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Please contact Judy at 1st Way 815-385-2999 for available time slots!

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before Jesus.**

Bring them to Church.

Mark 9:42

ARE YOU AND YOUR SPOUSE CELEBRATING A SPECIAL MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY IN 2023?



Last Opportunity to Register!

Couples celebrating the milestone wedding anniversaries of 25th, 50th, 55th, 60th, 65th and 70th or more years of marriage in 2023 are invited to a special Mass in their honor at St. Mary Parish in Huntley on Sunday, August 20th at 2:30 pm, celebrated by Bishop David J. Malloy. A cake and punch reception will immediately follow.

The Life & Family Evangelization Office welcomes your registration by phone at 815-399-4300 or online at www.rockforddiocese.org/anniversary by August 4th.

Commemorative certificates to mark this special occasion will be available for those who pre-register for this event.

LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

When the disciples cannot understand something, they approach Jesus, and beseech Him to explain. Let us be this forthcoming when we are discerning the will of God or struggling with a decision. Let us ask Him to explain in words we can understand.



Do you love your faith and helping children? Then, combine the two and share your faith with our Parish Faith Formation program during the next school year! We need teachers for the 5th, 6th & 7th grades. Contact Aimee Thomas, our Director of Faith Formation at:
FaithFormationStPeters@gmail.com
or 815-342-6318 for more details.



Faith Formation

Information and registration forms for St. Peter's Faith Formation is available on our parish website! Registration forms must be completed and submitted prior to August 15th. Kindly note that this is neither a suggestion nor a guideline. It has been carved in stone, just like the Ten Commandments. First Communion students must have a year of religion classes before beginning preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion, which are typically in Grade 2. Confirmation preparation is a two-year program, typically starting in Grade 7. For more information, give Aimee Thomas a call at: 815-342-6318 or send her an email at:
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Evangelize

While the sacraments can fortify our faith, what about our neighbors, friends or family who are not Catholic or who have fallen away from the Church? This is where evangelization comes in—inviting someone to join you at Mass or suggesting a religious book they might enjoy reading. If you don't think such a simple act could make much difference in the life of another, take heart in the parables contained in the long form of today's Gospel. In those, Jesus reminds us that it doesn't take much to spread the Good News of the Kingdom of Heaven.

The smallest of seeds can turn into the largest of plants and a small amount of yeast can leaven much flour. And if we have moments where we lack courage or feel in need of assistance, St. Paul reminds us that *"the Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness."* Never underestimate the power of the Advocate: He can help us pray, can intercede for us, and provide what we need to be good seed in the world.



Many parishioners have already seen the movie *Sound of Freedom* and have been enlightened and greatly moved by the film. Two million children a year, throughout the world,

go missing, never to be seen or heard from again. Sold into trafficking; it is happening right under our noses. More than 100,000 children have crossed the Mexico border since the gates were opened and 84,000 have vanished and no one is looking for them.

We encourage all adults to check our local theaters for showtimes. Be informed and don't miss *Sound of Freedom*.

St. Peter's Annual Golf Outing **Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus**

Noon on Sunday, August 13th

All Proceeds Benefit 1st Way Life Center

Location: Twin Lakes CC, Twin Lakes, WI

9 holes of golf includes a cart, light snack and dinner — \$100 per person
(Plus a 9 hole gift certificate)
Dinner only—\$35 per person

Registration Forms can be found at Church entrances.

Forms can be dropped off with your payment at the Parish Office or dropped in the Offertory Basket labelled, Golf Outing!



A member of the Knights of Columbus will be outside the main entrance of the Church after all Masses.



For centuries, people have turned to the Catholic Church to find the answers to the deepest, hardest and even the most basic questions of everyday life.

Do you have questions about the Catholic Faith? Are you a Christian of a different faith background who wants to learn more about the Catholic Faith? Is God calling you to consider joining and living the Catholic Faith? Do you know someone who is interested in learning about the Catholic Faith? Are you an adult Catholic in need of completing your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation & First Eucharist)?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, please join us to explore God's call in your life and to further develop a personal relationship with Christ. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the inquiry and formation process for adults interested in the Catholic Faith.

For more information about RCIA, call Paul & Karyn Leali at 847-337-5043.



**The image on the right is a giraffe head.
To the left is an elephant head.
But what do you see if you flip this
bulletin upside down?**



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from
July 16th through July 29th 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	Ronald Klein
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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**.

Pray

Let us pray this week for the strength to live out our baptismal promise to reject evil, and to gain courage so as to be a witness to God, and to work toward building His Kingdom on earth wherever and whenever we can. *Amen.*



**FOR THE WEEKENDS
OF 7/22 - 7/30/2023**

The Mass		For	
SIXTEENTH 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		Peggy Leskin
Sun	7 am		People with Special Needs!
	9 am (1)	†	Jerry Smith
	(2)	†	Norm Glandon
	11 am	†	John & Christine Wiedemann
Tuesday - Friday, Rosary Prayed at 7:30 a.m.			
Tues	8 am		Keith & Meghan Brandstetter
Wed	8 am	†	Ryan Sullivan
Thur	8 am (1)	†	Matthew J. Scholle
	(2)	†	Ann Clair Gemberling
Fri	8 am	†	Raymond & Joan Polak
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ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	Mark Mucek
Sun	7 am		Rygiel Family
	9 am	†	Kristina & Jerry Tomaszewski
	11 am		Mark Vallango & Carol Flatley

Saturday with the Saints

at St. Benedict Abbey Retreat Center, Benet Lake, WI
Saturday, July 29, from 10:00-2:00pm
Presented by Bro. Matthew



You

and



The Saints

Participants must register.

Call to reserve your spot at 262-396-4311, ext. 105

Fee \$10 per person, lunch included

Registration Closes Thursday, July 27

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 7/22 4:00 pm	Sandi Wesinger	Nettie Toms	Chad Franckowiak George Gemberling
Sunday 7/23 7:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim David Smid
9:00 am	Kathy Rietschel	Deacon Mark	Paul Leali Ron Hlavin
11:00 am	Susan Straley	Carol Rygiel	Mike Gordon Tom Straley
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 7/29 4:00 pm	Jerry Bodden	Carol Rygiel	Phill Webb Denise Wahls
Sunday 7/30 7:00 am	Carol Magnine	Cyndee Wehrheim	Shaun Gosselin Scott Hastings
9:00 am	Steve Besetzny	DeAnne Besetzny	Jeff Miller Tom Fanella
11:00 am	Peggy Mack	Deacon Mark	Rich Yager Zach Rygiel
Extraordinary Ministers for the Homebound			
July 23rd - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Deacon Mark, Thomas Gough, Maria Sullivan & Peggy Neuman			
July 30th - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Deacon Mark, Bev Schmitt, Mary Seil & Steve Besetzny			



A Chemistry instructor asked his class if they knew that protons had mass?

Little Johnnie replied, "I had no idea they were even Catholic!"



Gospel Meditation

Patience is rooted in Hope (*an image of a bush filled with birds would be great*).

Life, like the Church, is often burdened with evil, smallness, and impurities. The Lord's parables give us a hope-filled perspective on all three.

Evil: In Jesus' parable about the good farmer whose enemy plants weeds at night, Jesus tells us that God is not the cause of evil but permits evil to exist with good out of His patient love. He will finally deal with it, but His love lets things stay messy for a time.

Smallness: It's funny that Jesus says His Kingdom looks like... wait for it... a bush. What a letdown! Yet this little shrub still somehow has room for all the birds of the sky.



The smallness of the Church, and even our own little lives, still provides plenty of room for all whom God sends.

Impurities: Divisions and hypocrisies in the Church and our own hearts exasperate us. Recall that Jesus compares His Kingdom to a lump of dough with impure leaven eating away at it and therefore making it expand. It's the secret of the Cross. Not how we'd prefer it. But finally, great news.

The field, the bush, the loaf: All three parables invite us to embrace a patience rooted in hope: one day the field will be weeded, the bush filled with birds, and the risen loaf leaven free.

~ Fr. John Muir ~



CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD

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

Or call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment!

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.

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, July 23rd - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

• **K of C Installation of Officers - Parish Hall - 11:00 am**

Monday, July 24th

Tuesday, July 25th

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

Wednesday, July 26th

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

Thursday, July 27th

• **Grief Support Group - Upstairs Conference Room - 5:00 pm**

• **Choir Practice - 7:00 pm**

Friday, July 28th

Saturday, July 29th

• **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all Night until 6:45 am**

Sunday, July 30th - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



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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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