

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PASTORAL STAFF

Father David Beauvais, Parochial Administrator
 Father Jorge Loaiza, Parochial Vicar
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PARISH OFFICE

Open Mon—Thurs 9AM-3PM, Fri 9AM-Noon
 Clara Fragozo, Parish Secretary
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Clara Fragozo, Coordinator (815) 525-3400

COUNCILS AND MINISTRIES

Parish Council

Mike Chew, Chairperson

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Deb Rowald, Chairperson

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Music Ministry

Donna Fiduccia (815) 608-0681
 or e-mail 344donna@charter.net

Prayer Chain

Ed & Linnea Van Barriger (815) 629-2405

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Masses

Monday—Friday 7:00AM

Saturday 8:00AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00PM English
 6:30PM Spanish

Sunday 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:00AM English
 12:30PM Spanish

Holy Days of Obligation

Please check bulletin or website for Mass times.

FAMILY ADORATION

Spanish: Thursdays 7:00-8:00PM

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the parish office to register



BAPTISMS

English: Please contact the parish office.

Spanish: Please request the "Baptismal Orientation Document" from the parish office and follow the instructions.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples must be at least nineteen and meet with the priest one year in advance. Must be registered and active member of St. Peter Parish 6 months before the wedding date.

ANointing OF THE SICK AND PASTORAL CARE

If you anticipate hospitalization or require sacraments, please call the parish office. For emergencies call 815-236-8019.

ENGLISH CONFESSIONS

Saturday: after the 8AM Mass, 3:45-4:45PM

SPANISH CONFESSIONS

Wednesday: 6:00PM-6:30PM

Thursday: 7:00-8:00PM during Spanish Family Adoration

Saturday: 6:00-6:30PM, also after 6:30PM Mass

Sunday: 12:00-12:30PM, also after 12:30PM Mass

St. Peter Church is a Roman Catholic community, evangelizing by the power of the Holy Spirit, leading others to a joyful encounter with Christ and experiencing Our Father's merciful love.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 21st

St. Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor of the Church

7:00AM †Harold Rayment

Tuesday, December 22nd

7:00AM †Loren Sigman

Wednesday, December 23rd

St. John of Kanty, Priest

7:00AM †Ken Tenney

6:30PM Alex Hunsberger

Thursday, December 24th

4:00PM †Elizabeth Brzostek

6:00PM †Purgatorial Society

8:00PM †Purgatorial Society

11:00PM †Helen & Basil White

Friday, December 25th

The Nativity of the Lord

8:00AM Pro Populo

10:00AM Sr. Imelda Quitian

†Sandra Mihelich

12:30PM †Purgatorial Society

Saturday, December 26th

St. Stephen, 1st Martyr

8:00AM †Thomas Bojar

5:00PM Pro Populo

6:30PM Christine Hunsberger

Sunday, December 27th

The Holy Family

7:30AM †Loren Sigman

9:30AM †Bobby Ciarpaglini

11:00AM †Richard Hackbarth

12:30PM †Purgatorial Society

COLLECTION

December 6, 2020

Collection \$ 9,400.00

Egiving \$ 1,285.00

Total \$10,685.00

DIOCESAN APPEAL 2020

Goal \$54,540.00

Pledges \$40,200.17

Shortfall \$14,339.83

GOSPEL MEDITATION

In Blaise Pascal's work, *Pensees*, he says: "What else does this craving, and this helplessness, proclaim but that there was once in man a true happiness, of which all that now remains is the empty print and trace? This he tries in vain to fill with everything around him, seeking in things that are not there the help he cannot find in those that are, though none can help, since this infinite abyss can be filled only with an infinite and immutable object; in other words by God himself."

We have a difficult time accepting that fulfillment and happiness are not achieved by our own merits but through a relationship with God. We are hardwired for this relationship and it is in our DNA. The simple fact is that we come from God and are designed to return to God. If our beginning and our end define who we are, why would we not want to seek the One who can truly satisfy? The world does not realize that it is waiting. It is waiting for the birth of God in time, within one's soul and in eternity. We get so confused by seeking other momentary satisfactions that we misinterpret the hunger within. We crave God.

The union of God and humanity, revealed in Jesus Christ, is precisely what sets us on a straight path, orders our relationships, establishes proper focus and goals and tells us whose kingdom we really are meant to serve. We are so lost. God is with us. The prophet Nathan told this to King David, the angel said this to Mary and the birth of Christ brings this Good News to us. We do not need to be busily looking for more things but must learn to find contentment and blessing in the One Presence. This is the beautiful simple message of Advent!

If you are feeling unsettled, anxious, angry, disgruntled, disconnected, unhappy, worried, fearful, off center, becoming overly self-indulgent, unable to spend time alone and without distraction, then there's a good chance you are lost. Now is the time to allow God to find you! Ponder the holy simplicity of Mary's call to be the Mother of God. "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." When we are helpless and at home with our emptiness, God will fill us. Our Savior has come. ©LPi

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & HOSPITALIZED:

Bradley Brewer, Pat Deinhammer, Tom Gasiorowski, Darcey Gruling, & Kerry Muldowney.

To add or remove the name of a sick person, please call the parish office at: (815) 525-3400, ext. 3, or email cgodawski@rockforddiocese.org.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE HOMEBOUND OR IN

NURSING HOMES / ASSISTED LIVING

Matilda De Falco, Pat Heiderscheit, Rosemary Penewell, & Alice Robison.



**WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPEND AN HOUR WITH JESUS?
CHAPEL HOURS NEEDING ADORERS**

SUNDAY	6AM, 9PM, 11PM
TUESDAY	12AM, 4AM
WEDNESDAY	1AM, 2AM
THURSDAY	2AM, 6AM, 10AM, 3PM
FRIDAY	2AM, 3AM, 4AM, 5AM, 9AM
SATURDAY	2PM, 5PM



Call Junie Pospischil (815) 389-3065 or (815) 494-9237.

ST. PETER KEYS BOOK CLUB

Meets the 1st Wednesday of the month
Parish Center at 2:00PM

Christus Vincit: Christ's Triumph
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Meetings cancelled until further notice

MARY UNDOER OF KNOTS

CROCHET/KNITTING MINISTRY

Meets the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month
3-5PM St. Peter School Gym

All skill levels welcome
Yarn & needles available

Meetings cancelled until further notice

RCIA

Interested in becoming Catholic or want to learn more about the Faith? Are you a baptized Catholic that did not receive First Communion or Confirmation? Please call the parish office to register.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 20, 2020

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [2a]/ Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38
Monday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/ Lk 1:39-45
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56
Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66
Thursday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/Lk 1:67-79
Friday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25. Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14. Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20. Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14
Saturday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17 [6]/Mt 10:17-22

WITH SYMPATHY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Msgr. Thomas Brady, and Larry Weber. Please keep their families in your prayers. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!! THE KNIGHTS SEMINARIAN
RAFFLE TICKET SALE IS CONTINUED!!!**

Due to the virus situation, Knights of Columbus Seminarian Raffle tickets will continue to be available into the New Year! Grand Prize is \$10,000- a total of \$20,000 in prizes will be distributed. The drawing for prizes will be in late January, so you can continue to return tickets and money in the collection basket in envelopes marked "Knights." For further information or to get more tickets, call Scott at 815-904-3272.



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Confessions:

Monday, December 21st 3:00PM—4:30PM
Tuesday, December 22nd 6:30PM—8:00PM

Christmas Masses:

Thursday, December 24th:

4:00PM English
6:00PM Spanish
8:00PM Spanish
11:00PM English

Friday, December 25th:

8:00AM English
10:00AM English
12:30PM Spanish

Sign up is required, please use our website or call the parish office.

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

Thursday, December 31st:

5:30PM English
7:00PM Spanish

Friday, January 1st:

8:00AM English
10:00AM English
12:30PM Spanish

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