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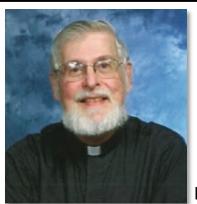
This Advent Season,
Join us each week of waiting for the light that will
enter the Darkness.



Help St. Peter's Church bring light to our world.

Each week at the beginning of Mass, Fr. Joe invites one family to light an Advent Candle.

Sign up sheets are posted in the Church vestibule.



A true friend of St. Peter's Parish,

Rev. Thomas Moran,

Died on November 8th.

With gratitude and appreciation for his 52 years of priestly ministry in the Archdiocese of Chicago and with us, in Spring Grove,

Pray that God give him a reward for his labors and eternal rest with Him.

Eternal rest grant unto *Thomas,* O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon him. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen*

Get Your Little Blue Book for Advent

It's hard to believe that next weekend already marks the



beginning of the Advent Season! Over the years, many parishioners have benefitted from using The Little Blue Book during this special season of grace! You will notice that the book is compact and easy to use, and filled with inspiring meditations that will guide you through the Advent and Christmas seasons! We thank our Knights of Columbus for purchasing these wonderful books for us to use, and should there be any additional copies left after this weekend, they can be picked up at the Parish Office and shared with your neighbors!

TURN IN YOUR ARTICLES

REMINDER:

HOLIDAY BULLETIN

PLEASE BE MINDFUL OF THE VERY TIGHT DEADLINES THIS YEAR!

ALL ARTICLES NEED TO BE SUBMITTED BY NOON!

BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10TH

DUE: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND



Knights of Columbus

Annual Breakfast with Santa

Mark your Calendars!

Sunday, December 17th

After the 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Masses!

Cemetery Maintenance

Before the snow falls, we kindly ask people to remove all spring and summer decorations from their loved one's graves. This includes (but not limited to) artificial flowers, rocks, statues, vases, shepherd hooks, cans & bottles. The cemetery is

holy and we want to keep the grounds looking neat and pristine for all our deceased loved ones year-round! We also respectfully ask that personal mementos, left



around the columbarium, be taken home. That helps us keep the walkways safe and clear of ice and snow. *Everyone's cooperation before December 8th is appreciated!*

Attention, Lectors!
I moved your workbooks
From Fr. Joe's Sacristy
To the Parish Office!
I hope you don't mind!
Please remember to pick
Yours up before
Advent starts!

Gospel Meditation

In May 2023, for the first time in almost three quarters of a century, a monarch was crowned in England. A few days later a friend of mine scoffed, "What a waste of time and energy! What is the point of a king?"

I'm a proud American who wants neither theocracy nor monarchical restoration. I like our democratic republic. But the coronation of King Charles reminded me of something needed in every person and community: confidence in the future. The king's most basic role is to symbolize the unity of the nation. In England, the Parliament members handle many of the practical duties of governance. But the king or queen can do what they cannot: embody in a single person the reality and future of a whole nation. To say, "this is our king" is to say, "we exist as a community, and we have a future." Kingship isn't primarily about the power of one person or family. It's about the enduring identity and unity of the whole.

To say Christ is our King is to say we exist as a people. We are one in Him. We are, and we will be as long as He is. And since He will be our Risen King forever, together we have a future filled with hope. Even the best countries will finally fall. But Christ and His Church will endure forever. What good news! It's not a waste of time to crown a king. We do it all the time. Let's be sure to crown the right one—the one whose kingdom never ends.

~ Father John Muir ~

Coming to FORMED.org - <u>Sunday, December 3rd!</u>

<u>Rooted</u>: Rediscover the Jesse Tree this Advent Season Hosted by Dr. Scott Hefelfinger

Rooted helps viewers apply the passage and related teachings to each day of Advent, guided by the Church's teachings.

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introduces the ancestors of Jesus Christ, shares a Scripture passage and offers an engaging, practical reflection.

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The King Comes Holding a Mirror

Of all the many wonderful, thorough examinations of conscience I have come across, the one I normally utilize is very simple, and perfectly suited to someone like me who is not capable of profound thought at the end of the day.

It's just one very short question: Which Christ did I not recognize today?

The King always comes in disguise, and I know I miss him in so many ways every single day. I miss him in people ignored or dismissed. I miss him in opportunities avoided and in moments that could have turned into prayer but instead turned into phone-scrolling. I miss him when he is right in front of me, holding up a mirror and calling my name, begging for my conversion of heart.

The Christian life calls us to constant self-scrutiny. It's not a comfortable life, always thinking about what you could do better, but the Lord shepherds us rightly. His pastures have nothing to offer those who are perfect and strong.

He has gone in search of the lost. He has reclaimed those who have strayed, healed those who were injured, given rest to those who were weary.

We can't be followers of Christ if we are not willing to own our sins. God's mercy does not dismiss our sins, as if they never existed and were not important.

No, it does something far, far better — God's mercy absolves our sins. It sets us free from them. But to be truly free, you have to understand the tyranny of what once enslaved you.

"And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats."

- Matthew 25:32

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman





FOR THE WEEKENDS OF 11/25 - 12/3/2023

The Mass

For

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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

Sat	4 pm			Lynn & Glenn Geske	
Sun	7 am		†	Frank Lecinski	
	9 am		†	Chester, Katarzina & Ed Urbaniak	
	11 am			Phyllis Ehlers	
Tues	8 am	(1)	†	Ron Eckman	
		(2)	†	Joseph & Mildred Vavrina	
Wed	8 am		†	Ann Kattner	
Thur	8 am		†	Joseph Carey	
Fri	8 am			Scholle - Sompel Family	

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Sun 7 am		†	Ann Kattner		
9 am †		†	Jeff Rietschel		
	11 am † Carol & Linda W		Carol & Linda Weiss		

Interested in volunteering?

1st Way may be your place.
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If you are interested, please call 815-385-2999 and ask for Judy to set-up an appointment.



Christ the King



What does it mean to say Christ is King?
Do we give Him our Sundays only, or the whole week?
Set aside ten minutes for God.
Offer Him the events of your day and say, "Your will be done."

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers					
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE								
Saturday 11/25 4:00 pm	Chad Franckowiak	Carol Rygiel	Deb Christian Denise Wahls					
Sunday 11/26 7:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim	Shaun Gosselin Scott Hastings					
9:00 am	Jerry Bodden	Lori Olmstead	Paul Leali Tom Fanella					
11:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Deacon Mark	Mike Gordon John Ellicson					
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT								
Saturday 12/2 4:00 pm	Peggy Mack	Deacon Mark	Phil Webb Chad Franckowiak					
Sunday 12/3 7:00 am	Eleanor Murphy	Carol Magnine	Dennis Wehrheim David Smid					
9:00 am	Kathy Rietschel	DeAnne Besetzny	Ron Hlavin Larry Hauser					
11:00 am Nettie Toms		Kathie Toms	Rich Yager Tom Straley					

Extraordinary Ministers for the Homebound

November 26th - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Deacon Mark, Bev Schmitt, Peggy Neuman & Georgene Keim

December 3rd - 1st Sunday of Advent

Bev Schmitt, Thomas Gough, Paul Serio & Steve Besetzny

Evangelize

Prayer, Invitation, Witness, Accompaniment

In the midst of our busy lives, it is no secret that our thoughts can easily be preoccupied with things other than prayer or our relationship with God. Perhaps we struggle with maintaining a daily prayer practice. So when we

pause to take stock of our lives, where our attention is focused during the day-to-day, it's easy to see that God is sometimes "off to the side." Perhaps we take everything we have been given for granted, or maybe we



are just not sure how to make Him the most important aspect of our lives. Just like cultivating a friendship takes active effort, so does our relationship with God. Just as watering a plant near its center allows the water to spread throughout the surrounding area, to its roots and the soil, thus making it fruitful and full, putting Jesus Christ, our King, at the center of our lives means that His goodness flows into everything else we say and do. Our lives and our hearts will grow in goodness and bear rich fruit.

Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from
November 19th through December 2nd for

† Scholle - Sompel 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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BEGIN THE ADVENT

SEASON WITH

THE SACRAMENT OF

RECONCILIATION

WHICH IS OFFERED



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Or call the Parish Office to schedule

an appointment!

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1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 26th - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

- Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:45 am
- Blest Art After all Masses
- PADs Donation Collection Church Entrances
- No OCIA Classes
- No Faith Formation Classes

Monday, November 27th

• No Faith Formation Classes

Tuesday, November 28th

- Morning Bible Study Parish Hall 9:00 am
- K of C Planning Meeting Parish Hall 7:00 pm Wednesday, November 29th

Spiritual Warfare Rosary - Church - 6:00 pm

Thursday, November 30th

• Choir Practice - 7:00 pm

Friday, December 1st

Saturday, December 2nd

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all Night until 6:45 am Sunday, December 3rd - 1st Sunday of Advent
- Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:45 am
- OCIA Classes Upstairs Office Conference Room 10:00 am
- Sacramental Instruction Classes Grades 2nd & 7th 6:00 pm

"No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and [the world]"



(Luke 16:13).

Two eighty-year-old men had been friends since their Little League baseball days. One of them came down with a terminal illness and his best friend was with him by his deathbed.



"Will you do me a favor?" the healthy friend asked. "I'm hoping there is baseball in Heaven. When you get there, can you find out and let me know somehow?"

The dying man said, "We've been friends for almost all of our lives. I will try and get your answer to you."

Several days after the old man's death, his friend was sleeping when he had a vivid dream. His lifelong friend appeared to him and said, "There is definitely baseball in Heaven, my friend! The bad news is that you're pitching on Wednesday."

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.

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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