



St. Peter's Church

OF SPRING GROVE, IL

Sunday, March 17, 2024
5th Sunday of Lent

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.

Mass Schedule

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.
(9:00 a.m. Mass livestreamed)

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. - Sunday 6:45 a.m.

Lent Reconciliation

Lent is a good time to celebrate the beautiful Sacrament of Reconciliation: the proclamation of God's great love for us through forgiveness.

Every Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.

**Wed., March 20th 9:00 - Noon
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

Friday, March 22nd 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 26th 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Our St. Peter's
Community
extends heartfelt
sympathy
to the family of



Ruth Macier,

who died on Friday, March 8th.

*In Christian charity, also pray for Ruth's
eternal rest.*

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

**It's hard to get in shape spiritually
if you only work out on Sundays.**

Holy Triduum and Easter at
St. Peter's Church of Spring Grove

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper
March 28th at 7:00 pm

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
March 29th at 3:00 pm

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass
March 30th at 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday Masses
7:00 am, 9:00 am and 11:00 am



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**Mass for
the Infirm**
is Live-Streamed
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visit us at:

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FISH FRY!

JOIN US FOR
**DINNER
THIS LENT!**

Friday, March 22nd at 6:00 pm

R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, March 20th
to Lee Jones is greatly appreciated.
[815-675-1264 or L.Jones@mchsi.com](mailto:L.Jones@mchsi.com)

Suggested free will offering of \$15 for adults,
\$5 for kids under 12.

*Menu: Fried Cod, French Fries, Coleslaw,
Salad & Bread*

**TURN IN
YOUR ARTICLES
EARLY!**

RE M I N D E R :

**EASTER HOLIDAY
BULLETIN SUBMISSION**
ALL ARTICLES NEED TO BE
SUBMITTED BY NOON

**BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY,
MARCH 31ST
(EASTER SUNDAY)**

ARTICLES DUE:
FRIDAY, MARCH 22ND

Your Opinion is Needed For a Diocese of Rockford feasibility study.

Due to a glitch with the online survey, which prevented some individuals from partaking in the survey, the diocese has extended the deadline for a few more days.



Please participate using this link:

<https://bit.ly/rockforddiocese>

Or by scanning this QR code:

Bishop Malloy will soon decide whether or not to have a \$60 million capital campaign.

Before he does, however, he wants to know everyone's opinion.

Would such a campaign be a success?

Would you be willing to contribute?

To participate in this survey and answer bishop's questions, use the above link or scan the QR code.

Then click on the imbedded link to find the Preliminary Case Study for this campaign.

After studying it, kindly complete the questionnaire A.S.A.P.

For your convenience, the Case Study is also posted by the Church doors and in the Church Hall.

THANK YOU



Next weekend is Palm Sunday, which marks the beginning of Holy Week. It's the perfect time for everyone to begin returning their Jack Brewer Foundation Banks which we received on Ash Wednesday. Almsgiving is an integral part of a Christian's Lenten journey and we can be confident that the Jack Brewer Foundation will do the most with our donations to relieve the sufferings of the poor and disadvantaged.

Next weekend, kindly remember to bring your banks when you come to Mass and simply hand them to the Ushers upon entering the Church.

May God reward you!



St. Peter's Annual Easter Egg Hunt 2024

When: Saturday, March 30th

Time: 3:00 pm



Where: St. Peter's Parish
(We will start on the front lawn.)

What: egg hunt, crafts, refreshments, pictures with the Easter Bunny & Prizes

Please return all your Egg Hunt donations to the Parish Office or the bin located in the Church Vestibule no later than March 19th

We also Need some Volunteers to help out at the Easter Egg Hunt!

Call or email Jacqui Wold if you are able to help.

847-209-0551

woldj22@yahoo.com

The Blessing of Easter Food

On Holy Saturday morning, at 11 o'clock, remember to bring your Easter Baskets to be Blessed! The tradition of Blessing Easter foods has been important to communities of believers around the world.

Many foods such as meat and milk products, including eggs, were forbidden during the Lenten fast and abstinence. But when the Feast of Easter brought the rigorous fast to an end, these foods were again allowed on the table and many people showed their joy and gratitude by first taking the food to Church for a Blessing!

Originating in Slavic countries, this wonderful tradition continues at St. Peter's! Starting at 11:00 a.m. on Holy Saturday in the Parish Hall, Msgr. Joe will gladly bless everyone's Easter Baskets, filled with some of the foods and wines that you will be serving for Easter Dinner.



***Journey with Jesus
to Calvary
as we pray the
Stations of
the Cross, Fridays
beginning at
7:00 p.m. in the
church***



**FOR THE WEEKENDS
3/16 - 3/24/2024**

The Mass			For
5TH SUNDAY OF LENT			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	Bill & Mary Rabelhofer
Sun	7 am	†	Rita Chinni
	9 am	†	Joe Carey
	11 am	†	Marianne Herzog
Tues	8 am	†	Stanley Stack & Christine Wiedemann
Wed	8 am	†	Betty Rygiel
Thur	8 am	†	Joe Carey
Fri	8 am	†	Albert Witt
PALM SUNDAY			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	Ann DeSantis Kattner
Sun	7 am	†	Gene & Ellen Miltner
	9 am	†	James Schmiedeknecht
	11 am	†	Steven Booker

A man walks into a bar and orders three beers. Seeing that he was alone, the bartender was a bit confused but he poured the man his beer and took them to his booth. He drinks one after another, and then leaves without saying a word. The next week, he comes back and does the same thing. The week after that, does it again. By the fourth week, the bartender had to ask, "Why do you always order three beers and drink them by yourself?"



The man said, "Oh, I used to go drinking with my brothers but unfortunately, they moved away. So, now in each of our cities, we each have three beers, one for each of us in commemoration of our time past." The bartender said, "What a great way to stay in touch."

He does this for another couple weeks until he walks in one day and orders just two beers. The bartender could see the sadness on his face. This went on week after week until the bartender finally says, "I'm so sorry for your loss."

The man asked, "What are you talking about?" The bartender replied, "Well, you used to drink three beers, but now you drink only two. We assume that something happened to one of your brothers."

The man said, "Oh no, that's not it. The two beers are for my brothers. But it's Lent and I gave up drinking."



Attention St. Peter's Athletes

We are starting softball again in April 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!

Trust

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta refused donations beyond the current needs of her community. Accepting such help would mean she didn't trust God to provide for their needs. When we rely on God, we demonstrate our faith, just as Mother Teresa did.

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT			
Saturday 3/16 4:00 pm	Chad Franckowiak	Mary Seil	Gary Miller George Gemberling
Sunday 3/17 7:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim David Smid
9:00 am	Ardie Arnold	DeAnne Besetzny	Paul Leali Mike Wyatt
11:00 am	Peggy Mack	Deacon Mark Mike Rygiel (Choir)	Rich Yager Chad Franckowiak

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Saturday 3/23 4:00 pm	Deacon Mark (Narrator) Chad Franckowiak (Speaker)	Deacon Mark	Chad Franckowiak Dave & Kathleen Harms
Sunday 3/24 7:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim (Narrator) Eleanor Murphy (Speaker)	Dennis Wehrheim	Shaun Gosselin Scott Hastings
9:00 am	Joanne Prato (Narrator) Aimee Thomas (Speaker)	Mike Gullifor	Tom Fanella Ron Havlin
11:00 am	Mary Yager (Narrator) Peggy Mack (Speaker)	Marge Ladner Sharon Ellicson (Choir)	Tom Straley Mike Gordon

Homebound Ministers

March 17th - Fifth Sunday of Lent

Deacon Mark, Lisa Bilik, Mary Seil & Steve Besetzny

March 24th - Palm Sunday

Peggy Neuman, Georgene Keim, Paul Serio & Maria Sullivan

What are the Corporal Works of Mercy?

As followers of Christ, we're encouraged to care for each other. Jesus' parable of the judgment of the sheep and the goats (*Matthew 25:31-46*) list the ways we can care for those in physical need: "*For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me...*" (*Matthew 25:35*).

These are the Corporal Works of Mercy: to feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty, to clothe the naked, to visit the sick and imprisoned, to shelter the homeless and to bury the dead. Essentially, "*it is by what they have done for the poor that Jesus Christ will recognize His chosen ones*" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church #2443*).

The Corporal Works of Mercy are about being aware of others' needs and responding to them. Living the Corporal Works of Mercy is how we can make our love for God and others visible and effective. "*Whatever you did for one of these... you did for Me*" (*Matthew 25: 40*).



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from March 10th through March 23rd for † **Stanley Stack & Christine Wiedemann**
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
Marguerite Baranov
Anna Boettjer
Elaine Brandstetter
Debra Cooke
Jim Crane
Phyllis Ehlers
Deacon Eugene Damian
Sandy Devine
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David Thomas
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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.**

- 1) Why wouldn't the Pharaoh let the Hebrews go?
- 2) How do we know Peter was a successful fisherman?
(answers on page 6)



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Office Hours: Tue. - Thu. 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.,
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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

Pastor: Rev. Msgr. Joseph Jarmoluk

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, March 17th

Fifth Sunday of Lent

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 6:45 am**
- OCIA - Upstairs Office Conference Room - 10:00 am
- SVdP Meeting - Parish Hall - 12:00 pm
- Sacramental Instruction Classes - Grades 2nd & 7th - 6:00 pm

Monday, March 18th - Parish Officed Closed

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

Tuesday, March 19th

- Morning Bible Study - Parish Hall - 9:00 am

Wednesday, March 20th

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

Thursday, March 21st

- Choir Practice - 6:00 pm

Friday, March 22nd - Parish Office Closed

- K of C - Fish Fry - Parish Hall - 6:00 pm
- Stations of the Cross - Church - 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 23rd

- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all night until 6:45 am**

Sunday, March 24th

Palm Sunday

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 6:45 am**
- OCIA - Upstairs Office Conference Room - 10:00 am

On the Cover

"The Sower" by Vincent Van Gogh

Van Gogh had a special interest in sowers throughout his artistic career. All in all, he made more than 30 drawings and paintings on this theme. He painted this Sower in the Autumn of 1888. At the time, Van Gogh was working together with Paul Gauguin (1848-1903). Gauguin believed that in his work Van Gogh should draw less on reality and more on his imagination. His painting, which later became aptly known as The Sower, 1888, where the sun in the horizon, becomes a huge, godlike, bright disk flooding the sky with light. The effect is so strong that colors are inverted and stark complementary color appear: the sky is painted with yellow and greenish hues and the land with violet.

While Van Gogh lived in an asylum for the mentally ill in Saint Remy, France, he painted similar pictures that later became known as "Wheatfield with a Reaper." Van Gogh's paintings, often portrayed celestial bodies such as the sun, moon or stars, even turbulent galaxies.

Here, Van Gogh used colors meant to express emotion and passion. The bright yellow sun looks like a halo, turning The Sower into a Saint.

Answers:

- 1) He was in de-Nile.
- 2) By his net income.





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.

ANOIDING 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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WE ARE ALL CALLED TO SERVE

Knights of Columbus

Planning Meeting

Tuesday, March 26th - Parish Hall - 7 pm

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