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Save the Date!

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When? Saturday, October 21st

at 5:00 pm until 6:45 pm

Where? The Parish Hall

Reservations are strongly recommended!

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Reservations/Information contact

Lee M. Jones, Sr.

at 815-675-1264 or

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Hoowee!!! Dat be good!!!



LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Take some time to reflect on the enormity of
what Christ offers us in salvation. Can we find
the strength to offer just a fraction of that to
our brothers and sisters?

*Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed
Mother is a Catholic Bible study that will
bring you on an extraordinary pilgrimage,
revealing Mary's unique role in God's
Kingdom and in our lives.*



Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

is the title of our next bible study and we hope you
will join us on this extraordinary pilgrimage, one
that reveals Mary's unique role in God's Kingdom
and in our lives! Filmed on location in the Holy
Land, this course will place you in the midst of the
powerful drama of her earthly life, taking you
through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn
how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever
closer to her divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way
has the potential to change us! If we allow her into
our lives, we can become more like her Son.

When? Beginning Tuesday, October 17th

Where? The Parish Hall at 9:00 am

Duration? Every Tuesday for 8 weeks

Cost? Just \$13.50 (parish is paying half!)

Reserve your spot and order a workbook by calling
Marcey at 815-675-2288. **Don't delay!**

WEDDING BANNS I

CHRISTOPHER VAN SCOY & ABIGAIL LEALI

"BLESSED be the crisis
that makes you **grow,**
the fall that makes you
look to the sky,
the problem that makes
you seek God."

St. Father Pio of Pietrelcina





"If I'm not willing to change my schedule so that I can spend time with Jesus, then I'm really not a disciple of His."

Fr. Mike Schmitz

**AN AMAZING OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG WOMEN
THAT ARE OPEN TO OR ARE DISCERNING
A RELIGIOUS VOCATION IN OUR DIOCESE.**

THE ROCKFORD POOR CLARE COLETTINE SISTERS
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"COME AND SEE" VISIT FOR YOUNG WOMEN.

Single Women between the ages of 16 and 30 who are discerning a vocation to the wholly contemplative life within the enclosure are welcome to visit our monastery for a "Come and See" visit to discover the tenor of life that binds us together in a family of Spirit."

Date: Saturday, October 7th

Location: Corpus Christi Monastery
2111 South Main Street
Rockford, IL 61102

Time: 9:30 am – 5:30 pm

Ages: 16 – 30

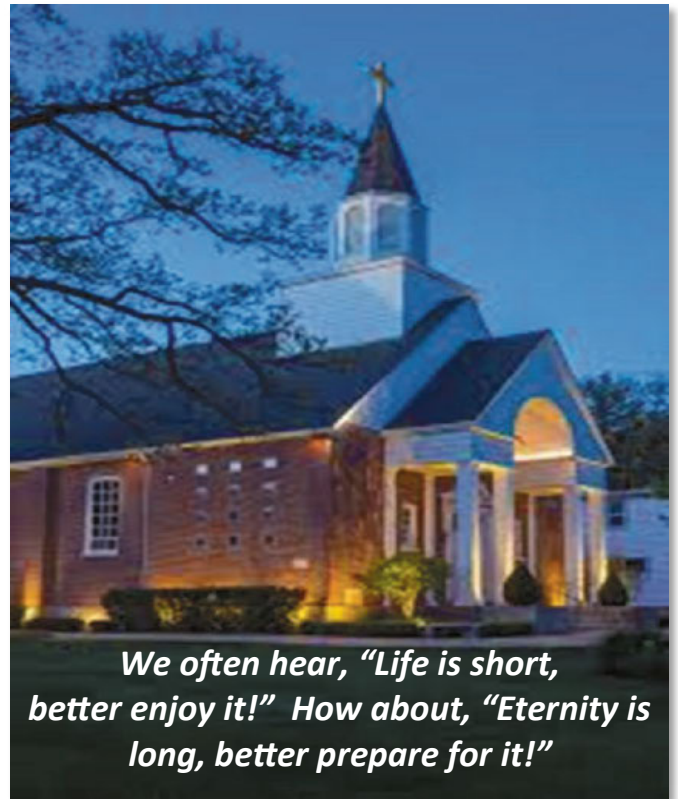
Registration Deadline: Friday, September 29th

The day is FREE of charge and includes:

Talks by the Sisters, praying with the community, lunch and social time, a Eucharistic Holy Hour, Benediction and more!

Please bring a journal and remember that modest chapel attire is appropriate.

*For more information and registration available at
RockfordPoorClares.org*



We often hear, "Life is short, better enjoy it!" How about, "Eternity is long, better prepare for it!"

The McHenry County
Conservation District
Police Department
invites you and your
fellowship to join our
"Faith & Blue" Event
being held on Saturday, October 7th.



FAITH & BLUE

Faith & Blue is a nationwide event promoting the unity of our community's two greatest healers, our faith leaders and our law enforcement officers. It is designed for us to come together bound by our common abilities rather than being divided by our differences.

Participants will meet at Richmond-Burton High School at 9:00 a.m. and partake in a three mile bike ride via the Prairie Trail to the Lost Valley Visitor's Center in Glacial Park where light refreshments and snacks will be served while our meeting location is devoted to an open-floor discussion. The event will come to a close with the same three mile bike ride back to Richmond-Burton High School arriving by 11:00 a.m.

We encourage participants to partake in any part of the event or timeframe in which they are able to.

Pre-registration is not required!

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact us via phone at 815-338-6223 or email at police@mccdDistrict.org

We hope you'll join us!

Gospel Meditation

When I was in second grade, my prized possession was a metal Star Wars-themed lunch box. After school one day, another student ripped it from my hands. I helplessly watched in horror as my classmate threw it to the ground and violently stomped it into an unrecognizable heap of junk. I came home covered in tears of shame and rage. After a few months, I never thought about it again... until I was almost thirty years old and on a retreat to prepare for ordination to the priesthood.



That childhood memory—and the attendant outrage—came back afresh. My spiritual director helped me in the process of acknowledging that I was angry because that kid owed me my lunch box. Then she helped me, through the grace of Jesus, to forgive the debt. Almost immediately I felt a new peace. I was amazed that I hadn't forgotten what I had lost, even from years before. Aren't we human beings simply amazing at remembering what people owe us?

We see this week in Jesus' parable a servant who is forgiven much but then commands another servant: "Pay back what you owe!" He can't forget or let go of how he was wronged. He remembers—and he becomes a monster because of it. If only he had remembered not only the debts owed to him, but also his greater debt owed to—and forgiven by—his master. It's natural for us to remember what others owe us. But when we contextualize those offenses in Jesus' mercy toward us and them, we're free to be merciful like the Master and less like a monster who never forgets.

~ Fr. John Muir ~

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS OFFERED

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

*Or call the Parish Office to schedule
an appointment!*



**FOR THE WEEKENDS
OF 9/16 - 9/24/2023**

The Mass		For	
24TH 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	†	Stanley Tinsley
Sun	7 am	†	Rita Chinni
	9 am	†	Edith Girardi
	11 am	†	Steven Michael
TUESDAY - FRIDAY, ROSARY PRAYED AT 7:30 A.M.			
Tues	8 am (1)	†	Francis Scichowski
	(2)		Kathy Lopia
Wed	8 am (1)	†	Anna Lukaczylk
	(2)	†	Carol & Linda Weiss
Thur	8 am	†	Mary Rabelhofer
Fri	8 am	†	Dr. Les Krieger
25TH 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	†	Mike Frer
Sun	7 am	†	Jeffrey Rietschel
	9 am	†	Walter Miller
	11 am	†	Bob Gritzuk

Dave Smith is on his deathbed and he knows the end is near. His nurse, his wife, his daughter and two sons are at his side.

He asks for 2 independent witnesses to be present and a camcorder to be in place, so that he could record his last wishes. When all was ready, he began to speak.



"My son, Bernie, I want you to take all the houses in Thousand Oaks. My daughter, Sybil, you take all the apartments in McHenry and Crystal Lake. My son, James, I want you to take the offices in the Loop. And Sarah, my dear wife, I want you to have all the homes along the Fox River in Johnsburg."

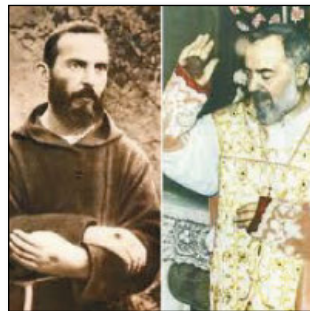
Well, the nurse and witnesses are blown away! They never knew the extent of his holdings. As Dave slips away, the nurse said to his wife, "Mrs. Smith, you have my deepest condolences. Your husband must have been such a hard-working and wonderful man to have accumulated all that property."

"Property?" she replied. "No, he had a window cleaning service."

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 9/16 4:00 pm	Aimee Thomas	Heather Justen	Gary Miller Deb Christian
Sunday 9/17 7:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim	Shaun Gosselin Dennis Wehrheim
9:00 am	Kathy Rietschel	Deacon Mark	Tom Fanella Larry Hauser
11:00 am	Susan Straley	Mike Rygiel	John Ellicson Rich Yager
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 9/23 4:00 pm	Tom Straley	Susan Straley	Chad Franckowiak Denise Wahls
Sunday 9/24 7:00 am	Jeff Kelley	Carol Magnine	Dennis Wehrheim David Smid
9:00 am	Ardie Arnold	Mary Seil	Paul Leali Ron Hlavin
11:00 am	Peggy Mack	Mike Gullifor	Mike Gordon Zach Rygiel
Extraordinary Ministers for the Homebound			
September 17th - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Paul Serio, Lisa Bilik, Kathleen Van Ella & Maria Sullivan			
September 24th - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Eddie Wells, Steve Besetzny, Georgene Keim & Mary Seil			

St. Padre Pio

Born to farmers in 1887, in southern Italy, Francesco Forgione joined the Capuchin Friars at the age of 15, taking the name "Pio." In 1918, St. Pio received the Five Wounds of Our Lord's Passion, called the stigmata, in his body. Renowned for his preaching, holiness, and charity, thousands flocked to him for confession and spiritual direction. Amidst his suffering, he continued to labor for the spiritual and physical well-being of others, founding a hospital that still operates today.



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from September 10th through September 23rd for

+ Steven Michael

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	Rich Lecropane
Gina Adducci	Caroline Madson
Anna Boettjer	Deborah Maliszewski
Debra Cooke	Maria Maziarz
Phyllis Ehlers	Barbara Miller
Deacon Eugene Damian	Earl Miller
Sandy Devine	Sonia Miller
Laura Falk	Sara Mohrbacher
Robert Fenrich	Fr. Thomas Moran
Carol Flatley	Norma Moretti
Gail Gagnon	Denise Meyers
Mikey Galloway	Larry Meyers
Glenn Geske	Carol Nellesen
Lynn Geske	Kelan James Nicholson
Ryan Gough	Carole Nowicki
Anthony Hodnik	Jim Nowicki
Patricia Hodnik	John Paleka
Brian Hoskins	Marsha Ponczkowski
Patti Jindra	Betty Rygiel
Edward Johnson	Debbie Schaff
Lee Jones, Sr.	Jacob Shapiro
Diana Kattner	David Thomas
Ronald Klein	Nettie Toms
Loman Kubista	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.**

Perfect is possible

Jesus said, "...be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Matthew 5:48). Perfection to Jesus means loving God with all our hearts, praying for our enemies, and taking care of the poor. Love and service is the true measure of perfection.

"Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor" Romans 12:9-10.

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Email: SaintPetersChurch@gmail.com

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1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, September 17th - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

• Sacramental Instruction Classes - Grades 2nd & 7th - 6:00 pm

Monday, September 18th

• Faith Formation Classes - Grades 1st, 3rd & 4th - 5:00 pm

• Faith Formation Classes - Grades 5th & 6th - 6:30 pm

• SVDp Zoom Meeting - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, September 19th

Wednesday, September 20th

• Spiritual Warfare Rosary - Church - 6:00 pm

Thursday, September 21st

• Choir Practice - 7:00 pm

Friday, September 22nd

Saturday, September 23rd

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

Sunday, September 24th - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

• Sacramental Instruction Classes - Grades 2nd & 7th - 6:00 pm

How can I Avoid Gossiping?

Chatting with friends can become gossip—unfairly disclosing another's faults or sins without a valid reason, to people who don't know them (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #2477).

Try these ideas when chatting becomes gossip:

Name it: A gentle reminder between friends is an act of kindness. Try, "I think we're edging into gossip," or "Oh, that's not kind!" It's better to risk speaking up than silently allowing sin.

Redirect the Conversation: Highlight good qualities of the person about whom others are gossiping. Refocus on inspiring news, a good book you read—anything else that is "honorable... just... pure... pleasing" (Philippians 4:8).

Leave: If nothing else works, excuse yourself and leave the conversation. You'll avoid becoming complicit to sin and wordlessly communicate that you find gossip unacceptable.

Pray: Sins of the tongue (gossip, slander, calumny, detraction) are serious and require grace to resist. Invoke the Holy Spirit for yourself, for those who engage in gossip, and especially for those harmed by it.

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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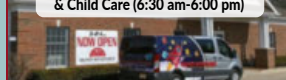
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