

www.stpeteritasca.com WEEKDAY LITURGIES Monday-Friday: 8:00 am (Mass)

WEEKEND MASSES Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm | Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

> HOLY DAY MASSES Day of: 8:00 am, 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm

CONFESSIONS Saturday 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm First Friday of every month following 8:00 am Mass Second Thursday of every month during Father John Project and by appointment



February 24, 2019 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

RECTORY/PARISH CENTER

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PARISH CENTER BUSINESS HOURS



Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Friday: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm (closed for lunch: Monday-Thursday, 12:30-1:30 pm)

TRAVELING?

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

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENT AND BULLETIN DEADLINES

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

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

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

NEW PARISHIONERS

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

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

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

BAPTISMS

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

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

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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 are a member of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church.

WEDDINGS

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

IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED...

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

FRIDAY COMMUNION CALLS

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



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



If it is too difficult for you to walk to the front of the church to receive Communion, please know that at each Mass an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion comes to the back of the church to distribute Communion. If you would like to have the Extraordinary Minister give you communion in the back of church, please let an usher know before

Mass begins. At Communion time, when you see the Extraordinary Minister come to the back, please raise your hand so that they can see you and give you Holy Communion. Jesus teaches his disciples to be merciful as God is merciful.

Today's gospel reading is a continuation of the teaching that began in last Sunday's gospel. We continue to hear Jesus' Sermon on the Plain. Recall that in St. Luke's Gospel, this teaching is addressed to Jesus' disciples. This is in contrast to the parallel found in St. Matthew's Gospel, the Sermon on the Mount, in which Jesus' words are addressed to both the disciples and to the crowds.

These words from Jesus' teaching are familiar to us. They constitute the crux and the challenge of what it means to be a disciple: Love your enemies, turn the other cheek, give to those who ask, do unto others, lend without expecting repayment, judge not lest you be judged.

There are several similarities between St. Luke's and St. Matthew's report of Jesus' great teaching. Both begin with the Beatitudes. St. Matthew includes nearly all the content that St. Luke does; the Sermon on the Mount in St. Matthew's Gospel is longer than St. Luke's Sermon on the Plain. There are, however, differences in language and nuance. For example, St. Matthew presents this portion of the teaching as a contrast between Jesus' teaching and the teachings of the law and the prophets. This is in keeping with St. Matthew's concern to address his predominantly Jewish audience. It is likely that St. Luke omits this contrast because it was unnecessary for the Gentile believers for whom St. Luke is writing.

Another point of contrast between St. Matthew and St. Luke's presentation is the terminology. In St. Luke, Jesus contrasts the behavior of his followers with the behavior of "sinners." In St. Matthew, Jesus contrasts the behavior desired with the behavior of tax collectors and Gentiles. St. Matthew concludes the teaching about love of enemies with the admonition to be perfect as God is perfect; St. Luke concludes by emphasizing God's mercy.

In both Gospels, Jesus' words challenge those who would follow him to be more like God. God loves us beyond our expectations, beyond anything we can possibly imagine. In response to God's love, we are to love as God loves, beyond expectations and with a depth beyond imagining.

Have a blessed week.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Sławek





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

Human Trafficking For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger and abounding in kindness.

— Psalm 103:8



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If you would like information on using E-basket to conveniently make your weekly offering, please contact the Parish Center (ext. 200)



This Week at St. Peter's

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Tuesday	February 26
7:15 pm	Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)
Wednesday	February 27
10:00 am	Rosary at Forest View
4:30 pm	Children's Choir (Church/Choir Loft)
5:00 pm	Religious Education Classes (School/Church)
6:00 pm	Adult Hand Bell Choir (Church/Choir Loft)
7:00 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church/Choir Loft)
Thursday	February 28
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9:00 am	Morning Bible Discussion (Parish Hall)
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Saturday	For the week beginning 7, February 23 Sunday, Feb	ruary 24
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Mass Intentions



Sunday 8:30 am 11:00 am	February 24 (Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time) †Richard Sokolowski †Richard and Pamela Gronewold Jeff and Joanna Hagopian - Special Intention †James Wilkins Yates †Joan Ziomek
Monday	February 25 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Marie Spiezio
Tuesday	February 26 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Marie Spiezio
Wednesday	February 27 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Thomas James
Thursday	February 28 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Mike Bonafede
Friday	March 1 (Weekday)
8:00 am	†Zbigniew Bielczyk
Saturday 8:00 am 5:00 pm	March 2 (Weekday) [†] Nancy Borre People of the Parish [†] Roman Melnyk [†] Ben Militello [†] Linda Moretti
Sunday 8:30 am 11:00 am	March 3 (Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time) †Gerardo Alfano †Giuseppina Fricano †Denis McNamara †Linda Moretti †Lorraine Talaga †Al Trejo

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29 R: The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.
Tuesday:	Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37 <i>R:</i> Commit your life to the Lord, and he will help you.
Wednesday	: Sir 4:11-19; Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175; Mk 9:38-40
	R: O Lord, great peace have they who love your law.
Thursday:	Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50
	R: Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.
Friday:	Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mk 10:1-12 <i>R:</i> Guide me, Lord, in the way of your commands.
Saturday:	Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16
	R: The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those who fear him.
Sunday:	Sir:27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

Communion Ministers/ Lectors/Servers Schedule

	Saturday, March	2 Sunday	, March 3
Commun	ion Ministers	Servers	
5:00 pm	Karen Kunze Nancy Ferenzi Beth McKenna Frank McKenna	5:00 pm 8:30 am	Jimmy Kollias Katie Kollias Dominic Capozzoli Brynn Ellenbecker
8:30 am	Dorie Calip Rose Ann Roll	11:00am	Joey Vale
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8:30 am	Sandie Galuszek Chris Aument	11.00 all	John Carello Joe Crocilla
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Cross and Offertory Gift Bearers

Thank you to the following for serving gift bearers at this weekend's masses:

> 8:30 am 11:00 am

Cora Anderson & family Franco Cascella & family

Please pray for the children and their families, especially those preparing for *First Holy Communion.



First Friday 24-hour Adoration at St. Peter's Church begins with Benediction at 8:30 am on March 1 and concludes at 7:40 am on March 2.

Come spend quiet time with Jesus in thanksgiving before this Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

People are especially needed during the late night and early morning hours. A sign-up sheet can be found in the back of the Church.

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

Beverly Balke Barbara Beers **Brian Beers** Sue Bobka John Booth Janet Both Fr. Larry Brunette Ken Buffo Joe Busato Mike Carev Jacqueline Castellano Mary Hosters Eunice Cleveland Regina Conti Lucy Crocilla Collin Cummins Mary Cummins Michael Cummins Paul Cummins Valeria D'Andrea Margaret Del Preto Irene Dial Linda Diana Angeline DiFranco Charles DiFranco Jr. Teresa Dunhac John Elia Scott Erickson Robert Fahler Tracy Fink Cheryl Fisherkeller Sally Franz Mary Frawley Dan Galuszek Joe Galuszek Mary Gawlik

Geri Gerard Mel Gerard Mike Graziano Vincent Guccione Joseph Halec Carole Hatke Phil Hatke Jeanette Hemmelgarn Ken Hemstreet Isabell Herrera Shirley Janik Brian Josephus Anne Keeton Debra Kellv Joe Kryger Ruth Kryger Rickie Kruzel Celeste Kucharczvk JoLynn Lash Sharon Laughlin Lilly Lima Elizabeth Lisak Pasquale Lopardo Deacon Fred Maier Eileen Marino Patricia McMahon Ann McNally Jack McNally Gene Mikulecky Christopher Mizera Rich Mrugacz Dolores Ölenek Donald Olenek Raffaela Olenek

Vince Orazietti Fred Oslager Anne Marie Pagni Harriett Pinkowski Baby Vincent Porter Megan Putze Brendan Reidy John Rossi Jennifer Ruffing Savannah Rose Russo Roxanne Ruiz Alana Ruiz Alexandra Ruiz Janina Sabat Fred Santoro Angela Scanlon Martin Schatzman Shauna Sheffer Marilvn Sieradzki Belinda Sobucki Dan Sobucki Sharon Sowers Karen Stewart Joan Streich Linda Szweda Terry Tardi James Thompson Patricia Vitale Jennifer Weil Helen Wilczko Agnieszka Wisniewska Grzegorz Wisniewski Rav Youna Deacon Bob Ziomek Judy Ziomek

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

LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen PFC Ryan Caspary, US Army 101st Airborne James J. Cullotta, U. S. Marines PFC Michael D'Andrea, US Army **CPT** 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** PFC 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** SGT Michael Schatzman, US Army LTJG Albert J. Schrautemver III. US Navy Pilot (Persian Gulf) SGT Jeremy Schumacher, US Marines Thomas Zablocki, US Marines PO3 Benjamin Zubak, US Navy



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



The Knights of Columbus Council 10884 is looking for volunteers to help pack life saving meals at Feed My Starving Children's Schaumburg location on **Thursday, March 21, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm**.

With God's help and your support, Feed My Starving Children strives to eliminate starvation in children throughout the world. Volunteers of all ages (over 5) and abilities are welcome.

Please e-mail Adam Stephan (astephanisu@hotmail.com) if you are interested in volunteering.



SAVE THE DATE Sunday, March 17 | 12noon St. Peter's 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



NEW BIBLE STUDY TO BEGIN TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019

This study will focus on St. Luke's Gospels as a means to help better understand them in the Sunday readings.

This is a 12-session study, which will include an introductory session and 11 lessons. The study set includes a Study Guide by Little Rock Scripture Study Staff and the New Collegeville Bible Commentary.

Luke tells the story of Jesus of Nazareth as a mighty prophet and Savior of the world in fulfillment of Old Testament expectations. Luke also emphasizes Jesus as a person dedicated to prayer. He begins with Jesus' virginal conception and birth, and follows Jesus through his public ministry to his passion, death, resurrection, and ascension into heaven—all under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Luke, along with Matthew and Mark, is one of the synoptic gospels. **It is the primary Gospel of year 'C**' in the Catholic Church's liturgical cycle.

The cost of the book is \$15.00 and needs to be paid in advance of ordering. **Deadline to order books February 24**.

Please place payment (check made payable to St. Peter the Apostle) in envelope marked ST. LUKE BIBLE STUDY.

Payment can be dropped in the collection basket, atthe Parish Center, or can also be given directly to Deacon Bob or Judy Ziomek.

Any questions please call Deacon Bob at 630-217-0851 or email him at deacon@stpeteritasca.com.

Sessions will take place in Margaret Woods Parish Hall, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY SESSIONS

March 12	Introductory Session
March 19	Lesson 1—Luke 1
March 26	Lesson 2—Luke 2
April 2	Lesson 3—Luke 3–5
April 9	Lesson 4—Luke 6–
April 23	Lesson 5—Luke 8:1–9:50
April 30	Lesson 6—Luke 9:51–11:5
May 7	Lesson 7—Luke 12–13
May 14	Lesson 8—Luke 14–16
May 21	Lesson 9—Luke 17–19
May 28	Lesson 10—Luke 20–22
June 4	Lesson 11—Luke 23–24



The 2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal is underway!

The Diocese of Joliet is mailing information about the 2019 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) to all registered parishioners this month. The CMAA supports thirty ministries that benefit every parish in the Diocese, including ours, and are *Signs of Hope* to our brothers and sisters most in need.

Our parish's goal for the 2019 CMAA is **\$55,900**. If we raise more than this goal, 70% of the amount paid over goal will be returned to us for use. This is a great opportunity for our parish! Please review the information you receive and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a mailing from the Diocese about the CMAA, please contact the parish office.



18 HOURS OF CONFESSION

When was the last time you received Reconciliation? Was it recently? In the past year? Awhile ago? The priests of Eastern DuPage County will be available

to celebrate the Sacrament of Healing of Sin for all who come forth!



Friday, April 5 | 12:00 noon - 10:00 pm Saturday, April 5 | 8:00 am until 4:00 pm

Polish and Spanish speaking priests available during select times.

All are invited to receive God's grace Immaculate Conception Church 132 Arthur Street, Elmhurst 630-530-8515



Transitional Housing

UPDATES...

Our parish Transitional Housing family is currently in need of **size 3 and 4 diapers.** Donations can be left in the Transitional Housing bin in the back of church.

If you have any questions, please contact Adam Stephan by email at astephanisu @hotmail.com / by phone at 847-715-8326. Thank you!





Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Deferral Forms Due By March 1, 2019

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

The application period closes March 1, 2019.

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



421 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton, Illinois 60187

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church



Below is a listing of Eucharistic Adoration opportunities at local parishes in the Eastern DuPage Deanery:

St. Alexander – Villa Park
24-hours-per-day
(until Friday at midnight, resuming Sunday at 3pm)

St. Alexis – Bensenville First Friday 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Mary Queen of Heaven – Elmhurst First Monday 9:00 am – 7:00 pm

Sacred Heart – Lombard Perpetual Adoration – 24-hours-per-day, 7-days-per-week

St. John the Apostle – Villa Park Adoration First Friday of each month – 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Adoration and Rosary (Spanish) First Friday of each month – 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

St. Peter the Apostle – Itasca 24-hour - First Fridays beginning with Benediction at 8:30 am

The Knights of Columbus have a designated hour for a prayer service during Adoration from 8:30 pm to 9:30 pm. During this time, the Knights lead the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, as well as Vespers. Quiet prayer time follows for the remainder of the hour. All are welcome to attend and join in this hour of prayer.

St. Pius X Prayer Chapel The Prayer Chapel is open Sunday through Friday evenings, 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm. Please come and adore Him. Use Door #8 on east side of church building.

Rosary/Prayer/Benediction -Wednesday 8:00 pm Prayer Chapel.

Visitation Parish – Elmhurst Perpetual Adoration – 24-hours-per-day, 7-days-per-week



BELLARMINE lesuit Retreat House

Men & Women's 12-Step Weekend Retreat: "Practical, Simple, Flexible: The Power of the 12 Steps"

March 1-3, 2019 Retreat Master, Fr. Tom Weston, SJ Ignatian, Silent 12-Step Retreat for Men & Women

420 W County Line Rd • Barrington, IL 60010 • 847-381-1261



www.JesuitRetreat.org

Abortion affects countless marriages more than many people recognize. But there is no doubt that God will bring great healing to those who trust in his infinite mercy.



If a past abortion can be acknowledged and addressed, a married couple can make great strides in experiencing even more fully God's design that "the two shall become one" (Mt 19:5).

> — "Healing within Marriage from an Abortion" USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.

PREGNANT? NEED HELP?

Birthright of DuPage	630-355-9888
National Birthright	1-800-848-LOVE
Aid for Women	630-896-8600
National Pregnancy Hotline	1-800-535-9947
National Adoption Hotline	1-202-463-7563
Greater Dosage MYM	
(Teen Parent Service)	630-790-8433 x 266
RETURN	
(Post Abortion Counseling)	1-815-838-7171
Natural Family Planning	1-815-838-1002
DuPage Catholic Charities	
Children's Services	630-495-6864
The Nurturing Network	1-800-TNN-4MOM
Crisis Pregnancy	1-800-67-BABY-6
	1-800-NO-ABORT
Waterleaf Women's Center	630-701-6270
The Gabriel Project	1-877-734-2444

PRAY OUTSIDE WOOD DALE ABORTION CLINIC

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

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

THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC BIOETHICS CENTER

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

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

Horrific anti-life legislation has been entered in Illinois! UNBORN CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES NEED YOU.

Prayer: Please pray for the safety of the unborn and their families, and the conversion of hearts for all elected officials so that they might advocate for life. Ask the Lord how He is calling you to pray, fast and act.

Action Part 1: Please call and email House and Senate lawmakers. Work to spread the action alert at your parish, among your family and friends.

Action Alert:

Abortion legislation has cropped up in the Illinois Legislature, as two bills were filed on Wed. Feb. 13.

House Bill 2567:

Repeals Illinois Parental Notification of Abortion Act

This current law requires a parent or legal guardian be notified when a minor seeks an abortion. It includes a waiver for children who have been physically or sexually abused. The law was passed in 1995 but not implemented until 2013, when the Illinois Supreme Court issued a unanimous ruling in favor of it.

House Bill 2495:

- **Repeal** the current state ban on partial-birth abortions.
- Defines abortion as a fundamental right.
- **Removes** abortion clinics from regulations for serious medical procedures.
- **Removes** the requirement that only doctors can perform abortions.

We are studying the bill for further impact.

Contact your state House and Senate lawmakers and urge them to vote "no" on HB 2467 & HB 2495.

TAKE ACTION TODAY BY PHONE & EMAIL -Visit www.ilcatholic.org/take-action/action-center for pre-composed guides

Action Part 2: Please mark your calendar for a Life Advocacy Day in Springfield on April 3, 2019. The Joliet Diocese, Archdiocese of Chicago and Catholic Conference of Illinois will work together to meet with legislators in Illinois. Invite your friends to come. Stay Tuned for a schedule and transportation information. Bus arrangements are in the works.

Don't know what to say during a meeting? The Catholic Conference will provide a briefing with information, maps, and answers to questions. Remember, unborn children and their families need you! Take courage; God is with you. We are here to walk with you too.

Action Part 3: Spread the Word at your local parish. Encourage parishioners to participate in Life Advocacy Day on April 3rd, engage in the Action Alert, and use the bulletin inserts below.

Action Part 4: Stay tuned for additional ways to advocate. Additional materials are in the works. Call us with ways the Holy Spirit may inspire you.

As we view this immense darkness in our land, we turn to Christ, who conquers sin and death and provides abundant life. As His followers, may we courageously proclaim the Good News and boldly Advocate for Life.

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.

The following items are needed:

- coffee cereal
- toilet tissue • toothpaste



paper towels
 laundry detergent

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



💋 🙇 TABERNACLE FLOWERS DONATION FORM 👝

- If you or your family would like to be the designated donor for "Flowers of the Week."

just fill out this form, put it in an envelope marked Tabernacle flowers and drop it in the collection basket with \$25.00 or more. Your name will be printed in the bulletin the week your gift purchases flowers.

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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 gualified 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



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