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# St. Peter's Church

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## Sunday, February 9, 2025 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**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: 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.  
(10:00 a.m. Mass livestreamed)

### Reconciliation

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

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. - Sunday 7:45 a.m.

## A Renovation Update

- 1) Our artists, Nadiya and Vera, have been working 12 hour days, repairing damage in the stairwell and choir loft. Once they finish painting the loft, they will begin working in the vestibule, which shouldn't take long at all. The Stations of the Cross have been refreshed and look incredible, and they will be rehung before Lent begins. We estimate only 4-5 more weeks to finish all the painting!
- 2) We were informed that new lights will be shipped on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and installation will begin as soon as they are delivered! We showed you pictures, in past bulletins, and we received many compliments from parishioners. You're going to love them!
- 3) Fr. Joe and a team of parishioners also met with designers and installers from Kenny's Carpet in Richmond, and Bella Tile and Stone in Lake Geneva. A beautiful tile was chosen for the main aisle, as well as the front of our church, just below the steps. The tiles are an off-white and compliment the colors of the walls. The middle of the main aisle will be adorned with a large, circular mosaic with the keys of St. Peter and an upside down cross on which our patron was martyred. The front of the sanctuary, (where the altar and ambo are) will be carpeted, as will be the side aisles and beneath the pews. We are considering everything we can so as not to interfere with the quality of our sound system. In the meantime, Kenny's Carpet & Flooring is putting together samples and designs for our consideration.
- 4) New window shades were ordered and have arrived, and will be installed soon!

*That is the latest update, dear friends, and we hope that everyone is pleased with the progress we have made! **God is so good and there is so much for which we are grateful!***

## Grazie! Grazie! Grazie!

Last weekend's Spaghetti Supper was a HUGE success! Everyone had a great time and everyone ate their fill of the best spaghetti and meatballs they ever had! Everything was perfect! It was so wonderful, that we didn't have enough leftovers to fill even one wicker basket, let alone twelve!

We are so grateful to Stan & Lorrie Tinsley, Ashley Gordon, Laura Hamill and Nettie Toms for organizing the entire event. They shopped and cooked and decorated, and they had a wonderful team of volunteers who served the food, poured the wine, washed and dried the dishes, reset the tables for the second seating and did it all over again! The Hamill brothers and their grandfather gladly provided all the music, and parishioners were busy selling raffle tickets and made two winners very happy! Then, additional dedicated volunteers put away the dishes and silverware, wiped down tables, vacuumed the floors, took out the garbage and turned off the lights and locked the doors! The entire evening worked like a well-oiled machine and there are just too many people to thank individually. But when everyone works together and serves with gladness, we get the awesome community for which we are known!



## Prayers and Squares Meeting

Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m.  
in St. Peter's Church Hall

Our Prayers & Squares members use their fiber art skills to create shawls and blankets which we donate to anyone in need of a warm embrace. We would like to invite you to join your hands with ours. If you don't currently know how to crochet or knit, we are happy to help you learn along the way.

If you would like a prayer shawl or blanket for yourself or for someone you know that is in need, please contact **Connie at 815-675-2463**.



## Do You Know Why the Church Calls Mary the Ark of the New Covenant?

*She is the Ark of the New Covenant because of Who she held within her womb. Sacred Scripture teaches that the Ark of the old covenant held three things: **1)** It contained the Word of God in Stone, **2)** the rod of Aaron, our ancestral priest, and **3)** it contained manna, which was bread sent down by God from heaven to feed the Israelites.*

*Similarly, our Blessed Mother holds within her womb: **1)** the Word of God in the flesh, Jesus Christ, **2)** The high Priest, Jesus Christ and **3)** The Bread of Life, Jesus Christ.*

*That is why Mary is the Ark of the New Covenant!  
Let's know our faith.*

## "I Choose Heaven!"

Our time on Earth is but a fleeting moment compared to the vastness of eternity. Yet, we often prioritize earthly concerns over preparing for Heaven. Jesus reminds us of the right priority: *"Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you besides"* (Matthew 6:33). When we put God first, He faithfully provides for our every need.

### What are your true priorities?

**Your daily routine is a reflection of your heart. Pause and consider: What consumes your time and energy?** The things that dominate your schedule are the true indicators of your priorities. If they are pulling you away from God, it's time to reevaluate and make a change.

### Where do you turn for guidance?

**When faced with decisions, do you seek advice from friends, social media, or colleagues, or do you turn to prayer and Scripture?** Aligning our choices with God's wisdom leads to lasting fulfillment and peace. Resolve to trust His direction over the fleeting opinions of the world. When we place our decisions in His hands, we can move forward with confidence.

### Do you trust God with your happiness?

God's promises assure us of His perfect plan: *"For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe, plans to give you a future full of hope"* (Jeremiah 29: 11). If trusting Him feels difficult, invite Him into your doubts and fears. Ask Him to reveal His goodness and faithfulness—He will answer, because He is always near.

**Refocus your heart and trust God's plan for your life.** Let go of distractions, realign your priorities, and step into the peace that comes from seeking Him first.

## Helping Hands Needs Your Helping Hands!

If you can lift 25 pounds and can spare a just couple of hours on Tuesday's or Thursday's between 3:30 and 6:00 pm for only two or three afternoons per MONTH, you can provide greatly needed service at our local food pantry—Helping Hands!

Several area churches have been sharing in this work but some are now having difficulty finding volunteers. If you can help, please consider speaking with any member of our Knights of Columbus Council or call Father Joe at 815-675-2288 ext. 201.

## (Practicing) Catholic The Catch

**Mini Reflection:** What does it mean to lower your net? It means to listen to God, even when you don't understand Him. It means to keep trying the hard thing that you know is the right thing. It means to keep loving the person who is making life hard on you.

### The Catch

I love today's Gospel passage, and not just because I love a good fish fry.

I love it because I am Peter. Over and over again, I am Peter, standing here exhausted because I relied on my own abilities, and it got me nowhere. I'm ready to call it quits. I'm ready to say it's too hard. And here comes Jesus, asking me to lower my net. To keep trying.

And I try to talk sense into him. "It's not going to work, God," I insist. "I've been trying."

"You've been trying," Jesus agrees. "But you haven't asked for my help yet."

What does it mean to lower your net? It sounds so simple and so easy, but it takes a great deal of humility and trust. I think I'm the expert on my own life, the captain of my own ship. Peter probably thought so, too—he was the fisherman, after all. Why would a fisherman listen to a carpenter on matters of fishing?

Lowering your net means giving God control and letting yourself be changed by what He chooses to show you.

It means to listen to God's instructions, even when you don't understand them, even when you find them frustrating. It means to keep trying the hard thing that you know is the right thing, even when it hasn't born much fruit. It means to keep loving the person who is making life hard on you, even when all you want to do is give into feelings of bitterness and distrust.

If we would only lower our nets, the catch would astound us.

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ~

At birth, Deacon Mark was assigned as a male and he identifies as a man. But according to the back of the Kraft Mac & Cheese box, he is a family of four.



The Mass		For	
FIFTH 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	†	Gerald Baumann
Sun	8 am	†	Mark Boettjer
	10 am	†	James Urbaszewski
Tues	8 am		No Mass Today!
Wed	8 am		No Mass Today!
Thur	8 am	†	Jeff Rietschel
Fri	8 am	†	Marion Finkler
SIXTH 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	†	Deceased Members of the Popelka Family
Sun	8 am		Benjamin Leali
	10 am	†	Joe Carey

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<b>Sunday 2/9</b> 8:00 am	Bill Ledger	Deacon Mark	Dennis Wehrheim Vince Desecki
10:00 am	Carol Magnine	Mike Rygiel <i>Carol Rygiel (Choir)</i>	Mike Gordon Rich Yager
<b>SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>			
<b>Saturday 2/15</b> 4:00 pm	Nettie Toms	Kathie Toms	Maureen Terry Denise Wahls
<b>Sunday 2/16</b> 8:00 am	Ardie Arnold	Nancy Piggot	Larry Hauser Paul Leali
10:00 am	Joanne Prato	Deacon Mark <i>Heather Justen (Choir)</i>	Dave & Kathlene Harms
<b>Homebound Ministers</b> <b>February 9<sup>th</sup> - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Deacon Mark, Peggy Neuman, Georgene Keim & Mary Seil <b>February 16<sup>th</sup> - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Nancy Piggot, Lisa Bilik, Don Piggot & Thomas Gough			

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## Live the Liturgy

### Inspiration of the Week

"I am a sinful man," says Simon Peter as he falls to his knees before Jesus. He had doubted the Lord, had hesitated to follow His instructions. How often can the same be said of us? Remember that God knows the outcome. He knows our nets will be filled. Do not be afraid.



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from February 9<sup>th</sup> through February 22<sup>nd</sup> for

† **Scholle - Sompel Families**

May this light which reminds us of Jesus' True Presence in the Sanctuary Welcome him 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:**

Marguerite Baranov  
Debra Cooke  
Phyllis Ehlers  
Deacon Eugene Damian  
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## PARISH CALENDAR

**Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
- **Faith Formation Classes: Grades 5/6 & 7/8 - 5:30 pm**

**Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup> - Parish Office Closed**

**Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**

- **Prayers & Squares - Parish Hall - 1:30 pm**
- **Choir Rehearsal - 6:00 pm**

**Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup> - Parish Office Closed**

**Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**

- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all night until 7:45 am**

**Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
- **SVdP Meeting - Parish Hall - 11:00 am**
- **No Faith Formation Classes**





## 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](http://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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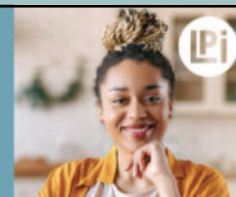
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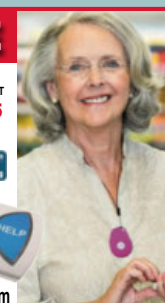
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