



# St. Peter's Church

OF SPRING GROVE, IL



Sunday, September 8, 2024  
Twenty-Third 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.



**Next weekend, September 14<sup>th</sup> and September 15<sup>th</sup>  
The Helping Hands Food Pantry truck will be parked  
in front of the St. Peter's before and after all the  
Masses to receive your generous donations.**

**If you would like to purchase additional items.**

The items listed below would be greatly accepted:

- |                                 |                                      |                                   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Chili                           | Canned Corn                          | Cans of Spaghetti Sauce with meat |
| Rice-A-Roni                     | Flour (small bags)                   | Hamburger Helper (all kinds)      |
| Boxes of Mac & Cheese           | Baked Beans                          | Ramen Noodles                     |
| Beef or Chicken Broth           | Crackers for Soup or Cheese          | Salad Dressings (all types)       |
| Peanut Butter (reg. sized jars) | Sugar (small bags)                   | Apple Juice in Bottles            |
| Small Jars of Jelly             | Pecans or Walnuts                    | Spaghetti                         |
| Instant Rice                    | Beef Stew in Cans (like Dinty Moore) | Cans of Tomatoes - diced          |
| Canned Carrots                  | Canned Soups w/meat & vegetables     | Cans of Tuna                      |
| Canned Green Beans              | Apple Sauce                          | Fruit Snacks                      |

***All food items will be gratefully accepted, but we kindly ask that no expired foods be donated.***

Monetary donation will also be accepted to help purchase meat and produce.

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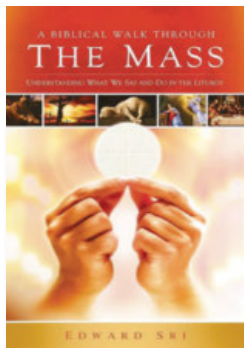
**Deacon Mark's heart surgery has  
been scheduled for September 9th.**

Our cards, notes and good wishes will  
certainly help him recover faster!  
Let him know he is in our thoughts  
and prayers, and mail them to:

**Deacon Mark Raz  
1163 Draper Rd.  
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**BIBLE STUDY IS RETURNING**  
every Tuesday morning,  
from Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> through Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>  
in the parish Hall from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.



Classes will focus on a biblical study of the Mass, which is nothing short of amazing because we intimately encounter God as we listen to His Word proclaimed and receive His Body, Blood, Soul & Divinity in the Eucharist. Through vibrant discussion and videos, you will discover the biblical origin of the words, gestures and ritual of the Mass. Join us and learn what it all means and why it matters, and expect to renew your faith and deepen your love for the Holy Eucharist!

**Register Early by calling the Parish Office ASAP**

**Marion Finkler**

was received into the arms  
of her Lord on  
**Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

We pray for her eternal rest and the consolation of her dear sister, Lois, and the loved ones she leaves behind.



Eternal rest grant unto **Marion**, 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.*

## Sacristans Needed

Being a sacristan is an important way to serve our community and an active way to participate in Mass. Are you willing and able to help? The starting point for all sacristans is a deep love for the Eucharist. Under the direction of the pastor, the sacristan prepares everything needed for Mass and other liturgies.

### Specific duties include:

- Readying the wine, water and bread and putting them in place before the start of your scheduled Mass.
- Arrange the Missal and the Lectionary.
- Help ensure the priest that all liturgical positions are filled for the Mass.
- After Mass, make sure that all sacred vessels are purified before setting them back in their proper place.



### Requirements:

- Have a spiritual disposition of humility, hospitality, gratitude and reverence.
- Be willing to come to church a minimum of 30 minutes before your assigned Mass, and to stay after about the same length of time to complete your duties. Be able to allow a longer time if the set-up is for a special liturgy such as Christmas, the Triduum and Easter.
- Arrive spiritually prepared by praying beforehand.
- Sacristans should not be expected to serve more than one Mass per weekend. Unfortunately, when a sacristan is out-of-town or feeling sick, our current number of sacristans does not allow for that to happen. Your "yes" would be greatly appreciated!
- Be open to preparing for special liturgies such as July 4<sup>th</sup>, Thanksgiving, Confirmation or First Communion.

**Should you need more information or have any questions, please call Father Joe at 815-675-2288 ext. 201. He would love to hear from you!**

## (Practicing) Catholic Be Opened

There are several moments throughout the calendar year when we are tricked into thinking we can reinvent ourselves.

One of them is New Year's Day. The barista at my coffee shop told me that they sell more decaf coffee in January than in the entirety of the remaining year, because everyone is swearing off caffeine. By February, she said, the trend subsides: folks have realized they're not actually superheroes just because the last digit of the year has increased by one.

The beginning of a new school year is another of those moments. Every pencil is freshly sharpened, and every lesson plan is painstakingly plotted. Our heads are full of what we plan to do this year, how we plan to do it, who we plan to become.

But by May, the wind is out of our sails. We've learned the concepts, we've used up the pencils, yes—but we've remembered that underneath it all we're basically the same people, with the same shortcomings and the same obstacles as we always were. The only difference in September was we had new planners.

The truth is that we cannot reinvent ourselves. We can't change ourselves at all, not on New Year's Day or the first day of school or on our 40th birthday or after quitting a bad habit. We are what we are: blind in some ways, deaf in others, crippled in still more, moving through life with uncertainty, stumbling in the dark.

People don't change. Not without miracles.

But being a Christian means believing in miracles and being ready for them at any moment—in January or in September, in the middle of a hopeless week or at the end of a bad day, when you feel strong and when you don't, when you want to be better and when you feel too tired to try.

No, we can't change ourselves, but we can be changed. There is one who can change us if we will let him. He is waiting—now, tomorrow, yesterday, next week. The time is always right for a miracle.

"He puts his finger into the man's ears... and said to him, 'Ephphatha!' – that is, 'Be opened!', and immediately the man's ears were opened..."

Mark 7:34-35

~Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman~

The Mass			For
<b>23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
<b>Sat</b>	4 pm	†	John Popelka
<b>Sun</b>	8 am	†	The Deceased Poor
	10 am	†	Ann DeSantis Kattner
<b>Tues</b>	8 am	†	Anne Claire Gemberling
<b>Wed</b>	8 am	†	Edward Umbricht
<b>Thur</b>	8 am	†	Maggie Arseneau
<b>Fri</b>	8 am	†	Richard & Marcella Marsh
<b>24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
<b>Sat</b>	4 pm	†	Mark Mucek
<b>Sun</b>	8 am	†	Joe Carey
	10 am	†	Deceased Members of the Joseph Kilbane Family



Last Sunday, Brian & Johnelle Wrightson had their beautiful children, Joelle and Jian, baptized. Our warm congratulations to all the Wrightsons!

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
<b>TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>			
<b>Saturday 9/7</b> 4:00 pm	Jerry Bodden	Heather Justen	Chad Franckowiak Denise Wahls
<b>Sunday 9/8</b> 8:00 am	Cyndee Wehrheim	Dennis Wehrheim	David Smid Larry Hauser
10:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Mike Gullifor Sharon Ellicson <i>(Choir)</i>	Rich Yager Ron Hlavin
<b>TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>			
<b>Saturday 9/14</b> 4:00 pm	Nettie Toms	Kathie Toms	Gary Miller Rich Wirch
<b>Sunday 9/15</b> 8:00 am	Bill Ledger	Eddie Wells	Sean Gosselin Tom Fanella
10:00 am	Joanne Prato	Jean Hlavin Marge Ladner <i>(Choir)</i>	Chad Franckowiak John Ellicson
<b>Homebound Ministers</b>			
<b>September 8<sup>th</sup> - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>			
Maria Sullivan, Mary Seil, Thomas Gough & Paul Serio			
<b>September 15<sup>th</sup> - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>			
Georgene Keim, Nancy Piggot, Don Piggot & Eddie Wells			

**One of the following biblical quotes will be painted above the glass doors in our Church's vestibule.**

Either one would serve as a beautiful greeting! Which one do you prefer? **Call Fr. Joe, send an email, or write either letter on your Church envelope.**

A. "How awesome this place is! This is nothing else but the house of God, the gateway to heaven!" (Gn. 28:17)

B. "May you be blessed in your coming in, and blessed in your going out!" (Dt. 28:6)



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from September 8<sup>th</sup> through September 21<sup>st</sup> for

**† Steven Michael Umbricht**

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:*

Deanna Adducci  
Gina Adducci  
Marguerite Baranov  
Debra Cooke  
Phyllis Ehlers  
Deacon Eugene Damian  
Sandy Devine  
Robert Fenrich  
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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](http://StPeterCatholicChurch.org) and after clicking where it reads CONTACT US, simply follow the directions under PRAYER REQUEST.

### Live the Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Be opened!" said Christ two thousand years ago, as He placed His finger in the ear of the deaf man. "Be opened!" He says to us today, laying His hand upon our hearts. May we always accept Christ's invitation to become a new creation.

**Website:** StPeterCatholicChurch.org  
**Email:** SaintPetersChurch@gmail.com  
**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  
**Deacon:** Mr. Mark Raz

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**PARISH CALENDAR**

- Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
- Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup> - Parish Officed Closed**
- Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**
- **K of C Business Meeting - Parish Hall - 7:00 pm**
- Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**
- **Spiritual Warfare Rosary - Church - 6:00 pm**
- Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**
- **Prayers & Squares - 1:30 pm - Parish Hall**
  - **Choir Rehearsal - 6:00 pm**
- Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> - Parish Officed Closed**
- Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>**
- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all night until 7:45 am**
  - **Helping Hands Food Pantry Collection - in Front of the Church**
- Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
  - **Helping Hands Food Pantry Collection - in Front of the Church**
  - **SVdP Meeting - After the 10:00 am Mass - Parish Hall**

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**Local contact:**  
 Mary Papke 224-239-3516.  
[woodstock40daysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:woodstock40daysforlife@gmail.com)

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## 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.

**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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