

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

COMMUNION SERVICE

Friday: 6:20 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*)

FEBRUARY 26
2023



First Sunday
of
Lent

ONE DOES NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE,
BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT COMES
FORTH FROM THE MOUTH OF GOD.

~ MATTHEW 4:4



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival** 2022
2025

From the Administrator...

IN VERITATE ET IN CARITATE

We have begun our Lenten journey, our own "forty days in the wilderness," when we are called to penitence. We are asked to practice the devotions of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to prepare ourselves spiritually, mentally, and physically for the celebration of the resurrected Jesus on Easter. But the specifics of our individual journeys are left to us.

Most of us have a "give-up" approach where we avoid something during Lent as a specific method of fasting. Whether it is a specific food or beverage, an activity or habit, we try and avoid it for forty days, and offer it up to God. And for many, that is where it begins and ends. But it shouldn't end with a "give-up;" that is just the beginning. Lent is a time of improvement, an opportunity to receive forgiveness for our sins, and turn more completely to God.

I invite each of us to strive for more this Lenten season. If you really don't notice a difference in your life during Lent, you aren't giving up enough. If the devil isn't trying to get you to break your fast, maybe what you are giving up isn't that important. Part of Jesus' journey was confronting the devil himself and consciously choosing to send him away and refuse to sin. The devil hates repentant sinners most because they turn away from him and back to God.

Our Lenten experience should be difficult. Every day, we should feel the challenge of our Lenten offerings. We need to confront temptation and send it away. We need to hold true to our faith. When we feel temptation, we need to turn to God, offer up our desire or longing to Him, and ask Him to help us through this challenging moment.

Through a combination of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving, we strengthen our souls against sin and move closer to God. If you are giving something up for Lent, this gives you an opportunity to do more. If you aren't spending as much money on entertainment, possessions, or groceries, give that money to organizations that support those in need. If you are giving up distractions -- watching less television, spending less time on electronic devices, setting aside distracting habits - use some of that free time for prayer and study. Read the Bible or books on the lives of Saints. Leaf through the Catechism and learn more about our Catholic faith.

Throughout Lent, there are several opportunities to help with your Lenten experience. We will have Stations of the Cross every Friday evening. There will be a Lenten Mission coming up March 12-14. A mission is a multi-evening series of presentations with a common theme to help us strengthen our faith. We invite you to join Fr. Tom McCarthy as we explore "Our Restless Journey." The sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered frequently so that, if we stumble, we can get up and resume our Lenten journey. In closing, I wish each of you a challenging Lenten season.

In Truth and in Love,

Deacon Fred Maier

Acting Administrator, St. Peter the Apostle Parish

Mass Intentions For The Week



Sunday	February 26 (First Sunday of Lent)
8:30 am	†Thomas James
10:00 am	†Eugene Bender
11:30 am	†James Berardi
	†Emidio Ranallo
	†Vincenzo Spaccaferro
	†Andrzej Szymikowski
	Kathy Frank - Special Intention
	Luke Wozniak - Special Intention on his birthday
Monday	February 27 (Lenten Weekday; St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church)
8:00 am	†Catarina Palladino
Tuesday	February 28 (Lenten Weekday)
8:00 am	†Judy Maggio
Wednesday	March 1 (Lenten Weekday)
8:00 am	†Edward Filipek
Thursday	March 2 (Lenten Weekday)
8:00 am	†Theresa Tardi and Pat Tardi Jr.
9:30 am	Itasca Fire Department Mass of Remembrance
Friday	March 3 (Lenten Weekday; St. Katharine Drexel; Virgin)
8:00 am	†Zbigniew Bielczyk
Saturday	March 4 (Lenten Weekday; St. Casimir)
8:00 am	†Bruce Gariti
Saturday	March 4 (Vigil: Second Sunday of Lent)
5:00 pm	†Robert Hoffman
	†Judy Maggio
	†Linda Wuerffel
Sunday	March 5 (Second Sunday of Lent)
8:30 am	†Andrzej Szymikowski
10:00 am	People of the Parish
11:30 am	†Giuseppina Fricano
	†Carmine Molfese
	†Amabile and Ermina Ranallo
	†Peter Vivacqua

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday:	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday:	Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

~ 2023 ~

A Journey Through Lent

+ LENTEN WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE +

Saturday Vigil Mass – 5:00 pm | Sunday – 8:30 am • 10:00 am • 11:30 am

Weekdays (Monday-Friday and First Saturday, March 4 and April 1) | 8:00 am

+ STATIONS OF THE CROSS +

Fridays during Lent at 6:30 pm

Stations of the Cross *(presented by the Knights of Columbus)*

Fridays, February 24, March 3, 17, and 24 | 6:30 pm

Stations of the Cross *(presented by Religious Education)*

Fridays, March 10 and 31 | 6:30 pm

+ SACRAMENT OF PENANCE +

Saturdays during Lent | 4:15 - 4:45 pm

Wednesdays during Lent | 8:30 am

First Saturdays, March 4 and April 1 | 8:30 am

“7-hours of Confessions”

Saturday, March 25 | 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

(Deanery-wide Confessions at Immaculate Conception in Elmhurst; several priests will be available to hear Confessions)

Last Confessions before Easter

Monday, March 13 | during Parish Mission

Palm Sunday, April 2 | following 11:30 am Mass

Wednesday of Holy Week - April 5 | 8:30 am

+ EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT +

Come and worship the Lord and grow closer to Him through prayer!

First Fridays, March 4 and April 1 | 8:00 am - 6:30 pm

~Hosted by Religious Education~

Wednesday, March 8 | 5:00 - 6:15 pm

Saturday, March 11 | 9:00 - 10:15 am

+ PARISH MISSION: OUR RESTLESS JOURNEY +

Presented by Fr. Tom McCarthy, OSA

March 12, 13, 14 | 7:00 pm

(Church)

+ SAINT JOSEPH’S TABLE +

Sunday, March 19 | 12:30 pm

+ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY +

Friday, March 31 | 5:00 - 6:30 pm

Stewardship of Treasure

St. Peter the Apostle

Fiscal Week 34 - Sunday Collection (02/19/2023)\$ 8,735.00

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

This Week at St. Peter's...

Sunday	February 26 Faith & Fellowship (after all masses) (MW Parish Hall)
Tuesday	February 28 7:00 pm OCIA Class (PC Conference Room) 7:15 pm Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)
Wednesday	March 1 8:30 am Confessions (Church) 5:00 pm Religious Education Classes (School/Church) 6:15 pm Adult Hand Bell Choir (Church/Choir Loft)
Thursday	March 2 7:00 pm Baptism Prep Class (PC Conference Room)
Friday	March 3 6:20 am Communion Service (Church) 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration begins (Church) 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross (Church)
Saturday	March 4 9:00 am Religious Education Classes (School/Church) 4:15 pm Confessions (Church)
Sunday	March 5 Faith & Fellowship (after all masses) (MW Parish Hall)



SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 4 | Sunday, March 5

Celebrants

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

Lectors

5:00 pm Chris Kunze
8:30 am Chris Aument
10:00 am Kevin Grisamore
11:30 am Mary McNamara

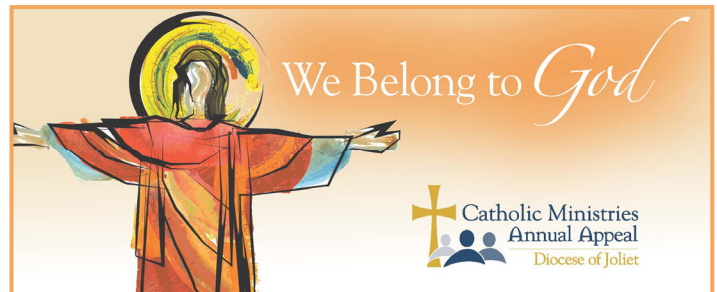
Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Edgar Garcia
Bill Kolf
8:30 am Dorie Calip
Kathy Frank
10:00 am Mary Booth
Deacon Bob
11:30 am Mel Gerard
Deacon Fred

Monthly Diocesan Loan Payment February 2023

As of February 5, 2023, the \$2 million dollar diocesan loan balance for our capital project stands at 170,018.80.

Thank you for your stewardship and prayers.



YOUR GIFT TO THE CMAA MAKES A DIFFERENCE

This year's CMAA theme is We Belong to God. We must work together to ensure all feel included in our community of faith. Through our annual appeal, our parish joins with the other parishes in the diocese to help the poor and vulnerable, form our children in the faith and strengthen vocations. We could not accomplish these and the many other ministries the CMAA supports on our own.

Seventy percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us, which is a wonderful opportunity for our parish. Please prayerfully reflect on how you can best support our annual appeal and help our parish reach its \$57,000 goal. To make a gift, please complete and return pledge envelopes or make your pledge on line by using the link available on the parish website.

In advance, thank you for your support .



All are welcome to stop by the
Margaret Wood's Parish Hall
weekly following all Sunday morning masses.
Grab a doughnut, a beverage and some fellowship!

Tuesday Rosary Ministry

The Tuesday Rosary Ministry meets weekly at 7:15pm.

Attendees are welcome to lead one of the decades if comfortable and inspired to do so.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Bring your Rosary, your personal intentions and your voice.



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.

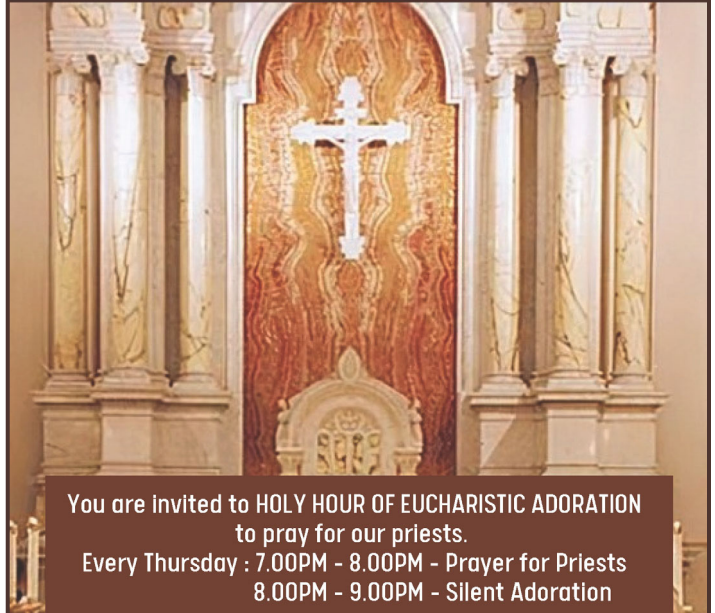


HOLY HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Prayer for our priests and vocation to priesthood

*"Support your priests with love and prayers, that they may
always be shepherds after Christ's heart". - Pope Francis*



You are invited to HOLY HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
to pray for our priests.

Every Thursday : 7.00PM - 8.00PM - Prayer for Priests
8.00PM - 9.00PM - Silent Adoration

AFCM Media Center, 524 N Rush St (Old Parish Center) | Itasca
Contact: Reetha George at 630-744-9063

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION...

**will take place at St. Peter's Church
on March 3.**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
will begin following 8:00 am Mass
and will conclude at 6:30 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



SAINT JOSEPH'S TABLE

Plan to attend...

Sunday, March 19 | 12:30 pm

Margaret Woods Parish Hall

Celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph
at St. Peter's Annual St. Joseph's Table!!!

Bring a friend and ENJOY...

**FOOD | WINE | SWEETS
FELLOWSHIP | RAFFLE**

Proceeds benefit the Transitional Housing Ministry

**Volunteers and Donations are needed
to ensure the event's success.**

**Sign up is available on the parish website
or in Margaret Woods Hall.**



Transitional Housing Ministry

Thank you to St Peter's Religious Education students, teachers, and directors. They organized a "quarter war" between the classes and raised \$1,100 to benefit the Transitional Housing family. The family will be able to use this money to payoff debt and get closer to securing permanent housing. Your generosity is greatly appreciated .

Thank you to the parishioners who recently donated diapers, wipes, clothes, money, and other items needed by the family. At this time, the family needs are as follows:

- **Boys diapers – size 5**

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

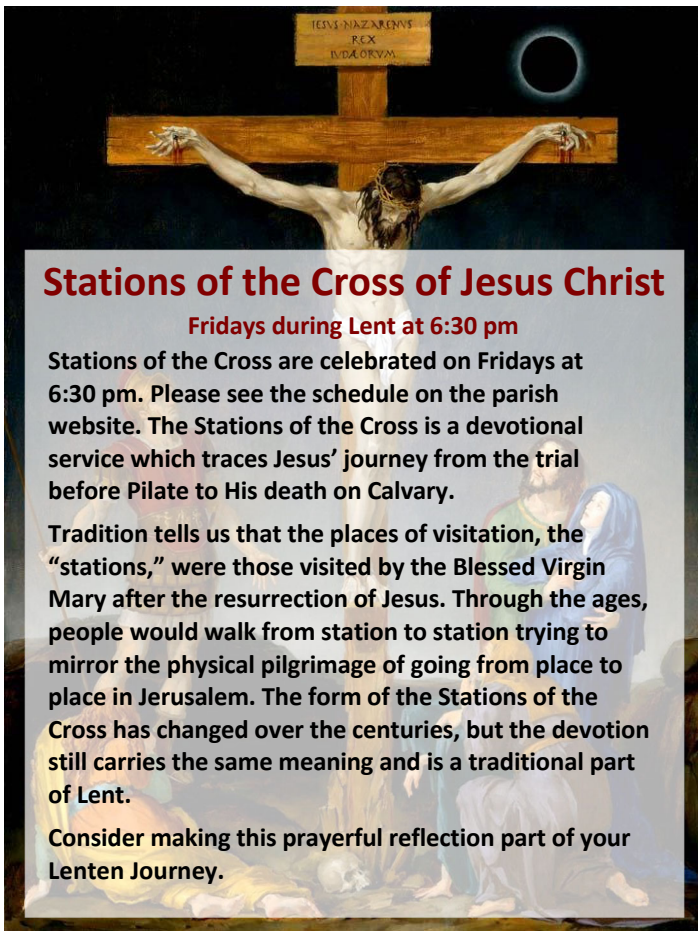


St. Peter's Knights of Columbus
hosts its annual



Friday, March 31 | 5:00 - 6:30 pm

Margaret Woods Parish Hall



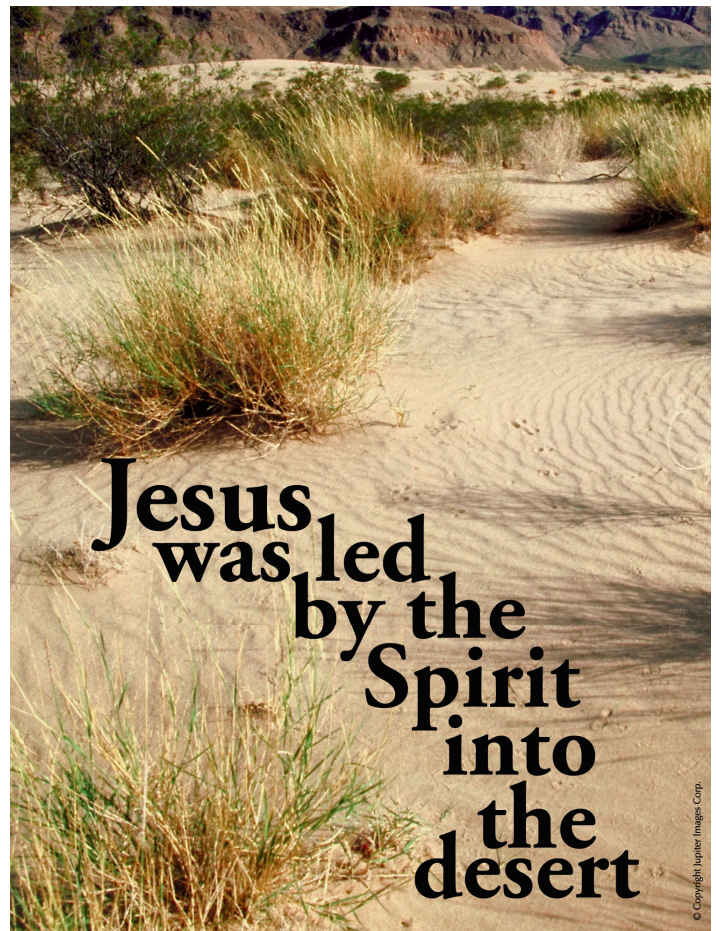
Stations of the Cross of Jesus Christ

Fridays during Lent at 6:30 pm

Stations of the Cross are celebrated on Fridays at 6:30 pm. Please see the schedule on the parish website. The Stations of the Cross is a devotional service which traces Jesus' journey from the trial before Pilate to His death on Calvary.

Tradition tells us that the places of visitation, the "stations," were those visited by the Blessed Virgin Mary after the resurrection of Jesus. Through the ages, people would walk from station to station trying to mirror the physical pilgrimage of going from place to place in Jerusalem. The form of the Stations of the Cross has changed over the centuries, but the devotion still carries the same meaning and is a traditional part of Lent.

Consider making this prayerful reflection part of your Lenten Journey.



Fr. Tom McCarthy, O.S.A.

Augustinian Preaching Ministries



"As Catholics, Jesus is the center of our lives, especially through the Eucharist and the Sacraments. My goal is to preach the love and mercy of Jesus and to let people know how much they are loved."

Fr. Tom McCarthy, O.S.A.

OUR RESTLESS JOURNEY

Parish Mission

St. Augustine said: "You have made us for Yourself and our hearts are restless until they rest in You."

We are on a constant "restless" journey towards God, united in mind and in heart.

Am I fighting or embracing the journey?

**Join Fr. Tom McCarthy
as he presents a Lenten Parish Mission
at St. Peter the Apostle
March 12,13, 14 | 7:00 pm | in Church**

Evening 1: The Restless Journey—

How am I entering the Restless Journey?

Evening 2: The Restless Journey—

How am I being called into the Restless Journey?

Evening 3: The Restless Journey—

How am I living out the Restless Journey?

First Sunday of Lent

REFLECTION - GOSPEL READING:

Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus fasts for 40 days in the desert and is tempted by the devil.

Background on the Gospel Reading

In each of the three Synoptic Gospels (Mark, Matthew, and Luke), after Jesus' baptism by John, Jesus is reported to have gone to the desert to fast and pray for 40 days. In each case, while in the desert, Jesus is tempted by the devil.

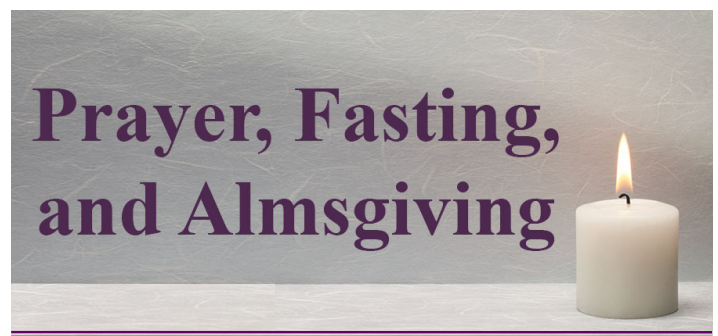
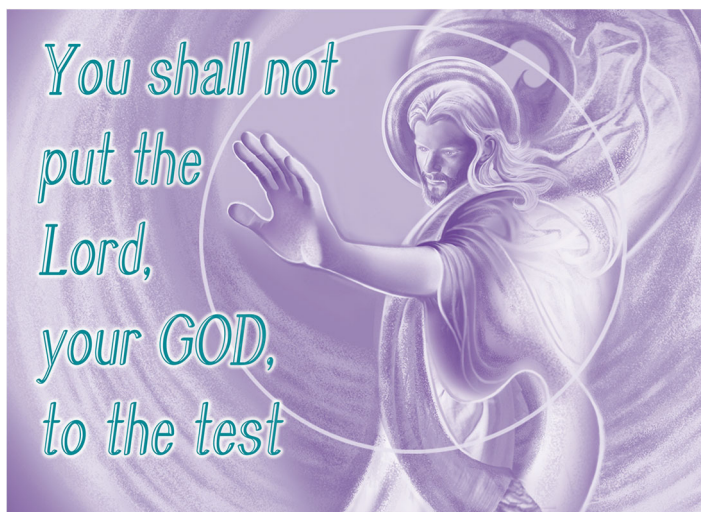
Matthew and Luke give more detail than Mark does, but each one tells how the devil tempts Jesus in the desert. In Matthew, as in Luke, the devil presents three temptations to Jesus. The devil tempts Jesus to use his power to appease his hunger; he tempts Jesus to put God's promise of protection to the test; and he offers Jesus all of the kingdoms of the world if Jesus will worship the devil. In each case, Jesus resists the temptation, rebuking the devil with words from Scripture.

The account of Jesus' temptation in the desert is filled with allusions and parallels to the Old Testament, including the story of the people of Israel. The Israelites spent 40 years wandering in the desert in Exodus, for example, and Jesus spends 40 days in the desert. As the Israelites were tempted during the Exodus, so too is Jesus tempted.

Each temptation offers insight into both God and the human condition. Jesus' rejection of the temptations shows that he will not put God to the test. Grounding himself on the word and authority of Scripture, Jesus rebukes the devil, confident in God's protection and faithfulness.

As we start our journey through Lent, our Sunday readings call us to adopt the same confidence that Jesus had in the face of temptation: God's word alone will suffice; God's promise of protection can be trusted; God alone is God.

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Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving

LENTEN GUIDELINES

- Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
- All from the age of 18 years up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.
- Lent is the principal season of penance in the Church year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations).
- All Catholics are encouraged to support generously the charitable works of the whole Church, pray and perform works of charity and mercy.
- Those who are sick, pregnant, or nursing, or whose health would adversely be affected by fasting or abstinence, should not consider themselves bound by these norms.
- To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

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In Memoriam

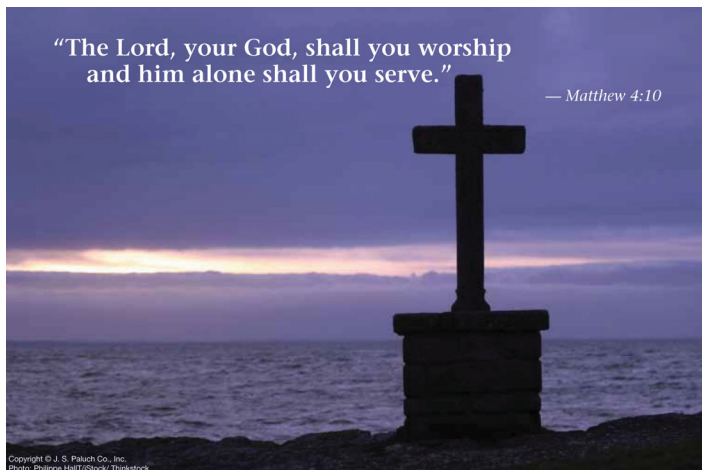
Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of
Frank Durante
May he rest in the peace of Christ.

PRAYER DURING LENT

*Holy God,
 now is the acceptable time to return to you.
 As we walk the path of these forty days,
 may we turn away from sin
 and embrace a life of goodness and truth.
 Strengthen us on our Lenten journey
 and keep us focused on the cross and resurrection
 of your Son, our Savior and Redeemer.
 He is Lord forever and ever.
 Amen.*

*"The Lord, your God, shall you worship
 and him alone shall you serve."*

— Matthew 4:10



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

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 February prayers for the
 Church and for the world:

For parishes

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre,
 may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity
 and welcome towards those most in need.

***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
 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 MacLean Read, 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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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.



MAKE SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME!

Welcome, New Parishioners – Register Today

Many people worship with us on a regular basis, and, in fact, regard Saint Peter the Apostle Parish as their “spiritual home.” Part of the Catholic life and our Catholic identity is that we as Catholic people identify ourselves not only with the Universal Church - with over one billion other members, but we are also part of a “local Church.”

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.

Welcome to Saint Peter the Apostle Parish!

ARE YOU CONNECTED???

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

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