

## Sunday, July 7, 2024 Fourteenth 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

<u>Tuesday - Friday</u>: 8:00 a.m. <u>Saturday</u>: 4:00 p.m. <u>Sunday</u>: 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. *(10:00 a.m. Mass livestreamed)* <u>Reconciliation</u> <u>Saturday</u>: 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. <u>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</u> Saturday: 5:00 p.m. - Sunday 7:45 a.m.

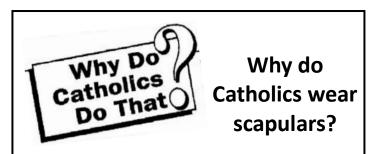


## We extend a warm welcome to Bernadette Rowe And we're glad she registered!

Registering is actually quite easy. You may simply call the Parish Office during regular business hours, or visit our parish website. After that, its just a matter



of keeping every Sunday holy by coming to Mass and participating in the life of our community!



Catholics wear scapulars as a sign of their devotion to Mary and their commitment to a Christian life. The scapular, particularly the Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, symbolizes Mary's protection and promises Spiritual benefits to the wearer. Tradition holds that those who wear it faithfully will receive Mary's special protection and will not suffer eternal damnation. It serves as a daily reminder to live virtuously and is often associated with Spiritual affiliation to religious orders like the Carmelites.

### Our brother in Christ Ted Trzaskowski,

saw his loving and merciful heavenly Father on June 28th.

In charity, pray for his eternal peace and for the consolation of his children, Debra and David.



Eternal rest grant unto **Ted**, 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*.

## OCIA... a Journey in faith

Do you attend St. Peter's Church regularly and want to know more about our beautiful faith? Do you want to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation? Maybe you have a friend who was baptized in another denomination but told you they are interested in learning about Catholicism. If so, maybe God is calling you, or them, to participate in this year's OCIA. The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is an amazing process for grown-ups, and no matter where you are on your own spiritual journey, you will feel welcome and comfortable! Give the idea some prayerful thought and if you would like more information, just call either Paul or Karyn at 847-337-5043.

## Live the Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

When Jesus taught in the synagogue of His native place, He didn't fit the image of the Messiah the people expected. They dismissed Him. Let's learn from their example and remember that God often comes to us in forms that are surprising – even challenging.

## Got Faith?

Faith is not about what you see with your eyes. Faith is about what you see with your heart. *"Unless you people see signs and wonders, you will not believe"* (John 4:48).



## **Gospel Meditation** Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Recently I watched a bunch of YouTube videos on how to optimize willpower in the face of weakness. The message was: do not accept your weakness. Crush it. Dominate it. In one video, however, at the end of a rant by a willpower coach, the muscular stoic admitted, "You'll never actually get what you want, no matter how hard you try." Amazingly, he admitted that willpower alone is not sufficient for us weak-willed humans.

What does God want us to do with our weaknesses, if crushing them with willpower won't work? For example, what should I do with my tendency to arrogance and self-isolation? Or my procrastination? Or my intellectual and physical limitations? Or my selfishness?

The counter-intuitive answer is clear in this week's words from St. Paul, *"I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses in order that the power of Christ may dwell in me"* (2 Cor. 12:9). Boast of our weaknesses? Paul isn't promoting weakmindedness or laziness. Rather, he perceives that Jesus loves us not despite our weaknesses but because of them. Boasting of our weakness means claiming human will is not all we have. It means turning to God whenever we feel weak, which let's face it—is almost all the time. When we do, we learn to love our weaknesses, because it's there that we meet the strength of Christ. This week, I challenge us to find ways to boast not in willpower but in weakness.

~ Father John Muir ~

cently, Tyler Sepsey approached Father Joe and told him that he was interested in doing a project for our parish, one that would help earn him Eagle rank in scouting. Earning such a prestigious rank is not easy and it was decided that a worthy project would be the rebuilding of our cemetery altar and reinstalling our crucifix. Tyler had his work cut out! He also decided to use a creative idea of Mother Angelica, and mix our broken or unused religious articles in the altar's foundation. Thus, the "Bury Box" was created!

The Bury Box will remain in St. Peter's sanctuary until the end of July. Throughout this month, you may place, in the box, any blessed or broken religious articles that are no longer useable. Then, in August, all those items will be mixed with the concrete to be poured for foundation of the new cemetery altar & crucifix!

One whole month is plenty of time for us to do this! The Bury Box will be removed on July 31<sup>st</sup> and that will be your last opportunity to deposit your articles. Of course, you can still properly dispose of them by burying them in your own backyard.

## SILVER & GOLD

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you and your spouse celebrating a special milestone anniversary in 2024? Couples celebrating the milestone wedding anniversaries of 25, 50, 55, 60, 65, and 70 or more years of marriage in 2024 are invited to a special Mass in their honor at **St. Mary Parish in Huntley, IL on Sunday, August 18 at 2:30 p.m.** celebrated by Bishop David J. Malloy. A reception with celebration cake will immediately follow.

The Life & Family Evangelization Office welcomes your registration by phone 815-399-4300 or online at *www.rockforddiocese.org/anniversary* by August 2. Commemorative certificates to mark this special occasion will be available for those who pre-register for this event.

# CATHOLIC

#### A Prophet and His Native Place

"A prophet is not without honor except in his native place." It could be the slogan of high school reunions everywhere.

I speak from experience — I didn't go to my high school reunion, but I do live in the same area in which I grew up. Ghosts from the past lurk in every grocery aisle and gas station. Former classmates fill my prescriptions at the pharmacy. I am always sure to see an old teacher or two at the Fourth of July parade.

If my teenage self knew that this was her future, she would be horrified. She wanted to grow up and move away, not because she didn't like living in this town, but because she wanted to reinvent herself. And you can't reinvent yourself in your native place. In your hometown, you'll always be exactly what you are — no more, no less.

The same was true for Jesus, who was probably the only person actually worthy of admiration at his high school reunion. When he returned to his native place, he was what he had always been — God and man, Messiah, miracle-worker. This is not something he became, it was always within him.

But the people of Nazareth cannot accept it. Why?

Well, probably for the same reason that I wanted to reinvent myself when I was 16. We don't often see anything worth venerating in the "right now" of our lives. We think happiness is a promotion or a pay bump away. We think we'll finally be holy when we find the time to take that silent retreat. We think we will be beautiful when we lose ten pounds.

The Nazarenes lived with God right under their noses, and they didn't realize it. So, when he came in all his greatness, the dissonance was too much to bear, and they rejected him. They didn't want that God — the one they had dismissed or overlooked or ignored. They wanted a different one. A shinier one. One that didn't look like the "right now" of their lives.

But that's where God is, folks. He's in the right now, and nowhere else. He's waiting there for you, with all the happiness, holiness, and beauty your life needs.

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." — Mark 6:4

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS OFFERED



Every Saturday from 3:00 until 3:45 p.m. Or call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment!



The Mass

For

#### **14TH 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	†	Helen Koutnik
Sun	8 am (1)	†	John & Betty Rygiel
	(2)	†	Francis Kattner
	10 am	†	Adelina Bendiola
Tues	8 am	†	Anne Popowski
Wed	8 am	†	John Popelka
Thur	8 am	†	Veronica Pearson
Fri	8 am	†	Lincoln Samelson

#### **15th 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	†	Mike Frer
Sun	8 am (1)	†	Joe Cavey
	(2)	†	Bill Scichowski
	10 am	†	Robert & Marian Riordan

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WOULD YOU RECONSIDER IF I TOLD YOU THAT IT WAS A "DRY HEAT"?

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers			
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME						
<b>Saturday</b> <b>7/6</b> 4:00 pm	Nettie Toms	Kathie Toms	Rich Wirch Denise Wahls			
<b>Sunday</b> 7/7 8:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim	Larry Hauser Sean Gosselin			
10:00 am	Joanne Prato	Deacon Mark Carol Magnine <i>(Choir)</i>	John Ellicson Tom Straley			

#### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

<b>Saturday</b> <b>7/13</b> 4:00 pm	Peggy Mack	Deacon Mark	Chad Franckowiak George Gemberling
Sunday 7/14 8:00 am	Bill Ledger	DeAnne Besetzny	Dennis Wehrheim Jeff Miller
10:00 am	Jacqui Wold	Mike Rygiel Carol Rygiel <i>(Choir)</i>	Mike Gordon Rich Yager

## **Homebound Ministers**

July 7<sup>th</sup> - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Deacon Mark, Steve Besetzny, Georgene Keim & Mary Seil July 14<sup>th</sup> - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Maria Sullivan, Bev Schmitt, Peggy Neuman & Thomas Gough

## A Vacation is No Vacation without Mass

Does your Summer vacation sometimes include taking a vacation from Mass? Finding a Mass when you are away from home, or fitting it into a Summer schedule can mean making special efforts. Here are four reasons to fit Mass into your Summer routine:

Wherever Mass is said anywhere in the world, millions of people you don't know are praying for you and with you. Where else can you get that kind of help?

Attending Mass connects you to the Communion of Saints—the saints in heaven, the souls in purgatory and believers on earth. That's powerful company.

After Jesus ascended to Heaven, His followers formed the early Church to keep His message alive. Every time you attend Mass, you help to keep Jesus' message alive.

God commanded us to keep holy the Sabbath, and Mass is the way a Catholic fulfills that requirement. If God tells you to do something, it's a good idea to do it.

> Note: to find a Church or Mass time anywhere in the country, see *masstimes.org*



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from June 30<sup>th</sup> through July 13<sup>th</sup> for **† Robert & Marian Riordan** 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 Boettier Parker Bolton Elaine Brandstetter Debra Cooke Jim Crane Phyllis Ehlers Deacon Eugene Damian Sandy Devine Robert Fenrich Carol Flatley Glenn Geske Ryan Gough Sharon Gough Anthony Hodnik Patricia Hodnik **Brian Hoskins** Charlie Hyde Edward Johnson Diana Kattner

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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.

BLOOD OF CHRIST, EUCHARISTIC DRINK & REFRESHMENT OF SOULS, *save us*.



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## PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup> – 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am
Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> - Parish Officed Closed
Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>
K of C Business Meeting - Parish Hall - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>

- Spiritual Warfare Rosary Church 6:00 pm Thursday, July 11<sup>th</sup>
- Prayers & Squares Parish Hall 1:30 pm
- Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm

Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup> - Parish Officed Closed Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all night until 7:45 am
- Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup> *15th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
- Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7:45 am

A farmer was driving his horse and wagon to town for a load of grain when he had a head on collision with an automobile. He was lying there seriously injured. Soon afterward came the usual



legal procedures with the insurance company. When he was in court, he took the stand and a lawyer said to him, "While you were lying there at the scene of the accident, didn't someone come up to you and ask how you were feeling? And didn't you answer by saying that you 'never felt better in your life?' What were the circumstances when you answered as to how you felt?"

"Well, as I was lying there, a car drove up and a deputy sheriff got out. My horse was writhing in pain and kicking with two broken legs. The deputy sheriff put the gun in his ear and put the horse out of its' misery." He said, "My dog had a broken back and was whining, and he went over and did the same thing and shot him. And then came over to me and asked, "And how are you feeling?"





## **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

#### Knights' Corner WE ARE ALL CALLED TO SERVE

**Knights of Columbus** Business Meeting - Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup> Parish Hall - 7:00 pm





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