In an effort to stay connected during this time of physical separation, the RE Program would like to begin a weekly newsletter. We will include updates and reminders concerning the RE Program and St. Peter parish, as well as helpful family resources and prayers.

**Registration 2020/2021**
Registration for the 2020/2021 RE Program year will be available soon. Registration forms will be emailed and available online. Be watching for more information.

**Homework**
Students should finish the “Finding God” textbook by May 8. Do not forget to submit Session reviews when you complete a chapter.


Email session reviews: RE-StPeter-Aurora@RockfordDiocese.org

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**A message from one of our Catechists:**

Hello RE Families! Checking in on how you are doing during this difficult time. Know that I miss seeing you and wanted to remind you to take care of yourself and your family. It is very important to stay safe and connected with your love ones! Have some fun as a family. Do things that make you happy; make a video, play games, do a puzzle, color, FaceTime, Skype or organize a Zoom party. Be creative! Stay engaged and motivated. God is always with us, open up your heart, pray as a family and be kind to each other. Looking forward to seeing you soon! You are in my prayers every day.

Graciela Moreno

Heart

*Catchiest with the Parent Group*
Stay Connected!

During this time when we are separated physically, please remember to stay connected to St. Peter.

St. Peter’s webpage and the Rockford Diocese webpage contain a wealth of resources with links to live streaming Mass, prayers, educational opportunities, and updates on the Church response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

St. Peter  https://stpeteraurora.org/

Rockford Diocese:  https://www.rockforddiocese.org/

St. Peter Church is open daily from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM.
Please stop and say a prayer.
Remember that Christ is present there. We ask you to please conform to the state request for social distancing with no more than 10 people in the Church at any given time.

Join in the May 1 Reconsecration of the United States

“Bishop David Malloy invites all Catholics in the Diocese of Rockford to join in prayer on May 1, for a brief liturgy and prayer to reconsecrate the United States to the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title of Mother of the Church. Archbishop Jose Gomez, of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops will lead the ceremony at 2 p.m. Central Time.”

Please visit the Rockford Diocese webpage for more information, a letter from Bishop Malloy, and a downloadable copy of the worship aid. These are available in Spanish as well.

COVID-19: A PRAYER OF SOLIDARITY

For all who have contracted coronavirus,
We pray for care and healing.

For those who are particularly vulnerable,
We pray for safety and protection.

For all who experience fear or anxiety,
We pray for peace of mind and spirit.

For affected families who are facing difficult decisions between food on the table or public safety,
We pray for policies that recognize their plight.

For those who do not have adequate health insurance,
We pray that no family will face financial burdens alone.

For those who are afraid to access care due to immigration status,
We pray for recognition of the God-given dignity of all.

For our brothers and sisters around the world,
We pray for shared solidarity.

For public officials and decisionmakers,
We pray for wisdom and guidance.

Father, during this time may your Church be a sign of hope, comfort and love to all.
Grant peace.
Grant comfort.
Grant healing.
Be with us, Lord.

Amen

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