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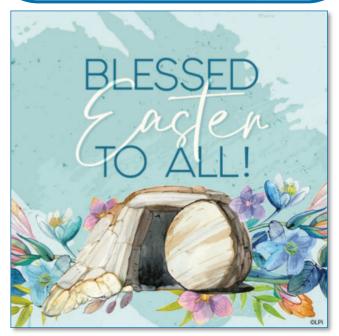
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For they did not yet understand the Scripture that He had to rise from the dead.

Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023

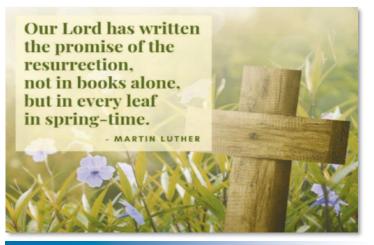
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If you didn't remember to bring back your Lenten Alms for the Justice Development and Peace Commission in the Maiduguri Diocese of Nigeria, please bring it back to the Church or Parish Office as soon as you can.

Don't delay any longer, the victims of Boka Haram desperately need our help! The sooner our sacrificial gift is given, the faster it will get to Fr. Bature who is helping save lives.



LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We are witnesses of all that Christ has done – in our lives, in our souls, in our hearts. We have seen the empty tomb. We have touched the abandoned burial cloths. "Go tell My brothers," Jesus commands us. "Do not be afraid."

Choose New Life at Easter

"... I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse; therefore choose life, that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice, and cleaving to him; for that means life to you and length of days..." (Deuteronomy 30:19-20)

When the Israelites were poised to enter the land God had promised them, Moses wanted all to understand what was at stake. He didn't want them to just enter the Promised Land, Moses wanted them to remain there with God's blessing. So Moses put the choice facing all of God's people in the clearest possible terms. When we choose to follow God, we choose life over death.

The choice is still ours. We can say "yes" or "no" to God's love. While our choices lead to consequences, it is still up to us.

When we live within God's laws, we choose life. Honesty over lies and deceit, self-control over sinful pleasure, generosity over selfishness. This is how we choose new life with God.



COMPLETE PARDON

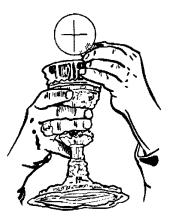
Next weekend is Divine Mercy Sunday and Jesus gave *Sr. Faustina Kowalska;* a message of mercy to be spread throughout the world. "I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My Mercy. Then He said to me, My daughter, fear nothing. I am always with you, even if it seems to you that I am not. Your humility draws Me down from My lofty throne, and I unite Myself closely with you" (Diary, 1109).

POWERFUL GIFTS OF EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION

As the "source and summit of our faith," the Eucharist is the greatest of God's gifts. During the Easter season, resolve to look at the Eucharist with new eyes of gratitude and strengthened devotion:

Return love for Love:

The Eucharist is not a symbol; it is Jesus Christ. He loves us beyond imagining - personally, closely, sacrificially, and tenderly. In adoring, receiving, and loving the Blessed Sacrament, we're returning love for Love.



Fuel for the fight:

The Eucharist nourishes and strengthens our

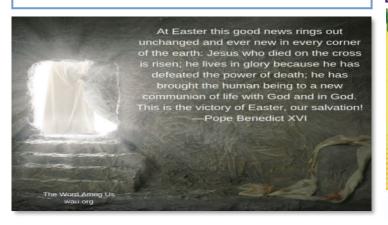
souls. "How can we last... without hearing Jesus say, 'I love you' - impossible..."

(Mother Teresa). The Eucharist strengthens against temptations and protects form mortal sins.

Source of Joy: The Eucharist is a glimpse of Heaven, a foretaste of the heavenly banquet, and a pledge of future glory. St John Vianney commented, "If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy."

Wisdom and guidance: As Chancellor of England, St. Thomas More; received Communion daily for "light and wisdom" in his administrative decisions. We can turn to the Blessed Sacrament for guidance whenever we have weighty decisions, questions, or doubts.

Communion empowers us to love: "Even as I have loved you...you also love one another" (John 13:34). Jesus specifically told His followers to love others as we've been loved. Receiving the Eucharist worthily empowers us to love like Him.



THE EASTER CELEBRATION

After Mass, many of us are swept up in a dizzying Easter timeline full of brightness and pastels, rushing from Mass to Easter egg hunts to lunch or dinner that may leave kids and adults alike exhausted. But our Easter celebrations and traditions are important because they mark this day as the most joyful of all celebrations, indeed the greatest event in human history. The Lord Jesus is calling us to new life in Him! We take this time to celebrate and reflect on what this

means. After His resurrection. Jesus revealed Himself over time to His Apostles. But before they saw Jesus and truly understood He had risen from the dead, they



experienced great sadness and fear. In the same way for us, we must remember that there is no Easter without the suffering and darkness of Good Friday. St. Paul tells us in the second reading that, in order to celebrate the feast, we must "clear out the old yeast, so that [we] may become a fresh batch of dough." We can't celebrate with "the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness" – we must let Christ purify our hearts and fill them with His Truth.

Prayers and Squares Meeting Thursday, April 13th at 1:30 p.m.

in the Parish Hall

Please join us for a social afternoon making shawls and blankets for people in need of comfort and prayers. There is yarn available to make a shawl or blanket and we



will teach you to knit or crochet if you do not know how or need a refresher course. All the skills you'll need is to be able to operate a pair of scissors and tie a knot. If you would like a shawl or blanket for yourself or another person, please call/text Elaine at 815-341-8498 or call the Parish Office.





Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from April 9th through April 22nd for † Clarence Shastal

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 Robert Fenrich Carol Flatley James Formeller Julia Francis Gail Gagnon Mikey Galloway Glenn Geske Lvnn Geske Ann Marie Gillespie Anthony Hodnik Patricia Hodnik **Brian Hoskins** Patti Jindra **Edward Johnson** Lee Jones, Sr.

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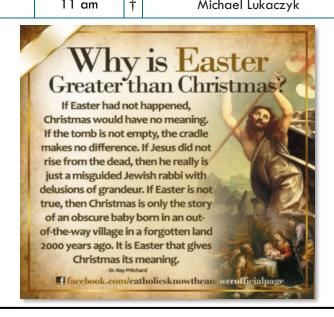
If you know someone who is sick and asking for prayer, but they are not registered members of our parish family, please allow us to solicit support for them by adding their names to our Prayer Chain Ministry. Just visit StPeterCatholicChurch.org and after clicking where it reads CONTACT US, simply follow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

Morris, an 82 year old man, went to the doctor for his yearly physical. A few days later, the doctor saw Morris walking down the street with a gorgeous young woman on his arm. When Moe came to the office for his follow-up visit, the doctor said, "You're really doing great, aren't you?" Morris replied, "Well Doc, I'm just doing what you told me to do, 'Get a hot momma and be cheerful!" The doctor said, "That's not what I said, Morris! I said, 'You've got a heart murmur; be careful."



FOR THE WEEKENDS OF 4/8 - 4/16/2023

The Mass			For			
EASTER VIGIL						
Sat	7:30 pm		Piotrak Family			
EASTER SUNDAY						
Sun	7 am	†	Thad Bednarz			
	9 am	†	Richard Seil			
	11 am	†	Paul & Anna Rygiel			
Tuesday - Friday, Rosary Prayed at 7:30 a.m.						
Tues	8 am		Holy Souls in Purgatory			
Wed	8 am	†	Anthony D'Andrea			
Thur	8 am	†	Leon Metz			
Fri	8 am	†	Arnold, Isabelle, and Melvin (<i>Fuzz</i>) May			
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY						
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.						
Sat			Maggie Arseneau			
Sun	7 am	†	Boleslaw Wysocki			
	9 am	†	Richard Seil			
	11 am	†	Michael Lukaczyk			



"BUT THE ANGEL SAID TO THE WOMEN, 'DO NOT BE AFRAID; FOR I KNOW THAT YOU SEEK JESUS WHO WAS CRUCIFIED. HE IS NOT HERE; FOR HE HAS RISEN, AS HE SAID. COME, SEE THE PLACE WHERE HE LAY" (MATTHEW 28:5-6).

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers			
EASTER SUNDAY						
Saturday 4/8 4:00 pm	Bill Ledger	Deacon Mark	Chad Franckowiak Denise Wahls			
Sunday 4/9 7:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim	Shaun Gosselin Scott Hastings			
9:00 am	Joanne Prato	Mary Seil	Paul Leali Jeff Miller			
11:00 am	Mary Yager	Jacqui Wold	Tom Fanella John Ellicson			
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY						
Saturday 4/15 4:00 pm	Carol Magnine	Deacon Mark	Phil Webb Gary Miller			
Sunday 4/16 7:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim David Smid			
9:00 am	Ardie Arnold	Nancy Piggot	Chad Franckowiak Larry Hauser			
11:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Mike Rygiel	Mike Gordon Rich Yager			



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April 9th - Easter Sunday

No Homebound Communion

April 16th - Divine Mercy Sunday

Nancy Piggot, Don Piggot, Maria Sullivan & Lisa Bilik

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CATHOLIC

Easter Sunday and Object Permanence

When you play peekaboo with a very young baby who has not yet developed object permanence, you actually feel kind of mean. As soon as your hands obscure your face, their little eyes widen with alarm and their expression crumbles into confusion and despair.

Because they can no longer see you, they believe you no longer exist. Their little brains are unable to understand that just because a thing cannot be seen, it is still there, still alive, still full of love and care and protection.

Aw, man, you can hear them thinking. I guess I don't have a mom anymore.

On Easter morning, Mary Magdalene sees the burial cloth but no body. Her human mind makes sense of the situation the best way it knows how, she assumes the Lord has been taken. I'm sure I would have thought the same thing, in her position.

She cannot conceive, on her own, the reality that Christ has risen from the dead. It doesn't matter that he has told his disciples again and again that this will happen. They weren't ready to understand then.

In many ways, Easter is when the human race really achieved object permanence. But we still struggle with it, don't we? I certainly do. So often I can be heard accusing God: "You weren't there. Where were you? I couldn't find you."

But I looked for him in the flesh. I looked for him in the stale yeast of the world — in money or success or affirmation or (worst of all) convenience and pleasure. Of course, I would not find him there, among the dead.

Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.

— Colossians 3:2

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Recently, Fr. Joe lost 15 lbs. wearing bread on his head. It's a new loaf hat diet.



A huge block of cheddar fell from the sky and crushed a photographer. The people, whose picture he was taking, did warn him.

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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, April 9th - Easter Sunday

• Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - Masses

7:00 am, 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Monday, April 10th Tuesday, April 11th

• K of C Business Meeting - Parish Hall - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, April 12th

Spiritual Warfare Rosary - Church - 6:00 pm

Thursday, April 13th

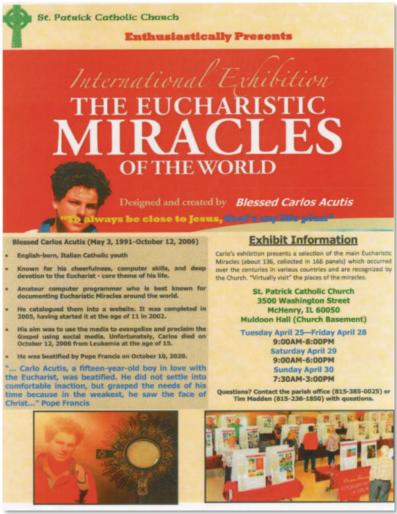
- Prayers & Squares Parish Hall 1:30 pm
- Choir Practice 7:00 pm

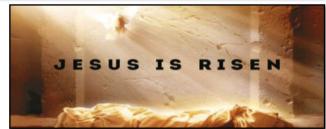
Friday, April 14th

Saturday, April 15th

Sunday, April 16th - Divine Mercy Sunday

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







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.

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