

JANUARY 10, 2021

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

# ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## PASTORAL STAFF

Father David Beauvais, Parochial Administrator  
Father Jorge Loaiza, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Ignacio Badillo

## PARISH OFFICE

Open Mon—Thurs 9AM-3PM, Fri 9AM-Noon  
Clara Fragozo, Parish Secretary  
Cindy Godawski, Business Manager  
Steve Hatch, Director of Building and Grounds  
Ignacio Badillo, Custodian  
Pauline Wergin, Sacristan

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Clara Fragozo, Coordinator (815) 525-3400

## COUNCILS AND MINISTRIES

### Parish Council

Mike Chew, Chairperson

### Finance Council

Deb Rowald, Chairperson

### Knights of Columbus 8021,

Brian D'Haeye, Grand Knight

### Respect Life Committee

Christine Cimino, Coordinator

### 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



## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." - Mk 1:7-8

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1979 CCD.

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## 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, January 11th

7:00AM †John Gurka

Tuesday, January 12th

7:00AM †Jack Varner

Wednesday, January 13th

St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:00AM †Katarzyna & Francisek Nowek

6:30PM †Sr. Teofilde Melo

Thursday, January 14th

7:00AM Fr. Jim Canova

Friday, January 15th

7:00AM †Harold Rayment

Saturday, January 16th

8:00AM †Kal Vanlaningham

5:00PM †Wes, Sr. & Vi Ladwig

6:30PM †Purgatorial Society

Sunday, January 17th

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM †Bronislaw & Josef Nosal

9:30AM Ed Wontor

11:00AM Pro Populo

12:30PM †Purgatorial Society

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 10, 2021

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/  
Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11  
Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 1:14-20  
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 7]/Mk 1:21-28  
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mk 1:29-39  
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 [8]/Mk 1:40-45  
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 [cf. 7b]/Mk 2:1-12  
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [cf. Jn 6:63c]/Mk 2:13-17

## ROCKFORD WALK FOR LIFE

Saturday, January 23, 2021

10:00AM Speakers in front of courthouse

10:30AM—11:30AM Walk

11:30AM Closing Prayer

Walk begins and ends at the Rockford Federal Courthouse,  
327 S. Church St. Plenty of free public parking near the  
courthouse.

Speakers include: Hope Miller, President, Crusaders for  
Life; Chris Iverson, Chicago Pro-Life Future; Daniel Pribble,  
Rockford Family Initiative; Joe & Ann Scheidler, Pro-Life  
Action League.

## 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.

## TO THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. PETER AND THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

In late October, due to some significant health issues that I  
experienced at the parish, I requested a medical leave of  
absence from Bishop Malloy. He graciously granted that  
request. Since then, I have been engaged in a program of  
recovery, counseling, and rest.

However, through prayer and discussions with my counse-  
lor, it has become clear to me that a new parish assignment  
would be more beneficial to my health. Therefore, I have  
voluntarily submitted my resignation of the pastorate of  
the parishes to the bishop. He has accepted it.

As I take my leave, I want to thank the dedicated staffs at  
both St. Peter and Church of the Holy Spirit; the numerous  
volunteers who serve the parishes through music, RE, and  
adoration; and those who put in time and effort to help the  
parishes through their prayers, service, and sacrifice.

I am grateful to God for the chance I had to rekindle old  
friendships at the parishes and to make new ones. I am  
particularly grateful to, and will sincerely miss, the home-  
bound parishioners that I visited on a weekly basis. I will  
also miss St. Peter's warm, welcoming Hispanic communi-  
ty.

Finally, I want to thank those who sent cards and offered  
prayers for me during my leave. I am deeply grateful to  
you. Please offer the same encouragement and prayers for  
whoever is sent to serve as your next pastor. Accept him  
kindly, and docilely allow him to lead you closer to Jesus.

Grace and peace be with you.

Fr. Thomas J. Doyle, Jr.

## COLLECTION 12/20/2020

Collection	\$6,741.25
Egiving	<u>\$1,815.00</u>
Total	\$8,556.25

## COLLECTION 12/25/2020

Collection	\$6,725.50
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## COLLECTION 12/27/2020

Collection	\$ 7,634.00
Egiving	<u>\$ 2,755.00</u>
Total	\$10,389.00

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

SUNDAY	6AM, 11PM
MONDAY	9AM
TUESDAY	12AM, 4AM
MONDAY	9AM
WEDNESDAY	1AM, 2AM
THURSDAY	2AM, 6AM, 10AM, 3PM
FRIDAY	2AM, 3AM, 4AM, 5AM, 9AM
SATURDAY	1AM, 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  
Over the Darkness of the Age  
Bishop Athanasius Schneider

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.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE!!!**

Thursday, February 4 from 2 pm- 4 pm at Didier Hall, St. Peter's. The blood drive saved 99 lives last year. All blood-types are needed! Please contact Karl Zoller at 815-222-2399 to donate, to volunteer, or for more information.



**WORD OF LIFE**

"When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others' lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them."

*USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
"How to Build a Culture of Life"  
([respectlife.org/culture-of-life](http://respectlife.org/culture-of-life))*

**GOSPEL MEDITATION  
JANUARY 10, 2021  
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

We need history. We need it in order to understand ourselves, personally and collectively. The pieces of our histories may not have always been the most positive, honest, exemplary, dignified, proud and best moments of our lives, but they are ours. We have to acknowledge, remember, accept, and often heal them. We cannot forget them or pretend that they never existed. As horrible as the atrocities of events like Auschwitz, brutal injustices committed throughout the human journey, or personal painful experiences in our own stories, we need to remember. These times when humanity in general or people in particular have lost their way are times that need to be reconciled and redeemed.

If we lose the memories, we will make the same mistakes again. The human soul needs a strong sense of affirmation, direction, and clear purpose. Without these essentials, we will easily run amuck and repeat the sins of our past. God's voice throughout history has spoken precisely about this! We are reminded through the voices and example of many prophets and witnesses not to make the same mistakes again, come back to center, discover the purpose given to us by God, maintain a sense of proper direction, seek healing for wounds and be reconciled to our Creator.

Baptism is so incredibly important for the salvation of humankind, not only eternally but here and now. Our existence depends upon it. It gives us the affirmation we need from God by gifting us with the same intimate relationship Jesus had with the Father. We are blessed with the direction and clear purpose we need in order to be productive stewards and faithful Christians. Baptism calls us to remember, accept, and deal with the sins and inequities of our past regardless of how hurtful and serious. We consciously choose to turn away from them and put on the new life of Christ. To do this well, we must look hard and long at our sins and failings, listen to what they are saying and learn from them. If we ignore the past, collectively or personally, or pretend that it never happened, we will never grow. We will surely die.

People need to hear the message, lived and spoken, delivered by the baptized members of the Body of Christ. It is an essential message of hope that is layered with visions of justice, peace, reconciliation, redemption, blessing, and healing. It is a message that helps us remember what has gone before, the graces and the sins, and bring ourselves by God's help where we need to be. We are called to do much more than sit home behind our closed doors. We have a message to deliver. Are we ready to do so?

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