

Saint Peter the Apostle CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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

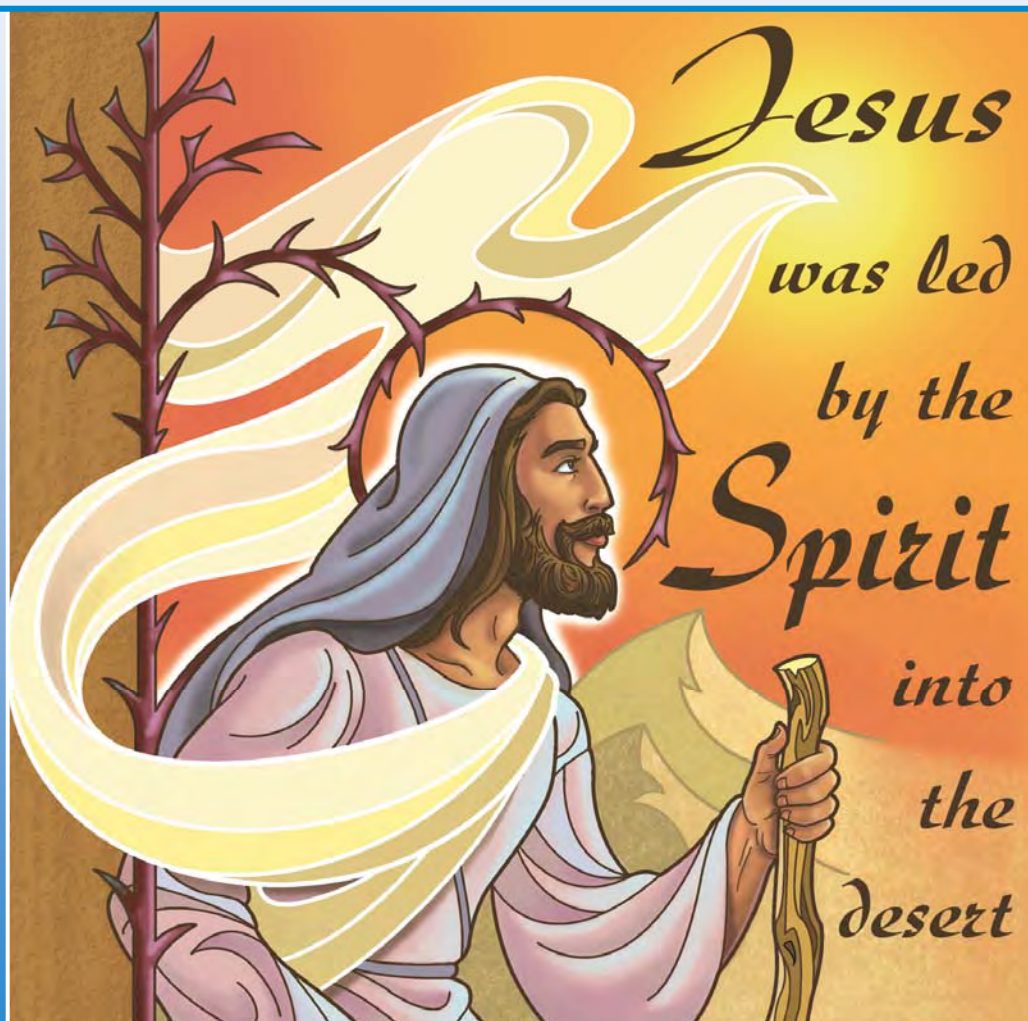
Day of: 8:00 am, 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm

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



March 10, 2019
First Sunday of Lent

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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.**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

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.

During Lent we turn our hearts, minds and bodies, in a very particular way, towards God. We do this through **PRAYER, FASTING and ALMSGIVING.**

Before Jesus began his public ministry, he went out into the desert for 40 days of prayer and fasting. He needed to pray and spend time with His Father in prayer, so He would be fully prepared for the great mission He was about to undertake. He needed to listen to what the Father wanted to tell Him. He needed to trust in God and God alone. He was then tempted by the devil three times, in three particular ways.

Jesus' life was a reliving of Old Testament history; however, instead of failing as the children of Israel did, Jesus trusted in God. The first of the three temptations in the Old Testament was reflected when, after escaping from Egypt, the children of Israel did not trust God for their daily bread and complained about being brought into the wilderness to die of hunger (Exodus 16). The second instance was when they lacked trust in God to provide water (Exodus 17). And the third submission to temptation was the worship of the golden calf (Exodus 32). Jesus quotes from the book of Deuteronomy, which reviews these events to the devil.

Jesus' first temptation was to change stones into bread, as he was hungry from fasting. His response, "It is written, one does not live by bread alone" (Duet. 8:3). This is in direct opposition to the children of Israel who complained about lack of food.

In the second temptation, "The devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a single instant. The devil said to him, "I shall give to you all this power and glory, for it has been handed over to me, and I may give it to whomever I wish. All this will be yours if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written: You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him alone shall you serve." (cf. Deut 6:13).

Jesus' third temptation was "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written: 'He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you, and with their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone.'" (cf. Ps 91:11-12) Jesus said to him in reply, "It also says, you shall not put the Lord, your God to the test." (cf. Deut 6:16) Jeff Cavins, noted Catholic biblical scholar stated, "In the third temptation, the devil tries to trip up Jesus by getting him to tempt God by throwing himself off the pinnacle of the temple. Psalm 91 says, "He will give his angels charge of you, and on their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone." If Psalm 91 were true, had Jesus jumped off of the temple, it would have been for the purpose of seeing. Jesus didn't have to jump to prove his trust in the Father; he demonstrated it by trusting in God's word. Jesus quotes Deuteronomy 6:16, "You shall not tempt the Lord your God." After Jesus' defeat of the three temptations, the devil leaves until another opportune time.

During Lent, we too, should spend more time in PRAYER with our Heavenly Father and listen to Him. We need to leave the business of the world and go into the desert of quietness and just be with God. What is He trying to tell us and teach us during this time of preparation to receive the Risen Lord? If we are tempted to give up our resolution to spend more time in prayer, we might remember the children of Israel and Jesus' temptations. Offer those temptations to Jesus, and He will see you through to victory.

FASTING disciplines us and helps us not give into temptations. We can fast in many small ways. If we are having trouble being patient, we can possibly start by being more patient in traffic. Once we've conquered the traffic, we can take on another instance of where we lack patience. As we discipline ourselves more and more, we are able to handle bigger temptations, which we need in this world where anything goes as long as it feels good.

ALMSGIVING is giving up something you really like for the good of another. When Jesus suffered the Passion, He did not do it for himself; He did it for all of us. Some good examples of almsgiving are the generosity of the parishioners during the food drive we had, donations for the Missionaries of the Poor, and the Giving Tree Christmas gifts for those less fortunate.

PRAYER, FASTING and ALMSGIVING all tie together. They help us to recognize all is a gift from God, and the depth of the sacrifice Jesus was willing to go through to save us, so that we may have eternal life.

May we all live this Lenten season well, as we become closer to Jesus and better versions of ourselves.

God bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Stawek

From the Pastor



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

Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities.

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

*The word is near you,
in your mouth and
in your heart.*

— Romans 10:8



Stewardship of Treasure

A Way of Life
St. Peter the Apostle

	Sunday Collection	Year to Date
Fiscal Week 36: 03/03/19	\$13,069.00	\$366,651.58

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. 200)

SUNDAY OFFERING**This Week at St. Peter's**

Sunday March 10
 9:30 am Grief Support Group (PC)
 MANNA Sales after all Masses (Church/Narthex)

Tuesday March 12
 7:15 pm Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)

Wednesday March 13
 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 March 14
 9:00 am Morning Bible Discussion (MW Parish Hall)
 7:00 pm Father John Project (Church)

Friday March 15
 7:00 pm Father John Project (Church)

Saturday March 16
 4:00 pm Confessions (Church)

Sunday March 17
 12:00 pm St. Joseph's Table (MW Parish Hall)
 12:15 pm Baptisms (Church)

Mass Intentions

Sunday March 10 (First Sunday of Lent)
 8:30 am †Deceased Members of
 Knights of Columbus Council 10884 - Itasca
 11:00 am †Bronislaw and Alicja Jasinski
 †Patricia Krueger
 †Ed Kryger
 †Joann Kusinski
 †Kevin P. Sheehan
 †Patty Smith

Monday March 11 (Lenten Weekday)
 8:00 am †Frank LaMark

Tuesday March 12 (Lenten Weekday)
 8:00 am †Marie D. Spiezio

Wednesday March 13 (Lenten Weekday)
 8:00 am †Bernice Pabis

Thursday March 14 (Lenten Weekday)
 8:00 am †Joe and Elsie Garber

Friday March 15 (Lenten Weekday)
 8:00 am †Helen Efta

Saturday March 16 (Vigil: Second Sunday of Lent)
 5:00 pm †Jean Cifonie
 †Rich and Pam Gronewald
 †John Puoci
 †Sofia Wronski
 People of the Parish

Sunday March 17 (Second Sunday of Lent)
 8:30 am †Marie Spiezio
 11:00 am †Marian Debinski
 †Steve Edwards
 †Maria Fricano
 †M. Patricia Schager
 †Jan and Franciszka Swiderski

Readings for the Week

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
R: Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
R: From all their distress God rescues the just.

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
R: A heart contrite and humbled, O God, you will not spurn.

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
R: Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
R: If you, O Lord, mark iniquities, who can stand?

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
R: Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17 -- 4:1 [3:20 -- 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36



**Please remember to
 SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD
 THIS weekend**

**For the week beginning
 Saturday, March 9 | Sunday, March 10**



Thank you to
Mary Sheehan
 for the beautiful flowers
 adorning the Tabernacle
 in memory of
Kevin P. Sheehan



Communion Ministers/ Lectors/Servers Schedule

Saturday, March 16 | Sunday, March 17

Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Pat Barbee
Kay North
John North
Pat Schwartz

8:30 am Marty Hower
Sharon Hower
Maryann Kveck
Greg Papuga

11:00 am Frank Vale
JoLynn Lash
Mary McNamara
Deacon Fred

Lectors

5:00 pm Bill Schwartz
John Los

8:30 am Jean Grote
Nancy Magnus

11:00 am Paul Gennusso
Kathy Laken

Servers

5:00 pm Jimmy Kollias
Katie Kollias
8:30 am Dominic Capozzoli
Robert Glennon

11:00 am Joey Vale

Ushers

5:00 pm Gary Divis
Jim Ferenzi
Ed Rossi
Frank Rossi

8:30 am Chris Aument
Ralph D'Andrea
Robert Gosanko

11:00 am Karl Schmidt
John Carello
Joe Crocilla
Bill Hepperle
Bruno Zecchin

Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

Beverly Balke	Geri Gerard	Raffaella Olenek
Barbara Beers	Mel Gerard	Vince Oraziotti
Brian Beers	Mike Graziano	Fred Oslager
Sue Bobka	Vincent Guccione	Anne Marie Pagni
John Booth	Joseph Halec	Harriett Pinkowski
Janet Both	Carole Hatke	Baby Vincent Porter
Fr. Larry Brunette	Phil Hatke	Megan Putze
Ken Buffo	Jeanette Hemmelgarn	Brendan Reidy
Joe Busato	Ken Hemstreet	John Rossi
Mike Carey	Isabell Herrera	Jennifer Ruffing
Jacqueline Castellano	Mary Hosters	Savannah Rose Russo
Eunice Cleveland	Shirley Janik	Roxanne Ruiz
Regina Conti	Brian Josephus	Alana Ruiz
Lucy Crocilla	Anne Keeton	Alexandra Ruiz
Collin Cummins	Debra Kelly	Janina Sabat
Mary Cummins	Joe Kryger	Fred Santoro
Michael Cummins	Ruth Kryger	Angela Scanlon
Paul Cummins	Rickie Kruzal	Martin Schatzman
Valeria D'Andrea	Celeste Kucharczyk	Shauna Sheffer
Margaret Del Preto	JoLynn Lash	Marilyn Sieradzki
Irene Dial	Sharon Laughlin	Belinda Sobucki
Linda Diana	Lilly Lima	Dan Sobucki
Angeline DiFranco	Elizabeth Lisak	Sharon Sowers
Charles DiFranco Jr.	Pasquale Lopardo	Karen Stewart
Teresa Dunhac	Deacon Fred Maier	Joan Streich
John Elia	Eileen Marino	Linda Szweida
Scott Erickson	Patricia McMahon	James Thompson
Robert Fahler	Ann McNally	Patricia Vitale
Tracy Fink	Jack McNally	Jennifer Weil
Cheryl Fisherkeller	Gene Mikulecky	Helen Wilczko
Sally Franz	Christopher Mizera	Agnieszka Wisniewska
Mary Frawley	Rich Mrugacz	Grzegorz Wisniewski
Dan Galuszek	Jean Nowobielski	Ray Young
Joe Galuszek	Dolores Olenek	Deacon Bob Ziomek
Mary Gawlik	Donald Olenek	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.



Offertory Gift Bearers

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

11:00 am Vito Ancona & family

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

In Memoriam

Our sympathy and prayers are with the family and friends of

Theresa "Dolly" "Teri" Tardi

May perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

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. Schrautemyer 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.

Grief Ministry Meetings

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

We meet in the Parish Center on the second Sunday of the month following the 8:30 am Mass (approximately 9:30am).

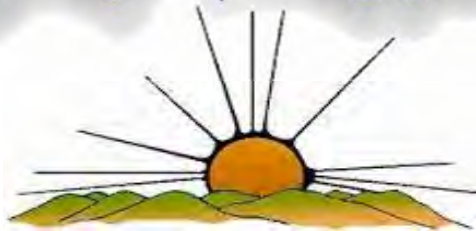
Our members are friendly, compassionate and all are good listeners.

For more information, please contact:

Sharon Laughlin or Fred Maier
630-212-0304 630-773-4412

THIS WEEKEND—Sunday, March 10 at 9:30 am

Grief Support



St. Peter the Apostle Parish offers the following spiritual and social opportunities during Lent. We hope you will join us as we prepare our hearts for the great Easter feast.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

ALL Fridays during Lent | 3:00 pm | 7:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

All Saturdays during Lent | 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Thursday, March 14 | 7:00 am *(during Father John Project)*

Friday, April 5 | 8:30 am *(following First Friday Benediction)*

Thursday, April 11 | 6:30 pm

ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

Sunday, March 17 | following 11:00 am Mass

PARISH MISSION | March 25-27 | 7:00 pm

24-HOUR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday, April 5 | 8:30 am Friday until 7:30 am Saturday

PALM SUNDAY | April 14 | Regular Mass Schedule

HOLY THURSDAY | April 18

7:00 pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight.

Bus pilgrimage to local churches following service.

GOOD FRIDAY | April 19

3:00 pm: Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm: Passion of our Lord Service

(Church will remain open until midnight)

HOLY SATURDAY | April 20

9:00 am and 9:45 am: Blessing of food in church

7:30 pm: Easter Vigil Service

There is no 5:00 pm Mass on Holy Saturday

EASTER SUNDAY | April 21

Mass Schedule: 7:00 am | 8:30 am | 11:00 am



NOTE:

Due to upcoming construction in the church, weekday Masses will be held in the Margaret Woods Parish Hall. As a result, it has been decided that Soup & Salad **WILL NOT** take place this Lenten season.



Plan to attend...

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

SAVE THE DATE



St. Peter's Knights of Columbus
hosts its annual



Friday, April 12 | 5:00 - 6:30 pm
Margaret Woods Parish Hall



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**FEED MY
STARVING
CHILDREN**



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.**

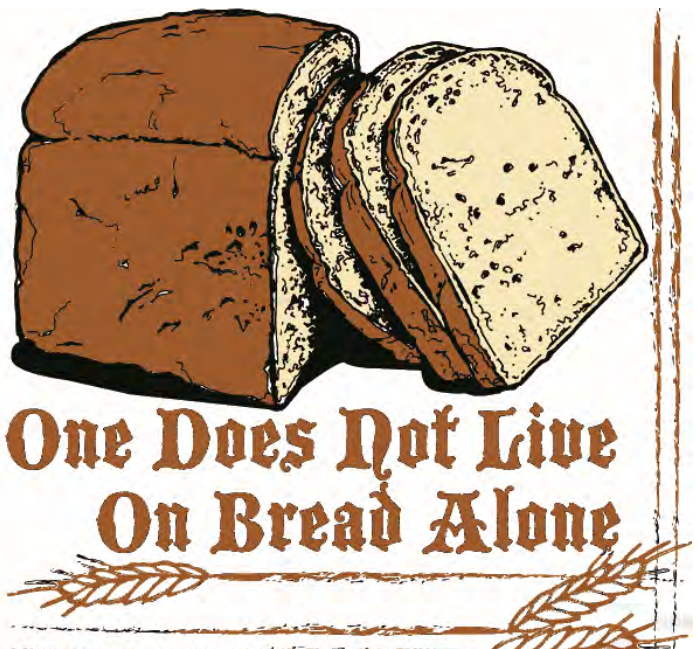
With God's help and your support, Feed My Starving Children strives to eliminate starvation in children throughout the world. Volunteers of all ages (over 5) and abilities are welcome.

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



DEACON BOB'S BIBLE STUDY

If you are signed up to attend
Deacon Bob's upcoming study
on St. Luke's Gospels,
please plan to bring a bible to the sessions.



KINGDOM OF GOD



Parish Lenten
Mission

Spiritual Director
Deacon Ron Searls

“Purpose and Meaning of Life”

March 24 | 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Followed by questions and answers

Tri-Lingual Reconciliation 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Private Prayer

“The Role of Church In Salvation”

March 25 | 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Followed by questions and answers

“What Must I Do To Gain Eternal Life”

March 26 | 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Followed by questions and answers

"Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living."



— "USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"Every Life is Worth Living" Prayer,
www.usccb.org/worth-living

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

40 Days for Life

March 6 - April 14, 2019

40 Days for Life is a beautiful opportunity to join others in prayer, fasting, keeping vigil, and reaching out to the community. Through God, lives are changed during 40 Days for Life; people at various peaceful prayer locations have helped women embrace life for their children, watched as abortion clinic workers have quit their jobs, and experienced some clinics close completely. We often forget the incredible power of prayer and loving witness, but 40 Days for Life reminds us of the fruits of dialogue with the Lord and others. Join 40 Days for Life and make a difference for life! The nearest location is at the Access Health Center at 1700 75th Street in Downers Grove. For more information please contact parishioner, Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197.

If you can't pray at this abortion clinic then please pray privately for the conversion of hearts for all elected officials so that they might advocate for life instead of proposing legislation and enacting laws that devalue human life.

Recent attacks on the sanctity of life include:

On February 13th horrific anti-life legislation was proposed by the Illinois legislature.

HB 2467 repeals the Illinois Parental Notification of Abortion Act.

HB 2495...

- **repeals** 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 requirements that only doctors can perform abortions.
- **requires** private health insurance in Illinois to fully cover the cost of abortion.

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

On February 25th forty four United States senators voted to say that babies should be left to die after a failed abortion attempt on their life. The two senators from Illinois were among these 44 senators who voted against the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act.



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: _____



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.

Specific weeks cannot be guaranteed, but we will try if possible.

Donor's Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Parish Envelope Number (optional): _____

Amount \$ _____ Check # _____

What would you like the acknowledgement to read?

In Honor of

OR...

In Memory of

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
- paper towels
- toilet tissue
- toothpaste
- laundry detergent



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

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**

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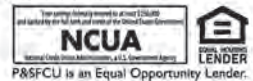
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