

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*)

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

**The Son of Man is to
be handed over to men
and they will kill him,
and three days
after his death the
Son of Man will rise.**

Mark 9:31



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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From the Pastor

Dear Parish family,

Today's Gospel teaches the true nature of success. Jesus and his apostles sit down to relax in Capernaum after a long day of walking the hot, dusty roads of Galilee. Along the way, the apostles were arguing about something, and Jesus inquired about what they were discussing along the way. He already knew, however, they were talking about the topics of success, glory and greatness, but he wanted to hear it from them. Instead, they were reduced to silence, so Jesus then spoke "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." Again, he knew exactly what they have been talking about - success, glory, greatness.

Jesus doesn't tell the apostles that they shouldn't desire to excel, to achieve, or to do great things. He doesn't condemn that very normal impulse because he knows that achieving things and making a difference in the world is a basic need felt by every good person. So, Jesus doesn't scold them for wanting to do something great. Instead, he tells them what true greatness really is.

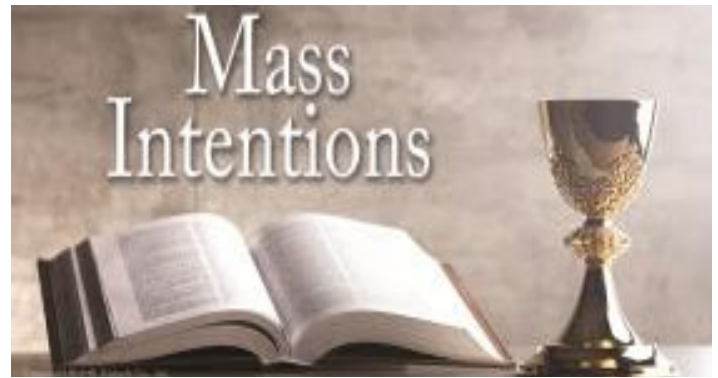
The great task for every Christian is not to achieve fame, fortune, popularity, power and worldly success. Rather, it is the same task that Christ himself undertook; to serve others, to make others happy, to reach out to those who are weak and in need, like little children. If one wishes to be great in Christ's kingdom, then they must strive to put the good of others ahead of their own.

Again, he doesn't say to his apostles, "Don't strive to achieve great things," but rather he does point out where true, lasting and fulfilling greatness lies; in loving one's neighbor as Christ has loved them. This is the true nature of success.

May the Holy Spirit come upon us so that we may walk in the footsteps of Jesus and the apostles.

In Christ,

Fr. Noesen



Sunday	September 19 (25th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 am	†Edward Kryger
10:00 am	†Maria Terracciano
11:30 am	†Bruce Gariti
	†Jim and Maryann Koback
	†Ken Koleto
	†Jeff Landreth
	†Carol Mazzucchi
	For an End to Abortion
Monday	September 20 (Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs)
8:00 am	†Eric A. Brown
Tuesday	September 21 (St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist)
8:00 am	†Joan Streich
Wednesday	September 22 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Harry Maras
Thursday	September 23 (St. Pius of Pietrelcina "Padre Pio", Priest)
8:00 am	†Helen Sularz
Friday	September 24 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Hilard Palace
Saturday	September 25 (Vigil: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
5:00 pm	†Larry Dohrer
	†J. Scott Erickson
	†Segundina Navarro
	†Nick Pietrantonio
	†Jerry Riordan
	†Andrzej Szymikowski
Sunday	September 26 (26th Sunday in Ordinary Time)
8:30 am	†Giulietta Alfano
10:00 am	†Robert Noesen Sr. and Mary Catherine Noesen
11:30 am	†Dorothy Cubellis
	†Jim and Maryann Koback
	†Vittorio Landrisci
	†Giuseppina Ribaudo
	†Jean Sroka
	People of the Parish

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday:	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Wednesday:	Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday:	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday:	Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



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. Weather-permitting, during the summer months, the group meets outside at the Blessed Mary Grotto (next to the school). Please bring a chair if you prefer to sit. In the event of inclement weather, the group will meet in the church.

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.

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



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Program
(R.C.I.A.)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is an ongoing formation process for adults and older children who are interested in becoming Catholic and would like to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and/or First Communion.

Call Father Noesen or Deacon Fred for additional information.

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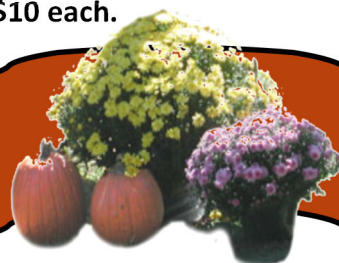
"Mums" the Word—

But Don't Keep it a Secret!

Fall and it's glorious colors are around the corner.

To help kick things into gear, St. Peter's is once again selling Mums for \$10 each.

**SALE CONTINUE
THIS WEEKEND!**



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Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

	Sunday Collection	Year to Date
Fiscal Week 11: 09/12/2021	\$ 9,542.00	\$108,998.37

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).



Electronic Giving is available using GiveCentral

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 visiting the website directly at givecentral.org/location/1251

There has been great progress made over the last three years towards paying off the original parish debt of \$2 million dollars. As of July 31, 2021, our capital project debt stands at \$391,921.52 . Thank you for your stewardship and prayers.

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...

Sunday	September 19
12:15 pm	Baptisms (Church)
Monday	September 20
7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus General Mtg. (PC/Lower Level)
Tuesday	September 21
10:00 am	Crochet Group (MW Parish Hall)
7:15 pm	Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)
Wednesday	September 22
All Day	Buona Benefit Day
8:30 am	Confessions (Church)
5:00 pm	Religious Education Classes (School/Church)
Thursday	September 23
9:00 am	"Be Formed" Bible Discussion (MW Parish Hall)
Saturday	September 25
9:00 am	Religious Education Classes (School/Church)
4:15 pm	Confessions (Church)



In loving memory of Tom and Mary Frawley, devout, Irish Catholics and deceased parishioners of St. Peter the Apostle parish, a bench and two angels have been placed near the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Tom and Mary believed deeply in the power of prayer and the rosary. The family of Tom and Mary hopes the bench provides a resting place for those praying to our Blessed Mother.



Schedule

Saturday, September 25 | Sunday, September 26

Communion Ministers	Lectors
5:00 pm Beth McKenna Frank McKenna	5:00 pm Diane Blackburn
8:30 am Phyllis Cimaglia Jim Ruffing	8:30 am Lou Casolari
10:00 am Mel Gerard Frank Vale	10:00 am Nancy Magnus
11:30 am Chris Nagle Deacon Fred	11:30 am Stella Capobianco

**SAINT ANDREW
KIM TAECON**
Pray For Us



"We have come into the world by God's grace; by that same grace we have received baptism, entrance into the Church, and the honor of being called Christians. Yet what good will this do us if we are Christians in name alone and not in fact?"

—Saint Andrew Kim Taecon

**SAINT PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	TOTAL PARISH	CHURCH	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Revenue			
Sunday Collections	\$ 502,799	\$ 502,799	\$ -
Other Collections	89,367	89,367	-
Fundraisers, Net	5,412	5,042	370
Tuition and Fees	77,494	33,726	43,768
Interest	53	53	-
Rental Income	250	250	-
Roof Fund	9,012	9,012	-
Other Unrestricted Revenue	1,052	1,052	-
Total Revenue	\$ 685,439	\$ 641,301	\$ 44,138
Operating Expenditures:			
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 194,601	\$ 151,321	\$ 43,280
Repairs & Maintenance	12,478	12,478	-
Services	92,165	78,565	13,600
Materials & Supplies	54,592	53,913	679
Curriculum Materials	3,558	-	3,558
Communion & Confirmation expense	2,705	-	2,705
Insurance	13,180	13,180	-
Utilities	53,461	41,582	11,879
Other operating expenses	722	-	722
Operating Expenditures	\$ 427,462	\$ 351,039	\$ 76,423
Net Operating Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 257,977	\$ 290,262	\$ (32,285)
NonOperating Revenues			
Restricted Revenues, Net	\$ 49,917	\$ 44,759	\$ 5,158
Interest Income from Diocese	741	741	-
Capital Campaign Income	25,735	25,735	-
Keys to Our New Home	480	480	-
Memorials	15,000	15,000	-
Total NonOperating Revenues	\$ 91,873	\$ 86,715	\$ 5,158
NonOperating Expenses			
Capital Expenditures - Non-restricted	\$ 27,059	\$ 27,059	-
Diocesan Assessment	45,516	45,516	-
Interest Expense - Diocesan	12,448	12,448	-
Christ Our Hope - Diocesan	992	992	-
Gift Expenses	3,489	3,489	-
Restricted Expenses - Other	1,396	26,283	916
Memorials Expenses	31,480	31,480	-
Total NonOperating Expenses	\$ 148,183	\$ 147,267	\$ 916
TOTAL SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$ 201,667	\$ 229,710	\$ (28,043)





Bishop Hicks' Column

September 2021: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever!"



What is your favorite season? Even though I am a big fan of warm weather, my favorite season is the fall. I love the brilliant colors as the leaves change and the breezes at night become cooler. During my five years of living in El Salvador, I missed having four seasons. That country has just two seasons. Residents used to joke and say, "We have two seasons in El Salvador, 'hot' and 'hotter.'" Actually, their two seasons are the dry and rainy seasons, and yet they are still both very "hot."

In the Midwest, we are blessed with the four seasons. They provide us not only with changes in the weather and temperature, but they also serve as a reminder that as time moves forward, everything in life changes. The Book of Ecclesiastes reminds us, "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die."

As Catholics, we believe with all the changes in our lives, God is constant. His love is unchanging and unwavering. St. Paul in his letter to the Hebrews proclaims boldly, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." And therefore, he exhorts us, "Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God."

Many of you are familiar with the play and movie, "A Man for All Seasons." Based on the life of St. Thomas More, it highlights someone who heroically remains true to God and to himself in the midst of a changing world. He demonstrates the ability to adapt to all circumstances and times around him, while never surrendering to the external pressures to reject or bend his principles and values.

Like St. Thomas More, we are called to be men and women of all seasons. The world around us not only seems to be changing at a rapid pace, but

also at times it seems that our society and culture are going crazy as they shift their values and principles. Throughout this rollercoaster ride of changes, we are invited to keep our eyes focused on Christ. He is our Lord, Redeemer and Savior. His love, mercy and compassion never change. In other words, he is our rock, our solace in the storm of incertitude.

Every morning I begin my day with a Holy Hour. As I pray, I sometimes glance outside the window in my chapel that overlooks a grouping of trees, and I am reminded of the changing seasons. Currently, the trees are full of bright green leaves. Yet, I know they will not remain that way. Soon they will change colors, then die, fall to the ground and eventually bud back to new life. As I reflect on the changing seasons, sometimes I catch myself saying, "I cannot believe how quickly time is passing."

At the end of this month, I will celebrate the completion of my first year as the bishop of Joliet. During this time, the seasons have changed, and I too, with the grace of God, have tried to navigate these changing times and issues. Like everyone in the world, my first year has been filled with ups and downs, triumphs and challenges, joys and sorrows. Again, it has gone by like a "blink of the eye." Yet, throughout all the moments of rain and sun, I try to keep my gaze steady on Jesus. He helps me to carry the cross in my times of trial and rejoices with me in the times of joy. Therefore, when people ask me, "How do you feel about being the bishop of the Diocese of Joliet." I consistently and wholeheartedly respond, "I feel both happy and blessed!"

As I approach my second year here in the Diocese of Joliet, I know that things will continue to change and the craziness in our world will take on different shapes and forms. However, as I take these next steps, I do so with faith, hope and trust in God and with great gratitude for all of you. We are in this changing world together, and truly, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." ✝

ST. PADRE PIO OF PIETRELCINA

His Encounters With the Poor Souls in Purgatory

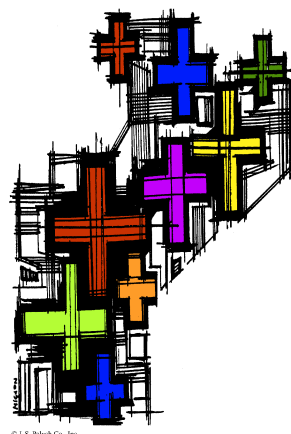
In the life of St. Padre Pio, we read of many souls from Purgatory appearing to him to beg his prayers. In 1922, Bishop Alberto Costa asked Padre Pio if he had ever seen a soul in Purgatory. "I have seen so many of them that they don't scare me anymore." A friar testified of the following incident: "We were all in the dining room when Padre Pio got suddenly up and walked at steady pace to the door of the convent. He opened it and started having a conversation." The two friars that went with him didn't see anybody and started thinking that something might be wrong with Padre Pio. On the way back to the dining area Padre Pio explained. "Don't worry. I was talking to some souls on their way from Purgatory to Paradise. They came to thank me that I remembered them today in the Mass."

Over the decades of Padre Pio's life millions of souls climbed Mt. Gargano to the Capuchin Friary of Our Lady of Grace to see him and to request his intercession with God. However, according to his own testimony the majority of these souls were not of the living but of the dead. Padre Pio said: "More souls of the dead from Purgatory, than of the living, climb this mountain to attend my Masses and seek my prayers."

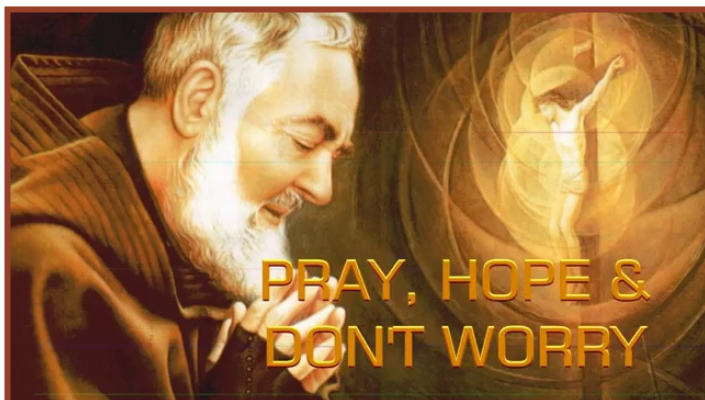
Padre Pio reported to Padre Anastasio di Roio: "One night I was alone in the choir, and I saw a friar cleaning the altar late at night. I asked him to go to bed since it was so late. He said: 'I'm a friar like you. I did here my novitiate and when assigned to take care of the Altar, and I passed many times in front of the Tabernacle without making the proper reverence. For this sin I am in Purgatory, and the Lord sent me to you. You decide how much longer I have to suffer in those flames.' I told him: until I said the Mass for him in the morning. He said: 'You are cruel!' and disappeared. I still have a wound in my heart. I could have sent him immediately to Paradise, instead he had to stay one more night in the flames of Purgatory."

One evening Padre Pio was in a room, on the ground floor of the convent, turned guesthouse. He was alone and had just laid down on the cot when, suddenly, a man appeared to him wound in a black mantle. Padre Pio was amazed and arose to ask the man who he was and what he wanted. The stranger answered that he was a soul in Purgatory. "I am Pietro Di Mauro" he said "I died in a fire, on September 18, 1908, in this convent. In fact this convent, after the expropriation of the ecclesiastical goods, had been turned into a hospice for elderly. I died in the flames, while I was sleeping on my straw mattress, right in this room. I have come from Purgatory: God has granted me to come here and ask you to say Mass for me tomorrow morning. Thanks to one Mass I will be able to enter into Paradise." Padre Pio told the man that he would say Mass for him...., "But" Padre Pio said: "I wanted to accompany him to the door of the convent. I suddenly realized I had talked to a dead person, in fact when we went out in the church square, the man that was at my side, suddenly disappeared".

Gerardo De Caro had long conversations with Padre Pio in 1943. In his written notes he testifies: "Padre Pio had an exact knowledge of the state of a soul after death, including the duration of the pain until reached total purification."



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O Glorious Saint Pio, patron of those who are in need of healing,
I call upon you and seek your help.

Please intercede for all those who are in need
of spiritual, emotional or physical healing.

Obtain for them comfort during their sufferings,
strength when they feel weary, hope when they feel discouraged,
and joy when they are down-hearted.

Help them know the peace of Jesus and the certainty of His victory
in their suffering, through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

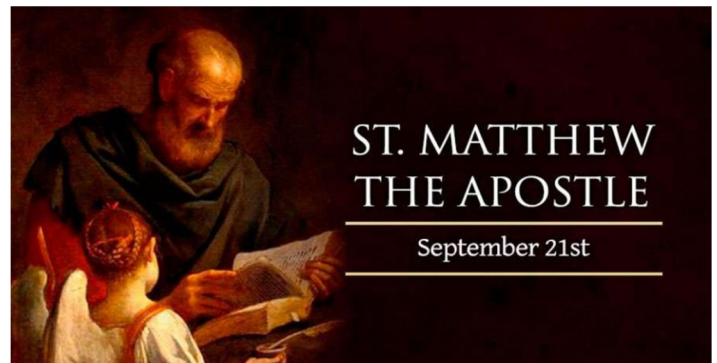
Here are 10 Very Interesting Facts About the Catholic Church You Probably Didn't Know!

Catholic Online News Home & Family Living Faith

How much do you know about the Catholic Church?

Here are 10 fun facts you might not know.

1. Vatican City has the highest crime rate in the world! With a population around 500 people and a little over one crime per day, the Vatican crime rate is above 100 percent, per capita. Although the fact is shocking it should be remembered that the Vatican is about one square mile in size, and has nearly 20 million visitors annually. Most of the crimes are pickpockets, purse snatching and other petty offenses done by outsiders.
2. The ONLY Christian church in existence for the first 1,000 years of Christian history was the Roman Catholic Church. All other Christian churches which exist today can trace their lineage back to the Roman Catholic Church. Most non-Catholic churches which exist today are less than a century or two old by comparison.
3. The Catholic Church consists of more than just the Roman Catholic Church. There are 22 Eastern Rites that are in full communion with Rome and although they go by different names, they are every bit as much a part of the Catholic Church.
4. Johannes Gutenberg, the inventor of the printing press, was Catholic and the first book ever printed was the Catholic Bible.
5. The Catholic Church is entirely responsible for the composition of the Bible, which books are included, as well as the breakup of the chapters and verses. Protestants have removed some books of the Bible because some of the verses were inconsistent with their theology. Martin Luther was a prime offender in this regard, removing Tobit, Judith, 1 and 2 Maccabees, Wisdom, Sirach and Baruch. He also made an effort to remove James and Revelations, but this was rejected by his followers and those two books were kept. Catholics are often accused of "adding" the books, but despite this common belief, it is false. Older, pre-Protestant, Catholic translations of the Bible include them.
6. How many saints are recognized by the Catholic Church? There does not seem to be an official number, but it exceeds 10,000. Of course, any person who enters heaven is a saint, by definition, so it is certain the number of actual saints in existence is much greater than the number recognized by the Church.
7. Any Catholic may perform an emergency baptism, such as if a person is in grave danger of death. In such a case, the validity of the baptism only depends upon the wishes of the person being baptized, that they desire the baptism. There are specific guidelines for such practices that Catholics should follow. Anyone wishing to be prepared for such a case should refer to the catechism for a deeper understanding of this allowance. Generally, such practices ought to be left to trained clergy.
8. About 15 percent of all hospitals in the United States are Catholic hospitals. In some parts of the world, the Catholic Church provides the only healthcare, education and social services available to people.
9. The Catholic Church spends more money than Apple brings in. Expenditures by the Catholic Church, largely on charity, exceeded \$170 billion in 2012, according to The Economist magazine. In that same year, Apple took in \$157 billion in revenue.
10. The Pope is protected by the Swiss Papal Guard. Wearing uniforms designed by Michelangelo and commonly armed with halberds, they are capable of using heavier weapons if needed. Each member is Catholic, male, and Swiss, and must complete military training in Switzerland. They must demonstrate good conduct and be at least five-foot-eight in height. Those who are chosen are granted a private audience with the pope along with their families. In extreme circumstances, they are expected to guard the Holy Father with their lives. The Swiss Papal Guard is the oldest active military unit in continual existence since 1506.



ST. MATTHEW
THE APOSTLE

September 21st

Prayer to Saint Matthew

*O Glorious St. Matthew,
in your Gospel you portray Jesus
as the longed-for Messiah
who fulfilled the Prophets
of the Old Covenant and
as the Lawgiver who founded
a Church of the New Covenant.
Obtain for us the grace to see
Jesus living in His Church and
to follow His teaching in our lives
on Earth so that we may live forever
with Him in heaven.
Amen.*

Fall 2021

Alpha: The Marriage Course!

**7 weeks of date experiences to enrich and explore your marriage!**

The 7 weeks of The Marriage Course are designed to help strengthen relationships, keep the spark alive, and keep couples connected.

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Sponsored by The Marriage Ministry Team
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3 online sessions to choose from;
each 7 weeks long presented virtually via Zoom:

Fridays at 8:00pm starting September 24, 2021

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Thursdays at 8:00pm starting September 30, 2021

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Wednesdays at 7:00pm starting October 6, 2021



Use this link to register online! There is no cost for this program!

<https://forms.gle/RcUq1EgeiB536wu76>

You must register 24 hours before your first session to receive the Zoom link.

Questions? Reach the team at: eastendupagemem@gmail.com



*The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace
for those who cultivate peace.*

— James 3:18

**Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family**

Joann Anderson	Mel Gerard	John North
Michelle Anderson	Brad Grabow	Holly Vana
Sue Bobka	Mike Graziano	Tom Vana
Elio Campanella	Gary Grote	Harriett Pinkowski
Mike Carey	Virginia Halac	Bonnie Pollock
Gerry Ciucci	Martha Hayes	Nikki Recchia
Eunice Cleveland	Ken Hemstreet	Brendan Reidy
Robert Cleveland	Mary Hosters	Ann Marie Rossi
Regina Conti	Anne Keeton	John Rossi
Marie Costable	Rickie Kruzel	Wayne Slowiak
Colin Cummins	JoLynn Lash	Fr. Miroslaw Stepien
Mary Cummins	Lilly Lima	Linda Wuerffel
Michael Cummins	Gene Mikulecky	Barbara Jean Zecchin
Paul Cummins	Christopher Mizera	Carol Zell
Gerri Gerard	Julie Mulcahey	

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 September prayers for the
Church and for the world:

AN ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLE

*We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple
and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our
young people who are resolutely committed to this.*

**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 Steven Gregor, US Army
SGT Michael Helle, US Army
Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines
PVT Aleksandra Juzwiak, Army National Guard
CMC Mike Kaszubowski, US Navy
SGT Jacob Los, US Army
Major Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army
1stLt John Kenneth Murphy, US Marines
Kevin Noesen, US Coastguard
SGT Marcin Platek, US Marines
2LT Megan Putze, Army National Guard
SGT Michael Schatzman, US Army
LTJG Albert J. Schrautemyer III, US Navy Pilot (Persian Gulf)
SGT Jeremy Schumacher, US Marines
Robert P. Woods Lt. JG. US Navy
Thomas Zablocki, US Marines
PO2 Benjamin Zubak, US Navy

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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**.**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 Fr. Noesen 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 Fr. Noesen 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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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.

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