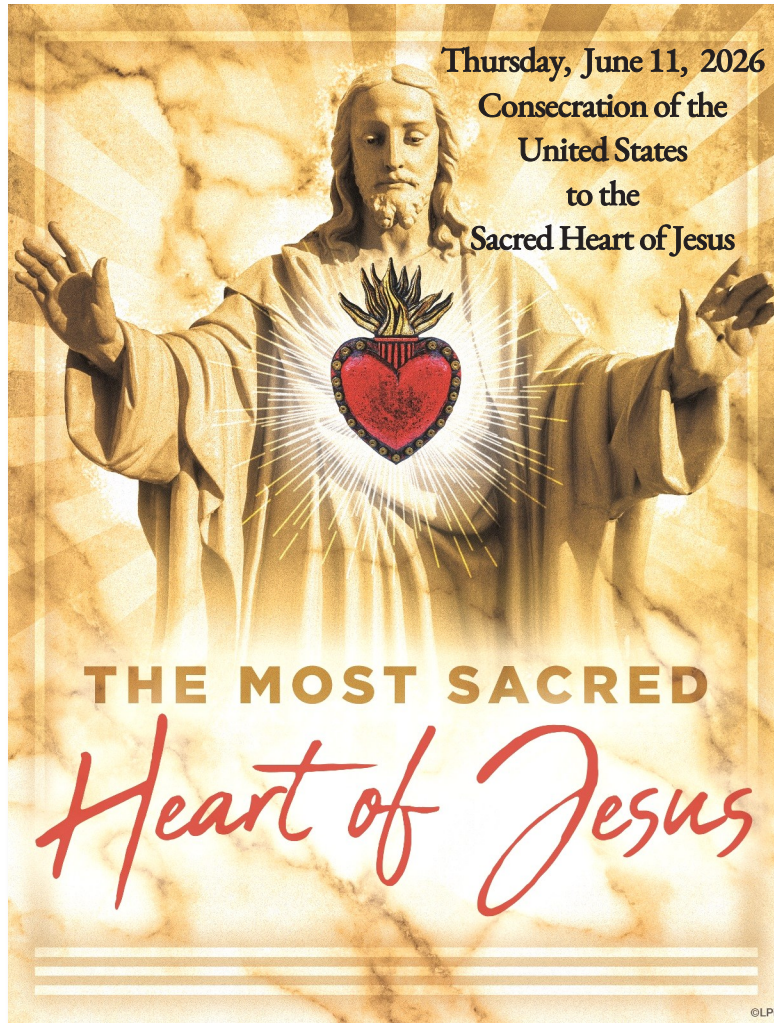




St. Peter's Church

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Sunday, June 7, 2026

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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.



THE MOST SACRED *Heart of Jesus*

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Thursday, June 11

Consecration of the United States to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

On June 11, 2026, as part of the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. bishops will consecrate the United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Parishes around the country are encouraged to join the bishops in celebrating the consecration of our nation to the Sacred Heart.

As a parish, we will be celebrating *the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart* on Friday, June 12th at the 8:00 a.m. Mass, with the Litany of the Sacred Heart and a communal Act of Consecration.

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus:

You know the longings of our hearts, and you desire that we enjoy friendship with you.

From your pierced side, you have poured out the wellspring of life, for which we thirst.

Your heart burns with a love for all people to return to a right relationship with you.

We celebrate the abundant gifts you have given this nation, founded on the self-evident truths that our Creator has endowed all people with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

We make reparation for the offenses against you and against human dignity that have taken place in this nation.

May our hearts be united to yours, so that our families and communities enjoy peace and happiness; may broken relationships be reconciled, injustices repaired, and the wounds of our land be healed.

May your holy Catholic Church serve as a sign, pointing all people to your infinite love.

O Desire of Nations and Center of History, we ask you to bless these United States of America.

Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!
Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!



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“3rd Times a Charm” Sausage Soiree/Sausage Making A FUN afternoon

Sunday, June 14th



Please join us for an afternoon of sausage making, just in time for Summer grilling.

Who: Sponsored by your Knights of Columbus

What: An afternoon of sausage making where you will make sausage from start to finish and take home what you make.

When: Sunday, June 14th at Noon

Where: Our Parish Hall

Why: Because we can :-)

Cost: \$25 per person - Adults (over 18) only

Space is limited.

To reserve your place, please contact

Lee M. Jones

815-675-1264 or L.Jones@mchsi.com



Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you or your spouse celebrating a special milestone anniversary 2026? Couples celebrating their milestone wedding anniversaries of 25, 50, 55, 60, 65 and 70 or more years of marriage in 2026 are invited to a special Mass in their honor at St. Mary Parish in Huntley, IL on Sunday, August 16, at 2:30 pm., celebrated by Bishop David Malloy.

A reception with celebration cake will immediately follow. The Life & Family Evangelization office welcomes your registration by August 3rd.

815-399-4300 ext. 377 or

www.rockforddiocese.org/anniversary

Commemorative certificates to mark this special occasion will be available for those who pre-register for this event.

RUMMAGE SALE

St. Peter's 2026 Rummage Sale
June 11th - 13th

Help is needed!

Drop Off/Donations

Sunday, June 7th - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Monday, June 8th - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Tuesday, June 9th - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

(No donations accepted after 3:00 pm)

Nothing will be accepted on Wednesday, June 10th

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*If in doubt contact Connie 224-392-1940
or Denise 815-347-2527*

Sale Dates

Thursday, June 11th - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Friday, June 12th - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday, June 13th - 8:00 am - 11:00 am

Please consider helping us for a few hours or all day. We box/bag everything that is not sold starting at 11:00 am. The Helping Hands Recycling Truck will be at St. Peter's at 11:00 am to pick it all up.

Many hands make light work!

**For more questions or questions please contact:
Connie Otsuka, 224-392-1940 or
Denise Wahls, 815-347-2527**

The Mystery of the Water and Wine

Have you noticed how, when the priest is preparing the wine for communion, he places a few drops of water into the chalice with the wine. As he does this he says:

"By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity"

The small drops of water symbolize us. As the water becomes inseparably united to the wine, we pray we may become inseparably united to Jesus Christ.

(Excerpts taken from EucharisticCongress.org)



Kids Choir

Attention All Singers

The Kids Choir would LOVE to have your child participate in our Kids Choir!

Next Practice and Choir Mass

Practice: Thursday, June 18th - 7:00 p.m.

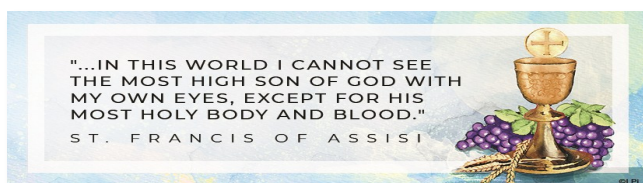
Choir Mass: Sunday, June 21st at 10:00 a.m.

Contact Person:

Brian Wrightson 630-440-7261 or
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to schedule an appointment.*



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RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

True Food

Mini reflection: What is “true food” and “true drink,” when you live in a society where bodily nourishment is so plentiful that we reject it out of pride, that we feel a shame for needing it, and that we use it as a balm for feelings of boredom, pain, and fear?

Like most millennial women, I have a bizarre relationship with food.

I’m so busy and distracted that most days, I forget to eat—until nighttime, when I make some very questionable decisions, usually involving cake. I also came of age in a time when any woman without a visible eating disorder was labeled as “curvy” (and *curvy was understood by everyone to be A Very Bad Thing*). Thus, I have a deep feeling of shame whenever I do eat, even when I am hungry, and even when it’s something good for me.

I’m so messed up when it comes to food that I often wonder if I even have a good point of reference for understanding the Eucharist. What is “true food” and “true drink,” when you live in a society where bodily nourishment is so plentiful—at least for certain fortunate people like me—that we reject it out of pride, that we feel a shame for needing it, and that we use it as a balm for feelings of boredom, pain, and fear?

But I suppose there’s no better way to understand the Eucharist, when you really think about it. The Israelites survived on manna from Heaven—what they would have given for a grocery store. What they would have given for redemption.

I am given both. I appreciate neither to the extent that I should.

True food, true nourishment, true life—physical and spiritual—these are things we all desperately want. And so many of us have them. But our ability to understand what they mean—well, it’s hampered. This isn’t Eden, after all.

We are reading a book missing half its pages, singing a harmony missing half its parts. We stumble forward, knowing that the fullness can come, will come—one day.

If we keep trying.

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



WEEKENDS
6/6 - 6/14/2026


The Mass		For	
THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST			
Sat	4 pm	†	Bruno & Genevieve Witek
Sun	8 am		The parishioners of St. Peter’s Church
	10 am	†	Maureen Graf
Tues	8 am	†	Joe Higgins
Wed	8 am	†	Dorothy Stutzke
Thur	8 am		Thanksgiving for First Communion and Birthday of Fabiola Roehrich
Fri	8 am	†	Geri Stack
11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Sat	4 pm	†	Clarence & Mildred Shastal
Sun	8 am		The parishioners of St. Peter’s Church
	10 am	†	Frank & Joel Slovnik

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Your donations help our moms choose life!





	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
CORPUS CHRISTI			
Saturday 6/6 4:00 pm	Tom Straley	Cyndee Wehrheim <i>Dennis Wehrheim</i> <i>Susan Straley</i> <i>(Precious Blood)</i>	Denise Wahls Rich Wirch
Sunday 6/7 8:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Mary Seil <i>DeAnne Besetzny</i> <i>Nancy Piggot</i> <i>(Precious Blood)</i>	Larry Hauser
10:00 am	Stan Tinsley	Mike Rygiel <i>Darien Martinez</i> <i>(Choir)</i> <i>Deacon Mark</i> <i>Carol Rygiel</i> <i>(Precious Blood)</i>	Dave Harms Kathleen Harms
11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 6/13 4:00 pm	Stan Tinsley	Marge Ladner <i>Deacon Mark</i> <i>Chris Chinni</i> <i>(Precious Blood)</i>	Tom Stall Deb Christian
Sunday 6/14 8:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim <i>Heather Justen</i> <i>DeAnne Besetzny</i> <i>(Precious Blood)</i>	Tom Fanella Chad Franckowiak
10:00 am	Joanne Prato	Susan Straley <i>Jean Hlavin</i> <i>(Choir)</i> <i>Kathie Toms</i> <i>Nettie Toms</i> <i>(Precious Blood)</i>	Mike Gordon John Ellicson

Homebound Ministers

June 7th: Corpus Christi

Mary Seil, Peggy Neuman, Stan Tinsley & Maria Sullivan

June 14th: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deacon Mark, Julia Francis, Theresa Frer, Laura Hamill & Steve Besetzny

Attention!

The New Parish Directory Roster

We are continuing to work on designing our new Parish Pictorial Directory. We will include a Parish Roster in the back of the directory. **If you do not want your name, address, or phone number included in the directory, please contact Laura in the Parish Office.**

Also, this is your last chance to submit a picture to the Parish Office if you missed our photography dates, but you want your family included in our new directory.

Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from
May 31st – June 13th for
† Geri Stack
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
Christel Beyerlein
Mary Bresolin
Deb Cooke
Kathleen Van Ella
Carol Flatley
Gail Gagnon
Rosalie Geraci
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Trudy Krieger
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Norma Moretti
Kevin Murray
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Carol Sasse
Debbie Schaff
Dorothy Scichowski
David Thomas
Mark Vallango
Grace Wesinger
Fred Zahn

The individuals who are on our prayers list will continue to be on our prayer list for six months.

If you or a loved one wish to continue to be on the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office during regular business hours.
815-675-2288

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**.

Live the Liturgy - Inspiration of the Week

The starving Israelites found their physical salvation in manna, "a food unknown to your fathers." We find our spiritual salvation in the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, a food unknown to too many souls. Blessed are we to partake of the Bread of Life.

Website: StPeterCatholicChurch.org

Email: SaintPetersChurch@gmail.com

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

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

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, June 7th - Corpus Christi

• **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**

• Rummage Sale Collection - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Monday, June 8th - Parish Office Closed

• Rummage Sale Collection - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Tuesday, June 9th

• Rummage Sale Collection - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Wednesday, June 10th

• **NO** - Rummage Sale Collection

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

Thursday, June 11th

• Rummage Sale - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

• Choir Rehearsal - 6:00 pm

Friday, June 12th - Parish Office Closed

• Rummage Sale - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday, June 13th

• Rummage Sale - 8:00 am - 11:00 am

Sunday, June 14th - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

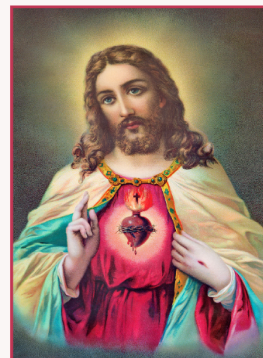
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• Sausage Soiree/Sausage Making - Parish Hall - 12:00 pm

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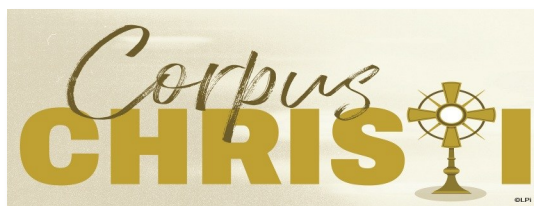
SACRED HEART

The family, the domestic Church, has been called the first "school of love" because the family is where we as children learn what it means to love. Love in our families must have at its foundation God's divine love, shown in the perfection of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, devotion to which, according to Pope Pius XII, is the most effective school of love of God for "individuals, families, and nations" (Haurietis Aquas, 123). In June the U.S. bishops will consecrate the USA to Jesus' Sacred Heart. The Church encourages you to consecrate yourself and your family to the Sacred Heart. The Sacred Heart shows us how passionately and personally God loves us. Jesus teaches us how to selflessly respond to this love. Resources are at www.usccb.org/weholdthesetruths.



Diocese of Rockford's
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PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS - Fr. Burt 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 Fr. Burt 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 Fr. Burt 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 Fr. Burt.

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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