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~ Christ's Charge to Peter ~ Raphael ~

Sunday, May 4, 2025
Third Sunday of Easter

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.

Church Renovation

Painting of Church Interior ✓

New Lighting ✓

New Carpeting (*July installation*)



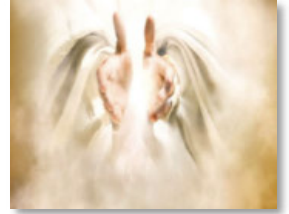
Our friend and brother in Christ,

Bob Popelka

Died on Wednesday, April 23rd

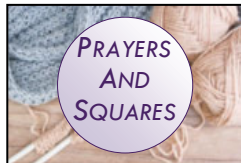
In Christian charity, pray for his eternal rest.

Eternal rest grant unto **Bob**, 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.*



Prayer & Squares

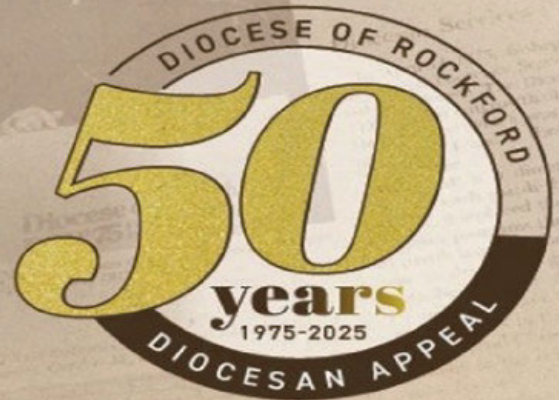
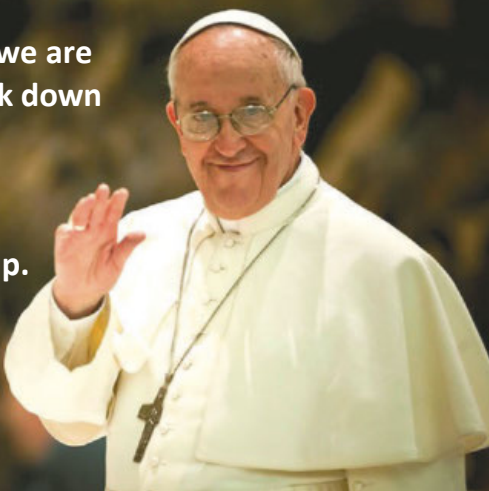
We meet on the second Thursday of each month - our next meeting
Thursday, May 8th at 1:30 pm
in St. Peter's Church Hall



Prayers & Squares members use their fiber art skills to create shawls and blankets which are donated 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 provide materials and help you learn along the way.

The only time we are allowed to look down upon others, is when we are offering to help them up.

~ Pope Francis



Together, we can make this year's response to the Diocesan Appeal, the most generous one in our parish's history! In order for that to happen, we need more givers and fewer takers. Will you consider giving just 1% of your gross income to help us meet our goal of \$53,529? Whatever sacrificial gift you give, it will be greatly appreciated by Bishop Malloy, Msgr. Joe, and countless people who rely on diocesan ministries throughout northern Illinois.

Kindly complete your pledge card and include either your full payment or a partial one. Bring it with you next weekend to Mass and simply place it in the collection basket with your weekly parish envelope.

Remember, God always blesses givers!

"Be the One"

"Be with Jesus. ...I always write that sentence, 'I looked for one to comfort Me, but I found no one.' Then I write, 'Be the one.' So now you be that one. Try to be the one to share with Him, to comfort Him, to console Him. So let us ask Our Lady to help us understand."

~ Mother Teresa

Pope Francis' Testament

June 29, 2022

As I sense the approaching twilight of my earthly life, and with firm hope in eternal life, I wish to set out my final wishes solely regarding the place of my burial.



Throughout my life and during my ministry as a priest and bishop, I have always entrusted myself to the Mother of Our Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary. For this reason, I ask that my mortal remains rest, awaiting the day of the Resurrection, - in the Papal Basilica of Saint Mary Major.

I wish my final earthly journey to end precisely in this ancient Marian sanctuary where I would always stop to pray at the beginning and end of every Apostolic Journey, confidently entrusting my intentions to the Immaculate Mother and giving thanks for her gentle and maternal care.

I ask that my tomb be prepared in the burial niche in the side aisle between the Pauline Chapel (*Chapel of the Salus Populi Romani*) and the Sforza Chapel of the Basilica... The tomb should be in the ground, simple, without particular ornamentation, bearing only the inscription: **Franciscus.**

The cost of preparing the burial will be covered by a sum provided by a benefactor, which I have arranged to be transferred to the Papal Basilica of Saint Mary Major. I have given the necessary instructions regarding this to Cardinal Rolandas Makrickas, Extraordinary Commissioner of the Liberian Basilica.

May the Lord grant a fitting reward to all those who have loved me and who continue to pray for me. The suffering that has marked the final part of my life, I offer to the Lord for peace in the world and for fraternity among peoples.

St. Peter's Women's Ministry 2025 Installation of Officers Dinner Thursday, May 8th at 6:30 p.m.

We will begin at St. Peter's for the installation of officers at 6:30 p.m.

Then we will move to Sunset Grill for dinner.

Sunset Grill

25276 W. Grass Lake Road
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Go to St. Peter's website to download a reservation form:

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Please R.S.V.P. by bringing

your payment made payable to SPWM to the Parish Office by Tuesday, May 6th.

St. Peter's Women's Ministry Mother's Day Flower Sale

Saturday, May 10th and Sunday, May 11th

After all of the Masses next weekend, the St. Peter's Women's Ministry will have fresh carnations available to purchase for your mother or any special mother in your life. 100% of your free-will offering will be given to 1st Way Life Center in Johnsbury.

During an interview, Pope Francis admitted that he has fallen asleep while praying. The interviewer asked him whether that was allowed, and he said, "Fathers always love it when their children fall asleep in their arms."



(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

BENEATH THE SURFACE

Mini Reflection: Love—again, even when it doesn't make sense. Forgive—again, even when it doesn't make sense. Believe—again, even when it doesn't make sense. To follow the risen Christ, you must be willing to do what makes no sense.

The Witnesses of What Makes No Sense

It never fails to amuse me that the disciples in today's Gospel don't recognize Jesus until he asks them to do something that makes absolutely no logical sense.

He's just some random stranger on the shore—until he gives them an order that, in any other circumstances, would have them rolling their eyes into the backs of their head: *Drop the nets again. I know you haven't caught anything all night. I know you're tired. Just do it one more time. Trust me. Again.*

That's when they recognize him.

The disciples display such poor recognition of Jesus after the resurrection. I'm sure there's a good, theologically sound reason for it, one I am not smart enough to explain. Whatever that reason is, it's very clear that God was carefully orchestrating these moments of realization. He is trying to tell us something about how we recognize the risen Christ—the one who has conquered sin, the one whose love was stronger than death. The one who never made any sense, and never will, because his kingdom is not of this world, and to understand him—to recognize him—you have to detach from the priorities, the expectations, the limitations of this present world.

You have to be willing to do what makes no sense.

Love—again, even when it doesn't make sense.
Forgive—again, even when it doesn't make sense.
Believe—again, even when it doesn't make sense.

"We are the witnesses of these things," Peter tells the Sanhedrin (Acts 5:32). Peter, who was so full of joy when he recognized Jesus that he leapt into the sea, fully clothed, desperate to be near him.

It makes no sense, and that's okay. That's kind of our whole thing, as Christians. We are the witnesses of the things that make no sense.

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



WEEKENDS
5/3/- 5/11/2025

The Mass		For
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER		
	4 pm	† Kathy Witek
	8 am	† Bill May
	10 am	† John & Honor Green
<i>Tuesday - Wednesday, Rosary Prayed at 7:30 a.m.</i>		
Tues	8 am	† Joe Carey
Wed	8 am	† Deceased Members of the Bergsma - Miller Families
Thur	8 am	† Genevieve Stack
Fri	8 am	† Frank Lecinski
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER		
<i>CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M.</i>		
<i>ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.</i>		
	4 pm (1)	† Norman Paterson
	(2)	† Thomas Koncan
	8 am	† Deceased Members of Latocha Family
	10 am	† Lorenzo Roehrich

The Process for Electing the New Pope

Step 1: The Cardinals Gather

It all starts when the pope's seat becomes vacant. The cardinals from all over the world meet in the Vatican for what is called "*General Congregations*" This is the time to pray, discuss, and prepare for the election, which is known as the conclave.

Step 2: The Cardinals Celebrate Mass and Pray for the Holy Spirit's Guidance

Before the process begins, the cardinals celebrate Mass together in St. Peter's Basilica, asking the Holy Spirit to guide them.

Step 3: The Cardinals Enter the Conclave and Secrecy Begins

The voting cardinals—those under 80 years of age—now process into the Sistine Chapel while chanting *Veni Creator Spiritus*, calling the Holy Spirit. They take an oath of secrecy, and then comes a dramatic moment: The Master of Papal Liturgical Celebrations announces "*Extra omnes*"—which means "*All out!*" Only the voting cardinals remain. *(Continues on bottom of page 5)*

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER			
Saturday 5/3 4:00 pm	Tom Straley	Susan Straley	Phil Webb Rich Wirch
Sunday 5/4 8:00 am	Kathy Rietschel	Deacon Mark	Sean Gosselin Paul Leali
10:00 am	Darien Martinez	Marge Ladner <i>Sharon Ellicson</i> (Choir)	Stanley Tinsley John Ellicson
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER			
Saturday 5/10 4:00 pm	Nettie Toms	Kathie Toms	Chad Franckowiak Deb Christian
Sunday 5/11 8:00 am	Karyn Leali	Paul Leali	Jeff Miller Larry Hauser
10:00 am	Joanne Prato	Deacon Mark <i>Nancy Piggot</i> (Choir)	Dave Harms Kathleen Harms
Homebound Ministers May 4th: Third Sunday of Easter Julia Francis, Mary Seil, Peggy Neuman & Bev Schmitt May 11th: Fourth Sunday of Easter Deacon Mark, Georgene Keim, Steve Besetzny & Mary Seil			

Step 4: The Cardinal Electors Discuss Potential Candidates

Technically, any baptized male Catholic is eligible to be elected as pope. You don't have to be a cardinal! However, the pope is almost always chosen from among the College of Cardinals. The cardinals weigh all the important qualities carefully, keeping in mind the Church's needs. This process involves both prayerful discernment and practical considerations to select a leader who will guide the Church effectively in the years to come.

Step 5: The Voting Begins

When it is time to vote, each cardinal writes the name of his choice on a ballot, folds it, and places it in a large chalice. Then, they count the votes. A pope must receive two-thirds of the votes from the electors present to be chosen.

Step 6: Black Smoke Means No Pope

If no candidate reaches the required two-thirds majority, the votes — and any notes the cardinals took during that round — are burned. If no pope is elected, a special mixture is added to make the smoke black.

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Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from
May 4th through May 17th for

† Kathleen Witek

May this light which reminds us of
Jesus' True Presence in the Sanctuary
Welcome her into eternal peace.



We would love to Pray for you!

PRAYER REQUESTS

*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
Deacon Eugene Damian
Sandy Devine
Phyllis Ehlers
Robert Fenrich
Tina Foszacht
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Lynn Geske
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Anthony Hodnik
Patricia Hodnik
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Ronald Klein
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Gloria Strzelczyk
David Thomas
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Mark Vallango
Grace Wesinger
Fred Zahn

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Live the Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus bids the disciples to bring their bounty of fish to the fire, to gather around it, to be warmed and fed. God's invitation is for all of us: come to the fire of His love. Be warmed. Be fed. Then, go forth, and feed the sheep.

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1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, May 4th - Third Sunday of Easter

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
- **K of C - Breakfast - Parish Hall - After All Masses**
- **Faith Formation Sacramental Class - 5:30 pm**

Monday, May 5th - Parish Office Closed

- **SVdP Meeting - 1st Floor Conference Rm - Parish Office - 7:00 pm**

Tuesday, May 6th

- **SPWM Installation Dinner - Church - 6:30 pm**

Wednesday, May 7th

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

Thursday, May 8th

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

Friday, May 9th - Parish Office Closed

Saturday, May 10th

- **1st Holy Communion Mass - 10:00 am**
- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all night until 7:45 am**
- **SPWM - Mother's Day Flower Sale**

Sunday, May 11th - Fourth Sunday of Easter

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
- **SPWM - Mother's Day Flower Sale**

Step 7: A Cardinal Receives Two-Thirds Majority

Rounds of voting continue (*four rounds each day*) until a candidate finally reaches a two-thirds majority. When this happens, he is asked if he accepts. He can say no. If this were to happen, the voting would resume — but if he were to accept, he chooses a papal name and dresses in white for the first time.

Step 8: White Smoke Means We Have a New Pope

Now the world gets the big news. We have a new pope! They add a special mixture to the papers and ballots used during that round of voting to produce white smoke. As the smoke rises from the chimney, bells can be heard ringing across Rome.

Step 9: *Habemus Papam!* — “We Have a New Pope”

The senior cardinal deacon — called the cardinal Protodeacon — steps out onto the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica and announces, “*Habemus Papam!*” (“*We have a new pope!*”)

The newly elected pope is presented to the world for the first time from the balcony.

Step 10: The *Urbi et Orbi* Blessing

What is the first thing the new pope does? He blesses the city of Rome and the whole world with the *Urbi et Orbi* blessing.

Join us in praying
for our new pope:





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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Business Meeting - May, 13th

Parish Hall - 7:00 pm

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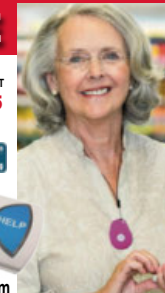
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