

Saint Peter ^{the} Apostle CATHOLIC CHURCH



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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm | Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am
Monday-Friday: 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

*Have in you
the same attitude
that is in*

Christ Jesus



September 27, 2020

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Pastor



Dear Parish Family:

This coming Tuesday, September 29, I invite you to come to the 8:00 am Mass as we celebrate with all Catholics the Feast of the Archangels. It is an ancient Feast within the Church year dedicated to Saint Michael the Archangel, Saint Gabriel and Raphael. Saint Michael was long venerated in the Church as the head of the heavenly armies and patron saint of soldiers. Popular veneration of this heavenly patron began with an apparition of Michael at Gargano in southern Italy in the fifth century, during an invasion by the Goths. The feast we celebrate on September 29th has its origin in the dedication of a church at Gargano in Italy. St. Gabriel, the angel of the Annunciation and in the prophecy of Daniel, was long venerated in the Church along with Saints Michael and Raphael. He appears uniquely as the herald of the Most High, majestic in appearance, bringing God's message to people on earth. In 1951, Pope Pius XII proclaimed Archangel Gabriel the patron of the communication arts, especially television. Archangel Raphael appears in only one book of the Bible, the Book of Tobias, or Tobit, and his name means God has healed. He appears as the envoy of God, sent to answer prayers and bring healing. Because of His role in the Book of Tobias, he is the patron saint of travelers. In his own words, he was "one of the seven angels who are ever ready to enter into the presence of the Lord's glory." Each of these Archangels performs a different mission in Scripture: **Michael protects; Gabriel announces; and Raphael guides.** "Earlier belief that inexplicable events were due to the actions of spiritual beings has given way to a scientific world view and a different sense of cause and effect. Yet believers still experience God's protection, communication and guidance in ways which defy description. We cannot dismiss angels too lightly. Scripture tells us, they DO exist."

Pope Leo XIII wrote an incredibly powerful and holy prayer of intercession to St. Michael. His intention was to protect the Church and mankind from Satan and his demons. After Pope Leo XIII finished saying Mass on October 13, 1884, he collapsed into what is allegedly a mystical ecstasy. He witnessed a confrontation between Jesus and Satan, and saw evil demons being released from hell. To protect the Church and all families, he wrote this prayer to St. Michael the Archangel which he mandated to be said at the end of each Mass from that point forth. This prayer is no longer to be said within the Mass; however, it can be recited after Mass. The following prayer is recited after each weekday Mass at Saint Peter the Apostle Parish.



Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.

Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host -
by the Divine Power of God -

cast into hell, satan and all evil spirits, who wander around the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

It is true, evil exists. One of the things that Satan wants us to believe is that there is no evil and that sin is only a psychological disorder or weakness. The prayerful person knows better. Evil does exist and we need prayer always to help us resist the evil one and his hidden agenda. When we pray each day, as well as this Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel, we need to remember that each time we pray we work to defeat our real enemies, not each other, but rather the devil and his evil spirits...

It is true, God permits us to be tempted by the devil but gives us the grace to resist him through prayer in our daily lives. This prayer is truly powerful indeed! Pray it every day, even several times a day. I assure you, the devil will flee because Saint Michael the Archangel is that powerful and is hated by all evil spirits. Protect yourself and your children and family and pray this prayer.

May Almighty God bless our parish and our families with every grace we need to grow in faith, hope and love. May Saint Michael the Archangel protect us from all evil, harm and temptation.

Have a good and holy week.

Fr. Noesen

Mass Intentions



Sunday	September 27 (26th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 am	†Giulietta Alfano
11:00 am	People of the Parish
	†Filomina Cozzone
	†Biagio Gariti
	†Giuseppina Ribauda
	†Fred Santoro
Monday	September 28 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Maria Trejo
Tuesday	September 29 (Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels)
8:00 am	†Vittorio Landrischi
Wednesday	September 30 (St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church)
8:00 am	†James Koback
Thursday	October 1 (Sr. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church)
8:00 am	†Harry Aument
Friday	October 2 (The Holy Guardian Angels)
8:00 am	†Kenneth R. Barton
Saturday	October 3 (Vigil: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:00 am	†Edward Filipek
5:00 pm	†Fred Pollock
	†Andrzej Szymikowski
	People of the Parish
	For an End to Abortion
Sunday	October 4 (27th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 am	†Eric Art Brown
11:00 am	†Giuseppe Fricano
	†Filippa Gariti
	†Jennifer Galloway McDevitt
	†Joan Streich
	†Eugenia Sularz

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday:	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday:	Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Lk 10:1-12
Friday:	Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Mt 18:1-5
Saturday:	Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday:	Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9;0 Mt 21:33-43



Dear Parish family,

Our Director of Music Ministry, Roberta Moroz, has recently resigned from her role with our parish, as she has decided to focus on her other full-time work.

This Sunday is Roberta's last day with us. I would like to personally thank her for the many years of ministry to the parish. She has been devoted to making our liturgies beautiful and will be missed by many parishioners.

Our parish sends her with our prayers and best wishes. Thank you, Roberta, for your many years of service at St. Peter the Apostle Church!

Please pray for our parish as we begin the search for a new Coordinator of Music Ministry.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Noesen

What a Wonderful Problem to Have!

My dear brothers and sisters,

Our weekend masses are filling the church! It is joyful to see so many people coming to mass each weekend. It does make seating more challenging as more people come each week. To help address this, please know that, if you are unable to pre-register for mass, we will be seating you up in front in the folding chairs to the left and right of the altar. When all of those chairs are full, we will ask you to wait until just before mass begins to be seated. This is to make sure that all those who have signed up in advance will be able to have seats in the pews in church.

To pre-register for mass, please visit the parish website at www.stpeteritasca.com, or call the Parish Center at 630-773-1272 ext. 200 and ask to be registered for the mass.

Deacon Fred

HELP NEEDED!

We are in need of additional greeters for our weekend masses. The greeter ministry is a critical one in order for us to be able to continue having mass. Greeters check in attendees, provide spray sanitizer for everyone entering the church, perform mask checks to make sure everyone is properly wearing their mask, identify how many people are in each group needing to be seated, and direct people to safe, social-distanced seating in the church. We need a minimum of four to five people at each mass.

If you are able to assist in this ministry, please contact Deacon Fred at 630-773-1272 ext. 201, or by email at liturgy@stpeteritasca.com.

Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

	Sunday Collection	Year to Date
Fiscal Week 12: 09/20/2020	\$ 8,340.00	\$102,278.10

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. 204)	SUNDAY OFFERING 
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This Week at St. Peter's

- Monday September 28**
6:30 pm Knights of Columbus General Mtg. (MWH)
- Tuesday September 29**
7:15 pm Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)
- Wednesday September 30**
5:00 pm Religious Education Classes (School/Church)
- Thursday October 1**
7:00 pm Baptism Prep Class (PC Conference Room)
7:00 pm Rosary (Church)
- Saturday October 3**
9:00 am Religious Education Classes (School/Church)
4:15 pm Confessions (Church)
7:00 pm Rosary (Church)
- Sunday October 4**
12:30 pm Pet Blessing (Parish Parking Lot)
7:00 pm Rosary (Church)



Schedule

Saturday, October 3 | Sunday, October 4

5:00 pm Rose Ann Roll Deacon Bob 8:30 am Nancy Ferenzi Jim Ruffing 11:00 am Greg Papuga Deacon Fred	Lectors 5:00 pm Nancy Magnus 8:30 am Lou Casolari 11:00 am Chris Nagle
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Celebrating our Blessed Mother in October

PILGRIM VIRGIN OF FATIMA

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. To celebrate and honor this special tradition in our Catholic faith, the Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima, will be at St. Peter the Apostle for the entire month.



Rosary devotional services and prayers will take place nightly at 7:00 pm from October 1 through October 7.

TUESDAY ROSARY MINISTRY

This Rosary service will run throughout the year, weekly on Tuesday evenings beginning at 7:15pm.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Bring your Rosary, your personal intentions and your voice. Attendees are welcome to lead one of the decades if comfortable and called to do so.

Invite friends and be a part of this beautiful and powerful gift of prayer.

Why Catholics Pray The Rosary

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



Which of the two sons did his father's will?
 — Matthew 21:31





A Blessing for Your Pets... In honor of St. Francis of Assisi

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, AT 12:30 PM IN FRONT OF CHURCH

Many times captivated by his words, wild animals and birds were believed to have become tame in the presence of St. Francis of Assisi, Italy. One day upon delivering a sermon to swallows, he summoned them to praise God for his blessings, whereupon they flew up into the sky in the formation of a cross. Another occasion happened when Francis was on his way to a town called Gubbio to preach the Gospel. Before he entered the town a group of farmers met up with Francis and warned him of a ferocious wolf. They set out to kill the wolf but Francis said to them, first let me talk to him. But they pleaded with him, "Brother Francis, the wolf has already devoured many people and will certainly kill you if you go unarmed. But Francis, placing his trust in God, bravely went forth, followed by a few peasants who had not yet lost their courage. Deep in the forest they came upon the wolf's lair and could see the huge animal in the snow. Overcome with fear, they said to Francis, We do not want to go any farther. That wolf is fierce and we might get hurt. Just wait here, he answered, until I have a chance to talk to him.

The wolf, sensing an easy prey, turned on Francis ready to attack. But Francis, making the sign of the cross, ordered it to stop. Come here, Brother Wolf, he said, I order you, in the name of Christ, not to hurt me or anyone else. A crowd, having gathered in the distance saw, much to their amazement, that as Francis spoke, the ravenous beast lowered its head and seemed suddenly tame and docile. Francis, chastising the animal, said, Brother Wolf, you have committed great crimes and for this you should be punished. You deserve to be put to death just like the worst robber or murderer. But I want to make peace between you and the people of Gubbio.

I will ask them to provide food for you, so that you will never again be hungry. But you must agree never to kill another living creature as long as you live. Can you promise me this? The wolf, nodding its head in agreement, meekly raised its front paw and gave it to Francis as a sign of his pledge. The townspeople, in turn, willingly agreed to provide for the wolf. Later that day in the marketplace, when the crowd gathered to hear Francis talk, they saw the wolf and how this ravenous beast had been transformed into a trusting and obedient disciple whom they no longer feared. Each day, Brother Wolf came to Gubbio for food provided by the villagers. Years later, when the wolf died, they erected a church over his grave called San Francesco della Pace which can be visited to this day.

Many of us may have a statue of St. Francis in our gardens. This image can remind us of St. Francis' love for nature and animals. Through his example, we too can become inspired to seek affinity for all of creation. May we pray that people everywhere will work to maintain the beauty and dignity of the world's environment, which is of God.

On Sunday, October 4, at 12:30pm the Traditional Blessing of the Pets will take place outside the main entrance of St. Peter's church. Please bring your pets (contained or on a leash) to receive this special blessing from the Lord through the intercession of Saint Francis.



Installation of Bishop Ronald A. Hicks as Sixth Bishop of Joliet

On Tuesday, September 29, 2020, at 10:00 am Bishop Ronald Hicks will be installed as the sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Joliet at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet, Illinois.

On the eve of the Installation, Bishop Hicks will join diocesan priests for a **Vespers Service of Welcome** at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus. This will begin at **7:00 pm on Monday, September 28, 2020.**

Due to local, state and diocesan event restrictions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, participation will be by *invitation only*.

Both events will be live-streamed from the Cathedral through the diocesan YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/diocesEOFJolietIL. The livestream can also be viewed on the parish website home page of the at www.stpeteritasca.com.



Crochet for a Cause! Returning in October

A MINISTRY OF FELLOWSHIP
DEDICATED TO MAKING MATS FOR THE HOMELESS

Tuesday, October 6 & 20 | 10:00 am
(Margaret Woods Hall)

The crochet group makes plastic sleeping mats for the homeless using grocery store type plastic bags. The mats help insulate from the cold and damp, but also making laying on cement a bit more comfortable.

If you are an experienced crochet hobbyist, bring a P or Q hook, and bags will be provided. If crocheting isn't your thing, but would like to help, then come with a pair of sharp scissors to cut plastic bags and roll into balls.

Masks and hand sanitizer will be required. Work spaces will be set up for safe distancing of 6' apart.

Please contact the Parish Center if you have any questions.

The crochet group is also in need of grocery store type plastic bags to continue creating plastic sleeping mats for the homeless. Please drop off at the Parish Center.

Popcorn and Christmas Wreaths ORDER THIS WEEKEND!



Itasca Scout Troop 409 will be taking orders for holiday wreaths and popcorn after all Masses the weekends of —
September 26-27 and October 3-4.



If you have any questions or would like to order directly, please contact Denise Glennon by phone at 630-479-8816 or by email at deniserory3@att.net.

Your support is greatly appreciated.



Prayer to Your Guardian Angel

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
To whom God's love commits me here,
Ever this day, be at my side,
To light and guard,
To rule and guide.
Amen.

The Feast of the Guardian Angels

OCTOBER 2

On Tuesday, we celebrate the Feast of the Archangels ~ Gabriel, Raphael, and Michael. Reminders of God's continual guidance, His communication with His people, and His protection. But, on October 2, we celebrate the care the Lord has for each and everyone of us, in our Guardian Angels. Perhaps no aspect of Catholic piety is as comforting to us as the belief that an angel protects us from dangers real and imagined. However, Guardian angels are not just for children. Their role is to represent individuals before God, to watch over them always, to aid their prayer and to present their souls to God at death. The concept of an angel assigned to guide and nurture each human being is a development of Catholic doctrine and piety based on Scripture but not directly drawn from it. Jesus' words in Matthew 18:10 best support the belief: **See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father.** Devotion to the angels began to develop with the birth of the monastic tradition. Saint Benedict gave it impetus and in the twelfth-century, Saint Bernard of Clairvaux gave devotion to the angels its present form. Whatever the history, the Guardian Angels are yet another sign of God's love and care for each and every one of us. His love is a deep, personal love that knows no limits. Let us "approach the throne of grace" confident in His love and mercy. Pray often to your guardian angel!

"From infancy to death human life is surrounded by their (the angels) watchful care and intercession. Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life. Already here on earth the Christian life shares by faith in the blessed company of angels and men united to God."

- from the Catechism of the Catholic Church; 336.

Live the Gospel of *Life*

“to imitate Christ
and follow in
his footsteps”

The Gospel of Life

Twenty-five years ago, Pope St. John Paul II wrote that the Gospel of life is at the *heart* of Jesus’ saving message to the world (*Evangelium vitae* 1). In taking on human flesh, dwelling among us, and sacrificing his very life for our redemption, Christ reveals the profound dignity of *every* human person. This God-given dignity does not change with our stage of life, abilities, level of independence, or any other varying circumstance.

Rather, it is rooted in the permanent fact that each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, created to share in the very life of God himself. The human person is a “manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory” (EV 34). And we must reflect this truth in how we act and how we treat one another.

The truth of the Gospel of life is at the foundation of who we are as followers of Christ. In his earthly life, Jesus provided the perfect model for how we are to love our neighbor and live out the Gospel call: “Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me” (Mt. 25:40).

**“to imitate Christ
and follow in his footsteps”**

The Gospel of Life 51

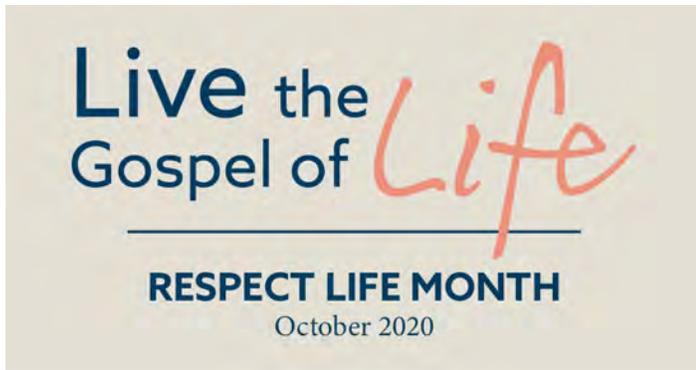
Jesus calls each of us to “care for the other as a person for whom God has made us responsible” (EV 87). The Gospel of life is intrinsic to the whole Christian life and foundational to the decisions we make on a daily basis. For, “the Gospel of God’s love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a *single and indivisible* Gospel” (EV 2, emphasis added).

In his encyclical on the Gospel of life, Pope St. John Paul II recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. He places particular emphasis, however, on threats to life at its beginning and end—precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers’ wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the “least of these” in our world’s estimation. Practices such as abortion and assisted suicide tragically reject the truth that human life is always to be cherished and defended with loving concern.

As the Church celebrates the 25th anniversary of Pope St. John Paul II’s prophetic encyclical, let us reflect on how we personally live out the Gospel: *Do I talk about and act towards others as I would talk about and treat Jesus himself? Do I inform myself of the Church’s teachings and engage in the civic arena as first a follower of Christ? Do I support and advocate for laws and policies that protect and defend human life? Do I help pregnant and parenting mothers in need? Am I ready to support a loved one nearing death?*

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, may Our Lord grant us the grace to truly and courageously live his Gospel of life.

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NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN



Sunday, October 4
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Advantage Clinic
203 E. Irving Park Road
Wood Dale, Illinois

Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals standing and praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that the Church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death. October 4 is Respect Life Sunday and the Life Chain will be in front of the abortion clinics in our Diocese as well as other locations throughout the country.

Please join your fellow St Peter the Apostle parishioners and other pro-life individuals from surrounding parishes in front of the Advantage Clinic in Wood Dale from 2pm to 3pm to give silent, prayerful witness for voiceless children who are threatened by surgical abortions.

Signs and prayers are provided.

Social distancing will be observed.

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



WILL YOU HELP SAVE UNBORN BABIES?
NorthWest Families for Life
 together with the *Respect Life Ministries*
 at *St. Peter's and Surrounding Parishes*
 invite you to pray and save lives outside of
 the **Wood Dale** abortion facility.

One of the main reasons women give for changing their mind about having an abortion is the presence of someone there outside the clinic praying for them.

Advantage Clinic, 203 East Irving Park Road, Wood Dale
Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 8:30am to 1pm

Could you be there one day a month? One hour a week?

- Any time you can sacrifice will make a difference!
- You DO NOT need to sign up to come out to pray.
- Just show up any of the above days and times
- You DO NOT need special training

For more information and more ways to be involved in this pro-life ministry, email Maria Goldstein at NWFL526@gmail.com or call Laura 847-651-4877, or call parishioner, Nancy Magnus 630-606-5197.



Help Save Lives by Praying to End Abortion

What is 40 Days for Life?

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated **40-day campaign that aims to end abortion** locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses.

Learn More & Sign Up to Pray Locally:

Downers Grove:

40DaysForLife.com/DownersGrove

Contact: Bob LeMay 40DaysDG@gmail.com or (630) 464-5344

Aurora:

40daysforlife.com/Aurora

Contact: Beth Doroff (630) 854-1092
 or doroffbeth@gmail.com

AVENUE WOMEN'S CENTER

Avenue Women's Center is a local ministry that serves anyone facing an unexpected pregnancy. If you suspect that you may be pregnant, you can reach out to the Avenue Women's Center helpline at 630-455-0300. Pregnancy test and consultations are offered at no charge. Most women also receive a free ultrasound.

The caring staff will walk with you through your decision and beyond, connecting you with practical resources wherever needed—from emergency funding to housing to childcare to job training, and much more.

Visit their website at AvenueWomensCenter.com.

Centers are located in
 Naperville, West Chicago, Glen Ellyn,
 Darien, Wood Dale, and Elmhurst.

The Avenue Women's Center in Wood Dale is located at
 132 East Irving Park Road.

In Memoriam

Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of

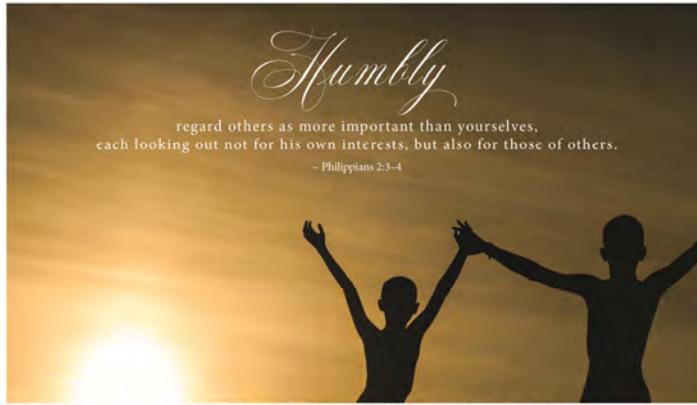
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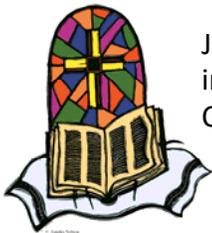
Richard Grabher

(father of Sharon Hower)

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



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

Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus.

— Philippians 2:5



Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

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| Brian Beers | Phil Hatke | Bonnie Pollock |
| Sue Bobka | Jack Hayes | Megan Putzke |
| John Booth | Ken Hemstreet | Brendan Reidy |
| Janet Both | Mary Hosters | Jerry Riordan |
| Ken Buffo | Shirley Janik | Ann Marie Rossi |
| Theodora Calip | Brian Josephus | John Rossi |
| Mike Carey | Anne Keeton | Jennifer Ruffing |
| Jacqueline Castellano | Debra Kelly | Savannah Rose Russo |
| Eunice Cleveland | Joe Kryger | Roxanne Ruiz |
| Regina Conti | Ruth Kryger | Alana Ruiz |
| Joseph Crocilla | Tom Kryger | Janina Sabat |
| Collin Cummins | Rickie Kruzel | Angela Scanlon |
| Mary Cummins | Celeste Kucharczyk | Mark Sgarbossa |
| Michael Cummins | JoLynn Lash | Shauna Sheffer |
| Paul Cummins | Sharon Laughlin | Marilyn Sieradzki |
| Margaret Del Preto | Elizabeth Lisak | Wayne Slowiak |
| Tom Derma | Pasquale Lopardo | Dan Sobucki |
| Angeline DiFranco | Eileen Marino | Belinda Sobucki |
| Charles DiFranco Jr. | Patricia McMahan | Sharon Sowers |
| Teresa Dunhac | Ann McNally | Karen Stewart |
| John Elia | Jack McNally | Linda Szweda |
| Scott Erickson | Gene Mikulecky | Pat Tardi |
| Tracy Fink | Christopher Mizera | James Thompson |
| Stephanie Fortino | Rich Mrugacz | Patricia Vitale |
| Sally Franz | Robert Neumann | Jennifer Weil |
| Dan Galuszek | Barbara Neumann | Helen Wilczko |
| Joe Galuszek | Jean Nowobielski | Agnieszka Wisniewska |
| Geri Gerard | Don Olenek | Grzegorz Wisniewski |
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| Joseph Halec | Anne Marie Pagni | Deacon Bob Ziomek |
| Carole Hatke | Harriett Pinkowski | |

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 renew your request.

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**
- LCpl James J. Cullotta, US Marines
 SGT Michael D'Andrea, US Army
 Maj 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
 SGT 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
 Cpl MacLane Read, US Army
 SGT Michael Schatzman, US Army
 LTJG Albert J. Schrautemyer III, US Navy Pilot (Persian Gulf)
 SGT Jeremy Schumacher, US Marines
 Robert P. Woods Lt. JG. US Navy
 Thomas Zablocki, US Marines
 PO2 Benjamin Zubak, US Navy

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phone: 847-224-9324

PARISH CENTER BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm

Friday-Sunday: CLOSED (or by appointment)

**TRAVELING?**

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

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENT AND BULLETIN DEADLINES

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

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

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

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.

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.

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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.

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

Communion calls are made every Friday for those unable to attend Sunday mass due to health issues.

Please call the Parish Center at 630-773-1272 (ext. 200) 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.

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 _____

Family Member Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____

E-mail Address: _____

Food Pantry Needs Restocking

On your next trip to the grocery store, please consider adding a few non-perishable food items to your shopping cart to contribute to the **Itasca Food Pantry**.



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

ARE YOU CONNECTED???

Do you receive St. Peter's electronic newsletters??

This is a great way to stay informed and receive reminders about events that you may have forgotten about or overlooked in the bulletin.

If you have access to e-mail, but do not receive the parish's electronic newsletters, then please visit the parish website at stpeteritasca.com to sign up; you may also send your e-mail information to bulletin@stpeteritasca.com.

Please be sure to provide your name together with your e-mail address.



And don't forget to connect with the parish on Facebook:



[facebook.com/SaintPeterApostle.Itasca](https://www.facebook.com/SaintPeterApostle.Itasca)

Remember to invite your friends!!!

Do You Need Help with Food?

Catholic Charities has resources available to help those who are in need of food. Even if you may not have qualified for assistance in the past, Catholic Charities can help.

Please call our DuPage County office located in Lombard at 630-495-8008. To learn more about Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Joliet, visit our Web site at www.cc-doj.org

Reporting Incidents of Sexual Abuse

Sexual abuse is a sin and a crime. Victims of sexual abuse, in addition to contacting civil authorities, are asked to come forward in order to receive pastoral assistance. The Church has a responsibility to help victims of sexual abuse and to ensure that offenders are brought to justice.

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