St. Peter's Church

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NOVEMBER 27TH, 2022 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Mass for the Infirmed is Live-Streamed every Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. visit us at: StPeterCatholicChurch.org



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> BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11TH DUE: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3RD

> BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH DUE: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9TH

Confirmation Students 2022-2023 *Confirmation Mass November 29th, 5:30 pm - St. John's, Johnsburg*

These students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, November 29 with the Bishop of Rockford, the Most Reverend David J. Malloy.

Please pray for our Confirmation candidates that they may give witness to Christ by lives built on faith and love. May the Holy Spirit Bless our Confirmation Class and lead them always.

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Saint Name
Matilda	Elizabeth	Furzland	St. Sebastian
Madelyn	Anne	Hanson	St. Julie Billiart
Parker	Jay	Justen	St. Florian
Cael	Evan	Kelley	St. Francis of Assisi
Joseph	Alexander	Larsen	St. Christopher
Brinleigh	Elizabeth	Martin	St. Jude
Valerie	Serena	Polak	St. Michael
Olivia	Marie	Рорр	St. Jane de Chantal
Riley	Marie	Quinn	St. Nicholas
Trevor	Dean	Szumanski	St. Paul
Emerson	Joan	Wold	St. Monica



LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Whether it is the surgeon performing an operation or the pilot directing a flight, one expects them to be alert. When we entrust our lives to someone, we presume that they will attend to them with the utmost care and vigilance. If we have this expectation of others, why would we not have it of ourselves? Our lives are precious vessels on an eternal journey. We can only stay afloat and on the course because of God's love and mercy. It is easy to get distracted, lazy, preoccupied, and tired. Apathy can wreak havoc on the most dedicated of souls. God's Word transforms all that it touches, even a lukewarm heart. Let us seek God's grace this Advent Season so that we can walk more fully in His *light.* Then, finding ourselves more attentive, focused, alert, and well prepared to meet our Lord when He comes. Why would we not want to be ready, awake, and watchful for the One for whom we have waited for so long?

ST. ANDREW ADVENT PRAYER

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires, [here mention your request] through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother.





CHRISTMAS OPLATKI **Now AVAILABLE!** IN THE SACRISTY FOR ONLY \$3. SUPPLY IS LIMITED, SO BE SURE TO PICK-UP YOURS TODAY.

What are Oplatki? For centuries on Christmas Eve, families in Poland, Lithuania, the Czech and Slovak Republics have practiced a beautiful tradition. It is the breaking and sharing of the Oplatek—Christmas Wafer. Oplatek taken from the Latin word oblatum, meaning Sacred Bread, has been the symbol of Christianity and Jesus Christ our Bread of Life since the Last Supper. The host or hostess leads in a special prayer and distributes an oplatek to the participants. Each person breaks off a piece of the other's Oplatek and continues until they have exchanged good wishes and blessings with everyone.

Let us walk in the light of the Lord

Daily Advent Reflections with Dr. Tim Gray

Grow closer to our Lord in the manger leads you through the Mass readings y day during Advent and Christmas.





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWSLETTER

QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

COUNCIL #12302

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To all our parishioners at St Peters. This newsletter will appear once a month in our parish bulletin. Our intentions are to keep you informed of what the Knights of Columbus are up to and our plans for months to come.

For example, we are making plans for our annual breakfast with Santa scheduled for December 18th. At our recent meeting, several additional events were suggested by attendees for discussion and for planning purposes for next year.

This includes our annual sausage making on Sunday afternoon February 5th. Other suggestions included a Fish Fry and soup dinners on Friday evenings during Lent.

We meet on Tuesday evenings twice a month at 7:00 PM. We encourage all our present members and invite all interested men that would like to become a Knight, to attend our next scheduled meeting November 22.

Fraternally, Officers of Council #12302 Queen of the Most Holy Rosary

Edition 1

Knights of Columbus Breakfast with Santa

Mark your Calendars! Sunday, December 18th After All Masses!





Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from November 20th through December 3rd for † **Scholle & Sompel Families** May this light which reminds us of Jesus' True Presence in the Sanctuary Welcome them into eternal peace.



Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we place into your hands, all fellow parishioners we know and love, who are ill or injured and in need of Your healing touch. Jesus, be with them all, especially:

Deanna Adducci Gina Adducci Anna Boettier Debra Cooke Deacon Eugene Damian Sandy Devine Carol Flatley Julia Francis Donald Gagnon Gail Gagnon Glenn Geske Lynn Geske Anthony Hodnik Patricia Hodnik **Brian Hoskins** Patti Jindra Edward Johnson Ann Kattner Diana Kattner Ed Kattner

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If you know someone who is sick and asking for prayer, but they are not registered members of our parish family, please allow us to solicit support for them by adding their names to our Prayer Chain Ministry. Just visit **StPeterCatholicChurch.org** and after clicking where it reads CONTACT US, simply follow the directions under PRAYER REQUEST.

JOIN OUR TEAM! Focus Women's Center in McHenry, IL has opportunities available with flexible hours - no nights or holidays! Low-stress clinical atmosphere. Paid RDMS (ultrasound tech) • 5-10 hrs per wk • Must have obstetric sonography experience Volunteer RN (registered nurse) • 5 hrs per wk • Will perform urine pregnancy & STD testing, plus provide options & STD education. Figer US Women's center, office@focuswomenscenter.com



For The Weekends Of 11/26 - 12/4/2022

The Mass

For

IST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Confessions offered on Saturday's, 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. Rosary Prayed at 3:30 p.m.

Sat	4 pm (1)	†	Ernest & Dolores Reschke	
	(2)		Thad Bednarz	
Sun	7 am	†	Frank Lecinski	
	9 am	†	Edward Urbaniak	
	11 am	†	Paul & Anna Rygiel	

Tuesday - Friday, Rosary Prayed at 7:30 a.m.

Tues	8 am		†	Richard & Darlene Kula
Wed	8 am	(1)	†	Juan Beltrandy
		(2)	†	Patricia Altmann
Thur	8 am	(1)	†	Frank Lecinski
		(2)	†	Marcella Marsh
Fri	8 am			Scholle & Sompel Families

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Confessions offered on Saturday's, 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. Rosary Prayed at 3:30 p.m.

Sat	4 pm	†	Pamela Brown	
Sun	7 am	†	Jack Schmitt	
	9 am (1)	†	Rita Chinni	
	(2)	†	Stephen Bonner	
	11 am	†	Roza Licheniak	



Four Candles - represent the four (4) weeks of Advent. Traditionally, each week represents one thousand years, to sum to the 4,000 years from Adam and Eve until the Birth of the Savior. The first two purple candles symbolizes (2) hope and (3) love respectively. The (4) third candle (which is pink/rose) symbolizes joy. The fourth and last purple candle represents (5) peace. The light of the candles signifies the light of Christ to mankind.

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	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers		
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT					
Saturday 11/26 4:00 pm	Elaine Brandstetter	Deacon Mark	Phil Webb Gary Miller		
Sunday 11/27 7:00 am	Eleanor Murphy	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim David Smid		
9:00 am	Ardie Arnold	Jacqui Wold	Larry Hauser Chad Franckowiak		
11:00 am	Jerry Bodden	Mike Rygiel	Mike Gordon Andy Hommowun		
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT					
Saturday 12/3 4:00 pm	Chad Franckowiak	Barbara Galloway	Denise Wahls George Gemberling		
Sunday 12/4 7:00 am	Bill Ledger	Deacon Mark	Scott Hastings Shaun Gosselin		
9:00 am	Emily Sullivan	Mary Seil	Paul Leali Jeff Miller		
11:00 am	Andy Hommowun	Mike Gullifor	Zach Rygiel Tom Straley		

Extraordinary Ministers for the Homebound November 27th - First Sunday of Advent

Maria Sullivan, Jacqui Wold & Thomas Gough

December 4th - Second Sunday of Advent

Kathleen Van Ella, Peggy Neuman, Bev Schmitt & Steve Besetzny

Blessing My Home Advent Wreath Jesuit Institute

Advent, the Season of Preparing ourselves for the One who is to come!

The lighting of the Advent Wreath Candles is a beautiful visual representation, preparing our hearts and minds for Christ's life to come into our lives at Christmas.

Begin with the Sign of the Cross:

Father, as each year comes round anew, we look forward to the coming of your Son and recall his first coming in the stable at Bethlehem. We ask your blessing on this advent wreath which reminds us of your gift of Christ our light. Bless each of us and make us more Christ-like this Christmas. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

NOVEMBER 27TH

First Sunday of Advent
ls 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9;
Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44
ls 4:2-6;
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9;
Mt 8:5-11
ls 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
Lk 10:21-24
Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11;
Mt 4:18-22
ls 26:1-6;
Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;
Mt 7:21, 24-27
ls 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
Mt 9:27-31
ls 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6;
Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
Second Sunday of Advent
ls 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

Being Surprised By Christ

Some people hate surprise parties. There are those who are uncomfortable with a last-minute vacation or even an unexpected travel upgrade. If it wasn't part of the plan, it's a cause for consternation.

There is a temptation to view these folks as curmudgeonly—sticks in the mud, obsessed with predictability. But I think if we're being honest, there's a little bit of the surprise-averse in all of us.

Deep within the very heart of the element of surprise is a kernel of shock. And shock, in the moment, can feel similar to trauma. If we reflect on the most traumatic occurrences of our lives—a loss, an accident, a calamity—it is likely that we will say this: "It was the shock more than anything that got to me." Grief or fear, those feelings were overwhelming as well, but they came later. In the first moment, all we knew was we were going about our lives on one path until we were thrust on a different one and then the whole future changed.

This is the natural rhythm of our life here on earth. We never know what is coming—which is to say, in a beautiful way, we always know what is coming. More importantly, we know Who is coming.

Like the early riser who sets the "pre-alarm" (the one on which he knows he's going to hit snooze just to take the edge off the disappointment of waking up), we are always being given a headsup in Scripture. From the earliest prophecies of the Messiah to Jesus'

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ST. PETER'S MISSION STATEMENT As parishioners of St. Peter's Catholic Church, we strive to imitate Jesus' example of prayer, fellowship, love and service.



PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 27th

First Sunday of Advent

- Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:45 am
- Sacramental Instruction Classes 6:00 pm
- Monday, November 28th
- Faith Formation Classes Grades 1, 3 & 4 5:00 pm
- Faith Formation Classes Grades 5 & 6 6:30 pm
- Tuesday, November 29th
- Confirmation Ceremony St. John the Baptist, Johnsburg, IL 5:30 pm
- Wednesday, November 30th
- Morning Bible Study (Jesus, the Way... Truth) Parish Hall 9:00 am
- Spiritual Warfare Rosary 6:00 pm

Thursday, December 1st

Choir Practice - 7:00 pm

Friday, December 2nd

Saturday, December 3rd

• Adoration After the 4:00 pm Mass until 6:45 am Sunday, December 4th

Second Sunday of Advent

- Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:45 am
- Sacramental Instruction Classes 6:00 pm

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reminders in the Gospel to the very last words of Revelations, God has communicated to His stewards: You know the time. The time is now. We are called to constant vigilance, perpetual renewal, steadfast accountability.

In the end, the coming of Christ may be the only event in history that was a surprise, but not a shock – and so it will only be beautiful, even for those who hate surprise parties.

~ Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

A doctor, a nurse, and the president of a health insurance company died and were met by Saint Peter at the Pearly Gates.



Saint Peter asked the doctor, "What did you do on earth?"

The doctor replied, "I healed the sick and worked at a clinic so that if patients could not pay I would help them for free."

"You may enter," said Saint Peter.

Then he asked the nurse what she did on earth.

"I also helped heal the sick and volunteered my time at a free clinic," she replied.

"What did you do on earth?" Saint Peter asked the third person.

The man said, "I ran a large health insurance organization. I helped thousands of companies find costeffective health care for their employees."

"Well, then," Saint Peter replied, "You may go in... but you can only stay for three days"



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PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS - Msgr. Jarmoluk is eager and happy to baptize children whose parent(s) are practicing the Catholic faith and registered members of St. Peter's Parish. Please call the Parish Office for additional requirements and information.

- MARRIAGES Please contact Father before you set a date, at least six months in advance.
- HOLY COMMUNION Parishioners confined to their homes, for an indefinite length of time due to illness or advanced age, may call the Office and request that the Holy Eucharist be brought to them on Sunday mornings.

REGISTRATION - New members should register by either calling the Parish Office or visiting us online at **StPeterCatholicChurch.org**

HOSPITAL VISITS - If you wish Father to visit during your stay in the hospital, please call him at the Parish Office and he will be happy to do so. Likewise, if you wish to be added to our Prayer Chain, let us know by calling (815) 675-2288

FUNERALS ARRANGEMENTS - are to be made in consultation with Father.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK - If you or someone you know is sick, injured or being admitted to a hospital and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick, call the Parish Office without delay.

Should there be an emergency after normal business hours, please call (815) 675-2339

Knights' Corner We are All called to Serve

Knights of Columbus Business Meeting Tuesday, December 13th Parish Hall - 7:00 pm





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