and enabled her to participate in God's plan of salvation.

Because of Mary's faithfulness to God, she was able to receive the gift of God's Son and accept her role in God's plan for salvation. By doing so, she models for us the path of discipleship and is also called Mother of the Church.

Our call to discipleship also includes these three aspects. First, discipleship means prayer and reflection on the events of our lives that we might see God's presence and work in our lives. Second, discipleship means obedience to God and God's will. Third, discipleship includes fidelity to a community of faith.

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Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.

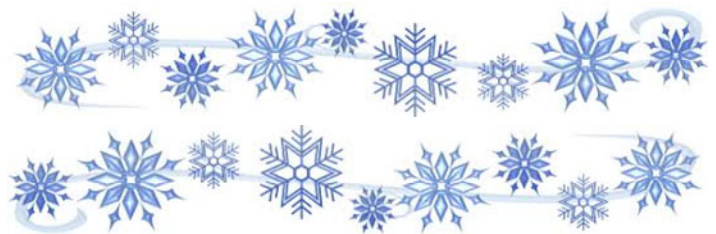
— Luke 2:19



*The shepherds
went in haste
to Bethlehem
and found*

**MARY AND JOSEPH,
AND THE INFANT
LYING IN
THE MANGER.**

Luke 2:16



OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Resolve to Spread God's Mercy and Peace

Imagine: Two New Year's celebrations in little over a month! In late November, Advent began the new liturgical year, and today the secular New Year 2023 begins. In today's Gospel, everyone who heard it was amazed by the story the shepherds told of the angels' message regarding the child. Mary herself continued to reflect on all these things in her heart.

With religious persecutions raging, international and domestic conflicts seething, our family and friends suffering various difficulties, and COVID not yet entirely in the rear-view mirror, not to mention our own personal problems, how much our world needs Jesus as another New Year veiled in mystery begins! As we pray for God's mercy to enfold our world and embrace each of us in 2023, let our New Year's resolution be to live for others, as Mary did, a channel of God's mercy and an instrument of Christ's peace.

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

Rory Beckham

child of Kyle and Stephanie (Asta) Steiger

who was baptized during the month of December 2022



Blessed
are you

blessed is the fruit of your womb

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

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 January prayers for the Church
and for the world:

For educators

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching
fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest
and most vulnerable above all.

**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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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)

**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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Welcome, New Parishioners — Register Today

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If you attend Saint Peter the Apostle Church on a regular basis, and regard this parish as your "spiritual home," we encourage you to register as a parishioner. You are most welcome as part of our Parish Family.

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. You can also register by calling the parish office or by visiting the parish website.

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