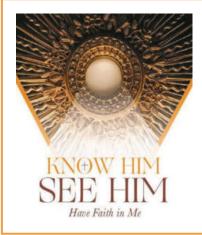


SAVING A Mass for the Infirmed SEATFOR is Live-Streamed every Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. visit us at: StPeterCatholicChurch.org

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

It wasn't until Christ spoke the words of blessing over the bread that the eyes of the disciples were opened, and they saw Him for who He was—God in flesh and blood before them. The Eucharist makes real what we otherwise would fail to see.



Next weekend, Father Joe will 'officially' introduce this year's Diocesan Appeal. There are numerous reasons why support of the annual appeal is so important, and among those reasons is that it directly benefits our St. Peter family! It's true. Here, in Spring Grove, we utilize many pastoral and educational services provided by the diocese. We receive help from the Office of Divine Worship, Catholic Charities and we even rely on IT support from the diocese! And that's naming only a few!

Another reason why our participation is important is because unless we meet our goal of \$52,941, any remaining amount due would be withdrawn from our savings account. However, all money received over and above our goal, will be returned to St. Peter and used for our own ministries and parish upkeep. Everyone's support is needed!

Save the Date!

Faith, Family & Fellowship Night Saturday, May 6th

The 4th and final Faith, Family & Fellowship event for this school year is coming soon!

Plan to attend the 4:00 pm Mass

with our Faith Community and then join together for the rest of the evening in the Parish Hall for some Faith, Family & Fun time.

Ending at approximately 6:30 pm!

May is devoted to Our Blessed Mother.

In honor of Our Lady of Fatima, we will learn important facts surrounding this feast day, make a rosary and process out to the Our Lady of Fatima Shrine and present Mary with a flower for her garden.

If you are a Faith Formation Family, please check your email and RSVP for this event A.S.A.P.

CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD

<u>Every Saturday</u> from 3:00 p.m. until 3:45 p.m. Or call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment!

Catholics confess their sins to priests because priests act as God's duly authorized ambassadors. "Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed" (James 5:16).

A young cowboy was explaining to the boys back at the ranch about his first visit to church.

"When I got there, they had me park my truck in the corral," he began.

"You mean the parking lot," interrupted a more worldly, wise cowboy.

"I walked up the trail to the door," the first cowboy continued.

"The sidewalk," the second corrected.

"Inside the door, I was met by this dude," the first went on.

"Probably an usher," the second explained.

"Well, the usher led me down the chute," the first said.

"You mean the aisle," the second corrected again.

"Then he had me sit in a stall," the first continued.

"Pew," the second cowboy said.

"Yeah," recalled the first, "that's what the lady beside me said."

The Road To Emmaus

"Were not our hearts burning within us while He spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?""





The Lord God has given me a well-trained tongue, that I may know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. Isaiah 50:4

One of the most visible roles in the Mass is that of a Lector and it is also one of the most important, because it is through the lector that the Word of God is proclaimed to people in the New and Old Testaments. There's almost a 'sacredness' to that responsibility, because *how* a lector proclaims God's Word can bring nearly as much comfort to a community as the Word itself.

A lector who truly wants to be effective will always study and pray the Scriptures before each liturgical assignment. It is prayer and practice that will separate a person who merely reads from one who genuinely proclaims. They should have a clear and steady voice, and utilizing the reading skills they were taught since they were in grade school, they should easily develop a technique and style that is personal and effective.

For our seasoned lectors, as well as parishioners who are eager to learn more about this vital ministry, an evening workshop will be held on Tuesday May 9th beginning at 7:00 pm in the church.

This will not be a "been-there-done-that" type of meeting that covers the same 'ol topics on procedures and protocol. Our presenter for the 1 hour meeting will be John McGrath, who was the Director of Educational Services for our Diocese for over 32 years! He is a fantastic, engaging teacher and will talk about the spirituality of the ministry, responsibilities away from the ambo as well as sharing some practical aspects that have proven to be very effective.

We hope you will come!



Attention St. Peter's Athletes

We are starting softball again beginning on Monday, May 1st and looking for players who would like to come out and have some fun with fellow parishioners and share fellowship with neighboring churches.

Games are played Monday evenings at 6:30 pm, 7:30 pm or 8:30 pm at the township

(behind the Moose Lodge) or other nearby parks.

Anyone who is interested can contact Tom Boettjer at 773-875-3976.

Thank you for your time and PLAY BALL!

What you Wear To Mass Makes A Statement!

The way you dress for Mass is a statement to yourself and to others around you. Ask yourself the important question as you dress yourself to attend Mass.

Is the Mass just another activity or is it really important to you?

As Catholics, we believe in the Incarnation, so allowing the spiritual to be manifested into the physical is what makes dressing for Mass so meaningful.

You're going to Mass to learn, to grow spiritually, to come into the REAL PRESENCE of JESUS.

Why not begin by showing your family, friends, and neighbors just how extraordinary Mass is from head to toe (freshly combed hair and dress shoes) No beachwear, No shorts, No T-shirts, No clothes that are revealing!

Others around you, will see the respect and reverence and understand that this isn't just a casual gathering.

The Mass is to be treated HONORABLY, and the external expression of our spiritual faith is evangelical; it teaches; it spreads the Good News of Christ to ourselves, our families, friends and others who witness our efforts of neatness and attention to detail.

Dressing up for Mass isn't a fashion competition, as if the better you dress, the holier you are. Rather, it's a way for each person to dress differently than their ordinary attire for school, for football/baseball games or for even lazy Sunday afternoons. Because Mass is not ordinary; it's Extraordinary!

Keep in mind from the moment you start getting dressed for Mass you are preparing your hearts for Communion with your Savior, which calls for your utmost reverence and gratitude.



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from April 23rd through May 6th for

† Bruno & Genevieve Witek & the Snarski Family

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:

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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.





FOR THE WEEKENDS OF 4/22 - 4/30/2023

The Mass

For

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M.
ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.

Sat	4 pm	†	Aaron Brandstetter		
Sun	7 am		Dan & Theresa Miller Family		
	9 am	†	Stanley Tinsley		
	11 am		Shapiro Family		
Tuesday - Friday, Rosary Prayed at 7:30 a.m.					
Tues	8 am	†	Conrad Otsuka		
Wed	8 am		Witek Family		
Thur	8 am	†	Peter Keim		
Fri	8 am	†	John & Christine Weidemann		

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M.
ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.

Sat	4 pm	†	Edward & Tillie Beres	
Sun	7 am	†	Don Wagner	
	9 am	†	Frank & Henrietta Jarmoluk	
	11 am		Ruiz Family	



PROJECT RACHEL A MESSAGE TO THOSE IN NEED OF POST-ABORTIVE HEALING

I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an abortion. The Church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. Certainly what happened was and remains terribly wrong. But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope. Try rather to understand what happened and face it honestly. If you have not already done so, give yourselves over with humility and trust to repentance. The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. To the same Father and his mercy you can with sure hope entrust your child. With the friendly and expert help and advice of other people, and as a result of your own painful experience, you can be among the most eloquent defenders of everyone's right to life. Through your commitment to life, whether by accepting the birth of other children or by welcoming and caring for those most in need of someone to be close to them, you will become promoters of a new way of looking at human life.

Pope St. John Paull II Gospel of Life, 99

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	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers					
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER								
Saturday 4/22 4:00 pm	Tom Straley	Susan Straley	Chad Franckowiak Denise Wahls					
Sunday 4/23 7:00 am	Bill Ledger	Deacon Mark	Shaun Gosselin Scott Hastings					
9:00 am	Karyn Leali	Paul Leali	Paul Leali Jeff Miller					
11:00 am	Peggy Mack	Marge Ladner	Tom Fanella John Ellicson					
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER								
Saturday 4/29 4:00 pm	Sandi Wesinger	Heather Justen	Phil Webb George Gemberling					
Sunday 4/30 7:00 am	Eleanor Murphy	Bill Ledger	Dennis Wehrheim David Smid					
9:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Deacon Mark	Chad Franckowiak Larry Hauser					
11:00 am	Mary Yager	Mike Gullifor	Zach Rygiel Mike Gordon					

Extraordinary Ministers for the Homebound

April 23rd - Third Sunday of Easter

Maria Sullivan, Thomas Gough, Steve Besetzny & Peggy Neuman

April 30th - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Paul Serio, Bev Schmitt, Mary Seil & Georgene Keim



CATHOLIC

"I Am Not Afraid — I Was Born to Do This."

Have you ever felt like you weren't doing the work you should be doing?

We have all had jobs that leave us feeling unfulfilled. Bored. Dreading the next day. We may even experience a sensation of unfamiliarity, of being unable to recognize ourselves.

Most of us have also been lucky enough to have a job that we love — a vocation, a calling that makes us look in the mirror and think, This. *This is who I'm supposed to be. I recognize this person.*

For me, that work is the work of marriage and motherhood. The hours are terrible, the pay is even worse, and my coworkers are frequently disappointed in me — but it doesn't matter. When I look in the mirror every morning and see my tired, wrinkled face gazing back, choruses of "I said I don't want the BLUE SHIRT, MOMMY, ugh!" and "Honey, I've got an early meeting, I'm so sorry but I have to run," ringing in the background, I think to myself: I recognize this girl. She was born to do this.

Christ's own disciples did not recognize him on the road to Emmaus. It wasn't until he took the bread and broke it that their eyes were opened, and they realized they had known it all along — "Were not our hearts burning within us?"

In that moment, Christ was doing the very work he was born to do, making the sacrifice.

I don't know what kind of vocation you are called to. I don't know what kind of work reveals your true self. But I hope that whatever work you are doing, you can look in the mirror and feel your heart burning within you.

"He was made known to them in the breaking of bread." — Luke 24:35

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

A Prayer for those

WHO ARE WEAK, SUFFERING AND VULNERABLE.

LOVING GOD, YOU ARE ALWAYS NEAR TO US, ESPECIALLY WHEN WE ARE WEAK, SUFFERING AND VULNERABLE.

Reach out to those who experience mental illness. Lift their burdens, calm their anxiety, and quiet their fears. Surround them with your healing presence that they may know that they are not alone. We ask this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes and in the name of your Son, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. AMEN.

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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 23rd - Third Sunday of Easter

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

Monday, April 24th

- Faith Formation Class Grades 1, 3, & 4 5:00 pm
- Faith Formation Class Grade 5 6:30 pm

Tuesday, April 25th

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

Wednesday, April 26th

• Spiritual Warfare Rosary - Church - 6:00 pm

Thursday, April 27th

- Choir Practice 7:00 pm
- Bunco Setup

Friday, April 28th

• Ladies Night Out! - Bunco! - Parish Hall - 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 29th

Sunday, April 30th - Fourth Sunday of Easter

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

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"To always be close to Jesus, that's my life plan."

~ Carlos Acutis ~



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

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