

# Saint Peter & 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

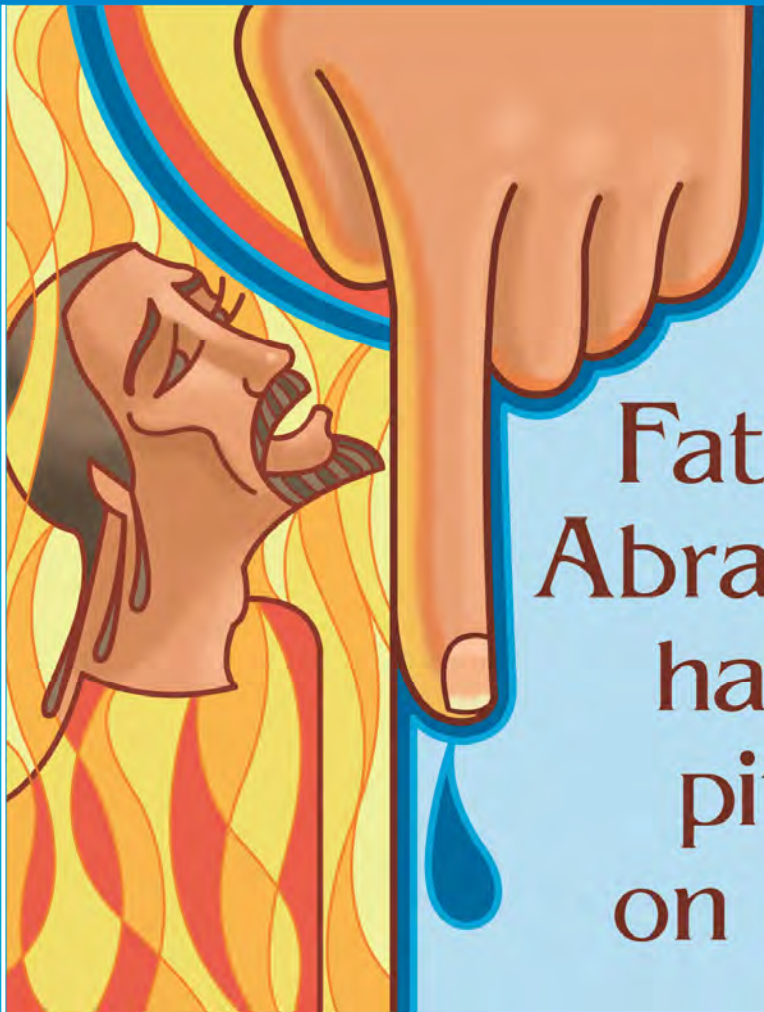
Day of: 8:00 am, 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm

## 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



Father  
Abraham,  
have  
pity  
on me

September 29, 2019

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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.

### Jesus tells the parable of the reversal of fortunes between the rich man and the poor man, Lazarus.

A major theme in the Gospel of Luke is the importance of the care of the poor in the life of discipleship. In the parable found in today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor.

In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as "loving money." (Note: The Pharisees were followers of a sect of Judaism active before, during, and after Jesus' lifetime. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for popular Jewish piety. They put less emphasis on Temple worship and more on applying the law to everyday life. Though they are often portrayed negatively in the Gospels, they shared many of Jesus' and the early Church's concerns about the law.) Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God.

On October 2 we will be celebrating the Feast of the Guardian Angels. The catechism teaches the existence of angels is a matter of truth of faith and St. Augustine states, "With their whole beings the angels are servants and messengers of God. Because they "always behold the face of my Father who is in heaven" they are the "mighty ones who do his word, hearkening to the voice of his word". (CCC:329) Angels have been present since the time of creation and Early Church Fathers uphold the Jewish tradition that the devil is a fallen angel who became God's enemy by not accepting the dignity granted to mankind at the Incarnation of the Lord. The devil and his cohorts were cast out of heaven and have never ceased tempting mankind to sin so that they might be deprived of the glory of heaven too.

Our guardian angels are always by our sides. St. Bernard said in a reading from the Liturgy of the Hours, "He has given his angels orders to watch over you in all your ways. These words should fill you with respect, inspire devotion and instill confidence because of their protection. The angels are at your side, with you, and present on your behalf. They are there to protect you and to serve you. But even if it is God who has given them this charge, we should nonetheless be grateful to them too for the great love with which they obey and come to help us in our great need."

**Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here,  
Ever this day, be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.**

I would like to thank all of those who helped with our 9th Annual Mum Sale this year. Those who helped to unload the truck and setup — Terry Camp, Jim Ferenzi, Loreto and Sharon Gariti, Mel Gerard, Greg and Rosie McDonald, Pat Nagle, Nancy Riley, Rose Ann Roll, Patty Rosy, Kris Slaughter, Eva Sledz, and Patti Zubak. Of course, it goes without saying, a big thank you to all who have purchased mums, for your generous support. As of this writing (Wednesday) we have had an amazing response with 740 sold in 20 days and only 100 left. Many thanks to those who were selling on weekends: Terry, Nancy, Kris, along with our new saleswoman of the year, Marie Lilly. Thank you again for all you do for St. Peter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

**Fr. Stawek**



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

#### The Protection of the Oceans.

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

*[K]eep the commandment without stain or reproach  
until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

— 1 Timothy 6:14





**Stewardship of Treasure**

*A Way of Life*  
**St. Peter the Apostle**

**Sunday Collection      Year to Date**

Fiscal Week 12: 09/15/2019      \$ 10,084.16      \$ 123,931.46

*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**

**Tuesday October 1**  
 7:15 pm Tuesday Evening Rosary (Church)

**Wednesday October 2**  
 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)  
 7:15 pm Rosary (Church)

**Thursday October 3**  
 9:00 am Morning Bible Discussion (MW Parish Hall)  
 7:00 pm Baptism Prep Class (PC/Upper Level)  
 7:00 pm Women's Club (MW Parish Hall)  
 7:15 pm Rosary (Church)

**Friday October 4**  
 7:00 pm Rosary (Church)

**Saturday October 5**  
 4:00 pm Confessions (Church)  
 7:15 pm Rosary (Church)

**Sunday October 6**  
 7:15 pm Rosary (Church)

**Mass Intentions**

**Sunday September 29 (26th Sunday in Ordinary Time)**  
 8:30 am †Barbara Nero  
 11:00 am †Lucy Gonzales  
 †Vittorio Landrischi  
 †Bernard and Irene Leonard  
 †Denis McNamara  
 People of the Parish

**Monday September 30 (St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church)**  
 8:00 am †James Koback

**Tuesday October 1 (St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin)**  
 8:00 am †Barbara Beers

**Wednesday October 2 (The Holy Guardian Angels)**  
 8:00 am †Kenneth R. Barton

**Thursday October 3 (Weekday)**  
 8:00 am †Beverly Balke

**Friday October 4 (St. Francis of Assisi)**  
 8:00 am †Eugenia Sularz

**Saturday October 5 (Vigil: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time)**  
 8:00 am †Barbara Beers  
 5:00 pm †Theresa and John Delgiorno  
 †Fanny and Anthony Graziano  
 †Stanley Krajewski  
 †Fred Pollock  
 The Stelter Family - Special Intention

**Sunday October 6 (27th Sunday in Ordinary Time)**  
 8:30 am †Artie and Joey Sikorski  
 11:00 am People of the Parish  
 †Giuseppe Fricano  
 †Vincenza Gelsomino  
 †Alex Horvath  
 †Rosa Pensa  
 †Joseph Spapperi  
 David - Special Intention

For the week beginning

**Saturday, September 28 | Sunday, September 29**



Thank you to  
**Dan and Belinda Sobucki**  
 for the beautiful flowers  
 adorning the Tabernacle  
 in memory of  
**Erwin and Ann Pallicke**

**Readings for the Week**

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50  
 Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56  
 Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6, 10-11; Mt 18:1-5, 10  
 Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12  
 Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16  
 Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24  
 Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;  
 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

## Communion Ministers/ Lectors/Servers Schedule

Saturday, October 5 | Sunday, October 6

### Communion Ministers

5:00 pm Pat Schwartz  
Valerie Serzen  
Debbie Thude  
Reetha George

8:30 am Marty Hower  
Sharon Hower  
Arlene Derma  
Deacon Fred

11:00 am Mel Gerard  
Karl Schmidt  
Frank Vale  
Deacon Bob

### Lectors

5:00 pm Barb Schumacher  
Bill Schwartz  
8:30 am Sandie Galuszek  
Kathy Laken  
11:00 am Warner Cruz  
Paul Gennuso

### Servers

5:00 pm Nathan George  
Tabetha George

8:30 am Bryn Ellenbecker  
11:00 am Joey Vale  
Joe Casanova

### 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

Brian Beers

Sue Bobka

John Booth

Janet Both

Fr. Larry Brunette

Ken Buffo

Joe Busato

Mike Carey

Jacqueline Castellano

Eunice Cleveland

Regina Conti

Lucy Crocilla

Joseph Crocilla

Collin Cummins

Mary Cummins

Michael Cummins

Paul Cummins

Valeria D'Andrea

Margaret Del Preto

Gina DeLuca

Angeline DiFranco

Charles DiFranco Jr.

Teresa Dunhac

John Elia

Scott Erickson

Tracy Fink

Cheryl Fisherkeller

Sally Franz

Dan Galuszek

Joe Galuszek

Geri Gerard

Mel Gerard

Mike Graziano

Joseph Halec

Carole Hatke

Phil Hatke

Ken Hemstreet

Mary Hosters

Shirley Janik

Brian Josephus

Anne Keeton

Debra Kelly

Joseph Kelly

Joe Kryger

Ruth Kryger

Rickie Kruzell

Celeste Kucharczyk

JoLynn Lash

Sharon Laughlin

Lilly Lima

Elizabeth Lisak

Pasquale Lopardo

Eileen Marino

Patricia McMahon

Ann McNally

Jack McNally

Gene Mikulecky

Christopher Mizera

Rich Mrugacz

Jean Nowobielski

Dolores Olenek

Donald Olenek

Raffaella Olenek

Vince Oraziotti

Fred Oslager

Anne Marie Pagni

Harriett Pinkowski

Baby Vincent Porter

Megan Putze

Pat Quible

Brendan Reidy

Joe Riggio

Jerry Riordan

Michaelene Rogus

John Rossi

Jennifer Ruffing

Savannah Rose Russo

Roxanne Ruiz

Alana Ruiz

Alexandra Ruiz

Janina Sabat

Fred Santoro

Angela Scanlon

Mark Sgarbossa

Shauna Sheffer

Marilyn Sieradzki

Wayne Slowiak

Wanda Slupik

Dan Sobucki

Belinda Sobucki

Sharon Sowers

Karen Stewart

Joan Streich

Linda Szweda

James Thompson

Patricia Vitale

Jennifer Wesil

Helen Wilczko

Agnieszka Wisniewska

Grzegorz Wisniewski

Ann Wood

Ray Young

Carol Zell

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 renew your request.



## Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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First Friday 24-hour Adoration at St. Peter's Church  
begins with Benediction at 8:30 am on October 4  
and concludes at 7:40 am on October 5.

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.

**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, US 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

SGT 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

Cpl MacLane Read, US Army

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

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.



*"Christians or not, as people of faith and goodwill, we should be united in showing mercy to the earth as our common home and cherishing the world in which we live as a place for sharing and communion."*

—Pope Francis

### Season of Creation - A Fifth "R"

As our season of Creation draws to a close, I wanted to offer one final "R" that is not often mentioned: refuse. That's RE-fuse, as in to say "No"; not ref-USE, as in garbage. It connects with the other four "R"s by encouraging us to take and use less. The perfect question to ask is: "Do I need this?" If the answer is no, reconsider acquiring it. The less stuff we accumulate, the less space we need to keep it, and we won't be spending as much time taking care of it. In the original Mary Poppins movie, she says: "Enough is as much as a banquet!" A simple concept, but an important one.

As Christians, we are called to care for this planet, and to share its resources with those in need. Every time we take a little less, it leaves more for others. Growing up, we had a rule whenever company came over for dinner; "FHB". It stands for "Family Hold Back". We were to take a small portion of food at the first serving so that our guests could have as much as they wanted. If there was still food left after everyone had been served, then we could have seconds. FHB is a wonderful habit to adopt, not just for our meals but for everything we have and use. Take what we really need, but make sure there is enough to go around, and share it with others.

Deacon Fred Maier

## Celebrating our Blessed Mother in October

### PILGRIM VIRGIN OF FATIMA

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. To celebrate and honor this special tradition in our Catholic faith, the Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima, will be at St. Peter the Apostle for the entire month.



**Rosary devotional services and prayers will take place nightly at 7:15 pm from October 1 through October 7.**

### Tuesday Rosary Ministry

This Rosary service will run throughout the year, weekly on Tuesday evenings beginning at 7:15pm.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Bring your Rosary, your personal intentions and your voice. Attendees are welcome to lead one of the decades if comfortable and called to do so.

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

### Why Catholics Pray The Rosary

The rosary, though Marian in character, is at heart a prayer that helps us to know and love Jesus. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary—Her perennial "Yes" to God's invitation, her Magnificat. In the rosary, we contemplate Christ with our Blessed Mother. We proclaim Christ with Mary. The rosary is a summary of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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### WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP!

Thank you to everyone who already signed up to volunteer at or bring food items to PADS between October and April. If you are still willing to donate an item from the list below on one or more of the needed dates, please call or text Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197. As we do with all of our donations, we will call the weekend before to remind you what you signed up to bring. Thank you for your generosity.

### PADS Items Still Needed (When Needed)

- 48 Bottles of Water for Lunches (Dec 10, Jan 14, Feb 11, Mar 10, Apr 14)
- Three Gallons 2% Milk (Dec 10, Jan 14, Mar 10, Apr 14)
- Six 2-Liter Bottles of No Caffeine Soda (Dec 10, Feb 11, Mar 10)

We also are in need of men and women to work the late night (11pm-3a) and early morning (3am-7am) shifts. If you could volunteer your time, even just once, between October and April, please call or text Nancy Magnus (630-606-5197).





## St. Peter the Apostle Women's Club

Thursday, October 3 at 7:00 pm

*Margaret Woods Parish Hall*

All women of the parish are welcome.

Gather your harvest and join us for a  
POTLUCK and FALL SOCIAL.

A sign-up sheet is in the Margaret Woods Hall.  
Please contact Rose Ann Roll with any questions  
about hospitality or if you are able to help.

Coffee, tea and water will be provided  
or feel free to bring a beverage of choice.

We will also be collecting stocking stuffers  
for the Our Lady of Angels Mission  
Christmas stocking project.



If possible, please bring items such as:  
coloring books, crayons, books, matchbox cars,  
hair ribbons, gloves/hats/scarves,  
candy, small action figures/dolls.

Donations can also be dropped off  
at the Parish Center during weekday business hours

If you have any questions, please feel free to  
contact Patti or Diane at the Parish Center —  
by phone at 630-773-1272 ext. 200  
or by e-mail at [office@stpeteritasca.com](mailto:office@stpeteritasca.com)



Sunday, October 6, 2019 | 12:15 pm  
in the parking lot



## Transitional Housing INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Tuesday, October 8 | 7:00 pm  
*Margaret Woods Hall*

St. Peter Transitional Housing Ministry works with Bridge Communities to provide homeless families in DuPage County with mentoring, housing, and supportive services. Transitional Housing provides an apartment for a family and mentors that family until they are able to find stable housing.

If you would like to learn more about this ministry and how you could possibly be involved, **please join us Tuesday, October 8, at 7pm in the Margaret Woods Parish Hall.**

## Adult Handbell Choir

The adult handbell choir is looking for 2-3 people interested in playing in the choir.

There is one permanent position open and 1-2 positions available for a substitute to fill in when there are member conflicts.

If you can read music, count, have Wednesday evenings free from 6:00 to 7:15pm, and would like to be a part of the music ministry, then this is your opportunity to join this unique choir.

The choir plays once a month rotating masses and performs a concert at Friendship Village in Schaumburg in December.

For more information or if you would like to try ringing the bells first please call Linda Aiani at 630-773-8518.





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**Sunday, September 29th**  
**12-5 pm**



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11.24.19	Knowledge
01.26.20	Wisdom
02.23.20	Piety
03.29.20	Understanding
04.26.20	Counsel

Mark your calendars \* Locations & Keynotes to be announced

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**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**  
**4-6:30PM**

IF REQUESTING CHILDCARE RSVP BY 9.25.19 TO  
[VWOZNIAK@SAINT-DENNIS.ORG](mailto:VWOZNIAK@SAINT-DENNIS.ORG)

**ST. DENNIS CHURCH**  
**1214 S. HAMILTON ST.**  
**LOCKPORT IL 60441**



Venus Wozniak is a wife, mother, and intentional Catholic community member who also happens to be the Director of Faith Formation at St. Dennis in Lockport. In her spare time she also directs Nativity House, an intentional Catholic community and house of hospitality for expectant mothers rooted in Catholic Social Teaching and the Catholic Worker Farm model. She employs *ora et labora* through her work on the Nativity House homestead while growing food, weeding the Mary Garden, milking the goats, and cleaning the chicken coop. She is looking forward to sharing reflections on God's great mysteries through the Spiritual Gift: Wonder & Awe.





***“Hold fast to the hope that lies before us.  
This we have as an anchor of the soul, sure and firm.”***

*Hebrews 6:18-19*

From the time we are knit together in our mothers' wombs until we take our final breaths, each

moment of our lives is a gift from God. While every season of life brings its own challenges and trials, each season also gives us new opportunities to grow in our relationship with God.

Today the gift of life is threatened in countless ways. Those who are most vulnerable, rather than receiving the protection they deserve, are all too often seen as a burden and as expendable. As new attacks on human life continue to emerge, we can be tempted to despair, but Christ instead offers us unfailing hope.

Hope is not false optimism or empty positivity. Christian hope is something much more profound and goes to the very depths of our identity as followers of Christ.

Hope is the virtue “by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit” (CCC, 1817).

Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his

last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, “God is the foundation of hope: not

any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end” (*Spe salvi* 31).

Christians know “they have a future: it is not that they know the details of what awaits them, but they know in general terms that their life will not end in emptiness” (SS 2).

For this reason, a woman experiencing a difficult pregnancy can find the strength to welcome her precious child into the world. A man facing a terminal diagnosis can see that the end of his earthly life is only the beginning of eternal life with Christ.

The Church teaches us that “the one who has hope lives differently” (SS 2). Christ's promise of salvation does not mean that we will be spared from suffering. Rather, the promise of salvation ensures that even in the darkest moments of our lives, we will be given the strength to persevere. By virtue of this Christian hope, we can face any challenge or trial. When the seas of life swell and we are battered by the waves, hope allows us to remain anchored in the heart of God. May we hold fast to Christ our hope, from the beginning of life to its very end.



40 Days for Life is a beautiful way 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 completely close.

**You can protect mothers and children** by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers!

#### **Here's how to take part:**

- Vigil location:** Outside Advantage Healthcare  
203 E. Irving Park Road, Wood Dale
- Vigil hours:** 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week
- Contact:** Remi at 708-710-3079 or RM40DFL@gmail.com  
Nancy Magnus (parishioner) at 630-606-5197

**Learn more** and get involved by visiting our campaign:  
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## **NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN**



**Sunday, October 6  
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
Advantage Clinic  
203 E. Irving Park Road  
Wood Dale, Illinois**

Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals standing and praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that the Church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death. October 6th is Respect Life Sunday and the Life Chain will be in front of the abortion clinics in our Diocese, as well as other locations throughout the country.

Please join fellow St. Peter the Apostle parishioners in front of the Advantage Clinic in Wood Dale from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm to give silent, prayerful witness for voiceless children who are threatened by surgical abortions.

Signs and prayers are provided.

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

*In a striking way, we see today a heightening of the tension between our nation's founding principles and political reality. We see this in diminishing respect for the inalienable right to life and in the elimination of legal protections for those who are most vulnerable. There can be no genuine justice in our society until the truths on which our nation was founded are more perfectly realized in our culture and law.*

— United States Conference of Catholic Bishops  
Living the Gospel of Life: A Challenge to American Catholics



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outside of the Wood Dale abortion facility

One of the main reasons women give for changing their mind about having an abortion is the presence of someone there outside the clinic praying for them.

**Advantage Clinic, 203 East Irving Park Road, Wood Dale**  
**Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 6:30am to 1pm**

**Could you be there one day a month? One hour a week?**

- Any time you can sacrifice will make a difference!
- You DO NOT need to sign up to come out to pray.
- Just show up any of the above days and times
- You DO NOT need special training

For more information and more ways to be involved in this pro-life ministry, email Maria Goldstein at NWFL526@gmail.com or call Laura 847-651-4877, or call parishioner, Nancy Magnus 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.



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Visit their website at [AvenueWomensCenter.com](http://AvenueWomensCenter.com).

Centers are located throughout DuPage County.

The Avenue Women's Center in Wood Dale is located at  
132 East Irving Park Road.

#### CALENDAR OF PRO-LIFE EVENTS

**Wednesday, September 25 - November 3 | "40 Days for Life"**

A local vigil will be held 24-hours-per-day/7-days-per-week outside Advantage Healthcare, 203 E Irving Park Road, Wood Dale. To learn more and volunteer to pray at this location, visit [40Days4life.com/Wood-Dale](http://40Days4life.com/Wood-Dale).

**Sunday, October 6, 2:00-3:00pm | National Life Chain**

Experience a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals praying for our nation and for an end to abortion at Advantage Clinic, 203 E. Irving Park Road, Wood Dale.

**Saturday, October 19, 2:00 pm | March for Life Palatine**

Half mile walk to the plaza at Hicks and Northwest Highway for a rally with Crusaders for Life drummers and youth. Sponsored by the Northwest Families for Life.

**Saturday, January 11, 2020, 1:00 pm | March for Life Chicago**

If you have any questions or are interested in participating in these events, please contact parishioner Nancy Magnus at 630-606-5197.



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## Guests and Visitors!

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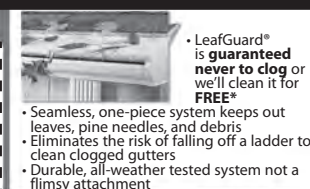


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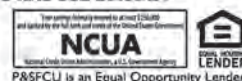
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