



THOU ART PETER AND UPON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH

# St. Peter Church



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## FEBRUARY 21, 2021

1st Sunday of Lent



### MASS SCHEDULE

- SUNDAY:** 7:00 AM Latin EF | 8:30 AM English OF | 10:00 AM English OF | 11:30 AM Latin EF | 1:00 PM Spanish OF | 5:00 PM English OF
- MONDAY:** 6:15 AM Latin EF | 8:00 AM English OF
- TUESDAY:** 6:15 AM Latin EF | 8:00 AM English OF
- WEDNESDAY:** 6:15 AM Latin EF | 8:00 AM English OF | 7:00 PM Latin EF
- THURSDAY:** 6:15 AM Latin EF | 8:00 AM English OF
- FRIDAY:** 6:15 AM Latin EF | 8:00 AM English OF
- FIRST FRIDAY:** 6:15 AM Latin EF | 8:00 AM English OF
- SATURDAY:** 8:00 AM Latin EF | 5:00 PM English OF | 6:00 PM English OF

*Attendance at all Masses is limited to 50 people and sign-up is required for attendance at all Masses. Please visit our website, [www.stpetervolo.org](http://www.stpetervolo.org), for more info and to sign-up.*

a parish staffed by the  
**CANONS REGULAR OF ST. JOHN CANTIUS**



FOR AFTER HOUR EMERGENCIES, PLEASE CALL (815) 451-8350

- PASTOR ..... FR. NATHAN CASWELL, SJC
- ASSOCIATE PASTOR ..... FR. BRENDAN GIBSON, SJC
- ASSOCIATE PASTOR ..... FR. ROBIN KWAN, SJC
- OPERATIONS DIRECTOR ..... CHRISTOPHER KICHKA
- RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ..... CONNIE BALLANTINE
- LITURGICAL MUSIC ..... STEPHANIE BRUNE

February 21, 2021

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## Confession Times

*The below are Confession start times*

**SUNDAY:** 6:50 AM | 8:00 AM | 9:30 AM | 11:00 AM | 12:30 PM | 4:30 PM

**WEEKDAYS:** 7:40 AM **WEDNESDAY:** 6:30 PM

**SATURDAY:** 7:45 AM | 4:30 PM | 5:30 PM

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## Divine Office

**SUNDAY:** 6:25 AM Matins & Lauds | 2:15 PM Rosary & Vespers |  
6:00 PM Compline

**WEEKDAYS:** 7:15 AM Matins & Lauds | 11:45 AM Mid Day Prayer |  
4:45 PM Rosary & Vespers | 6:45 PM Compline *(when other events not scheduled)*

**SATURDAY:** 7:15 AM Matins & Lauds | 11:45 AM Mid Day Prayer |  
4:00 PM Rosary & Vespers | 6:45 PM Compline

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## Adoration

**THURSDAY:** 4:30 PM - 9:00 PM

**FIRST FRIDAY:** 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM

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## Welcome New Parishioners

Welcome to St. Peter's in Volo!

If you are interested in joining the parish, please visit our website at [stpetervolo.org/registration](http://stpetervolo.org/registration), and fill out the Parishioner Registration form.

From there, you can also read more about St. Peter's and learn about the Canons Regular of St. John Cantius, who staff our parish.

When registering you will have an option to select if you would like to receive Offertory Envelopes. We encourage all parish families to utilize these envelopes for making contributions, but also as they let the Parish Office know that you are an active parishioner, even if you are not donating.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please e-mail us at [office@stpetervolo.org](mailto:office@stpetervolo.org).

## Sacraments

Do you have a newborn to be Baptized? Are you a couple ready to be married? Do you know someone who wants to become Catholic? If so, visit us at [stpetervolo.org/sacraments](http://stpetervolo.org/sacraments) for more information on how to obtain the Sacraments at St. Peter's.

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## Mass Intentions

The custom of requesting that a priest offer Mass for a specific intention is a longstanding tradition within the Church. While most often for the soul of one who is deceased, Masses can also be offered for the intentions of a living person.

You can submit Mass Intention requests by visiting [stpetervolo.org/intentions](http://stpetervolo.org/intentions).

All intentions are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Once complete, you will receive an e-mail confirmation.

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## Mass Intentions

**Monday, February 22nd** - *Feast of the Chair of St. Peter (OF/EF)*

- 6:15 AM - John & Maureen Copp by Joseph Copp
- 8:00 AM - Michael Strub by Jay & Angela Weingarten

**Tuesday, February 23rd** - *St. Polycarp (OF), St. Peter Damian (EF)*

- 6:15 AM - † Rachel Laird
- 8:00 AM - † Dennis Wick by Lesniewski Family

**Wednesday, February 24th** - *St. Matthias (EF)*

- 6:15 AM - † Joseph Scheidler by Veritas Christi Families
- 8:00 AM - † Aaron Caswell by Gammel Family
- 6:00 PM - Eric Vevetucci

**Thursday, February 25th**

- 6:15 AM - Lois Wilson by M. Wilson
- 8:00 AM - Church Cleaners by Rita Meinhardt

**Friday, February 26th**

- 6:15 AM - Katie Moran
- 8:00 AM - Rosemarie Krieb & Family

**Saturday, February 27th** - *St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows (EF)*

- 8:00 AM - Glenn Raasch by Angelo & Anne Rodriguez
- 5:00 PM - † Dorothy Carey by Donna & Jerry Moza
- 6:00 PM - Chapel Intentions

**Sunday, February 28th** - *2nd Sunday of Lent*

- 7:00 AM - Fr. Brendan Gibson, SJC by St. Peter's
- 8:30 AM - Jerry Smith
- 10:00 AM - Fr. Brendan Gibson, SJC
- 11:30 AM - Fr. Brendan Gibson, SJC by Widhalm Family
- 1:00 PM - Pro Populo
- 5:00 PM - Chapel Intentions

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## Prayer Requests

David Antler  
Archdiocese of Chicago  
The Canons Regular  
Robert Connelly  
Cardinal Blase Cupich  
Pope Francis  
Peggy Greca  
Bonnie Moder  
Paul Perks

Fr. Frank Phillips, CR  
Colleen Poleski  
Diane Regner  
Peter Sanflippo  
Matt Seiler  
Brandon Straka  
Julia Suchomski & Family  
President Trump

*To add someone to the Prayer List please e-mail the Parish Office at [office@stpetervolo.org](mailto:office@stpetervolo.org).*

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### **Stations of the Cross**

Join us Friday evenings at 7:00 PM during Lent for Stations of the Cross.

See the weekly Mass Sign-Up to reserve your spot.

### **Updated Parish E-Mail**

If you have not done so already, please be sure to update the St. Peter's Parish Office e-mail in your address book to:

*office@stpetervolo.org*

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### **St. Peter's Women's Lenten Retreat**

The St. Anne Sodality will host a Lenten retreat for the women of the parish on Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. The retreat master for the day will be our very own Fr. Brendan Gibson, SJC. The schedule for the retreat will be as follows:

<b>9:00 AM</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Talk
<b>10:00 AM</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Talk
<b>11:00 AM</b>	Mass
<b>12:00 PM</b>	Lunch Break ( <i>Bring or get your own lunch. Beverages provided</i> )
<b>1:00 PM</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Talk
<b>2:00 PM</b>	Holy Hour
<b>3:00 PM</b>	Stations of the Cross

There will be no charge for this retreat, but donations are accepted. There will be a limit of 50 women and registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first served basis.

Please e-mail [Saint.anne.sodality@gmail.com](mailto:Saint.anne.sodality@gmail.com) to register or with any questions, and you will receive a confirmation of your registration by February 22nd.

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### **Bible in a Year Podcast**

Do you struggle with reading the Bible? Was one of your new year's resolutions to read the Bible daily? Do you need help comprehending the Scripture that you are reading?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then you should check out Ascension Press' *Bible in a Year* podcast hosted by Fr. Mike Schmitz.

This daily podcast guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes lasting only 20-25 minutes each. Each episode includes a selection of scripture readings, reflection from Fr. Mike, and guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in His Word.

Listen to The Bible in a Year podcast using your favorite podcast app or directly at [ascensionpress.com](http://ascensionpress.com) under podcasts.

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### **Thank You for Wearing Your Mask**

A major component of the certification that allows us to reopen for Mass is abiding by the regulations put forth by the Arch and the State of Illinois, including the use of PPE. Masks are required at Mass in order for St. Peter's to remain open. Please make sure that you're wearing a mask if you're able to.

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## Observing the Ember Days

The Ember Days are ancient days of fasting and penance in the Church which took place on a Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday around the beginning of each season. The first record of them is attributed to Pope St. Callistus I in 222 AD.

These three days at the beginning of Lent can serve as an opportunity to start out Lenten observances on the right foot. We ask you to join the Canons Regular in observing the Lenten Ember days this week on February 24th, 26th, and 27th with fasting and abstinence. Also consider joining us for Mass or Divine Office on these days.

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## The Holy Rites of the Catechumenate

*The ancient rite of the Catechumenate for Adults, comprising several distinct steps leading towards a person's new life of grace by Baptism, was restored by Pope Paul VI. The period of the catechumenate, which is intended as a time of suitable instruction in the faith and the living out of the Christian life, is thus sanctified by sacred rites to be celebrated at successive intervals.*

The next Rite to be administered is the **First Scrutiny of the Elect**  
Which will take place **Monday, March 1, 2021.**

In the early Church, Lent began as a time of retreat for the Catechumens, as they made their final preparations before receiving Baptism. Thus this sacred time is punctuated by several ancient rituals, which are meant to aid, guide and protect the Catechumens.

### What are the Scrutinies?

On the 3rd, 4th, and 5th weekends of Lent, the newly named "Elect" participate in three successive rites called "the Scrutinies." These rites, with roots dating back to the early Church, take place during the Sunday Mass, and each is thematically linked to the Gospel reading for that Mass. The three passages from St. John's Gospel for these Sundays were selected around 500 AD as powerful depictions of the hidden transformation God effects in the Elect through each Scrutiny. Each proclamation emphasizes repentance and conversion as the Light of Christ comes to pierce the darkness of sin and to bring life where there is death.

The "Elect" along with their sponsors, kneel before the celebrant and the assembly, who pray for them silently and with a series of intercessions. Culminating in a prayer of cleansing and protection (exorcism) with the laying-on-of-hands, each Scrutiny is a step in preparing the Elect for the celebration and initiation soon to come.

The Scrutinies are God's way of taking a close, loving look at the Elect. God does not scrutinize the Catechumens in order to find everything that's wrong with them, but to celebrate all that is beautiful and good and true in them. Jesus "scrutinizes" us with Divine Light, revealing all that is valuable within us. He also reveals to us the ways in which we are hurting, or sick, or sinful — but this is not to reject us, but to call us to new life and to healing. These prayers are simply ways of calling on God — and trusting in God's power — not only to affirm what is good within us, but to dispel whatever holds us back or causes us to resist grace and goodness in our lives.

May these Scrutinies call both our Elect and us into the living waters of baptism, to the light of holiness, to a new life in Christ, through His Resurrection.

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