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~ Juliaan De Vriendt ~ Suffer the Little Children Come to Me ~ (1923)

“Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.” ~ Mark 9:37 ~

Sunday, September 22, 2024 Twenty-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

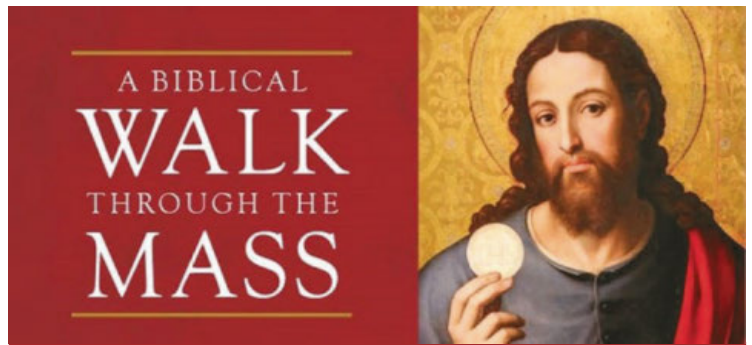
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. - Sunday 7:45 a.m.

All of us are encouraged to raise the following prayer each day through the November 5th election. Our nation needs divine help and the special intercession of our Mother can be powerful if we pray from our hearts. Cut along the dotted line, and keep it in a place where you won't forget to pray it every day.

CONSECRATION OF THE ELECTION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Mary Immaculate, living tabernacle of the Divinity, where the eternal Wisdom lies hidden to be adored and served by angels and men, Queen of heaven and of earth, beneath whose sway are subject all things that are lower than God, Patroness of the United States of America, sorrowful and mindful of our own sinfulness and the sins of our nation, we come to thee, our refuge and hope. Knowing that our country cannot be saved by our own works and mindful of how much our nation has departed from the ways of your Son, we humbly ask that you would turn your eyes upon our country to bring about its conversion.

We consecrate to you the integrity of the upcoming election and its outcome, so that what is spiritually and morally best for the citizens of our country may be accomplished, and that all of those who are elected would govern according to the spiritual and moral principles which will bring our nation into conformity with the teachings of your Son. Give grace to the citizens of this land so that they will choose leaders according to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, that His glory may be made manifest, lest we be given the leaders we deserve. Trusting in the providential care of God the Father and your maternal care, we have perfect confidence that you will take care of us and will not leave us forsaken. O Mary Immaculate, pray for us. Amen



The Mass is nothing short of amazing because through it, believers encounter God in the most intimate way possible! We hear Him speak to us in the Liturgy of the Word and we receive His very Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Eucharist!

All the words, the gestures and the rituals of the Mass are rich in meaning, and everything we say and do in the Liturgy is steeped in biblical language. Our next adult Bible Study will address all of this! Through vibrant discussions and beautiful video, you will learn what it all means and why it matters! It all starts:

**Every Tuesday morning
from October 1st through the 29th
in the Parish Hall from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.**

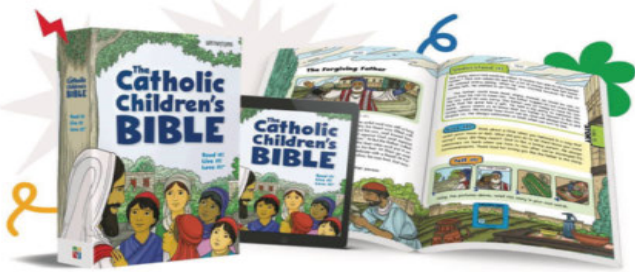
St. Peter's will pay half of the participant's cost which is only \$14. If you would like more information or to register for the study, please call the Parish Office at 815-675-2288.

***Join us to renew your faith and deepen your love
and devotion to the Holy Eucharist!***

Congratulations, Jeannie Rygiel!



Last Sunday, September 15th, Jeannie Rygiel received the 2024 Woman of Inspiration Award from Bishop David Malloy! We congratulate Jeannie and thank God for the blessing she is to our community!



Family Bible Boot Camp Starts October 6th Parish Hall

Basic Bible Boot Camp – Session 1

A Three month program to assist parents on how to read, explain and navigate the Bible. We will be using the Faith Formation Children's Bible by St. Mary's Press. Parents can order their own copies through Amazon but we will be supplying Bibles for in-house use.

Who can attend: All parents and grandparents who want to enrich their children's experience and knowledge of the Catholic Bible. The class will consist of adults and children 5th grade and up. Smaller children will attend a supervised class with hands on Bible and related projects. Light snacks will be provided for adults and children.

**Start time will be: 8:30 to 8:45 am
for fellowship with light snacks.**

8:45 to 9:25 class (small break)

**9:30 to 9:45 conclusion gathering
of adults with children**

The participants for the first session will meet the first Sunday of the month, starting Oct. 6th, Nov. 3rd and Dec. 1st

Basic Bible Boot Camp – Session 2

This group will meet the first of the month starting Jan 5th, Feb. 2nd, Mar. 2nd, Apr. 6th. This will be a specific study. How the New Testament is a fulfillment of the Old Testament.

The cost of the program will be \$70 for the whole family for both sessions.

For more information please call Patti Mueller at 224-229-2375 or email diosviacon@aol.com.

Moved, Married or Had a Baby? New Phone Number? New Email?

We are happy to update your parish record with any recent life changes!

Just call the Parish Office at (815) 675-2288.

**PLEASE JOIN US ON
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH AT 2:30 PM**



FOR OUR THIRD ANNUAL PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY RALLY FOR PEACE

**IT WILL BE HELD IN FRONT
OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA SHRINE.**

PLEASE BRING A LAWN CHAIR.

4:00 PM MASS FOLLOWS THE ROSARY!



St. Peter's is proud to present The Chosen – There are 4 seasons, however, being that seasons 1 and 2 are available online, **we will be showing seasons 3 and 4 in our Parish Hall beginning on Thursdays starting October 3rd at 6:30 p.m.** We will be showing 2 episodes per evening and if you'd like to bring a more comfortable chair to the Parish Hall (*i.e. a rocking lawn chair*) you are more than welcome. We will show season 3 in October and then season 4 in February 2025. Season 5 is expected to be released during Lent in 2025. If you have any questions, you may reach out to either Kathy Rietschel at 847-682-5620 or Nettie Toms at 847-308-0628. We hope to see you there – we know you will glean so much from this series and become just as passionate as are we!

(Practicing) Catholic

Bearing Witness

I am fascinated by minor Gospel characters. These people—the rich young man, the adulterous woman, the teachers at the temple—share the stage with Jesus only briefly. They bear passing but powerful witness to crucial moments of His earthly ministry. They breathe the air He breathes. They hear the sound of His voice. Some of them feel the touch of His skin.

And then they go on with their lives and disappear into obscurity. They become just another one of us.

I think of the child who sat in Jesus' lap while He said those famous words: *"Whoever receives one child such as this in My name, receives Me; and whoever receives Me, receives not Me but the One who sent Me."*

What did the boy think? Did he understand the words, or did he only know that they were gently spoken? Did he only think to himself how kind was the face of this man, and how consoling and warm his embrace?

I picture this child growing up. Perhaps he married and loved his wife and children. Perhaps he was happy, or perhaps he was not. Perhaps he became wealthy or was even wealthy to begin with. Perhaps he, like so many other children of that era, had only a very short life, and returned quickly to the arms that enveloped him that day in Capernaum.

We don't know. But we know he was there: he saw Christ, he felt Him, he heard Him. We sigh to think of it. *How lucky. If only we could, too. Then it would be easier. Then we could be holy.*

But we are all this child in Capernaum. We are all the woman at the well. We are all the centurion at the cross. Every time we kneel before the Host and hear the words **"This is My Body,"** we occupy the same earthly time and space as the Messiah, and He fixes upon us the same gaze He fixed upon them.

We all bear witness.

We receive Him, and then we go back to our lives, our ordinary lives.

Do we carry Him with us? Do we dare?

"I will praise Your name, O Lord, for its goodness."

Psalms 54:6

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ~

The Mass			For
25TH 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	†	Dennis Chudd
Sun	8 am	†	Edward Holstrom
	10 am	†	Steven Michael Umbricht
Tues	8 am		The Church, The Pope, The U.S. and The Society of SVdP
Wed	8 am	†	Steven Booker
Thur	8 am		Witek Family
Fri	8 am	†	Eduardo Taala
26TH 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	†	Deceased Members of St. Peter's Parish
	10 am	†	Kristin Popelka



Faith Formation Taffy Apple Sale

Weekend of September 28th and 29th
After all Masses!


\$3.00 per apple!

Choose either sprinkled, nuts or plain.
All proceeds will go toward purchasing **MagnifiKid Children's Missals.**

Helping Hands Food Pantry and all of our dedicated volunteers are very grateful to Father. Joe and all who participated in the food drive at St. Peter's Church this past weekend. You filled our truck! Many made financial contributions! God Bless you all for your support, generosity, and caring for the needy in our community.



Your donations will help so many people!

Thank you. 

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 9/21 4:00 pm	Tom Straley	Susan Straley	Deb Christian Chad Franckowiak
Sunday 9/22 8:00 am	Ardie Arnold	Nancy Piggot	Dennis Wehrheim Paul Leali
10:00 am	Peggy Mack	Mike Rygiel Carol Rygiel (Choir)	Mike Gordon Dave & Kathlene Harms
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
Saturday 9/28 4:00 pm	Jeffy Kelley	Mary Seil	Phill Webb Denise Wahls
Sunday 9/29 8:00 am	Karyn Leali	Paul Leali	Tom Fanella Vince Desecki
10:00 am	Stan Tinsley	Sharon Ellicson Mike Gullifor (Choir)	Rich Yager Tom Straley
Homebound Ministers			
September 22nd - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Julia Francis, Bev Schmitt, Mary Seil & Paul Serio			
September 29th - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Julia Francis, Maria Sullivan, Peggy Neuman & Steve Besetzny			

Why Vote Pro-Life

By Rev. T.G. Morrow

"You wouldn't vote for a pro-abortion 'rights' candidate, would you?"

"Well, that's not the only issue."

"No, it's not, but can you think of an issue, even ten issues, that are anywhere near as serious as the killing of a million innocent babies in the womb each year?"

"How about a war?"

"What war would kill one million innocents a year?"

"Well, what about the economy..."

"You think money issues could out weigh the crime of killing so many babies?"

"Well, what about..." The attempts go on and on.

It boggles the mind. It seems that any number of people who have seen themselves as pro-life have fallen for some of these specious arguments for voting for an abortion "rights" candidate. It's difficult not to suspect that many of these arguments have been invented by the abortion "rights" camp.

In the following weeks bulletins will be an attempt to analyze and debunk these faulty points of view.



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from
September 22nd through October 5th
for

† Scholle - Sompel Families

*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:*

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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.**

Live the Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The apostles argue, each one claiming to be the greatest of Christ's followers. But Christ shows them who is truly the greatest—a child, one who has no thought of his own importance, one who has no ambition. **Let's seek to be like that child.**

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PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, September 22nd – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
- **OCIA - Breakfast & Fellowship - Right After 8:00 am Mass**

Monday, September 23rd - Parish Officed Closed

Tuesday, September 24th

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

Wednesday, September 25th

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

Thursday, September 26th

- **Choir Rehearsal - 6:00 pm**

Friday, September 27th - Parish Officed Closed

Saturday, September 28th

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

Sunday, September 29th – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

MISTAKES CAN BE BLESSINGS

Do you dread making mistakes and feel remorse when you do? Instead, realize that mistakes are simply outcomes we didn't expect and can lead to growth.

START BY ADMITTING YOUR MISTAKE.

You can only learn from a mistake if you admit you made one. Acknowledging the error takes the focus away from assigning blame and moves it toward understanding a future course of action.



ENLIST HELP.

Talking to someone else about what happened gives you the benefit of another's experience. He or she may have made a similar mistake or know of a solid solution. Plus, describing the event forces you to think it through and may even help you see opportunities you didn't know were there.

DECIDE ON CHANGE.

Ask, "What will I do better next time?" Real growth and change happen when you see possibilities for improvement.

BENEFIT FROM MISTAKES.

If you can learn from the current error, you may be able to avoid a future one. Remember, God is the only one you know who doesn't make mistakes.



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
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