

# Saint Peter Apostle

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

524 NORTH RUSH STREET | ITASCA, ILLINOIS 60143 | 630.773.1272



*Restore • Renew • Rejoice*

**[www.stpeteritasca.com](http://www.stpeteritasca.com)**

### WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday-Friday: 8:00 am (Mass)

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm | Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:15 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



*The child grew in size  
and strength*

December 31, 2017

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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.**ANOIDING 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.

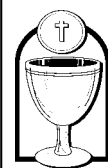
**IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED...**

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.

As we celebrate the feast day of the Holy Family, it brings to mind the families of today. There is so much worldly pressure on families. According to worldly standards, the parents must have very successful jobs, the children must be scholars and great athletes, and the family should be able to financially grant every wish. This creates a lot of unnecessary stress, which can create problems in the marriage and lead to separation and divorce.

## From the Pastor



There are always problems in marriages. They usually start out very small and are usually dealt with by either ignoring them or hoping everything is going to turn out fine. It usually is not considered to bring those problems and the things done each day to God. We try to do so many things on our own. Eventually, we recognize that without God, we cannot do anything.

Just as modern families have problems, so did the Holy Family and they started right away. We can see that St. Joseph was a quiet and righteous man who was more concerned about Mary than the apparent infidelity resulting in her pregnancy. He thought of her rather than the injustice against him. He didn't want the Virgin Mary stoned, which another man would feel his just due. Stoning to death was the punishment for adultery. St. Joseph was always willing to accept and follow the will of God.

The Blessed Virgin Mary trusted and lived in the divine will of God. Although she was a young pregnant girl who could have been put to death, she didn't think of herself. Rather, she ran to take care of her cousin Elizabeth, who had conceived St. John the Baptist in her old age.

St. Joseph and Blessed Mary faced life-threatening obstacles in their marriage, but with the help and guidance of God. They overcame not having a place to stay for the birth of the Messiah, the exile into Egypt, losing Jesus at the temple and so many other things of which we are not aware.

So, when marriage and family life get complicated and difficult, let us look to the Holy Family as our inspiration and example of how to get through some really tough times. Through their intercession, let us bring all of our troubles to God, knowing with God we can do all things, but without Him we can do nothing.

To begin this new year in thanksgiving, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who volunteer to clean the church — not only for Christmas, but throughout the year. I would also like to thank Rose Ann Roll and the Art & Environment committee for their beautiful job of decorating our new church for Christmas. Also, many thanks to my cousin Andrzej Kukla and his friend Adam Piezga and his children Ania and Krzys for our new beautiful nativity scene; and also, my mom who sent the singing angel from Poland — it reminds me of when I was a little boy and would put in coins to hear her sing. I hope the children of our parish will enjoy this experience as I did. The church in total looked absolutely beautiful and added to the celebration as we joyously welcomed the birth of our Lord.

Of course, the beautiful music also played a part in our celebration. A big thank you to Roberta and the adult choir who sang during Midnight Mass and the cantors who sang at the Christmas day Masses. Thank you to all the lectors and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion and all those who played a role in helping us enter more fully into the miracle of the birth of Our Savior.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Ground Pro (Michael and Gina Pezza) and those who generously donated toward the flowers that decorated the church so beautifully.

Many thanks to our counters, who came in on a frigid morning to help count the monetary blessings received. They had to spend two extra hours counting thanks to your generosity.

Also, I am so grateful to Pete Fricano and his daughters, Allyson, Madelyn and Katelyn, who plowed and shoveled the snow and salted before the Christmas Masses. Thank you, Pete, for your generous commitment to keep our parking lot and sidewalks clean and safe throughout the winter season again. You are a blessing!

Last but not least, a big thank you to all who attended our Christmas liturgies and encouraged their families and friends to join them and participate in the Holy Mass. I am sure each person was touched in a special way.

May you all have a very blessed and happy New Year. May it be filled with an increase of faith, hope and love.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Fr. Stawek*



## Stewardship of Treasure

*A Way of Life*  
St. Peter the Apostle

|                           | Sunday Collection | Year to Date  |
|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Fiscal Week Dec. 24, 2017 | \$ 13,677.00      | \$ 277,913.30 |
| Christmas                 | \$ 28,645.45      |               |

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)



## This Week at St. Peter's

### Wednesday January 3

6:00 pm Adult Hand Bell Choir (Church)

### Thursday January 4

9:00 am Morning Bible Discussion (Parish Hall)

7:00 pm Baptism Prep Class (PC/Upper Level)

### Friday January 5

8:30 am 24-hour Adoration begins with Benediction  
Confessions follow Benediction (Church)

### Saturday January 6

7:40 am 24-hour Adoration ends with Benediction (Church)  
4:00 pm Confessions (Church)

## SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

(As the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, falls on a Monday, the precept to attend Mass is abrogated.)

**Monday, January 1, 2018**

**Masses: 8:00 am | 11:15 am**



*Solemn Exposition  
of the Blessed Sacrament*

**First Friday 24-hour Adoration at St. Peter's Church begins with Benediction at 8:30 am on January 5 and concludes at 7:40 am on January 6.**

**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.**



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

**The Elderly.** That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

## Mass Intentions



### Sunday

8:00 am

9:30 am

11:15 am

### Monday

8:00 am

11:15 am

### Tuesday

8:00 am

### Wednesday

8:00 am

### Thursday

8:00 am

### Friday

8:00 am

### Saturday

8:00 am

5:00 pm

### Sunday

8:00 am

9:30 am

11:15 am

### December 31 (The Holy Family of Jesus and Joseph)

†Joseph Tremback

†Bea Pabis

†Ashley Barrett

### January 1 (The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord)

Richard Mrugacz—Special Intention

†Tim Daly

### January 2 (Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church)

†Cindy Lewandowski

### January 3 (The Most Holy Name of Jesus)

†Edward Filipek

### January 4 (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)

†Andrew A. Sughero

### January 5 (St. John Newman, Bishop)

†Lorraine, Richard and James Koback

### January 6 (Octave of the Epiphany of the Lord)

†Peter Gagliani

†Raymond Adrian

†Lucille Bellino

†Carmelo Genualdi

People of the Parish

### January 7 (The Epiphany of the Lord)

†Bill Hemmelgarn

†Urszula Lewandowski

†Giuseppina Fricano

†Richard Kelch

†Josephine Parker

†Estelle E. Shuman

If you would like to bring the gifts to the altar at Sunday Mass, please see one of the ushers before Mass begins.

## Readings for the Week

Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21  
**R: May God bless us in his mercy.**

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28  
**R: All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.**

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29 -- 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34  
**R: All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.**

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42  
**R: All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.**

Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51  
**R: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.**

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]  
**R: Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.**

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

## Communion Ministers/ Lectors/Servers Schedule

Saturday, January 6 | Sunday, January 7

### Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Rosie McDonald  
Rheetha George  
Debbie Thude  
Valerie Serzen

8:00 am Bill Kolf  
Rose Ann Roll  
Dorie Calip  
Deacon Bob

9:30 am Rene Catalano  
Mel Gerard  
Nancy Ferenzi

11:15 am Pat Cleveland  
Ken Cleveland  
John Carello  
Deacon Fred

### Lectors

5:00 pm John Los  
Margaret Trepal

8:00 am Sandie Galuszek  
Jean Grote

9:30 am Kevin Grisamore  
Kathy Laken

11:15 am Mel Gerard  
Mary McNamara

### Servers

5:00 pm Nathan George  
Tabeeetha George

8:00 am Bryn Ellenbecker  
Christopher Skiera

9:30 am Andrew Carzoli

11:15 am Eric Lill

### Ushers

5:00 pm Pat Tardi  
Gary Divis  
Ed Rossi

8:00 am Chris Aument  
Ralph D'Andrea  
Charles Fuscone  
Robert Gosanko

9:30 am Jim Ferenzi  
Joe Talaga  
Dennis Rosy

11:15 am Karl Schmidt  
John Carello  
Joe Crocilla  
Bill Hepperle  
Bruno Zecchin

## Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish Family

Barbara Beers

Brian Beers

Sue Bobka

John Booth

Janet Booth

Mike Carey

Jacqueline Castellano

Rosemary

Campolattara

Regina Conti

Lucy Crocilla

Collin Cummins

Mary Cummins

Paul Cummins

Valeria D'Andrea

Margaret Del Preto

Irene Dial

Angeline DiFranco

Charles DiFranco Jr.

Teresa Dunhac

John Elia

Scott Erickson

Robert Fahler

Tracy Fink

Cheryl Fisherkeller

Sally Franz

Mary Frawley

Chuck Fuscone

Dan Galuszek

Joe Galuszek

Mary Gawlik

Mel Gerard

Mike Graziano

Jerry Grimaldi

Joseph Halec

Carl Hansen

Jeanette Hemmelgarn

Ken Hemstreet

Shirley Janik

Brian Josephus

Debra Kelly

Edward Kryger

Joe Kryger

Ruth Kryger

Caryn Kuhlman

Rickie Kruzel

Celeste Kucharczyk

JoLynn Lash

Sharon Laughlin

Elizabeth Lisak

Pasquale Lopardo

Florence Lucas

Eileen Marino

Patricia McMahon

Ann McNally

Joanne Merner

Michael Merner

Gene Mikulecky

Christopher Mizera

Christina Morales

Leo Morrissey

Peter Morrissey

Rich Mrugacz

Jean Nowobielski

Christine Olenek

Vince Oraziotti

Fred Oslager

Anne Marie Pagni

Harriett Pinkowski

Baby Vincent Porter

Megan Putze

Brendan Reidy

Irma Reyes

Ellen Rossi

John Rossi

Alanna Ruiz

Alexandra Ruiz

Roxanne Ruiz

John Rossi

Savannah Rose Russo

Philomena Rucinski

Janina Sabat

Angela Scanlon

Shauna Sheffer

Marilyn Sieradzki

Belinda Sobucki

Richard D. Sokolowski

Sharon Sowers

Gracie Ann Stella

Karen Stewart

Joan Streich

Terry Tardi

Lorraine Thielberg

James Thompson

Patricia Vitale

Jennifer Weil

Helen Wilczko

Waclaw Wilczko

Grzegorz Wisniewski

John Zell

Judy Ziomek

Deacon Bob 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

PVT Jacob E. Cleveland, US Army Reserves

PFC Michael D'Andrea, US Army

CPT Joseph DeHaven, US Army

1LT Stephen Grabinski, US Army

1LT Steven Gregor, US Army

PVT Michael Helle, US Army

Cpl Brandon Helm, US Marines

PFC Jacob Los, US Army

Major Ryan L. Morrissey, US Army

2ndLt John Kenneth Murphy, US Marines

SGT Marcin Platek, US Marines

2LT Megan Putze, Army National Guard

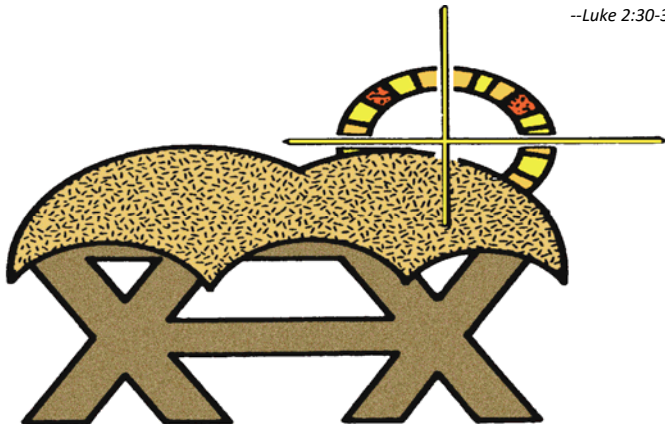
SGT Michael Schatzman, US Army

LTJG Albert J. Schrautemyer III, US Navy Pilot (Persian Gulf)

PO3 Benjamin Zubak, US Navy

*My eyes have seen your salvation,  
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.*

--Luke 2:30-31





All are welcome to stop by the New Hall  
to grab a doughnut, a beverage  
and some fellowship—  
weekly following all Sunday morning masses.

## Mass Intentions



Arrangements to have a Mass said for a particular intention can be made by visiting or calling the Parish Center during regular office hours.

Daily Masses and Sunday 8:00 am and 9:30 am Masses may have only one intention.

The Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil and the Sunday 11:15 am Masses are generally available for multiple intentions.

The requested stipend for a Mass intention is \$10.

Mass Intention Cards are available for sympathy and special intentions

**Note:** Certain weekend Mass times and dates are often requested months in advance.

## Help Keep the Church Clean!

In an effort to maintain the beauty and cleanliness of the new church and pews, everyone is asked to cooperate by refraining from having food and beverages in the sanctuary. If necessary for health purposes, bottled water is permissible.



Please also avoid placing sharp objects directly on the pews and kneelers to prevent damaging the surfaces.



### *New Year's Resolutions to consider...*

1. Attend Mass every week (or every day, if possible)
2. Know someone who's been away from the Church or who is interested in joining? In this Year of Mercy, reach out, invite them to Mass with you, and encourage them to find their way on a journey of faith.
3. Share your "Time and Talent" through a Parish ministry—there's something for everyone.
4. Support St. Peter's without spending an extra cent—continue to purchase Manna "Everyday Spending" certificates for both your everyday and gift shopping needs.



## ARE YOU CONNECTED???

Start off the new year by connecting with St. Peter's through electronic newsletter distribution. This is a great way to stay informed and receive reminders about events that you may have forgotten about or overlooked in the bulletin.

If you have access to e-mail, but do not receive the parish's electronic newsletters, then please send your e-mail contact information to [bulletin@stpeteritasca.com](mailto:bulletin@stpeteritasca.com). Be sure to provide your name as well as your e-mail address.



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

Remember to invite your friends!!!





## Make Plans to Attend Cupid's Ball

Knights of Columbus Council 10884  
invites you to a gala evening of  
open bar, dinner, dancing,  
raffles and more!!!

**Saturday, February 10, 2018**  
**Alta Villa Banquets • Addison, Illinois**

**6:30 pm Cocktails | 7:30 pm Dinner**  
**\$75 per person**

**Reservation Deadline: January 28, 2018**

### CASH RAFFLE GRAND PRIZE

1st Prize.....\$ 1,500.00  
2nd Prize.....\$ 500.00  
5 Prizes.....\$ 100.00 each

Please detach and return the bottom reservation form to  
Knights of Columbus #10884  
524 N. Rush Street  
Itasca, Illinois 60143

Reservations may also be submitted personally to a Knight.  
Admittance must be paid for in advance. Thank you.

Please contact Tom Kryger (630-773-9392) with any questions.  
You can also send an e-mail to [knights@stpeteritasca.com](mailto:knights@stpeteritasca.com) or  
visit us on Facebook at "St Peter the Apostle Knights of Columbus - Itasca"

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Ticket(s) @ \$75/person (open bar)\*\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Raffle Ticket(s) \$50 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I am unable to attend but would  
like to make a monetary donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

A check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (total payment) is enclosed.  
Please make checks payable to Knights of Columbus #10884.

Donations for raffle prizes, as well sponsorship in our  
ad book, are graciously accepted.

Ad book sponsorships:

- Inside front cover \$ 150
- Full page \$ 100
- Half page \$ 60
- Quarter page/business card \$ 35

For information on raffle prize donations, please e-mail  
[knights@stpeteritasca.com](mailto:knights@stpeteritasca.com).

For ad submission information contact Diane Blackburn  
at 630/773-1999 or by e-mail at [dtmb3@aol.com](mailto:dtmb3@aol.com).

**\*\*For tables of 10**, please list below ALL names for the table and  
submit ALL payment together\*. Other than complete tables of 10,  
seating will be arranged at the discretion of the committee.

**Please circle meal choice:** Chicken (C) or Vegetarian (V)

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| 5 _____ c v | 10 _____ c v |

\*seating cannot be guaranteed for reservations received after the deadline





## Queen of the Rosary School

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To schedule a tour, to complete the registration process, or to learn more, please call the school office (847-437-3322); the parish office (847-437-0403); or contact me via email at ([kmcginn@qrcougars.org](mailto:kmcginn@qrcougars.org)).

Kathleen McGinn, Principal



I have seen my five older brothers and sisters achieve success in high school, college and the work force, and I realize that we have all been given this great head start in life. With this start and our faith, we can achieve great things.

- Cameron Cruse, Class of 2016





## Who Will Fill These Shoes?

Thursday, January 4, 2018

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Diocese of Joliet

Blanchette Catholic Center  
16555 Weber Road | Crest Hill, IL 60403

Young men, grade 7 thru adult, your parents (if under 18), and parish priests are invited by Fr. Burke Masters, Vocations Director, to the Blanchette Catholic Center for an exciting day to learn more about the priesthood! Our program includes Mass, bishop/priest/seminarian talks, lunch, Q & A, and parent breakout sessions.

**Contact:** Lisa Shannon

Diocese of Joliet Vocations Office  
815-221-6141  
vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org



**PRAY FOR PEACE**



Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend for married Christian couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together. Attend a Marriage Encounter weekend and learn the tools needed to keep your marriage strong.

Below is a schedule of upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends (all held in Elk Grove Village, IL):

February 2-4, 2018

Wyndham Garden Hotel | Elk Grove Village, IL

February 16-18, 2018

Comfort Inn & Suites | Geneva, IL

April 6-8, 2018

Wyndham Garden Hotel | Elk Grove Village, IL

August 10-12, 2018

Wyndham Garden Hotel | Elk Grove Village, IL

September 7-9, 2018

Comfort Inn & Suites | Geneva, IL

October 12-14, 2018

Wyndham Garden Hotel | Elk Grove Village, IL

Early registration is highly recommended. For reservations/information, call Jim and Kris at 630-577-0778 or contact us through [wwme-chicagoland.org](http://wwme-chicagoland.org).



Catholic Engaged Encounter is an in-depth, private, personal, marriage preparation experience within the context of Catholic faith and values. Catholic Engaged Encounter is a weekend retreat away with other engaged couples with plenty of time alone together to dialogue honestly and intensively about their prospective lives together—their strengths and weaknesses, desires, ambitions, goals, their attitudes about money, sex, children, family, their role in the church and society.

The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper, more meaningful life together in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law.

Below is a schedule of upcoming weekends:

February 17-18, 2018

March 17-18, 2018

April 21-22, 2018

May 19-20, 2018

September 15-16, 2018

November 10-11, 2018

Weekends are held at The Portiuncula Center for Prayer, located at: 9263 W. St. Francis Rd. Frankfort, IL 60423. For more information, visit the Web site at [www.jolietee.org](http://www.jolietee.org)

*"Your own quiet, patient presence can provide important support as your loved one prepares emotionally and spiritually for his or her passing."*



USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
*"Caring for Loved Ones at Life's End,"* [www.goo.gl/fvSEYp](http://www.goo.gl/fvSEYp)



#### 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     |
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| (Teen Parent Service)      | 630-790-8433 x 266 |
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| 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     |
| Women's Choice Services    | 630-261-9221       |
| The Gabriel Project        | 1-877-734-2444     |

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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, Thursday 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](http://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.



## Celebration of Life Mass

### Sunday, January 14, 2018

11:00 AM Mass

Celebrated by Bishop Conlon

Cathedral of St. Raymond

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Reception to follow in the Commons

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