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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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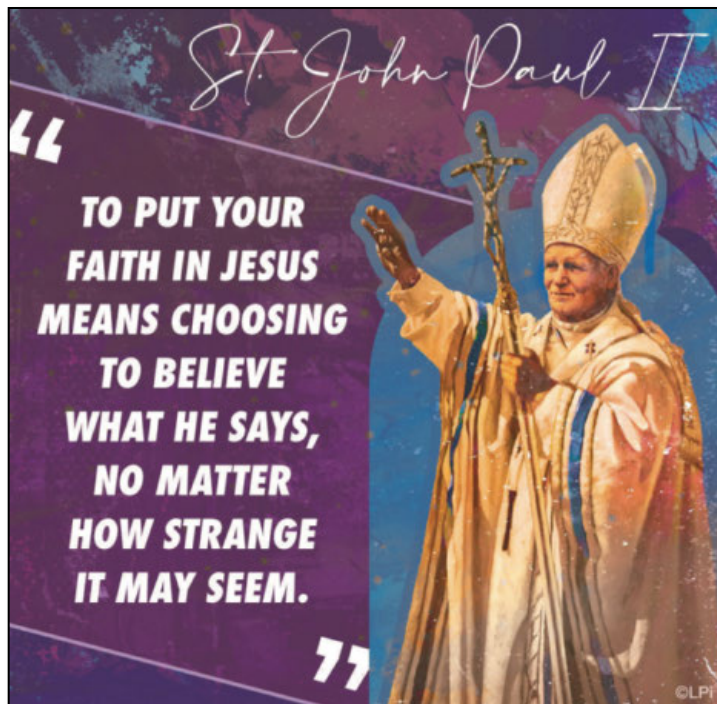
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On Sunday, February 5th our
First Communicants will be picking
Prayer Pals and giving them a loaf of
bread along with a Prayer Pal card.

What exactly is a "Prayer Pal?"

A "Prayer Pal" is a parishioner
who promises to pray for a
child and their family during
the child's sacramental year,
while the child and their family
pray for their parishioner. If
you are selected as a Prayer
Pal, you will be given a loaf of
bread symbolizing the Eucharist. *When a parishioner
accepts the bread and the card, the hope is that they
will form a spiritual bond with the First Communicant
from now through the Sacrament of Confirmation. Once
this bond begins, allow the movements of the Holy Spirit
to draw you closer in prayer and presence with your
Prayer Pal.*

i prayed for
YOU



LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Every day, God offers each of us countless opportunities to embody the Beatitudes. Blink and you might miss them. Where is God inviting you to poverty of Spirit? Where does He beg you to hunger for righteousness? How does He ask you to make peace?

NO WRONG IS TOO BIG TO
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CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday afternoon
from 3:00 until 3:45 p.m.

Or call the Parish Office
to schedule an appointment
with Father!



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*At a time when we need Christ the most, there are so many distractions that can keep us from staying close to Him, like family responsibilities, social activities and just trying to stay ahead of the bills, to name a few, and fueling our faith has never been more important! **Going to Mass with other committed Catholics, is certainly the best way to be with our Lord. And another way is by feeding our mind and spirit with solid, faith-based reading! Our diocesan newspaper, The Observer helps provide that!***

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**The Parish
Spaghetti Dinner
is Back!**

Saturday, February 11
two seating's (5:00 pm and 7:15 pm)

The dinner will include salad, bread, spaghetti and meatballs, wine, soda and a selection of desserts.

**Costs is only \$16 per person for adults
\$8 for kids age 5-12
Kids under 5 eat Free!**

Seating is limited, so please return the registration form you received in the mail before February 6th.

Many hands make light work! To help, sign-up on the boards in the vestibule, before or after Mass.



Spaghetti Dinner

This a good opportunity to earn service hours, too!

Are the Dog Days of Winter Grinding You Down?

Join us for a Sausage Soiree afternoon!
It's the 7th Annual Sausage Making Event sponsored by your Knights of Columbus.

Time is Running Out! **Sunday, February 5th
1:00 - 4:00 pm
in the Parish Hall**

**TRY YOUR HAND AT THE CULINARY ART OF
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**Just \$20 per person
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\$25 per couple**

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Attendance is limited
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Once we are full, we are full!**

*For reservations,
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Lee M. Jones at 815-403-8122 or
l.jones@mchsi.com*

The "Eucharist is a Mystery to Live"

Our late Holy Father Benedict XVI passionately spoke on how the Eucharist needs to be lived to the full.
"The worship of God in our lives cannot be relegated to something private and individual, but tends by its nature to permeate every aspect of our existence." (Sacramentum Caritatis, no. 71)

The problem with the modern age Benedict XVI stated isn't the disbelief in God but the gap between faith and life, manifest in so many believers. *They go to Mass on Sunday, yet they live the rest of their lives as if God does not exist. This is what Benedict XVI referred to as practical atheism.*

Living the Eucharistic mystery necessitates that I attune my life to this mystery of love. I must testify in public spaces that I believe in this God who is love. I must live this out through works of mercy, feeding the hungry and giving drink to the thirsty, visiting the prisoner and welcoming the stranger. In the political sphere, I must advocate for policies that are consistent with the Eucharistic mystery, where the God-man comes to dwell among us poor mortals. I must let my reception of the Eucharist shape my life so that I am a coherent witness to the very God who is love.

You (and I) can start living this by becoming someone who reflects this mystery of love in your own neighborhood and workplaces. All it takes is deeper appreciation of the gift of love that you receive in every Mass. All it takes is pausing for a moment before the tabernacle, giving thanks that God loves you enough to be so close to you. *All it takes is letting that worship shape how you live as a Christian in the public sphere, witnessing to the gratuity of the God who is love, who loves us unto the end.*

***For Reflection:** Think about your day-to-day life. Is there a way that you might better connect your daily experiences and choices to your participation in the Eucharist? If so, what might it look like?*



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from January 29th through February 11th for **+ All Departed Parishioners**. 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	Diana Kattner
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Anna Boettjer	Loman Kubista
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Sandy Devine	Walter Miller
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Donald Gagnon	Kelan James Nicholson
Gail Gagnon	Jim Nowicki
Glenn Geske	John Paleka
Lynn Geske	Donna Polanek
Ann Marie Gillespie	Betty Rygiel
Anthony Hodnik	Debbie Schaff
Patricia Hodnik	Jacob Shapiro
Brian Hoskins	Nicole Spatz
Patti Jindra	David Thomas
Edward Johnson	Richard Yager
Ann Kattner	Jodi Zaremba

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**.



**FOR THE WEEKENDS
OF 1/28 - 2/5/2023**

The Mass		For	
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M.			
ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	Pat Eckman
Sun	7 am	†	Elizabeth Wirsch
	9 am	†	Leon Metz
	11 am	†	Augustina Fuentes
Tuesday - Friday, Rosary Prayed at 7:30 a.m.			
Tues	8 am	†	Mark Mucek
Wed	8 am	†	Peter Lee
Thur	8 am (1)	†	Mary Bednarz
	(2)	†	Anthony & Marion Vallango
Fri	8 am (1)	†	Michael Frer
	(2)	†	Rita Chinni
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M.			
ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	Richard Seil
Sun	7 am	†	Rita Chinni
	9 am	†	Ann Kretchmer
	11 am	†	Anna Lukaczyk



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**Saturday, February 4th
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**Monday, February 6th
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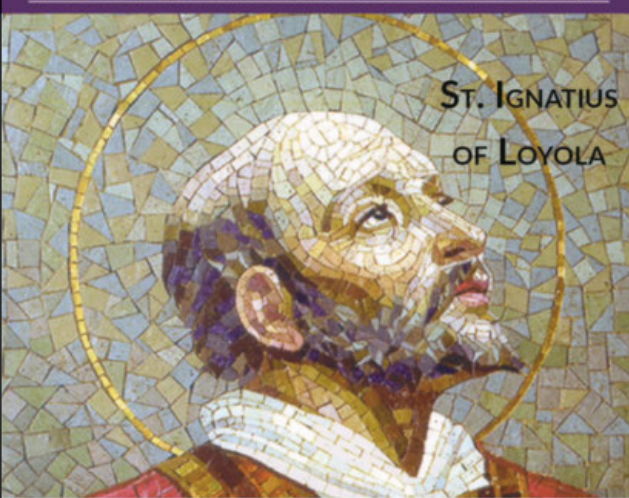
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	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 1/28 4:00 pm	Nettie Toms	Kathie Toms	Chad Franckowiak Denise Wahls
Sunday 1/29 7:00 am	Eleanor Murphy	Deacon Mark	Shaun Gosselin Scott Hastings
9:00 am	Steve Besetzny	DeAnne Besetzny	Paul Leali Jeff Miller
11:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Mike Rygiel	Gary Miller
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 2/4 4:00 pm	Carol Magnine	Barbara Galloway	Phil Webb George Gemberling
Sunday 2/5 7:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim David Smid
9:00 am	Bill Ledger	Deacon Mark	Ron Hlavin Larry Hauser
11:00 am	Joanne Prato	Susan Straley	Zach Rygiel
Extraordinary Ministers for the Homebound			
January 29th - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Maria Sullivan, Mary Seil, Peggy Neuman & Kathleen Van Ella			
February 5th - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Paul Serio, Jacqui Wold, Maria Sullivan & Lisa Bilik			

What are the Spiritual Exercises?
SILENT WEEKEND RETREAT FOR ADULTS
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Sanctuary Course for Catholics

Would you value joining others in a conversation about mental health?

Would you like to discover what God, Scripture, and Church have to say in light of the experiences of mental health challenges? The subject matter feels particularly relevant in these times of heightened anxiety, and the course creates an opportunity to connect with and support each other in meaningful ways.

About the Course:

The Sanctuary Course for Catholics is an eight-part course for small groups designed to raise awareness and start conversations in local parishes regarding mental health. It was created in collaboration with Catholic mental health professionals, theologians, and clergy, and offers faith communities the opportunity to learn about mental health and grow in their ability to support members living with mental health challenges.

Topics covered include: mental health and mental illness, stigma, recovery, companionship, self-care, and community. *The sessions are accompanied by compelling films that feature the stories of Catholics living with mental health challenges, along with the insight of archbishops, theologians, and psychologists.*

Catholic Charities invites you to join them in viewing and discussing the Sanctuary Course for Catholics. We will view the films together followed by group discussion.

There is no homework and no cost to attend.

Course is appropriate for all adults.

begins Wednesday, March 1

from 7:00 - 8:30 pm

for 8 consecutive weeks,

skipping Holy Week,

using Microsoft Teams online.

Register: cmhm@rockforddiocese.org

You will be sent a link and course book via email.

Website: StPeterCatholicChurch.org

Email: SaintPetersChurch@gmail.com

Office Hours: Tue. - Thu. 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.,
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Confessions: Sat. 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. (or by appointment)

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, January 29th

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

• **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 6:45 am**

• **Sacramental Instruction Classes - 6:00 pm**

Monday, January 30th

• **Faith Formation Class Grades 1, 3 & 4 - 5:00 pm**

• **Faith Formation Class Grade 5 - 6:30 pm**

Tuesday, January 31st

Wednesday, February 1st

• **Spiritual Warfare Rosary - 6:00 pm**

Thursday, February 2nd

• **Choir Practice - 7:00 pm**

Friday, February 3rd

Saturday, February 4th

• **Adoration After the 4:00 pm Mass until 6:45 am**

Sunday, February 5th

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

• **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 6:45 am**

• **K of C - Sausage Making Class - Parish Hall - 1:00 pm**

• **Sacramental Instruction Classes - 6:00 pm**

My daughter was driving through Spring Grove one evening and, unfortunately, she has inherited my "lead foot!" She heard a siren blare and pulled over with a sigh. A city policeman pulled in behind her and walked to her window carrying his ticket book. As he bent down to the window to talk to her, my 4 year-old grandson, who was secured in his car seat, spoke up, "Hey, you're a policeman, hi!"

Now my precocious grandson was very fond of policemen. His mother was friends with the police in the small town and he interacted with them often. The policeman looked into the backseat and said, "Hi." Before he could say anything more my grandson spoke up again, "Do you have one those sticky badges for me?" The policeman said, "No" and turned to my daughter. My grandson says, "Well, that's not very nice. Do you have any colors and a coloring book for me?" Policeman looks at him again and replies, "No." My grandson says, "Well, that's not very nice. Can I see your badge?" Policeman says, still politely, "No." Grandson repeats, "Well, that's not very nice..."



As my grandson continues his chattering requests to see and to do various things with the policeman's assistance, the officer finally turns to my daughter. He asks if she's aware she was speeding? She replied, "Yes, Sir." He then rhetorically asks, "Where were you going in such a hurry?" My daughter then looks up at the policeman with the most patient expression in her eyes and says, "I'm taking my son to stay overnight at his grandma's house." The policeman looked up from his ticket book, looked again at the young son that was still calling out requests from the backseat, and closed his ticket book.

Without further hesitation, he turned away and said, "You have a nice night, Ma'am and keep the speed down" as he returned to his cruiser and drove away.

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 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.

ANOIDTING 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

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