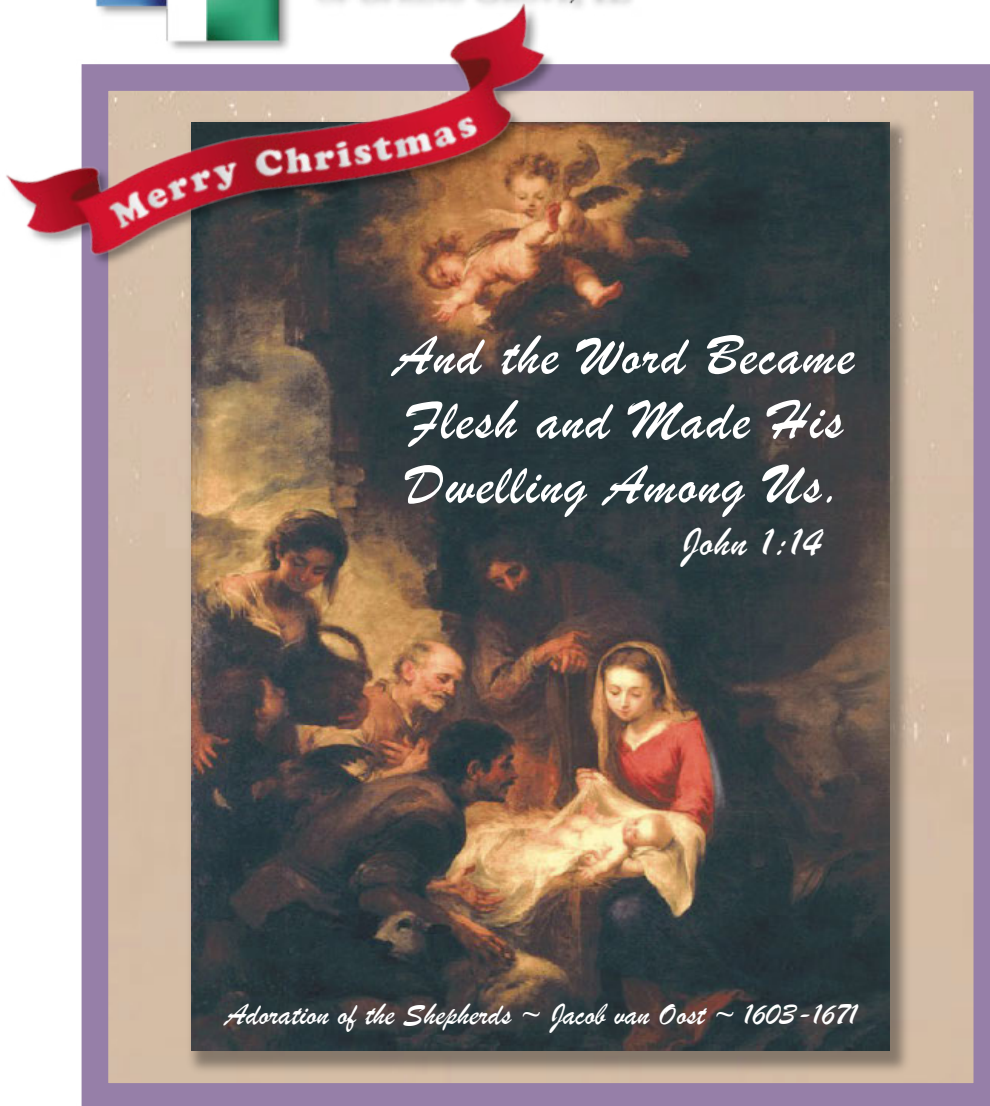




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Sunday, December 22, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Advent

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.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

TUESDAY, DEC. 24TH AT 4:00 PM & 10:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 25TH AT 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

“Emmanuel”
(God With Us!)



NEW YEAR'S EVE & DAY

SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST - 4:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1ST - 9:00 AM



Parish Office Holiday Hours

Monday, December 23: the office will be open from 8:30am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

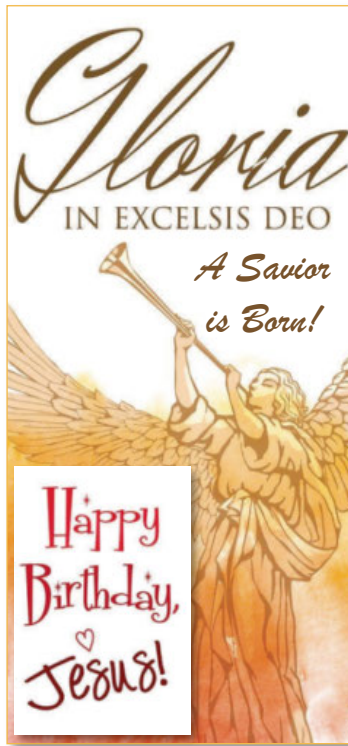
December 24 - 27 the office will be closed.

Monday, December 30: the office will be open from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

December 31 - January 3: the office will be closed.



“A holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament is worth more than a thousand years of human glory.” ~ St. Padre Pio ~



Meet Logan Faifer! Logan is our newest parishioner and was just baptized last Sunday! He is pictured with his proud parents, Katie & Adam.

Best wishes and congratulations to the Faifer family!



With only days before Christmas, it's unfortunate that we need to bring this news to your attention now, but should we wait until after the holy days, it will be too late! On Feb. 9, 2024, State senator Linda Holmes, introduced legislation to legalize physician assisted suicide into the Illinois General Assembly as

Senate Bill 3499, “End-of-Life Options for Terminally Ill Patients Act.” The Catholic Conference of Illinois expects that the IL State Senate will try to pass SB 3499 to legalize assisted suicide during the Lame Duck session that runs Jan. 2-7, 2025. What a sad start to a new year! **We have no time to lose!**

Please contact your state senator and representative and tell them you are opposed to Senate Bill 3499!

In keeping with our faith traditions, legalizing assisted suicide goes against everything Jesus taught about the sanctity and dignity of human life. It undermines the value of each human person, particularly those who are vulnerable.

Laws permitting assisted suicide pose significant risks to the poor, marginalized, and disabled, who may face pressure to end their lives rather than receive the care and compassion they need and deserve. There are documented cases from states where assisted suicide has been legalized, where individuals with rare or life-threatening conditions were denied necessary medical treatment and were instead offered life-ending prescriptions.

Illinois doesn't need to legalize assisted suicide! What we truly need is increased access to quality health care, enhanced palliative care options, and loving, compassionate support services for those at the end of their life! These are the alternatives that uphold the dignity of every person.

We know how busy you are this time of year but we need everyone's help! Stand up for the Gospel of Life and contact your state senator and representative today!

(Practicing) Catholic The Heroic Moment

I once asked a wise mother how she raised her children, now all faithful adults, to value their Catholic faith.

A big part of it, she explained, was helping them get out of bed.

“We called it ‘the heroic moment,’” she told me, referring to that time in the early morning when you have to decide if you’re going to get up and face the day, or pull the covers over your head and hide.

In those hazy, half-asleep moments, most of us don’t want to make the right decision. I know I don’t. I’m not ready for the day. I’m not ready for the light. I’m not ready for the things I’m going to need to do, the person I’m going to need to be. It’s easy to hide under the covers, in the darkness and the quiet.

“**Do not be afraid,**” the angels tell the shepherds. Why is that the first thing they say? Because the night is dark, and the shepherds have grown used to the darkness. Maybe they have even been asleep. This sudden apparition, this announcement, does not just come as a surprise. It comes as a shock. Light can be painful if we’ve spent too long in the darkness.

The angels brought news of great joy. But don’t trust the thesaurus because joy is not the same as pleasure. It’s not even the same as happiness. It’s so much more. It’s so much better. But you have to choose it.

As Christians, we are called to choose joy. We are called to let in the light, to cast off the yoke, to stand up out of the darkness. We are called to face the heroic moments.

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman ~

“The wise heart turns to the right;
The foolish heart to the left.”
Ecclesiastes 10:2

Did you know.... There are three great and important Hebrew words we use at Holy Mass: **Alleluia, Hosanna, and Amen.** Do you know what they mean? *Alleluia means “Praise God.” Hosanna means “God saves.” Amen means “Yes, it is true.” or, “So be it.”*

The Mass		For	
4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	Mark Mucek
Sun	8 am	†	John & Betty Rygiel
	10 am	†	Mary Bednarz
CHRISTMAS EVE - TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD			
	4 pm	†	Deceased Members of the Kenyon & Fritz Families
	10 pm		Vallango Family
CHRISTMAS DAY - WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD			
	8 am	†	Henrietta Jarmoluk
	10 am	†	Stanley & Genevieve Stack
Thur	8 am	†	Donald Wehrheim
Fri	8 am	†	Marion Finkler
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH			
CONFESSIONS OFFERED ON SATURDAY'S, 3:00 - 3:45 P.M. ROSARY PRAYED AT 3:30 P.M.			
Sat	4 pm	†	John Popelka
Sun	8 am	†	Stephen Kramer
	10 am	†	Roza Licheniak

ADVENT

May we be in this world a ray of that light which shone forth from Bethlehem, bringing joy and peace to the hearts of all men and women.”
~ Pope Francis



Fourth Sunday of Advent

The fourth candle of Advent represents Love, the ultimate love of God that He might send His only Son for us. Called the “Angel’s Candle,” the fourth candle of Advent is lit the Sunday before Christmas, and it is the color purple, leading us to eagerly await the new Kingdom of God on earth.

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT			
Saturday 12/21 4:00 pm	Jacqui Wold	Deacon Mark	Rich Wirsch Deb Christian
Sunday 12/22 8:00 am	Bill Ledger	DeAnne Besetzny	Dennis Wehrheim Vince Desecki
10:00 am	Darien Martinez	Carol Rygiel <i>Mike Rygiel (Choir)</i>	Mike Gordon Ron Hlavin
CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL OF NATIVITY OF THE LORD			
Tuesday 12/24 4:00 pm	Nettie Toms	Deacon Mark <i>Kathie Toms (Choir)</i>	Ron Hlavin Maureen Terry
10:00 pm	Joanne Prato	Sharon Ellicson <i>Heather Justen (Choir)</i>	Rich Yager Denise Wahls John Ellicson
CHRISTMAS DAY THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD			
Wednesday 12/25 8:00 am	Karyn Leali	Paul Leali <i>DeAnne Besetzny (Choir)</i>	Mike Wyatt Larry Hauser
10:00 am	Peggy Mack	Cyndee Wehrem <i>Dennis Wehrem (Choir)</i>	Chad Franckowiak Tom Straley
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH			
Saturday 12/28 4:00 pm	Jerry Bodden	Nettie Toms	Chad Franckowiak Denise Wahls
Sunday 12/29 8:00 am	Ardie Arnold	Deacon Mark <i>Chris Chinni (Choir)</i>	Sean Gosselin Tom Fanella
10:00 am	Aimee Thomas	Mike Rygiel <i>Carol Rygiel (Choir)</i>	Stanly Tinsley John Ellicson

Homebound Ministers

December 22nd - Fourth Sunday of Advent

Georgene Keim, Peggy Neuman, Bev Schmitt & Steve Besetzny

December 29th - The Holy Family

Don Piggot, Mary Seil, Julia Francis & Paul Serio

During a recent appointment, Father Joe's doctor told him, "Don't eat anything fatty." Father Joe inquired, "Like what, pizza? Potato chips and dip? Chicago style hot dogs?" The doctor replied, "No fatty, just don't eat anything."



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns from December 15th through December 28th for

† Scholle & Sompel Family

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:

Marguerite Baranov
Debra Cooke
Phyllis Ehlers
Deacon Eugene Damian
Sandy Devine
Robert Fenrich
Carol Flatley
Gail Gagnon
Glenn Geske
Anthony Hodnik
Patricia Hodnik
Edward Johnson
Diana Kattner
Joseph Keim
Nancy Klein
Ronald Klein
Lawrence Lord
Caroline Madson
Deborah Maliszewski
Maria Maziarz

Denise Meyers
Larry Meyers
Barbara Miller
Don Miller
Norma Moretti
John Mueller
Kevin Murray
Carole Nowicki
Jim Nowicki
John Paleka
Rachel Quinn
Debbie Schaff
Jacob Shapiro
Dorothy Scichowski
Nash Scichowski
Ray Starzec
Gloria Strzelczyk
David Thomas
Mark Vallango
Fred Zahn

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.





PARISH CALENDAR

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1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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Marie Arnold (Call the Parish Office)



Sunday, December 22nd - 4th Sunday of Advent

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
- **No Faith Formation Classes**

Monday, December 23rd - Parish Office Open

VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD CHRISTMAS EVE—Mass Schedule

Tuesday, December 24th - Parish Office Closed

- 4:00 pm
- 10:00 pm

NATIVITY OF THE LORD CHRISTMAS DAY—MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 25th - Parish Office Closed

- 8:00 am
- 10:00 am
- **NO Rosary**

Thursday, December 26th - Parish Office Closed

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

Friday, December 27th - Parish Office Closed

Saturday, December 28th

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

Sunday, December 29th - The Holy Family

- **Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament - 7:45 am**
- **No Faith Formation Classes**

Father Joe recently visited Marimon Abbey in Aurora and Abbot Rippenger invited him to stay for dinner. The community was having fish and chips that evening and after dinner, Fr. Joe said that it was the best he ever tasted! Out of curiosity, he asked, "Who cooked what?" Brother Michael spoke up and said, "Well, I'm the fish friar." Then Father Joe turned to the other brother and said, "Then you must be..." "Yes," he said, "I'm the chip monk."



A Secular Christmas Song That is symbolic of our Advent:

I'll Be Home for Christmas

*"I'll be home for Christmas, You can plan on me,
Please have some snow and mistletoe, And presents
'neath the tree."*

Several Christmas songs are about wishing for a place or a person. These songs are symbolic of our Advent longing for Jesus to come as a little baby and to come again.



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

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